



CHORAL EVENSONG 6:00 P

Fourth Sunday in Lent MARCH 14, 2021

Choral Evensong

The Service of Light

¶ The church is dark, or partially so, when the service is to begin.

Pre-service Music Prelude E minor, BWV 548 (J.S Bach)

Officiant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord. People Thanks be to God.

THE SHORT LESSON

Officiant The sun shall no longer be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you by night; but the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. Your sun shall no more go down, or your moon withdraw itself; for the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

- Isaiah 60:19,20

THE PRAYER FOR LIGHT

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

Candlelighting

O Gladsome Light

(Harrison Oxley – words adapted from *Phos Hilaron*)

Choir Ogladsome light, of the holy glory of the immortal Father, heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ. Now that we have come to the setting of the sun, and behold the lights of evening, we praise you: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. For it is right at all times to worship you with voices of praise, O Son of God and giver of life. Therefore, all the world glorifies you, O Son of God, heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Psalter

PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22

Choir I Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,* and his mercy endures for ever.

- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; * they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food* and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them * and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy* and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving * and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

The Lessons

FIRST LESSON Numbers 21:4-9

Lector From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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 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.

SECOND LESSON John 3:14-21

Lector Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF SIMEON Nunc Dimittis in B-Flat

(Sir John Stainer)

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 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.

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In need of comfort Frank Terhune

We pray for those...

Flo Ann Randle Tyler Hairston

Sandy Molock

Hattie David

Jessica Watson Elizabeth Lowman

Paul White Elizabeth Kathleen Girard

Kathy Jim Prentice June Rector Nancy McAllister Peter Fuller

Ernie Dean Ann Whiting Susan Novak Pat Jones Sam Perry

Mollie Shands Tom

Paul

Julie Harrington

Melissa

William

Coleman Horton

Anne

Harriet Rutland

Michael Taylor

Holford family
Tarrytown United

Methodist Church family

McGaffey family Riels family Fish family Shepperd family

The Apostles' Creed

(P.120)

Officiant I believe in God, the Father almighty,

All 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

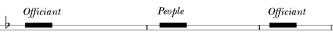
and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

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



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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant Our Father, who art in heaven,

All 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,

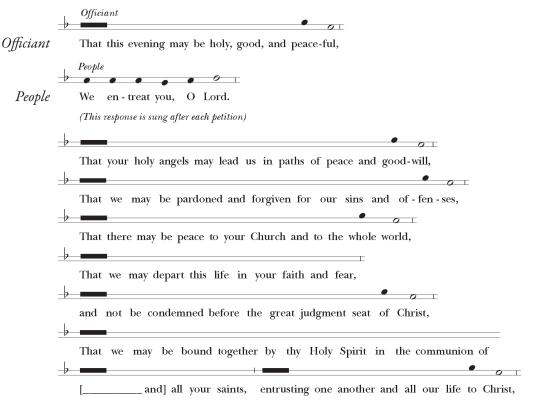
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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 B 6:00 pm [5]

¶ The Officiant and People pray responsively:



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Choir Amen.

COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

Officiant O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Choir Amen.

ANTHEM Ave Verum Corpus

(W. A. Mozart)

INTERCESSIONS

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant Almighty God, 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.

People Amen.

Expecting the birth of a child

Sarah Brayne
Blair Nelson
Courtney Schlegel
Allyson Jones Clayton
Kristen Dillavou
Kathryn Richter
Meagan Hunter
Sara Oswalt
Amy Rogers
Paige Tiemann

Deaths

William Craig Holford Charles McGaffey James Fish Martha Sheppard

Serving in the armed forces

Caleb Hayen
Staton Jobe
Shay Archer
Connor Downing
Alexandra Mauro
Michael Hart
Nico Barrangan
Joseph Turner
Davis Brown
Brandon Sharp
Clayton Baker
Jim Lively
Andrew Gray
Claten Bechtol
Zachary Pierce

[6] Choral Evensong

The Dismissal



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.

People Amen.

Postlude

Fugue in E minor, BWY 548 (J. S. Bach)