



# Choral Evensong

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
and Martin Luther King, Jr., observed

January 16, 2022 • 4:00 PM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

*The people's responses are in bold.*

## ORGAN PRELUDE

*Pools of Living Water*

Trevor Weston (b. 1967)

*The people stand as able as the procession enters.*

## HYMN • 685

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

*Sung by all.*

*Top lady*

1. Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
2. Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,  
3. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,  
let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,  
all for sin - could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;  
when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,  
be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.  
in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.  
Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

## OPENING SENTENCES FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

### PRECES

Bernard Rose (1916–1996)

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips;

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

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;

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

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord.

*Choir* The Lord's Name be praised.

*The candles are lighted as the choir sings.*

**PHOS HILARON**

Stephen Caracciolo (b. 1962)

*The Phos hilaron is an ancient lamp-lighting hymn. Meaning “gladdening light” in Greek, it is among the earliest-known hymn texts recorded outside of the Bible that is still in use today.*

O gracious Light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

*The people are seated.*

**PSALM • 114**

*Sung by the choir.*

chant: George Mursell Garrett (1834–1897)

Hallelujah!  
When Israel came out of Egypt,  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,  
Judah became God’s sanctuary  
and Israel his dominion.  
The sea beheld it and fled;  
Jordan turned and went back.  
The mountains skipped like rams,  
and the little hills like young sheep.  
What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?  
O Jordan, that you turned back?

You mountains, that you skipped like rams?  
you little hills like young sheep?  
Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,  
Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water  
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**PSALM • 115**

*Sung by the choir.*

chants: Gerald Knight (1908–1979);  
Ivor Atkins (1869–1953)

Not to us, O Lord, not to us,  
but to your Name give glory;  
because of your love and because of your faithfulness.  
Why should the heathen say,  
“Where then is their God?”  
Our God is in heaven;  
whatever he wills to do he does.  
Their idols are silver and gold,  
the work of human hands.  
They have mouths, but they cannot speak;  
eyes have they, but they cannot see;  
They have ears, but they cannot hear;  
noses, but they cannot smell;  
They have hands, but they cannot feel;  
feet, but they cannot walk;  
they make no sound with their throat.

Those who make them are like them,  
and so are all who put their trust in them.  
O Israel, trust in the Lord;  
he is their help and their shield.  
O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord;  
he is their help and their shield.  
You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord;  
he is their help and their shield.  
The Lord has been mindful of us, and he will bless us;  
he will bless the house of Israel;  
he will bless the house of Aaron;  
He will bless those who fear the Lord,  
both small and great together.  
May the Lord increase you more and more,  
you and your children after you.

May you be blessed by the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.  
The heaven of heavens is the Lord's,  
but he entrusted the earth to its peoples.  
The dead do not praise the Lord,  
nor all those who go down into silence;

But we will bless the Lord,  
from this time forth for evermore.  
Hallelujah!  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## FIRST LESSON

Genesis 7:1-10, 17-23

The Lord said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground." And Noah did all that the Lord had commanded him. Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters came on the earth. And Noah with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives went into the ark to escape the waters of the flood. Of clean animals, and of animals that are not clean, and of birds, and of everything that creeps on the ground, two and two, male and female, went into the ark with Noah, as God had commanded Noah. And after seven days the waters of the flood came on the earth. The flood continued forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters. The waters swelled so mightily on the earth that all the high mountains under the whole heaven were covered; the waters swelled above the mountains, covering them fifteen cubits deep. And all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, domestic animals, wild animals, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all human beings; everything on dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, human beings and animals and creeping things and birds of the air; they were blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those that were with him in the ark.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*The people remain seated as the choir sings.*

## MAGNIFICAT

Evening Service in G; Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

*The Magnificat is the Blessed Virgin Mary's song of thanksgiving in response to the fact that she will bear the Son of God, fulfilling the promises of the Old Testament.*

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.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*(Luke 1:46-55)*

## SECOND LESSON

Mark 3:7-19

Jesus departed with his disciples to the sea, and a great multitude from Galilee followed him; hearing all that he was doing, they came to him in great numbers from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, beyond the Jordan, and the region around Tyre and Sidon. He told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, so that they would not crush him; for he had cured many, so that all who had diseases pressed upon him to touch him. Whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and shouted, "You are the Son of God!" But he sternly ordered them not to make him known. He went up the mountain and called to him those whom he wanted, and they came to him. And he appointed twelve, whom he also named apostles, to be with him, and to be sent out to proclaim the message, and to have authority to cast out demons. So he appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter); James son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder); and Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*The people remain seated as the choir sings.*

## NUNC DIMITTIS

Evening Service in G; C. V. Stanford

*The Nunc dimittis is the song of the aged Simeon, who had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would not die until he had seen the Messiah. Upon taking the infant Jesus into his arms, Simeon utters these words of thanksgiving.*

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

*(Luke 2:29-32)*

*The people stand as able.*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Said by all, facing the high altar.*

*The Apostles' Creed grew from statements of belief made by early Christians at their baptism. The Church continues to confess this same faith in the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE LESSER LITANY

B. Rose

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.  
*Choir* And with thy spirit.  
*Officiant* Let us pray.  
*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Said by all.*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE SUFFRAGES

B. Rose

*Officiant* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.  
*Officiant* O Lord, save the State;  
*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
*Officiant* Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.  
*Officiant* O Lord, save thy people;  
*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.  
*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.  
*Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## THE COLLECTS

*The officiant sings a series of prayers, appointed for the day, each followed by a choral Amen.*

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, who by the hand of Moses thy servant didst lead thy people out of slavery, and didst make them free at last: Grant that thy church, following the example of thy prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of thy love, and may strive to secure for all thy children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship thee, all nations obey thee, all tongues confess and bless thee, and men and women everywhere love thee and serve thee in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The collects conclude with:*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*Choir* Thanks be to God.

*The people are seated.*

## OFFERING

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## ANTHEM

*Ain'-a That Good News*

Negro spiritual; arr. William Dawson (1899–1990)

I got a crown up in the Kingdom,  
Ain'-a that good news!

I got a robe up in the Kingdom.

*Refrain* I'm gonna lay down this world,  
Gonna shoulder up my cross,  
Gonna take it home to my Jesus,  
Ain'-a that good news!

*Refrain*

I got a Savior in the Kingdom.

*Refrain*

I got a harp up in the Kingdom.

*Refrain*

*The people stand as able. Additional prayers and petitions may be said at this point, concluding with The General Thanksgiving.*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*Said by all.*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
 by giving up our selves to your service,  
 and by walking before you  
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

BLESSING

*The officiant blesses the people and the people respond, Amen.*

HYMN • 676

*There Is a Balm in Gilead*

*Sung by all.*

*Balm in Gilead*

*Refrain*

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed  
 whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to  
 heal the sin - sick soul. soul.

1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and \_\_\_  
 2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you  
 think my work's in vain, but \_\_\_ then the Ho - ly  
 can - not pray like Paul, you can tell the love of  
*Repeat Refrain*  
 Spi - rit re - vives my soul a - gain.  
 Je - sus, and say, "He died for all."

## ORGAN POSTLUDE

*Evening Song*

David Hurd (b. 1950)

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