

HE OFFICE OF EVENSONG is sung at the close of each day in cathedrals, collegiate chapels, monastic communities, and parish churches throughout the Anglican Communion. Derived from the ancient offices of Vespers and Compline, it is a service of rare beauty offered through the singing of psalms and canticles, the reading of scripture, and prayer. This liturgy of sung prayer has been offered daily throughout the Christian era and it enables us to join with all those who have gone before, those today who offer their evening prayers, and those who will continue their sung praise, petitions, and thanksgivings in times to come.

The worshipper offers praise through association with the choir and sits awash in sung prayer as it resonates throughout this sacred space. Natural time is suspended as word and music combine to capture the holy rhythms of the spheres and the worshipper is transported beyond chronological time to a place where creation and eternity coalesce into one.

The Order for Evensong

for

Michaelmas

October 2, 2022 at 5:00 PM

¶ The choral setting of the Responses was composed for the Choir of Saint Michael and Saint George by Henry Gerike

¶ All stand as the Choir and Ministers enter

Organ Voluntary Introit

O Lorde, the maker of al thing, We pray Thee nowe in this evening Us to defende through Thy mercy, From al deceite of our our enemy.

Let neither us deluded be, Good Lorde, with dreame or phantasy; Our hearts waking in thee thou kepe That we in sinne fal not on slepe.

O Father, throughe thy blessed Son, Grant us this oure petition, To whom, with the Holy Ghost alwaies, In heaven and yearth be laude and praise.

> Words: King Henry VIII Music: John Joubert (1927–2019)

Opening Sentences

Confession of Sin

Officiant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

9 Officiant and People, all kneeling

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; And there is no health in us.

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.

The Officiant alone stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution 4 and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **People* Amen.

¶ All stand

The Invitatory and Psalter

- ¶ All remain standing as the Officiant and Choir sing
 - ♥. O Lord, open thou our lips.
 - R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
 - V. O God, make speed to save us.
 - R. O Lord, make haste to help us.
 - V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
 - R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

- ♥. Praise ye the Lord.
- R. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ All remain standing and sing the following hymn

Hymn 37 Evening Hymn

All are then seated as the Choir sings the Psalms appointed for the day

The Psalmody

Psalm 34 Benedicam Dominum

Anglican Chants: Martin How John Barnard

I will alway give thanks unto the Lord; his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall maker her boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me, and let us magnify his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me; yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

They had an eye unto him, and were lightened; and their faces were not ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him; yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints; for they that fear him lack nothing.

The lions do lack, and suffer hunger; but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

What man is he that lusteth to live, and would fain see good days?

Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

Eschew evil, and do good; seek peace, and ensue it.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers.

The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil, to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart, and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

Great are the troubles of the righteous; but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

He keepeth all his bones, so that non one of them is broken.

But misfortune shall slay the ungodly; and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants; and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

¶ Then the Gloria Patri is sung

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.

Psalm 150 Laudate Dominum

Anglican Chant: Charles Villiers Stanford

O Praise God in his holiness:
Praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts:

Praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: Praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances: Praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: Praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath Praise the Lord.

¶ Then the Gloria Patri is sung

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 Lessons

The First Lesson Daniel 12:1–3

T THAT TIME SHALL ARISE MICHAEL, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time; but at that time your people shall be delivered, every one whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

¶ All stand for the singing of the Office Hymn and Magnificat

Hymn 619 Martins

Magnificat in C Major

₩ My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. 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.

Words: Luke 1:46–55 with Gloria Patri Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

¶ All are seated following the singing of the Magnificat

The Second Lesson

MARK 13:21-27

Is!' do not believe it. False Christs and false prophets will arise and show signs and wonders, to lead astray, if possible, the elect. But take heed; I have told you all things beforehand. The Coming of the Son of Man. But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

9 Following the Lesson, all stand for the singing of the Nunc dimittis

Nunc dimittis in C Major

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.

Words: Luke 2:29–32 with Gloria Patri Music: Charles Villiers Stanford

The Apostles' Creed

§ Sung on a monotone by the Officiant and People together, all standing

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

- The Officiant and Choir sing the following
 - ♥. The Lord be with you.
 - R. And with thy spirit.
 - ∇ . Let us pray.
- The People kneel
 - ☼. Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

In Then the short form of the Lord's Prayer is sung by all, kneeling

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.
Amen.

In Then follow these Suffrages, sung by the Officiant and Choir

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

The Collect of the Day

EVERLASTING GOD, WHO HAST ORDAINED and constituted the ministries of angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant that, as thy holy angels always serve and worship thee in heaven, so by thy appointment they may help and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

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.

A Collect for Aid against Perils

IGHTEN 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.

Benedicamus Domino



The Grace

9 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.

9 All stand and join in the singing of the Hymn

Hymn 24 St. Clement

Then the Congregation is seated

Greeting

Anthem

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls and plenteousness be in thy palaces. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee.

Words: Psalm 122 Music: Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Closing Prayers

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¶ All kneel
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Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host – by the Divine Power of God – cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. **People* Amen.

The Blessing +

Then all stand for the singing of the Te Deum laudamus

Te Deum laudamus

We praise thee, O God, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory,

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.

The Holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;

The Father of an infinite Majesty;

Thine honourable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,

thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the Glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints in Glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage.

Govern them and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded.

Words: Fifth Century

Music: Charles Villiers Stanford

¶ At the conclusion of the Te Deum the Choir and Ministers depart; the Congregation remains standing as the procession retires

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This evening's Guest Organist is Jae Park, Choir Director and Organist Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Webster Groves.

All are invited into the Great Hall following the service for a reception.

The next service of Evensong will be sung on Sunday, November 6 at 5:00 PM.

The flowers at the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Brandon Hsueh by his family.

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EVENSONG AND TE DEUM FOR MICHAELMAS

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