A SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER
IN CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF

ROWAN LECOMPTE
MARCH 17, 1925 – FEBRUARY 11, 2014

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014
10:00 AM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL
The west rose seeks to sing its own hymn of praise to the universe. For all its impressive size in the cathedral that must be a very small song indeed, when we pause to consider the infinite grandeur of the cosmos, this unimaginably vast created and creating mysterious miracle.

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CARILLON PRELUDE

The Bells
Largo e dolce (Flute Sonata I, BWV 1030)
Werde munter, mein Gemüte
Andante (Suite for Carillon, III)
Image No. 2 for Carillon
Aeolian Mode (from Seven Modal Pieces for carillon, 2004)
Prelude for Carillon (1952)

William Byrd (1543-1623); arr. Percival Price (1901-1985)
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750); arr. Robert Grogan (b.1939)
Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748); arr. R. Grogan
Samuel Barber (1910-1981)
Emilien Allard (1915-1976)
John Courter (1941-2010)
Ronald Barnes (1927-1997)

PRELUDE MUSIC

Prelude on ‘Rhosymedre’
Highland Cathedral
Lord God, now open wide the heavens, BWV 617
played at the wedding of Rowan and Peggy LeCompte
Innisfree Farm
inspired by Dirksen’s visit to Rowan and Peggy LeCompte’s farm

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Ulrich Roever and Michael Korb
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

INTROIT

We would be building
Keep us to building, Master; may our hands ne’er falter when the dream is in our hearts, when to our ears there come divine commands and all the purpose of our noblest creed. Teach us to build; O master, lend us sight to see the towers gleaming in the light. O keep us building, Master; may our hands ne’er falter when the dream is in our hearts, when to our ears there come divine commands and all the pride of sinful will departs. We build with thee, O grant enduring worth until the heav’nly kingdom comes on earth.

The people stand.

OPENING HYMN 488

Be thou my vision

Slane

WELCOME
PRECES

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips;
Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Cantor O God, make speed to save us;
Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.
Cantor 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.
Cantor Praise ye the Lord.
Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

The people are seated.

THE FIRST READING

read by Dan Arritt

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness God called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MORNING CANTICLE

Jubilate Deo

William Walton (1902-1983)

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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 stand.
THE PRAYERS

Cantor  The Lord be with you.
Choir    And with thy spirit.
Cantor  Let us pray.

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.

SUFFRAGES

Cantor  O Lord, show 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

Almighty God, who hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word; Grant that the same light enkindled in our hearts may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, the source of eternal light: Shed forth thine unending day upon us who watch for thee, that our lips may praise thee, our lives may bless thee, and our worship on the morrow may give thee glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of thy faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all the members of thy holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

HYMN 487  Sung by all.

Come my way

The people are seated.

TRIBUTES

Robert Anthony LeCompte
Rev. John Runkle
THE SECOND READING  
read by Keeva P. Harmon  
John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life; and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to bear witness to the light. The true Light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY  
Rev. Oran E. Warder

ANTHEM  
Hymn to the Mother of God  
John Tavener (1944-2013)

In You, O Woman full of grace, the angelic choirs, and the human race, all creation rejoices. O sanctified Temple, mystical Paradise, and glory of Virgins. In You, O Woman full of Grace, all creation rejoices. All praise be to You.

The people stand.

THE PRAYERS

Intercessor For our brother Rowan, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am Resurrection and I am Life.” Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Rowan, and dry the tears of those who weep.
People Hear us, Lord.

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

Intercessor You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.
People Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.
People Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.
People Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.
People Hear us, Lord.

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

Silence is kept.
**Officiant**  God of all, we pray to you for Rowan, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**All**  Amen.

**ANTHEM**

*A Gaelic blessing*  
John Rutter (b. 1945)

Deep peace of the running wave to you,
Deep peace of the flowing air to you,
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you,
Deep peace of the shining stars to you,
Deep peace of the gentle night to you.
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you,
Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you,
Deep peace of Christ to you.

**THE COMMENDATION**

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

*All*  Amen.

*Officiant*  You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, “You are dust, and to dust you shall return.” All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

*Officiant*  Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Rowan. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

*All*  Amen.

**THE BLESSING**

*Officiant*  The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

*People*  Amen.

**Fanfare for the Common Man**  
Aaron Copland (1900-1990)

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Officiant*  Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*All*  Thanks be to God.

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

*Chorale prelude - In Thee is Joy, BWV 615*  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Immediately following the service, Rowan’s family will receive guests in Bethlehem Chapel.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

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