



CHORAL  
EVENSONG

Sunday, June 5, 2022  
Five o'clock in the Evening

## WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH

Whatever brings you here, and whoever you are,  
we are glad you are here. St. Paul's is a place open to all.

### About Choral Evensong

**E**VENSONG is part of the Daily Office, along with Morning Prayer. The Daily Office is derived from the regular services of monastic communities in the early Church. At the heart of these services was the recitation of the Psalter, the songbook of the Bible, texts that Jesus himself knew and sang.

By the late middle ages, the Daily Office was seen as the responsibility of the monks and clergy rather than an occasion for participation by all in the prayers of the community throughout the day. After the English Reformation, Archbishop Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556) reduced the eight monastic offices to the two services of Morning and Evening Prayer. These services were printed in vernacular English and intended for use by all members of the Church. Evensong is in many ways an amalgamation of the monastic offices of Vespers and Compline; it is one of the glories of the Anglican tradition.

The English of the Book of Common Prayer is the language that was written and spoken by our ancestors four hundred years ago, when the Bible was first translated into English; it therefore sounds 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 But its meaning is not out of date.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 narrative of God's redeeming work, beginning in the Old Testament (the Psalms and the First Lesson), proceeding to the New Testament (Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis and the Second Lesson), and reaching its climax in the Affirmation of Faith (the Creed).

The third part is our response to a God revealed in history, in Jesus Christ, and in the Church.

Evensong is a very tiny fragment of something else: It is a fragment of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the 24 in every part of the world. When you come to Evensong it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress -- a conversation between God and humankind which began long before you were born and will go on long after you are dead.

[The Reverend Canon Joseph Poole, Coventry Cathedral]

# G H O R A L E V E N S O N G

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Komm, heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, BuxWV 199

Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

## HYMN

1 O Ho - ly Spi - rit, by whose breath life  
 2 You are the seek - er's sure re - source, of  
 3 In you God's en - er - gy is shown, to  
 4 Flood our dull sens - es with your light; in  
 5 From in - ner strife grant us re - lease; turn

1 ris - es vi - brant out of death; come to cre -  
 2 burn - ing love the liv - ing source, pro - tec - tor  
 3 us your var - ied gifts make known. Teach us to  
 4 mu - tual love our hearts u - nite. Your power the  
 5 na - tions to the ways of peace. To ful - ler

1 ate, re - new, in - spire; come, kin - dle in our hearts your fire.  
 2 in the midst of strife, the giv - er and the Lord of life.  
 3 speak, teach us to hear; yours is the tongue and yours the ear.  
 4 whole cre - a - tion fills; con - firm our weak, un - cer - tain wills.  
 5 life your peo - ple bring that as one bo - dy we may sing:

6 Praise to the Father, Christ, his Word,  
 and to the Spirit: God the Lord,  
 to whom all honor, glory be  
 both now and for eternity.

*Text:* Att. Rabanus Maurus (776-856); tr. John Webster Grant (b. 1919), alt.;  
 para. of *Veni Creator Spiritus*

*Music:* *Komm, Gott Schöpfer*, melody from *Eyn Enchiridion*, 1524;  
 harm. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

## THE OPENING SENTENCES

*The Officiant says*

**Y**E SHALL RECEIVE POWER, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you;  
and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea,  
and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Thine is the day, O God, thine also the night;  
thou hast established the moon and the sun.  
Thou hast fixed all the boundaries of the earth;  
thou hast made summer and winter.

Seek him that made the Pleiades and Orion, that turneth deep darkness into the morning,  
and darkeneth the day into night; that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them  
out upon the face of the earth: The Lord is his Name.

*The people remain standing as the choir sings the preces.*

## THE PRECES

*setting:* Sarah MacDonald (b. 1968)

*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.

*The people are seated as the choir sings the Psalm.*

## PSALM 104:24-36 *Benedic, anima mea*

*chant:* Iain Quinn (b. 1973)

- 24 O Lord, how manifold are thy works! \*  
in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.
- 25 So is the great and wide sea also; \*  
wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.
- 26 There go the ships, and there is that leviathan, \*  
whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.
- 27 These wait all upon thee, \*  
that thou mayest give them meat in due season.
- 28 When thou givest it them, they gather it; \*  
and when thou openest thy hand, they are filled with good.
- 29 When thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: \*  
when thou takest away their breath, they die, and are turned again to their dust.
- 30 When thou lettest thy breath go forth, they shall be made; \*  
and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.
- 31 The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever; \*  
the Lord shall rejoice in his works.
- 32 The earth shall tremble at the look of him; \*  
if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.
- 33 I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live; \*  
I will praise my God while I have my being.

34 And so shall my words please him: \*  
my joy shall be in the Lord.  
35 As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, \*  
and the ungodly shall come to an end.  
36 Praise thou the Lord, O my soul. \*  
Praise 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.

THE FIRST LESSON

Romans 8:14-17

**A**LL WHO ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*Lector* Here endeth the Lesson.

CANTICLE *Magnificat*

*setting: Collegium Regale, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)*

**M**Y 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.

*The people stand at the Gloria Patri.*

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 people are seated.*

**P**HILIP SAID TO JESUS, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

*Lector* Here endeth the Lesson.

CANTICLE *Nunc dimittis*

*setting: Collegium Regale, H. Howells*

**L**ORD, 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.

*The people stand at the Gloria Patri.*

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 people remain standing.*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

*The Officiant intones*

**I**BELIEVE in God,

*All continue*

**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, died, 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 again 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 LESSER LITANY

*setting: S. MacDonald*

*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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Officiant intones*

**O**UR FATHER,

*All continue*

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.

THE RESPONSES

*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 Officiant then chants the Collects.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**A**Lmighty God, who on this day didst open the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of thy Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, for ever and 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 our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## THE COLLECT FOR MISSION

**K**EEP 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. Amen.

## HYMN

1. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come, con - firm us in the truth that Christ makes known;  
2. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come, con - sole us, come as Ad - vo - cate to plead,  
3. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come, re - new us, come your - self to make us live,  
4. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come, pos - sess us, you the love of Three in One,  
we have faith and un - der - stand - ing through your help - ing gifts a - lone.  
lov - ing Spi - rit from the Fa - ther, grant in Christ the help we need.  
ho - ly through your lov - ing pres - ence, ho - ly through the gifts you give.  
Ho - ly Spi - rit of the Fa - ther, Ho - ly Spi - rit of the Son.

*Text:* Brian Foley (1919-2000)

*Music:* *Laus Deo*, Richard Redhead (1820-1901); desc. Percy William Whitlock (1903-1946)

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Today's offering goes to support the music ministry fund at St. Paul's.*

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING

*Spiritus intus alit.* (The spirit within nourishes.)

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;  
and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;  
and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God  
who inspires them all in everyone.

To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit, for the common good.

To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom,  
and too another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit,  
to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit,  
to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy,  
to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues.

*Veni Creator Spiritus,*

*Mentes tuorum visita:*

*Imple superna gratias*

*Quae tu creasti pectora.*

*Amen.*

All these are inspired by one and the same Spirit,  
who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

*Text:* Virgil, *Aeneid*, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 (RSV),  
and Office Hymn for the Second Vespers of Whit Sunday.

*Music:* Barry Ferguson (b. 1942)

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*The people stand, the Officiant says*

**A**LMIGHTY GOD,

*All continue*

**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 whom you have made.  
 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.**

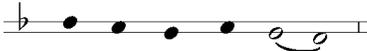
A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

*The Officiant says*

**A**LMIGHTY 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.

*People*      **Amen.**

THE BENEDICAMUS

*Officiant*        
 Let us bless the Lord.

*People*        
 Thanks be to God.

THE BLESSING

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

*People*      **Amen.**

HYMN

1. Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er dwell - ing in the ho - li - est  
 2. Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's  
 3. Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's

realms of light; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er brood - ing  
 ve - ry life; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er striv - ing  
 min - is - try; quick - ening, strength - ening, and ab - solv - ing,

o'er a world of gloom and night, Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
 through her in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
 set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spi - rit,

ev - er rais - ing those of earth to thrones on high, liv - ing,  
 ev - er form - ing in the Church and mind of Christ; thee we  
 ev - er bind - ing age to age, and soul to soul, in a

life - im - part - ing Spi - rit, you we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
 praise with end - less wor - ship for thy fruits and gifts un - priced.  
 fel - low - ship un - end - ing thee we wor - ship and ex - tol.

*Text:* Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.  
*Music:* *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fanfares to the Tongues of Fire

Larry King (1932-1990)

*All music printed by permission from www.OneLicense.net (License number: A-711887).  
 Permission to stream the music in this service obtained from www.OneLicense.net (License number: A-711887).  
 All rights reserved.*

---

**P**ARTICIPANTS

---

*Clergy*

The Rev'd Charles Dupree, D.Min., *Rector*  
The Rev'd Rainey G. Dankel, *Associate Rector for Parish Life*

*Musicians*

Christopher Reynolds, D.M.A., *Director of Music and Organist*  
Karen Harris, *Assistant Director of Music*  
The Saint Paul's Choir

*Lectors*

Phyllis James  
Dr. Joseph James

*Crucifer*

Sally Ray Griffith



**ST. PAUL'S**  
CELEBRATING **175** YEARS