

Wednesday, October 21, 2020– Christ's Church Cathedral
A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER
FERIA

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Cantor: Jeremy Ludwig **Organ:** Michael Bloss.

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.

Sentence – Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life.
Philippians 2.15, 16

Solo – Lord God of Israel (*Elijah*)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Draw near all ye people, come to me: Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, this day let it be known that Thou art God, and that I am Thy servant! Lord God of Abraham! Oh shew to all this people that I have done these things according to Thy word. Oh hear me, Lord, and answer me! Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, oh hear me and answer me, and shew this people that Thou art Lord God. And let their hearts again be turned!

Introductory responses

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

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

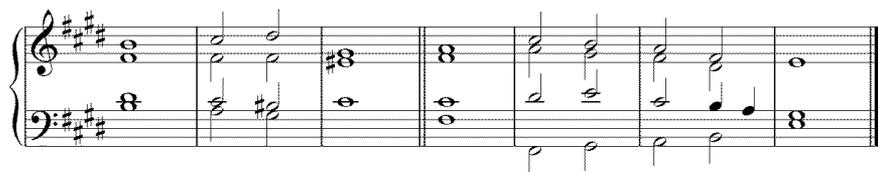
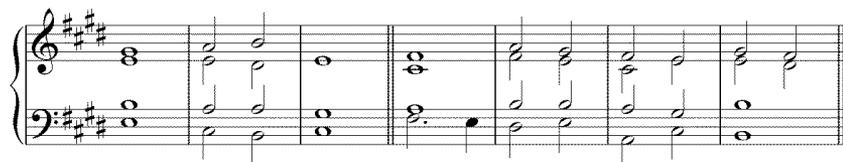
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Holy, immortal one have mercy up - on us.

Most glorious God,
in Jesus you call your people
to true humility and servanthood.
Grant to us the boldness
to desire a place in your kingdom,
the courage to drink the cup of suffering,
and the grace to find in service
the glory you promise;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All

A - - - - - men.



Fulfil your promise / to your / servant,*
which you / make to / those who / fear you.

Turn away the reproach / which I / dread,*
be- / cause your / judgements ● are / good.

Behold, I long for / your com- / mandments;*
in your / righteousness ● pre- / serve my / life.



Let your loving kindness come to me, O **God**,*
and your salvation, according to your **promise**.

Then I shall have a word for those who **taunt** me,*
because I trust in your **words**.

Do not take the word of truth out of my **mouth**,*
for my hope is in your **judgements**.

I shall continue to keep your **law**,*
I shall keep it for ever and **ever**.

I will walk at **liberty**,*
because I study your com-**mandments**.

I will tell of your decrees before **rulers***
and will not be a-**shamed**.

I delight in your com-**mandments**,*
which I have always **loved**.

knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.”

Then turning to the disciples, Jesus said to them privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it.”

Words of Reflection: Rev. Dr. Dan Tatarnic

Affirmation of Faith

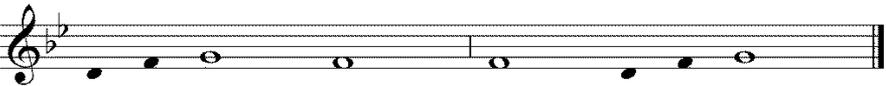
We believe in the God who is the pillar of fire and the pillar of cloud. We trust in our Holy Parent who judges and shows mercy. We hope in our Creator who is faithful to all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in the Jesus who rode in triumph into Jerusalem. We trust in the Messiah who was crucified, died, and was buried. We hope in the living Christ who walked out of the tomb.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, giver of faith and formation. We trust in the Breath of Life who stirs, sustains, and sanctifies. We believe in our Advocate who brings to us, and through us, the gift of God’s peace.

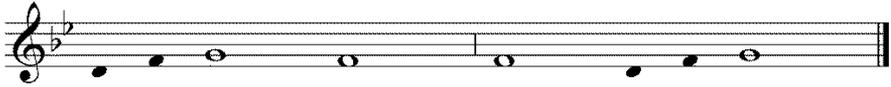
The Song of Mary

(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.

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.

Collect

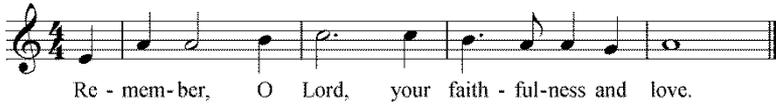
The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

You know us each by name, O God,
and in your sight we have found favour,
yet our minds cannot comprehend
the vision of your glory
or the vastness of your love.
Grant, that as we glimpse your greatness,
we may always return to you
the praise that is yours alone.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Litany

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



Christ the splendour of God's glory, enlightens us with his word.
With deep love we call upon him

Refrain

Blessed are you, the alpha and the omega of our faith,
for you called us out of darkness into your marvellous light.

Refrain

You enabled the blind to see, and the deaf to hear,
help our unbelief.

Refrain

Lord, keep us in your love, preserve our community,
do not let us become separated from one another.

Refrain

Give us strength in temptation, endurance in trial,
and gratitude in prosperity.

Refrain

Lord's Prayer

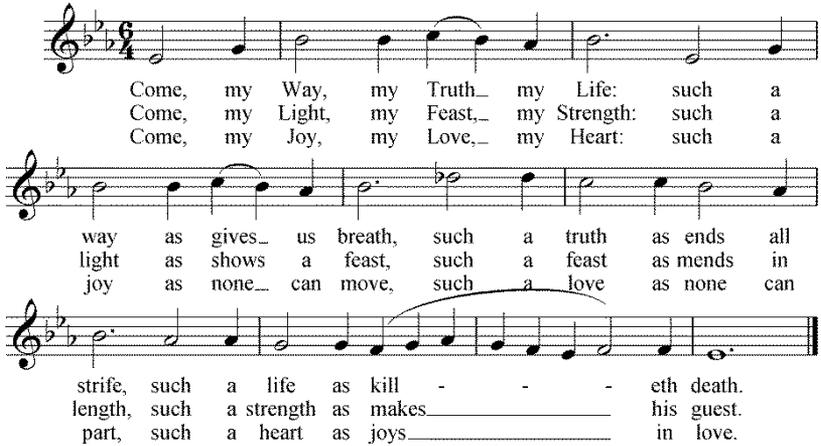
Confident in hope, let us gather our prayers and praises into one,
and pray as our Saviour taught us,

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 – Come My Way

TEXT: George Herbert (1595-1633)

MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). THE CALL



Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a
way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all
light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in
joy as none can move, such a love as none can
strife, such a life as kill - - - eth death.
length, such a strength as makes - - - his guest.
part, such a heart as joys - - - in love.

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

Organ – “Little” Prelude and Fugue in C J.S. Bach

NEXT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

EVENING PRAYER FOR

FEAST OF SIMON AND ST. JUDE

Mark Russom, soloist and cantor

Terry DeForest, homilist

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