

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

CHORAL EVENSONG

September 25, 2016

5:00 p.m.

## WELCOME

You have wisely chosen to spend your Sunday evening with us, participating in one of the most beautiful ancient customs of Anglican Worship - Choral Evensong. What you are about to experience is a powerful connection between your earthly life and the divine. Although the formal version of this service was established in 1549, the prayers contained therein harken back even further into antiquity.

A statement from Coventry Cathedral, England, reads: "Evensong ... is a very tiny fragment of something else: It is a fragment of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the 24 in every part of the world. When you come to Evensong ... it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress - a conversation between God and [people] which began long before you were born and will go on long after you are dead. Evensong is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. Its primary purpose is to proclaim the wonderful works of God in history and in the life and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ."

Your role as a participant is simply to be in a quiet space, allow the prayers of the clergy and choir to enter your soul, and sing and recite the portions indicated, as you feel comfortable. Together, we offer this worship to the glory of God alone, that it might make the day we have just shared holy and perfect, and prepare us for the week ahead.

Scott Lamlein, *Director of Music and Organist*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Please turn off your portable devices upon arrival, and observe silence.  
Your donations, collected at the door, make these services and events possible. Thank you for your generosity.*

We welcome the choir of  
St. James's Episcopal Church, West Hartford  
Vaughn Mauren, *Organist and Choirmaster*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Psalm Prelude Set 1, No. 2

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

*The people stand (as they are able) as the procession enters the Nave.*

## THE PRECES

Philip Radcliffe (1905–1986)

*Cantor* O Lord, open thou our lips.  
*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.  
*Cantor* O God, make speed to save us.  
*Choir* 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.  
*Cantor* Praise ye the Lord.  
*Choir* The Lord's name be praised.

*The people sit.*

## PSALM 119: 81-96 (Coverdale)

Anglican chant by Thomas Jackson (1715-1781)

*XI. Defecit anima mea.*

My soul hath longed for thy salvation, \* and I have a good hope because of thy word.  
 Mine eyes long sore for thy word; \* saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?  
 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; \* yet do I not forget thy statutes.  
 How many are the days of thy servant? \* when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?  
 The proud have digged pits for me, \* which are not after thy law.  
 All thy commandments are true: \* they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.  
 They had almost made an end of me upon earth; \* but I forsook not thy commandments.  
 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness; \* and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

*XII. In aeternum, Domine.*

O Lord, thy word \* endureth for ever in heaven.  
 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another; \* thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.  
 They continue this day according to thine ordinance; \* for all things serve thee.  
 If my delight had not been in thy law, \* I should have perished in my trouble.  
 I will never forget thy commandments; \* for with them thou hast quickened me.  
 I am thine: O save me, \* for I have sought thy commandments.  
 The ungodly laid wait for me, to destroy me; \* but I will consider thy testimonies.  
 I see that all things come to an end; \* but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

## FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

**MAGNIFICAT in D**

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

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.

**SECOND LESSON**

1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who

has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

### NUNC DIMITTIS in D

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

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 people stand and chant on a monotone:*

### APOSTLES' CREED

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

Philip Radcliffe

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

*The people kneel or remain standing.*

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

Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

*Cantor* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.

*Cantor* O Lord, save the State.

*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Cantor* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Cantor* O Lord, save thy people.

*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.

*Cantor* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

*Cantor* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

**THE COLLECTS** *“Amen” is sung by the Choir.*

*Of the day*

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*For Church Musicians and Artists*

O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with thy servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by thy people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of thy beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled forevermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*For Mission*

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship thee, all nations obey thee, all tongues confess and bless thee, and men and women everywhere love thee and serve thee in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The people are seated.*

## ANTHEM

Evening Hymn

Balfour Gardiner (1870-1950)

Te lucis ante terminum, rerum Creator, poscimus ut pro tua clementia sis praesul et custodia.

*To thee before the close of day, Creator of the world, we pray that, with thy wonted favor,  
thou wouldst be our guard and keeper now.*

Procul recedant somnia et noctium phantasmata; hostemque nostrum comprime, ne polluantur corpora.

*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.*

Praesta, Pater piissime, Patrique compar Unice, cum Spiritu Paraclito regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

*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.*

*The people stand and say together:*

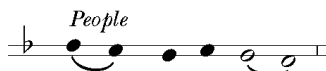
## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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. 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 Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## DISMISSAL



Let us bless the Lord.



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. **Amen.**

*The people sing, together with the choir:*

## HYMN

## Christ, mighty Savior

*Mighty Savior*

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, 10<sup>th</sup> cent.; trans. Alan G. McDougall (1895–1964);  
 rev. Anne K. LeCroy (1930–2016)

Music: David Hurd (b. 1950)

## CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY

## Postlude in D minor Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

*The people may be seated once the procession has exited the Nave.  
 Please remain quiet out of respect for those who wish to listen to the Voluntary.*



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# Music at St. James's 2016 2017

SELECTED SPECIAL SERVICES, CONCERTS, AND EVENTS

- CHORAL EVENSONG** Music of Wood, Radcliffe and Gardiner  
St. James's Choir at St. John's West Hartford  
*Sunday 25 September at 5.00PM*
- SYMPOSIA** On the life and work of Dr. Albert Schweitzer  
Led by author Lisa M Wong MD and David Ives  
Co-sponsored by Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival  
*1 October at 2.30PM at St. James's West Hartford*
- HÄNSEL AND GRETEL** An opera by Engelbert Humperdinck  
Our boy and girl choristers join Opera Connecticut  
Hoffman Auditorium, U. of St. Joseph, W. Hart.  
*4 November at 8.00PM and 6 Nov. at 2.00PM*  
Tickets: [www.operaconnecticut.org](http://www.operaconnecticut.org)
- LESSONS AND CAROLS** Music and readings for the season of Advent  
St. James's Choir at St. James's Episcopal Church  
*4 December at 5.00PM followed by a reception*
- COMPLINE** A candlelit service of sung evening prayers  
Members of St. James's Choir at St. James's W. H.  
*Every Sunday in Lent at 7.30PM : 5 March - 2 April*
- ORGAN CONCERT** Rising stars Daniel Ficarra and Alexander Pattavina  
from the Juilliard School, perform at St. James's  
Co-sponsored by American Guild of Organists  
*3 March at 7.30PM ~ Donations accepted*
- EIN DEUTSCHES REQUIEM** Johannes Brahms's choral masterwork  
St. James's Choir at St. James's West Hartford  
Members of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra  
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*1 April at 7.30PM ~ Donations accepted*

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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning

5:00 p.m. Evensong on the last Sunday of selected months

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer each Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Christian Education at 9:30 a.m. September - May

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