



CHORAL EVENSONG

6:00 P

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

Choral Evensong

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The Word of God

OPENING SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

Officiant Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." – *John 8:12*

Confession of Sin

(P.116)

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant



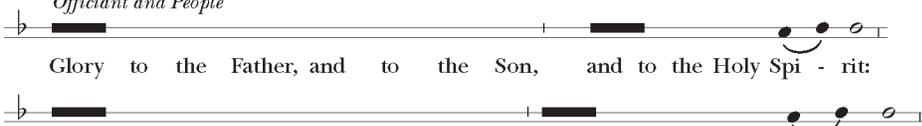
O God, make speed to save us.

People



O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Except in Lent, add:



Al - le - lu - ia.

Pre-service Music

Ricercare Cromatico
(Girolamo Frescobaldi)

Toccata per l'Elevezione

Toccata Ottava

Candlelighting

O Gracious Light (Ronald Arnatt, words adapted from *Phos Hilaron*)

Choir O Gracious Light, pure brightness of the ever living Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

The Psalter

PSALM 114

Choir 1 Hallelujah!
 When Israel came out of Egypt, *
 the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
2 Judah became God's sanctuary *
 and Israel his dominion.
3 The sea beheld it and fled; *
 Jordan turned and went back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams, *
 and the little hills like young sheep.
5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
 O Jordan, that you turned back?
6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
 you little hills like young sheep?
7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
 at the presence of the God of Jacob,
8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
 and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
 and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
 and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

Choral Evensong [4]

FIRST LESSON Exodus 14:19-31

Lector 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. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses. NRSV

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF MARY *Magnificat anima mea Dominum*

Plainsong, Mode VIII

Choir My 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.

Luke 1.46-55

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,*
and will be for ever. Amen.

Lector Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF SIMEON *Nunc Dimittis*

Plainsong, Mode VII

Choir 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.

Luke 2.29-32

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

(P. 120)

All I believe in God, 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.

We pray for those...

In need of comfort

Bill Erwin
Mark Needham
Jason Bowman
Keith Fabiasiask
Jim Denman
Bob
Felicia Retiz
Julie Harrington
Will
Jason R.
Charlotte Brady
Melissa
Jerry Walker
Lee Collins
Maria Lowry
Courtney B
Susan Sargent
Anton Caputo
Marjorie
Pete Peterson
Coleman Horton
Pat
Arcelia Avila
Leonard
Anne
Harriet Rutland
Katharine
Michael
Taylor
Baker family
Armstrong family
Brice family
Perkins family
Fainter family

Expecting the birth
of a child

Nina McAllister Brenneman
Claire Quisenberry Hawley
Lauren
Mackenzie Pinholster
Christine Mansour Alkayl
Nicole Olesh
Courtney Moreland Lippe
Lillyan Duck
Allison Sjoberg Leatherman
Courtney Patton

The Prayers

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The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

All Our Father, 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 A

The Officiant and People pray responsively:

<i>Officiant</i>	-----	V. Show us your mer - cy, O Lord;

<i>People</i>	-----	R. And grant us your salva - tion.

	-----	V. Clothe your ministers with right - eous - ness;

	-----	R. Let your people sing with joy.

	-----	V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

	-----	R. For only in you can we live in safe - ty.

	-----	V. Lord, keep this nation un - der your care;

	-----	R. And guide us in the way of jus - tice and truth.

	-----	V. Let your way be known up - on earth;

	-----	R. Your saving health among all na - tions.

	-----	V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot - ten;

	-----	R. Nor the hope of the poor be ta - ken a - way.

	-----	V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

	-----	R. And sustain us with your Holy Spi - rit.

Births

Alice Jennings Stewart
 Cece Anne Hester
 Hale Hammond Weyand
 Leland Wolf Henson

Deaths

Jean Baker
 Laura Brice
 Clark Perkins

Serving in the armed forces

Connor Downing
 Starr Ekanga
 Alexandra Mauro
 Michael Hart
 Nico Barrangan
 Joseph Turner
 Davis Brown
 Brandon Sharp
 Katy Whitbeck
 Clayton Baker
 Jim Lively
 Patrick Murphy
 Andrew Gray
 Claten Bechtol
 Zachary Pierce

