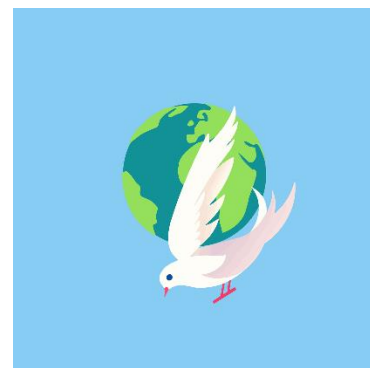


The Cathedral Church of St. Paul

Detroit, Michigan

The Very Reverend Dr. S. Scott Hunter
Dean of the Cathedral

The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry
Eleventh Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan



October 29, 2023
Cathedral Evensong, Four O'Clock

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

*Please silence all electronic devices.
This service is also being streamed on our YouTube channel.*

Concerning the service

Evensong is an offering in song to God, the giver of all beauty and goodness. Based on services held daily in the medieval Church, Evensong as arranged in the Book of Common Prayer of the Anglican Church has been sung regularly since the sixteenth century, with only a few breaks (during the Commonwealth in the seventeenth century). This atmospheric and deeply personal form of worship appeals to persons of many faiths and has been adopted as an American tradition in many parishes and cathedrals of the Episcopal Church

Following the Invitatory, we sing (at times) a setting of the ancient *Phos hilaron*, a hymn originally sung in Greek at the lighting of the lamps at the time of Evening Prayer. This is followed by the singing of the appointed psalm. A lesson, usually from the Old Testament (except of Saints days and in Easter season) is read and we then sing the first of the traditional Evening Canticles, *Magnificat*, the song of the Blessed Virgin Mary when the promises of the Old Testament came true (Luke 1). A lesson from the New Testament proclaims the good news of Jesus Christ, and this is followed by the *Nunc Dimittis*, the song of the aged Simeon when he had seen our Lord in the Temple at Jerusalem (Luke 2). *Nunc Dimittis* is a particularly appropriate text at the end of one's day.

All then say the Apostles' Creed, an expression of faith of those who, generation by generation in the Christian Church, respond to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, crucified and alive. Prayers are then sung and said, ending with the Collects which collect our thoughts.

The timeless and simple liturgy of Evensong readily embraces musical expressions from many centuries. Here in the Cathedral, Evensong is offered weekly at 4:00 p.m., September through May. On the first and third Sundays of the month, Cathedral Evensong (the service offered this afternoon) is sung by the congregation. On the second and fourth Sundays of the month, Choral Evensong is sung by the Cathedral choirs.

Sunday, November 5

All Saints Sunday

Choral Evensong, 4:00 p.m.

sung by the Schola Cantorum

Introit: I heard a voice from heaven – Paul Edwards

Service: *Amy Beach Canticles* – arr. Olivia Sparkhall and Sarah MacDonald

Responses: *William Smith*


Psalm 130—chant: Stainer

Anthem: *Justorum animae* – C.V. Stanford

Please stand as you are able. The Officiant then begins with
The Opening Sentences

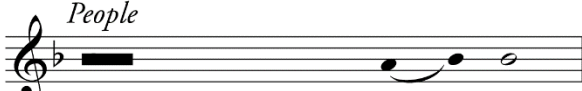
The Invitatory

Officiant



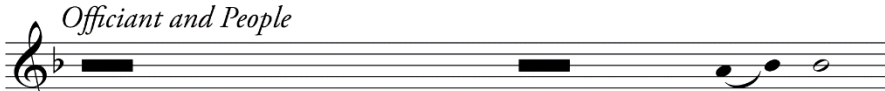
O God, make speed to save us.

People

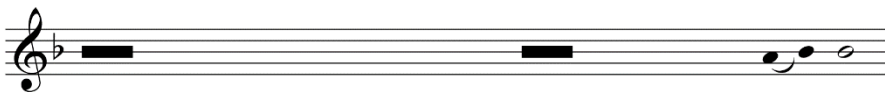


O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Except in Lent, add:




Al - le - lu - ia.


Remaining standing, all sing the refrain below in alternation with the Cantor, as indicated.

Phos hilaron


Morrison



1 Light of the world, in grace and beau - ty, mir-ror of
 2 Now, as we see the lights of eve - ning, we raise our



God's e - ter - nal face, trans-par-ent flame of love's free
 voice in hymns of praise; worth - y are you of end - less



du - ty, you bring sal - va - tion to our race.
 bless - ing, sun of our night, lamp of our days.

Words paraphrase of *Phos hilaron*

Music Morrison, George Emblom (b. 1962)

All then sing the following refrain as indicated.

Psalm 103:8-14 *Benedic, anima mea*

setting: Brigid Coult (b. 1953)

Refrain

The Lord is close to all who call him.

- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always accuse us, * nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, * nor rewarded us according to our wickedness. *Refrain*
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, * so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, * so far has he removed our sins from us. *Refrain*
- 13 As a father cares for his children, * so does the LORD care for those who fear him.
- 14 For he himself knows whereof we are made; * he remembers that we are but dust. *Refrain*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen. *Refrain*

Please be seated.

The First Lesson *Genesis 21:9-19*

Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

Please stand as you are able and sing

Magnificat

Tonus Peregrinus

1. My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Sav - ior;
for he has looked with favor on his low - ly ser - vant.



2. From this day all generations will call me bless - ed; the Almighty has done great things for me,



and ho - ly is his Name. 3. He has mercy on those who fear him



in every gen - er - a - tion. 4. He has shown the strength of his arm,



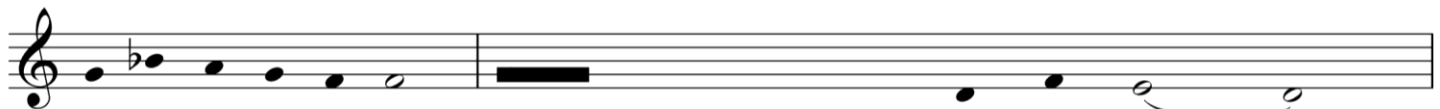
he has scattered the proud in their con - ceit. 5. He has cast down the might - y



from their thrones, and has lifted up the low - ly. 6. He has filled the hun - gry



with good things, and the rich he has sent a - way emp - ty. 7. He has come to the help of



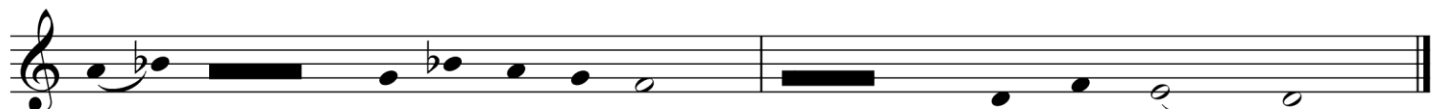
his ser - vant Is - ra - el, for he has remembered his promise of mer - cy.



8. The promise he made to our fa - thers, to Abraham and his children for ev - er.



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit;



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Please be seated.

The Second Lesson *Matthew 3:1-9*

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, ‘You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor;’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.”

Please stand as you are able and sing

Nunc dimittis

plainchant

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has been ful-filled.
My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo-ple:
a light to re-veal you to the na-tions and the glo-ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - - - men.

Remaining standing, all say together

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

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.

For thine is the kingdom,

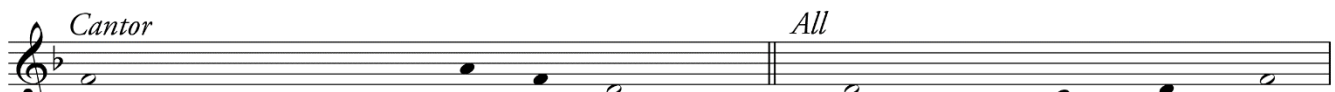
and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Suffrages

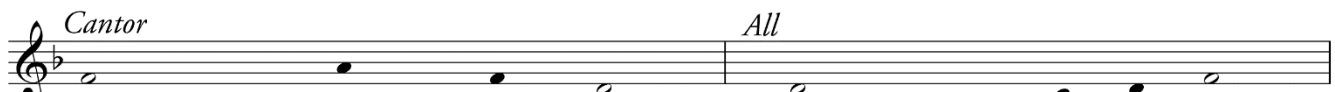
setting: *Carl MaultsBy* (b. 1949)


Cantor  *All*
Show us your mercy, O Lord, And grant us your sal- vation.

Cantor  *All*
Clothe your ministers with right- eous- ness, Let your people sing with joy.

Cantor  *All*
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world, For only in you can we live in safety.

Cantor  *All*
Lord, keep this nation under your care, And guide us in the way of jus- tice and truth.

Cantor  *All*
Let your way be known up- on earth, Your saving health a- mong all nations.

Cantor  *All*
Let not the needy, O Lord be for- gotten, Nor the hope of the poor be ta- ken a- way.



The Officiant continues with
The Collects

A Collect for Peace

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Human Family

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your 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 your love's sake. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

Greetings and Announcements

Please as stand you are able and sing
Hymn

Where cross the crowded ways of life

Gardiner

Please be seated.

The Homily

The Reverend Halim Shukair

Please kneel as you are able.

A Litany for Peace

Officiant
 God the Father,

People
 have mercy on us.

God the Son,
 have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
 have mercy on us.

Holy and blessed Trinity, one God,
 have mercy on us.

In these days of trouble, fear and sorrow,
have mercy on us.

In our despair at the violence that seems to fill the world,
have mercy on us.

In the pain of lost life and shattered hopes,
have mercy on us.

In our grieving for those who have died,
have mercy on us.

In our compassion for all who are bereaved,
have mercy on us.

From the history of violence that corrupts every society and our own,
O Lord, deliver us.

From the greed and injustice that divide the world into rich and poor,
O Lord, deliver us.

From the urge for revenge that adds to the cycle of violence,
O Lord, deliver us.

From the fear that grows into hatred for people who are different,
O Lord, deliver us.

From being too quick to attribute blame and demand retribution,
O Lord, deliver us.

From believing ourselves safe through anything other than your grace,
O Lord, deliver us.

From dying suddenly and unprepared,
O Lord, deliver us.

For those who plan and carry out acts of violence,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who seek justice and ensure the rule of law,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the victims of war and terrorism everywhere on earth,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who live in fear, and for refugees from violent regimes,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For courage to resist demonizing and dehumanizing others,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For wisdom in choosing the paths of peace,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For solidarity with the suffering of the dispossessed,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For generosity in sharing fairly the world's resources,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For respect in conversation with people of other faiths, and none,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For honesty in knowing and confessing the sin in our own hearts,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For grace to change and be changed as you forgive us,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For rescue workers and medical teams treating those injured in conflict zones,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For aid agencies and their workers, responding with practical care in dangerous places,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of all the nations, looking for ways to work together beyond fear and suspicion,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For people of goodwill, responding generously to the needs of suffering communities,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have friends and family involved in areas of conflict and disaster,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For communities that are terrified by missiles, snipers, vigilantes or death squads,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the vulnerable and defenseless in conflict zones, for the children, the elderly, the disabled, the sick:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Christ to bring all the peoples of the world into one flock with one shepherd,
we pray to you, O God.

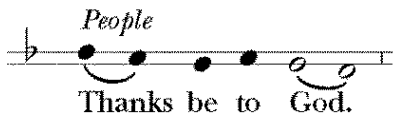
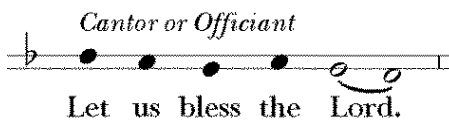
For Christ to bring healing and comfort for those we love who are sick or in mourning,
we pray to you, O God.

For Christ to lead us into the paths of peace, writing the law of love on our hearts,
we pray to you, O God.

For Christ to bring us, with all who have died in faith, to a joyful resurrection,
we pray to you, O God.

God of all peace, have mercy on our broken and divided world, and on your people who cry out to you for healing,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Please stand as you are able.



The Officiant then concludes with
The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all
evermore. *Amen.* 2 Corinthians 13:14

or this

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*
Romans 15:13

or this

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from
generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.* Ephesians 3:20,21

Please remain standing as the procession leaves the Cathedral.

Organ

Von Gott will ich nicht lassen, BWV 658
From God I will not depart

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

In this afternoon's liturgy

Officiant

The Reverend Anthony C. Estes
Associate Priest, the Detroit Church Partnership

Homilist

The Reverend Halim Shukair
Priest-in-Charge, Mother of our Savior Church and Christ Church, Dearborn

Assisting Clergy

The Very Reverend Dr. S. Scott Hunter

Cantors

Meriem Lanseur
Erin McClellan

Organist

Canon Jeremy David Tarrant

Acolyte and Lector

Paula Styer

Technology

Sarah Simko

The Reverend Halim Shukair

Father Halim Shukair hails from Beirut, Lebanon and currently lives in Dearborn, where he is Priest-In-Charge at Christ Episcopal Church Dearborn, and Priest-in-Charge for Mother of the Savior Church, Dearborn, Fr. Halim holds a Master's degree in Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Ministry Development. Before entering seminary, Fr. Halim worked at the American University of Beirut as a Grants and Contracts Officer. He holds a BS in Business Marketing from the Lebanese American University in Beirut, and a Diploma in Theology from the Near East School of Theology, in Beirut.

Fr. Halim is interested in interfaith dialogue, and contemplative life. His hobbies include swimming, hiking, and acting.

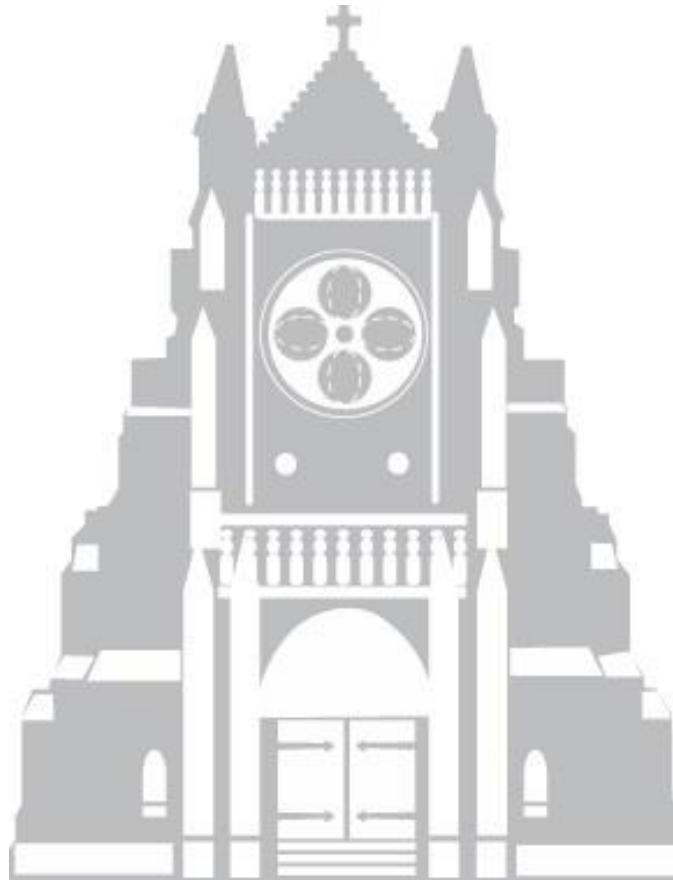


The Cathedral Choir School of Metropolitan Detroit is a not-for-profit outreach program of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in cooperation with Cathedral Community Services. The Choir School provides an excellent, fundamental music education to children in the metropolitan Detroit region, and is open to all youth, regardless of religious affiliation. Choristers focus on vocal technique, musicianship, and citizenship in the context of the liturgical life of the Cathedral. The Choir School is a community that, while focused on music, is a systematic, long-term investment in young people. Children emerge from this experience with a deep love of fine arts, enhanced self-confidence, and an ability to

work collaboratively. *To schedule a try-out or to speak further with someone about the program, please contact Mr. Jeremy David Tarrant, Cathedral Organist and Choirmaster: (313) 833-7547 jtarrant@detroitcathedral.org. Visit us on the web at www.detroitcathedral.org.*

The Choir School is an extra-curricular, *tuition-free* opportunity for children with an interest in music and singing. Here are some fast facts:

- No previous musical or voice training is required or expected.
- Children need not be Episcopalian. The Choir is open to children of all faiths and backgrounds.
- Boys and Girls form the treble (soprano) section of the famed Cathedral Choir, involving consistent application of their developing musical skills, while singing the finest in choral music from all periods and in a variety of languages.
- Children gain a thorough grounding in basic musicianship, music reading, and vocal technique through the centuries-old tradition of choral singing.
- A brief, informal try-out assesses a child's readiness for the program.
- Located in the heart of Detroit's cultural center, boys and girls emerge from the program with a deep love of, and appreciation for, the fine arts.
- The Cathedral Choir and Choir School are affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music.
- Children showing a strong commitment to the Choir are eligible for reduced-tuition piano lessons and summer camps.
- The Choir's debut CD recording, *Nowell Sing We*, was released in 2014, and *Evensong for All Saints* was released in 2016.
- One of Detroit's treasures, the Cathedral Choir has sung widely in the United States and Canada, and made tours of England in 2014 and 2023.



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