

# EPIPHANY†

— *Seattle* —

## CHORAL EVENSONG

### The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021 | 5:00 p.m.

*Welcome to this service of choral evensong. Choral Evensong has its roots in the ancient monastic offices of Vespers and Compline, from which it retains a framework in which prayers are chanted, Scripture is read, and canticles (biblical songs) are sung in response to the lessons. Since the sixteenth century, Evensong has provided a daily opportunity for stillness, contemplation, prayer, and praise in the cathedrals, chapels, and great parish churches of England. Today it is sung regularly throughout the Anglican communion (of which the Episcopal Church is a part). The congregation adds its prayer to the offering of the choir, and is encouraged to join in heartily in the speaking of responses and the singing of hymns.*

*All stand at the ringing of the bell.*

#### OPENING SENTENCES

*Officiant* Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

*All stand.*

#### THE PRECES

*Setting by Phillip Radcliffe*

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Choir* And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.

*Choir* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*Choir* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;  
world without end. Amen.

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord.

*Choir* The Lord's name be praised.

*The people are seated.*

#### PSALM 145: 1-13, 21 *Exaltabo te, Deus*

*Anglican Chant: William Marsh*

I will magnify thee, O God, my King \*  
and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I give thanks unto thee \*  
and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised \*  
there is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise thy works unto another \*  
and declare thy power.

As for me, I will be talking of thy worship \*  
thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;

So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts \*  
and I will also tell of thy greatness.

The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed \*  
and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious, and merciful \*  
long-suffering, and of great goodness.

The Lord is loving unto every man \*  
and his mercy is over all his works.

All thy works praise thee, O Lord \*  
and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

They shew the glory of thy kingdom \*  
and talk of thy power;

That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom \*  
might be known unto men.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom \*  
and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord \*  
and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and 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.

*All are seated.*

### **THE FIRST LESSON: *Wisdom 7:22--8:1***

For wisdom, the fashioner of all things, taught me. There is in her a spirit that is intelligent, holy, unique, manifold, subtle, mobile, clear, unpolluted, distinct, invulnerable, loving the good, keen, irresistible, beneficent, humane, steadfast, sure, free from anxiety, all-powerful, overseeing all, and penetrating through all spirits that are intelligent, pure, and altogether subtle.

For wisdom is more mobile than any motion; because of her pureness she pervades and penetrates all things. For she is a breath of the power of God, and a pure emanation of the glory of the Almighty; therefore nothing defiled gains entrance into her. For she is a reflection of eternal light, a spotless mirror of the working of God, and an image of his goodness.

Although she is but one, she can do all things, and while remaining in herself, she renews all things; in every generation she passes into holy souls and makes them friends of God, and prophets; for God loves nothing so much as the person who lives with wisdom. She is more beautiful than the sun, and excels every constellation of the stars. Compared with the light she is found to be superior, for it is succeeded by the night, but against wisdom evil does not prevail. She reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other, and she orders all things well.

*The people remain seated.*

### **THE MAGNIFICAT: *Evening Service 'Collegium Regale'***

*Herbert Howells*

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.

*The people stand for the gloria patri.*

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.

*All are seated.*

## **THE SECOND LESSON: 1 Peter 5:1-11**

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

*The people remain seated.*

## **THE NUNC DIMITTIS: Evening Service 'Collegium Regale'**

*Herbert Howells*

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.

*The people stand for the gloria patri.*

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.

*All stand and chant the creed.*

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**All:** 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 RESPONSES

Setting by Radcliffe

- Officiant* The Lord be with you.  
*Choir* And with thy Spirit.
- Officiant* Let us pray.  
*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
- All** **Our Father, 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 them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.**
- Officiant* O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.
- Officiant* O Lord, save the state.  
*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
- Officiant* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.  
*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.
- Officiant* O Lord, save thy people.  
*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.
- Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
- Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## THE COLLECTS

- Officiant* O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
- 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 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.
- 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 Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Sung by the choir.*

## **THE ANTHEM: Greater Love Hath No Man**

*John Ireland*

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus; Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

*All stand.*

## **THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

*All*            **Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all thou hast made.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## **A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM**

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

## **THE BLESSING**

*Officiant*    **The Lord be with you.**

*All*            **And with thy Spirit.**

*Officiant*    **Let us bless the Lord.**

*All*            **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant*    **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.**

Sung by the choir.

THE HYMN: *Love Divine, all loves excelling*

Blaenwern

1 Love Di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, Joy of heav'n to earth come down,  
2 Come, Al - might - y to de - li - ver, Let us all new life re - ceive;  
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and spot - less let us be;

Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, All thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, Ne - ver more thy tem - ples leave.  
Let us see thy great sal - va - tion, Per - fect - ly re - stored in thee,

Je - su, thou art all com - pass - ion, pure un - bound - ed love thou art;  
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,  
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heav'n we take our place,

Vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
Pray, and praise thee, with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
Till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.



## **Parish Staff**

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The Rev. Doyt L. Conn, Jr.	<i>Rector</i>
The Rev. Ruth Anne García	<i>Vicar</i>
The Rev. Dr. Peter Strimer	<i>Assisting Priest</i>
Jad Baaklini	<i>Communications Minister</i>
Diane Carlisle	<i>Director of Administration &amp; Head Verger</i>
Pam Demian	<i>Senior Accountant</i>
Amanda Eap	<i>Hospitality and Security Minister</i>
Zachary Hemenway	<i>Director of Music</i>
Gieth Phou	<i>Sexton</i>
Laura Rodde	<i>Chief of Staff</i>
Laura Sargent	<i>Engagement Minister</i>
Wyatt Smith	<i>Associate Director of Music &amp; Music Academy Director</i>
Linzi Stahlecker	<i>Seminary Intern</i>
Naomi Woodrum	<i>Director of Children and Youth</i>
	<i>Formation</i>
Kenzie Beard	<i>Children's Ministry Staff</i>
Sabrina Lee	<i>Children's Ministry Staff</i>
Anna Seng	<i>Children's Ministry Staff</i>
Kim Tran	<i>Children's Ministry Staff</i>
Rochelle Yuen	<i>Children's Ministry Staff</i>

## **Volunteer Professionals**

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Margie Einstein	<i>Stewardship Coordinator</i>
Ed Emerson	<i>Treasurer</i>
Bill Forbes	<i>Buildings and Grounds</i>
Doug Oles	<i>Chancellor</i>
Thomas Foster	<i>Director of Music Emeritus</i>
Sherilyn Peterson	<i>Clerk of the Vestry</i>
Carole Terry	<i>Artist-in-Residence in Music</i>

## **Volunteer Ministry Leaders**

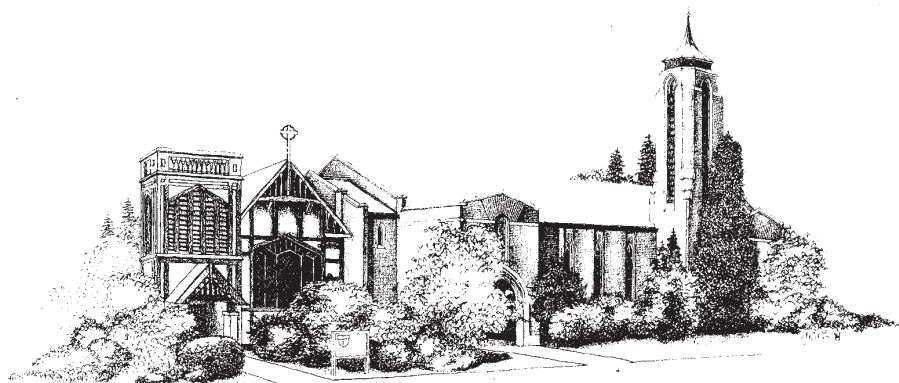
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Ann Beck	<i>YWCA Cleanup &amp; Teen Feed</i>
Diana Bender	<i>Discernment</i>
Ben Bradstreet	<i>Minyan</i>
Terry Carlisle	<i>Operation Nightwatch</i>
Sally Clarke	<i>Altar Guild</i>
Susannah Dhamdhere	<i>Meals Ministry</i>
Sue Draper	<i>Book Study</i>
Pieter Drummond	<i>Meditation</i>
Mike Evans	<i>Service &amp; Outreach</i>
Karen Forbes	<i>Women of Epiphany</i>
Alice Foreman	<i>Flower Ministry</i>
Michael Fraas	<i>Visitation Ministry</i>
Michael Glass	<i>Yoga</i>
Julie Hay	<i>Eucharistic Visiting</i>
Robin Mondares	<i>Pastoral Care</i>
Laurel Nesholm	<i>Art Guild</i>
Eileen Riley	<i>Service &amp; Outreach</i>
Jonathan Roberts	<i>C. S. Lewis Minyan</i>
Mark Rossow	<i>Camping Ministry</i>
Mike Simmons	<i>Ushers</i>
Trish Stone	<i>All Threads Together</i>
Julie von Koschembahr	<i>The Saint John's Bible</i>

## **Vestry**

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Doug Marshall - Senior Warden	
Lauren Wearsch - Junior Warden	
Julie von Koschembahr - Member-at-Large	
Vernon Barback	Brian Boyle
Andrea King	Judith Mayotte
Kelli Martin	Zach Miller
Warren Morrow	Alvin Moseberry
Eleanor Nelson	



*Wherever you are on your spiritual journey,  
you have a place at Epiphany.*