



# SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

---

LAFAYETTE SQUARE • WASHINGTON, DC

## CHORAL EVENSONG

Sung by the Royal School of Church Music  
Washington DC Summer Choral Residency Choir  
July 18, 2024



SETTINGS FOR THIS EVENING

*Preres and Responses by Katherine Webb (b. 1990)*

*Canticles—King’s College Service by Joanna Forbes L’Estrange (b. 1971)*

VOLUNTARY

HYMN 35

Christ, mighty Savior, Light of all creation

*Please stand as the procession enters and remain standing to sing the hymn.*



1 Christ, might - y Sa - vior, Light of all cre - a - tion, you make the  
 2 Now comes the day’s end as the sun is set-ting: mir - ror of  
 3 There - fore we come now eve - ning rites to of - fer, joy - ful - ly  
 4 Give heed, we pray you, to our sup - pli - ca - tion: that you may  
 5 Though bo - dies slum - ber, hearts shall keep their vi - gil, for ev - er



1 day - time ra - dant with the sun - light and to the night give  
 2 day - break, pledge of re - sur - rec - tion; while in the hea - vens  
 3 chant - ing ho - ly hymns to praise you, with all cre - a - tion  
 4 grant us par - don for of - fens - es, strength for our weak hearts,  
 5 rest - ing in the peace of Je - sus, in light or dark - ness



1 glit - ter - ing a - dorn - ment, stars \_\_\_\_\_ in the hea - vens.  
 2 choirs of stars ap - pear - ing hal - low the night - fall.  
 3 join - ing hearts and voic - es sing - ing your glo - ry.  
 4 rest for ach - ing bo - dies, sooth - ing the wear - y.  
 5 wor - ship - ing our Sa - vior now \_\_\_\_\_ and for ev - er.

Words: Mozarabic, 10th cent.; tr. Alan G. McDougall (1895-1964); rev. Anne K. LeCroy (b. 1930). Copyright © 1982, Anne LeCroy. Music: *Mighty Savior*, David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1985, G.I.A. Publications, Inc.

WELCOME

The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell

THE OPENING SENTENCES

*Please remain standing.*

Yours is the day, O God, yours also the night; you established the moon and the sun.

You fixed all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter. —*Psalm 74:15, 16*

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night.

I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall. —*Psalm 16:7, 8*

## THE PRECES AND RESPONSES

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips;  
*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;  
*Choir* O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord.  
*Choir* The Lord's Name be praised.

## PHOS HILARON (S-60)

1. O gra - cious Light, pure  
bright - ness of the ev - er - liv - ing Fa - ther in hea - ven,  
O Je - sus Christ, ho - ly and bless - ed! 2. Now as we  
come to the set - ting of the sun, and our eyes be - hold the ves - per  
light, we sing your prais - es, O God: Fa - ther, Son, and  
Ho - ly Spi - rit. 3. You are wor - thy at all times to be  
praised by hap - py voic - es, O Son of God, O Giv - er of life,  
and to be glo - ri - fied through all the worlds.

Music: Ronald Arnatt (b. 1930). Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

*Please be seated.*

The LORD cares for the lives of the godly, \*  
 and their inheritance shall last for ever.  
 They shall not be ashamed in bad times, \*  
 and in days of famine they shall have enough.  
 As for the wicked, they shall perish, \*  
 and the enemies of the LORD, like the glory of the meadows, shall vanish;  
 they shall vanish like smoke.  
 The wicked borrow and do not repay, \*  
 but the righteous are generous in giving.  
 Those who are blessed by God shall possess the land, \*  
 but those who are cursed by him shall be destroyed.  
 Our steps are directed by the LORD; \*  
 he strengthens those in whose way he delights.  
 If they stumble, they shall not fall headlong, \*  
 for the LORD holds them by the hand.  
 I have been young and now I am old, \*  
 but never have I seen the righteous forsaken,  
 or their children begging bread.  
 The righteous are always generous in their lending, \*  
 and their children shall be a blessing.  
 Turn from evil, and do good, \*  
 and dwell in the land for ever.  
 For the LORD loves justice; \*  
 he does not forsake his faithful ones.

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 FIRST READING

Joshua 3:14–4:7

When the people set out from their tents to cross over the Jordan, the priests bearing the ark of the covenant were in front of the people. Now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest. So when those who bore the ark had come to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the edge of the water, the waters flowing from above stood still, rising up in a single heap far off at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, while those flowing toward the sea of the Arabah, the Dead Sea, were wholly cut off. Then the people crossed over opposite Jericho. While all Israel were crossing over on dry ground, the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan, until the entire nation finished crossing over the Jordan.

When the entire nation had finished crossing over the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua: “Select twelve men from the people, one from each tribe, and command them, ‘Take twelve stones from here out of the middle of the Jordan, from the place where the priests’ feet stood, carry them over with you, and lay them down in the place where you camp tonight.’” Then Joshua summoned the twelve men from the Israelites, whom he had appointed, one from each tribe. Joshua said to them, “Pass on before the ark of the LORD your God into the middle of the Jordan, and each of you take up a stone on his shoulder, one for each of

the tribes of the Israelites, so that this may be a sign among you. When your children ask in time to come, ‘What do those stones mean to you?’ then you shall tell them that the waters of the Jordan were cut off in front of the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it crossed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. So these stones shall be to the Israelites a memorial forever.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **THE MAGNIFICAT**

*Sung by the choir.*

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 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 SECOND READING**

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE NUNC DIMITTIS

*Sung by the choir.*

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.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Sung by all on a monotone, standing as you are able.*

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

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Sung by all on a monotone.*

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. Amen.

## THE SUFFRAGES

*Officiant* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.  
*Officiant* O Lord, save the State;  
*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
*Officiant* Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.  
*Officiant* O Lord, save thy people;  
*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.  
*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.  
*Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## THE COLLECTS

*Officiant* O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
*Choir* Amen.  
*Officiant* Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior.  
*Choir* Amen.  
*Officiant* Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.  
*Choir* Amen.



## REMARKS

The Rev. Edmund Pickup

*Please be seated.*

*An offering to support the Royal School of Church Music Washington DC Summer Choral Residency will be collected during the singing of the anthem.*

## THE ANTHEM

Greater love hath no man

John Ireland (1879–1962)

*Sung by the choir.*

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

—*From Song of Solomon and St. John*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*Said by all, standing as you are able.*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*Choir* 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.

*People* **Amen.**

# HYMN 704

O thou who camest from above

*Sung by all.*

1 O thou who cam - est from a - bove the fire ce -  
2 There let it for thy glo - ry burn with ev - er -  
3 Je - sus, con - firm my heart's de - sire to work, and  
4 Still let me prove thy per - fect will, my acts of  
les - tial to im - part, kin - dle a flame of  
bright, un - dy - ing blaze, and trem - bling to its  
speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the  
faith and love re - peat, till death thy end - less  
sa - cred love up - on the al - tar of my heart.  
source re - turn in hum - ble prayer and fer - vent praise.  
ho - ly fire and still stir up the gift in me.  
mer - cies seal, and make the sac - ri - fice com - plete.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Hereford*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876).

## VOLUNTARY

---

## ASSISTING AT THIS SERVICE

The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell, *Associate Rector*  
The Rev. Edmund Pickup, *RSCM DC Chaplain*

RSCM Washington DC Summer Residency Choir  
Dr. Margaret Burk, *Music Director*  
Dr. Katherine Webb, *Residency Organist*  
Colton Barber, *Organ Scholar*  
Daniel Colaner, *Organ Scholar*

Kevin Cordova-Brookey, *Crucifer*  
Jeremy Sheeler, *Livestream Technician*

Please help us be good stewards of the environment.  
**If you do not wish to take this bulletin home after the service,  
you may leave it at the end of the pew as you depart or place it in a blue recycling bin.**

---



We are pleased to welcome all participants of the RSCM Washington DC Summer Choral Residency.  
To learn more about participation in this program visit [www.rscmwashingtondc.org](http://www.rscmwashingtondc.org)

---

Readings: From the New Revised Standard Version Bible © 1989 National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. All rights reserved. Used by permission. ♦ Music images reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701275.

---

# WELCOME!

**At St. John's Church, we believe** Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus' call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God's work in the world.

**St. John's was organized in 1815** to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John's is often referred to as the "Church of the Presidents." Pew 54 is the President's Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John's were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

**If you are visiting**, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

**St. John's website ([www.stjohns-dc.org](http://www.stjohns-dc.org))** has up-to-date information about the church including the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, and newsworthy events.

---

## Vestry

Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden*

Alfred Thesmar, *Junior Warden*

Tony Anikeeff, Krista Rimple Bradley, Kaye Edwards,  
Casey Evans, Wendy J. Fibison, David Gallalee,  
Fruzsina Harsanyi, Elizabeth Cavert Morrison,  
Ucheora Onwuamaegbu, Jack Reiffer,  
Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger, *Members*

Sara McGanity, *Treasurer*

Nora Haugh, *Assistant Treasurer*

Allie Raether, *Secretary*

Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

## Head Usher

James H. Czerwonky

## Heads of Flower Guild

Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

## Head Greeters

Eleanor and Peter Odom

## Worship and Program Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, *Rector*

The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell, *Associate Rector*

The Rev. William Morris, *Assisting Priest*  
*for Engaging Local Communities*

Brent Erstad, *Director of Music and Organist*

Lyn Loewi, *Associate Organist*

Eric Bailey, *Minister for Youth and Young Adults*

## Staff

Preston Cherouny, *Chief Operating Officer*

Charley Griffin, *Operations Manager*

Lisa Koehler, *Program Associate and*  
*Executive Assistant to the Rector*

Javier Obregon, *Sexton*

GeeGee Bryant, David Gamboa, and John Queen,  
*Assistant Sextons*

Anne Stone, *Publications*

## ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

St. John's shines as a beacon of God's love through faith, worship, care, and community,  
and offers a place of grace at our historic corner in the nation's capital.

## Parish House

1525 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-1005

(202) 347-8766 ♦ [www.stjohns-dc.org](http://www.stjohns-dc.org)