



Christ Church Cathedral Catedral Iglesia de Cristo Springfield, Massachusetts

All Saints WORCESTER



March 19, 2023
Evensong celebrating
Laetare Sunday
3:30 p.m. Pre-Evensong Recital
4:00 p.m. Evensong

Good evening! Today's service is taken from The Book of Common Prayer. Our service begins with a 30-minute Pre-Service Recital, serving as the Prelude. Accordingly, as the recital is part of the service, please observe silence. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982; the various parts of the liturgy may be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (noted as "BCP"). If you have a question, please ask a neighbor who looks like they might know!

PRELUDE

Todd Beckham, Organ

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

"Prelude in C Minor" S548

"Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier" S731

"Jesus, Meine Zuversicht" S728

"Ich Ruf zu Dir, Herr Jesus Christ" S639

"O Mensch, Bewein Dein Suende Gross" S622

"Contrapunctus I from Art of Fugue" S1080

At the conclusion of the Recital, please withhold applause and greet the performer after Evensong!

INTROIT*“Abendlied”*

Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

Bleib bei uns, denn es will Abend werden,
und der Tag hat sich geneiget.

Bide with us, for evening shadows darken,
and the day will soon be over.

*Please stand as able***OPENING HYMN***“The Day Thou Gavest Now Is Ended”*

HYMNAL 24

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant: O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

PRECES

BCP 63, Setting: Grace Coberly (b. 1999)

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Officiant Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord’s name be praised.

*Please be seated***PSALM 23**

1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture, *
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul, *
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name’s sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; *
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me; *
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Psalm 23 - Psalm Tone after "Precious Lord," Thomas A. Dorsey (1899-1993)

FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the

Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the LORD.” But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

Please stand as able

THE SONG OF MARY – *Magnificat* - Evening Canticles in C, C.V. Stanford (1852-1924)

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; *

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 Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *
World without end, Amen.

Please be seated

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

THE SONG OF SIMEON – *Nunc Dimittis*

Setting: Stanford

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,
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 Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *
World without end, Amen.

Please remain standing and join in chanting

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**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 RESPONSES

BCP 67, Setting: Coberly

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Choir Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR MISSION

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your 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 your love's sake. Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Please be seated.

WELCOME THE VERY REVEREND TOM CALLARD, DEAN OF CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

An offering will be taken during the singing of the Offertory Anthem.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM*“Cantique de Jean Racine”*

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Verbe, égal au Très-Haut, notre unique
 espérance,
 Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux ;
 De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence,
 Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux !
 Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce
 puissante,
 Que tout l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix ;
 Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante,
 Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois !
 O Christ, sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle
 Pour te bénir maintenant rassemblé.
 Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire
 immortelle,
 Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé!

O Word, equal of the Most High,
 Our sole hope, eternal day of earth and the
 heavens,
 We break the silence of the peaceful night.
 Divine Savior, cast Thine eyes upon us!
 Shed the light of Thy mighty grace upon us.
 Let all Hell flee at the sound of Thy voice.
 Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul
 That leads it to the forgetting of Thy laws!
 O Christ, be favorable unto this faithful
 people
 Now gathered to bless Thee.
 Receive the hymns it offers unto Thine
 immortal glory
 And may it return laden with Thy gifts.

*Please stand as able***CLOSING PRAYERS**

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.**A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM**

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.**

PRAYER**CLOSING HYMN***“O Trinity of Blessed Light”*

The Hymnal #29

All remain standing as the Clergy and Choir depart. Once past, please be seated for the remainder of the Postlude.

POSTLUDE*“Ciaccona in E, BuxWV”*

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Please enjoy fellowship in the Kendrick Room following the Postlude.

PARTICIPANTS

Officiant: The Reverend Samuel J. Smith

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Assisting Organist: Wesley Hall

The All Saints Choir

Pre-Evensong Recitalist: Todd Beckham

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