

Evensong

THE THURSDAY AFTER PROPER 12 • 29 JULY 2021 • 5:30 PM

VOLUNTARY

Evening song

David Hurd

The people stand as the procession enters.

OPENING SENTENCE

Said by the officiant.

The Invitatory and Psalter

PRECES

The people remain standing.

John Rutter

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir 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.

PRaise OF GOD'S LIGHT

Sung by all, standing.

Ar hyd y nos



God, who mad - est earth and heav - en, dark - ness and light:
And when morn a - gain shall call us to run life's way,
Guard us wak - ing, guard us sleep - ing, and, when we die,



Thou the day for work hast giv - en, for rest, the night.
may we still, what - e'er be - fall us, Thy will o - bey.
may we in Thy might - y keep - ing all peace - ful lie.



May Thy an - gel guards de - fend us, slum - ber sweet Thy mer - cy send us,
From the pow'r of e - vil hide us, in the nar - row path - way guide us,
When the trum - pet call shall wake us, then, O Lord, do not for - sake us,



ho - ly dreams and hopes at - tend us all through the night.
nev - er be Thy smile de - nied us all through the night.
but to reign in glo - ry take us with Thee on high.

text: St. 1, Reginald Heber, 1827; St. 2, Richard Whateley, 1885, alt.; music: traditional Welsh melody.

The Readings

THE FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Reader A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all

for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

THE MAGNIFICAT

The people stand.

Herbert Sumsion
Evening service in G major

Choir 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.

- Luke 1:45-55

THE SECOND READING

The people sit.

Luke 12:13-21

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no

place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

The people stand.

Sumsion

Choir 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.

- Luke 2:29-32

THE SERMON

The people sit.

The Rev. Canon Mark E. Stanger
Interim Executive Pastor

THE APOSTLES' CREED

The people stand. Sung on a monotone.

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

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Rutter

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

The people remain standing.

Choir Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung on a monotone.

All 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.**

THE SUFFRAGES

Rutter

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save this land.

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.

THE COLLECTS

Sung by the officiant.

ANTHEM

(Psalm 121; BCP p. 779)

Sung by the choir. The people sit.

Ernest Walker

CLOSING PRAYERS

All stand.

The Rev. Mary Carter Greene
 Minister for Congregational Life

HYMN 24

Sung by all.

St. Clement



1 The day— thou ga - vest, Lord, — is end - ed, the dark - ness
 2 We thank— thee that — thy Church, — un - sleep - ing, while earth rolls
 3 As o'er — each con - ti - nent — and is - land the dawn leads
 4 So be — it, Lord; — thy throne — shall nev - er, like earth's proud



1 falls — at thy be - hest; to thee — our morn - ing hymns as -
 2 on - ward in - to light, through all — the world — her watch — is
 3 on — an - oth - er day, the voice — of prayer — is nev - er
 4 em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, — and grows — for



1 cend - ed, thy praise — shall sanc - ti - fy — our rest.
 2 keep - ing and rests — not now — by day — or night.
 3 si - lent, nor dies — the strain — of praise — a - way.
 4 ev - er, till all — thy crea - tures own — thy sway.

text: John Ellerton (1826-1893); music: Clement Cottevill Scholefield (1839-1904).

VOLUNTARY

Fantasia

John Weaver

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