



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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*My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord*

Pillow cushion from the choir stalls at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC. (Photo: Krista Scott)

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Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Transfiguration  
Daily Evening Prayer, Rite II  
August 6, 2020

# PRELUDE

*Air: A Prelude for Organ*

Gerre Hancock

Organist: Thomas Heidenreich

Recorded at Washington National Cathedral

# OPENING HYMN

ANCIENT OF DAYS, WHO SITTEST THRONED IN GLORY

Organist: George Fergus

Recorded at Washington National Cathedral



1 An - cient of Days, who sit - test throned in glo - ry,  
2 O ho - ly Fa - ther, who hast led thy chil - dren  
5 O Tri - une God, with heart and voice a - dor - ing,



to thee all knees are bent, all voic - es pray;  
in all the a - ges with the fire and cloud,  
praise we the good - ness that doth crown our days;



thy love has blessed the wide world's won - drous sto - ry  
through seas dry - shod, through wea - ry wastes be - wil - dering  
pray we that thou wilt hear us, still im - plor - ing



with light and life since E - den's dawn - ing day.  
to thee in rev - erent love our hearts are bowed.  
thy love and fa - vor, kept to us al - ways.



3 O ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of our sal - va - tion,  
4 O Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord and the Life - giv - er,



call - ing the least, the last, the lost to thee,  
thine is the quick - ening power that gives in - crease:

sum - mon - ing all to share thy new cre - a - tion,  
from thee have flowed, as from a might - y riv - er,

*ped.*

thou, Lord, by death hast won life's vic - to - ry.  
our faith and hope, our fel - low - ship and peace.

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## Opening Sentences

*Sarah Keeling*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him.

– *Psalm 96:9*

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night," darkness is not dark to you, O Lord; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

– *Psalm 139:10,11*

## THE PRECES

Stephen Casurella

*Recorded at Washington National Cathedral*

*O Lord, open thou our lips  
And our mouths shall show forth thy praise*

*O God, make speed to save us  
O Lord, make haste to help us.*

*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.*

*Praise ye the Lord.  
The Lord's name be praised.*

## THE PHOS HILARON

*O Gracious Light*

Howard Helvey

*Recorded at Washington National Cathedral*

*O gracious light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!*

*Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.*

# THE PSALM

*Richard Massey*

## *Psalm 111*

*Recorded at Washington National Cathedral*

- 1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! \*  
they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, \*  
and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \*  
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; \*  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works \*  
in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, \*  
because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; \*  
holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \*  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
his praise endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
And to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \*  
world without end. Amen.

## THE FIRST READING

*Cynthia Williams*

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

## THE MAGNIFICAT

*Evening Service in E-Flat, No. 2*

Charles Wood

*Recorded at Washington National Cathedral*

My 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.  
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.

## THE SECOND READING

Luke 9:28-36

*Mike Krug*

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

## THE NUNC DIMITTIS

*Evening Service in E-Flat, No. 2*

Charles Wood

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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 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.

# THE APOSTLES CREED

*Nico Rumboll*

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

Stephen Casurella

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*The Lord be with you.  
And with thy spirit.  
Let us pray.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Liz Coley*

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

Stephen Casurella

*Recorded at Washington National Cathedral*

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

## THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

*Dr. Matthew Swanson*

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

## A COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST PERILS

*Turner Staton*

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

*Amen.*

## A COLLECT FOR MISSION

*Kathryn Albertson*

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.*

## THE DISMISSAL

*Dr. Matthew Swanson*

*Let us bless the Lord.*

*Thanks be to God.*

## THE ANTHEM

*O How Amiable*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Recorded at Washington National Cathedral*

*O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!  
My soul hath a desire and a longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:  
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.  
Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house,  
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:  
even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.  
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.  
The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us:  
prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.  
O prosper thou our handywork, O prosper thou our handywork.  
O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*Shelley Dumoulin*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

## A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

*Laura Startzman*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

## THE GRACE

*Dr. Brett Scott*

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.*

# CLOSING HYMN

## ROUND THE LORD IN GLORY SEATED

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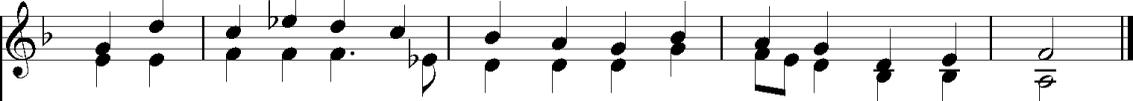
1 Round the Lord in glo - ry seat - ed cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim  
2 Heaven is still with glo - ry ring - ing, earth takes up the an - gels' cry,  
3 "Lord, thy glo - ry fills the hea - ven, earth is with thy full - ness stored;



filled his tem - ple, and re - peat - ed each to each the al - ter - nate hymn;  
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," sing - ing, "Lord of hosts, the Lord Most High."  
un - to thee be glo - ry giv - en, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."



"Lord, thy glo - ry fills the hea - ven, earth is with thy full - ness stored;  
With his ser - aph train be - fore him, with his ho - ly Church be - low,  
Thus thy glo - rious Name con - fess - ing, with thine an - gel hosts we cry



un - to thee be glo - ry giv - en, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."  
thus u - nite we to a - dore him, bid we thus our an - them flow:  
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," bless - ing thee, the Lord of hosts Most High.

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