



Saint Andrew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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PRELUDE

Adagio Cantabile

Benjamin Cornelius-Bates (b.1978)

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us.

CONFESSION

Officiant DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by His infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His hands, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

People ***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, miserable offenders. Spare Thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore Thou them that are penitent; According to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu 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.***

ABSOLUTION

Officiant Grant we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PRECES

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Vicar Choral O LORD, open Thou our lips.
Response And our mouth shall shew forth Thy praise.
Vicar Choral O God, make speed to save us.
Response O LORD, make haste to help us.
Vicar Choral 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.

PSALM 121

Sung from the Choir

Walford Davies (1869-1941)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord,
which made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
Behold, he that keepeth Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is thy keeper:
the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
The sun shall not smite thee by day,
nor the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:
he shall preserve thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in
from this time forth, and even for evermore.

THE FIRST LESSON

Job 39:1-18

Reader A Lesson from the Book of Job.

"Do you know when the mountain goats give birth? Do you observe the calving of the deer? Can you number the months that they fulfill, and do you know the time when they give birth, when they crouch to give birth to their offspring, and are delivered of their young? Their young ones become strong, they grow up in the open; they go forth, and do not return to them.

Who has let the wild ass go free? Who has loosed the bonds of the swift ass, to which I have given the steppe for its home, the salt land for its dwelling-place? It scorns the tumult of the city; it does not hear the shouts of the driver. It ranges the mountains as its pasture, and it searches after every green thing.

Is the wild ox willing to serve you? Will it spend the night at your crib? Can you tie it in the furrow with ropes, or will it harrow the valleys after you? Will you depend on it because its strength is great, and will you hand over your labour to it? Do you have faith in it that it will return, and bring your grain to your threshing-floor?

The ostrich's wings flap wildly, though its pinions lack plumage. For it leaves its eggs to the earth, and lets them be warmed on the ground, forgetting that a foot may crush them, and that a wild animal may trample them. It deals cruelly with its young, as if they were not its own; though its labour should be in vain, yet it has no fear; because God has made it forget wisdom, and given it no share in understanding. When it spreads its plumes aloft, it laughs at the horse and its rider."

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

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 shewed 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 rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever. 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

Matthew 11:25-30

Reader A Lesson from the Gospel of Matthew.

Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

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

Officiant I believe in God:

People ***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 SUFFRAGES

Tallis

Vicar Choral The LORD be with you.
Response And with thy spirit.
Vicar Choral Let us pray.
Response LORD, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
LORD, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung from the Choir

Vicar Choral Our Father,
Response 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 those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

THE RESPONSES

Tallis

Vicar Choral O LORD, shew thy mercy upon us.
Response And grant us thy salvation.
Vicar Choral O LORD, save the state.
Response And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Vicar Choral Endue Thy Ministers with righteousness.
Response And make thy chosen people joyful.
Vicar Choral O LORD, save thy people.
Response And bless thine inheritance.
Vicar Choral Give peace in our time, O LORD.
Response Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.
Vicar Choral O God, make clean our hearts within us.
Response And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

Of the Day Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of you, delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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 both 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 Saviour. *Amen.*

For Aid Against Perils Lighten 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 Saviour, Jesus Christ, *Amen.*

WELCOME

ANTHEM

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed,
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his flock, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto:
Praise, laud, and bless his Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

CLOSING PRAYERS

Officiant The LORD be with you.
People *And with thy spirit.*
Officiant Let us pray.

CONCLUDING COLLECTS

THE GRACE

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. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN #416

For the Beauty of the Earth

Lucerna Laudoniae

We are glad you joined us for worship. Please come back often.

SERVING TODAY

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Sunday 8:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite I
(spoken + traditional)

Sunday 10:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite II
(sung + family oriented)

Sunday 5:00pm* - Contemplative Eucharist
(quiet + reflective)

Wednesday 12:00 pm - Holy Eucharist
(healing + traditional)

*Choral Evensong is held on the second Sunday of each month, October-May, at 5:00 pm.