

Solemn Evensong

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2023




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Rite I

The Procession (*stand*)


The Invitatory, S26

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:



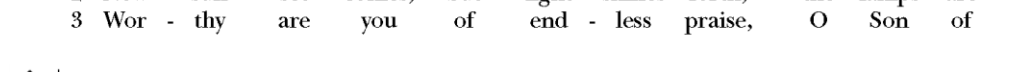
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

The Phos hilaron, Hymn 26, O gracious Light

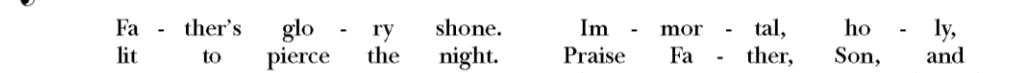
CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM




1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in you the
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O Son of



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



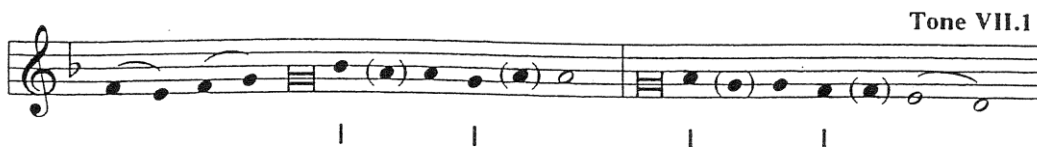
blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

This melody may be sung in rhythmic form: 

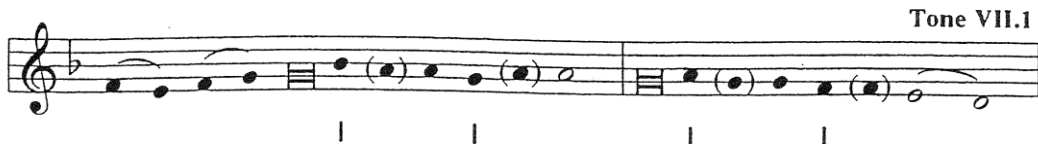
The Psalms (*sit*)

Everyone is invited to sing the psalms antiphonally, or in verse-by-verse alternation between groups of singers. After the first verse, members of the congregation on the side closest to the piano will sing the even verses, those seated on the side closest to the organ will sing the odd verses, and so on until we join at the end to sing the Gloria Patri in unison. Our custom is to take a long breath at the asterisk in the middle of each verse. This frequently takes some time to get used to, but if you listen to the rest of the community as we chant and take their lead, you will grow to enjoy the slower pace these pauses bring about.

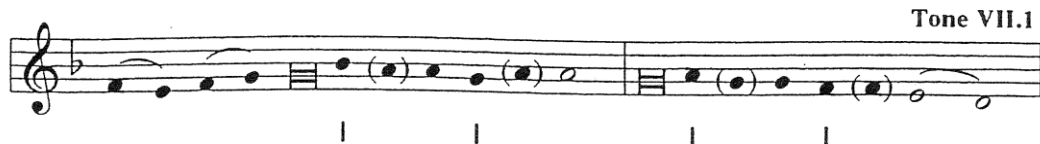
Psalm 119



- 145 *I call with my whole heart;**
answer me, O LORD, that I may **keep** your **statutes**.
- 146 I call to you; oh, that **you** would **save** me!*
- I will **keep** your **decrees**.
- 147 Early in the morning I **cry** out **to** you,*
for in **your** word **is** my *trust*.
- 148 My eyes are open **in** the night **watches**,*
that I may meditate **upon** your **promise**.
- 149 Hear my voice, O LORD, according to your **loving-kindness**;*
according to your **judgments**, **give me life**.
- 150 They draw near who in malice **persecute** me;*
they are very **far** from **your law**.
- 151 You, O **LORD**, are **near** at hand,*
and all your **commandments are true**.
- 152 Long have I **known** from **your** decrees*
that you have established **them** for **ever**.
- 153 Behold my affliction **and** deliver me,*
for I do **not** forget **your law**.
- 154 Plead my cause **and** redeem me;*
according to your **promise**, **give me life**.
- 155 Deliverance is far **from** the **wicked**,*
for they do not **study your statutes**.
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- 156 Great is your **compassion**, O LORD,*
preserve my life, according **to** your **judgments**.



- 157 There are many who persecute **and** oppress me,*
yet I have not **swerved** from **your decrees**.
- 158 I look with loathing **at** the **faithless**,*
for they **have** not **kept your word**.
- 159 See how I love **your** commandments!*
O LORD, in your **mercy**, **preserve me**.
- 160 The heart **of your word** is truth;*
all your righteous judgments **endure** for **evermore**.
- 161 Rulers have persecuted **me** without a cause,*
but my heart stands in **awe** of **your word**.
- 162 I am as glad because **of your promise***
as one who **finds** great **spoils**.
- 163 As for lies, I hate **and** **abhor** them,*
but your **law** is **my love**.
- 164 Seven times a day **do I praise** you,*
because of your **righteous judgments**.
- 165 Great peace have **they** who **love** your law;*
for them there **is** no **stumbling block**.
- 166 I have hoped for your salvation, **O LORD**,*
and I have fulfilled **your commandments**.
- 167 I have **kept** your **decrees***
and I have **loved** them **deeply**.
- 168 I have kept your **commandments and** decrees,*
for all my ways **are before you**.
- 169 Let my cry come **before** you, **O LORD**;*
give me understanding, **according to your word**.
- 170 Let my supplication **come** before you;*
deliver me, **according to your promise**.
- 171 My lips shall **pour** forth **your** praise,*
when you teach **me** your **statutes**.
- 172 My tongue shall sing **of your promise**,*
for all your **commandments are righteous**.
- 173 Let your hand be **ready to help** me,*
for I have chosen **your commandments**.



- 174 I long for your salvation, **O LORD**,*
and your **law** is **my delight**.
- 175 Let me live, and **I** will **praise** you,*
and let your **judgments help me**.
- 176 I have gone astray like a **sheep** that **is** lost;*
search for your servant, for I do not forget **your commandments**.
- 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**.

*Our Solemn Evensong readings come from the Daily Office Lectionary,
found in the Book of Common Prayer on pages 993 to 1001.*

The First Lesson, Jeremiah 23:16-32

Revised Standard Version

Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes; they speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to every one who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.'" For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to perceive and to hear his word, or who has given heed to his word and listened? Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his mind. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. "I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings. Am I a God at hand, says the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams which they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Ba'al? Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer which breaks the rock in pieces? Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, who steal my words from one another. Behold, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, who use their tongues and say, 'Says the LORD.' Behold, I am against those who prophesy lying dreams, says the LORD, and who tell them and lead my people astray by their lies and their recklessness, when I did not send them or charge them; so they do not profit this people at all, says the LORD."

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

Please stand and sing along with the choir.

The Song of Mary, S185 (stand)

Magnificat

1. My soul doth mag - ni - fy the Lord, and my spi - rit
hath rejoiced in God my Sav - ior. 2. For he hath re - gard - ed
the low - li - ness of his hand - maid - en. 3. For be - hold from hence - forth
all gen - er - a - tions shall call me bless - ed. 4. For he that is
might - y hath mag - ni - fied me, and ho - ly is his Name.
5. And his mer - cy is on them that fear him through - out all gen - er - a - tions.
6. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scat - tered the
proud in the imagi - na - tion of their hearts. 7. He hath put
down the might - y from their seat, and hath ex - alt - ed the
hum - ble and meek. 8. He hath filled the hun - gry with good things,
and the rich he hath sent emp - ty a - way. 9. He re -
mem - ber - ing his mer - cy hath hol - pen his ser - vant Is - ra - el,

as he prom - ised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ev - er. [Ant.]

(Gloria Patri may be omitted)

10. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:

11. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

The Second Lesson, Mark 8:31-9:1 (*sit*)

Revised Standard Version

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men." And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing along with the choir.

The Song of Simeon, S196 (*stand*)

Nunc Dimittis

1. Lord, now lettest thou thy ser - vant de - part in peace, ac - cord - ing

to thy word; 2. For mine eyes have seen thy sal - va - tion,

which thou hast prepared before the face of all peo - ple,

3. To be a light to light - en the Gen - tiles,

and to be the glory of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el. [Ant.]

(Gloria Patri may be omitted)

4. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:

5. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

The Apostles' Creed *(sung on tone; remain standing)*

Officiant I believe in God,

All the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day he rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
 From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Our Father *(sung on tone; remain standing)*

Officiant Our Father,

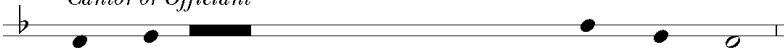
All who art in heaven,
 hallow'd be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.

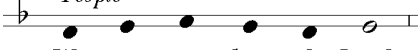
Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

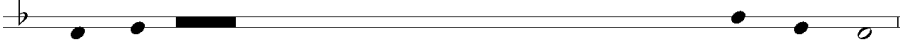
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

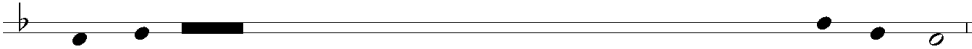
The Suffrages, S29

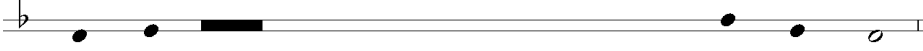
Cantor or Officiant

That this evening may be holy, good, and peace - ful,


People

We en - treat thee, O Lord.


(This response is sung after each of the following petitions)

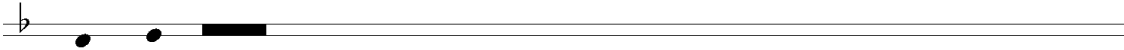

That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and good-will,


That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and of - fen - ses,


That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world,


That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear,


and not be condemned before the great judg - ment seat of Christ,


That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in the communion of


[_____ and] all thy saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

The Collect of the Day

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Sundays

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.*

The Collect for Mission

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

The Anthem *(sit)*

KING JOHN IV OF PORTUGAL

Crux fidelis inter omnes arbor una nobilis, nulla silva talem profert fronde, flore, germine. Dulce lignum, dulces clavos, dulce pondus sustinet.

Faithful cross, above all other, one and only noble tree: none in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit thy peer may be. Sweetest wood and sweetest iron, sweetest weight is hung on thee!

King John IV of Portugal (1604-1656) reigned from 1640 until his death. Among his writings is a defense of Palestrina and a *Defense of Modern Music* (Lisbon, 1649).

The General Thanksgiving *(stand)*

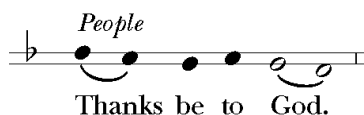
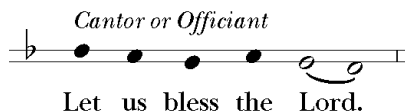
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Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Dismissal, S31



The Grace

Officiant

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.*

The Office Hymn (*stand*)

Hymn 662, Abide with me: fast falls the eventide

EVENTIDE

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 still, if thou a - bide with me.
in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)
Music: *Eventide*, William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

The Procession

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