



# SAINT MARK'S CHURCH

## PHILADELPHIA

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
5 May 2024, 4 p.m.  
Choral Evensong & Benediction

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### VOLUNTARY

*Adagio* from *Troisième symphonie*, Opus 28      Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

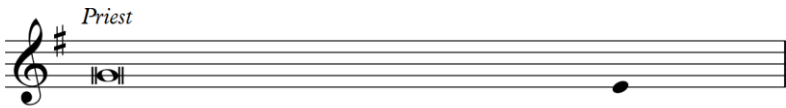
*The People stand as the Choir and Clergy enter. The Choir sings the*

### MARIAN ANTIPHON

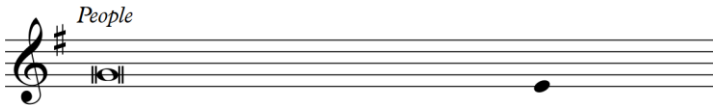
Herbert Howells (b. 1892-1983)

*Regina coeli laetare, alleluia.*  
*Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.*  
*Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia.*  
*Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*

Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven, alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.  
As he promised, hath arisen, alleluia.  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.



Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, allelu - ia:



For the Lord is risen indeed, allelu - ia.

*Priest* Let us pray. O God, who through the resurrection of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ didst vouchsafe to give joy to the world: grant, we beseech thee, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, ✠ we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PRECES

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

*Priest* ✠ O Lord, open thou our lips.

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

*Priest* ✠ O God, make speed to save us.

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

*Priest* 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.

*Priest* Praise ye the Lord.

*Choir* The Lord's name be praised.

*The People are seated for the Psalm.*

PSALM 34 *Benedicam Domino*

Herbert Howells

Sir Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

I will always give thanks unto the Lord:

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord:

the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me:

and let us magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me:

yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

They had an eye unto him, and were lightened:

and their faces were not ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him:

yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him:

and delivereth them.

O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is:

blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints:

for they that fear him lack nothing.

The lions do lack, and suffer hunger:

but they who seek the Lord

shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me:

I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

What man is he that lusteth to live:

and would fain see good days?

Keep thy tongue from evil:  
and thy lips, that they speak no guile.  
Eschew evil, and do good:  
seek peace, and ensue it.  
The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous:  
and his ears are open unto their prayers.  
The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil:  
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.  
The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them:  
and delivereth them out of all their troubles.  
The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart:  
and will save such as be of an humble spirit.  
Great are the troubles of the righteous:  
but the Lord delivereth him out of all.  
He keepeth all his bones:  
so that not one of them is broken.  
But misfortune shall slay the ungodly:  
and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.  
The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants:  
and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.  
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 FIRST LESSON

*Ecclesiasticus 43:1-12, 27-32*

The pride of the heavenly heights is the clear firmament, the appearance of heaven in a spectacle of glory. The sun, when it appears, making proclamation as it goes forth, is a marvelous instrument, the work of the Most High. At noon it parches the land; and who can withstand its burning heat? A man tending a furnace works in burning heat, but the sun burns the mountains three times as much; it breathes out fiery vapors, and with bright beams it blinds the eyes. Great is the Lord who made it; and at his command it hastens on its course. He made the moon also, to serve in its season to mark the times and to be an everlasting sign. From the moon comes the sign for feast days, a light that wanes when it has reached the full. The month is named for the moon, increasing marvelously in its phases, an instrument of the hosts on high

shining forth in the firmament of heaven. The glory of the stars is the beauty of heaven, a gleaming array in the heights of the Lord. At the command of the Holy One they stand as ordered, they never relax in their watches. Look upon the rainbow, and praise him who made it, exceedingly beautiful in its brightness. It encircles the heaven with its glorious arc; the hands of the Most High have stretched it out. Though we speak much we cannot reach the end, and the sum of our words is: "He is the all." Where shall we find strength to praise him? For he is greater than all his works. Terrible is the Lord and very great, and marvelous is his power. When you praise the Lord, exalt him as much as you can; for he will surpass even that. When you exalt him, put forth all your strength, and do not grow weary, for you cannot praise him enough. Who has seen him and can describe him? Or who can extol him as he is? Many things greater than these lie hidden, for we have seen but few of his works.

*The People stand to sing the Hymn.*

HYMN 37

*Evening Hymn*

*The People remain standing.*

MAGNIFICAT

Saint Paul's Service

Herbert Howells

✠ 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 remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:  
as he promised to our forefathers,  
Abraham and his seed for 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.

*The People are seated.*

THE SECOND LESSON

*James 1:2-8, 16-18*

Count it all joy, my brethren, when you meet various trials, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives to all men generously and without reproaching, and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways, will receive anything from the Lord. Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. Every good endowment and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

*The People stand.*

NUNC DIMITTIS

Saint Paul's Service

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.

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 People remain standing to sing*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Priest* 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 LORD'S PRAYER & SUFFRAGES

Leighton

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

*Priest* Let us pray.

*The People kneel.*

*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.

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

*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.

*Priest* O Lord, save the State.

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

*Priest* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Priest* O Lord, save thy people.

*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.

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

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

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

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

## EVENING COLLECTS & GRACE

*The People are seated for the Anthem, during which an Offering will be taken.*

## ANTHEM

*Padre Pio's Prayer*

James MacMillan (b. 1959))

Do not leave me, Lord, even though you know how easily I abandon you. I am weak, and I need you so that I may not fall. You are my light; without you I am in darkness. Stay with me, Lord, so that I can hear your voice. Stay with me; I desire to love you and to be with you always. Come to my soul, my nest of love. Come to me, Jesu, for the day is ending. Eternity approaches. I need you. I fear the darkness and the danger. It is getting late. Let me see you in the breaking of the bread, the bread and wine that sustain me. Joy of my heart! I do not deserve you; but stay with me, Jesu. I look for you alone, your love, your grace, your heart. I love you and seek to love you more and more. I seek to love you for ever and ever.

(Padre Pio, 1887-1968)

*The People kneel.*

## THE INTERCESSIONS

*Following the Intercessions, the Priest proceeds to the foot of the Altar. After a short period of silent prayer, the Priest removes the Blessed Sacrament from the Tabernacle and places it in the Monstrance on the High Altar. The congregation remains kneeling as the Choir sings.*

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

*O salutaris Hostia,  
quae caeli pandis ostium:  
bella premunt hostilia,  
da robur, fer auxilium.*

*Uni trinoque Domino  
sit sempiterna gloria,  
qui vitam sine termino  
nobis donet in patria. Amen.*

O saving Victim, opening wide  
the gate of heaven to man below;  
our foes press on from every side;  
thine aid supply; thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
for evermore, blest One in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end  
in our true native land with thee. Amen.

(Attrib. Thomas Aquinas 1225?-1274)

*The People remain kneeling to sing the Hymn.*



HYMN

1. There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing, this great Sa - cra  
2. Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing to the Fa - ther

ment re - vere, types and sha - dows have their end - ing,  
and the Son, hon - or, might, and praise ad - dress - ing,

for the new - er rite is here; faith, our out - ward  
while e - ter - nal a - ges run; ev - er, too, his

sense be - friend - ing, makes our in - ward  
love con - fess - ing, who from both with

vi - sion clear. A - men.  
both is One.

Words: Attrib. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274); ver. *Hymnal 1940*, rev.  
Music: *St. Thomas*, melody attrib. John Francis Wade (1711-1786);  
harm. attrib. Vincent Francis Novello (1781-1861).

*Priest* Thou gavest them bread from heaven, alleluia.

*People* **Containing within itself all sweetness, alleluia.**

*Priest* Let us pray. O God, who under a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest world without end.  
**Amen.**

*Following the Collect, the Priest takes up the Monstrance and blesses the People. Then the People repeat each phrase, after the Priest, of*

#### THE DIVINE PRAISES

**Blessed be God.**

**Blessed be his Holy Name.**

**Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.**

**Blessed be the Name of Jesus.**

**Blessed be his Most Sacred Heart.**

**Blessed be Jesus**

**in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.**

**Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.**


**Blessed be the Mother of God, Mary most holy.**

**Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.**

**Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste Spouse.**

**Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.**

*The Blessed Sacrament is placed in the Tabernacle and the People stand to sing the Psalm.*



[Organ] Let us a - dore for - ev - er:  
the Most Ho - ly Sac - ra - ment.  
O praise the Lord, all ye na - tions:  
praise him, all ye peo - ples.  
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to - ward us:  
and the truth of the Lord endureth for ev - er. Praise the Lord.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
As it was in the be - gin - ing, is now and ever shall be:  
world with - out end. A - men. [Organ]  
Let us ad - ore for ev - er: the Most Ho - ly Sac - ra ment.

*The People remain standing as the Choir and Clergy exit the church.*

VOLUNTARY

*Finale: Allegro con Brio from Sonata in G Minor*

Oskar Lindberg  
(1887-1955)

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*Saint Mark's is a community  
that gathers in faith,  
serves in love,  
and proclaims hope,  
through Jesus Christ.*