

CHORAL EVENSONG

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024 4:30 PM

CHORAL 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 humankind 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



Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all Coast Salish tribes.

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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[Tune of Hymn #203 "O sons and daughters"]

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

PRELUDE

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 Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

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.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

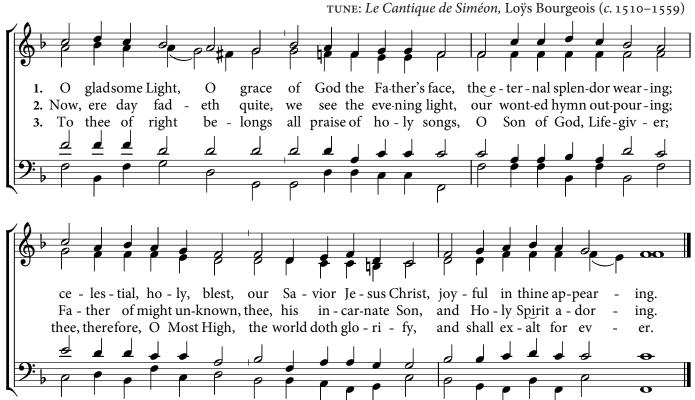
Officiant Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

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

words: Φῶς Ἰλαρόν, Greek, 3rd century

paraphrase by Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930)



Please be seated.

PSALMODY

Psalm 113 ◆ *chanted by the Choir*

Anglican Chant by Henry G. Ley (1887–1962)

Laudate, pueri

Hallelujah!
Give praise, you servants of the Lord; *
praise the Name of the Lord.

- 2 Let the Name of the LORD be blessed, * from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 From the rising of the sun to its going down * let the Name of the LORD be praised.
- 4 The LORD is high above all nations, * and his glory above the heavens.
- 5 Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high * but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
- 6 He takes up the weak out of the dust * and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
- 7 He sets them with the princes, * with the princes of his people.
- 8 He makes the woman of a childless house * to be a joyful mother of children.

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

Please remain seated.

READING

Exodus 14:5-22

When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, the minds of Pharaoh and his officials were changed toward the people, and they said, "What have we done, letting Israel leave our service?" So he had his chariot made ready, and took his army with him; he took six hundred picked chariots and all the other chariots of Egypt with officers over all of them. The LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt and he pursued the Israelites, who were going out boldly. The Egyptians pursued them, all Pharaoh's horses and chariots, his chariot drivers and his army; they overtook them camped by the sea, by Pi-hahiroth, in front of Baal-zephon.

As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the LORD. They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." But Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the LORD will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom

you see today you shall never see again. The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to keep still."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers."

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. •

Please stand as you are able.

CANTICLE

Luke 1:46–55 [The Song of Mary] ◆ sung by the Choir Magnificat

setting by Philip W.J. Stopford (b. 1977)

Belfast Evening Canticles

 ${f M}^{ ext{Y SOUL}}$ 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

John 14:1-7

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." •

Please stand as you are able.

CANTICLE

Luke 2:29–32 [*The Song of Simeon*] ◆ *sung by the Choir*

Stopford, Belfast Canticles

Nunc dimittis

LORD, 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, 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 Gerre Hancock

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 Hancock

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 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

↑ LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the A new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Choir Amen.

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

Officiant

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us your servents that 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

Officiant Treep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and Ngive 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 Sing ye to the Lord

words: Exodus 15:21, 4; and a stanza from *Ad cœnam Agni providi*, Latin hymn, 6th century, trans. Robert Campbell (1814-1868)
MUSIC: Edward C. Bairstow (1874–1946)

Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea.

Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;
Thou hast conquered in the fight;
Thou hast brought us life and light;
Now no more can death appal,
Now no more the grave enthral;
Thou hast opened Paradise,
And in thee thy Saints shall rise.

Alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

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.

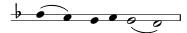


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DISMISSAL



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 you are able for the procession.

YOLUNTARY Prelude and Toccata on *Victimæ Paschali Laudes* [Tune of Hymn #183 "Christians, to the Paschal victim"]

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

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.



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