

# EVENSONG

March 19, 2023

*THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT*

FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING



SUNG BY: THE CATHEDRAL SCHOLA  
OFFICIANT & DEAN: THE VERY REV. PENNY BRIDGES

LECTOR: CANON LISA CHURCHILL

The Rev. Canon Brooks Mason, *Canon Liturgist*  
Canon Martin Green, *Organist & Director of Music*

Gabriel Arregui, *Assistant Organist*

Nicholas Halbert, *Artist-in-Residence*

Canon Lucinda Parsons, *Head Usher;*

Bob Longstreth, Tom Simmons, *Ushers*

## A Gentle Reminder about Mask Etiquette

Masks are now optional in worship for the congregation. We still ask anyone serving at the altar (clergy and 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*

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### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

#### L'Orgue Mystique: *Lætare*

*Prelude à l'Introit — Offertoire — Élévation*

Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

### INTROIT

*Christe adoramus te*

Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)

*Christe, adoramus te, et benedicimus tibi. Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum.*

*Domine, miserere nobis.*

O Christ, we adore thee, and we bless thee: for by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

### OPENING SENTENCE (*Officiant*)

#### PRECES

John Sanders (1933-2003)

*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.

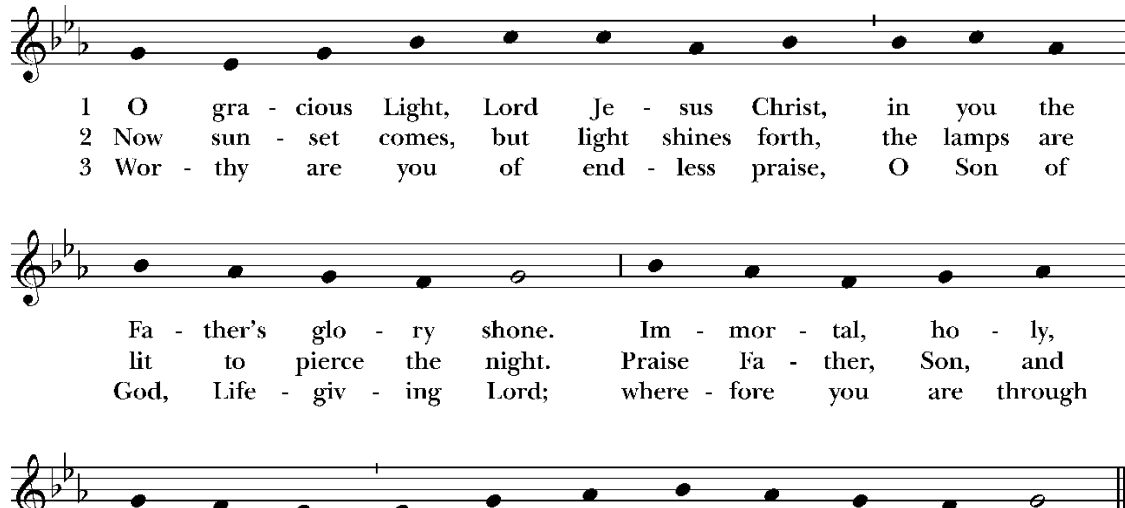
Amen.

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord.

*Choir* The Lord's name be praised.

¶ Please remain standing as able for the hymn.

## OFFICE HYMN 26



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 c - ter - nal light.  
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

This melody may be sung in rhythmic form: ♪♪♪♪

Words: Greek, 3rd cent.; tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984); para. of *O Gracious Light*. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund.  
Music: *Conditor alme siderum*, plainsong, Mode 4; acc. Bruce Neswick (b. 1956).

¶ Please be seated.

Psalm 19. *Cæli enarrant.*

Chants: T.A. Walmisley

THE heavens declare the glory of God; \* and the firmament showeth his handy-work.

2 One day telleth another; \* and one night certifieth another.

3 There is neither speech nor language; \* but their voices are heard among them.

4 Their sound is gone out into all lands; \* and their words into the ends of the world.

5 In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun; \* which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again; \* and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul; \* the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart; \* the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever; \* the judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; \* sweeter also than honey, and the honeycomb.

11 Moreover, by them is thy servant taught; \* and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth? \* O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.

13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me; \* so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be always acceptable in thy sight, \* O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

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

Jeremiah 14:1-9, 17-22

*The first reading is taken from the Hebrew Scriptures.*

¶ *Please stand as you are able.*

MAGNIFICAT *Dorian Service*

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

*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

Mark 8:11-21

*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 *Dorian Service*

Tallis

*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 *(led by the Officiant and choir)*

**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)

Sanders

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 FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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.**

### 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 9.*

### AT THE OFFERING, Anthem

*O for a closer walk*

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852- 1924)

O for a closer walk with God, A calm and heavn'ly frame; A light to shine upon the road That leads me to the Lamb! Return, O holy Dove, return! Sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, And drove thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, Calm and serene my frame; So purer light shall mark the road That leads me to the Lamb.

*text: William Comper (1731-1800)*

## 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 141

1 Wilt thou for-give that sin, where I be - gun,  
2 Wilt thou for-give that sin, by which I won  
3 I have a sin of fear that when I've spun

which is my sin, though it were done be - fore?  
o - thers to sin, and made my sin their door?  
my last thread, I shall per - ish on the shore;

Wilt thou for-give those sins through which I run,  
Wilt thou for-give that sin which I did shun  
swear by thy-self, that at my death thy Son

and do run still, though still I do de - plore?  
a year or two, but wal - lowed in a score?  
shall shine as he shines now, and here - to - fore.



When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.  
 When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.  
 And hav - ing done that, thou hast done, I fear no more.

Words: John Donne (1573-1631). Music: *So gibst du nun*, melody from *Geist und Lehr-reiches Kirchen und Haus Buch*, 1694; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

*Cantor*        Let us bless the Lord.  
*Choir*         Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

L'Orgue Mystique: *Lætare*  
*Communion*

Charles Tournemire

*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.*

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*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.*

## LENT & HOLY WEEK AT ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays through Mar. 31, 6:00 pm, in the Cathedral

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### Palm Sunday, Apr. 2

8 am – Liturgy of the Palms, Passion, and Eucharist in the Cathedral.

9:45 am – Procession, Liturgy of the Palms, Passion, and Eucharist in the Cathedral or worship online.

5 pm – Choral meditation on the Passion in the Cathedral or worship online.

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### Holy Wednesday, Apr. 5

7 pm – Choral Tenebrae in the Cathedral or worship online. |

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### Maundy Thursday, Apr. 6

7:00 pm – Bilingual Liturgy of the Day and Eucharist in the Cathedral. / Liturgia Bilingüe del Día y Eucaristía en la Catedral. Worship online / Adoración en línea

Soup Supper in the Great Hall following service.

8:30 pm – Vigil in the Chapel of the Holy Family

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### Good Friday, Apr. 7

12:00 pm – Choral Music and Meditations on the Passion in the Cathedral or worship online.

7:00 pm – Bilingual Good Friday liturgy / Liturgia bilingüe del viernes santo. Worship online / Adoración en línea

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### Holy Saturday, Apr. 8

9:00 am – Holy Saturday liturgy in the Chapel of the Holy Family.

7:30 pm – Great Vigil of Easter, Bishop Susan presiding and Dean Penny preaching in the Cathedral or worship online.

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### Easter Day, Apr. 9

8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Bishop Susan preaching.

10:30 am – Choral Holy Eucharist, Bishop Susan presiding and preaching.

No Evensong this day.

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### April 10-11

Cathedral offices closed.

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