



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF  
ALL SAINTS

Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 4:00 PM

Evensong for the Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity



*Judas Maccabeus*

*Sung by the Cathedral Choir*

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS  
1330 CATHEDRAL LANE, HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, B3H 2Z1



## Confession

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, **We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

## Absolution

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live, hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins.

He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

## Preces

H. SUMSION (1899-1995)

### *Precentor:*

*O Lord, open thou our lips;*

*O God, make speed to save us;*

*GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son,*

*and to the Holy Ghost;*

*Praise ye the Lord;*

### **Choir:**

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

The Lord's Name be praised.

**Psalm****103 *Benedic, anima mea.***

S. WESLEY

PRAISE the LORD, O MY soul: / and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

2 Praise the LORD, O MY soul: / and forget not all his benefits;

3 Who forgiveth all thy sin, / and healeth all thine infirmities;

4 Who saveth thy life from destruction, / and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things, / making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

6 THE LORD executeth righteousness and judgement / for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7 He showed his ways unto Moses, / his works unto the children of Israel.

8 The LORD is full of compassion and gracious, / long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not always be chiding: / neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins, / nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth, / so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look how wide also the east is from the west, / so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children, / even so is the LORD merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made: / he remembereth that we are but dust.

15 THE days of man are but as grass; / for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone; / and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the merciful goodness of the LORD endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him, / and his righteousness unto children's children;

18 Even unto such as keep his covenant, / and think upon his commandments to do them.

19 THE LORD hath established his throne in heaven, / and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 O praise the LORD, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength, / ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

21 O praise the LORD, all ye his hosts, / ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

22 O speak good of the LORD, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion: / praise thou the LORD, O my soul.

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.

**First Lesson      I Maccabees 3. 42 – end**

Now when Judas and his brethren saw that miseries were multiplied, and that the forces did encamp themselves in their borders: for they knew how the king had given commandment to destroy the people, and utterly abolish them; They said one to another, Let us restore the decayed fortune of our people, and let us fight for our people and the sanctuary. Then was the congregation gathered together, that they might be ready for battle, and that they might pray,

and ask mercy and compassion. Now Jerusalem lay void as a wilderness, there was none of her children that went in or out: the sanctuary also was trodden down, and aliens kept the strong hold; the heathen had their habitation in that place; and joy was taken from Jacob, and the pipe with the harp ceased. Wherefore the Israelites assembled themselves together, and came to Maspha, over against Jerusalem; for in Maspha was the place where they prayed aforetime in Israel. Then they fasted that day, and put on sackcloth, and cast ashes upon their heads, and rent their clothes, And laid open the book of the law, wherein the heathen had sought to paint the likeness of their images. They brought also the priests' garments, and the firstfruits, and the tithes: and the Nazarites they stirred up, who had accomplished their days. Then cried they with a loud voice toward heaven, saying, What shall we do with these, and whither shall we carry them away? For thy sanctuary is trodden down and profaned, and thy priests are in heaviness, and brought low. And lo, the heathen are assembled together against us to destroy us: what things they imagine against us, thou knowest. How shall we be able to stand against them, except thou, O God, be our help? Then sounded they with trumpets, and cried with a loud voice. And after this Judas ordained captains over the people, even captains over thousands, and over hundreds, and over fifties, and over tens. But as for such as were building houses, or had betrothed wives, or were planting vineyards, or were fearful, those he commanded that they should return, every man to his own house, according to the law. So the camp removed, and pitched upon the south side of Emmaus. And Judas said, arm yourselves, and be valiant men, and see that ye be in readiness against the morning, that ye may fight with these nations, that are assembled together against us to destroy us and our sanctuary: For it is better for us to die in battle, than to behold the calamities of our people and our sanctuary. Nevertheless, as the will of God is in heaven, so let him do.

**Office Hymn**      *Lucis Creator optime.*

*MODE VIII*

1 O blest Creator of the light,  
who mak'st the day with radiance bright,  
and o'er the forming world didst call  
the light from chaos first of all.

2 Whose wisdom joined in meet array  
the morn and eve, and named them day:  
night comes with all its darkling fears;  
regard thy people's prayers and tears.

3 Lest, sunk in sin, and whelmed with strife,  
they lose the gift of endless life;  
while thinking but the thoughts of time,  
they weave new chains of woe and crime.

4 But grant them grace that they may strain  
the heavenly gate and prize to gain:  
each harmful lure aside to cast,  
and purge away each error past.

5 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.

*Words:* Latin 6<sup>th</sup> century, translated by J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

## **Magnificat**      The Evening Service in G Minor by H. PURCELL (1659-1695)

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 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**      **II Corinthians 5**

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit. Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences. For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to answer them which glory in appearance, and not in heart. For whether we be beside ourselves, it is to God: or whether we be sober, it is for your cause. For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed

unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

## **Nunc Dimittis**     The Evening Service in G Minor by PURCELL

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou has 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 ....

## **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.

## **Mutual Salutation**

SUMSION

### **Precentor:**

*The Lord be with you;*

*Let us pray.*

### **Choir:**

And with thy spirit.

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

## **Versicles & Responses**

SUMSION

### **Precentor:**

*O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;*

*O Lord, save the Queen;*

*Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;*

*O Lord, save thy people;*

*Give peace in our time, O Lord;*

*O God, make clean our hearts within us;*

### **Choir:**

And grant us thy salvation.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

And bless thine inheritance.

And evermore mightily defend us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## Collects

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 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. **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. **Amen.**

## Anthem

### Hail, Gladdening Light

C. WOOD (1866-1926)

Hail! gladdening Light, of His pure glory poured  
Who is th'immortal Father, heavenly, blest,  
Holiest of Holies--Jesus Christ our Lord!  
Now we are come to the Sun's hour of rest;  
The lights of evening round us shine;  
We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine!  
Worthiest art thou at all times to be sung  
With undefiled tongue,  
Son of our God, giver of life, alone:  
Therefore in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own. Amen.

*Words:* John Keble's translation of the early Christian hymn Φως λαρον

## Prayers

### Prayer of Saint John Chrysostom and the Grace

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

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.**

## Closing Hymn

## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more;  
Feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
Be thou still my Strength and Shield;  
Be thou still my Strength and Shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee;  
I will ever give to thee.

*Words:* William Williams (1717-1791);  
trans. Peter Williams (1723-1796)

*Music:* John Hughes (1873-1932)  
Descant by P. Halley

## Voluntary

## Prelude & Fugue in C Major ('Weimar')

J. S. BACH (BWV 545)



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