CHORAL EVENSONG

The Sunday after the Ascension

21 May 2023 | 5Pm



THE CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS OF

St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral

Reaching One Another, Tallahassee, and the World with the Transforming Love of Jesus Christ

EVENSONG

Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation. All mobile telephones, pagers, and electronic devices should be turned off prior to the service. Photography, video, and audio-recording may occur at any Cathedral worship service/event.

"Daily Morning and Evening Prayer are the established rites (offices) by which, both corporately and individually, God's people annually encounter the whole of Holy Scriptures, daily confess their sins and praise Almighty God, and offer timely thanksgivings, petitions, and intercessions." (2019 Book of Common Prayer, Page 6). Unlike the Eucharist, these Daily Offices can be said by anyone either publicly or privately. Many churches, like St. Peter's, say or sing the Offices publicly on a daily basis. While on the weekdays our Evening Prayer is said, occasionally on Sunday evenings it will be sung. The service of Evensong is Evening Prayer sung by the people, or chorally by a choir on behalf of the people. Musical settings are drawn from many eras, some reflecting modern prayer book language and others from the original 1662 Book of Common Prayer. We invite you to join along, as able, or sit in prayerful contemplation as the voices of the singers and scripture wash over you.

Prelude Remain seated.

Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love

G. Faure

Lamb of God, what wondrous love, what wondrous love, O my soul. Love, such love, that Thou shouldst die, that Thou for me shoulds't die Lord of Grace, what matchless love, What matchless love, O my soul. Son of God, Thou loving sacrifice, Thou loving sacrifice for me.

Here, O Lord, am I, fearful, sinful, guilty and condemned, Thy death is surely mine. Cross of God, I would to turn away, yet Love it bids me stay, O my soul. Can it be the very death I fear is that which draws me near, Lord to Thee? Lamb of God, Thou died for me.

Ringing of the Bell Please stand.

Opening Scripture

Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." JOHN 8: 12

The Confession of Sin

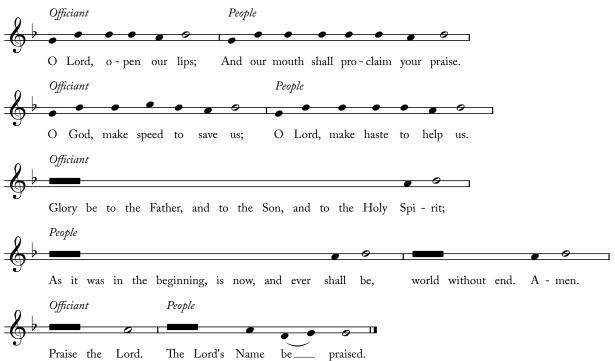
The Officiant says to the People: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept. All kneel. The Officiant and People say:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



The Invitatory All stand.

Phos Hilaron Hymn 24 Sung by All.



Psalm 47 Sung by the choir.

¹ O clap your hands together, all you peoples; * O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy. ² For the Lord Most High is to be feared; * he is the great King over all the earth. ³ He shall subdue the peoples under us, * and the nations under our feet. ⁴ He shall choose our inheritance for us, * the pride of Jacob whom he loved. ⁵ God has gone up with a shout of triumph, * the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. ⁶ O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; * O sing praises, sing praises unto our King. ⁷ For God is the King of all the earth; * think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song. ⁸ God reigns over the nations; * God sits on his holy throne. ⁹ The princes of the peoples are gathered with the people of the God of Abraham; * for the mighty upon earth have become the servants of the Lord, and he is very highly exalted. 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

The First Lesson All are seated.

²¹ "And I will set my glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them. ²² The house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God, from that day forward. ²³ And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword. ²⁴ I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their transgressions, and hid my face from them. ²⁵ "Therefore thus says the Lord God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name. ²⁶ They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, ²⁷ when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations. ²⁸ Then they shall know that I am the Lord their God, because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore. ²⁹ And I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord God."

Lector:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

My soul magnifies the Lord, * and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; For he has regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from now on, * all generations will call me blessed; For he that is mighty has magnified me, * and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on those who fear him, * throughout all generations. He has shown the strength of his arm; * he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has brought down the mighty from their thrones, * and has exalted the humble and meek. He has filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he has sent empty away. He, remembering his mercy, has helped his servant Israel, * as he promised to our fathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; * as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson

John 17:1-11

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. ⁶ "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

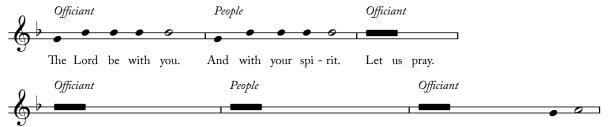


The Homily All are seated.

The Apostles' Creed All stand and chant together.

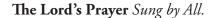
When reciting the Creed, we join with Christians since the Early Church in facing East, toward the rising sun, Jerusalem, the Garden, and the direction in which Scriptures speak of the Lord's return.

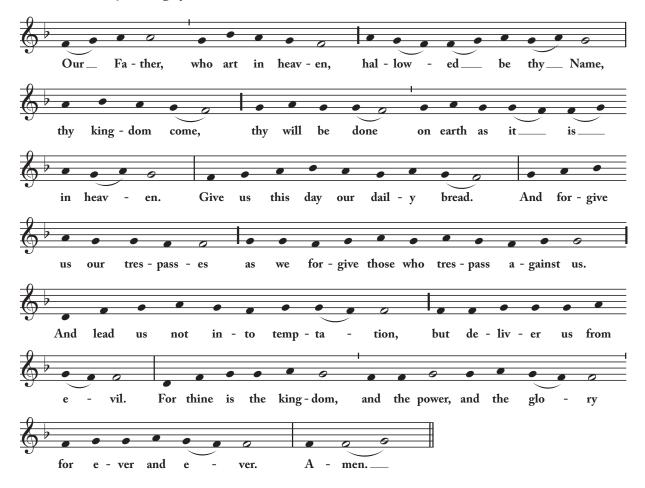
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy up - on us. Setting: John Merbecke (c. 1510 – c. 1585); adapt. John C. Martin (b. 1987). © Copyright 2020 John C. Martin. All Rights Reserved.

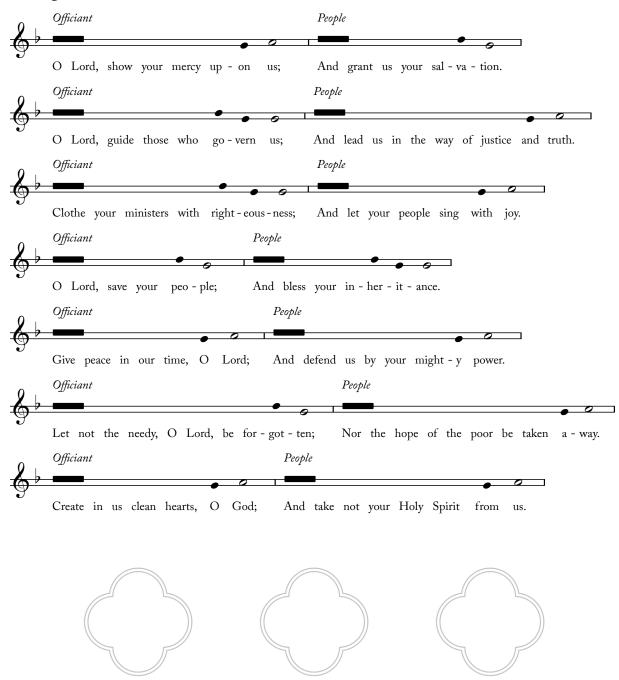
The Prayers The People kneel.







Suffrages



The Collect of the Day Remain kneeling.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace

O God, the source of all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works: Give to your servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments, and that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Collect for Aid Against Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech you, O Lord; and by your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Collect for Mission

O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Hand Me Down My Silver Trumpet

Well, I've never been to heaven, but I've been told, Hand me down my silver trumpet, Gabriel; The gates are made of pearl and the streets are made of gold, Hand me down my silver trumpet, Lord.

> O hand me down, O hand me down, O hand me down my silver trumpet, Gabriel. Send it down, hand it down, Any ol' way, just get it down! Hand me down my silver trumpet, Lord.

> If religion were a thing that money could buy, Hand me down my silver trumpet, Gabriel; The rich would live and the poor would die, Hand me down my silver trumpet, Lord. O hand me down....

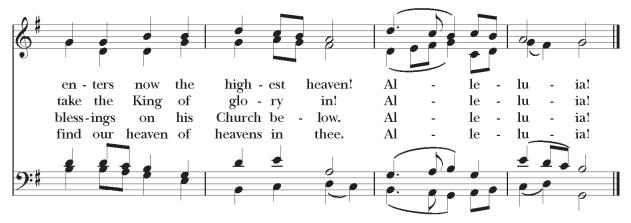
Well now, if you want a silver trumpet like mine, Hand me down my silver trumpet, Gabriel; You'd better learn to play it in plenty of time, Hand me down my silver trumpet, Lord. O hand me down....

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Entrance Hymn 214

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Llanfair, Robert Williams (1781-1821)

Prayer for the Church and for the World All kneel.

A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant:Let us bless the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

The Grace All say in unison

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Voluntary

The congregation may remain for a brief service of Holy Communion or may depart at this time.



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