



GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

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FESTAL CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN VOICES OF GRACE "VIRTUAL" WORSHIP AUGUST 15, 2020

VOLUNTARY

Magnificat noni toni, BuxWV 205

Dieterich Buxtehude (c 1637-1707)

INTROIT

AVE MARIA, gratia plena, Dominus tecum;
benedicta tu in mulieribus,
et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.
Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Erin Preston, Soprano

*Words: The Angelus Prayer, based on Luke 1:28
Music: Jehan Alain (1911-1940)*

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

THE PRECES

Officiant
O God, make speed to save us.

People
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Al - le - lu - ia.

THE OFFICE HYMN 232

1. By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
 2. We sing with joy of Ma - ry whose heart with awe was stirred
 3. Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor - ship God the Son

your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus for ev - er more be blessed,
 when, youth - ful and un - rea - dy, she heard the an - gel's word;
 and sing to God the Spi - rit, e - ter - nal Three in One,

You rose, our King vic - to - rious, that they might wear the crown
 yet she her voice up - rai - ses, God's glo - ry to pro - claim,
 till all the ran - somed num - ber who stand be - fore the throne

and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect - ed from your throne.
 as once for our sal - va - tion your mo - ther she be - came.
 a - scribe all pow'r and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

Words: Horatio Bolton Nelson (1823-1913); ver. Hymnal 1982
 Music: Nyland, Finnish folk melody; adapt. David Evans (1874-1948)

PSALM 138

Sung by the Choir

Chant by Theodore Aylward Sr. (1730-1801)

I WILL GIVE THANKS TO YOU, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
 before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
 because of your love and faithfulness;

For you have glorified your Name *
 and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; *
 you increased my strength within me.

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
 when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
 that great is the glory of the LORD.

Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
 he perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *

O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.



THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Zechariah 2:10-13

SING and rejoice, O daughter Zion! For lo, I will come and dwell in your midst, says the LORD. Many nations shall join themselves to the LORD on that day, and shall be my people; and I will dwell in your midst. And you shall know that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you. The LORD will inherit Judah as his portion in the holy land, and will again choose Jerusalem. Be silent, all people, before the LORD; for he has roused himself from his holy dwelling.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

MAGNIFICAT

The Magnificat is Mary's song of praise sung during the visitation to her cousin Elizabeth. As the Magnificat is sung, the High Altar is censed, representing the prayers of the people ascending up into heaven.

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 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 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.

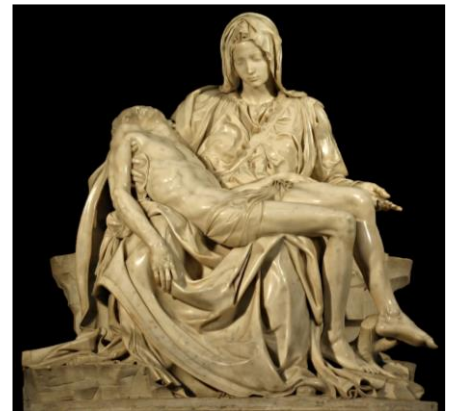
Words: Luke 1:46-55

Music: Evening Service in B-flat, Op. 10; Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

THE SECOND READING

John 19:23-27

WHEN the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another, 'Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it.' This was to fulfil what the scripture says, 'They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.' And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.



Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Nunc Dimittis is sung by the prophet Simeon upon seeing the child Jesus presented in the temple.

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.

Words: Luke 2:29-32

Music: Evening Service in B-flat, C. V. Stanford

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(Sung on a single note by all)*

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.



THE PRAYERS

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>	<i>Officiant</i>
The Lord be with you.	And also with you.	Let us pray.

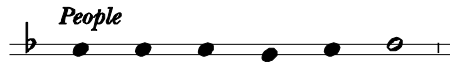
THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung on a single note by all)*

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 those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

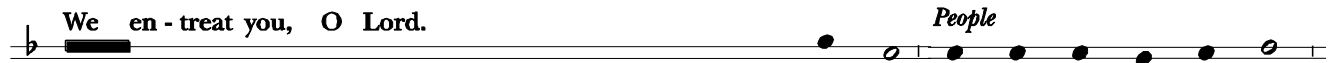
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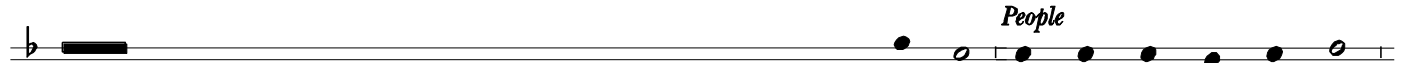
That this evening may be holy, good, and peace-ful,



We en - treat you, O Lord.



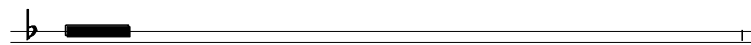
That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and good-will, We en - treat you, O Lord.



That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and of - fen - ses, We en - treat you, O Lord.



That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world, We en - treat you, O Lord.



That we may depart this life in your faith and fear,



and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ, We en - treat you, O Lord.



That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in the communion of



St. Mary the Virgin and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,



We en - treat you, O Lord.

THE COLLECTS

O GOD, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

L ORD Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

K EEP watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

ANTHEM

ASSUMPTA EST MARIA IN COELUM:
gaudent angeli, collaudantes
benedicunt Dominum, Alleluia.

*Mary is taken up into heaven,
the Angels rejoice, praising,
they bless God. Alleluia.*

*Words: Offertory for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Music: William Byrd (c 1539-1623)*

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL AND GRACE

Cantor or Officiant
Let us bless the Lord.

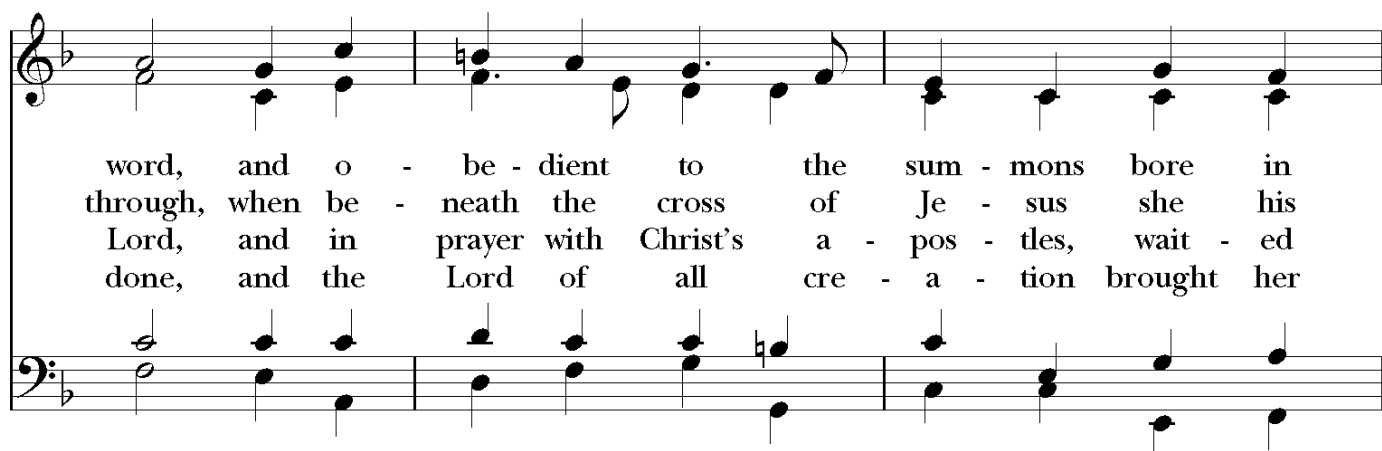
People
Thanks be to God.

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

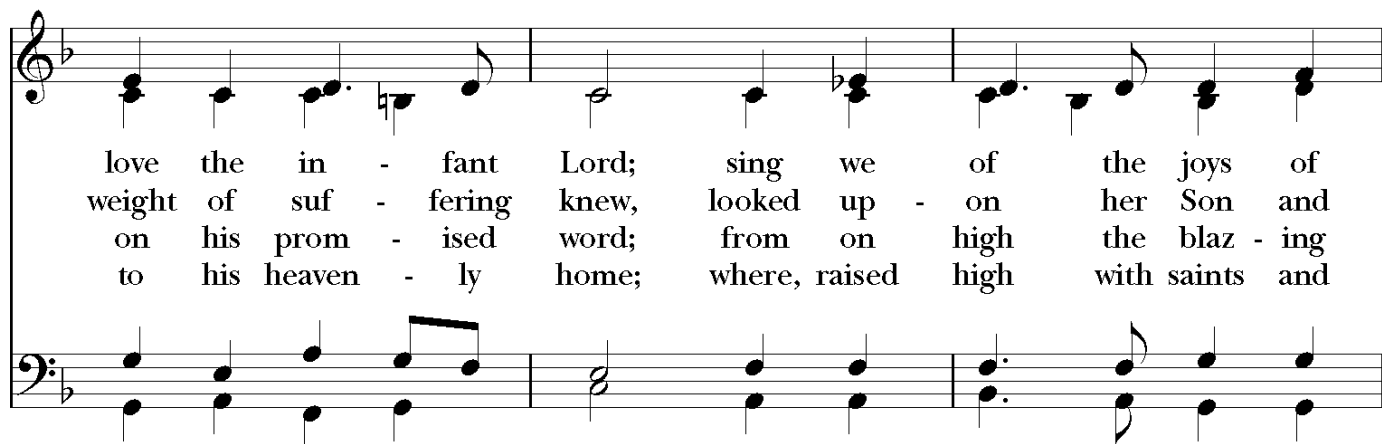


HYMN 278

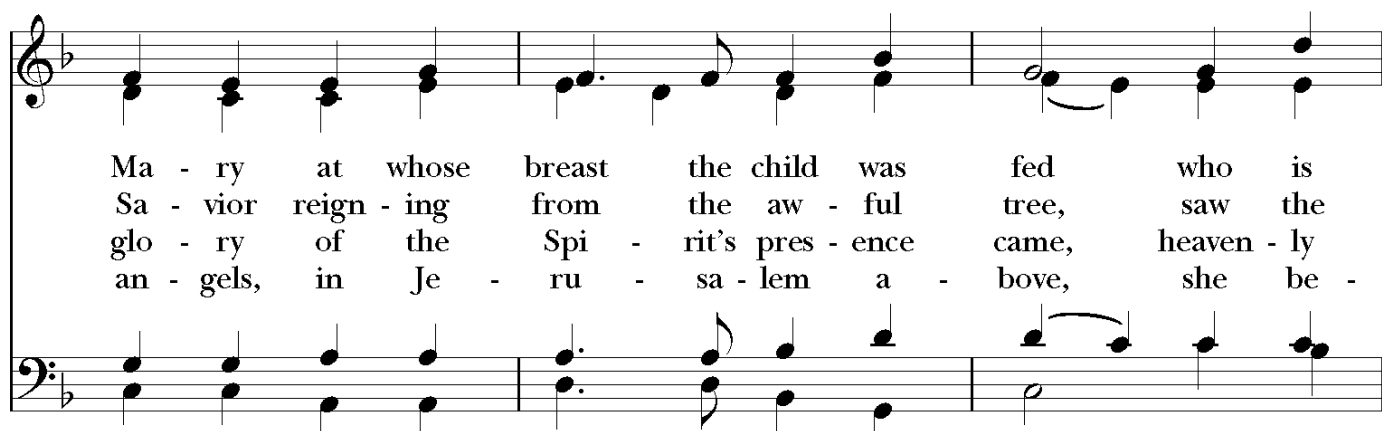
1 Sing we of the bless - ed Mo - ther who re - ceived the an - gel's
2 Sing we, too, of Ma - ry's sor - rows, of the sword that pierced her
3 Sing a - gain the joys of Ma - ry when she saw the ris - en
4 Sing the chief - est joy of Ma - ry when on earth her work was



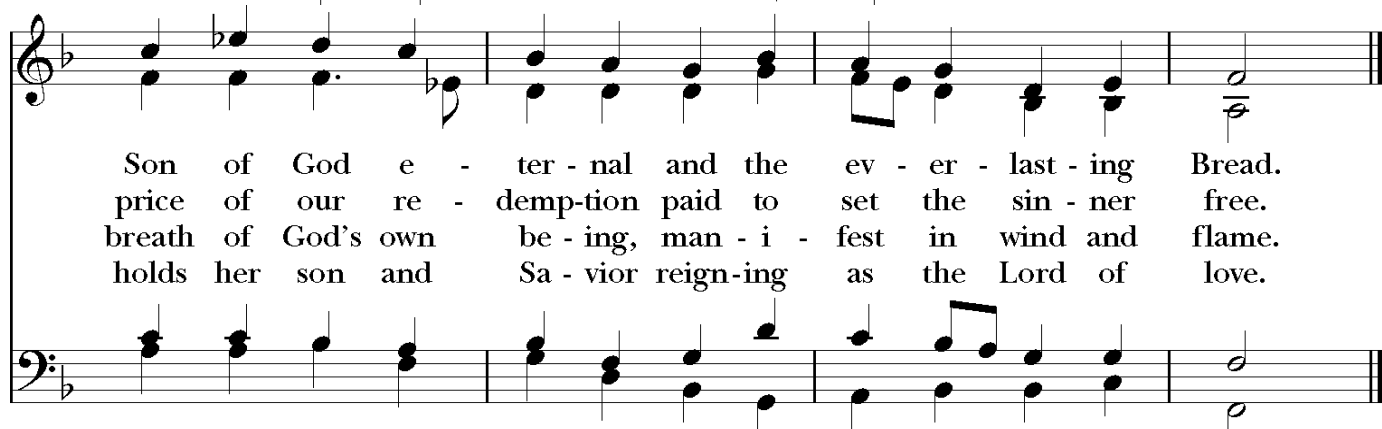
word, and o - be - dient to the sum - mons bore in
 through, when be - neath the cross of Je - sus she his
 Lord, and in the prayer with Christ's a - pos - tles, wait - ed
 done, and the Lord of all cre - a - tion brought her



love the in - fant Lord; sing we of the joys of
 weight of suf - fer - ing knew, looked up - on her Son and
 on his prom - ised word; from on high the blaz - ing
 to his heaven - ly home; where, raised high with saints and



Ma - ry at whose breast the child was fed who is
 Sa - vior reign - ing from the aw - ful tree, saw the
 glo - ry of the Spi - rit's pres - ence came, heaven - ly
 an - gels, in Je - ru - sa - lem a - bove, she be -



Son of God e - ter - nal and the ev - er - last - ing Bread.
 price of our re - demp - tion paid to set the sin - ner free.
 breath of God's own be - ing, man - i - fest in wind and flame.
 holds her son and Sa - vior reign - ing as the Lord of love.

Words: George B. Timms (1910-1997)
 Music: Rustington, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)
 Descant: Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)

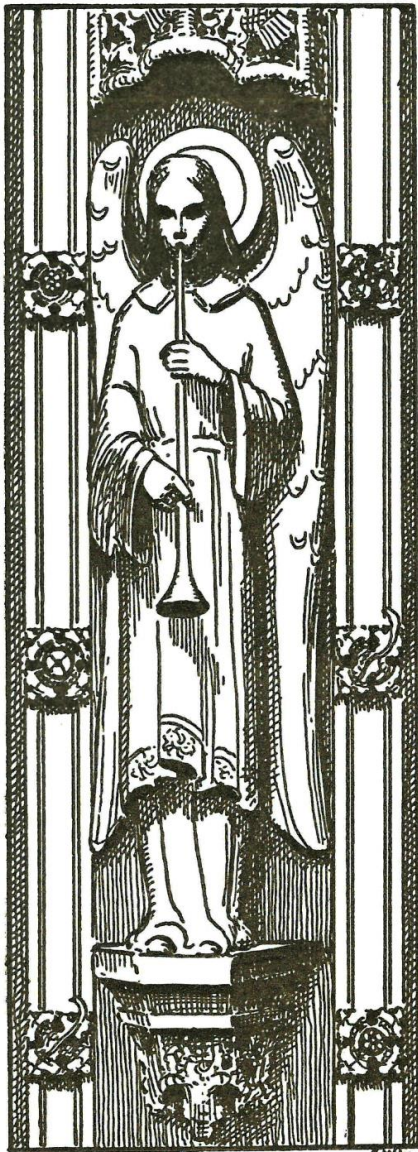
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Improvisation

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Amen
(from The Angelus Prayer, Luke 1:28, 42)*

~ PRAYER LIST ~

We pray for: *the family of Avis Payne, Charlie Rooney, Joseph, David, Champ Cooley, the Scanlan family, Robert Cramer, all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm's way. We also pray for those members of our church who are homebound.*



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