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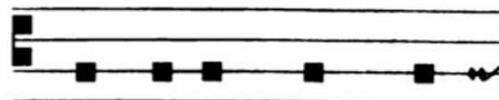


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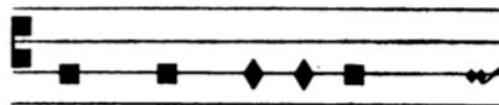


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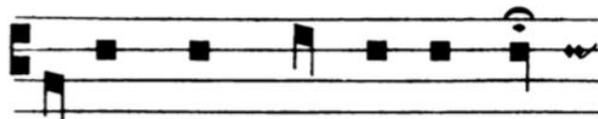


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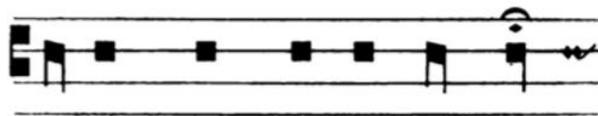
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God make spede to saue me.

Quere.



lorde make hast to helpe me.

Glory

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

21th February 2021

EVENSONG

Please stand when the bells are rung. The ministers enter as a HYMN is sung.

1. King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
and, that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.

2. Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart,
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.

3. Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
Ev'n eternity's too short
to extol thee.

GEORGE HERBERT 1593-1633
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V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall shew 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.

The Officiant welcomes the congregation

Please sit as we sing together the PSALM

PSALM 26

Be thou my judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently :

my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me :

try out my reins and my heart.

For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes :

and I will walk in thy truth.

I have not dwelt with vain persons :

neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.

I have hated the congregation of the wicked :

and will not sit among the ungodly.

I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord :

and so will I go to thine altar.

That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving :

and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house :

and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

O shut not up my soul with the sinners :

nor my life with the blood-thirsty.

In whose hands is wickedness :
 and their right hand is full of gifts.
But as for me, I will walk innocently :
 O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.
My foot standeth right :
 I will praise the Lord in the congregations.
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

Remain seated for the FIRST LESSON from the Old Testament.

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

[2.1-13]

The word of the Lord came to me, saying: Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem, Thus says the Lord:
I remember the devotion of your youth,
 your love as a bride,
how you followed me in the wilderness,
 in a land not sown.
Israel was holy to the Lord,
 the first fruits of his harvest.
All who ate of it were held guilty;
 disaster came upon them,
says the Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:
What wrong did your ancestors find in me
 that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?
They did not say, 'Where is the Lord
 who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
 in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
 in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?'

I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.
But when you entered you defiled my land,
and made my heritage an abomination.
The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?'
Those who handle the law did not know me;
the rulers transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal,
and went after things that do not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you,
says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children.
Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,
send to Kedar and examine with care;
see if there has ever been such a thing.
Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?
But my people have changed their glory
for something that does not profit.
Be appalled, O heavens, at this,
be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord,
for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

Here endeth the first lesson.

Please stand to sing the MAGNIFICAT, the Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SET B

W. KNYVETT. (from Handel)



MY ✠ soul doth | magnify the | Lord :
 and my spirit hath re | joiced in | God my | Saviour.
 For he | hath re | garded :
 The | lowliness | of his | hand-maiden.
 For be | hold, from | henceforth :
 all gene | rations 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 :
 Through | out all | gene | rations.
 He hath shewed | strength • with his | arm :
 he hath scattered the proud in the imagi | nation | of their | hearts.
 He hath put down the mighty | from their | seat :
 and hath ex | alted the | humble and | meek.
 He hath filled the hungry with | good | things :
 and the rich he | hath sent | empty a | way.
 He re | membering 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. A | - - | men.

Please sit for the SECOND LESSON from the New Testament

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, 'Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.'

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, 'Why was the ointment wasted in this way?

For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.' And they scolded her. But Jesus said, 'Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.'

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.' So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.' They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, 'Surely, not I?'

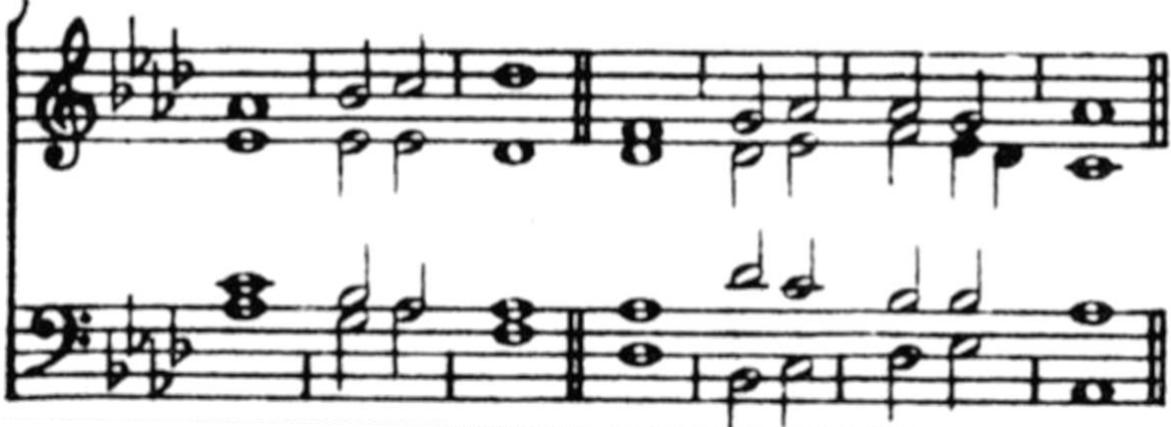
He said to them, 'It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.'

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, 'Take; this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.'

Here endeth the second lesson.

Please stand to sing the NUNC DIMITTIS, the Song of Simeon

SET C G. A. MACFARREN.



The image shows a musical score for a setting of the Nunc Dimittis. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and moving lines. The score is enclosed in a rectangular box.

LORD now lettest thou thy servant de | part in | peace :
ac | cording | to thy | word.
For mine eyes have | seen thy sal | vation :
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. A | - - | men.

The APOSTLES' CREED is said.

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 catholick Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, ☩ and the life everlasting. Amen.

The VERSICLES AND RESPONSES are sung

V. The Lord be with you.
R. **And with thy spirit.**

All kneel or sit

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 is sung

OUR FATHER, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; in 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.**

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

R. **And grant us thy salvation.**

V. O Lord, save the Queen.

R. **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V. O Lord, save thy people.

R. **And bless thine inheritance.**

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

R. **Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.**

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

R. **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

The Officiant sings the COLLECTS.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

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.**

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 both 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.**

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.**

Please sit for the MUSICAL REFLECTION

Please kneel for the PRAYERS

Please stand to sing the hymn

**1. Love will be our Lenten calling,
love to shake and shatter sin,
waking every closed, cold spirit,
stirring new life deep within,
till the quickened heart remembers
what our Easter birth can mean.**

**2. Peace will be our Lenten living
as we turn for home again,
longing for the words of pardon,
stripping off old grief and pain,
till we stand, restored and joyful,
with the Church on Easter day.**

**3. Truth will be our Lenten learning:
hear the Crucified One call!
Shadowed by the Saviour's passion,
images and idols fall,
and, in Easter's holy splendour,
God alone is all in all.**

Remain standing for the BLESSING.

Please join us for WINE & CHEESE following the Service

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