# **EVENSONG**

October 1, 2023

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
PROPER 21

FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING



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

LECTOR: SUSAN FORSBURG

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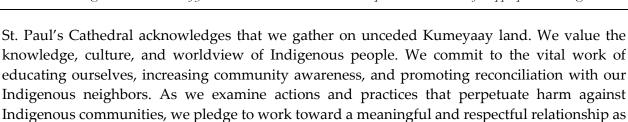
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we follow their example in honoring this sacred land.

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Approved by the Cathedral Chapter, May 2023

#### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Improvisation,*Gabriel Arregui

INTROIT De coelo veniet

Jacob Handl (1550-1591)

De coelo veniet, Dominator Dominus, et in manu eius honor et imperium. Ecce Rex veniet, Dominus terrae, et ipse auferet jugum captivitatis nostrae. Super te Jerusalem, orietur Dominus et gloria eius in te videbitur. He will come from heaven, the Lord of Lords, and in his hand will be honour and dominion. Behold, the King will come, the Lord of the earth, and he will take away the yoke of our captivity. Upon thee, O Jerusalem, the Lord shall arise, and his glory shall be seen in thee.

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

OPENING SENTENCE (Officiant)

PRECES Stephen Sturk (b. 1950)

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.

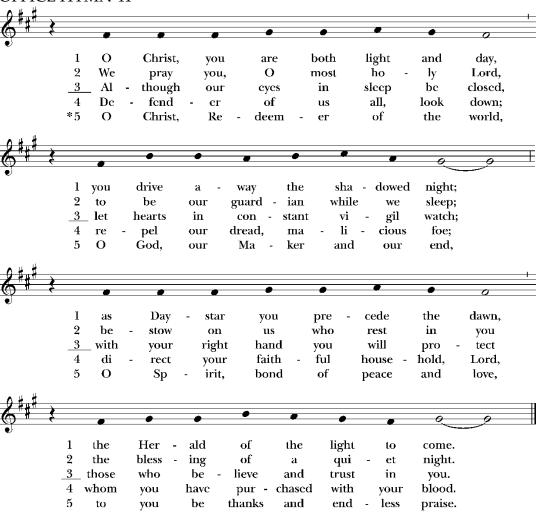
Amen.

Officiant Praise ye the Lord.

*Choir* The Lord's name be praised.

¶ Please remain standing as able for the hymn.





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#### ¶ Please be seated.

#### Psalm 34. Benedicam Dominum. (choir)

chant: plainsong

I WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord; \* his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

- 2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; \* the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
- 3 O praise the Lord with me, \* and let us magnify his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me; \* yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
- 5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened; \* and their faces were not ashamed.
- 6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him; \* yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

- 7 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, \* and delivereth them.
- 8 O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: \* blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
- 9 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints; \* for they that fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger; \* but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.
- 11 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me; \* I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- 12 What man is he that lusteth to live, \* and would fain see good days?
- 13 Keep thy tongue from evil, \* and thy lips, that they speak no guile.
- 14 Eschew evil, and do good; \* seek peace, and ensue it.
- 15 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, \* and his ears are open unto their prayers.
- 16 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil, \* to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
- 17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them, \* and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
- 18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart, \* and will save such as be of an humble spirit.
- 19 Great are the troubles of the righteous; \* but the Lord delivereth him out of all.
- 20 He keepeth all his bones, \* so that not one of them is broken.
- 21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly; \* and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.
- 22 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants; \* and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

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 2 Kings 17:1-18

The first reading is taken from the Hebrew Scriptures.

¶ Please stand as you are able.

MAGNIFICAT in G for Men's voices (choir) Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

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 Luke 5:1-11

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 in G for Men's voices (choir)

**Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)** 

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 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)

Sturk

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (led by the 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 of the Day: The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper Twenty-one O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running to obtain thy promises, may be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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.

I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world gives, give I unto you. This is my commandment: that ye love one another as I have loved you.

[John 14:18, 27, 15:12]

#### THE WELCOME

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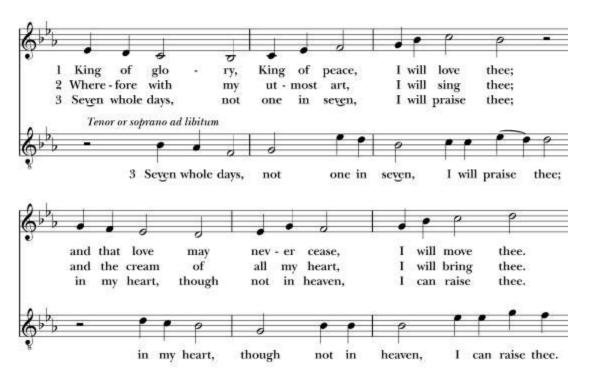
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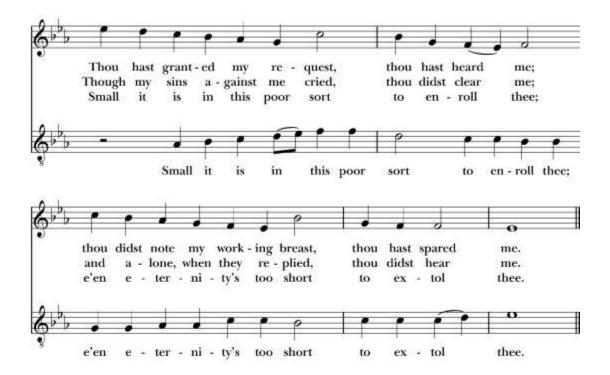
#### **DISMISSAL**

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 382





Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: General Seminary, David Charles Walker (b.1938)

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

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Improvisation,*Gabriel Arregui

§ If you choose not to remain for the Organ Voluntary, please leave quietly out of respect for those who would like to stay and 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!

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:*

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

Please locate an exit nearest you.

## October 1, 2023 – Pentecost 18 (A) Evangelism Grants

Episcopal institutions are invited to apply for evangelism grants to support local and regional efforts to grow Episcopal ministries, resources, and gatherings. The application deadline is **Oct. 13**.

The grant application, criteria, requirements, budget information, and more are available online in English, Spanish, and French: <a href="https://iam.ec/evangelismgrants">https://iam.ec/evangelismgrants</a>.

The grants committee will consider proposals for up to \$2,000 for individual faith communities and up to \$8,000 for multichurch, diocesan, provincial, and other regional collaborations. A total of \$125,000 is available for this funding cycle.

The 2023 grant focus is on evangelism initiatives that minister across barriers. Projects that would fit this theme include the following:

- Collaborative, lay-led ministries that are not clergy dependent.
- Ministries that explicitly support and include communities traditionally underrepresented in The Episcopal Church.
- Ministries that engage new ways of being the church in new spaces.

"Presiding Bishop Michael Curry has noted that evangelism is not about building bigger churches but rather about building a better world," said Jerusalem Greer, manager of evangelism and discipleship. "The same is true for this evangelism grant cycle; we are looking for applicants and projects committed to sharing the Good News of God in Christ in ways that



build relationships, heal brokenness, and invite people to create a better world together."

The Episcopal Evangelism grants program began in 2017 in response to the 2015 General Convention's increased investment in evangelism. The program is coordinated by the Executive Council Joint Standing Committee on Mission Within The Episcopal Church in collaboration with evangelism staff. During the 2018-2 021 triennium, 12 Episcopal communities were awarded grants, out of 59 applicants.

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