ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Solemn Requiem Eucharist

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN | NOVEMBER 2, 2023 - 7:30PM

PRELUDE

Psalm Prelude Set III, No. 1 - Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

The People stand as the bell sounds.

REQUIEM AETERNAM

sung by the Choir

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine et lux perpetua luceat eis.
Te decet hymnus Deus in Zion, et tibi redetur votum in Jerusalem.
Exaudi orationem meam,
Ad te omnis caro veniet.

Setting: Missa pro defunctis, plainsong

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. A hymn befits thee, O God in Zion, And to thee a vow shall be fulfilled in Jerusalem. Hear my prayer, For unto thee all flesh shall come.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Celebrant intones

Blessed be God, the strength of the faithful and the repose of the dead.

The People respond



Glory to God forev-er and ev-er.

KYRIE ELEISON

sung by the Choir

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Setting: Missa pro defunctis, plainsong

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of your Son; that on the day of his appearing they may be manifested as your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The People sit.

THE LESSON seated Wisdom 3:1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM sung by the Choir Psalm 130

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; * let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, * O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; * therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, * more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, * for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, * and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Setting: plainsong

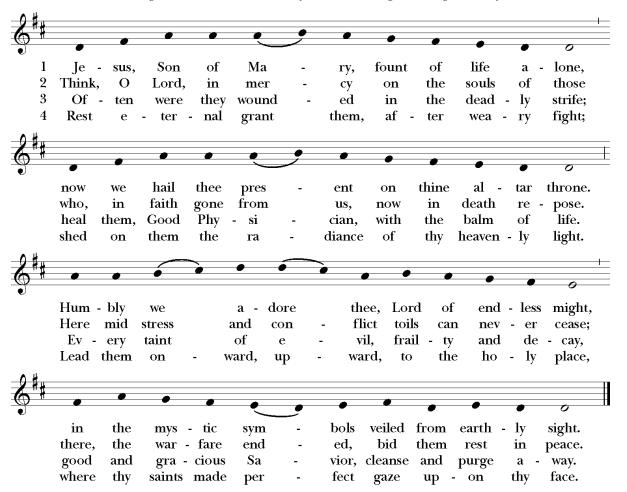
THE EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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Thanks be to God.

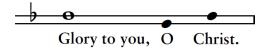
GOSPEL HYMN standing; all turn toward the Gospel as it is brought among the People.



Words: Edmund Stuart Palmer (1856-1931)

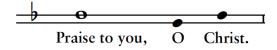
Music: Adoro devote, French church melody, Mode 5, Processionale, 1697

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.



Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life. Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgement, because he is the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.



The People remain standing for the Prayers.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For these our friends and loved ones, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

As the names of the departed are read, they are placed on the Altar of Remembrance.

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for our friends and loved ones, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our friends and loved ones eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our friends and loved ones to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our friends and loved ones; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Father of all, we pray to you for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

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MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY sung by the Choir

The Kontakion of the Faithful Departed

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant with thy saints, where sorrow and pain are no more; neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Thou only art immortal, the Creator and Maker of man; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and unto earth shall we return; for so thou didst ordain when thou createdst me, saying:
'Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.' All we go down to the dust, and, weeping o'er the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

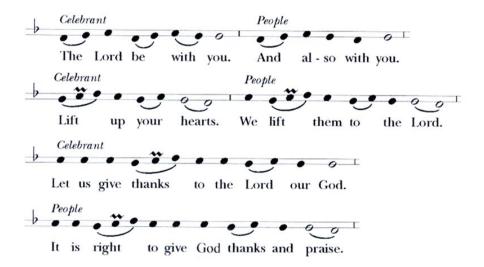
Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant with thy saints, where sorrow and pain are no more; neither sighing, but life everlasting. Anonymous Words: Eastern Byzantine rite, 9th cent.

HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY standing



Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: O quanta qualia, melody from Antiphoner, 1681; harm. John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is right and a good and joyful thing, always, and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS sung by the Choir

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sancuts, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sung caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Setting: Missa pro defunctis, plainsong

Holy, Holy Holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for sending your Son Jesus Christ. He lived as one of us, knew our joy, our pain and our sorrow. By his death on the cross you revealed that your love has no limit. By raising him from the grave you conquered death and gave new life to the world. By his victory you comfort us with the hope of eternal life, and assure us that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Risen and ascended, Christ is alive forevermore, and by the power of the Holy Spirit is with us always. Reigning with you in glory, Christ intercedes for us, our high priest and our advocate.

We give you thanks that on the night before he died, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, Do this in remembrance of me." In remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and celebrate his death and resurrection, as we wait the day of his coming. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as a living and holy offering of ourselves, dedicated to your service, that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, and one with all who share this feast, until we feast together in the joy of his eternal kingdom.

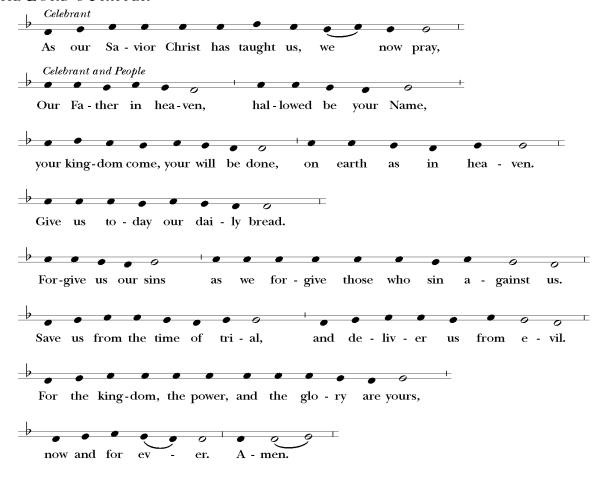
Remember those who have departed. Bring all who have died in the peace of Christ into your eternal joy and light. Strengthen us to run with determination the race that lies before us, our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end, so that, when this mortal life is ended, we may, with the faithful from every time and place, receive the unfading crown of glory, through your Son Jesus Christ.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People



THE LORD'S PRAYER



Setting: Ambrosian Chant, adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)

THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to Communion, saying

This is the Bread of Life and this is the Cup of Salvation. Whoever eats this Bread and drinks this Cup will live forever.

Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free hosts are available upon request, grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups.

AGNUS DEI

sung by the Choir

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Dona eis requiem sempiternam. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them everlasting rest.

Setting: Missa pro defunctis, plainsong

Hymn: Light's Abode, celestial Salem

Words: Latin, 15th. Cent. Music: Rhuddlan, Welsh melody

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

standing

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COMMENDATION

The Celebrant blesses the Altar of Remembrance, with the names of the departed, while the Choir sings

In paradisum deducant te Angeli: Into paradise may the angels lead you;

In tuo adventu suscipiant te Martyres, And at the gate of Heaven may the martyrs greet

you at your coming;

Et perducant te in civitatem sanctam May they lead you into the holy city of Jerusalem. Chorus Angelorum te suscipiat, May the choirs of Angels sing to welcome you,

Et cum Lazaro quondam paupere And with Lazarus who once was poor Aeternam habeas requiem.

May you find eternal rest at last.

Setting: plainsong

The Celebrant concludes

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord;

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

And the blessing of Almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you now and remain with you forever.

Amen.

The Vested Ministers depart during the singing of the final Antiphons on the following page. All are welcome to remain for a moment of personal prayer, and to depart quietly.

ANTIPHONS IN PROCESSION

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine, cum sanctis tuis in aeternum; quia pius es. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Setting: Missa pro defunctis, plainsong

Ego sum resurrection et vita:
qui credit in me,
etiam si mortuus fuerit, vivet,
et omnis qui vivet et credit in me
non morietur in aeternum.
Credo quod Redemptor meus vivit,
et in novis simo die
de terra surrecturussum:
et in carne mea videbo
Deum Salvatorem meum.

Setting: plainsong

May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord, in the company of thy saints forever and ever; for thou art merciful.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

I am the Resurrection and the Life: whoever believes in me, even if they die will live, and all who live and believe in me will never die.

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that on the last day
I shall be resurrected from the earth, and in my flesh I will see
God my Savior.

THE WORSHIP IS OVER - THE SERVICE BEGINS

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