

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 to worship.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

INTROIT

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in him.

Text: Psalm 34

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)


The Invitatory and Psalter

Please stand

PROCESSION OF CHOIR AND CLERGY

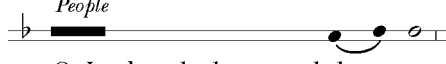
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Officiant



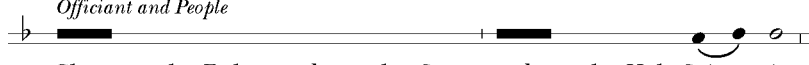
O God, make speed to save us.

People




O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People




Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:

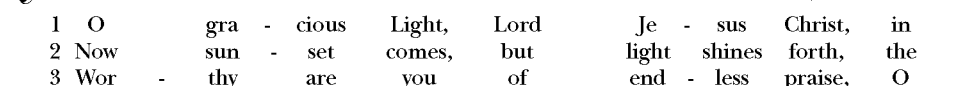


as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.


HYMN




1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in




2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the



3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O



you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly, lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son. Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light. all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

PSALM 34 *Benedicam Domi*

- 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, *
 but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
 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.

Setting: Thomas Norris

The Congregation is seated.

The Lessons

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Jeremiah 6:9-15

Thus says the LORD of hosts: Glean thoroughly as a vine the remnant of Israel; like a grape-gatherer, pass your hand again over its branches. To whom shall I speak and give warning, that they may hear? See, their ears are closed, they cannot listen. The word of the LORD is to them an object of scorn; they take no pleasure in it. But I am full of the wrath of the LORD; I am weary of holding it in. Pour it out on the children in the street, and on the gatherings of young men as well; both husband and wife shall be taken, the old folk and the very aged. Their houses shall be turned over to others, their fields and wives together; for I will stretch out my hand against the inhabitants of the land, says the LORD. For from the

least to the greatest of them, everyone is greedy for unjust gain; and from prophet to priest, everyone deals falsely. They have treated the wound of my people carelessly, saying, "Peace, peace," when there is no peace. They acted shamefully, they committed abomination; yet they were not ashamed, they did not know how to blush. Therefore they shall fall among those who fall; at the time that I punish them, they shall be overthrown, says the LORD.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE - The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

The Magnificat and Nunc dimittis are sung this evening in French style, in "Alternatum." The choir and the organist alternate, the choir singing a verse, the organist improvising on the mood or feeling of the next verse, etc.

Choir

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

Organ

For he hath regarded *
the lowliness of his handmaiden.

Choir

For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.

Organ

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.

Choir

And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.

Organ

He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

Choir

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

Organ

He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

Choir

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.

Organ


Amen.

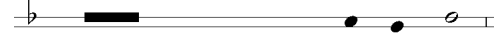
THE SECOND LESSON - Mark 5:1-20


They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; and he shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." For he had said to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many." He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; and the unclean spirits begged him, "Send us into the swine; let us enter them." So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea. The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what


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.

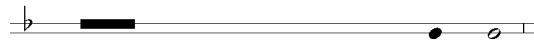
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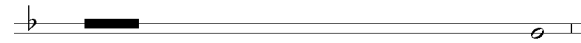
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V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;



V. Let thy way be known up - on earth;

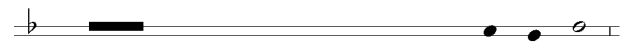
People

R. And grant us thy salva-tion.



R. Thy saving health among all na-tions.



V. Endue thy ministers with right-eous-ness;



V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot-ten;



R. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.

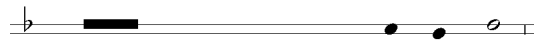

R. Nor the hope of the poor be ta-ken a-way.



V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;


V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;


R. For only in thee can we live in safe-ty.


R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spi-rit.


V. Lord, keep this nation un-der thy care;


R. And guide us in the way of jus-tice and truth.

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 God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us our place in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection, may praise thee in that City of which he is the light; and where he liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. *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.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON HYMN

1. Now let us rise and hymn the grace that brings us
2. That we may o - pen love's em - brace to wel - come
3. Re - joic - ing let us take this "Peace!" In - to the

to this time and place. Full ded - i - ca - tion
all the hu - man race, here let no walls of
world that we in - crease Christ's reign of jus - tice,

here is owed the rich - es that our past be - stowed: God, in this
hate di - vide, but let Christ's "Peace!" a - lone a - bide. God, help us
truth, and love that heav - en come on earth, and of this bless - ing

time your church re - new; en - a - ble us your will to do.
all this dream ful - fill; en - a - ble us to do your will.
we, with grace a - new, still seek God's will to know and do.

THE SERMON ~ The Rev'd Rob Courtney, Priest-in-Charge, St. Paul's

ANTHEM

Save us, O Lord, waking,
Guard us sleeping,
That awake we may watch with Christ
And asleep we may rest in peace

Words: an antiphon for the office of Compline
Music: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Officiant and People

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: 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

O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in Thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. *Amen.*

THE GRACE

Cantor or Officiant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

HYMN

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 4 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide:
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

when o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY ~ Sortie Improvisation

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Hymn: Now let us rise and hymn the grace

Words: John L. Hooker (b. 1944)

Music: Owen, John L. Hooker (b. 1944)

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Hymn: Abide with me

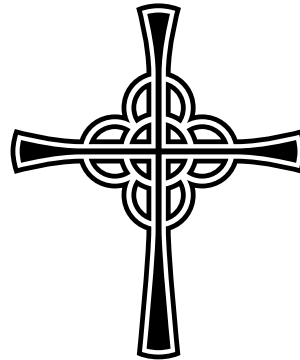
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