

MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

James 1:2-8

Rogation Sunday May 5, 2024 5 p.m. Choral Evensong

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Choral Evensong

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on 'Eventide' C.H.H. Parry (1848-1918)

Please stand as the procession begins

Preces and Responses

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.

Response And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

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

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Response As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Response The Lord's name be praised.

Music: Philip Moore (b. 1943)

Please sit

Greetings and Notices

The Rev. Dr. Cheryl McFadden

Psalm 34

I will alway 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.

Please stand

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.

Music: Charles South (1850-1916)

Please sit

The First Lesson Leviticus 25:1-17

Lector A reading from the Book of Leviticus.

The Lord spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying: Speak to the people of Israel and say to them: When you enter the land that I am giving you, the land shall observe a sabbath for the Lord. For six years you shall sow your field, and for six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather in their yield; but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath of complete rest for the land, a sabbath for the Lord: you shall not sow your field or prune your vineyard. You shall not reap the aftergrowth of your harvest or gather the grapes of your unpruned vine: it shall be a year of complete rest for the land. You may eat what the land yields during its sabbath—you, your male and female slaves, your hired and your bound laborers who live with you; for your livestock also, and for the wild animals in your land all its yield shall be for food.

You shall count off seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the period of seven weeks of years gives forty-nine years. Then you shall have the trumpet sounded loud; on the tenth day of the seventh month—on the day of atonement—you shall have the trumpet sounded throughout all your land. And you shall hallow the fiftieth year and you shall proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you: you shall return, every one of you, to your property and every one of you to your family. That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you: you shall not sow, or reap the aftergrowth, or harvest the unpruned vines. For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you: you shall eat only what the field itself produces.

In this year of jubilee you shall return, every one of you, to your property. When you make a sale to your neighbor or buy from your neighbor, you shall not cheat one another. When you buy from your neighbor, you shall pay only for the number of years since the jubilee; the seller shall charge you only for the remaining crop-years. If the years are more, you shall increase the price, and if the years are fewer, you shall diminish the price; for it is a certain number of harvests that are being sold to you. You shall not cheat one another, but you shall fear your God; for I am the Lord your God.

Lector Here endeth the Lesson.

Please stand

Office Hymn 386 sung by all

We sing of God, the mighty source of all things

Words: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), alt. Music: *Cornwall*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Please sit

Magnificat sung by the choir

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 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.

Please stand

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.

Words: Luke 1:46-55

Music: Evening Service in A flat Basil Harwood (1859-1949)

Please sit

The Second Lesson James 1:2-8,16-18

Lector A reading from the Book of James.

My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you. But ask in faith, never doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind; for the doubter, being double-minded and unstable in every way, must not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Do not be deceived, my beloved.

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

Lector Here endeth the Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis sung by the choir

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.

Please stand

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.

Words: Luke 2:29-32

Music: Evening Service in A flat Basil Harwood (1859-1949)

The Apostles' Creed said by 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.

Cantor The Lord be with you. Response And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray.

Please kneel

Response 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.

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Response And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor O Lord, save the State.

Response And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

Response And make thy chosen people joyful.

Cantor O Lord, save thy people.

Response And bless thine inheritance.

Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord.

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

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Response And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and 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 both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our 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.

Please sit

Homily The Rev. Dr. Cheryl McFadden

The Anthem

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed at the last time. But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. Love one another with a pure heart fervently. See that ye love one another. Love one another with a pure heart fervently: being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away. But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. Amen.

Words: I Peter 1:3–5,15-17, 22-25 Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Prayers *ending with the Grace said by all*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Please stand

Hymn 607 during which a collection will be taken

O God of every nation Words: William Watkins Reid, Jr. (1923-2007) Music: *Llangloffan*, melody from *Hynnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghynru*, 1865

Blessing

Postlude

Joie et clarté des corps glorieux

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

"Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their father." (Matthew 13:43)



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This week's services

Wednesday 8 at 12:15pm
Thursday 9 at 6:30pm
Sunday 12 at 8am
Sunday 12 at 10am

Preach and Teach Eucharist (Rite I) in the Chapel
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Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Chapel

Sunday 12 at 5pm Compline in the Church

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Friday, September 13, 2024
6:30 pm

Reception, Seated Dinner, and Dancing christchurchgreenwich.org





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Saturday, June 1, 5:00 pm

Director of Music Jamie Hitel will be joined by Visiting Artist Dr Philip Moore and Visiting Artist-in-Residence Professor James O'Donnell directing the choirs in music based around the theme of 'Joy'.

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