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LOVE *at the* CORE.

Lenten Evensong

Presented by St. John's Cathedral Choir

Timothy Tuller, Canon for Music

March 9, 2025 | 5 p.m.



∞ LENTEN EVENSONG ∞

Welcome to St. John's Cathedral! In the period before the service, we commend the keeping of silence for prayer, reflection, and quiet preparation. Please silence your cell phone.

Voluntary

Fantasia and Fugue in C minor, J. S. Bach

Introit

Call to remembrance, Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and thy loving kindness which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

In Procession, Hymn 598

“Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth”
Mit Freuden zart

The Invitatory And Psalter

All stand as the Choir sings.

Preces and Responses

David Drinkell
Brad May, lay cantor

O Lord, open thou our lips.
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
O God, make speed to save us.
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.
Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

All sit.

Out of the deep have I called unto thee O Lord:
Lord hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint.
If thou Lord wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss,

O Lord who may abide it?
For there is mercy with thee;
therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him;
in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord,
before the morning watch I say before the morning watch.

O Israel trust in the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy and with him is plenteous redemption.
and he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

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.

The First Lesson

Daniel 9:3-10

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Daniel.

Then I, Daniel, turned to the Lord God, to seek an answer by prayer and supplication with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. I prayed to the LORD my God and made confession, saying, “Ah, Lord, great and awesome God, keeping covenant and steadfast love with those who love you and keep your commandments, we have sinned and done wrong, acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and ordinances. We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our ancestors, and to all the people of the land. Righteousness is on your side, O Lord, but open shame, as at this day, falls on us, the people of Judah, the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and all Israel, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the lands to which you have driven them, because of the treachery that they have committed against you. Open shame, O LORD, falls on us, our kings, our officials, and our ancestors, because we have sinned against you.

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by following his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.”

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Magnificat

King's College Service, Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

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 ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 2:10-18

Reader A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me." Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham.

Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

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

The Nunc Dimittis

King's College Service, Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

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 ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Shaun Adams, tenor

All stand and join the Choir in chanting.

The Apostles' Creed

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.

All kneel as the Choir continues.

The Suffrages and Responses

David Drinkell
Brad May, lay cantor

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer *(sung by the choir)*

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

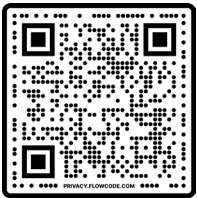
The Choir continues the Suffrages and Responses.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
 And grant us thy salvation.
 O Lord, save the State;
 And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
 Endue thy ministers with righteousness,
 And make thy chosen people joyful.
 O Lord, save thy people.
 And bless thine inheritance.
 Give peace in our time, O Lord.
 Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
 O God, make clean our hearts within us.
 And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Three Collects and the Grace

All sit.

Welcome and Announcements



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At the Offering

Civitas sancti tui, William Byrd

*Civitas sancti tui facta est deserta.
 Sion deserta facta est,
 Jerusalem desolata est.*

Your holy city has become a wilderness.
 Zion has become a wilderness,
 Jerusalem has been made desolate.

Music for the Lenten Season

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, S. S. Wesley

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee.
 The darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day:
 The darkness and the light to Thee are both alike.
 God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all.
 O let my soul live, and it shall praise Thee.
 For Thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, for evermore.
 -Isaiah 26: 3

When David heard, Thomas Weelkes

When David heard that Absalom was slain
He went up into his chamber over the gate and wept
And thus he said: my son, my son, O Absalom my son, would God I had died for thee!

Go to dark Gethsemane, T. Tertius Noble

Go to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the tempter's pow'r;
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away,
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall;
View the Lord of life arraigned;
O the worm-wood and the gall!
O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn of Him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb;
There, adoring at His feet,
Mark the miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete:
"It is finished!" Hear Him cry;
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.
Amen.

If the Lord had not helped me, Edward C. Bairstow

If the Lord had not helped me, it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence.
But when I said, My foot hath slipt, Thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.
In the multitude of the sorrows that I have in my heart:
Thy comforts, O Lord, have refreshed my soul.
For the Lord is my refuge, and my God is the strength of my confidence.
God is my refuge.
If the Lord had not helped me, it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence.
But when I said, My foot hath slipt,
Thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

Paul Fisher, baritone

All kneel.

The Closing Prayers and Blessing

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All stand.

In Procession, Hymn 24

“The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended”
St. Clement

Concluding Voluntary

Fantasia in C minor, J. S. Bach



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