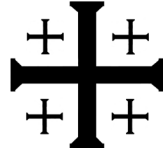


CHORAL EVENSONG

5 MARCH 2023 • 5:00 PM



¶ The People's responses are in bold

ORGAN RECITAL (4:30 PM)

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 541
More Palatino
Lotus Blossom
Sonata Op. 65, No. 4

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)
Billy Strayhorn (1915-1967), arr. Alec Wyton
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

David Crean, *organ*

¶ The People stand as the procession enters the cathedral

HYMN 28

O blest Creator, source of light

OPENING SENTENCES

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1:8, 9

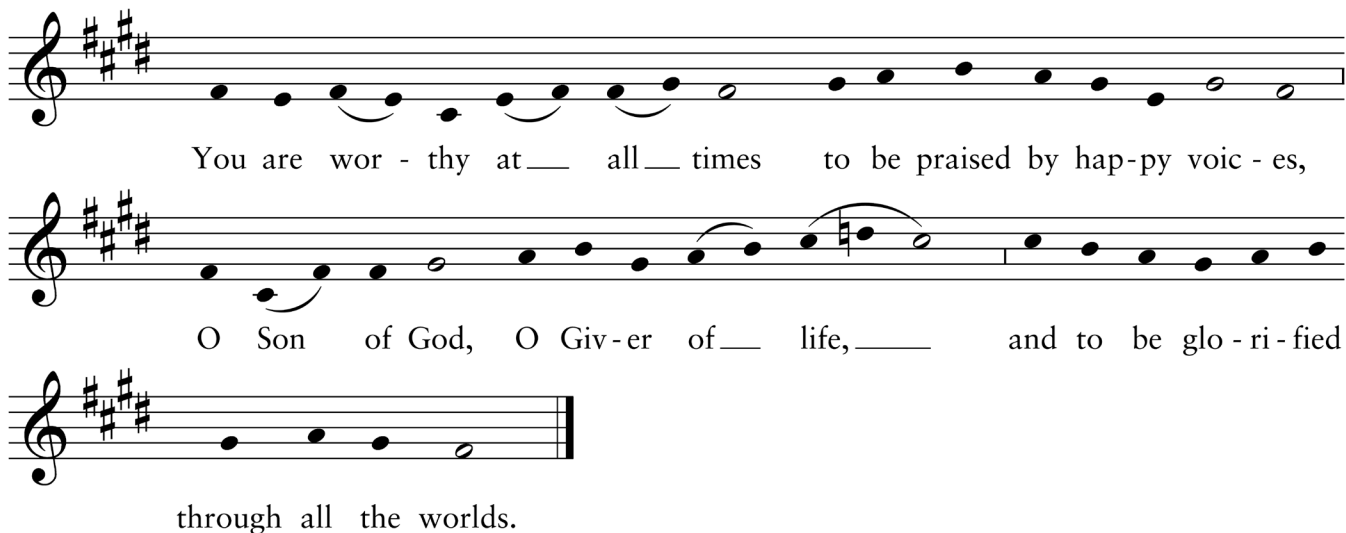
Jesus said, "If anyone will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

Mark 8:34

CONFESSION OF SIN

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 kneel



You are wor - thy at ___ all ___ times to be praised by hap-py voic - es,
 O Son of God, O Giv-er of ___ life, ___ and to be glo - ri - fied
 through all the worlds.

¶ The People sit

¶ Psalms 8 and 84 are sung by the choir

Antiphon

God has put all things under his feet, and made him the head of the Church, which is his body.

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

Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

What is man that you should be mindful of him? the son of man that you should seek him out?

You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honor;

You give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
 and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

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 for ever. Amen.

God has put all things under his feet, and made him the head of the Church, which is his body.

Plainchant: Tone VII.3

Antiphon

Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed.

84 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you.
Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.
Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed.
For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room,
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
For the LORD God is both sun and shield; he will give grace and glory;
No good thing will the LORD withhold from those who walk with integrity.
O LORD of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you!

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.

Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed.

Plainchant: Tone VII.3

THE LESSONS

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.
The words of Jeremiah son of Hilkiyah, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the Lord came in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of King Zedekiah son of Josiah of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month. Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.' Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

1:1-10 (NRSV)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF MARY *Magnificat*

¶ sung by the 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.

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.

Setting: Evening Service in A Major
Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Then [Jesus'] mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.' Again he began to teach beside the lake. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the lake and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the lake on the land. He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.' And he said, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!' When he was alone, those who were around him along with the twelve asked him about the parables. And he said to them, 'To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside, everything comes in parables; in order that "they may indeed look, but not perceive, and may indeed listen, but not understand; so that they may not turn again and be forgiven." ' And he said to them, 'Do you not understand this parable? Then how will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. These are the ones on the path where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: when they hear the word, they immediately receive it with joy. But they have no root, and endure only for a while; then, when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. And others are those sown among the thorns: these are the ones who hear the word, but the cares of the world, and the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, and it yields nothing. And these are the ones sown on the good soil: they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.'

3:31-4:20 (NRSV)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF SIMEON *Nunc Dimittis*

¶ sung by the 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.

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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¶ The People stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 \times resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS



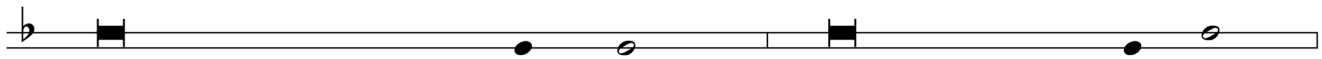
The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.



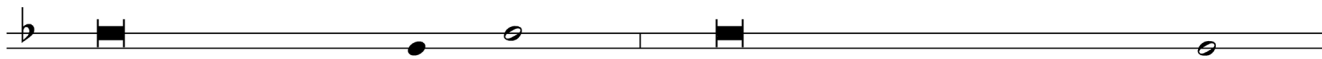
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.



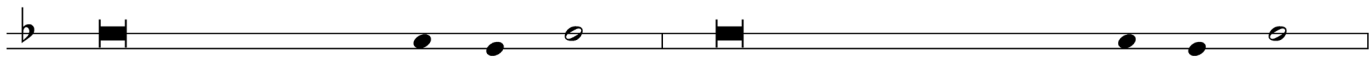
Show us your mer - cy, O Lord; And grant us your salva - tion.



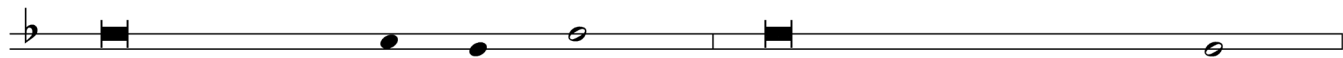
Clothe your ministers with right - eous - ness; Let your people sing with joy.



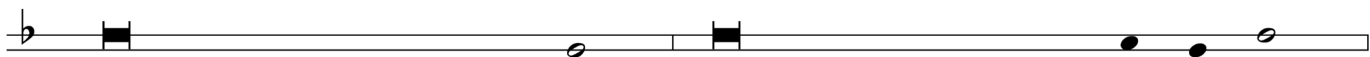
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; For only in you can we live in safe - ty.



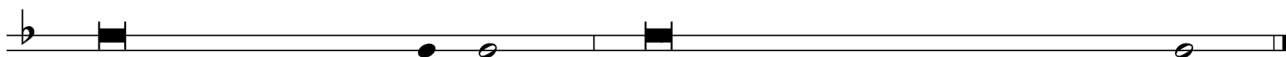
Lord, keep this nation un - der your care; And guide us in the way of jus-tice and truth.



Let your way be known up - on earth; Your saving health among all na-tions.



Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot - ten; Nor the hope of the poor be ta-ken a - way.



Create in us clean, hearts, O God; And sustain us with your Holy Spi - rit.

The Collect for the Second Sunday in Lent

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

Most 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. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

Keep 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. **Amen.**

¶ The People sit

ANTHEM

Thee will I love, my God and King;
thee will I sing, my strength and tower;
for evermore thee will I trust,
O God most just of truth and power,
who all things hast in order placed,
yea, for thy pleasure hast created;
and on thy throne, unseen, unknown,
reignest alone in glory seated.

Set in my heart thy love I find;
my wand'ring mind to thee thou leadest;
my trembling hope, my strong desire
with heav'nly fire thou kindly feedest.
Lo, all things fair thy path prepare;
thy beauty to my spirit calleth,
thine to remain, in joy or pain,
and count it gain, whate'er befalleth.

O more and more thy love extend,
my life befriend with heav'nly pleasure,
that I may win thy Paradise,
thy pearl of price, thy countless treasure.
Since but in thee I can go free
from earthly care and vain oppression,
this prayer I make for Jesus' sake,
that thou me take in thy possession.

Thee Will I Love

Text: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930)

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

¶ The People stand

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,

that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,

not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service,

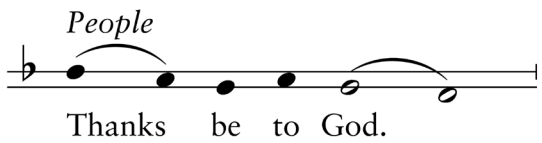
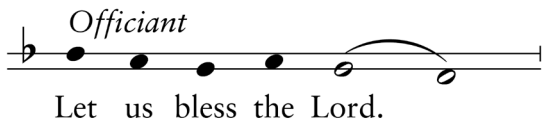
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

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. **Amen.**



Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Ephesians 3:20, 21

HYMN 456

O Love of God, how strong and true

VOLUNTARY

Introduction & Fugue from *Miniature Suite*

William H. Harris (1883-1973)

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