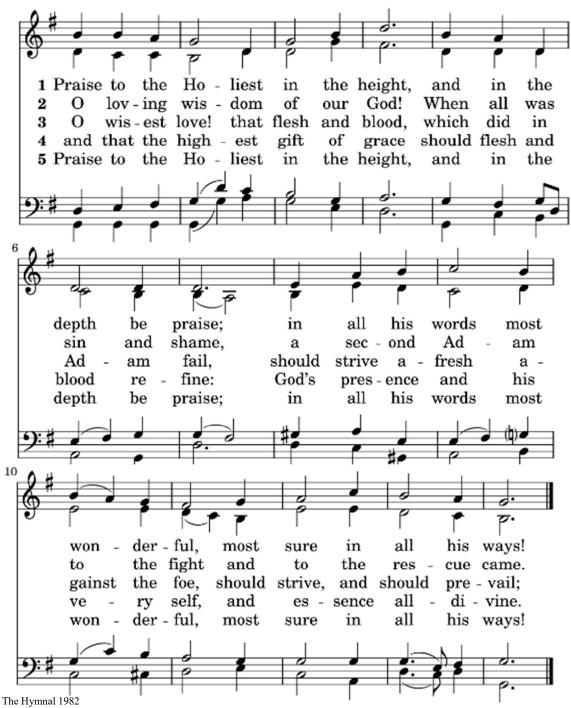


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THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST CHURCH FRIDAY MARCH $1^{\mathrm{ST}},\,2024$ 5PM

Processional Hymn



Words: John Henry Newman (1801-1890), alt. Music: Gerontius, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) Celebrant: Blessed be the God of our salvation.

People: Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.



Settings from Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Celebrant: God be with you People: And also, with you Celebrant: Let us Pray

Grant, O Lord, that as your Son Jesus Christ prayed for his enemies on the cross, so we may have grace to forgive those who wrongfully or scornfully use us, that we ourselves may be able to receive your forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

1st Reading

Lector: A reading from the book of Genesis

(Chapter 37:3–4,12–28)

Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan." So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" -- that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.



Then he called for a famine in the land * and de stroyed the sup ply of bread.

He sent a man be fore them, *

- Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

They bruised his feet in fetters; *
his neck they put in an iron collar.

Until his prediction came to pass, *
the word of the LÖRD tested him.

The king sent and released him; *
the ruler of the peoples set him free.

He set him as a master over his household, *
as a ruler over all his pos sessions,

To instruct his princes ac'cording to his will * and to teach his elders wisdom.





Words: Sturart K Hine (b. 1899)

Music: Swedish Folk Melody; arr. Stuart K Hine

The Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (21:33–43)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

"Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of The People

Intercessor: We pray for the church, for all Christians everywhere, for Justin Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop and for all lay and ordained minsters. Gracious God may your Spirit give strength to all your people as they work and witness in your world. Unite us in your truth and love and help us to show your love to others. God of love.

People: Grant our prayer.

Intercessor: God our creator, help everyone to share all the good gifts that you have given to us. May those who lead the nations of the world be given wisdom. God of love.

People: Grant our prayer.

Intercessor: God our friend, we pray for our families and friends. May we be able to help each other just as you love and help us. God of love.

People: Grant our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for those in need, for sick people, for those in hospital, and for those with any other problems. Compassionate God, give your strength and healing to all those who are sad, lonely, or sick. And bless all those who try and help them. God of love.

People: Grant our prayer.

Intercessor: We remember all those who have died, God of hope, we thank you that not even death can separate us from your love. We pray for all who mourn, that they may feel your care for them. God of love.

People: Grant our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for ourselves - all that we do this weekend, and all those we will meet. Be with us in all that we will do as we learn and grow together. God of love.

People: Grant our prayer.

Celebrant: Those things, O God, that your servants have prayed for, give us grace to work for; and in the purpose of your love answer our prayers and fulfil our hopes for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

Minister and People: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world, you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And, with you.

Offertory Anthem:

Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, Jericho, Jericho, Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, And the walls came tumbling down!

You may talk about your men of Gideon, You may talk about your men of Saul, But there's none like good old Joshua And the battle of Jericho!

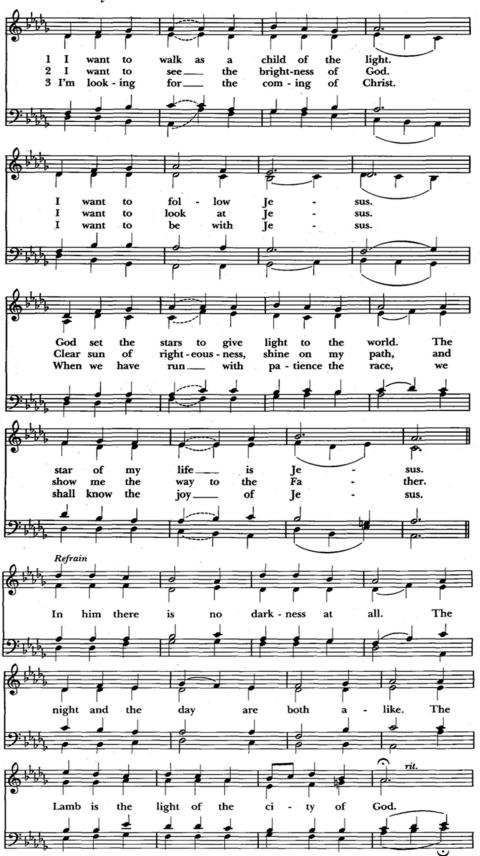
Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, Jericho, Jericho, Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, And the walls came tumbling down! Right up to the walls of Jericho They marched with spear in hand; "Go blow them ram horns," Joshua cried, "Cause the battle is in my hand." The Battle of Jericho (Arr. Moses Hogan)

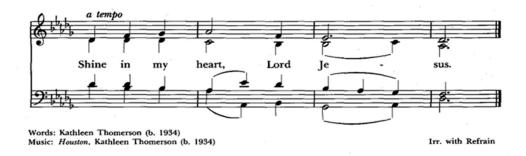
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Then the lamb, ram,
And the trumpets began to sound,
Joshua told the children to shout that
Morning.
And the walls came tumbling down!

Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, And the walls came tumbling down! And the walls came tumbling down! And the walls came tumbling down!

Presentation Hymn





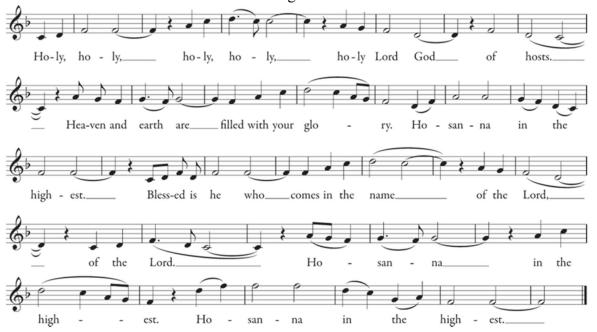
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord**.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Because by the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ you have reconciled all things to yourself, not counting our sins against us and renewing our hearts to forgive as we have been forgiven. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing.



Grayson Warren Brown (1948–2023)

The Celebrant Continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so, we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah, you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Blessed Florence Li Tim-Oi and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and forever. AMEN.

Celebrant: As our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

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.

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, and a brief silence is kept.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please follow the directions of the ushers for communion.

Here I Am, Lord



Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

Deacon: Bow down before the Lord.

Celebrant: Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So... be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us be with you now and forever. **Amen**

Sub Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn





Words: William Williams, 1745; tr. Peter Williams, 1771

Music: John Hughes (1873-1932)

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