

Wednesday, September 23, 2020– Christ’s Church Cathedral

**A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER
FERIA – THE SEASON OF CREATION**

Officiant and Homilist: Terry DeForest;
Cantors: Sarah McPherson, Mark Russom; *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.

Words of Welcome

Sentence – Open our hearts, O Lord, to give heed to what is said by your Son.

Organ – Ciacona in e

Dietrich Buxtehude

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.

God of deep compassion,
you welcome the weak and free us from the bondage of sin.
Break the cycle of judgement and violence
through Jesus our forgiveness,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All
A - - - - - men.

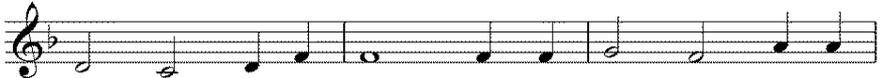
Hymn – Jesus Tempted in the Desert

TEXT: Herman Stuempfle, 1990

MUSIC: The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844. BEACH SPRING



Je - sus, temp - ted in the de - sert, lone - ly,
 Je - sus, temp - ted at the tem - ple, high a -
 Je - sus temp - ted on the moun - tain by the
 When we face temp - ta - tion's pow - er, lone - ly,



hun - gry, filled with dread: "Use your pow'r," the temp - ter
 bove its an - cient wall: "Throw your - self from lof - ty
 lure of vast do - main: "Fall be - fore me! Be my
 strug - gling, filled with dread, Christ, who knew the temp - ter's



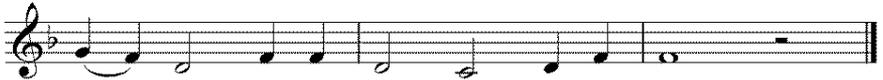
tells him; "turn these bar - ren rocks to bread!" "Not a -
 tur - ret; an - gels wait to break your fall!" Je - sus
 ser - vant! Glo - ry, fame, you're sure to gain!" Je - sus
 hour, come and be our liv - ing bread. By your



lone by bread, he an - swers, "can the hu - man heart be
 shuns such emp - ty mar - vels, feats that fick - le crowds re -
 sees the daz - zling vi - sion, turns his eyes an - oth - er
 grace, pro - tect, pre - serve us lest we fall, your trust - be -



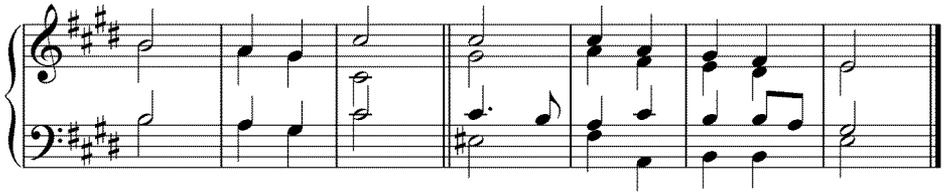
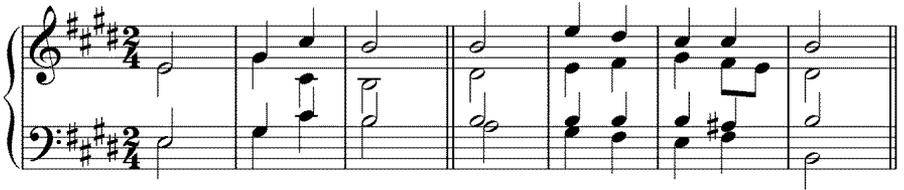
filled. On - ly those by Word that
 quest: "God whose grace pro - tects, pre -
 way: "God a - lone de - serves our
 tray. Yours, a - bove all oth - er



calls us is our deep - est hun - ger stilled!"
 serves us, we must ne - ver vain - ly test.
 hom - age! God a - lone will I o - bey!"
 voi - ces, be the Word we hear, o - bey.

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

Psalm 81 *Exultate Deo*



Sing with joy to / God our / strength*
and raise a loud shout to the / God of / Jacob • and / Rachel.

Raise a song and / sound the / timbrel,*
the / merry • harp / and the / lyre.

Blow the ram's horn / at the • new / moon,*
and at the / full moon • the / day of • our / feast.

For this is a / statute • for / Israel,*
a law of the / God of / Abraham • and / Sarah.

God laid it as a solemn / charge up- • on / Joseph,*
when he came / out of • the / land of / Egypt.

I heard an unfa- / miliar • voice / saying,*
“I eased your shoulder from the burden;
your hands were set / free from / bearing • the / load.”



You called on me in trouble, and **I** saved you,*
I answered you from the secret place of thunder
and tested you at the waters **of** Meribah.

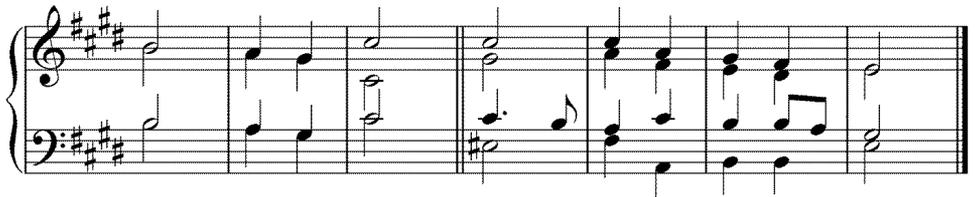
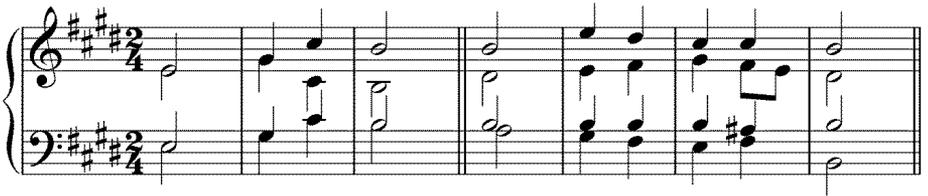
Hear, O my people and I will **ad**-monish you:*
O Israel, if you would but listen **to** me!

There shall be no strange God **a**-mong you;*
you shall not worship a for-**eign** god.

I am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt **and** said,*
“Open your mouth wide and I **will** fill it.”

And yet my people did not hear **my** voice,*
and Israel would not **o**-bey me.

So I gave them over to the stubbornness of **their** hearts,*
to follow their own **de**-vices.



Oh that my people would / listen • to / me!*
that / Israel • would / walk in • my / ways!

I should soon sub- / due their / enemies*
and turn my / hand a- / gainst their / foes.



Those who hate me would / cringe be- / fore me,*
 their / punishment • would / last for- / ever.

But Israel I would feed with the / finest / wheat*
 and satisfy them with / honey / from the / rock.

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 82 *Deus stetit*



God stands in the council of **hea**-ven,*
 and gives judgement in the **midst** of the gods:

“How long will you judge un-**just**-ly,*
 and show favour **to** the wicked?”

Save the weak and the **or**-phan;*
 defend the **hum**-ble and needy;



Rescue the weak **and** the poor;*
deliver them from the **pow'r** of the wicked.

They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go about in **dark**-ness;*
all the foundations **of** the earth are shaken.

Now I say to you, "**You** are gods,*
and all of you children **of** the Most High.

Nevertheless you shall die like **mor**-tals,*
and **fall** like any ruler."

Arise O God, and **rule** the earth,*
for you shall take all **na**-tions for your own.

Glory to God, Source of all **be**-ing,
eternal **Word** and Holy Spirit.

As it was in the **be-gin**-ning,
is now and will be **for-ever**. Amen.

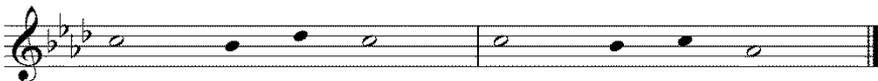
Gradual Alleluia

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



Al - le - lu - ia

Al - le - lu - ia



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The words of the Lord are spirit and life

Word (Luke 4: 1-13)

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, '

One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said,

'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Words of Reflection: Rev. Canon Terry DeForest

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 hope in our Advocate who brings to us, and through us, the gift of God's peace.

The Song of Mary

Magnificat Secundi Toni

Christoph Dalitz, 2012

Magnificat ánima mea Dóminum.

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
My spirit rejoices in God my saviour*

Et exultávit spíritus meus: in Deo salutári meo.

*For you Lord have looked with favour on
your lowly servant.*

Quia respéxit humilitátem ancillae suae:

*From this day all generations will call me
blest*

Ecce enim ex hoc beátam me dicent omnes generatiónes.

Quia fécit mihi mágna qui pótens est: et sánctum nómen eius.

*You, the Almighty, have done great things
for me and holy is your name*

Et misericórdia eius in progénies et progénies tíméntibus eum.

*You have mercy on those who fear you: from
generation to generation.*

Fécit poténtiam in bráchio suo: dispérsit supérbos mente cordis sui.

*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.*

Depósuit poténtes de sede: et exaltávit húmiles.

*You have filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.*

Esuriéntes implévit bonis: et dívites dimísit inánes.

Suscépit Ísrael púerum suum: recordátus misericórdiae suae.

*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.*

*Sicut locútus est ad patres nostros:
Ábram, et sémini eius in saecula.*

*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*

Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spirítui Sancto,

*Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et
in saecula saeculórum. 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.

O God, from your providing hand
even the dissatisfied and grumbling
receive what they need for their lives.
Teach us your ways of justice
and lead us to practise your generosity,
so that we may live a life worthy of the gospel
made known through your Son
Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Amen.

The Nunc Dimittis

*Nunc dimittis servum tuum Domine
secundum verbum tuum in pace.
Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum,
quod parasti ante faciem omnium
populorum,
lumen ad revelationem gentium
et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.*

*Glória Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto,
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et
in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.*

*Now Lord, let your servant depart
According to your word in peace
For my eyes have seen the salvation
Which you have prepared before all nations
A light to enlighten the heathen
And the glory of your people Israel*

*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*

Prayers of Intercession

V: Hear Us, O God

R: For your mercy is great

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 – On a Page of My Heart

Words: Daniel Charles Damon, 1995, rev. 2000

Music: Daniel Charles Damon, 1994

MOSS LANDING

On a page of my heart God is writ - ing a love song of
free dom and wel come, ac - cept - ance and hope. On a page of my heart God is
wri - ting a love song of faith - ful - ness, pas - sion, and joy! O God, you make my
O God, I try to
O God, your mer - cy
heart and mind, my soul and strength as well; you
find my way a - cross a wil - der - ness; I
leads me on and calls me from my pride; from
breathe and I be - come a - live no more an emp - ty shell.
need your gui - dance ev - ery day my fai - lures I con - fess.
bar - ren pla - ces I have known, you draw me to your side.

The Dismissal

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

Organ – Chorale prelude on “O wie selig”

Healey Willan

NEXT WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30:

EVENING PRAYER
IN COMMEMORATION OF JEROME, TEACHER OF THE FAITH

Homilist and Officiant: Rev. Dr. Dan Tatarnic

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