



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
FEBRUARY 28, 2021 + 5:30 P.M.  
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You are invited and encouraged to participate fully in this liturgy by praying with us and singing hymns.

VOLUNTARY Improvisation

HYMN 147 Now let us all with one accord

*Bourbon*



1 Now let us all with one ac - cord, in  
2 The cov - e - nant, so long re - vealed to  
3 Your love, O Lord, our sin - ful race has  
4 Re - mem - ber, Lord, though frail we be, in  
5 There - fore, we pray you, Lord, for - give; so



1 com - pa - ny with a - ges past, keep vi - gil with our  
2 those of faith in for - mer time, Christ by his own ex -  
3 not re - turned, but fal - si - fied; au - thor of mer - cy,  
4 your own i - mage were we made; help us, lest in anx -  
5 when our wan - derings here shall cease, we may with you for



1 heaven - ly Lord in his temp - ta - tion and his fast.  
2 am - ple sealed, the Lord of love, in love sub - lime.  
3 turn your face and grant re - pent - ance for our pride.  
4 i - e - ty, we cause your Name to be be - trayed.  
5 ev - er live, in love and u - ni - ty and peace.

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OPENING SENTENCES

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

After introduction, said by all.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

### EVENING PRECES

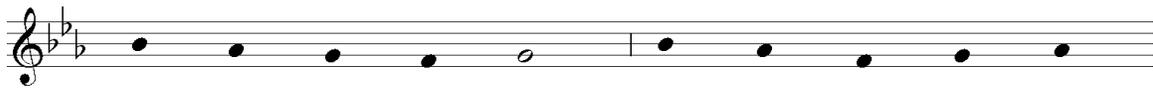
Cantor: O Lord, open thou our lips  
 Response: And our mouths shall show forth thy praise.  
 Cantor: O God, make speed to save us.  
 Response: O Lord, make haste to help us.  
 Cantor: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
 Response: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.  
 Cantor: Praise ye the Lord.  
 Response: The Lord's Name be praised.

### PHOS HILARON #26 O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ

*Conditor alme siderum*



1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in you the  
 2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are  
 3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O Son of



Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,  
 lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and  
 God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.  
 Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.  
 all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

*This melody may be sung in rhythmic form:* ♪♪♪♪

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### PSALM 137 & 138 *Super flumina* (Tone 1)

*Sung by cantor.*

By the rivers of Babylon—  
 there we sat down and there we wept  
 when we remembered Zion.

On the willows there  
we hung up our harps.  
For there our captors  
asked us for songs,  
and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying,  
'Sing us one of the songs of Zion!'

How could we sing the Lord's song  
in a foreign land?  
If I forget you, O Jerusalem,  
let my right hand wither!  
Let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth,  
if I do not remember you,  
if I do not set Jerusalem  
above my highest joy.

Remember, O Lord, against the Edomites  
the day of Jerusalem's fall,  
how they said, 'Tear it down! Tear it down!  
Down to its foundations!'  
O daughter Babylon, you devastator!  
Happy shall they be who pay you back  
what you have done to us!  
Happy shall they be who take your little ones  
and dash them against the rock!

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;  
I bow down towards your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;  
for you have exalted your name and your word  
above everything.  
On the day I called, you answered me,  
you increased my strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.  
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
for great is the glory of the Lord.  
For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;  
but the haughty he perceives from far away.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;  
you stretch out your hand,  
and your right hand delivers me.  
The Lord will fulfil his purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures for ever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.  
yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

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

Jeremiah 1:1-10

The words of Jeremiah son of Hilkiah, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the LORD came in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of King Zedekiah son of Josiah of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.  
Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD.”

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

“Now I have put my words in your mouth.  
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”

## MAGNIFICAT *Sung by cantor.*

Sarah MacDonald

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.

## THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 3:31-4:9

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

Again he began to teach beside the lake. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the lake and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the lake on the land. He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.' And he said, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

**NUNC DIMITTIS** *Sung by cantor.*

Sarah MacDonald

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.

**THE APOSTLES' CREED** *Said 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

*Cantor:* The Lord be with you.

*Response:* And with thy spirit.

*Cantor:* Let us pray.

*Response:* Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Sung by all, monotone:*

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 SUFFRAGES

*Cantor:* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Response:* And grant us thy salvation.

*Cantor:* O Lord, save the State

*People:* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Cantor:* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

*People:* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Cantor:* O Lord, save thy people.

*People:* And bless thine inheritance.

*Cantor:* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*People:* For it thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.

*Cantor:* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*People:* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

OFFICE HYMN 588 Almighty God, your word is cast

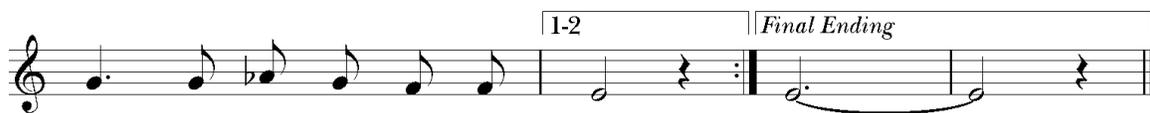
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1 Al - might - y God, your word is  
 2 Let not our self - ish - ness and  
 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful



cast like seed up - on the ground, now let the dew of heaven de -  
 hate this ho - ly seed re - move, but give it root in ev - ery  
 cares the ris - ing plant des - troy, but let it yield a hun - dred -



scend and right - ous fruits a - bound.  
 heart to bring forth fruits of love.  
 fold the fruits of peace and (joy.) joy. \_\_\_\_\_

THE SPOKEN COLLECTS

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING *Said by all.*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM *Said by all.*

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## THE GRACE

### FINAL RESPONSES

Cantor: The Lord be with you.  
Singer: And with thy spirit.  
Cantor: The Lord give us his peace.  
Singer: And life eternal. Amen.

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### ABOUT THE LITURGY OF EVENSONG

Evensong is a tiny fragment of something else; it is a part of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the day and night, in every part of the world. This tradition comes down to us through the centuries in a form unique to the Anglican Communion.

When you come to Evensong, it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress – a conversation between God and his people which began long before you were born and will continue long after you are dead. So, do not be surprised or disturbed if there are some things which you do not understand straight away. For a brief moment, you step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered today and will be offered to the end of time. You are one with those who worship here on earth and in heaven.

Evensong is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. Its primary purpose is to proclaim the wonderful works of God in history and in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Its secondary purpose is to evoke from the worshipper a response of praise, penitence, prayer, and obedience. To this end, most of the service is sung by the choir. The people participate by reflecting on the parts of the service sung on their behalf, by joining in the portions that are said, and in some cases sung by them as well, and by standing, sitting, or kneeling at the appropriate times during the service.

As a part of maintaining this rich tradition, much of the English of the service is the language spoken and written by our ancestors more than four hundred years ago. It may sound old fashioned but its meaning is not out of date. The service is in three parts:

The first part, which is quite brief, prepares the worshipper for the story which is to follow. The second part is the story of God's redeeming love, beginning with the Old Testament (the psalms and the first reading), proceeding to the New Testament (the Magnificat or Song of Mary, the second reading, and the Nunc Dimittis or Song of Simeon), and reaching its climax in the affirmation of what Christians believe (the Creed). Finally, the third part is our prayerful response to God who has revealed himself in history, in Jesus Christ, and in the Church.

Today's liturgy is taken from the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, Hymnal 1982, and other approved Episcopal resources.

**TONIGHT'S SERVERS:**

*Vocalists:* Mark Bias, Davis Cooke, Matthew Woods, Beth Bentley

*Organist:* Matthew Woods

*Lector:* Gary Thornburg

*Officiants:* The Rev. Dr. Robert Black, Reg Boland

Today, we especially pray for:

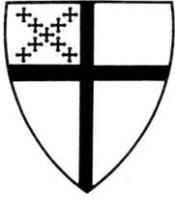
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## PARISH PRAYER

O God, in your abundant grace you sent your Son to be the light of the world: Grant that we may come and see the difference that Christ makes in each of us as we seek to become your beloved community; and as we gather in intentional worship, may we ever be reminded of your transformative love which is the foundation of our faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.