

GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

*The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God,
a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel
through worship, proclamation, and service to each other,
to downtown Providence, and beyond.*



CHORAL COMPLINE

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
8:00 PM

The Choir enters in silence and takes their places in the Baptistry as the Tower Bells ring the hour.

THE INTROIT

THE INVITATORY & PSALM

Officiant The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end.

Choir Amen.

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

Choir The maker of heaven and earth.

Officiant O God make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord make haste to help us.

All Glory 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.

ANTIPHON

Miserere mei, Deus

Have mercy on me, O LORD; and hear my prayer

PSALM 91:1-4, 11-16

Qui habitat

Tone VIII.1

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the LORD, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."
- 3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter *
and from the deadly pestilence.
- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; *
his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

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15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *

I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, *

and show him my salvation.

GLORY TO THE FATHER, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. (*Antiphon*)

THE OFFICE HYMN

TE LUCIS ANTE TERMINUM,
rerum Creator, poscimus,
ut pro tua clementia
sis praesul et custodia.
Procul recedant somnia
et noctium phantasmata;
hostemque nostrum comprime,
ne pollutantur corpora.
Praesta, Paterissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
cum Spiritu Paraclito
regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

To Thee before the close of day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That, with Thy wonted favour, Thou
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.
From all ill dreams defend our sight,
From fears and terrors of the night;
Withhold from us our ghostly foe,
That spot of sin we may not know.
O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

Words: Office Hymn for Compline, St. Ambrose of Milan (c 340-397)

Music: Severus Gastorius (1647-1682)

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 13:20-21

Officiant May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

Choir Thanks be to God.

THE VERSICLES & RESPONSES

Plainsong

℣. IN MANUS TUAS, DOMINE,
commendo spiritum meum.

℣. *Into thy hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit.*

℟. In manus tuas, Domine,
commendo spiritum meum.

℟. *Into thy hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit.*

℣. Redemisti me, Domine,
Deus veritatis.

℣. *For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord,
O God of truth.*

℟. Commendo spiritum meum.

℟. *I commend my spirit.*

℣. Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto.

℣. *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost.*

℟. In manus tuas, Domine,
commendo spiritum meum.

℟. *Into thy hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit.*

℣ Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye.
℞ Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

THE LESSER LITANY & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant Lord have mercy.
Choir Christ have mercy.
All Lord have mercy.

Officiant and People

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.**

THE COLLECTS

THE MOTET

THE EVENING ANTIPHON & NUNC DIMITTIS

Plainsong

SALVANOS DOMINE vigilantes, custodi nos
dormientes, ut vigilemus cum Christo,
et requiescamus in pace.

*Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping;
that awake we may watch with Christ,
and asleep we may rest in peace.*

NUNC DIMITTIS servum tuum, Domine,
secundum verbum tuum in pace:
Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum
Quod parasti ante faciem
omnium populorum:
Lumen ad revelationem gentium,
et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.

*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.*

GLORIA PATRI, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

*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.*

Salvanos Domine vigilantes...

Guide us waking...



THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

Officiant The almighty and merciful Lord, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless us and keep us.

People **Amen.**

THE SEASONAL MARIAN ANTIPHON


The Choir departs in silence.



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