

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE  
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.

CHORAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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PRELUDE

Pavane (1975)

Paul Drayton  
(b. 1944)

*The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers.*

INTROIT

Reginald Alwyn Surplice  
(1906-1977)

**L**ET thy priests be clothed with righteousness: and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.  
The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God: and there shall no torment touch them.  
O God, wonderful art thou in thy saints: and glorious in thy majesty.

*Psalm 132:9; Wisdom 3:1*

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Martin How  
(1931-2022)

*The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.*

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

*The People sit.*

WELCOME

PSALM 37

*Sung by the Choir*

Anglican Chant (Goss, Day)

NOLI AEMULARI

**F**RET not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil-doers.  
For they shall soon be cut down like the grass : and be withered even as the green herb.  
Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good :  
dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.  
Delight thou in the Lord : and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.  
Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him : and he shall bring it to pass.  
He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light : and thy just dealing as the noon-day.  
Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him :  
but grieve not thyself at him whose way doth prosper,  
against the man that doeth after evil counsels.  
Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure :  
fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.



Wicked doers shall be rooted out : and they that patiently abide the Lord,  
those shall inherit the land.  
Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone :  
thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.  
But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth : and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.  
The ungodly seeketh counsel against the just: and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.  
The Lord shall laugh him to scorn : for he hath seen that his day is coming.  
The ungodly have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow :  
to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as are of a right conversation.  
Their sword shall go through their own heart: and their bow shall be broken.  
A small thing that the righteous hath : is better than great riches of the ungodly.  
For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken : and the Lord upholdeth the righteous.  
The Lord knoweth the days of the godly : and their inheritance shall endure for ever.  
They shall not be confounded in the perilous time :  
and in the days of dearth they shall have enough.  
As for the ungodly, they shall perish;  
and the enemies of the Lord shall consume as the fat of lambs :  
yea, even as the smoke shall they consume away.  
The ungodly borroweth, and payeth not again : but the righteous is merciful and liberal.  
Such as are blessed of God shall possess the land :  
and they that are cursed of him shall be rooted out.  
The Lord ordereth a good man's going : and maketh his way acceptable to himself.  
Though he fall, he shall not be cast away : for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.  
I have been young, and now am old :  
and yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging their bread.  
The righteous is ever merciful, and lendeth : and his seed is blessed.  
Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good : and dwell for evermore.  
For the Lord loveth the thing that is right :  
he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.  
The unrighteous shall be punished : as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.  
The righteous shall inherit the land : and dwell therein for ever.  
The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom :  
and his tongue will be talking of judgement.  
The law of his God is in his heart : and his goings shall not slide.  
The ungodly seeth the righteous : and seeketh occasion to slay him.  
The Lord will not leave him in his hand : nor condemn him when he is judged.  
Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee,  
that thou shalt possess the land : when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.  
I myself have seen the ungodly in great power: and flourishing like a green bay-tree.  
I went by, and lo, he was gone : I sought him, but his place could no where be found.  
Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right :  
for that shall bring a man peace at the last.  
As for the transgressors, they shall perish together :  
and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.  
But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord :  
who is also their strength in the time of trouble.  
And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them : he shall deliver them from the ungodly,  
and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.  
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.

**FIRST LESSON**

Ecclesiastes 7:1-14

*The People stand for the Magnificat.***MAGNIFICAT IN D**Charles Wood  
(1866-1926)

**M**Y 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 Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*The People sit.***SECOND LESSON**

John 3:22-36

*The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.***NUNC DIMITTIS IN D**

Charles Wood

**L**ORD, 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 Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.

THE PRAYERS

Martin How

*Sung by the Choir*

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

*The People kneel.*

Let us pray.

R. Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the State.

R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save thy people.

R. And bless thine inheritance.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

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

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**A**Lmighty and everlasting God, who didst call thy servant Willibrord to proclaim thy Gospel to the people of the Low Countries: Raise up in this and every land evangelists and heralds of thy kingdom, that thy Church may proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE

**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.*

THE THIRD COLLECT, FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

**L**IGHTEN 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.*

*The People sit.*

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

*Sung by the Choir*

*Maurice Duruflé  
(1902-1986)*

**R**EQUIEM aeternam dona eis, Domine:  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord:  
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

*Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion,  
et tibi reddetur votum  
in Jerusalem.  
Exaudi orationem meam;  
ad te omnis caro veniet.*

*Thou, O God, art praised in Sion,  
and unto thee shall the vow be performed  
in Jerusalem:  
Thou that hearest the prayer,  
unto thee shall all flesh come.*

*Kyrie eleison.  
Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*2 Esdras 2:34-35*



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*Maurice Duruflé*  
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