

# EPIPHANY†

— *Seattle* —

## CHORAL EVENSONG

The Feast of the Holy Cross, observed  
September 16, 2021

*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.*

### PRELUDE

*La Croix*

*David Evan Thomas*

*At the sound of the bell, all stand.*

### OPENING SENTENCES

*Officiant* I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall.

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

### THE PRECES

*Setting by Richard Ayleward*

*Cantor* O Lord, open thou our lips.

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

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

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

*Choir* 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 people are seated.*

### PSALM 98: *Cantate Domino*

*Anglican Chant: David Hurd*

O sing unto the Lord a new song  
for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm  
hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation  
his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel  
and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands  
sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp  
sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also, and shawms  
O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is  
the round world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord  
for he is come to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world  
and the people with equity.

*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 FIRST LESSON: *Isaiah 45:21-25***

Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old?  
Was it not I, the Lord? There is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is no one besides me. Turn  
to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth!

For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that  
shall not return: "To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are right-  
eousness and strength; all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed. In the Lord all the offspring  
of Israel shall triumph and glory.

*The people remain seated.*

#### **THE MAGNIFICAT: *Short Service***

*Orlando Gibbons*

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: *John 12:31-36a***

Jesus said, "Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

*The people remain seated.*

## **THE NUNC DIMITTIS: *Short Service***

*Gibbons*

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 remain standing 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 Ayleward

*Cantor* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy Spirit.

*Cantor* Let us pray.

*The people kneel.*

*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.**

*Cantor* O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.

*Cantor* O Lord, save the state.

*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Cantor* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Cantor* O Lord, save thy people.

*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.

*Cantor* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

*Cantor* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## THE COLLECTS

*Cantor* Almighty God, whose beloved Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption: Give us courage, we beseech thee, to take up our cross and follow him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.

The people sit.

At tonight's service, a collection is taken for the Music Fund at Epiphany. The Music Fund exists to provide the resource necessary to accomplish our mission of excellence in sacred music for the city of Seattle. You may contribute by using the QR code here, or by cash or check as you exit the service. Gifts of stock may be made by contacting Pam Demian at [pdemian@epiphanyseattle.org](mailto:pdemian@epiphanyseattle.org). This evening's service of Choral Evensong is funded directly by your support, and we thank you in advance for your generosity. Gifts of any size are needed and appreciated.



## WELCOME

*Sung by the choir.*

### THE ANTHEM: *Crux fidelis*

*John IV—King of Portugal*

Faithful cross, above all other,  
One and only noble tree:  
None in foliage, none in blossom,  
None in fruit thy peer may be.  
Sweetest wood and sweetest iron,  
Sweetest weight is hung on thee!  
(*Sung in Latin*)

*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 all.*

## THE HYMN: *Morning glory, starlit sky*

*Bingham*



1. Morn - ing glo - ry, star - lit sky, soar - ing  
2. O - pen are the gifts of God, gifts of  
3. Love that gives, gives ev - er more, gives with  
4. Drained is love in mak - ing full, bound in  
5. There - fore he who shows us God help - less  
6. Here is God: no mon - arch he, throned in



mu - sic, schol - ar's truth, flight of swal - lows, au - tumn  
love to mind and sense; hid - den is love's a - go -  
zeal, with ea - ger hands, spares not, keeps not, all out -  
set - ting o - thers free, poor in mak - ing man - y  
hangs u - pon the tree; and the nails and crown of  
eas - y state to reign; here is God, whose arms of



leaves, mem - ory's trea - sure, grace of youth:  
ny, love's en - deav - or, love's ex - pense.  
pours, ven - tures all, its all ex - pends.  
rich, weak in giv - ing power to be.  
thorns tell of what God's love must be.  
love ach - ing, spent, the world sus - tain.

*The people remain standing as the ministers exit the church.*

***Serving this evening***

Diane Carlisle, *Presider*

Zachary Hemenway, *Director of Music*

Dr. Wyatt Smith, *Associate Director of Music*

*Epiphany Choir*

## Parish Staff

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The Rev. Doyt L. Conn, Jr.	<i>Rector</i>
The Rev. Ruth Anne García	<i>Vicar</i>
Jad Baaklini	<i>Communications Minister</i>
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Amanda Eap	<i>Hospitality and Security Minister</i>
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Laura Rodde	<i>Chief of Staff</i>
Laura Sargent	<i>Engagement Minister</i>
Dr. Wyatt Smith	<i>Associate Director of Music &amp; Music Academy Director</i>
Naomi Woodrum	<i>Director of Children and Youth Formation</i>

## Volunteer Ministry Leaders

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Ann Beck	<i>YWCA Cleanup &amp; Teen Feed</i>
Diana Bender	<i>Discernment</i>
Terry Carlisle	<i>Operation Nightwatch</i>
Phil Carter	<i>Ushers</i>
Sally Clarke	<i>Altar Guild</i>
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Pieter Drummond	<i>Meditation</i>
Mike Evans	<i>Service &amp; Outreach</i>
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Eileen Riley	<i>Service &amp; Outreach</i>
Mark Rossow	<i>Camping Ministry</i>
Trish Stone	<i>All Threads Together</i>

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## Volunteer Professionals

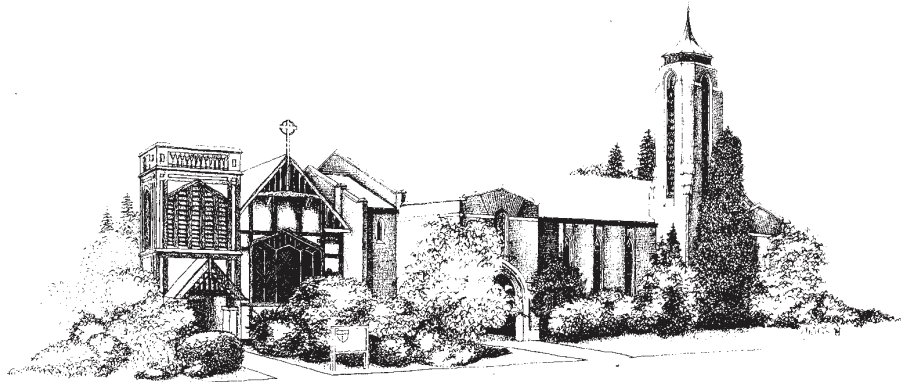
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Margie Einstein	<i>Stewardship Coordinator</i>
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Julie von Koschembahr	<i>Entrepreneur in Residence</i>

## Vestry

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Doug Marshall - Senior Warden	
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Vernon Barback	Brian Boyle
Andrea King	Judith Mayotte
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Wherever you are on your spiritual journey,  
you have a place at Epiphany.