

Lent



CHORAL EVENSONG

March 2, 2008

Half-past five o'clock in the evening

Prelude *Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ*

Bach

During the procession silence is kept.

The Opening Sentences

BCP, P. 62

The Confession

BCP, P. 62

Invitatory and Psalter

Preces

Officiant
O God, make speed to save us.

People
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Hymn S27 *O gracious Light*

Schramm

Psalm 19 *Caeli enarrant*



- 1 The heavens declare the/glory of/God, *
and the/firmament/shows his/handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its/tale to an/other, *
and one night imparts/knowledge/to an/other.
- 3 Although they have no/words or/language, *
and their/voices/are not/heard,

4 Their sound has gone out into/all/lands, *
and their message to the/ends/of the/world.

5 In the deep has he set a pa/vilion for the/sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a/champion to/run its/course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the/end of it a/gain; *
nothing is/hidden from its/burning/heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and re/vives the/soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives/wisdom/to the/innocent.

8 The statutes of the Lord are just
and re/joice the/heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives/light/to the/eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean
and en/dures for/ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true
and/righteous/alto/gether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than/much fine/gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than /honey/in the/comb.

11 By them also is your/servant en/lightened, *
and in keeping them/there is/great re/ward.

12 Who can tell how/often he of/fends? *
--/cleanse me from my/secret/faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get do/minion/over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and/innocent of a/great of/fense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be ac/ceptable in your/sight, *
O Lord, my/strength and/my re/deemer.

Psalm 46 *Deus noster refugium*



1 God is our/refuge and/strength, *
a very/present/help in/trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear, though the/earth be/moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled/into the/depths
of the/sea;

3 Though its waters/rage and/foam, *
and though the mountains/tremble/at its/tumult.

4 The Lord of/hosts is/with us; *
the God of/Jacob/is our/stronghold.

5 There is a river whose streams make glad the/city of/God, *
the holy habi/tation of the/Most/High.

6 God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be/over/thrown; *
God shall/help her at the/break of/day.

7 The nations make much ado, and the/kingdoms are/shaken; *
God has spoken, and the/earth shall/melt a/way.

8 The Lord of/hosts is/with us; *
the God of/Jacob/is our/stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the/works of the/Lord, *
what awesome/things he has/done on/earth.

10 It is he who makes war to cease in/all the/world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and/burns the/shields with/fire.

11 "Be still, then, and know that/I am/God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be ex/alted/in the/earth."

12 The Lord of/hosts is/with us; *
the God of/Jacob/is our/stronghold.

Glory to the Father, and/to the/Son,*
 And/to the/Holy/Spirit:
 As it was in the be/ginning, is/now,*
 And/will be for/ever. A/men.

The First Lesson Jeremiah 14:1-9,17-22

Magnificat *S393* (see insert)

The Second Lesson Mark 8:11-21

Nunc dimittis *S395*

Antiphon

A light to light - en the Gen - tiles,
 and the glo - ry of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.

1. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant de - part in peace,
 ac - cord - ing to thy word; 2. For mine eyes have
 seen thy sal - va - tion, which thou hast prepared before the face
 of all peo - ple, 3. To be a light to lighten the Gen - tiles,
 and to be the glory of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el. [Ant.]
 (Gloria Patri may be omitted)

Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

Officiant and People together, all standing

The Apostles' Creed BCP, P. 66

The Prayers S-21 BCP, P. 67

The Lord's Prayer S-28

Suffrages B S-30

The Collects

For the Fourth Sunday in Lent BCP, P. 167

For Sunday BCP, P. 69

For Peace BCP, P. 69

For the Mission of the Church BCP, P. 71

Anthems

Miserere mei *Byrd*

Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy
 great goodness:
 according to the multitude of thy mercies
 do away mine offences.

God so Loved the World *Stainer*

Wondrous Love arr., *Parker and Shaw*

The General Thanksgiving BCP, P. 71

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom BCP, P. 72

Hymn #31 “Most Holy God, the Lord of heaven” *Dunedin*

The Dismissal BCP, P. 72

The Concluding Sentences BCP, P. 72

During the procession silence is kept.

Everyone is invited to the Library for a reception immediately following the Service.

This evening’s service is part of our year-long celebration of our 150th year which we hope will enrich you spiritually in this season of reflection and contemplation.

Choral Evensong

Evensong, sung Evening Prayer, has its roots in the old monastic and cathedral choir prayer services, sometimes called the daily offices. The service includes hymns, prayers, Scripture readings, and choral and organ music.

This evening's offering is designated for the music ministry of Christ Episcopal Church, Blacksburg. The offering will be used to support special musical events, guest musicians, larger musical scores, etc. to enhance the musical offerings of Christ Church.

Christ Church, Blacksburg, Virginia
The Rev. Scott A. West, Rector
The Rev. D. Scott Russell, Campus Minister
Pamela Trent, Organist