

The
American
Cathedral
in Paris

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 19th, 2023

11:00 a.m.

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain quiet in worship areas so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship.

Please turn off all mobile phones when you enter the Cathedral and refrain from photography.

Let go of distractions and let the quiet and the music be sabbath gifts as we create sacred space and time together.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *Adagio from Symphony No.1, Op. 55*

Edward Elgar

(1857-1934)

(arranged for organ by Ivor Atkins)

All are invited to stand, as able.

HYMN: 598, "Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth"

MIT FREUDEN ZART

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father Son, and Holy Spirit.

All **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

All **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
All **One God and Father of all.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you turn us from the old life of sin: Grant that we, being reborn to new life in him, may live in righteousness and holiness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are invited to be seated.

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the

Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90:1-12: *Sung by the choir*

Charles Hylton-Stewart
(1884-1932)

Domine, refugium

Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.
You turn us back to the dust and say, *
“Go back, O child of earth.”
For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.
You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
Who regards the power of your wrath? *
who rightly fears your indignation?

So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

HYMN: 628, "Help us, O Lord, to learn"

ST. ETHELWARD

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them.

Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Very Rev. James R. Harlan

Silence for reflection.

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES

All are invited to stand, as able.

Clergy The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented, the clergy asks the Sponsors

Clergy Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Clergy Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Then the Clergy asks the following questions of the Sponsors who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Clergy Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Clergy Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Clergy Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Clergy Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Sponsors I do.

Clergy Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Sponsors I do.

Clergy Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Sponsors I do.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation.

Clergy Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

All **We will.**

Clergy Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Clergy Do you believe in God the Father?

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Clergy Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All **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.**

Clergy Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All **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.**

Clergy Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Clergy Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Clergy Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Clergy Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Clergy Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Clergy Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Intercessor Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Send them into the world in witness to your love.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Clergy Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Clergy blesses the water, first saying

Clergy The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Clergy Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Clergy We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Each candidate is presented by name to one of the Cathedral Clergy, who then pours water upon the candidate, saying

Clergy *N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

All **Amen.**

Each newly baptized is then presented with a candle lit from the Paschal Candle with these words: Receive the Light of Christ.

Then the Clergy anoints the newly baptized, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying to each one

Clergy *N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.*

All **Amen.**

The Clergy prays over them, saying

Clergy *Let us pray.*

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Clergy Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

All are invited to stand, as able.

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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We encourage continued support of our project to renew the Cathedral's vestments in honor of Dean Harlan's new ministry.

If you would like to contribute to this, please donate on our website (<https://amcathparis.com/donate>) stating "Installation gift" in the notes. If you would like to donate by cheque or cash, please place your contribution in one of the offering envelopes and note "Installation gift" and your full name on it. Please send any contributions by December 31st.

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HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM: *Ecce sacerdos magnus*

Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

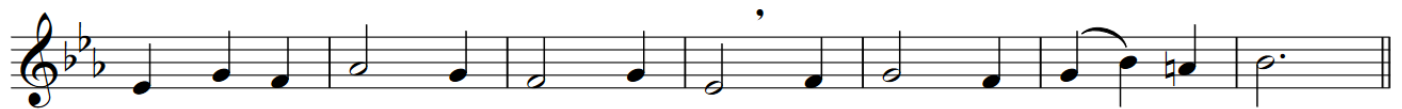
Sung by the Choir in Latin

Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God and was found righteous.

[Text, Ecclesiasticus 44.16-17]

AT THE PRESENTATION: "How shall I sing that majesty"

COE FEN



1. How shall I sing that ma - jes - ty, Which an - gels do — ad - mire?
2. How great a be - ing, Lord, is thine, Which doth all be - ings keep!



Let dust in dust and si - lence lie; Sing, sing, ye heav - en - ly choir.
Thy know-ledge is the on - ly line, To sound so vast — a deep.



Thou - sands of thou - sands stand a - round, Thy throne, O God most high; —
Thou art a sea with - out a shore, A sun with - out a sphere; —



Ten thou - sand times ten thou - sand sound, Thy praise; but who — am I?
Thy time is now and e - ver - more, Thy place is e - very - where.

Text: John Mason (1646-1694) | Music: Ken Naylor (1931-1991)

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer 1, from *Enriching Our Worship*)

All are invited to stand, as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Sung by all* *Festival Eucharist, Craig Phillips*
(b.1961)

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It begins with an organ introduction marked 'Organ' and then transitions to a vocal line marked 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score consists of five staves of music with lyrics written below the notes.

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Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated

your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

LORD'S PRAYER *Said by each in their own language*

**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.**

**Notre Père qui es aux cieux,
que ton Nom soit sanctifié,
que ton règne vienne,
que ta volonté soit faite
sur la terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.
Pardonne-nous nos offenses
comme nous pardonnons aussi
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.
Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation,
mais délivre-nous du mal.
Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne,
la puissance et la gloire,
pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AT THE FRACTION

Festival Eucharist, Craig Phillips
(b.1961)

The Alleluia is sung by all and repeated after the choir sings the verse

Organ All
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

All: Alleluia

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION

L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale. You are invited to stand or kneel to receive communion. Please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. In accordance with current guidelines provided by the Bishop, we are offering wine at communion. You are invited to take a small sip; please do not dip your wafer in the wine. Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew. Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.

ANTHEM: *Nunc Dimittis*

George Dyson
(1883-1964)

Sung by Youth and Children Choirs

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.

ORGAN INTERLUDE : *Petit Canon*

Nadia Boulanger
(1887-1979)

ANTHEM : *O salutaris hostia*

Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

Sung by the choir in Latin

O saving Victim, opening wide the gate of heaven to us below, our foes press on from every side, thine aid supply, thy strength bestow. To thy great name be endless praise, immortal Godhead, One in Three. O grant us endless length of days, in our true native land with thee. Amen. [Text, att. St. Thomas Aquinas, (1225-1274)]

HYMN: 617 “Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round”

SONG ONE

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN: 680, “O God, our help in ages past”

ST. ANNE

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *Presto from the Organ sonata Op.28*

Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

Our worship service concludes at the end of the organ voluntary during which our musicians and livestreaming team are still hard at work. Please avoid entering the chancel or the Martyrs' Chapel during this time and keep noise to a minimum.

Please join us for coffee hour (served in the Deans' Garden or the Parish Hall depending on the weather). We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to the Cathedral community.

SERVING TODAY: *Celebrant:* The Rev. Canon Lissa Smith; *Preacher:* The Very Rev. James R. Harlan; *Canon Precentor and Director of Music:* Zach Ullery; *Organist:* Andrew Dewar; *Organ Scholar:* George Nicholls; *Choir:* The Cathedral Choir, Youth Choir, Children's Choir; *Lectors:* Melanie Lesure, Laurence Moachon; *Ushers:* Jill Andrei, Harriet Rivière, Andy Platt; *Eucharist Ministers:* Thomas Xavier Martin, Michel Ranson, David Galas Madsen; *Flower Guild:* Sophie Plé; *Livestream Production:* Arthur Girard.

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Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Bonifacio, Brigitte, Sadie, Dennis, the Echevet and De Villiers family, Lucy, Michelle, David, Hervé, Elizabeth, Melissa, Jeremy, Françoise and Eleanor. We pray for those who have died, especially Tom Gerbier-Huet, Olivier Echevet and Christian Rivière.

We pray for peace in the Middle East and support for the ongoing relief efforts.

The altar flowers are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of David Triestram.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at: communications@americancathedral.org.

We will offer them to God at our daily service of Noonday Prayer.

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.

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Music Notes | A Multitude of Voices

In an effort to create a fuller and more inclusive picture of the richness of our musical heritage, we will be exploring music composed by women, BIPOC, and other historically under-represented composers.

This fall we will be focusing on women composers, including music composed by Sarah MacDonald, Mel Bonis, Jessica French, Stephanie Martin, Joy-Leilani Garbutt, and others. Despite being historically under-represented in the musical canon, women have been active contributors to all eras and styles of music from antiquity to contemporary.

The composer of this morning's organ interlude during the communion was **Juliette Nadia Boulanger**, a French music teacher and conductor. She taught many of the leading composers and musicians of the 20th century, and performed occasionally as a pianist and organist. From a musical family, she achieved early honors as a student at the Conservatoire de Paris but, believing that she had no talent as a composer, gave up writing music and became a teacher.

In that capacity, she influenced generations of young composers, especially those from the United States and other English-speaking countries. Boulanger taught in the U.S. and England, working with music academies including the Juilliard School, the Royal College, and Academy of Music.

Her principal base for most of her life was her family's flat in Paris, where she taught for most of the seven decades from the start of her career until her death at the age of 92.

In an effort to create a new experience in communal worship, we will also be exploring the wealth of lesser-known hymnody. Each month, we will be singing a hymn at the presentation that hopefully no one knows! This experience allows us as a worshipping community to experience something new together. **So please remember to make a joyful noise...even if it feels unfamiliar and a little uncomfortable!**

Coming Up

Contemplation and Compline

Contemplation and Compline meets every Wednesday evening in the Cathedral nave from 9:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Compline is the night prayer of the church and a peaceful way to end the day. It draws us closer to ourselves, our neighbor, and God. We assemble in silence, and then our voices join together to pray in loving, inclusive, expansive language for our needs and the needs of our siblings in Christ.

This service is currently in person only.

Everyone is welcome to join, and to bring their friends - the service is LGBTQ+ friendly, bilingual in English and French, and a large-print bulletin is provided.

“Love in a Box (LIAB)” is now “Love in a Backpack”!

The Love in a Box (LIAB) program is a cherished annual tradition bringing the joy of the holidays to children in need. For over 20 years, as part of our Cathedral Mission & Outreach program, we have worked with schools and community partners Paris-wide, coordinating the preparation and distribution of gifts to numerous charities throughout France. This year, instead of boxes, backpacks will be filled with many goodies, toys, and practical gifts that will bring great joy to hundreds of children of all ages. Join us and be part of the "Love in a Backpack" giving joy!

Please contact Mission & Outreach with any queries on mission.outreach@americancathedral.org.

Sunday, November 19th and Sunday, November 26th

Empty gift backpacks (with instructions for filling) will be distributed following the 11:00 a.m. service. Filled backpacks are to be returned by December 3rd. There will also be a community drive to fill backpacks at the Cathedral during coffee hour on Sunday, November 26th. All are welcome!

Blessing of the Backpacks | Sunday, December 3rd

We will be blessing the prepared backpacks during the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 3rd.

Clothing Drive

In addition to the “Love in a Backpack” project, we are also collecting lightly-worn, clean, warm clothing items to donate to those in need. Please bring contributions for children ages 7+, men and women on November 19th, 26th and December 3rd at the 11:00 a.m. service.

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Paris Choral Society | Mendelssohn’s “Elijah” & Dett’s “The Chariot Jubilee” November 30th at 8:00 p.m. & December 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

Join the Paris Choral Society and Open Orchestra under the baton of Zach Ullery for a performance of Mendelssohn's oratorio Elijah which tells the story of the prophet's life and faith, ending with his ascension into heaven on a fiery chariot.

To compliment this work, the choir will perform the captivating “The Chariot Jubilee” by Dett which is thought to be the first-ever symphonic work based solely on African-American spirituals. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit <https://parischoralsociety.org/>

**Paris Choral Society | Handel's "Messiah" Sing-Along
December 10th at 3:00 p.m.**

Get ready for Christmas with the Paris Choral Society's 29th Messiah Sing-Along. You can join the choir for the afternoon, singing six choruses before concluding with the famous "Hallelujah" chorus. For more information and tickets, please visit <https://parischoralsociety.org/>

Save the date | Future Choral Services

We have a range of exciting choral events coming up over the next few months both in person and online. All are welcome!

- December 3rd: Advent Lessons and Carols: 6:00 p.m. (online and in person)
- December 16th: Christmas Lessons and Carols: 4:00 p.m. (in person only)
- December 17th: Christmas Lessons and Carols: 6:00 p.m. (online and in person)

Support Us

Support Our Work at the Cathedral | 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.



Safeguarding

As part of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, the American Cathedral in Paris is committed to assuring that all people are treated with respect and that no one is abused, harassed, or taken advantage of in any way. We are especially committed to assuring the safety of children and those adults who may be particularly vulnerable.

We adhere to the Convocation's Safeguarding Policy, and a member of our congregation is appointed as the Safeguarding Officer. If you have any concerns at all, please know that they are available to speak with you.

Our Safeguarding Officers are Angelina Stelmach and William Tompson. Please contact them with any questions or concerns at safeguarding@americancathedral.org

Protection

En tant que membre de la Convocation des Églises épiscopales en Europe, la Cathédrale américaine de Paris s'engage à veiller à ce que toutes les personnes soient traitées avec respect et à ce que personne ne soit victime d'abus, de harcèlement ou d'exploitation de quelque manière que ce soit. Nous nous engageons tout particulièrement à assurer la sécurité des enfants et des adultes qui peuvent être particulièrement vulnérables.

Nous adhérons à la politique de protection de la Convocation et un membre de notre congrégation est désigné comme responsable de la protection. Si vous avez la moindre inquiétude, sachez qu'ils sont à votre disposition pour vous parler.

Nos responsables de la protection sont Angelina Stelmach et William Tompson. Si vous avez des questions ou des inquiétudes, veuillez les contacter à l'adresse suivante : safeguarding@americancathedral.org

Three Things to Know

Please collect an empty gift backpack (with instructions for filling) for the **LIAB mission** after the service. For more information, please see page 20.

Save the date! Our **Christmas Pageant** will take place at the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 17th. More details to follow.

Please join Les Arts George V **this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.** for their free concert series, Les Dimanches Musicaux. This week's concert features Nicolas Gilch on the Saxophone and Joëlle Chaillou- Chouraki on the piano.

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