

Wednesday, April 14, 2021– Christ’s Church Cathedral  
A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER

EASTER FERIA

**Officiant:** *The Dean;*

**Cantor:** *Sarah McPherson, Organ:* *Michael Bloss.*

*Feria is the term given to a day other than a Sunday, or Sabbath Day. In fact, early Roman usage differentiated between “Sabbatum” and “Domica”. Saturday or Sunday but these days Feria refers to any weekday observance. If a weekday liturgy is associated to a saint or ember day, that would take precedence over simply a Feria designation.*

*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. In this time of social distancing and while the cathedral is closed, may these opportunities for online worship draw us together in a unity of faith.*

**Words of Welcome**

**Sentence** How good it is for all to live together in unity. God has exalted his anointed.

**Solo**– I Know that my Redeemer liveth (*The Messiah*)

G.F. Handel

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand  
at the latter day upon the earth. And though worms destroy this body, yet in my  
flesh shall I see God. (*Job 19: 25-26*)

For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.  
(*I Corinthians 15: 20*)

# Introductory responses

Officiant All

Light and peace in Christ Jesus our hope Thanks be to God

Officiant All

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Blessed be God for - ever.

Officiant All

Holy, immortal one have mercy up - on us.

O God,  
our beginning and our end:  
accept our doubts,  
heal our desire for certainty  
and, by your Spirit's gentle touch,  
make us a people forgiven and forgiving;  
through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace.

All

A - - - - - men.

# Hymn – Jerusalem my happy home

Text: F.B.P. c. 16<sup>th</sup> c alt.

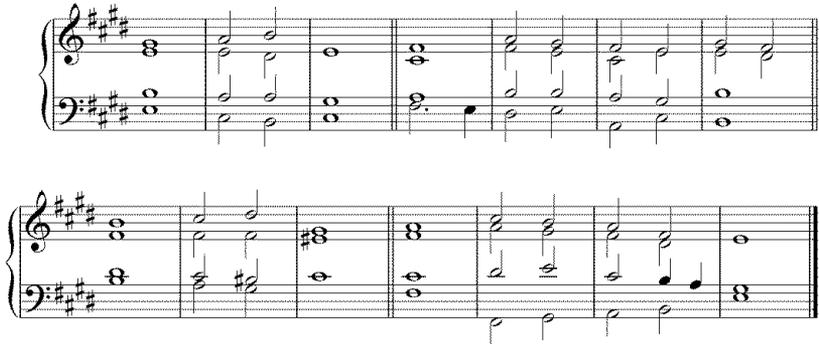
Music: The ChristianHarp, 1832. LAND OF REST



Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to  
O hap - py har - bour of the saints, O sweet and plea - sant  
Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are  
There trees for ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er more do  
Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I may  
thee? When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy  
soil! In thee no sor - row may be found, no  
green; there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as  
spring; there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and  
see thine end - less joy, and of the same par -  
joys when shall I see?  
grief, no care, no toil,  
no - where else are seen.  
ev - er - more do sing,  
ta - ker ev - er be!

## Psalm 12 *Salvum me fac*

*The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. Sung by all.*



Musical score for Psalm 12, 'Salvum me fac'. The score is written for a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) in the key of D major (two sharps). It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with a simple accompaniment in the bass staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Help me O God, for there is no / righteous ● one / left;\*  
the faithful have / vanished / from a - / mong us.

All speak falsely / with their / neighbours;\*  
with a smooth tongue they speak / from a / double / heart.



Oh, that God would cut off / all smooth / tongues,\*  
and close the / lips that / utter • proud / boasts!

Those who say, “With our tongue will / we pre- / vail;\*  
our lips are our own; who is / ruler / over / us?”

“Because the needy are oppressed, and the poor cry / out in / misery,\*  
I will rise up”, says God, “and give / them the / help they / long for.”

The words of our God / are pure / words,\*  
like silver refined from ore and purified / seven / times in • the / fire.

O God watch / over / us\*  
and save us from this / gener- / ation • for / ever.

The wicked prowl on / every / side,\*  
and that which is worthless is / highly / prized by / everyone.

Glory to God / Source of • all / being,  
eternal / Word and / Holy / Spirit.

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

### Psalm 13 *Usque quo, Domine?*



How long O God will you forget me **for** ever?\*

How long will you hide your face **from** me?



How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,  
and grief in my heart af-ter day?\*

How long shall my enemy triumph o-ver me?

Look upon me and answer me, O God, **my** God;\*

give light to my eyes, lest I sleep **in** death;

Lest me eyemies say they have prevailed o-ver me,\*

and my foes rejoice that I **have** fallen.

But I put my trust in **your** mercy;\*

my heart is joyful because of your sa-ving help.

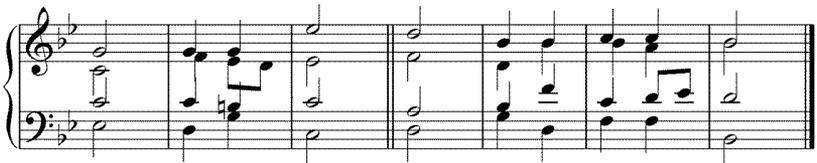
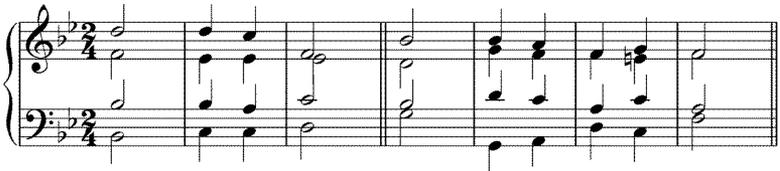
I will sing to you O God, for you have dealt with **me** richly;\*

I will praise your name, O **most** High.

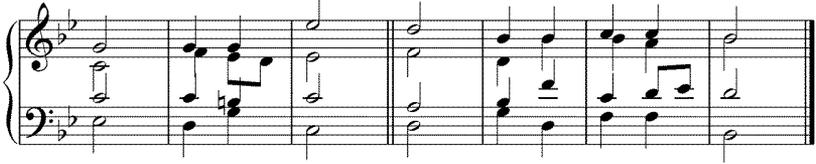
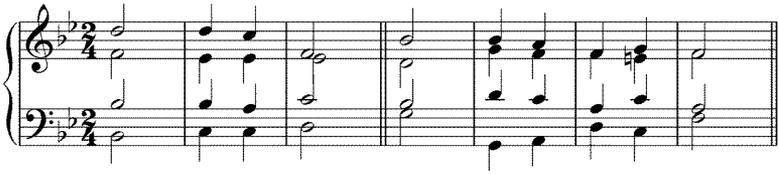
Glory to God Source of **all** being,  
eternal Word and Ho-ly Spirit.

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

**Psalm 14** *Dixit insipiens*



Fools have said in the heart, “There / is no / God.”  
all are corrupt and commit abominable acts;  
there is / none who / does • any / good.



God looks down from heaven u- / pon us / all,  
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is / one who / seeks ●  
after / God.

Every one has proved faithless; all a- / like have ● turned / back;  
there is none who / does good, / no, not / one.

Have they no knowledge, all those / evil- / doers  
who eat up my people like bread and / do not / call u-● pon / God.

See how they / tremble ● with / fear,  
because God is / in the / company ● of the / righteous.

Their aim is to confound the / plans of ● the af- / -licted,  
--- / but God / is their / refuge.

2<sup>nd</sup> Oh that Israel`s deliverance would come / out of / Zion!  
when God restores the fortunes of the people,  
Jacob will re- / joice and / Israel ● be / glad.

Glory to God / Source of ● all / being,  
eternal / Word and / Holy / Spirit.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

(assembly joins in the **Refrain**, cantor sings the verse.)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Christ is risen, creator of all;  
he has shown pity on all people.*

## Word (John 17: 20-26)

“I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

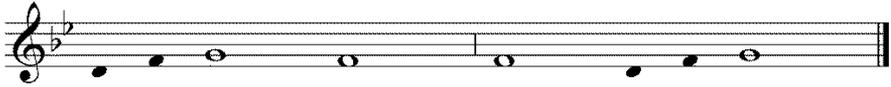
## The Song of Mary

(sung by all)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the **Lord**;  
My spirit rejoices in **God** my saviour  
For you Lord have looked with **favour**  
on your **lowly** servant.

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From this day all generations will call me **blest**  
You, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy **is** your name  
You have mercy on those who **fear** you:



From generation to **generation**.

You have shown strength with your **arm**  
And scattered the proud in **their** conceit.  
Casting down the mighty from their **thrones**  
And lifting **up** the lowly.

You have filled the hungry with good **things**  
And sent the rich **away** empty.  
You have come to the aid of your servant **Israel**  
To remember the **promise** of mercy

The promise you made to our **forebears**  
To Abraham, Sarah, and their **children** for ever.

Glory to the Father and to the **Son**; and to the **Holy** Spirit  
As it was in the beginning, is **now**, and will be for **ever**. Amen.

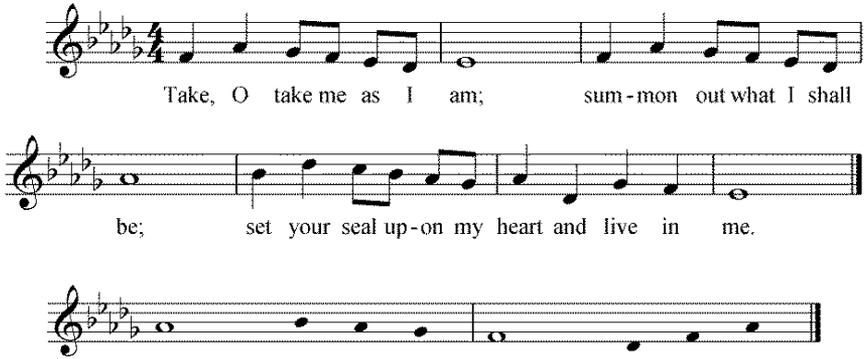
## Affirmation of Faith

Hear, O Israel,  
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great commandment.  
The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.  
There is no commandment greater than these.

## The Litany

**Refrain** (*All sing the **Refrain** after the introduction and between each intercession.*)



Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall  
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

Lord, our God, you made an eternal covenant with your people,  
keep us ever mindful of your mighty deeds.

### Refrain

Let all who minister in your name grow toward perfect love,  
and preserve your faithful people in unity by the bond of peace.

### Refrain

Be with us in our work of building the earthly city,  
that in building we may not labour in vain.

### Refrain

Send workers into your vineyard,  
and glorify your name among the nations

### Refrain

Welcome into the company of your saints all who have died,  
may we share their happiness one day

### Refrain

## Collect

*The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.*

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked,  
no entrance barred:  
open the doors of our hearts, so that we may seek the good of others  
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,  
to the praise of God, the Source of all life.  
**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Confident in hope, let us gather our prayers and praises into one,  
and pray as our Saviour taught us,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## Hymn – Hail the day that sees him rise

TEXT: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

MUSIC: William Henry Monk (1823-1889). ASCENSION



Hail the day that sees him rise, al - le - lu - ia!  
There for him high tri-umph waits.  
High-est heaven its Lord re - ceives.  
See he lifts his hands a - bove,  
Still for us he in - ter - cedes  
to his throne a - bove the skies; al - le - lu - ia!  
lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates  
yet he loves the earth he leaves.  
See he shows the prints of love;  
his pre - vail - ling death he pleads,  
Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners given, al - le - lu - ia!  
he hath con - quered death and sin,  
though re - turn - nig to his throne,  
Hark his gra - cious lips be - stow  
near him - self pre - pares our place,  
en - ters... now the high - est heaven al - le - lu - ia!  
take the... King of glo - ry in.  
still he... calls the world his own.  
bless - ings... on his church be - low.  
he the... first fruits of our race.

## The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God, Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Organ** – Christ ist erstanden BWV 627

Johann Sebastian Bach

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NEXT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

A HYMN FESTIVAL FOR EARTH DAY  
MEMORIAL OF ANSELM, ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

Dr. Tim Dobbin, Mark Russom and Michael Bloss

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