



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

# CHORAL EVENSONG

## ON THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 7, 2023

4:30 PM

**C**HORAL EVENSONG in this cathedral is a tiny fragment of something else: it is part of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the day and night, in every part of the world.

When you experience Evensong, it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress—a conversation between God and his people which began long before you were born and which will continue long after your death. So, do not be surprised or disturbed if there are some things which you do not understand straight away. For a brief moment, you step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered today and which will be offered to the end of time. You are one with those who worship here on earth and in heaven.

*—adapted from the Evensong bulletin of Saint Paul's Cathedral, London.*



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*To those present in the cathedral nave, and to those joining from near and far via livestream, welcome to this service of Choral Evensong. Please be aware that incense will be used. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.*

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*Please stand as you are able for the procession of choir and other ministers.*

AT THE PROCESSION Organ improvisation

## THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

PRECES *sung by the Officiant and Choir*

setting by Richard Ayleward (1626–1669)

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.  
*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.  
*Choir* O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.  
The Lord's Name be praised.

PHOS HILARON *O gladsome light ♦ sung by all, standing as able*

WORDS: Φῶς Ἰλαρόν, Greek, 3<sup>rd</sup> century  
paraphrase by Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930)  
TUNE: *Le Cantique de Siméon*, Loÿs Bourgeois (c. 1510–1559)

1. O gladsome Light, O grace of God the Fa-ther's face, the e - ter - nal splen-dor wear - ing;  
2. Now, ere day fad - eth quite, we see the eve-ning light, our wont-ed hymn out-pour - ing;  
3. To thee of right be - longs all praise of ho - ly songs, O Son of God, Life-giv - er;

ce - les - tial, ho - ly, blest, our Sa - vior Je - sus Christ, joy - ful in thine ap-pear - ing.  
Fa - ther of might un-known, thee, his in - car-nate Son, and Ho - ly Spirit a - dor - ing.  
thee, therefore, O Most High, the world doth glo - ri - fy, and shall ex - alt for ev - er.

*Please be seated.*

**PSALMODY** *Psalm 8 ♦ chanted by the Choir*

Anglican Chant by Gerald Hocken Knight (1908–1979)

*Domine, Dominus noster*

**O**LORD our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
  - 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
  - 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
  - 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?
  - 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;
  - 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:
  - 8 All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,
  - 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
  - 10 O LORD our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

# THE LESSONS

## READING

*Wisdom 7:22–8:1*

**W**ISDOM, the fashioner of all things, taught me.

There is in her a spirit that is intelligent, holy,  
unique, manifold, subtle,  
mobile, clear, unpolluted,  
distinct, invulnerable, loving the good, keen,  
irresistible, beneficent, humane,  
steadfast, sure, free from anxiety,  
all-powerful, overseeing all,  
and penetrating through all spirits  
that are intelligent, pure, and altogether subtle.

For wisdom is more mobile than any motion;  
because of her pureness she pervades and penetrates all things.  
For she is a breath of the power of God,  
and a pure emanation of the glory of the Almighty;  
therefore nothing defiled gains entrance into her.  
For she is a reflection of eternal light,  
a spotless mirror of the working of God,  
and an image of his goodness.

Although she is but one, she can do all things,  
and while remaining in herself, she renews all things;  
in every generation she passes into holy souls  
and makes them friends of God, and prophets;  
for God loves nothing so much as the person who lives with wisdom.  
She is more beautiful than the sun,  
and excels every constellation of the stars.  
Compared with the light she is found to be superior,  
for it is succeeded by the night,  
but against wisdom evil does not prevail.

**S**HE reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other,  
and she orders all things well. ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

**CANTICLE** *Luke 1:46–55 [The Song of Mary] ♦ sung by the Choir* setting by Charles V. Stanford (1852–1924)  
*Evening Service in B-flat*

*Magnificat*

**M**Y SOUL doth magnify the Lord, \*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded \*  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth \*  
all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, \*  
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him \*  
throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; \*  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \*  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, \*  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

**READING** *Matthew 7:7–14*

**J**ESUS taught his disciples, saying, “Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

“In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.

“Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.” ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

**CANTICLE** *Luke 2:29–32 [The Song of Simeon] ♦ sung by the Choir*  
*Nunc dimittis*

Stanford in B-flat

**L**ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, \*  
according to thy word;  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, \*  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \*  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



**THE APOSTLES' CREED** *chanted by all on a monotone, remaining standing as able*

*Officiant* I believe in God,

*All* **the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

# THE PRAYERS

## **SALUTATION & LESSER LITANY** *sung by the Officiant and Choir*

setting by Richard Ayleward

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *chanted by all on a monotone, standing or kneeling*

*Officiant* Our Father,

**All** who art in heaven,

**hallowed be thy Name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory,**

**for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **SUFFRAGES**

Ayleward

*Officiant* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.

*Officiant* O Lord, save the state.

*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Officiant* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Officiant* O Lord, save thy people.

*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.

*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

*Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.



**COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**A**LMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*Choir* Amen.

**A COLLECT FOR PEACE**

**M**OST holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior.

*Choir* Amen.

**A COLLECT FOR MISSION**

**K**EEP watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake.

*Choir* Amen.

*Please be seated for the anthem.*

**ANTHEM** *Abendlied* [Song at Eventide], Op. 69, No. 3

WORDS: Luke 24:29

MUSIC: Josef Rheinberger (1839–1901)

*Bleib bei uns,  
denn es will Abend werden,  
und der Tag hat sich geneiget.*

Stay with us,  
because it is almost evening  
and the day is now nearly over.

*(The words of the disciples to the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus.)*

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The Officiant offers prayers for the Church and the world.*

### A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

*Officiant* Almighty God,

*All* you have given us grace at this time

with one accord to make our common supplication to you;

and you have promised through your well-beloved Son

that when two or three are gathered together in his Name

you will be in the midst of them:

Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions

as may be best for us;

granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,

and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

### THE OFFICE HYMN *The Christ who died but rose again* ♦ *sung by all, standing as able*

WORDS: Granton Douglas Hay (b. 1943)

paraphrase of Romans 8:34–39

TUNE: *St. Magnus*, attr. Jeremiah Clarke (c. 1669–1707)

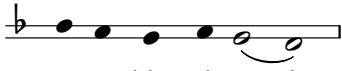
harm. William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

1. The Christ who died but rose a - gain tri - um - phant from the grave,  
2. What now can sep - a - rate us from the love of Christ our Lord?  
3. The trou - bles that are ours to bear are trials we can - not flee;  
4. Thus noth - ing in the heights or depths, no power earth can af - ford,

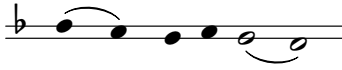
Now pleads our cause at God's right hand all pow - er - ful to save.  
Can per - se - cu - tion, na - ked - ness, or per - il, or the sword?  
Ye he who loved us from the first en - sures our vic - to - ry.  
Will sep - a - rate us from the love of Je - sus Christ our Lord.

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## DISMISSAL



*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.



*All* Thanks be to God.

## THE GRACE

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

*All* Amen.

*Please remain standing, as able, for the procession of ministers, then be seated for the rest of the Organ Voluntary.  
At its conclusion, in keeping with the prayerfulness of this evening's liturgy, please express your appreciation with a silent  
'Amen' rather than applause.*

**VOLUNTARY** *Prélude* from *Trois Pièces*, Op. 29

Gabriel Pierné



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The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason

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