

Welcome to The Redeemer. We're glad you're here!

Worship is our direct response to God. We do not gather merely to talk about God; worship is our being present before God, who invites our participation—whether you are a visitor or a parishioner, whether you have come to affirm your faith or to explore something about Christian belief and practice.

This service is a communal event that will be made more beautiful and inspiring by your active involvement in responding and in attentive listening. Your own engagement makes possible a newly realized sense of faith and hope and love for us all.

**Worship at  
The Redeemer  
Sunday**  
8:30am-Worship via Zoom  
10:00am-Holy Eucharist  
in Church and via Livestream  
**Daily**  
9:00pm-Compline via Zoom  
**Wednesday**  
Noon-Holy Eucharist  
**Monthly**  
4:00pm-Choral Evensong  
First Sunday of the month

“Evensong ... is a very tiny fragment of something else: It is a fragment of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the 24 in every part of the world. When you come to Evensong ... it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress—a conversation between God and [people] which began long before you were born and will go on long after you are dead.

Evensong is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. Its primary purpose is to proclaim the wonderful works of God in history and in the life and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Its secondary purpose is to evoke from the worshiper a response of praise, penitence, prayer and obedience.” *from Coventry Cathedral*

Offerings and pledge envelopes may be left in the alms basins at the back of the church.

Featuring Gloria DePasquale, *cello* and Michael Diorio, *piano*

PRELUDE *Adagio, from Sonata No. 2 for Viola de Gamba* J. S. Bach (1685-1750)  
*The congregation stands as the Officiant enters.*

OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
People **Thanks be to God.**  
*Other sentences added by the Officiant.*

*The congregation kneels*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.  
Officiant and **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. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus 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.**

Officiant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PRECES AND RESPONSES

*said by the Officiant and People*  
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.**  
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.**

*The congregation is seated.*

PSALM 8

*Domine, Dominus noster*

*said by all*

1 **O LORD our Governor, \***  
**how exalted is your Name in all the world!**  
2 **Out of the mouths of infants and children \***  
**your majesty is praised above the heavens.**  
3 **You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \***  
**to quell the enemy and the avenger.**  
4 **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \***  
**the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**  
5 **What is man that you should be mindful of him? \***  
**the son of man that you should seek him out?**  
6 **You have made him but little lower than the angels; \***  
**you adorn him with glory and honor;**  
7 **You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \***  
**you put all things under his 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 walks in the paths of the sea.**  
10 **O LORD our Governor, \***  
**how exalted is your Name in all the world!**  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

LESSON *from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 2:13-17*

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

*Following the reading:*

Lector The Word of the Lord.  
People **Thanks be to God.**

*A time for meditation is provided here.*

CANTICLE

*Elegy, Op. 24*

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

LESSON *from The Gospel According to Matthew 7:7-14*

‘Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him! ‘In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. ‘Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

*Following the reading:*

Lector The Word of the Lord.  
People **Thanks be to God.**

*A time for meditation is provided here.*

CANTICLE

*Waldesruhe (“Silent Woods”), Opus 68, Nr. 5*

Antonin Dvorák (1841-1904)

APOSTLES' CREED

*said by all, standing*

**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.**

LESSER LITANY AND RESPONSES

*said by the Officiant and People*

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**  
Let us pray.

*The congregation kneels.*

**Lord have mercy upon us.  
Christ have mercy upon us.  
Lord have mercy upon us.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*people and officiant*

**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.**

## SUFFRAGES

*said by the Officiant and People*

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.  
***And grant us thy salvation.***  
O Lord, save the State.  
***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.  
***Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.***  
O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
***And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.***

## THE COLLECTS

*the Collect of the Day and others chosen by the officiant*

*The congregation stands.*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*said by all*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

*said by the officiant*

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.**

## CLOSING SENTENCES

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING VERSES

*said by the officiant*

## POSTLUDE

*Allegro, from Sonata No. 2 for Viola de Gamba* J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

**The Rev. Peter T. Vanderveen,** *Officiant*

**Gloria DePasquale,** *Cello*

**Dr. Michael J. Diorio,** *Piano & Organist / Director of Music*

## Lectors

Hope Knight, Andrew Masterman

## Livestream Operators

David Woods, Jay Einspanier

*Evensongs are held every first Sunday of the month at 4:00pm  
during the academic year.*

*Please join us again on Sunday, June 6, for the final one this season.*

*If you do not wish to take this service sheet along with you,  
please deposit them in the basket in the Narthex to be recycled. Thank you for your help.*

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