

Saint Thomas's Church

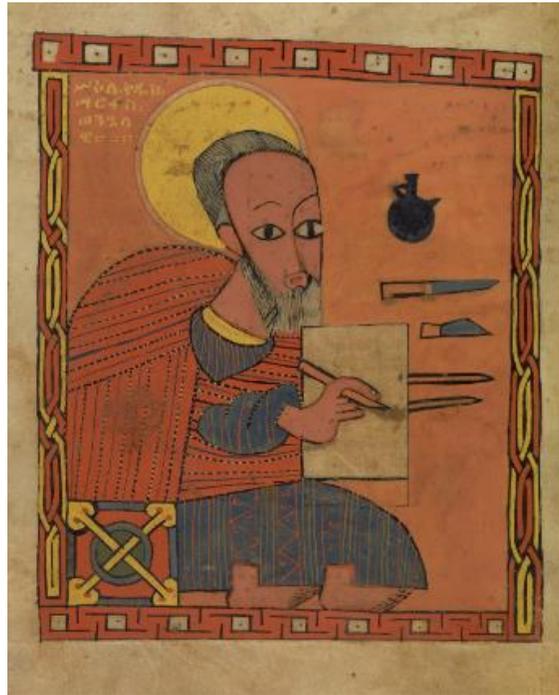
The Second Evensong of Saint Mark
Sunday, April 25, 2021

on Zoom

Recital at 4:00 pm

Evensong at 4:15 pm

Coffee Hour from 4:45 to 5:30



*Saint Mark by an unknown Ethiopian artist between 1480 and 1520;
The J. Paul Getty Museum*

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EVENSONG RECITAL:

Arvo Pärt: Organ Works | Matthew Whitfield, Organist
Spiegel im Spiegel
Annum per Annum

HYMN 193 – The saint who first found grace to pen

- 1 The saint who first found grace to pen
The life which was the Life of men,
And shed abroad the Gospel's ray,
His fame we celebrate to-day.
- 2 Lo, drawn by Pentecostal fire,
His heart conceived its great desire,
When pure of mind, inspired, he heard
And with his hand set forth the Word.
- 3 Then, clearly writ, the Godhead shone
Serene and fair to look upon;
And through that record still comes power
To lighten souls in death's dark hour.
- 4 O holy mind, for wisdom fit
Wherein that Life of lives stood writ,
May we through minds of like accord
Show forth the pattern of our Lord.
- 5 And so may all whose minds are dark,
Be led to truth by good Saint Mark,
And after this our early strife
Stand written in the Book of Life.

V / O Lord, open thou our lips;
R / *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

V / O God, make speed to save us;
R / *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

V / Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
R / *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.*
Amen.

V / Praise ye the Lord;
R / *The Lord's Name be praised.*

PSALM 119 Pt 14, Tone II, 1

105 Thy word is a lantern unto my feet, / and a light unto my path.
106 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed, /
to keep thy righteous judgements.
107 I am troubled above measure: /
quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.
108 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord, /
and teach me thy judgements.
109 My life is alway in my hand; / yet do I not forget thy law.
110 The ungodly have laid a snare for me; /
but yet I swerved not from thy precepts.
111 Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever; /
and why? they are the very joy of my heart.
112 I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes, /
alway, even unto the end.

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.

PSALM 119 Pt 15, *Tone II, 1*

- 113 I hate double-minded men; / but thy law do I love.
114 Thou art my defence and shield: / and my trust is in thy word.
115 Away from me, ye wicked, /
that I may keep the commandments of my God.
116 O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live; /
and let me not be disappointed of my hope.
117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe; /
yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.
118 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes; /
for they imagine but deceit.
119 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross; /
therefore I love thy testimonies.
120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; /
and I am afraid of thy judgements.

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 – Isaiah 62.6-end

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth. The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: “I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink your wine for which you have laboured; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in the courts of my sanctuary.” Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, “Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.” And they shall be called The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD; and you shall be called Sought out, a city not forsaken.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT
Plainsong Chant, Tone II, 2

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, /
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
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.

SECOND LESSON – 2 Timothy 4.1-11

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word, be urgent in season and out of season, convince, rebuke, and exhort, be unfailing in patience and in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths. As for you, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry. For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon. For Demas, in love with this present

world, has deserted me and gone to Thessaloni'ca; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you; for he is very useful in serving me.

Here endeth the Second Lesson

NUNC DIMITTIS

Plainsong Chant, Tone II, 1

Lord, 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.

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.

V / The Lord be with you;

R / *And with thy spirit.*

V / Let us pray.

V / Lord, have mercy upon us.

R / *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

V / Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People: And grant us thy salvation.

Priest: O Lord, save the Queen;

People: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Priest: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

People: And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest: O Lord, save thy people;

People: And bless thine inheritance.

Priest: Give peace in our time, O Lord;

People: And evermore mightily defend us.

Priest: O God, make clean our hearts within us;

People: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark: Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Almighty God, who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may forsake those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

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 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 Saviour. *Amen.*

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten 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 Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

PRAYERS AND GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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; But 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 ourselves 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.

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM AND THE GRACE

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13.14