

Saint Thomas's Church

The Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Evensong & Adoration at 5:00 pm



St. Peter Denying Christ, Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn, 1660
Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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Officiant: Fr. James Shire
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

VOLUNTARY

Fugue in B Minor, BWV 544, J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

PRECES

∇. 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 Ho - ly Ghost.

℞. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

∇. Praise ye — the Lord; — ℞. The Lord's name — be prais - ed.

The People sit when the Officiant sits.

PSALM 55

Exaudi, Deus.

I. 8



- Cantor* 1 HEAR MY prayer, O God :
People and hide not thyself from **my** pe-ti-tion.
2 Take heed unto me, and **hear** me :
how I mourn in my prayer, **and** am vex-ed.
Cantor 3 The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly cometh on **so** fast :
for they are minded to do me some mischief; so maliciously are they
set a-gainst me.
People 4 My heart is disquieted with-**in** me :
and the terrors of death are fall-**en** up-on me.
Cantor 5 Fearfulness and trembling are come up-**on** me :
and an horrible dread hath o-ver-whelm-ed me.
People 6 And I said, 'O that I had wings like a dove! :
for then would I fly a-way, and be at rest.
Cantor 7 Lo, then would I get me away **far** off : and abide **in** the wil-der-ness.
People 8 I would make haste to find me a **shel**-ter :
from the stormy **wind** and temp-est.'
Cantor 9 Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and di-**vide** them :
for I have spi-ed violence and strife **in** the ci-ty.
People 10 Day and night they go about it, upon the walls **there**-of :
iniquity also and mischief are **in** the midst of it.
Cantor 11 Wickedness is **there**-in : oppression and guile go not **out** of her streets.
People 12 For it is not an open enemy, that hath done me this dis-**hon**-our :
for then I **could** have borne it;
Cantor 13 Neither was it mine adversary, that did magnify himself a-**gainst** me :
for then I would have **hid** my-sel-f from him.
People 14 But it was even thou, my com-**pan**-ion :
my guide, and mine **own** fa-mil-iar friend.
Cantor 15 We took sweet counsel to-**geth**-er :
and walk-ed in the **house** of God as friends.
People 16 As for me, I will call up-**on** God : and the **Lord** shall save me.
Cantor 17 In the evening, and morning, and at noon-day will I pray,

and that in-**stant**-ly : and **he** shall heär my[^]voice.

People 18 He hath deliver-ed my soul in peace from the battle
that was a-**gainst** me : for there were ma-**ny** that ströve with[^]me.

Cantor 19 Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear me,
and bring **them** down : for they will not **turn**, nor feär God.

People 20 He laid his hands upon such as were at peace **with** him :
and he **brake** his cö-ve[^]nant.

Cantor 21 His speech was smoother than butter, yet war was in **his** heart :
his words were softer than oil, yet **be** they vë-ry[^]swords.

People 22 O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall up-**hold** thee :
and shall not suffer the righteous to be mov-**ed** for ëv-er.

Cantor 23 But as for them, thou, O God, shalt bring **them** down :
into the pit **of** des-trüc-tion.

People 24 The bloodthirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half **their** days :
but my trust **shall** be in thee.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** the Hö-ly[^]Ghost;
People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be : world
with-**out** end. Ä-men.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 44.1 - 45.8

The First Lesson is written in the book Genesis, in the forty-fourth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Then he commanded the steward of his house, “Fill the men’s sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put each man’s money in the top of his sack. Put my cup, the silver cup, in the top of the sack of the youngest, with his money for the grain.” And he did as Joseph told him. As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away with their donkeys. When they had gone only a short distance from the city, Joseph said to his steward, “Go, follow after the men; and when you overtake them, say to them, ‘Why have you returned evil for good? Why have you stolen my silver cup? Is it not from this that my lord drinks? Does he not indeed use it for divination? You have done wrong in doing this.’”

When he overtook them, he repeated these words to them. They said to him, “Why does my lord speak such words as these? Far be it from your servants that they should do such a thing! Look, the money that we found at the top of our sacks, we brought back to you from the land of Canaan; why then would we steal silver or

gold from your lord's house? Should it be found with any one of your servants, let him die; moreover the rest of us will become my lord's slaves." He said, "Even so; in accordance with your words, let it be: he with whom it is found shall become my slave, but the rest of you shall go free." Then each one quickly lowered his sack to the ground, and each opened his sack. He searched, beginning with the eldest and ending with the youngest; and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack. At this they tore their clothes. Then each one loaded his donkey, and they returned to the city.

Judah and his brothers came to Joseph's house while he was still there; and they fell to the ground before him. Joseph said to them, "What deed is this that you have done? Do you not know that one such as I can practice divination?" And Judah said, "What can we say to my lord? What can we speak? How can we clear ourselves? God has found out the guilt of your servants; here we are then, my lord's slaves, both we and also the one in whose possession the cup has been found." But he said, "Far be it from me that I should do so! Only the one in whose possession the cup was found shall be my slave; but as for you, go up in peace to your father."

Then Judah stepped up to him and said, "O my lord, let your servant please speak a word in my lord's ears, and do not be angry with your servant; for you are like Pharaoh himself. My lord asked his servants, saying, 'Have you a father or a brother?' And we said to my lord, 'We have a father, an old man, and a young brother, the child of his old age. His brother is dead; he alone is left of his mother's children, and his father loves him.' Then you said to your servants, 'Bring him down to me, so that I may set my eyes on him.' We said to my lord, 'The boy cannot leave his father, for if he should leave his father, his father would die.' Then you said to your servants, 'Unless your youngest brother comes down with you, you shall see my face no more.' When we went back to your servant my father we told him the words of my lord. And when our father said, 'Go again, buy us a little food,' we said, 'We cannot go down. Only if our youngest brother goes with us, will we go down; for we cannot see the man's face unless our youngest brother is with us.' Then your servant my father said to us, 'You know that my wife bore me two sons; one left me, and I said, Surely he has been torn to pieces; and I have never seen him since. If you take this one also from me, and harm comes to him, you will bring down my gray hairs in sorrow to Sheol.' Now therefore, when I come to your servant my father and the boy is not with us, then, as his life is bound up in the boy's life, when he sees that the boy is not with us, he will die; and your servants will bring down the gray hairs of your servant our father with sorrow to Sheol. For your servant became surety for the boy to my father, saying, 'If I do not bring him back to you, then I will bear the blame in the sight of my father all my

life.' Now therefore, please let your servant remain as a slave to my lord in place of the boy; and let the boy go back with his brothers. For how can I go back to my father if the boy is not with me? I fear to see the suffering that would come upon my father."

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People remain seated for a period of quiet reflection, standing when the Choir stands.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

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.

The People sit.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 22.54-end

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Luke, in the twenty-second chapter, beginning at the fifty-fourth verse.

Then they seized Jesus and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." ⁵⁸ A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" They kept heaping many other insults on him.

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!"

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

The People remain seated for a period of quiet reflection, standing when the Choir stands.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Fauxbourdons, Thomas Morley

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.

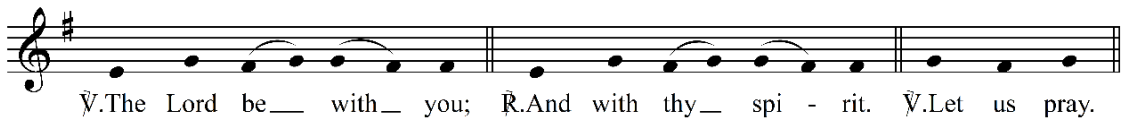
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

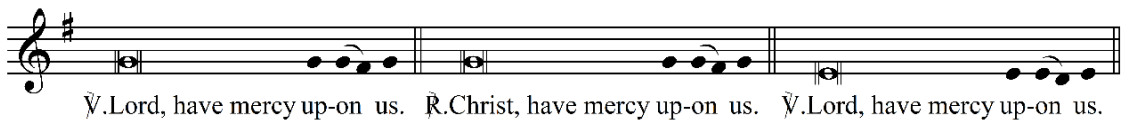
The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

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 SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



The People kneel.



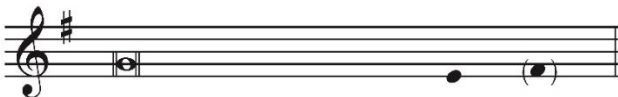
THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

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.

THE RESPONSES



V̄. O Lord, show thy mercy up-on us;

R̄. And grant us thy salva-tion.

V̄. O Lord, save **the** King,

R̄. And mercifully hear us when we call up-on thee.

V̄. Endue thy ministers with righ-**teous**-ness.

R̄. And make thy chosen people joy-**ful**.

V̄. O Lord, save thy peo-**ple**.

R̄. And bless thine inhe-**ri**-tance.

Ÿ. Give peace in our time, **O** Lord;
R̄. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

Ÿ. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;
R̄. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

The People sit.

A LENTEN PROSE

Refrain

Cantor | *All*

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:

for we have sin - ned a - gainst___ thee.

Verse 1

Lower Voices

To thee, re - deem - er,___ on thy throne of glo - ry:

lift we our weep - ing eyes in ho - ly plead - ings:

lis - ten O Je - su, to our sup - pli - ca - tions.

Refrain

All

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:

for we have sin - ned a - gainst___ thee.

Verse 2*Upper Voices*

O thou chief Cor - ner - stone, Right Hand of the
 Fa - ther: Way of Sal - va - tion, Gate of Life Ce - le - stial:
 cleanse thou our sin - ful souls from all de - file - ment.

Refrain*All*

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:
 for we have sin - ned a - gainst___ thee.

Verse 3*Lower Voices*

God, we im - plore thee, in thy glo - ry seat - ed:
 bow down and heark - en to thy weep - ing chil - dren:
 pi - ty and par - don all our grie - vous tres - pass - es.

Refrain*All*

Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:
 for we have sin - ned a - gainst___ thee.

Verse 4

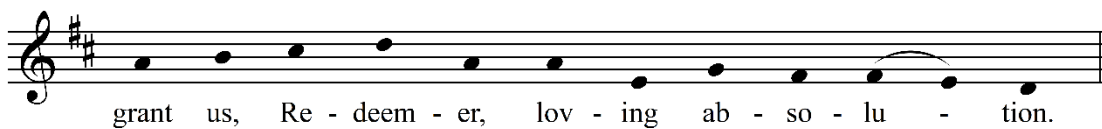
Upper Voices



Sins oft com - mit - ted__ now we lay be - fore thee:



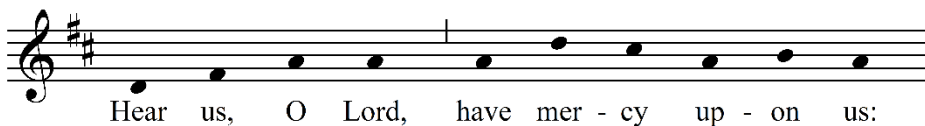
with true con - tri - tion, now no more we veil__ them:



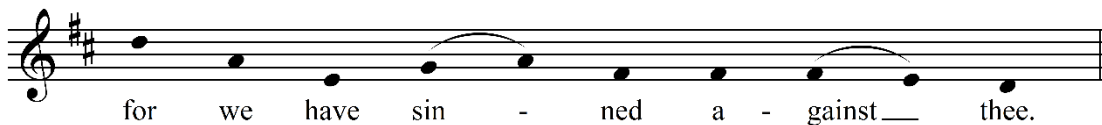
grant us, Re - deem - er, lov - ing ab - so - lu - tion.

Refrain

All



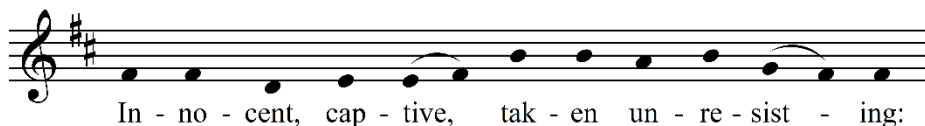
Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:



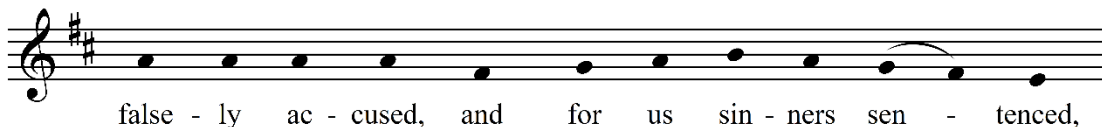
for we have sin - ned a - gainst__ thee.

Verse 5

Lower Voices



In - no - cent, cap - tive, tak - en un - re - sist - ing:



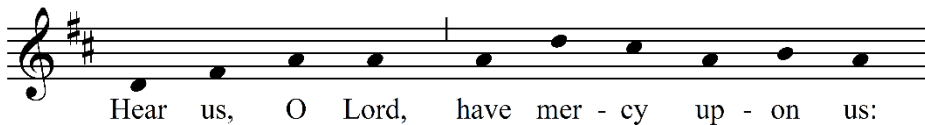
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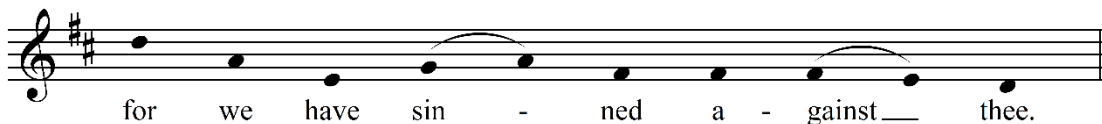
save us, we pray thee, Je - su our Re - deem - er.

Refrain

All



Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:



for we have sin - ned a - gainst__ thee.

The People kneel.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

The Officiant may say selected prayers, following which all say the 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

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

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

The People stand.

HYMN 116

Giver of the perfect gift



- 1 Giver of the perfect gift, / Only Hope of human race,
Hear the prayer our hearts uplift / Trembling at thy throne of grace.
- 2 Though the accusing voice within / Speaks of many a wrong to thee,
Thou canst cleanse from every sin, / Thou canst set the conscience free.
- 3 Who can save us, Lord, but thou? / Let thy mercy show thy power;
Lo, we plead thy promise now, / Now, in this the accepted hour.
- 4 Oh! may these our Lenten days, / Blest by thee, with thee be passed,
That with purer, nobler praise / We may keep thy Feast at last.
- 5 God the Holy Trinity, / Grant the mercy we implore;
God the One, all praise to thee / Through the ages evermore.

SONG 13
Orlando Gibbons, 1623

Tr (1871) from the Latin (c. 11th Cent.) by Rev. J. Ellerton

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

ADORATION

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

VERBUM SUPERNUM

O Sa - ving Vic - tim, op' - ning wide
All praise - and thanks - to thee___ as - cend
the gate of heav'n___ to man be - low,
for ev - er more,___ blest One in Three;
our foes press on life from ev - 'ry side.
O grant us life that shall___ not end
Thine aid___ sup - ply,___ thy strength_ be - stow.
in our___ true na - tive land___ with thee.
A - men._____

MOTET

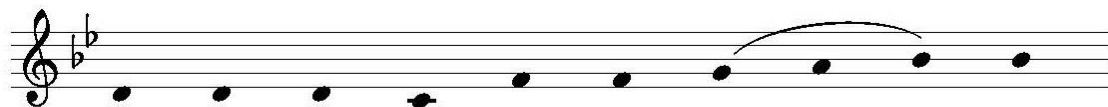
'Miserere mei,' William Byrd (1543-1623)

Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam; Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum dele iniquitatem meam.

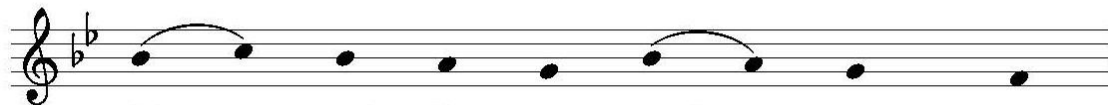
Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness; according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

(Psalm 51.1)

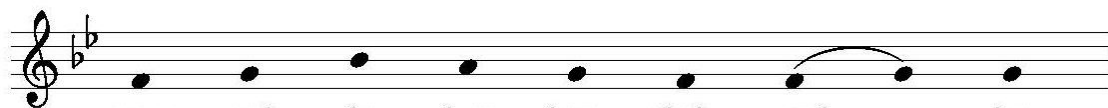
TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM

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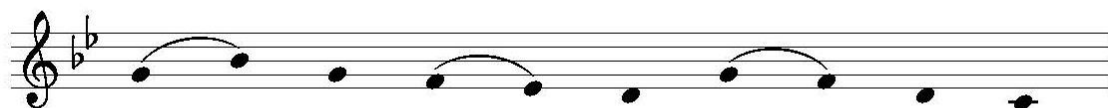
There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing,
Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing



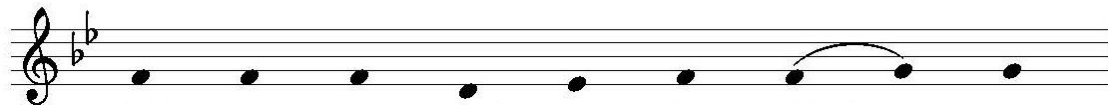
this great Sa - cra - ment re - vere;
to the Fa - ther and the Son,



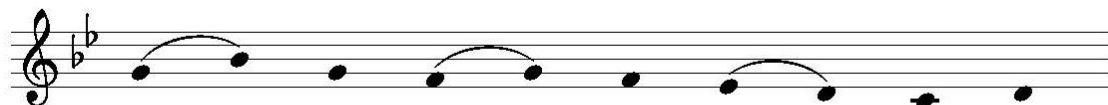
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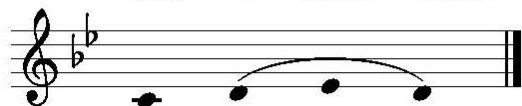
for the new - er nal rite is here;
while e - ter - nal a - ges run;



faith, our out - ward sense be - friend - ing,
ev - er too his love con - fess - ing,



makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.
who from Both with Both is One.



A - men.

The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

Thou gavest them Bread from heaven;
Containing in itself all sweet-ness.

COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

Antiphon:

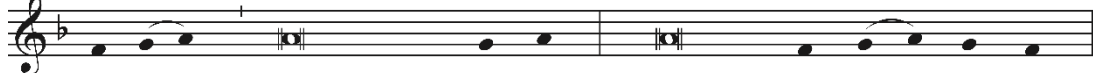
Cantor

People



Let us a - dore Christ our Lord, in the most Ho - ly Sac - ra - ment.

Tone VI



O PRÄISE the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yë peo-ples.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-**wards** us :
and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev**-ër. Praise the [^]Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** thë Ho-ly[^]Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** end. A-men.

All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.

The People remain kneeling as the Sacrament is carried to the Lady Altar and reposed.

The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.



DAILY OFFICE SCHEDULE

*Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer services generally last 15-25 minutes
and are a great way to begin and/or end the day!*

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 AM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:30 AM, SATURDAY

7:30 AM, SUNDAY

EVENING PRAYER

5:00 PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

5:00 PM SUNDAY (CHORAL EVENSONG)

Choral Evensong on Sundays is followed by Eucharistic devotions.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

LOW MASS 8:00 AM

SUNG MASS 9:30 AM

HIGH MASS 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY LOW MASS

12:15 PM, MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

5:30 PM TUESDAY, THURSDAY

10:00 AM SATURDAY

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