

CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

September 8, 2024 - 5:00pm

Choral Evensong, a hallmark of the Anglican/Episcopal tradition, marks the day's end and prepares us for the coming night. The service's roots come out of ancient monastic traditions of prayer and were adapted five hundred years ago for English cathedral settings. Rest, reflect, and listen: Evensong at Trinity offers time and space for quiet meditation as we are each invited to pray for our own needs and the needs of the world. We have carefully designed this service to comfort where you hurt, and to challenge where you may have grown complacent. Through music & spoken word, sound & silence, we invite you to find a "thin space" in which to encounter the mystery & beauty of God.

-THE VERY REV'D NATHAN LERUD,
Dean of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

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Please stand as you are able at the ringing of the bell.

INTROIT

Katherine Webb

Cantor

God is in his holy temple:

Choir

Let all the earth keep silence before him.

Cantor

The Lord shall watch over your going out and
your coming in:

Choir

From this time forth for evermore.

Cantor

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.

Choir

Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 36

O gladsome Light, O grace

Tune: Le Cantique du Siméon

The musical score is presented in three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1 O glad - some Light, O grace of God the Fa - ther's face,
2 Now, ere day fad - eth quite, we see the eve - ning light,
3 To thee of right be - longs all praise of ho - ly songs,
the e - ter - nal splen - dor wear - ing; ce - les - tial, ho - ly, blest,
our wont - ed hymn out - pour - ing; Fa - ther of might un - known,
O Son of God, Life - giv - er; thee, there - fore, O Most High,
our Sa - vior Je - sus Christ, joy - ful in thine ap - pear - ing.
thee, his in - car - nate Son, and Ho - ly Spirit a - dor - ing.
the world doth glo - ri - fy, and shall ex - alt for ev - er.

Please remain standing as the Officiant & Choir sing.

PRECES

Philip Radcliffe

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.

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.

Officiant

Praise ye the Lord:

Choir

The Lord's name be praised.

Please be seated.

PSALM 27

Anglican Chant by James Turle

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *

the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

When evildoers came upon me to eat up my
flesh, *

it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who
stumbled and fell.

Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;

And though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in him.

One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; *

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *

and to seek him in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *

he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head *

above my enemies round about me.

Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *

have mercy on me and answer me.

You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *

Your face, LORD, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me, *

nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

You have been my helper;

cast me not away; *

do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Though my father and my mother forsake me, *

the LORD will sustain me.

Show me your way, O LORD; *

lead me on a level path, because of my
enemies.

Deliver me not into the hand of my
adversaries, *

for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and also those who speak malice.

What if I had not believed

that I should see the goodness of the LORD *
in the land of the living!

O tarry and await the LORD'S pleasure;

be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; *

wait patiently for the LORD.

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.

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 1:10-20

Lector

A reading from the book of First Samuel.

She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant and remember me and not forget your

servant but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.” As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, “How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.” But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.” Then Eli answered, “Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.” And she said, “Let your servant find favor in your sight.” Then the woman went her way and ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, “I have asked him of the Lord.”

Lector

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

MAGNIFICAT

Service in E-Flat, No. 1

Charles Wood

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

Please be seated.

SECOND READING

Luke 1:26-38

Lector

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in

your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Lector

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People

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NUNC DIMITTIS

Service in E-Flat, No. 1

Charles Wood

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 Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now,

and ever shall be,*

world without end. Amen.



Please remain standing as you are able.

All intone on a single note.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant

I believe in God,

All

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.

Please remain standing as the Officiant & Choir sing.

RESPONSES

Philip Radcliffe

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.

Choir

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.

Amen.

Officiant

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us:

Choir

And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant

O Lord, save the nation:

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 THREE COLLECTS

Officiant

Father in heaven, by your grace the virgin mother of your incarnate Son was blessed in bearing him, but still more blessed in keeping your word: Grant us who honor the exaltation of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Choir

Amen.

Officiant

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.

Choir

Amen.

Officiant

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.

Choir

Amen.

Please be seated.

WELCOME



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ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Bogoróditse Dévo

Sergei Rachmaninoff

*Bogoróditse Dévo, râduysia,
Blagodátnaya Mariye, Ghospód s Tobóyu.
Blagoslovénna Ti y zhenáh,
I blagoslovén Plod chréva Tvoyegó,
yáko Spása rodilá yesí dush náshih.*

Rejoivce, O Virgin Theotokos,
Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb,
for you have borne the Savior of our souls.

Please kneel or stand as you are able.

CLOSING PRAYERS

BENEDICAMUS

Officiant

Let us bless the Lord:

People

Thanks be to God.

GRACE

People

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

CLOSING HYMN 278

Sing we of the blessed mother

Tune: Rustington



1 Sing we of the bless - ed Mo - ther who re - ceived the an - gel's word,
2 Sing we, too, of Ma - ry's sor - rows of the sword that pierced her through,
3 Sing a - gain the joys of Ma - ry when she saw the ris - en Lord,
4 Sing the chief - est joy of Ma - ry when on earth her work was done,



and o - be - dient to the sum - mons bore in love the in - fant Lord;
when be - neath the cross of Je - sus she his weight of suf - fering knew,
and in prayer with Christ's a - pos - tles, wait - ed on his prom - ised word;
and the Lord of all cre - a - tion brought her to his heaven - ly home;



sing we of the joys of Ma - ry at whose breast the child was fed
looked up - on her son and Sa - vior reign - ing from the aw - ful tree,
from on high the blaz - ing glo - ry of the Spi - rit's pres - ence came,
where, raised high with saints and an - gels, in Je - ru - sa - lem a - bove,



who is Son of God e - ter - nal and the ev - er - last - ing Bread.
saw the price of our re - demp - tion paid to set the sin - ner free.
heaven - ly breath of God's own be - ing, man - i - fest in wind and flame.
she be - holds her son and Sa - vior reign - ing as the Lord of love.

PSALM IN PROCESSION

Psalm 150

Chant by George S. Talbot

Hallelujah!

Praise God in his holy temple; *

praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his mighty acts; *

praise him for his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; *

praise him with lyre and harp.

Praise him with timbrel and dance; *

praise him with strings and pipe.

Praise him with resounding cymbals; *

praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath *

praise the Lord.

Hallelujah!

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Meine Seele erhebt den Herren, BWV 733

Johann Sebastian Bach



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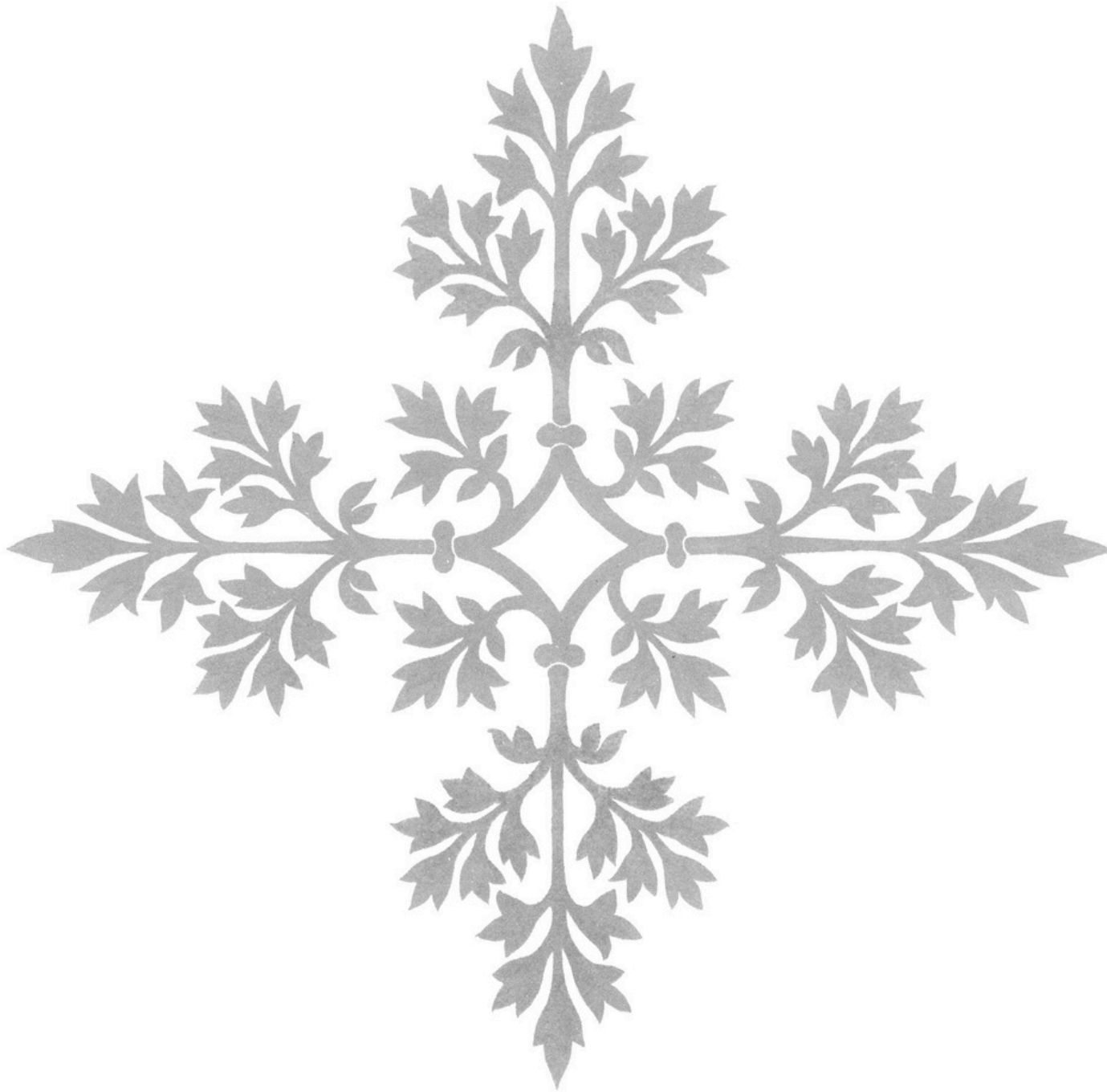
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

4:30PM | ORGAN RECITAL

**5:00PM | CHORAL EVENSONG &
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Bring your furry and feathered friends for a very special service for the Feast of St. Francis, sung by the Cathedral Choir School – followed by the Blessing of the Animals!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

**6:30PM | PIPSCREAMS HALLOWEEN
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Portland entertainment icon Nicole Onoscopi hosts this spooky, silly evening of Halloween music for the whole family! Preceded by a pumpkin carving party at 4:30 – come in costume!

Suggested donation \$15

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

**5:00 | CHORAL EVENSONG FOR
THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS**

Bring a photo or memento of a departed loved one to this special service of choral Evensong for the Feast of All Souls, featuring music by Herbert Howells and John Tavener.

Sung by the Cathedral Choir & Choir School.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

**7:00 | CELEBRITY ORGAN RECITAL:
ROBERT MCCORMICK**

Virtuoso performer and improviser Robert McCormick, organist and director of music at Church of the Good Shepherd in Rosemount, PA, plays an exciting program of classical repertoire and on-the-spot improvisations.

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5:00 | ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS

Join the Cathedral Choir and Choristers for a festive service of readings, prayers, and choral music for the Advent season.

