

**February 18, 2018**  
*The First Sunday in Lent*

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**4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong**

**Officiant: The Rev'd Michael E. DeKay**

***Please stand for the entrance of the choir and clergy***

*The Sentence(s) of Scriptures shall be read aloud.*

**Opening Hymn** *Restore in Us, O God*

**Blue Book 178**

*The Officiant, turning to the people, shall say the Exhortation in the form following.*

DEARLY beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

***Please kneel***

*A general Confession to be said of the whole Congregation with the Officiant, all kneeling.*

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.

*The Absolution, or Remission of sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing: the people still kneeling.*

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 RESPONSES *(Sung by the choir)*

Thomas Tallis

O LORD, open thou our lips;

*And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

O God, make speed to save us;

*O Lord, make haste to help us.*

***Please stand***

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.*

Praise ye the Lord;

*The Lord's Name be praised.*

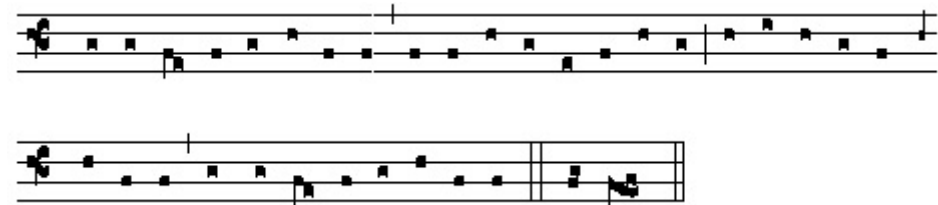
*Then shall follow THE PSALMS of THE DAY, the congregation being seated and standing at the Gloria at the end of the second psalm.*

Psalm 32, 36     *The psalms may be followed in the red Book of Common Prayer, pp. 366, 375*

THE FIRST LESSON *from Genesis 42*

read by Ruth McCluskie

***Please stand***



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| 1. | O Christ, whö art the Light and Day,<br>Thou drivest darksome night away!<br>We know thee as the Light of light,<br>Illuminating mortal sight.   | 3. | And while thë eyes soft slumber take,<br>Still be the heart to thee awake;<br>Be thy right hand upheld above<br>Thy servänts resting in thy love.                |
| 2. | All-holÿ Lord, we pray to thee,<br>Keep us tonight from danger free;<br>Grant us, dear Lord, in thee to rest,<br>So be öur sleep in quiet blest. | 4. | O strong dëfender, be thou nigh<br>To bid the powers of darkness fly;<br>Keep us from sin, and guide for good<br>Thy servänts purchased by thy blood.            |
| 5. | Remembër us, dear Lord, we pray<br>While in this mortal flesh we stay:<br>'Tis thou who dost the soul defend -<br>Be presënt with us to the end. | 6. | Blest Three ïn One and One in Three,<br>Almighty God, we pray to thee<br>That thou wouldst now vouchsafe to bless<br>Our fast wïth fruits of righteousness. Amen |

And after that shall be sung or said *Magnificat* (or the Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary).

*Please remain standing*

MAGNIFICAT *Tone VII.1*

Thomas Tallis

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.*

*Please sit*

THE SECOND LESSON *Luke 22:1-30*

read by Ann Tonkin

And after that shall be sung or said *Nunc Dimittis* (or the Song of Simeon).

*Please stand*

NUNC DIMITTIS *Tone 1.4*

Thomas Tallis

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.*

*Please remain standing*

Then shall be said the *Confession of the Faith, called 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 RESPONSES *(Sung by the choir)*

Thomas Tallis

The Lord be with you;  
*And with thy spirit.*

Let us pray.

***Please sit or kneel***

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 let us not be led into temptation; but deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
*And grant us thy salvation.*  
O Lord, save the Queen;  
*And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*  
Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;  
*And make thy chosen people joyful.*  
O Lord, save thy people;  
*And bless thine inheritance.*  
Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
*And evermore mightily defend us.*  
O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
*And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

*Then shall follow the Collects.*

*The Collect for The First Sunday in Lent.*  
O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*The Collect for Ash Wednesday*  
ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The 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 our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

*The Collect for Aid against all 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 Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

	<i><b>Please sit</b></i>	
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Salvator mundi Domine</i>	Thomas Tallis

Salvator mundi Domine qui nos salvasti hodie: in hac nocte nos protege, et salva omni tempore.	<i>O Lord, saviour of the world, who has saved us this day, protect us through this night and save us at all times.</i>
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Adesto nunc propitius, Et parce supplicantibus: Tu dele nostra crimina, Tu tenebras illumina.	<i>Be present to us now in your kindness and spare your suppliants: blot out our sins and illuminate the shadows.</i>
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Ne mentem somnus opprimat: nec hostis nos surripiat: nec ullis caro petimus commaculetur sordibus.	<i>Let not sleep oppress the mind, nor the enemy steal us away: let not our bodies we pray, be stained with any foulness.</i>
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Te, reformator sensuum, Votis precamur cordium, Ut puri castis mentibus surgamus a cubilibus.	<i>To you who reshape the senses, we implore with the prayers of the heart, that we may arise from our beds pure and chaste in mind.</i>
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Deo Patri sit gloria, Eiusque soli Filio, Cum Spiritu Paracleto et nunc et in perpetuum. Amen.	<i>To God the Father be the glory, and to his only Son, with the Spirit, the Paraclete, now and forever. Amen</i>
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During this hymn a collection will be taken and presented.

Hymn Lord Jesus, Think on Me Blue Book 511

Please sit or kneel

Then shall follow the Intercessions and Thanksgivings finishing with the Prayer of St. Chrysostom:

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 EVENING RESPOND

Cantor:

**I**n- to thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

ŷ. Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

℣. I commend my spi rit. ŷ. Glory be to the Father,

and to the Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.

℣. In- to thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

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. 2 Corinthians 13:14.

THE FINAL RESPONSES (sung by the Choir)

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