

EVENSONG

January 22, 2023

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

CATHEDRAL DAY

FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING



SUNG BY: THE CATHEDRAL SCHOLA

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A Gentle Reminder about Mask Etiquette

Masks are now optional in worship for the congregation. We still ask anyone serving in the Chancel (clergy, choir, altar servers) to wear masks as this remains a high-risk area.

Thank you for your patience!

This message brought to you by your Cathedral Regathering Task Force

As a courtesy to others, please silence electronic devices.

For the link to the webpage with the announcements and bulletins, use this QR code:



Services are regularly streamed and recorded and you can find them:

<http://www.stpaulcathedral.org/watch>

or on Facebook Live now.

*If you're interested in more information about the cathedral's ministries,
we would like to hear from you: <http://stpaulcathedral.org/im-new/>*

This service is being streamed live and if you don't wish to be seen on camera, please ask an usher for appropriate seating.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Cantilène

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

INTROIT

Christ be with you

Barry Rose (b. 1934)

Christ beneath, Christ above you, Christ beside you, Christ to win you;
Christ be with you, Christ within you, Christ behind you, Christ before you;
Christ beside you, Christ to win you, Christ to comfort and restore you.
Christ beneath you, Christ above you, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger;
Christ in hearts of all who love you, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

¶ Please stand as you are able at the tolling of the bell.

OPENING SENTENCE (Officiant)

PRECES

John Barnard (b. 1948)

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Choir as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Officiant Praise ye the Lord.

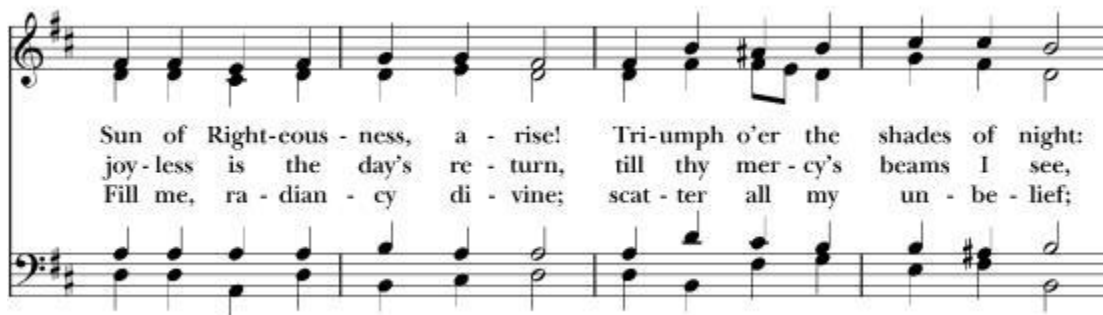
Choir The Lord's name be praised.

¶ Please remain standing.

OFFICE HYMN 7



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

¶ Please be seated.

Psalm 103 *Benedic, anima mea.*

chant: H. Walford Davies

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; * and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.

2 Praise the Lord, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits:

3 Who forgiveth all thy sin, * and healeth all thine infirmities;

4 Who saveth thy life from destruction, * and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things, * making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

6 The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment * for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7 He showed his ways unto Moses, * his works unto the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, * longsuffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not alway be chiding; * neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; * nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth; * so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look how wide also the east is from the west; * so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children; * even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made; * he remembereth that we are but dust.

15 The days of man are but as grass; * for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone; * and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him; * and his righteousness upon children's children;

18 Even upon such as keep his covenant, * and think upon his commandments to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven, * and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength; * ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

21 O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts; * ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion: * praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

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.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 47:1-15

The first reading is taken from the Hebrew Scriptures.

¶ *Please stand as you are able.*

MAGNIFICAT Second Service

William Byrd (1543-1623)

The Magnificat is Mary's song (Luke 1:46-55) responding to the declaration that the child she is to bear will fulfill the promises of the Hebrew Scriptures.

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 forever.

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.*

SECOND READING

John 5:2-18

The second reading is taken from the New Testament which tells of the life and teaching of Jesus and the witness of the early Church.

¶ *Please stand as you are able.*

NUNC DIMITTIS Second Service

Byrd

The Nunc Dimittis is the song of Simeon (Luke 2:29-32) who, before he dies, sees the Infant Jesus and holds him in his arms.

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.

¶ Please remain standing.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Monotoned by all*)

**I believe in God, 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.**

SALUTATION

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

THE LESSER LITANY (choir)

Barnard

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (choir)

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

in 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

Officiant O Lord, shew 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.

THE COLLECTS

THE COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

GIVE US GRACE, O LORD, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR MISSION

KEEP WATCH, DEAR LORD, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine 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 thy love's sake. **Amen.**

¶ Please be seated for the anthem.

Offerings at Evensong directly support ministries at the Cathedral. See page 10.

AT THE OFFERING, Anthem

O clap your hands

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph, For the Lord most high is terrible: He is a great King over all the earth. God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises unto our King, sing praises; For God is the King of all the earth; sing ye praises everyone that hath understanding. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness. Sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

[Psalm 47 with marginal version of verse 7]

THE WELCOME

¶ Please stand as you are able.

CLOSING PRAYERS

DISMISSAL

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.**

¶ Please remain standing.

HYMN 24

1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness
 2 We thank thee that thy Church, un - sleep - ing while earth rolls
 3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads
 4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud

falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -
 on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is
 on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er
 em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, and grows for

scend - ed, thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.
 keep - ing, and rests not now by day or night.
 si - lent, nor dies the strain of praise a - way.
 ev - er, till all thy crea - tures own thy sway.

Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893). Music: *St. Clement*, Clement Cottevill Scholefield (1839-1904).

Cantor Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Postlude on Eventide
 Healey Willan (1880-1968)

If you choose not to remain for the Organ Voluntary, please leave quietly out of respect for those who would like to stay and listen or pray for a while. Thank you.

You may give online now by using your phone's camera to scan the quick response code:



or text stpaulcathedral to 73256 using your cell phone. Thank you!

January 22, 2023 – Epiphany 3 (A) Religious Life Sunday

Are you seeking to deepen your relationship with God and to center your life on Jesus Christ? Are you longing for companionship along the way? Episcopalians living under vows (monks, nuns, sisters, brothers, friars) provide guidance, community, and resources for the sacred journey. We invite you to celebrate Religious Life Sunday and to learn more about the spiritual support that we offer.

What is “Religious Life Sunday”?

The General Convention of The Episcopal Church approved resolution 2022-B004, “Foundation of Religious Life Sunday,” to be held each year on the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany. This Sunday focuses efforts to tell all Episcopalians that residential monastic and dispersed Christian communities exist, who we are, and how to connect with us.

What are the “religious” communities in The Episcopal Church?

Religious communities in The Episcopal Church include monastic communities, whose members live together under a rule of life and under vows such as poverty, chastity, and obedience. “Religious life” also includes dispersed Christian communities whose members are from all walks of life, who have jobs, who live in their own homes, some with families, and who live under religious vows.

What can religious life do for me and for my faith journey?

We have developed traditions and practices that assist in developing spiritual growth and discernment. We teach about prayer practices, lead retreats, give spiritual direction, assist in writing and living a rule of life, give presentations about the spiritual journey, and provide spiritual friendship. Many of our monastic communities offer hospitality for short visits or longer retreats. *Religiouslifesunday.org* includes resources, a video, a list of speakers, and much more.

You may perceive a call to a deeper commitment with one community, as an associate or oblate. Such commitments begin with discernment and preparation, followed by a formal service of commitment. Associates and oblates pray for the members of the community, as we also pray for them, and may offer financial support, commit to a rule of life, and attend retreats. You or someone you know may be experiencing a call to join a community; we welcome the opportunity to discern with you.

How can I connect with an Episcopal religious community?

Residential monastic communities: *caroa.net*.

Dispersed Christian communities: *naecc.net*.

More resources: *religiouslifesunday.org*.



Collect For Monastic Orders and Vocations

O Lord Jesus Christ, you became poor for our sake, that we might be made rich through your poverty: Guide and sanctify, we pray, those whom you call to follow you under the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, that by their prayer and service they may enrich your Church, and by their life and worship may glorify your Name; for you reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

In the unlikely event of an emergency requiring us to evacuate the cathedral please follow the directions of the ushers and vergers, and remain as quiet and calm as possible.

The exit doors are:

- South porch doors at Nutmeg Street and Fifth Avenue*
- North porch doors to Fifth Avenue Courtyard*
- South transept east and west doors to Nutmeg Street*
- Northeast hallway door to Fifth Avenue breezeway*
- West chapel (to the left of chapel altar) stairs leading down to landing.*

Please locate an exit nearest you.