



SAINT MARK'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CHORAL EVENSONG

FOR

ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY, THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER, 2026
AT FIVE O'CLOCK

Your presence blesses us, and we pray that your worship and time with us will be a blessing to you. Whether you are a first-time visitor, a longtime member, or somewhere in between, welcome to this place where together we sing, read, pray, listen and reflect on the living God whose love brings new life for us and for the world.

Choral Evensong is a service of reflection – of leaving oneself open that God may speak through Holy Scripture, prayer, and music. Please add your voice to our worship as we pray together the prayers printed in **bold**, and sing the hymns found in this bulletin or in *The Hymnal* 1982.



THE PRELUDE

“Largo” from Sonata No. 1

“Andante Religioso”

Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

Georg Eduard Goltermann (1824-1898)

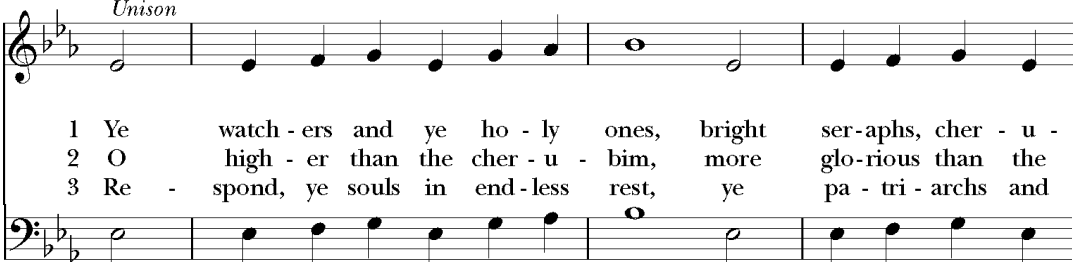
Thomas Schroeder, *Principal Cellist, The Symphony of Southeast Texas*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Ye watchers and ye holy ones”

Hymnal 618

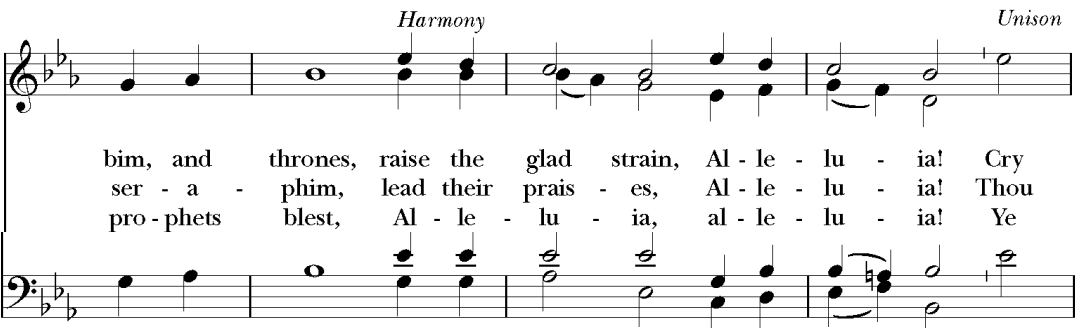
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Unison

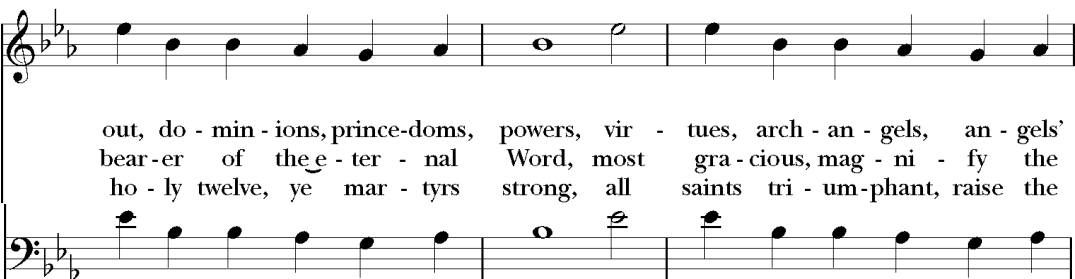


1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser-aphs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and

Harmony *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye



out, do - min - ions, prince-doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)

Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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THE PRECES *(All Remain standing as the Officiant and Choir sing.)*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us,

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

(The Congregation may be seated.)

Richard Ayleward (1626-1669)
 The Rev. Christopher Hilton, *Officiant*

THE PSALM 34: 1-9, 22 BENEDICAM DOMINUM

1 I will bless the LORD at all times; *

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the LORD; *

let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *

let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me *

and delivered me out of all my terror.

Anglican Chant: Margaret Burk (b. 1990)

5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.
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 LESSON: WISDOM OF SOLOMON 3:1-9

Rachel Grove, Lector

A lesson from the Wisdom of Solomon.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.
In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.
For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.
Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;
like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.
In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,
and will run like sparks through the stubble.
They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them forever.
Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

Here endeth the lesson.

THE SONG OF MARY “Magnificat in G” (*The Congregation remains seated.*)

Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

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 in 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.

THE SECOND LESSON: REVELATION 21:1-4, 22-27, 22:1-5

Pride Parr, Lector

A lesson from the Revelation to John.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

‘See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.’

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Here endeth the lesson.

THE SONG OF SIMEON “Nunc dimittis in G” *(The Congregation remains seated.)*

Sumsion

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.

(All stand.)

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(Chanted by all on a single tone.)*

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 catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Ayleward

The Lord be with you.
 And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

(Please kneel or sit as you are able.)

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

The Lord's Prayer *(Chanted by all on a single tone.)*

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 SUFFRAGES *(Sung by the Officiant and the Choir.)*

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

THE COLLECTS

The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, *Rector*

A Collect for the Departed

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of thy servants..., and grant them an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Collect of the Day *(All Saints)*

Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine 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 thy love's sake. *Amen.*

THE WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevchouse, *Rector*

This evening's offering benefits the "Music Fund" at St. Mark's.

ANTHEM "Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal" arr. Robert Shaw (1916-1999) and Alice Parker (1925-2023)

Hark! I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore,
As I near those swollen waters, with their deep and solemn roar.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, praise the Lamb,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Glory to the great I AM.
And my soul though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day,
Passes swiftly o'er those waters to the city far away.

PRESENTATION HYMN "For all the saints" *(Please stand and join in singing.)*

Hymnal 287

1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
*8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through
thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host
Name, O Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897)
Music: *Sine Nomine*, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958)

(Please be seated.)

ANTHEM "Remember" from *Two Rosetti Songs*

Stephen Chatman (b. 1950)

Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land;
When you can no more hold me by the hand,
Nor I half turn to go yet turning stay.
Remember me when no more day by day
You tell me of our future that you plann'd:
Only remember me; you understand.

It will be late to counsel then or pray.
Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve:
For if the darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad.

– Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)

ANTHEM “Benedictus” from *The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace*

Sir Karl Jenkins (b. 1944)

Thomas Schroeder, *Principal Cellist, The Symphony of Southeast Texas*

Benedictus, qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

ANTHEM “My Eyes for Beauty Pine”

Elizabeth Coxhead and Thomas Coxhead (b. 1993)

Ali Corcoran, *Soprano Soloist*

My eyes for beauty pine,
My soul for Goddës grace:
No other care nor hope is mine,
To heaven I turn my face.
One splendour thence is shed
From all the stars above:
’Tis named when God’s name is said,
’Tis Love, ’tis heavenly Love.
And every gentle heart,
That burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.

– Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

(All stand.)

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING *(Spoken by all.)*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN “The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended” *(Please stand and join in singing.)*

Hymnal 24



1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness
2 We thank thee that thy Church, un - sleep - ing while earth rolls
3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads
4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud

falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -
on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is
on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er
em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, and grows for

scend - ed, thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.
keep - ing, and rests not now by day or night.
si - lent, nor dies the strain of praise a - way.
ev - er, till all thy crea - tures own thy sway.

Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893) | Music: *St. Clement*, Clement Cottevill Scholefield (1839-1904) | Descant: Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

POSTLUDE “Fantasia in C” *BWV 570*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Please be seated for the Postlude, or depart quietly after the Choir leaves the church.
A festive reception follows in the Cloister.
All are invited to join us for food and fellowship.

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Ali Corcoran
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Caroline Dennis +
Dcn. Margaret Light +
Angela Pickering +
Gwyn Ramos
Karlye Ramos

Alto

Lyric Bourgeois
Beki Burton
Olivia Hayes
Molly Hilton
Jane Nielsen
Marsha Peppas +
Joedna Smyth
Carrie Wilson

Tenor

Blake Dennis +
Thomas Doyle
Tim Foster
Jamal Hurt
Trevor Poppke
Lara Strawther +
Brandon Williams
Dalton Woody +

Bass

Gib Bernhardt
Bryan Brassard +
Doug Fair
Johnny Jarrell
Landon Ramos
Brandon Rhodes
Dietrich Schilberg +
Seth Thibodeau

+ *Guest for today's service*

PARTICIPANTS

The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, *Rector*
The Rev. Christopher Hilton, *Curate*
Rachel Grove and Pride Parr, *Lay Readers*
Charles Teel, *Usher Coordinator*
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Date!



**November
12,
2026**

**85th
Annual
Chili Supper
and Bazaar**

SAVE THE DATE

A Festival of Lessons and Carols at St. Mark's
Sunday, December 20 at 5:00 p.m.

Celebrate Christmas Eve at St. Mark's
Festival Holy Eucharist with Choir at 4:00 and 7:00 p.m.



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