

Nashville Chapter
of
The American Guild of Organists



FESTIVAL EVENSONG AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Westminster Presbyterian Church
3900 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37205

8 May 2023
7:30 p.m.

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Cortège and Litanie, Op. 19, No. 2

Marcel Dupré

SERVICE OF LIGHT

*OPENING SENTENCES

Response:



Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. **Response**

We are illumined by the brightness of his rising. **Response**

Death has no more dominion over us. **Response**

HYMN TO CHRIST THE LIGHT (*Phos Hilaron*)

Egil Hovland

Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
Stay with us, it soon is evening.
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
It soon is evening and night is falling.
Jesus Christ, the world's true light!
Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it!
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, for night is falling.
Let your light pierce the darkness
and fill your church with its glory.

(Luke 24:29, translated Gracia Grindal)

*THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

Cantor: All:
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Cantor:
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All:
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord, Redeemer God.
You destroyed the bonds of death
and from the darkness of the tomb
drew forth the light of the world.
You led us through the waters of death,
and made us children of light
singing Alleluias and dancing to the music of new life.
Pour out your Spirit upon us that
dreams and visions bring us ever closer
to the kingdom of Jesus Christ our risen Saviour.
Through Him and in the Holy Spirit
all glory be to you, almighty God,
this night and forever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN 689**

When the Morning Stars Together

WEISSE FLAGGEN

EVENING PRAYER

EVENING PSALM, Psalm 141:2

Peter Hallock

Let my prayer come up as the incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands
be as an evening sacrifice.

PSALM PRAYER

Gracious God,
in the night of distress
we forget the days of sun and joy.
When we do not know your presence,
preserve us from the deep torrent of despair.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PSALM 81

Sing We Merrily Unto God our Strength

Sydney Campbell

Sing we merrily unto God our strength;
make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.
Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret,
the merry harp with the lute.
Blow up the trumpet, in the new moon,
Even in the time appointed,
and upon our solemn feast day.
For this was made a statute for Israel
and a law of the God of Jacob. Alleluya.

PSALM PRAYER

O God, guardian and guide of all your people,
protect and lead us through times of trouble,
establishing our faith on the rock of Jesus Christ,
who is the way, the truth, and the life. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

Song of Mary (*Prescott Canticles*)

Carson Cooman

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, holy, holy is His Name.
And His mercy is on them that fear Him throughout all generations.
He hath shown 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 fill'd the hungry with good things;
and the rich He hath sent empty away.
He rememb'ring His mercy hath holpen His servant Israel, as
He promised to our forefathers, Abraham and His seed forever, forever.
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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11:5-10

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

Song of Simeon (*Prescott Canticles*)

Carson Cooman

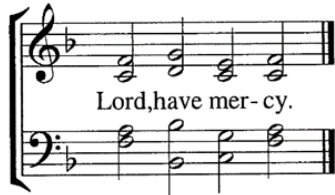
Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word,
for mine eyes have seen, have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF DEAN

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2023-2024

THE GREAT LITANY

Following each petition, the leader will sing, "Let us pray to the Lord" and the congregation is asked to sing:



Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the unity of the church of God, and for the well-being of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this gathering of the faithful, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the baptized, for all who serve in the church, for pastors and lay ministers, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our president, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the city of Nashville, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirmed, for the widowed and orphaned, and for the sick and suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and oppressed, for those unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance in times of affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

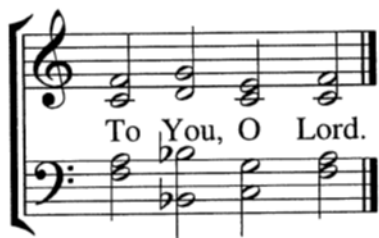
For all who have died in the hope of resurrection and are at rest, let us give thanks to the Lord.

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

(A time for silent prayer.)

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our Lord.

To you, O Lord.



Almighty God, Redeemer of all who trust in you, heed the cry of your people; Deliver us from the bondage of sin, that we may serve you in perfect freedom and rejoice in your unfailing love; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

John Weaver

(Please see the inside back cover of your hymnal)

ANTHEM

Ukrainian Alleluia

Craig Courtney

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

Women: 1. O God of love, O King of peace, Make
 Men: 2. Re - mem - ber, Lord, thy works of old, The
 All: 3. Whom shall we trust but thee, O Lord? Where

wars through-out the world to cease; The
 won - ders that thy peo - ple told; Re -
 rest but on thy faith - ful word? None

wrath of na - tions now re - strain. Give
 mem - ber not our sin's dark stain. Give
 ev - er called on thee in vain. Give

peace, O God, give peace a - gain.
 peace, O God, give peace a - gain!
 peace, O God, give peace a - gain!

*DISMISSAL

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. **Amen.**
 Bless the Lord. **The Lord's name be praised.**

*THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
 Congregation: **And also with you.**

(Signs of peace may be shared by all.)

POSTLUDE

Litanies

Jehan Alain

**(Those who are able may stand.)*

SERVICE NOTES

HOMILIST: Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake, Pastor and Head of Staff, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

MUSICIANS: Westminster Choir; Julius Tabery and Keith Cole, Cantors; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Dale Nickell, Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries.

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