

Congregation of Mark the Evangelist
June 4 2023
Trinity A

Preparing for Worship Today

- Welcome to this service of worship at Mark the Evangelist!
- Today's service is being live-streamed for the participation of those who can't join us physically today.
- Congregational responses are printed in ***bold italics***.
- Pray for those who will be leading us in our worship today!



A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Prelude JJ Froberger, *Toccata [X F-dur]*

The Gathering of the People of God

Sung Processional (TIS 100 v.7)

If you are able, please stand when the cantor sings the first line, and sing as the Scriptures are brought into the worship space:

***Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,***

O praise Him! Alleluia!

***Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One!***

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Come, let us worship the LORD our God,

Let us exalt God's name

in all the world!

(Psalm 8.1)

Prayer of invocation

Hymn 101 Come, you people

The Word Spoken: Scripture and Preaching

The Testimony of Scripture

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path.

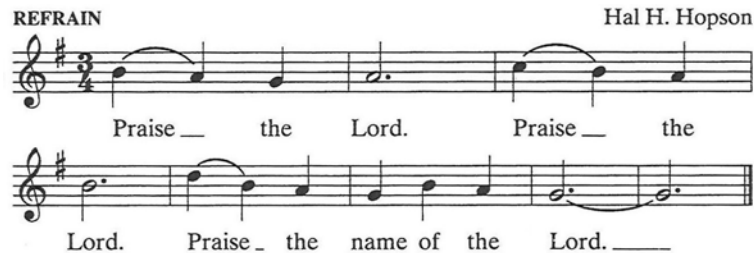
Genesis 1:26-2.4a *In the image of God*

Psalms 8 Lord, what are mortals that you care for them?
[PCS 343]

*The REFRAIN is sung before and after the whole psalm.
The psalm text will then be sung responsorially to the TONE below: the first line is sung by the 'half' of the congregation closest to the stained-glass windows, the second bold-italic line by the other side*



TONE



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¹ O Lord our | governor,
how glorious is your name in | all the world!

² Your majesty above the | heavens is praised
out of the mouths of babes | at the breast.

³ You have founded a stronghold a-|-gainst your foes,
that you might still the enemy and | the av-enger.

⁴ When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you | have or-dained,

⁵ What are mortals, that you should be mind-|-ful of them;
mere human beings, that you should | seek them out?

⁶ You have made them little lower | than the angels
and crown them with glor-|-y and honour.

⁷ You have given them dominion over the works | of your hands
and put all things un-|-der their feet,

⁸ All | sheep and oxen,
even the wild beasts | of the field,

⁹ The birds of the air, the fish | of the sea
and whatsoever moves in the paths | of the sea.

¹⁰ O Lord our | governor,
how glorious is your name in | all the world!

*We stand for the gospel reading
First the cantor, then the congregation:*



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Glorify to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty

REFRAIN

Matthew 28:16-20 *I am with you always*

This is the gospel of the Lord

(Sung:) **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Preaching of the Word

The sermon text will normally be available after worship and online

A 'sermon of stillness' – a moment for quiet reflection – usually follows the preaching

Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

(Please stand if you are able)

...hear, then, Christ's word of grace to us:

Your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology

Glo - ry to God... in the high - est and
 peace to Gods'peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly king, al-migh-ty God. and...
 Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you. for... your glo-ry.
 Lord Je-susChrist, on-ly Son of theFa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sins of theworld: have mer - cy on us; youare seat-ed at the right hand of the
 Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone... are the
 ho - ly one, You a - lone... are the Lord, you a - lone... are the most high,

Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of... God the Fa - ther.
 A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

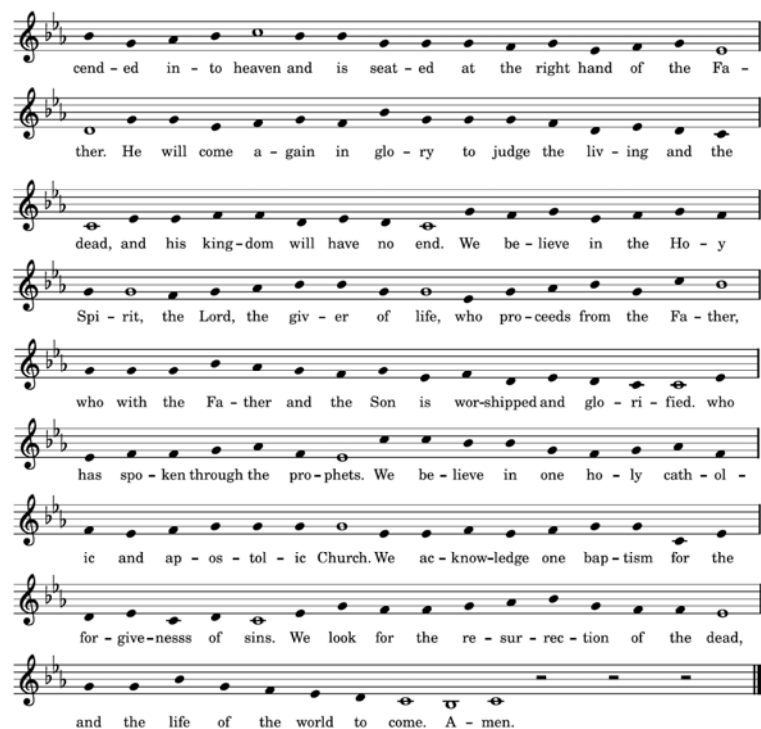
The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Nicene Creed (Sung):

We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the Al - might - y, mak - er of
 heav - en and earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be - lieve in
 one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly be -
 got - ten of the Fa - ther, God from God, Light from light, true God from true
 God, be - got - ten not made, of one be - ing with the Fa - ther; through him
 all things were made. For us and for our sal - va - tion he came down from
 heaven, was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Spi - rit of the Vir - gin Mar -
 y and be - came tru - ly hu - man. For our sake he was cru - ci - fied
 un - der Pon - tius Pi - late; he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the
 third day he rose a - gain in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he as -



cend - ed in - to heaven and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa -
 ther. He will come a - gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the
 dead, and his king - dom will have no end. We be - lieve in the Ho - y
 Spi - rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther,
 who with the Fa - ther and the Son is wor - shipped and glo - ri - fied. who
 has spo - ken through the pro - phets. We be - lieve in one ho - ly cath - ol -
 ic and ap - os - tol - ic Church. We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the
 for - give - ness of sins. We look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. A - men.

The Visible Word: Eucharist

LITURGY When we take part in the Eucharist, our individuality is affirmed but also lifted into a corporate richness in which the individual is saved progressively from individualism. The model for this manifold transformation, and the power that enables and bestows it, is the life of the triune God, in whom "person" is not a closed and self-defending private world but an openness that knows no limit to giving and a shared life that reaches out in shared sacrifice. Growing into trinitarian life includes a new vision of hope for the whole human community, as well as for the church.

DAVID TRIPP

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The prayer continues...)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are
 full of your glo - ry, ho - sa - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory,

hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in the highest!

(The prayer continues...)



Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come a - gain.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

(The prayer continues...)



Bless - ing and hon - our, glo - ry and pow'r are yours for - e - ver and ev - er, are yours for - e - ver and ev - er.

Blessing and honour, glory and pow'r

are yours forever and ever,

are yours forever and ever.

(The prayer continues...)

The Lord's Prayer

***Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.***

(The people sit)

The Breaking of the Bread

***...(Sung:) Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name. [TIS 390]***

...Let us receive what we are,
let us become what we receive
The body of Christ

The Communion

The Uniting Church recognises this Table as the Lord's and, so, open to all who would normally commune in their home congregations.

If you can't stand or walk to the front but would like to receive communion, please raise your hand if the celebrant has not already noticed you.

GATHERING: *We'll gather in a circle around the table for the distribution of the elements; please wait until all have received and the prayer is said before returning to your seats.*

Prayers of the People

LITBIT: ... in a nutshell, [prayer is] letting Jesus pray in you, and beginning that lengthy and often very tough process by which our selfish thoughts and ideals and hopes are gradually aligned with his eternal action; just as, in his own earthly life, *his* human fears and hopes and desires and emotions are put into the context of his love for the Father, woven into his eternal relation with the Father – even in that moment of supreme pain and mental agony that he endures the night before his death.

ROWAN WILLIAMS

Offering

Many members now make their offering by electronic transfer; the plate will be passed for those who prefer to make cash/envelope offerings. The prayer dedicating the offerings 'captures' the full range of gifts.

Notices

The Sending Forth of the People of God

Hymn 150 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Word of Mission and Blessing

Postlude D Buxtehude, *Vater unser in Himmelreich*

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