



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

CHORAL EVENSONG

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 8, 2018

4:30 PM

HOLY GOD,

who calls us beyond the limits of our poor understandings,
and holds wide heaven's door to receptive hearts,

take us in this holy place, we pray, by the grace of music,
into the wonder that silences all agitation,
into the praise that knits up all fear.

And lead us on by the way of music
to glimpse a oneness which cannot yet be fully seen,
and find a rest which cannot yet be fully known.

So shall we perceive that unity which foreshadows the end of all divisions
and that silence which heralds the beginning of all joys;

and know ourselves to be, at last,
your redeemed people;
graced and raised by song. Amen.



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Welcome to this celebration 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. A basket is available to make a goodwill offering as you leave; your generosity helps support the ministry of this Cathedral.

As part of our effort to serve those who cannot attend worship, this service will be livestreamed on the internet. We are grateful for your presence and participation in this community.

In this service of Evensong, the Choir will sing the Preces and Suffrages in dialogue with the Officiant on behalf of all worshippers. It is an ancient practice that is very much alive in the daily services of Choral Evensong offered in English Cathedrals. Saint Mark's Evensong Choir will be called upon to offer such settings of the prayers when singing Evensong as the resident choir for a week each at Ely Cathedral and Saint Paul's Cathedral, London, in July, 2018. The congregation is invited into this practice through prayerful, silent participation; and encouraged to sing heartily the hymns, and to chant the Creed and Lord's Prayer with the Choir.

This evening we welcome the Choristers and Music Staff of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland, Oregon. They sang and led worship with Saint Mark's Choristers here this morning, and they join Saint Mark's Evensong Choir for this evening's service of Choral Evensong. Bruce Neswick and Arwen Myers are their Directors; Christopher Lynch is their Organist.

The Reverend Canon Nancy Ross, *Officiant*

PRELUDE *Christ ist erstanden*, BWV 627
[tune of Hymn #184: "Christ the Lord is risen again!"]

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

A bell bids all to stand as they are able.

INTROIT *The Call*

WORDS: George Herbert (1593–1633)
MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Come, my way, my truth, my life:
such a way, as gives us breath:
such a truth, as ends all strife:
such a life as conquers death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength:
such a light as shows a feast:
such a feast as mends in length:
such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart:
such a joy as none can move:
such a love as none can part:
such a heart as joys in love.

ENTRANCE *Improvisation on Victimæ Paschali laudes*
[tune of Hymn #183: "Christians, to the Paschal victim offer your thankful praises!"]

THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

PRECES *sung by the Officiant and Choir*

setting by Richard Ayleward (1626–1669)

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.

Glory 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.

Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

PHOS HILARON *O gladsome light* ♦ *sung by all, standing*

WORDS: *Φῶς Ἰλαρόν*, Greek, 3rd century
paraphrase by Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930)
TUNE: *Le Cantique de Siméon*, Loÿs Bourgeois (c. 1510–1559)

1. O gladsome Light, O grace of God the Fa-ther's face, the e - ter - nal splen-dor wear - ing;
2. Now, ere day fad - eth quite, we see the eve - ning light, our wont - ed hymn out - pour - ing;
3. To thee of right be - longs all praise of ho - ly songs, O Son of God, Life - giv - er;

ce - les - tial, ho - ly, blest, our Sa - vior Je - sus Christ, joy - ful in thine ap - pear - ing.
Fa - ther of might un - known, thee, his in - car - nate Son, and Ho - ly Spirit a - dor - ing.
thee, therefore, O Most High, the world doth glo - ri - fy, and shall ex - alt for ev - er.

The Hymnal 1982 #36, public domain

Please be seated.

PSALMODY *Psalm 147* ♦ *chanted by the Choir*

Anglican Chant by Frederick A. Gore Ouseley (1825–1889)

Laudate Dominum

HALLELUJAH!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

- 2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.

- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor.
- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

*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.

MAGNIFICAT *Luke 1:46–55 ♦ sung by the Choir*

The Song of Mary

Herbert Sumsion (1899–1994)
setting in G for mixed voices

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.*



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.

NUNC DIMITTIS *Luke 2:29-32 ♦ sung by the Choir*

Sumsion in G

The Song of Simeon

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, standing*

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 Richard Ayleward

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, standing*

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

Ayleward

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

Officiant **A**LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the 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 **M**OST 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.

Choir Amen.

A COLLECT FOR MISSION

Officiant **K**EEP 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.

Choir Amen.

Please be seated for the anthem.

ANTHEM *The Lord is my Light*

WORDS: from Psalms 27, 139, & 63
MUSIC: Peter R. Hallock (1924–2014)

The Lord is my light,
the refuge of my life and my salvation;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

If I take the wings of the morning
or go up into heaven,
your right hand will hold me.

In the shadow of your wings I will rejoice
and bless your holy Name;

and I will sing of your Glory,
O Lord my strength,
as long as I live.

Please stand as you are able.

A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Presider **A**LMIGHTY 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.**

HYMN 192 *This joyful Eastertide* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982 #192*
sung by all, standing

TUNE: *Vruechten*

DISMISSAL



Officiant Let us bless the Lord.



People Thanks be to God.

THE GRACE

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
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.

VOLUNTARY Improvisation on *O filii et filiae*
[tune of Hymn #206: "O sons and daughters, let us sing!"]



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SECOND SUNDAYS at Saint Stephen's, 4805 NE 45th St., Seattle, 5:00 PM

THIRD SUNDAYS at Trinity Parish Church, 609 Eighth Ave., Seattle, 5:00 PM

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