

Venite, exultemus Domino

- 1 O come, let us sing | unto · the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of | our salvation.
 - 2 Let us come before his presence with | **thanksgiving**;
and show ourselves | glad in him with psalms.
 - 3 For the Lord is a | **great** God;
and a great | King above all gods.
 - 4 In his hand are all the corners | of the earth;
and the strength of the hills is | **his also**.
 - 5 The sea is | his, and · he made it;
and his hands prepared · the **dry** land.
 - 6 O come, let us worship and | **fall** down,
and kneel before the | Lord our **Maker**.
 - 7 For he is the | Lord our God;
and we are the people of his pasture, and the | sheep of **his** hand.
 - 8 O worship the Lord in the | beauty · of holiness;
let the whole earth | stand in awe of him.
 - 9 For he cometh, for he cometh to | judge the earth;
and with righteousness to judge the world, and the | peoples with his truth.
- 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 First Lesson: Acts 7:55-60

But filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

The psalm is recited responsively, the people speaking after the asterisk.

- 1 In thee, O LORD, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion; *
deliver me in thy righteousness.
- 2 Bow down thine ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.
- 3 And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence, *
that thou mayest save me.
- 4 For thou art my strong rock, and my castle: *
be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.
- 5 Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for me; *
for thou art my strength.
- 15 For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude, and fear is on every side; *
while they conspire together against me,
and take their counsel to take away my life.
- 16 But my hope hath been in thee, O LORD; *
I have said, Thou art my God.
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 Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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People Thanks be to God.

Anthem

God Is Our Refuge and Strength
Senior Youth & Adult Choirs

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Psalm 46:1

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

The Third Lesson: John 14:1-14

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Te Deum laudamus

- 1 We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to | be the Lord.
 All the earth doth worship thee, the Father | ever**l**asting.
- 2 To thee all Angels cry aloud; the Heavens, and all the | Powers therein;
 To thee Cherubim and Seraphim con|tinually do cry,
- 3 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of | Sabaoth;
 Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty | of thy **g**lory.
- 4 The glorious company of the Apostles | **p**raise thee.
 The goodly fellowship of the | Prophets **p**raise thee.
- 5 The noble army of Martyrs | **p**raise thee.
 The holy Church throughout all the world | doth acknowledge thee;

- 6 The Father, of an infinite Majesty; thine adorable, true, and | only Son;
Also the Holy | Ghost, the Comforter.
- 7 Thou art the King of | Glory · O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting | Son of · the **F**ather.
- 8 When thou tookest upon thee to de|liver man,
thou didst humble thyself to be | born of · a **V**irgin.
- 9 When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness · of death,
thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to | all **believers**.
- 10 Thou sittest at the right | hand of God,
in the glory | of the **F**ather.
- 11 We believe that thou shalt come to | be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast
redeemed | with thy precious blood.
- 12 Make them to be numbered | with thy Saints,
in glory | ever**lasting**.
- 13 O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine | heritage:
Govern them, and lift them | up for **ever**.
- 14 Day by day we | magni·fy thee;
And we worship thy Name ever | world **with**out end.
- 15 Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with|**out** sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have | mercy · **upon** us.
- 16 O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us, as our | trust · is in · thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never | be **confounded**.

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People

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.

Versicles

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
People And grant us thy salvation.
Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us.
People And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect for the Day

Officiant

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Prayers

A General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life; and above all, for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Grace

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Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be, keeping them unspotted from the world. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer

O God, who hast so consecrated the state of Matrimony that in it is represented the spiritual marriage and unity between Christ and his Church; look mercifully upon these thy servants, that they may love, honour, and cherish each other, and so live together in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and of peace; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Announcements

Sermon Hymn 457

Thou art the Way, to thee alone

St. James

The Sermon

The Rev. Bruce D. O'Neill

Offertory Anthem

Haec Dies
Adult Choir

Anton Diabelli
Psalm 118:24, 1

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus.

Exaltavit et laetemur in ea. Alleluia.

*Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus,
quoniam in saeculum misericordia ejus.*

This is the day which the Lord has made:

Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
because his mercy endures forever.

Presentation Hymn 205, verse 1

Gelobet sei Gott

Prayer and Benediction

Recessional Hymn 199

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Organ Postlude

Pieces d'orgue, Livre II
Récit, Fugue, Basse de Trompette

Louis Marchand