TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
A house of prayer for all people

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2026, 4 p.m.

Welcome: *Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member, we are honored to worship with you today. If you are searching for a church home, we would love to tell you more about this congregation and to learn more about you. Fill out a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you, drop it in the offering plate, and we'll be in conversation with you this week. Above all, please know that this is your Cathedral, and all are welcome.*

Choral Evensong is a service of readings from the Bible and prayers for the evening, almost entirely led by the Trinity Choir on behalf of the congregation.

CHORAL EVENSONG

The Prelude Petite Prière *Blanche Rozan*

All stand.

The Opening Sentences from Holy Scripture

The Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling or standing

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.

The Officiant alone stands and says

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

All stand.

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The Preces *Sung by the Officiant and the choir* *Richard Ayleward*

Officiant *O Lord, open thou our lips.*
Choir *And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*
Officiant *O God, make speed to save us.*
Choir *O Lord, make haste to help us.*
Officiant *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*
Choir *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.

All sit.

Psalm 34 *Benedic, anima mea.* *Ivor Atkins & Thomas Norris*

*I will alway give thanks unto the Lord; **
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

*My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; **
the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

*O praise the Lord with me, **
and let us magnify his Name together.

*I sought the Lord, and he heard me; **
yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

*They had an eye unto him, and were lightened; **
and their faces were not ashamed.

*Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him; **
yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

*The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, **
and delivereth them.

*O taste, and see, how gracious the LORD is: *
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

*O fear the LORD, ye that are his saints; *
for they that fear him lack nothing.

*The lions do lack, and suffer hunger; *
but they who seek the LORD shall want no manner of thing that is good.

*Come, ye children, and hearken unto me; *
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

*What man is he that lusteth to live, *
and would fain see good days?

*Keep thy tongue from evil, *
and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

*Eschew evil, and do good; *
seek peace, and ensue it.

*The eyes of the LORD are over the righteous, *
and his ears are open unto their prayers.

*The countenance of the LORD is against them that do evil, *
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

*The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth them, *
and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

*The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart, *
and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

*Great are the troubles of the righteous; *
but the LORD delivereth him out of all.

*He keepeth all his bones, *
so that not one of them is broken.

*But misfortune shall slay the ungodly; *
and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

*The LORD delivereth the souls of his servants; *
and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

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.

The First Lesson Sirach 51:13-22

While I was still young, before I went on my travels, I sought wisdom openly in my prayer. Before the temple I asked for her, and I will search for her until the end. From the first blossom to the ripening grape my heart delighted in her; my foot walked on the straight path; from my youth I followed her steps. I inclined my ear a little and received her, and I found for myself much instruction. I made progress in her; to him who gives wisdom I will give glory. For I resolved to live according to wisdom, and I was zealous for the good, and I shall never be disappointed. My soul grappled with wisdom, and in my conduct I was strict; I spread out my hands to the heavens, and lamented my ignorance of her. I directed my soul to her, and in purity I found her. With her I gained understanding from the first; therefore I will never be forsaken. My heart was stirred to seek her; therefore I have gained a prize possession. The Lord gave me my tongue as a reward, and I will praise him with it.

All stand.

Hymn 29 O Trinity of blessed light *Bromley*

All sit.

Magnificat: The Short Service *sung by the choir* *Thomas Weelkes*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. 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.

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 14:1-12

Pursue love and strive for the spiritual gifts, and especially that you may prophesy. For those who speak in a tongue do not speak to other people but to God; for nobody understands them,

since they are speaking mysteries in the Spirit. On the other hand, those who prophesy speak to other people for their building up and encouragement and consolation. Those who speak in a tongue build up themselves, but those who prophesy build up the church. Now I would like all of you to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. One who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be built up.

Now, brothers and sisters, if I come to you speaking in tongues, how will I benefit you unless I speak to you in some revelation or knowledge or prophecy or teaching? It is the same way with lifeless instruments that produce sound, such as the flute or the harp. If they do not give distinct notes, how will anyone know what is being played? And if the bugle gives an indistinct sound, who will get ready for battle? So with yourselves; if in a tongue you utter speech that is not intelligible, how will anyone know what is being said? For you will be speaking into the air. There are doubtless many different kinds of sounds in the world, and nothing is without sound. If then I do not know the meaning of a sound, I will be a foreigner to the speaker and the speaker a foreigner to me. So with yourselves; since you are eager for spiritual gifts, strive to excel in them for building up the church.

Nunc Dimittis: The Short Service *sung by the choir* *Thomas Weelkes*

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.

The 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.

All stand or kneel.

The following are sung by the Officiant and the choir.

The Salutation *Richard Ayleward*

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

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

The Lord's Prayer *Robert Stone*

Choir *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 lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

The Suffrages and Collects *Richard Ayleward*

Officiant *O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.*
Choir *And grant us thy salvation.*
Officiant *O Lord, save the State.*
Choir *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*
Officiant *Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.*
Choir *And make thy chosen people joyful.*
Officiant *O Lord, save thy people.*
Choir *And bless thine inheritance.*
Officiant *Give peace in our time, O Lord.*
Choir *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*
Officiant *O God, make clean our hearts within us.*
Choir *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

A 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 all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

A Collect for Aid against 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 Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

All sit.

Anthem And I saw another angel *Charles Villiers Stanford*

And I saw another angel, ascending from the east,
having the seal of the living God;
and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, saying,
Hurt not the earth neither the sea, nor the trees,
till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.
And lo, a great multitude, which no man could number,
of all nations and kindreds and people, and tongues,
stood before the throne and before the Lamb,
clothed with white robes, and palms were in their hands;
And cried with a loud voice, saying,
Salvation to our God, which sitteth upon the throne,
and unto the Lamb. Amen.
Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving,
and honour, and power, and might
be unto our God for ever and ever.
Amen.

Text: Revelation 7:2-3, 9-10, & 12
Soloist: Jackson Utz

All stand.

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

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 men. 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 Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Dismissal

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

The Concluding Sentences from Holy Scripture

Hymn 24 The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended *St. Clement*

The Postlude Toccata on 'Great Day' *Adolphus Hailstork*

Participating This Evening

Officiant The Rev. Peggy Cromwell, *Priest Associate for Pastoral Care*
Lector Jean Harper
Music Dr. Colin MacKnight, *Director of Music*
Katie Gunn, *Associate Director of Music*
Trinity Cathedral Choir

Notes on the notes: Blanche Rozan's exact dates are lost, but she was active in Marseille during the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Thomas Weelkes is one of the most important – and most colorful – composers of the Tudor and Jacobean eras. He frequently ran into trouble for unauthorized absences, drunken behavior, and swearing and blaspheming during services. The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography says, "he was not the only disorderly member of the [Chichester] cathedral establishment, though in due course he would become its most celebrated."

The fabulously named Adolphus Hailstork is a living American composer of African, Native American, and European descent, and his music combines elements from all of these cultures.