



Saint Andrew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CHORAL EVENSONG | FEAST OF SAINT ANDREW | 5 DECEMBER 2021
Congregational responses are found in *Bold*.

PRELUDE

Fugue on the name of Andrew

B. Cornelius-Bates (b.1978)

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant

It is not ourselves that we proclaim; we proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants, for Jesus' sake. For the same God who said, "Out of darkness let light shine," has caused his light to shine within us, to give the light of revelation – the revelation of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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

John Sanders (1933-2003)

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 19

Sung from the Choir

Jonathan Battishill (1738-1801)

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

THE FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 30:11-14

Reader A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy..

Moses said to the people of Israel, "Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT

B. Cornelius-Bates (b.1978)

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

Romans 10:8b-18

Reader A Lesson from Paul's letter to the Romans.

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?" So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have; for "Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world."

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

B. Cornelius-Bates (b.1978)

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

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

John Sanders (1933-2003)

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 Lord God of hosts, who didst clothe thy servant Martin the soldier with the spirit of sacrifice and set him as a bishop in thy church to be a defender of the catholic faith: Give us grace to follow in his holy steps, that, at the last, we may be found clothed with righteousness in the dwellings of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, 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

Give us wings of faith

Ernest Bullock (1890-1979)

Give us the wings of faith to rise
within the veil, and see
the saints above, how great their joys,
how bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came:
they, with united breath,
ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
his zeal inspired their breast,
and, following their incarnate God,
possess the promised rest.

CLOSING PRAYERS

Officiant The LORD be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Officiant Let us pray.

CONCLUDING COLLECTS

For the Unity of the Church O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions; take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatever else may hinder us from godly union and concord; that, as there is but one Body and one Spirit, one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Courts of Justice Almighty God, who sittest in the throne judging right: We humbly beseech thee to bless the courts of justice and the magistrates in all this land; and give unto them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that they may discern the truth, and impartially administer the law in the fear of thee alone; through him who shall come to be our Judge, thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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 #550

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult

Restoration

POSTLUDE

Allegro fantasia

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

SERVING TODAY

Officiant: The Rev. Luke Zerra

Reader: Dean Byrom

Organist: Benjamin Cornelius-Bates

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WEEKLY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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.