

Solemn Evensong

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Rite I

The Procession (*stand*)

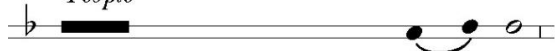
The Invitatory, S 26

Officiant



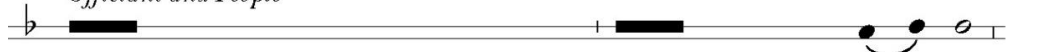
O God, make speed to save us.

People




O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People



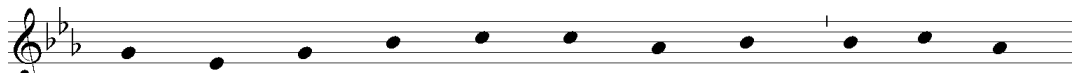
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:



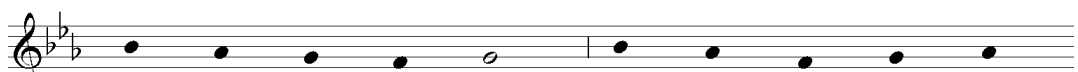
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

The Phos hilaron, Hymn 26, O gracious Light


CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM




1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in you the
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O Son of



Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

This melody may be sung in rhythmic form: 

The Psalms *(sit)*

Psalm 19

Caeli enarrant

James Turle



James Turle (1802-1882) was a choirboy at Wells Cathedral, and later Organist of Westminster Abbey in London.

- 1 The heavens declare the / glory of / God, *
and the / firma - ment / shows his / handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its / tale to an - / other, *
and one night imparts / knowledge / to an - / other.
- 3 Although they have no / words or / language, *
and their / voices / are not / heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into / **all** / lands, *
and their message to the / **ends** / of the / world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pa - / vilion for the / sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a / champion to / run its / course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens,
and runs about to the / end of it a - / gain; *
nothing is / hidden from its / burning / heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re - / vives the / soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives / wisdom / to the / innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and re - / jice the / heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives / **light** / to the / eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and en - / dures for / ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true and / righteous / alto - / gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than / much fine / gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than / honey / in the / comb.
- 11 By them also is your / servant en - / lightened, *
and in keeping them / there is / great re - / ward.



12 Who can tell how / often he of - / fends? *
 cleanse me / from my / secret / faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
 let them not get do - / minion / over me; *
 then shall I be whole and sound, and / innocent of a / great of - / fense.

14 Let the words of my mouth,
 and the meditation of my heart be ac - / ceptable in your / sight, *
 O LORD my / strength and / my re - / deemer.

Psalm 46

Deus noster refugium

Martin Luther



Martin Luther (1483-1546) was a German professor of theology, priest, author, composer, Augustinian monk, and a seminal figure in the Reformation.

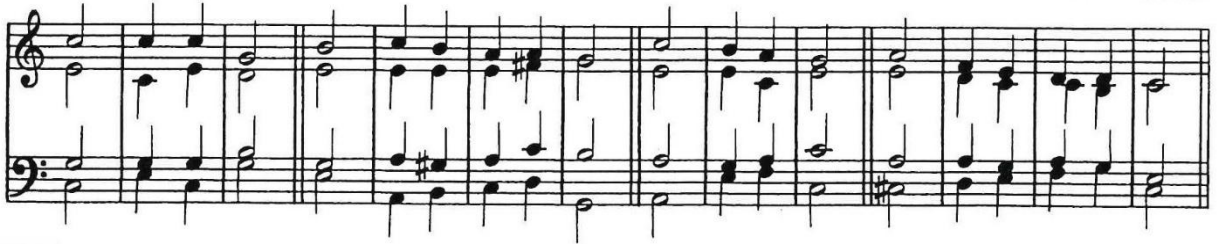
1 God is our / refuge and / strength, *
 a very / present / help in / trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear though the / earth be / moved, *
 and though the mountains be toppled / into the / depths of the / sea;

3 Though its waters / rage and / foam, *
 and though the mountains / tremble / at its / tumult.

4 The LORD of / hosts is / with us; *
 the God of / Jacob / is our / stronghold.

5 There is a river whose streams make glad the / city of / God, *
 the holy habi - / tation of the / **Most** / High.



6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be / over - / thrown; *
God shall / help her at the / break of / day.

7 The nations make much ado and the / kingdoms are / shaken; *
God has spoken and the / earth shall / melt a - / way.

8 The LORD of / hosts is / with us; *
the God of / Jacob / is our / stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the / works of the / LORD, *
what awesome / things he has / done on / earth.

10 It is he who makes war to cease in / all the / world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and / burns the / shields with / fire.

11 "Be still then and know that / I am / God; *
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be ex - / alted / in the / earth."

12 The LORD of / hosts is / with us; *
the God of / Jacob / is our / stronghold.

Glory to the Father and / to the / Son, *
and / to the / Holy / Spirit:

As it was in the be - / ginning is / now, *
and will be for - / ever. / **A** - / men.

*Our Solemn Evensong readings come from the Daily Office Lectionary,
found in the Book of Common Prayer on pages 993 to 1001.*

The First Lesson, Jeremiah 14:1-9, 17-22 (*sit*)

Revised Standard Version

The word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah concerning the drought: "Judah mourns and her gates languish; her people lament on the ground, and the cry of Jerusalem goes up. Her nobles send their servants for water; they come to the cisterns, they find no water, they return with their vessels empty; they are ashamed and confounded and cover their heads. Because of the ground which is dismayed, since there is no rain on the land, the farmers are ashamed, they cover their heads. Even the hind in the field forsakes her newborn calf because there is no grass. The wild asses

stand on the bare heights, they pant for air like jackals; their eyes fail because there is no herbage. Though our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for thy name's sake; for our backslidings are many, we have sinned against thee. O thou hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why shouldst thou be like a stranger in the land, like a wayfarer who turns aside to tarry for a night? Why shouldst thou be like a man confused, like a mighty man who cannot save? Yet thou, O LORD, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name; You shall say to them this word: 'Let my eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease, for the virgin daughter of my people is smitten with a great wound, with a very grievous blow. If I go out into the field, behold, those slain by the sword! And if I enter the city, behold, the diseases of famine! For both prophet and priest ply their trade through the land, and have no knowledge.'" Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? Does thy soul loathe Zion? Why hast thou smitten us so that there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, but no good came; for a time of healing, but behold, terror. We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against thee. Do not spurn us, for thy name's sake; do not dishonor thy glorious throne; remember and do not break thy covenant with us. Are there any among the false gods of the nations that can bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Art thou not he, O LORD our God? We set our hope on thee, for thou doest all these things.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Song of Mary (*sit*)

in E major

Sydney Watson

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.

Sydney Watson (1903-1991) was an English church musician who was the organist of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, and conductor of the Oxford Bach Choir from 1955 to 1970.

The Second Lesson, Mark 8:11-21 (*sit*)

Revised Standard Version

The Pharisees came and began to argue with Jesus, seeking from him a sign from heaven, to test him. And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and said, "Why does this generation seek a sign? Truly, I say to you, no sign shall be given to this generation." And he left them, and getting into the boat again he departed to the other side. Now they had forgotten to bring bread; and they had only one loaf with them in the boat. And he cautioned them, saying, "Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod." And they discussed it with one another, saying, "We have no bread." And being aware of it,

Jesus said to them, “Why do you discuss the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened? Having eyes do you not see, and having ears do you not hear? And do you not remember? When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?” They said to him, “Twelve.” “And the seven for the four thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?” And they said to him, “Seven.” And he said to them, “Do you not yet understand?”

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Song of Simeon (*sit*) *in E major* Sydney Watson

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 (*stand, sung on tone*)

Officiant I believe in God,
All the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day he rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
 From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you.
All And with thy spirit.
Officiant Let us pray.

The Our Father (*sung on tone*)

Officiant Our Father,

All who art in heaven,
hallow'd be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

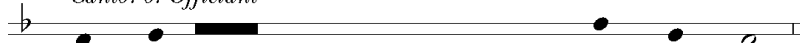
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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.


The Suffrages, S29

Cantor or Officiant




That this evening may be holy, good, and peace - ful,

People




We en - treat thee, O Lord.

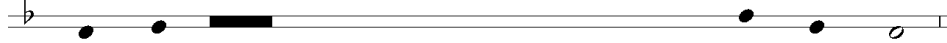
(This response is sung after each of the following petitions)



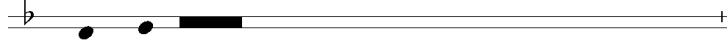
That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and good-will,



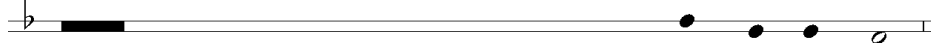
That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and of - fen - ses,



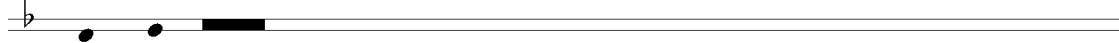
That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world,



That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear,



and not be condemned before the great judg - ment seat of Christ,



That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in the communion of



[_____ and] all thy saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

The Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Sundays

Lord God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us our place in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection, may praise thee in that City of which he is the light; and where he liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Mission

O God, who dost manifest in thy servants the signs of thy presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another thine abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Sermon (*sit*)**The Anthem** (*remain seated*)

Christopher Tye

O God, be merciful unto us, and bless us, and show the light of his countenance upon us. So be it.

Christopher Tye (1505-1573) was an English Renaissance organist and composer. After studying at the University of Cambridge, he was the choirmaster at Ely Cathedral, and music teacher of King Edward VI.

The General Thanksgiving (*stand*)

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Dismissal, S31

Cantor or Officiant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

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 Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

The Office Hymn (*stand*)

Hymn 46, The duteous day now closeth

O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN

1 The du - teous day now clos - eth, each flower and tree re -
 2 Now all the heaven - ly splen - dor breaks forth in star - light
 3 Though long our mor - tal blind - ness has missed God's lov - ing -

pos - eth, shade creeps o'er wild and wood: let
 ten - der from myr - iad worlds un - known; and
 kind - ness and plunged us in - to strife; yet

us, as night is fall - ing, on God our Ma - ker
 we, this mar - vel see - ing, for - get our self - ish
 when life's day is o - ver, shall death's fair night dis -

call - ing, give thanks to him, the Giv - er good.
 be - ing for joy of beau - ty not our own.
 cov - er the fields of ev - er - last - ing life.

Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930) and others. Music: *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*, melody att. Heinrich Isaac (1450?-1517); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

The Procession

Please join us for soup and salad in the Student Union immediately following the service!