# Evensong for the Fourth Sunday of Easter April 25th, 2021

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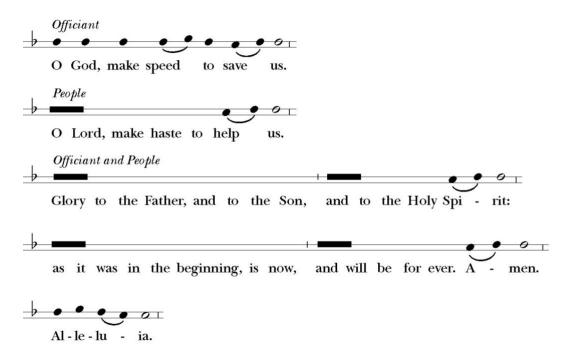
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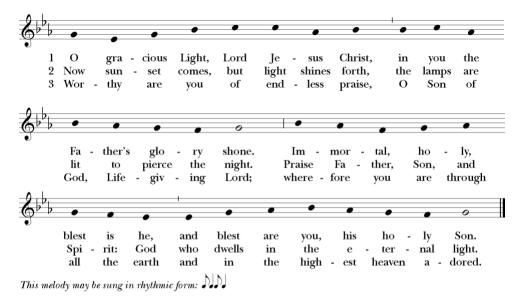
### The Procession

### The Invitatory, S26 (stand)



# The Phos hilaron, Hymn 26, O gracious Light

### CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM



### The Psalm

Psalm 103

Benedic, anima mea

Henry John Gauntlett



Anglican chant composed by the English organist Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876), who composed over 1,000 hymn tunes. His most famous tune is *Irby*, the tune to which we sing the Christmas carol *Once in royal David's city* (Hymn #102).

- 1 Bless the LORD / O my / soul, \* and all that is within me / bless his / holy / Name.
- 2 Bless the LORD / O my / soul, \* and for / get not / all his / benefits.
- 3 He forgives / all your / sins \* and / heals / all your in / firmities;
- 4 He redeems your / life <u>from the</u> / grave \* and crowns you with / <u>mercy</u> and / loving / kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with / **good** / things, \* and your / youth is re / newed like an / eagle's.
- 6 The LORD / <u>exe</u> cutes / righteousness \* and judgment for / all who / are op / pressed.
- 7 He made his ways / known to / Moses \* and his / works to the / children of / Israel.
- 8 The LORD is full of com / <u>passion</u> and / mercy, \* slow to / <u>anger and of / **great** / kindness.</u>
- 9 He will not / <u>always</u> ac / cuse us, \* nor will he / keep his / <u>anger</u> for / ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us ac / <u>cording to our</u> / sins, \* nor rewarded us ac / cording / to our / wickedness.

- 11 For as the heavens are / <u>high a</u> <u>bove the</u> / earth, \* so is his mercy / <u>great u</u> pon / those who / fear him.
- 12 As far as the / <u>east is from the</u> / west, \* so far has he re / moved our / **sins** / from us.
- 13 As a father / <u>cares for</u> his / children, \* so does the LORD / care for / those who / fear him.
- 14 For he himself knows where / of we are / made; \* he re / members that / we are but / dust.
- 15 Our days are / like the / grass; \* we flourish like a / flower / of the / field;
- 16 When the wind goes over it / it is / gone, \* and its / place shall / know it no / more.
- 17 But the merciful goodness of the LORD endures for ever on / those who / fear him, \* and his / righteousness on / children's / children;
- 18 On those who / keep his / covenant \* and remember / his com / mandments and / do them.
- 19 The LORD has set his / throne in / heaven, \* and his kingship has do / minion / over / all.
- 20 Bless the LORD you angels of his, you mighty ones who / do his / bidding, \* and / hearken to the / voice of his / word.
- 21 Bless the LORD all / you his / hosts, \* you ministers of / his who / do his / will.
- 22 Bless the LORD all you works of his, in all places of / his do / minion; \* bless the / LORD / O my / soul.
- Glory to the Father and / to the / Son, \* and / to the / Holy / Spirit:
- As it was in the be / ginning is / now, \* and will be for / ever. / A / men.

### The First Lesson, Wisdom 1:1-15

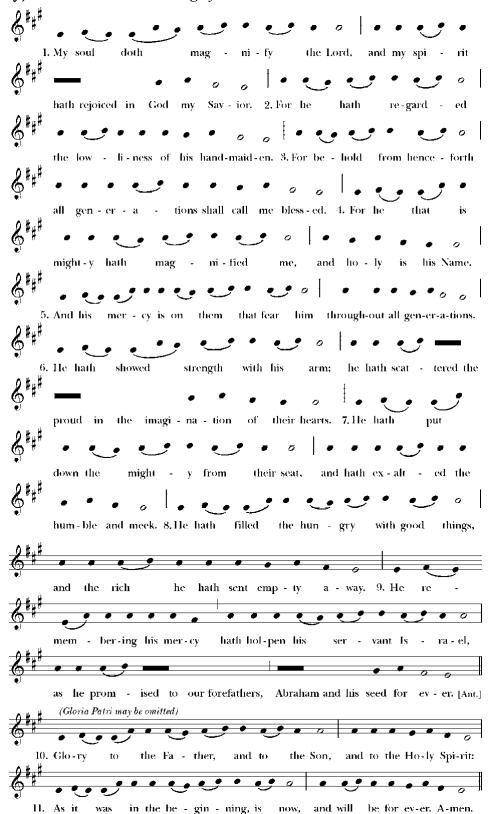
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Love righteousness, you rulers of the earth, think of the Lord with uprightness, and seek him with sincerity of heart; because he is found by those who do not put him to the test, and manifests himself to those who do not distrust him. For perverse thoughts separate men from God, and when his power is tested, it convicts the foolish; because wisdom will not enter a deceitful soul, nor dwell in a body enslaved to sin. For a holy and disciplined spirit will flee from deceit, and will rise and depart from foolish thoughts, and will be ashamed at the approach of unrighteousness. For wisdom is a kindly spirit and will not free a blasphemer from the guilt of his words; because God is witness of his inmost feelings, and a true observer of his heart, and a hearer of his tongue. Because the Spirit of the Lord has filled the world, and that which holds all things together knows what is said; therefore no one who utters unrighteous things will escape notice, and justice, when it punishes, will not pass him by. For inquiry will be made into the counsels of an ungodly man, and a report of his words will come to the Lord, to convict him of his lawless deeds; because a jealous ear hears all things, and the sound of murmurings does not go unheard. Beware then of useless murmuring, and keep your tongue from slander; because no secret word is without result, and a lying mouth destroys the soul. Do not invite death by the error of your life, nor bring on destruction by the works of your hands; because God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things that they might exist, and the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them; and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal.

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

### The Song of Mary, S185

### Magnificat



### The Second Lesson, Matthew 7:15-29

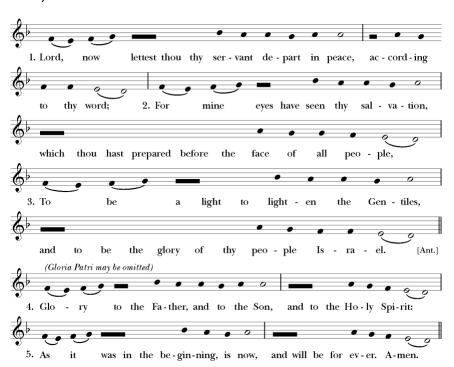
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Jesus said, "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? So, every sound tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears evil fruit. A sound tree cannot bear evil fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will know them by their fruits. "Not every one who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.' Every one then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house upon the rock; and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And every one who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house upon the sand; and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell; and great was the fall of it." And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

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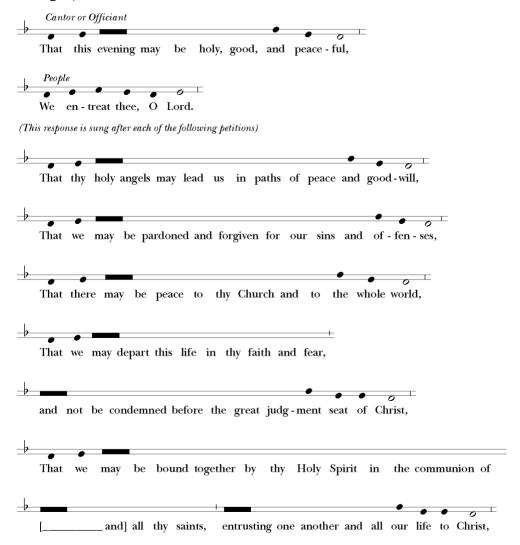
### The Song of Simeon, S196

### Nunc Dimittis



# The Apostles' Creed (sung on tone) I believe in God, Officiant A11 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. AllAnd with thy spirit. Officiant Let us pray. The Our Father (kneel) Our Father, Officiant Allwho 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



### The Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and 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 Luigi Cherubini

Like as a father, filled with compassion, pities all his children, so the Lord has mercy on those who fear him. Like as a father lovingly, filled with compassion, pities his children, the Lord has mercy on those who fear him. Like as a father, filled with compassion, so the Lord has mercy on those who fear him.

- words from this evening's psalm, verse 13 on page 5

### The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

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



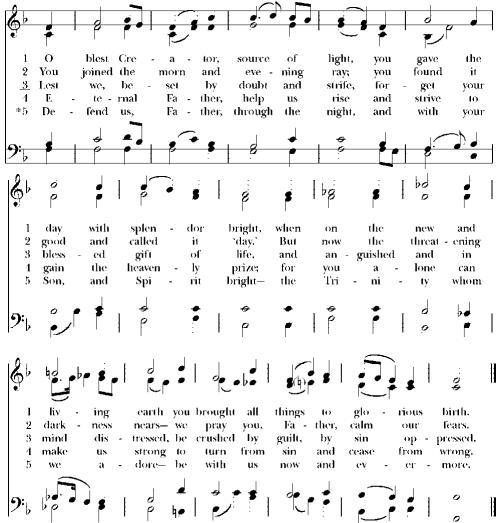
### The Grace

# 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, Hymn 28, O blest Creator

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