



The
American
Cathedral
in Paris

CHORAL EVENSONG

June 4th, 2023

6:00 p.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *Interludium*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

All are invited to stand, as able, at the entrance of the choir and clergy.

INTROIT: *Libera nos*

Anon (16th cent.)

Free us, save us, defend us, O blessed Trinity.

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

PRECES

Bernard Rose (1916–1996)

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.

Please sit as the Choir sings the Psalm appointed.

THE PSALM: 111 *Confitebor tibi*

Henry Gauntlett (1805-1876)

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.
He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.
They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; *

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

LESSONS

FIRST LESSON: Job 38:1-11,42:1-5

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements-- surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?-- when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'? Then Job answered the Lord: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you;

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. 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 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.

SECOND LESSON: John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified

to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

NUNC DIMITTIS

Evening service in G Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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 are invited to stand, as able.

APOSTLE'S CREED *Said by all.*

**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 Spirit,
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 Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

All are invited to kneel, as able, while the prayers are sung.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.

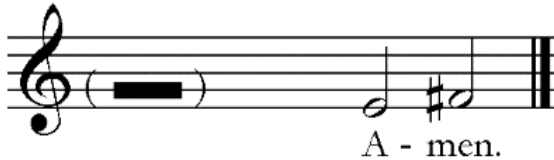
Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

LORD'S PRAYER *Sung by all in English, 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.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.**



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 Officiant sings the Collects:

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

Choir Amen.

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 both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Choir Amen.

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 Saviour Jesus Christ.

Choir Amen.

Additional prayers are offered by the clergy.

All are invited to be seated.

ANTHEM: *Blessed be the God and Father*

Samuel Sebastian Wesley
(1810-1876)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed at the last time. But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. Love one another with a pure heart fervently. See that ye love one another. Love one another with a pure heart fervently: Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away. But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. Amen.

All are invited to stand, as able.

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM *Said by 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.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

All **Amen.**

HYMN: 371, “Thou, whose almighty word”

MOSCOW

All are invited to remain standing, as able, as the procession departs.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *Hymn to the stars. Op. 96/7*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert
(1877-1933)

SERVING TODAY: The Rev Timothy B. Safford; *Organist:* Andrew Dewar; *Organ Scholar:* George Nicholls; *Choir:* The Cathedral Choir; *Officiant:* Lewis Hammond, *Lector:* Sue Sturman; *Production:* Arthur Girard.

Welcome!

Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris. We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

Contact information for the clergy and staff can be found at amcathparis.com/leadership.

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Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially the family of Peter Rowland, Bernie, Richard, Patrick, Laurence, Doris, John, David, Hervé, Jeremy, Françoise, Eleanor, Pierre and Elizabeth Venant; and for those who have died, especially Peter Rowland and Polly Ann Storms. We give thanks for the marriage of Jelena Claire Girardier and Gauthier William Fally at the Cathedral on Saturday, May 20th, 2023.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at: communications@americancathedral.org We will offer them to God at our daily service of Noonday Prayer.

Coming Up

Sunday, June 11th at 12:30 p.m. Capital Campaign: Let's Celebrate!

Mark your calendar for June 11th to celebrate our achievements in the Make a Joyful Noise Capital Campaign, with angel food cake and champagne at coffee hour! Together we will mark how much we have achieved as a community, and give thanks for many steadfast volunteers who have worked to bring us this far. Please be sure to **get your pledge in well before June 11th**. Once you've pledged, you'll feel a true part of the celebrations! Pledge at amcathparis.com/capitalcampaign.

Thursday, June 15th Anglicanism in European Perspective: Application Deadline

A new offering this summer: a **Christian formation and education program** is presented in Utrecht, Netherlands, "Anglicanism in European Perspective." Intended for any student of Christian traditions, whether living in or simply visiting Europe, this course will explore historic Christian tradition through the lens of its centuries-long presence on the European Continent. Presented in collaboration with the Anglican Centre in Rome, the Virginia Theological Seminary, the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, and Trinity Church Wall Street. Apply at utrechtsummerschool.nl.

Samedi, le 17 juin à 16h30
Un après-midi festif
avec la Mission Episcopale Francophone de la Résurrection

Au programme : célébration eucharistique, musique, danse, cuisines du monde et temps d'échanges chez la Cathédrale. **Merci de confirmer votre venue, si possible, avant le 5 juin** : contact : le révérend Jean Dumond Chavanne pretre-en-charge.mefr@tec-europe.org ou missionepiscopalefrancophonedelaresurrection.org

Sunday, June 18th
Children and Youth Sunday

We will be celebrating our annual Children & Youth Service at 11:00 a.m. through the lens of World Refugee Day.

Wednesday, June 21st at 7:00 p.m.
Choral Evensong for La Fête de la Musique

Wednesday, June 21st at 9:00 p.m.
Jazz Vespers for La Fête de la Musique

Please note the **change in time** from 6:00 p.m. to **9:00 p.m.**

Saturday, June 24th
The Marche des Fiertés

We stand - and march! - with our LGBTQ+ siblings, gathering in the morning at the Cathedral for prayer and fellowship, and then heading over to the parade together

Le samedi à 17h30
Célébration eucharistique en français

La Mission Episcopale Francophone de la Résurrection (une mission de la Convocation) vous invite à participer en présentiel (ou sur Facebook) à cette célébration en français, dans la tradition épiscopale/anglicane avec orgue et chants. Contact: le révérend Jean Dumond Chavanne pretre-en-charge.mefr@tec-europe.org

Join the Sandwich Ministry

The Sandwich Ministry is looking for volunteers this summer! This ministry nourishes volunteers and guests alike with much-needed food and socially-distanced fellowship. Volunteers help assemble, package, and distribute bagged lunches outside the Cathedral on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Contact Kim Powell at mission.outreach@americancathedral.org.

Breakfast Food Collection

We are collecting urgently needed breakfast foods (i.e. sandwich bread, nutella, jam) each Sunday beginning May 28th. to be delivered to 400 refugee youth currently being housed in an abandoned school in the 16e arrondissement.

Please contact Kim Powell (cathedral.outreach.paris@gmail.com) or Angelina Stelmach Blundell (cathedral.sundayschool@gmail.com) for more information and for ways you can help with collection and delivery of food to the school.

Covenant with the Episcopal Migrant Ministries' Rainbow Initiative

We are pleased to announce that we have signed a covenant with the Episcopal Migration Ministries' Rainbow Initiative, in order to better serve our LGBTQ+ neighbors in Paris who have fled their countries in search of safety. We are pledging to bring visibility and aid to LGBTQ+ forced migrants via our activities surrounding World Refugee Day and the Pride March in Paris in June 2023, and all are invited to help us fulfill this promise.

Find out more at

<http://www.episcopalmigrationministries.org/rainbowinitiative/>

Capital Campaign: Make a Joyful Noise!

Exciting news! A generous anonymous donor has been inspired to offer a challenge grant of €25,000! How it works: **every new pledge or increase in an existing pledge, received by June 9th, will be matched 100%** up to €25,000. So a donation of €50 becomes €100; €1,000 becomes €2,000; €5,000 becomes €10,000.



This could well bring us up to our ambitious full goal of €5,000,000! we are nearly there... **Please make or increase your pledge today at amcathparis.com/capitalcampaign.**

And be sure to stay for a **celebratory coffee hour on June 11th** where we will thank all the donors and volunteers, and reveal the total pledged!

Support Us

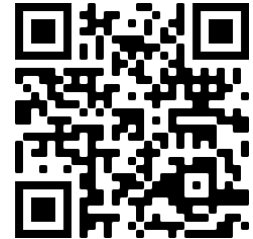
A Call to Give, A Call to Shape the Future It's not too late to make a Pledge for 2023

The Cathedral enriches our lives and the community around us in many ways, but the Cathedral and everything in it depends on the efforts of members like you, including financial support in the form of pledges. **To fill out a pledge card, scan this QR code, find the pledge card in your pew, or visit amcathparis.com/pledge.**



Support Music at the Cathedral via Les Arts George V

Les Arts George V (LAGV) supports the music at the Cathedral in many ways: among them **hosting Les Dimanches Musicaux (LDM) and encouraging sponsorships and donations**. Half the proceeds of LDM go to the Cathedral music program. For sponsorships and donations, remember that in France, while LAGV receives 100% of your gift, you will receive 66% as a deduction on your income tax.



To give, visit lagv.org/support-lagv or scan QR code above. For questions about sponsorship and donations, contact Kate Thweatt at thweatt@noos.fr.

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