
The Third Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2016

4:00 PM



Evening Prayer, Rite I *Choral Evensong*

Officiant - The Very Reverend David A. duPlantier, *Dean*

Preacher - The Reverend Henry L. Hudson, *Rector, Trinity Church, New Orleans*

The Choir of Christ Church Cathedral

Organist - Mr. Jarrett R. Follette, *Canon Precentor*

Guest Organist - Mr. Pierre Queval, *Young Artist in Residence, Saint Louis Cathedral*

Choir Director - Mr. Anthony Sears

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

The PROCESSION OF CLERGY AND OTHER MINISTERS

The Invitatory and Psalter

OPENING PRECES

Setting: William Smith

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord.

HYMN #S 27 - O gracious Light *Phos hilaron*

Please be seated.

The choir sings

PSALM 34 *Benedicam Dominum*

Setting: Thomas Norris

1 I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the LORD;
let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him,
and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who trust in him!

9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing.

10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger,
and his ears are open to their cry.

11 Come, children, and listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

12 Who among you loves life
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

13 Keep your tongue from evil speaking
and your lips from lying words.

14 Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.

15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous,
and his ears are open to their cry.

16 The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them
and delivers them from all their troubles.
18 The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and will save those whose spirits are crushed.
19 Many are the troubles of the righteous,
but the LORD will deliver him out of them all.
20 He will keep safe all his bones;
not one of them shall be broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants,
and none will be punished who trust in him.
*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.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Romans 8:1-10

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law--indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

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

The choir sings

CANTICLE ~ The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded *
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *

Short Service, Orlando Gibbons

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.
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 SECOND LESSON ~ John 5:25-29

"Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not be astonished at this; for the hour is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and will come out--those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

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

The choir sings

CANTICLE ~ The Song of Simeon *Nunc dimittis*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *
according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

Short Service, Orlando Gibbons

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
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.

All stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People intone

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 power of 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All intone the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SUFRAGES

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant O Lord, save the state.

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant O Lord, save thy people.

Choir And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Setting: William Smith

THE COLLECTS

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know thee as thou art revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of thy love. *Amen.*

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love's sake. Amen

The congregation is seated.

ORISON

O taste and see how precious the Lord is: Blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

Words: Psalm 34:8

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON HYMN #662 ~ Abide with me: fast falls the eventide *Eventide*

THE SERMON

THE ANTHEM

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me: Where, where is now thy God?

Words: Psalm 42

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

All Stand

CLOSING PRAYERS

The Officiant prays

Lord,
it is night.

the night is for stillness.

Let us be still in the presence of God.

It is night after a long day.

What has been done has been done;
what has not been done has not been done;
let it be.

The night is dark.

Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of our own lives
rest in you.

The night is quiet.

Let the quietness of your peace enfold us,
all dear to us,
and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.

Let us look expectantly to a new day,
new joys,
new possibilities.

In your name we pray.

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL



Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

THE GRACE

HYMN #609 ~ Where cross the crowded ways of life..... *Gardiner*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Please join us for a reception in Stuart Hall.

*As Evensong concludes, volunteers will immediately begin to prepare the
Cathedral for Real Presence, our 6:00 PM Eucharist.*

Please feel free to join us for that service.
