

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

Officiant: *The Dean*

Cantor: *Richard Cunningham; Piano:* *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 “Domenica”. 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 The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. *Deuteronomy 30.14*

Solo – Rejoice in the Lamb

Benjamin Britten

For the Mouse is a creature of great personal valour. For this is a true case: Cat takes female mouse; male mouse will not depart, but stands threating and daring. If you will let her go, I will engage you, as prodigious a creature as you are. For the Mouse is a creature of great personal valour. For the Mouse is of an hospitable disposition.

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.

All

A - - - - - men.

Hymn – Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

TEXT: George Herbert (1595-1633)

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

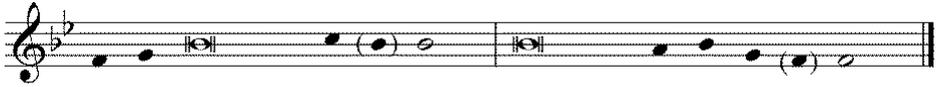
Come, my Way, my Truth_ my Life: such a
 Come, my Light, my Feast,_ my Strength: such a
 Come, my Joy, my Love,_ my Heart: such a

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.

Psalm 119: 25-32 *Adhaesit pavimento*

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



MY SOUL cleaves to **the** dust;
give me life ac-**cor**-ding to your word.

I have confessed my ways, and you **an**-swered me;*
in-**struct** me in your statutes.

Make me understand the way of your com-**mand**-ments,*
that I may meditate **on** your marvellous works.

My soul melts away for **sor**-row;*
strengthen me ac-**cor**-ding to your word.

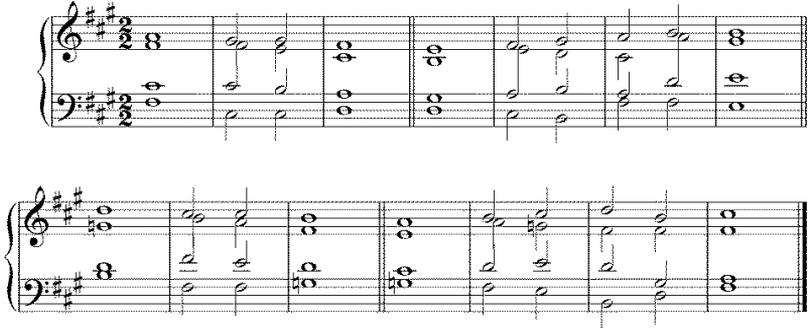
Take from me the way of **ly**-ing;*
let me find **grace** through your law.

I have chosen the way of **faith**-fulness;*
I have set your **judg**-ments before me.

I hold fast to **your** decrees;*
O God, let me **not** be put to shame.

I will run the way of your com-**mand**-ments,*
for you have set my **heart** at liberty.

Psalm 119: 33-40. *Legem pone.*



Teach me O God the / way of • your / statutes,*
and I shall / keep it / to the / end.

Give me understanding, and I shall / keep your / law;*
I shall / keep it • with / all my / heart.

Make me go in the path of / your com- / mandments,*
for / that is / my de- / sire.

In cline my heart to / your de- / crees*
and / not to / unjust / gain.

Turn my eyes from watching / what is / worthless;*
--- / give me / life in • your / ways.

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.

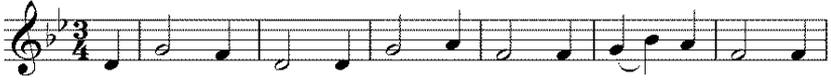
Behold, I long for / your com- / mandments;*
in your / righteousness • pre- / serve my / life.

The Song of Mary

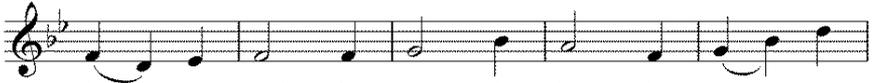
(sung by all)

TEXT: Sr. Rosemary Anne Benwell, SSJD

MUSIC: Flor Peeters.



My spi - rit mag - ni - fies you Lord, my heart re - joic - es
Be - hold, hence - forth by all con - fessed, I shall for - ev - er
Your mer - cy is on those who fear, and trust, your love as
The migh - ty heart you have made weak, have raised the hum - ble
Your mer - cies stand for ev - er sure, with - in the co - ve -



in your word; for you the ho - ly one and
more be blessed; for you have made me free of
chil - dren dear; your arm of strength has scat - tered
soul and meek; have fed the hun - gry day by
nant se - cure; your peo - ple Is - rael find re -



great, have looked up - on my low es - tate.
shame, and ho - ly, ho - ly is your name.
kings, whose trust is in their earth - ly things.
day and sent the rich un - filled a - way.
lease, for you have sent your pro - mised peace.

O God, eternal Three in One,
O holy Father Spirit Son,
upon your faithful children pour
your truth and grace for evermore.

Gospel Acclamation



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



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

*Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.*

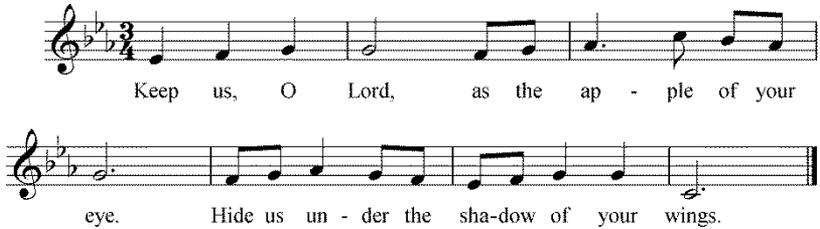
Affirmation of Faith

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).*



Keep us, O Lord, as the ap - ple of your
eye. Hide us un - der the sha-dow of your wings.

For the peace of the whole world, we pray to you Lord.

REFRAIN

For those who are weary, sleepless and depressed, we pray to you Lord

REFRAIN

For those who are hungry, sick and frightened, we pray to you Lord,

REFRAIN

For rest and refreshment we pray to you Lord

REFRAIN

Guide us waking, O Lord and guard us sleeping that awake we may watch with
Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

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.

Divine Sower, you scatter your seed generously: may we be rich soil and receive your gift so freely given, so that we may revel in love’s abundant, reckless growth; through Jesus Christ, the grain of 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 – You Have Passed By

TEXT: Huub Oosterhuis (1933-)

MUSIC: Melody Thoinot Arbeau (1520-1595). PIEDS EN L’AIR



You have passed by, you came like fire that lights the skies; sparks
You have passed by, as brief as foot-prints on the sea; why
You have passed by, a strange and yet fa - mi - liar face, a
fall - ing from your name glow in our hearts like eyes. In
did you go so far? You went too far for me. You
frag - ment of our being, a flick - ering light, a trace. Your
tat - ters hangs your word, draped round our world and torn; now
are for - ev - er now as deep in God as breath; no
light is in my blood, my bo - dy is your day; I
we shall live in you; like clo - thing you are worn,
still - ness cap - tures you, un - think - a - ble your death.
hope my whole life long to meet you on the way.

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Organ – Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing Healey Willan

NEXT WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

A SERVICE OF CHORAL EVENSONG
THE EVE OF ST. MAGDALENE

The Dean with the Cathedral Schola and Michael Bloss

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