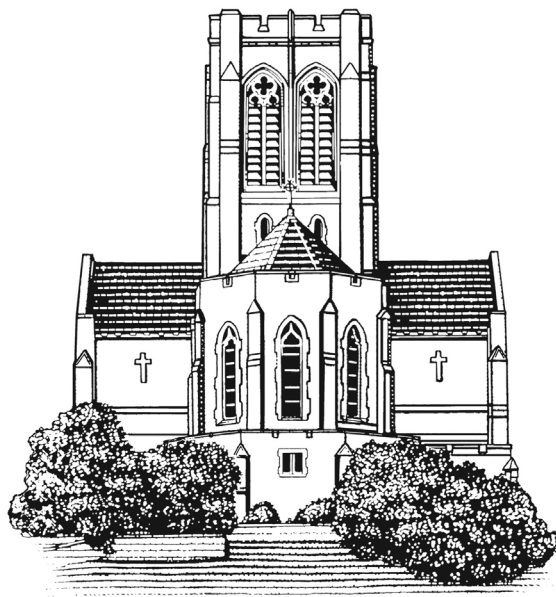




The CATHEDRAL of
ST. PHILIP
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The Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, observed

18 October 2026

Evensong ✠ 4:00 P.M.

The Reverend Canon David E. Boyd III, Officiant & Preacher
The Cathedral Schola

One of the jewels of the Anglican tradition, Choral Evensong is the English Reformation's fusion of the ancient evening prayer services of Vespers and Compline. "In quires and places where they sing" the service is customarily offered according to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, whose texts for the canticles – Magnificat and Nunc dimittis – and most of the prayers (Latin, "Preces") were first published in 1549 and are translations from the still more ancient Latin and Sarum rites for the Daily Offices. Over nearly five centuries, Evensong has both inspired worshippers and moved composers to create one of the largest corpuses of sacred music in the English language, music that enlightens our experience of God at the Cathedral of St. Philip week by week.

All stand for
The Procession

The Opening Sentences

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All stand as the Choir sings

The Preces and Responses

setting: Annabel Rooney (b. 1973)

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord's Name be praised.

Candles are lit as all sing the

Office Hymn: 232

music: Nyland, Finnish folk melody, adapt. David Evans (1874-1948)

words: Horatio Bolton Nelson (1823-1913), ver. Hymnal 1982

By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
For Luke, be - lov'd phy - si - cian, all praise, whose Gos - pel shows
Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor - ship God the Son

4
your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus, for ev - er - more be blessed.
the heal - er of the na - tions, the one who shares our woes.
and sing to God the Spi - rit, e - ter - nal Three in One,

8
You rose, our King vic - to - rious, that they might wear the crown
Your wine and oil, O Sav - ior, up - on our spi - rits pour,
till all the ran - somed num - ber who stand be - fore the throne

12
and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect - ed from your throne.
and with true balm of Gil - ead a - noint us ev - er - more.
a - scribe all power and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.

He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.

Great is our LORD and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.

The LORD lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.

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 LESSONS

The Lesson

Sirach 38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14

Lector A Lesson from The Book of Sirach.

Honor physicians for their services,
for the LORD created them;
for their gift of healing comes from the Most High,
and they are rewarded by the king.

The skill of physicians makes them distinguished,
and in the presence of the great they are admired.

The LORD created medicines out of the earth,
and the sensible will not despise them.

And he gave skill to human beings
that he might be glorified in his marvelous works.

By them the physician heals and takes away pain;
the pharmacist makes a mixture from them.

God's works will never be finished;
and from him health spreads over all the earth.

My child, when you are ill, do not delay,
but pray to the LORD, and he will heal you.

Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly,
and cleanse your heart from all sin.

Then give the physician his place, for the LORD created him;
do not let him leave you, for you need him.

There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians,
for they too pray to the LORD
that he grant them success in diagnosis
and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

Lector Here ends the lesson.

All stand for

The Magnificat

music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983), Collegiate Church of St. Peter in Westminster
words: Song of Mary, Luke 1:46-55; & Gloria Patri

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.

All sit for

The Second Lesson

Luke 4:14-21

Lector A Lesson from The Gospel of Luke.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

Lector Here ends the lesson.

All stand for

The Nunc Dimittis

music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983), Collegiate Church of St. Peter in Westminster
words: Song of Simeon, Luke 2:29-32; & Gloria Patri

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 sing

The 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

The Choir sings

The Preces and Responses

setting: Annabel Rooney (b. 1973)

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

All stand or kneel

V. Let us pray.
R. 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.

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

The Collects

A Collect

Almighty God, who didst inspire thy servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of thy Son: Graciously continue in thy Church the like love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of thy Name; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

A Collect for Aid against Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

All sit for

The Anthem after the Third Collect

*music: William Harris (1883-1973), Strengthen ye the weak hands
 words: Ecclesiasticus 38:4, 6, 9-10, 12; Isaiah 35:1-6*

The Lord hath created medicines out of the earth; and he that is wise will not abhor them. And he hath given men skill, that he might be honoured in his marvellous works. My son, in thy sickness leave off from sin, and order thy hands aright, and cleanse thy heart from all wickedness. Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come; he will come and save you. Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellence of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God. O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

All stand to sing

The Meditation Hymn: 567

music: St. Matthew, from Supplement to the New Version of Psalms by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708

words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891), alt.

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor) and a four-part harmony (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The score is divided into six systems, each with a vocal line and a four-part harmony line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and

set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

All sit for

The Meditation

Canon Boyd

The Offertory Sentence

Anthem at the Offering

music: African-American Spiritual, arr. Carl W. Haywood (b. 1949), There is a balm in Gilead

Refrain:

There is a balm in Gilead,
To make the wounded whole,
There is a balm in Gilead,
To heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged,
And think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again.

Refrain

If you cannot sing like angels,
If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus,
And say, "He died for all."

Refrain

All stand or kneel for

The Intercessions

All stand or kneel to pray

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant Let us pray.

All Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplication unto thee,
and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name
thou wilt be in the midst of them:
Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants
as may be best for us;
granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth,
and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

The Grace

All sit for

The Parish Notices

All stand to sing

The Closing Hymn: 285

*music: Deus tuorum militum, melody from Antiphoner, 1753,
adapt. The English Hymnal, 1906, alt.
words: William Dalrymple MacLagan (1826-1910), alt.*

1 What thanks and praise to thee we owe, e - ter - nal
2 O hap - py saint! his sa - cred page, so rich in
3 His - to - rian of the Sa - vior's life, the great a -
4 So grant us, Lord, like him to live, be - loved on

God and Word di - vine, for Luke, thy saint, through
words of truth and love, pours on the Church from
pos - tle's chos - en friend, through wear - y years of
earth, ap - proved by thee, till thou at last the

whom we know so man - y gra - cious words of thine.
age to age the heal - ing unc - tion from a - bove.
toil and strife was still found faith - ful to the end.
sum - mons give, and we, with him, thy face shall see.

The Psalm in Procession: 150

Anglican chant: George S. Talbot (1875-1918)
BCP, p. 807

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; *
praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his mighty acts; *
praise him for his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; *
praise him with lyre and harp.

Praise him with timbrel and dance; *
praise him with strings and pipe.

Praise him with resounding cymbals; *
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath *
praise the LORD. Hallelujah.

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.



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