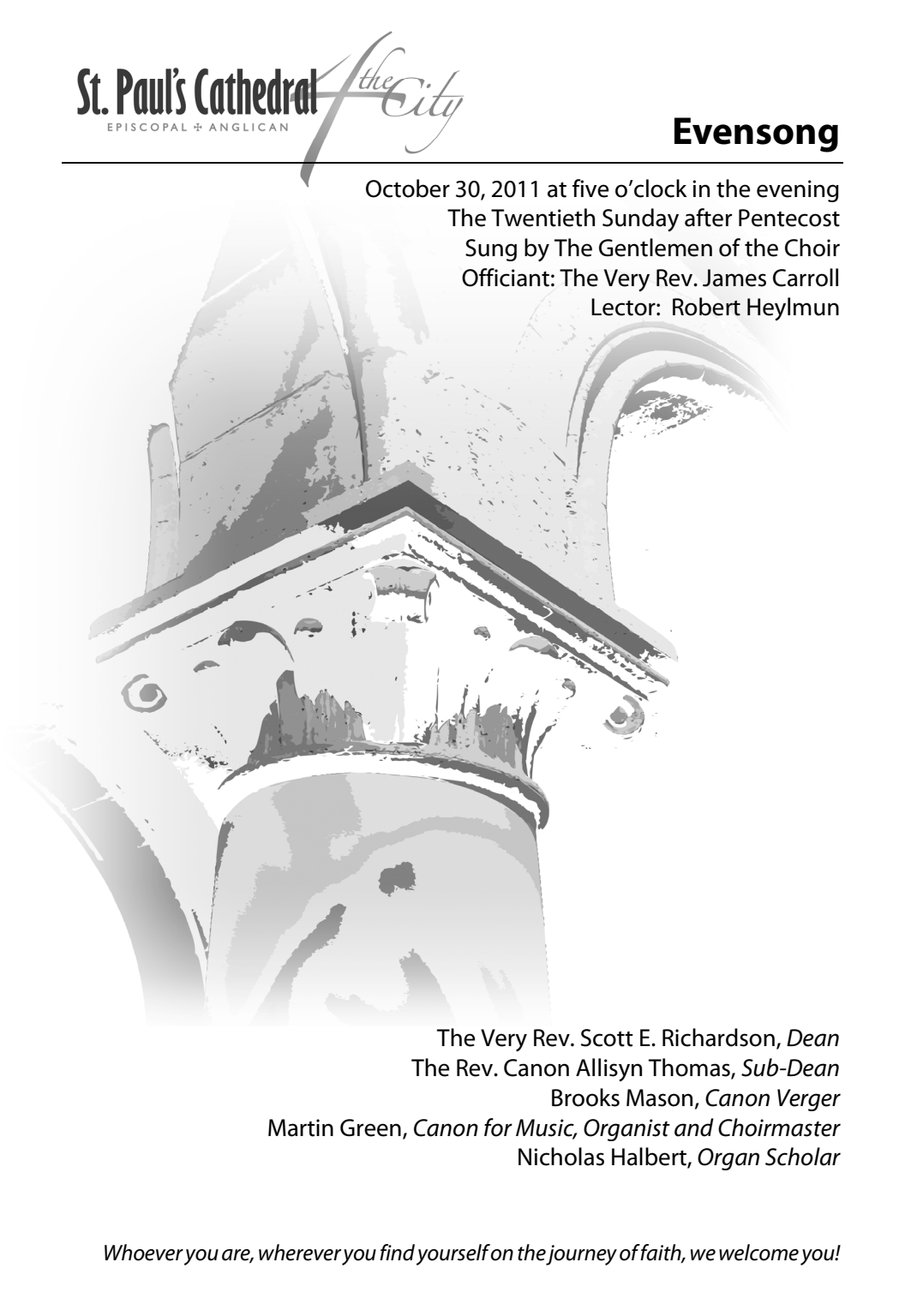


St. Paul's Cathedral
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Evensong

October 30, 2011 at five o'clock in the evening
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Sung by The Gentlemen of the Choir
Officiant: The Very Rev. James Carroll
Lector: Robert Heylmun



The Very Rev. Scott E. Richardson, *Dean*
The Rev. Canon Allisyn Thomas, *Sub-Dean*
Brooks Mason, *Canon Verger*
Martin Green, *Canon for Music, Organist and Choirmaster*
Nicholas Halbert, *Organ Scholar*

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, we welcome you!

Kindly silence phones and other electronic devices.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

INTROIT

No. 4 from Quatre petites prières de Saint François d'Assise
Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

*O mes très chers frères et mes enfants bénis pour toute l'éternité,
écoutez-moi, écoutez la voix de votre Père:
Nous avons promis de grandes choses,
On nous en a promis de plus grandes;
Gardons les unes et soupignons après les autres;
Le plaisir est court, la peine éternelle;
La souffrance est légère, la gloire infinie.
Beaucoup sont appelés, peu sont élus;
Tout recevront ce qu'ils auront mérité.
Ainsi soit-il.*

O my very dear brothers and my children blessed for all of eternity,
Listen to me, hear the voice of your Father:
We have promised great things,
We have been promised even greater;
Hold fast to some and long for others;
Pleasure is short, pain eternal.
Suffering is light, glory infinite.
Many are called, few are chosen;
All shall receive what they deserve.
So be it.

§ *Please stand at the tolling of the bell as choir and clergy enter in procession.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

OPENING SENTENCE

PRECES AND RESPONSES

plainsong

- 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.

OFFICE HYMN 37



1 O bright-ness of the im-mor - tal Fa-ther's face, most ho - ly,
2 the sun is sink - ing now, and one by one the lamps of
3 Worth - y art thou at all times to re - ceive our hal - lowed



heaven - ly, blest, Lord Je - sus Christ, in whom his
eve - ning shine; we hymn the e - ter - nal Fa - ther,
prais - es, Lord. O Son of God, be thou, in



truth and grace are vi - si - bly ex-pressed:
and the Son, and Ho - ly Ghost di - vine.
whom we live, through all the world a - dored.

Words: Greek, 3rd cent.; tr. Edward W. Eddis (1825-1905); para. of *O Gracious Light*
Music: *Evening Hymn*, Gerald Near (b. 1942)
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§ Please be seated.

- 1 O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world; *
thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!
- 2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained
strength, because of thine enemies, *
that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.
- 3 When I consider thy heavens, even the work of thy fingers; *
the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained;
- 4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? *
and the son of man, that thou visitest him?
- 5 Thou madest him lower than the angels, *
to crown him with glory and worship.
- 6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands; *
and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet:
- 7 All sheep and oxen; *
yea, and the beasts of the field;
- 8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea; *
and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.
- 9 O LORD our Governor, *
how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

Gloria Patri

The Lessons

FIRST READING

Nehemiah 5:1-19

The first reading is taken from the Old Testament which declares that the history of Israel, and of the whole world, is guided by God.

§ Please stand.

MAGNIFICAT

From *Canticles in G (for Men's Voices)*

Charles Wood (1866–1926)

The Magnificat is Mary's song of thanksgiving (Luke 1:46-55) as she responds to the declaration that the child she is to bear will fulfill the promises of the Old Testament.

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 forever.

Gloria Patri.

§ Please be seated.

SECOND READING

Luke 12:22-31

The second reading is taken from the New Testament which tells of the life and teaching of Jesus and the witness of the early church. It also shows the meaning of Christ for our life today.

§ Please stand.

NUNC DIMITTIS

From *Canticles in G (for Men's Voices)*

Wood

The Nunc Dimittis is the song of Simeon (Luke 2:29-32) who, before he dies, sees the Infant Jesus and holds him in his arms.

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.

Gloria Patri.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

The Creed grew from statements of belief made by the first Christians at their baptism. The church continues to confess its faith in the Holy Trinity—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

The Creed is monotoned or spoken by all.

**I believe in God, 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.

The Prayers

SALUTATION

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

THE LESSER LITANY *(choir)*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(sung by the choir, or by all on a monotone)*

**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.**

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

SUFFRAGES *(choir)*

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 COLLECTS

The following collects, or others appointed, are sung by the Officiant.

THE COLLECT FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ALMIGHTY AND MERCIFUL GOD, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may run without stumbling to obtain thy heavenly promises; 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 PEACE

O GOD from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST PERILS

LIGHTEN OUR DARKNESS, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

§ *Please be seated.*

During the anthem, an offering will be collected to support the Cathedral's work of sharing God's love with the world.

AT THE OFFERING, ANTHEM

*O Lord our Lord, how marvelous
Matthew Locke (1621-1677)*

O Lord our Lord, how marvelous is thy name in all the earth!
What is man that thou art so mindful of him, and the son of man that
thou vouchsafes't to visit him?
Thou hast diminished him a little less than the angels.
With glory and honor thou hast crowned him, and hast appointed him
over the works of thy hands.

[Text: Psalm 8:1, 5-7, 10]

THE CONCLUDING PRAYERS

§ *Please stand or kneel for the Prayers, which end with the following Grace:*

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.**

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1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

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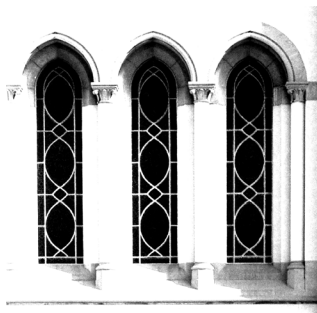
THE DISMISSAL

Cantor Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please remain standing as the choir and clergy leave in procession.



Concerning the Service of Evensong

The form of this service is little altered from that of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, but the content has a much longer history. The Psalms were the hymns of the Jewish temple; the Canticles—the *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis*—are from the New Testament; other prayers and hymns come from the past centuries of the Christian church. All these texts have been refined throughout the ages to express the profound mysteries of God.

For some it is music, not words alone, that carries them into the presence of God; for others it is silent meditation. For most people, however, it takes all three—words, music, and silent meditation—to lead them into the true spirit of worship.

This service of Evensong is a unique part of our Anglican heritage with its offering of a liturgical, architectural, and musical space into which we may bring our daily anxieties and preoccupations, and hold them together with a recollection of the God whose saving acts we celebrate. The censuring of altar, cross, ministers, and people during the Song of Mary (the *Magnificat*) testifies to the God who is present in Mary's body as continuous with the God of the Exodus, whose signs of presence were the pillar of fire by night and the pillar of smoke by day.

One may feel that there is little opportunity for the congregation to take an active part in the worship, but the wisdom of the ages tells us that most find that through their own silent attention, while ministers and choir speak and sing in their name, they make the words and music their own. They are then able, with an uncluttered mind, to offer to God the best of who they are and what they hope to become.

It is then that this service of Evensong, which has been called the jewel in the crown of Anglicanism, can be experienced for what it is: a worship experience that allows us with all our senses to express our hopes and thanksgivings to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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