



Friday 30 April 2021

Morning Song

Choral Worship to Start the Day

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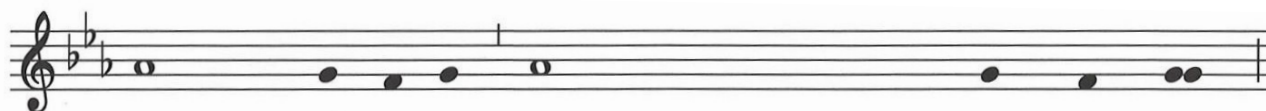
Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus, alleluia.
Itaque epulemur in azymis sinceritatis et veritatis, alleluia.

*Christ our Paschal Lamb has been sacrificed, alleluia.
Therefore, let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity
and truth, alleluia.*

1 Corinthians 5:7-8.

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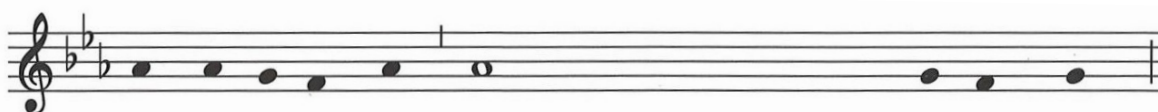
O Lord, o-pen our lips and our mouth shall pro-claim your praise.



Give us the joy of your sa-ving help



and sus-tain us with your life-giv-ing Spi-rit.



Bless-ed is the Lord, for he has heard the voice of our prayer;



therefore shall our hearts dance for joy



and in our song will we praise our God.

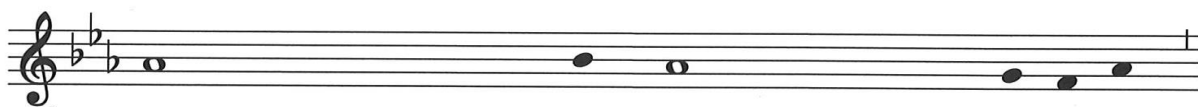
The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

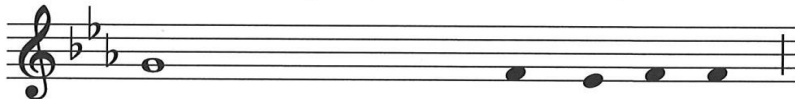
As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All Amen.

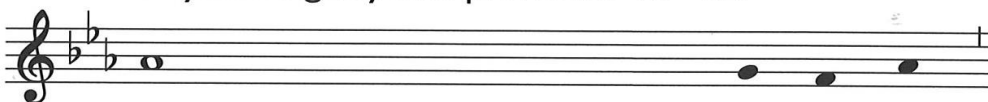
Prayer of Thanksgiving



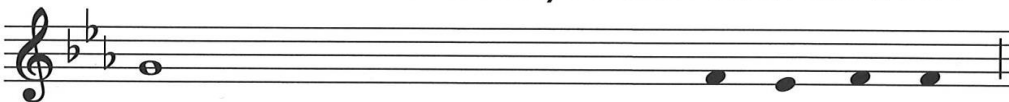
Blessèd are you, Lord our God, creator and redeem-er of all;



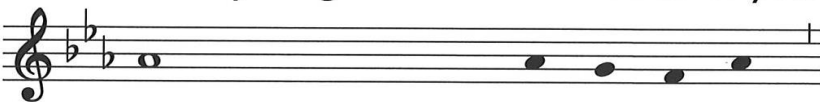
to you be glory and praise for ev - er.



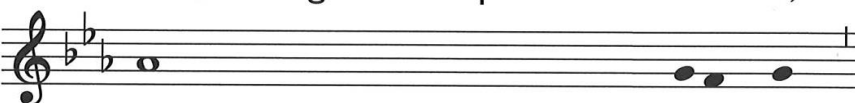
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world



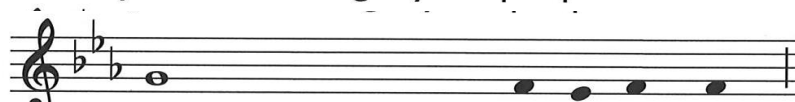
and in your great love fashioned us in your im-age.



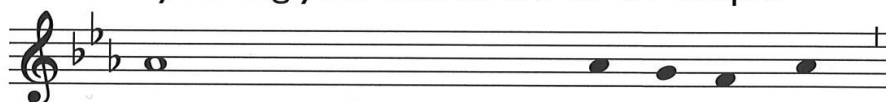
Now, through the deep wa - ters of death,



you have brought your people to new birth



by raising your Son to life in tri-umph.



May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts



as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise.



Psalmody Psalm 33. 1-9

- 1 Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
for it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the Lord with the lyre;
on the ten-stringed harp sing his praise.
- 3 Sing for him a new song;
play skilfully, with shouts of praise.
- 4 For the word of the Lord is true
and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.
- 6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made
and all their host by the breath of his mouth.
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the sea as in a waterskin
and lays up the deep in his treasury.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the Lord;
stand in awe of him, all who dwell in the world.
- 9 For he spoke, and it was done;
he commanded, and it stood fast.

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 12. 1-14

These are the statutes and ordinances that you must diligently observe in the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has given you to occupy all the days that you live on the earth. You must demolish completely all the places where the nations whom you are about to dispossess served their gods, on the mountain heights, on the hills, and under every leafy tree. Break down their altars, smash their pillars, burn their sacred poles with fire, and hew down the idols of their gods, and thus blot out their name from their places. You shall not worship the Lord your God in such ways. But you shall seek the place that the Lord your God will choose out of all your tribes as his habitation to put his name there. You shall go there, bringing there your burnt-offerings and your sacrifices, your tithes and your donations, your votive gifts, your freewill-offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and flocks. And you shall eat there in the presence of the Lord your God, you and your households together, rejoicing in all the undertakings in which the Lord your God has blessed you. You shall not act as we are acting here today, all of us according to our own desires, for you have not yet come into the rest and the possession that the Lord your God is giving you. When you cross over the Jordan and live in the land that the Lord your God is allotting to you, and when he gives you rest from your enemies all around so that you live in safety, then you shall bring everything that I command you to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name: your burnt-offerings and your sacrifices, your tithes and your donations, and all your choice votive gifts that you vow to the Lord. And you shall rejoice before the Lord your God, you together with your sons and your daughters, your male and female slaves, and the Levites who reside in your towns (since they have no allotment or inheritance with you). Take care that you do not offer your burnt-offerings at any place you happen to see. But only at the place that the Lord will choose in one of your tribes—there you shall offer your burnt-offerings and there you shall do everything I command you.

Canticle A Song of the Lamb *Battishill*

- 1 Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
 whose judgements are true and just.
- 2 Praise our God, all you his servants,
 all who fear him, both small and great.
- 3 The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns:
 let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.
- 4 For the marriage of the Lamb has come
 and his bride has made herself ready.
- 5 Blessed are those who are invited
 to the wedding banquet of the Lamb.

Revelation 19.1b,2a,5b,6b,7,9b

To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might,
for ever and ever. Amen.

New Testament Reading Ephesians 6. 1-9

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honour your father and mother'—this is the first commandment with a promise: 'so that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.' And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Slaves, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, in singleness of heart, as you obey Christ; not only while being watched, and in order to please them, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart. Render service with enthusiasm, as to the Lord and not to men and women, knowing that whatever good we do, we will receive the same again from the Lord, whether we are slaves or free. And, masters, do the same to them. Stop threatening them, for you know that both of you have the same Master in heaven, and with him there is no partiality.

Gospel Canticle Benedictus *Anglican Chant*

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
 who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,
 born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old
 to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors,
 and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
 to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear,
 holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
 for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation
 by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God
 the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
 and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68–79

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

Prayers

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer *Harper*

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

Collect for the Day

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ in the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing

Anthem A Hymne to Christ *Imogen Holst*

In what torne ship soever I embarke,
That ship shall be my emblem of thy Arke;
What sea soever swallow me, that flood
Shall be to me an emblem of thy blood;
Though thou with clouds of anger do disguise
Thy face; yet through that Maske I know those eyes,
Which, though they turn away sometimes,
They never will despise.
I sacrifice this iland unto thee,
And all whom I loved there and who loved me;
When I have put our seas 'twixt them and mee,
Put thou thy sea betwixt my sinnes and thee.
As the tree's sap doth seeke the root below
In winter, in my winter now I goe,
Where none but thee, th'Eternall root
Of true Love, I may know.

John Donne (1572–1631)

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