

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

SOLEMN MASS

Sunday, May 12, 2024, 11:00 AM

The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in the City of New York

A Vision for Saint Mary's

Saint Mary's is a vibrant Anglo-Catholic witness in the heart of New York City. With our identity in Christ and a preference for the poor, we are an inclusive, diverse community called to love God and each other for the life of the world.

About the Music

The organ prelude is the first movement of L'Ascension by Olivier Messiaen (1902– 1992). Born in Avignon, son of the poet, Cécile Sauvage, Messiaen was a student of Marcel Dupré and Paul Dukas at the Paris Conservatory where he became professor of musical analysis, philosophy, and aesthetics in 1942. His legendary tenure as titular organist of Trinité, Paris, began in 1931. The brilliant light and vivid colors of this magnificent church proved a defining stimulus to Messiaen's musical imagination for sixty years. The majesty of Christ asking that the Father glorify him is the first of the four movements of L'Ascension. This movement, like the fourth, was originally scored for orchestra in 1933 and transcribed by the composer for the organ later the same year. It carries the text from the Gospel according to John, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your son as your son has glorified you."

The Mass setting this morning is *Missa Brevis* by David Hurd, organist and music director at Saint Mary the Virgin. *Missa Brevis* was composed for and first performed on Ascension Day 1991 while Dr. Hurd was Director of Music at All Saints Church, Manhattan. It is dedicated to the Reverend R. DeWitt Mallary, Jr., who was rector of All Saints Church at that time. The *Kyrie*, not sung this morning, is in Greek, and the remaining Mass parts are in Latin. The musical themes of each movement of this setting are derived from the rendering of the letters of Father Mallary's name as musical pitches. These pitches are intentionally arranged to achieve upward melodic gestures suggestive of the Ascension. Each movement of the Mass is compact and rhythmically straightforward. The words are presented directly in angular melodic shapes and lean harmonic textures. The Mass is scored for four-part choir, although solo voices complement the choral parts in the *Agnus Dei*.

The motet sung during the administration of Communion is by William Byrd (c. 1540– 1623). Byrd, like the slightly older Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585), enjoyed the favor of Queen Elizabeth I and composed effectively for both the English and Latin Rites of his time. His motet *Non vos relinquam orphanos*, often sung in English as *I will not leave you comfortless*, is a five-voice setting of a *Magnificat* antiphon for the first Vespers of Pentecost. It was published in the second book of his *Gradaulia* (1607). The text source for this motet is John 14:18 and 16:22. Today's organ postlude is from the *Orgelbüchlein* ("Little Organ Book") of Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750), a collection of forty-six short and masterful pieces based on chorales for the liturgical year, mostly composed between 1708 and 1717 while Bach was court organist in Weimar. The text of the chorale *Heut' triumphiret Gottes Sohn*, first published in 1591, has variously been credited to Kaspar Stolzhagen, Jakob Ebert, and Basilius Förtsch. It's first line translates as "Today God's Son arose from death and triumph won." The melody used by Bach in BWV 630 is attributed to Bartholomäus Gesius in Gesius's own hymn publication of 1601. — *David Hurd*

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Solemn Mass

The Prelude

Majesté du Christ demandant sa gloire á son Père *(L'Ascension)* Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)

The Entrance Rite

The Entrance Song

All stand at the signal of the bell. The ministers of the assembly enter, and the Choir sings the appointed Introit.

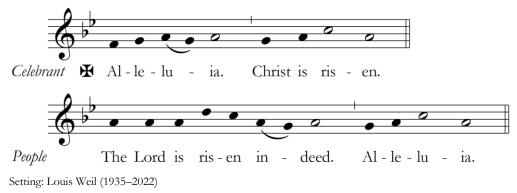
Exaudi, Domine, vocem meam,	Hearken to my voice, O Lord,
qua clamavi ad te, alleluia:	when I call to you, alleluia;
tibi dixit cor meum,	my heart cried out to you,
quaesivi vultum tuum,	I have sought your face,
vultum tuum Domine requiram:	your face, Lord, will I seek;
ne avertas faciem tuam a me,	hide not your face from me,
alleluia, alleluia.	alleluia, alleluia.
Dominus illuminatio mea,	The Lord is my light
et salus mea: quem timebo?	and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
Gloria Patri,	Glory to the Father,
et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.	and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc,	as it was in the beginning, is now,
et semper, et in saecula saeculorum.	and will be for ever.
Amen.	Amen.

The Sprinkling with Holy Water

The Choir sings Vidi aquam as the Celebrant sprinkles the People with holy water. The setting is by David Hurd (b. 1950).

I saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, alleluia, alleluia. And it brought to people everywhere God's life and his salvation, and the people sang in joyful praise: alleluia, alleluia.

The Opening Acclamation



The Song of Praise

The Choir sings Gloria in excelsis. The setting Missa Brevis, by David Hurd (b. 1950).

Gloria in excelsis Deo	Glory to God in the highest,
et in terra pax	and on earth peace
hominibus bonae voluntatis.	to people of good will.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,	We praise you, we bless you,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,	we worship you, we glorify you,
gratias agimus tibi	we give you thanks
propter magnam gloriam tuam.	for your great glory.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,	O Lord God, heavenly King,
Deus Pater omnipotens.	almighty God and Father,
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe,	O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,	O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
qui tollis peccata mundi,	you take away the sins of the world,
miserere nobis;	have mercy on us;
qui tollis peccata mundi,	you take away the sins of the world,
suscipe deprecationem nostram;	receive our prayer;
qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,	you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
miserere nobis.	have mercy on us.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, Tu solus Dominus, Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, ♥ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, H in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant sings

The Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People AMEN.

The Word of God

The Lessons

The Congregation is seated. The first Lesson, Acts 1:15–26, is now read.

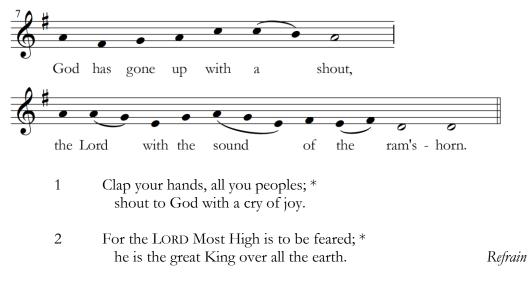
In those days Peter stood up among the brethren (the company of persons was in all about a hundred and twenty), and said, "Brethren, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David, concerning Judas who was guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us, and was allotted his share in this ministry. (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness; and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their language Akel'dama, that is, Field of Blood.) For it is written in the book of Psalms, 'Let his habitation become desolate, and let there be no one to live in it'; and 'His office let another take.' So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsab'bas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthi'as. And they prayed and said, "Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men, show which one of these two thou hast chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside, to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthi'as; and he was enrolled with the eleven apostles.

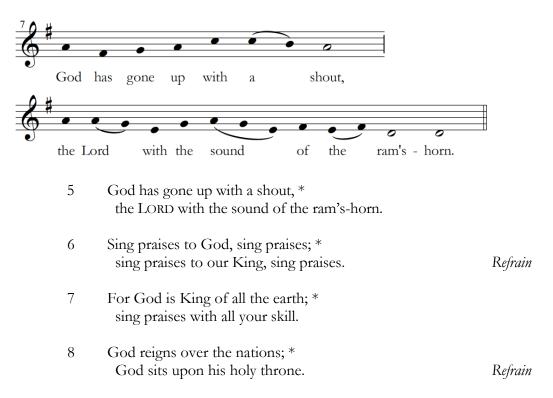
After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-8

The Choir sings the Refrain, and the Congregation repeats it. The verses are sung by the Choir to Anglican chant by Gregory Eaton (b.1959), and the Congregation responds with the Refrain as indicated.





The second Lesson, 1 John 5:9-15, is now read.

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has borne witness to his Son. He who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. He who does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne to his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He who has the Son has life; he who has not the Son of God has not life. I write this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence which we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of him.

After the Lesson, the Reader says

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The Gospel Acclamation

All stand. The ministers of the assembly prepare for the Gospel while the appointed antiphon is sung.

Alleluia. Non vos relinquam orphanos: venio ad vos, et gaudebit cor vestrum. Alleluia. Alleluia. The Lord said, 'I will not leave you desolate; I will come back to you and your hearts will rejoice." Alleluia.

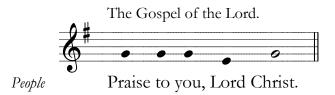
The Holy Gospel

A Minister proclaims the Gospel, first singing



The appointed Gospel, John 17:11b–19, is now proclaimed.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, saying, "Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in thy name, which thou hast given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them thy word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I do not pray that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; thy word is truth. As thou didst send me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth."



The Sermon The Reverend Dr. Matthew Daniel Jacobson







Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

The Prayers of the People

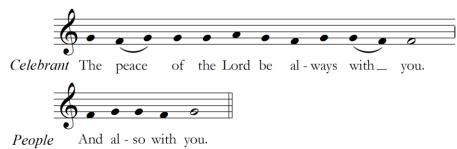
A Minister bids the prayers of the assembly. At the end of each petition the People sing



Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Peace



Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The Preparation of the Gifts

The Congregation is seated as the Choir sings the appointed song and the offerings of the assembly are collected.

Ascendit Deus in iubilatione, Dominus in voce tubae, alleluia. God has gone up with a shout, and the Lord with the sound of the ram's horn, alleluia.

Hymn: Hail thou once despised Jesus

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All stand and sing the hymn while the ushers bring forward the People's gifts of bread, wine, and money, and the Altar is prepared.

The Great Thanksgiving

All remain standing. The Celebrant faces the People and sings



The Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing

The Choir sings Sanctus and Benedictus. The setting is by David Hurd.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,	Holy,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	God o
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.	heaven
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hose
🕈 Benedictus qui venit	₩ Ble.
in nomine Domini.	in the
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hose

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power 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.

The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

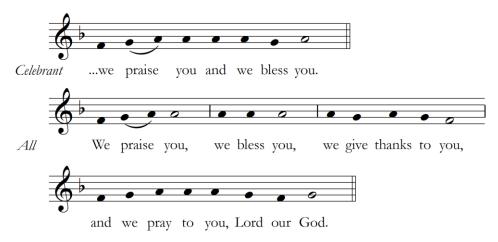
We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again, you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup,



Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapted by Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may # descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

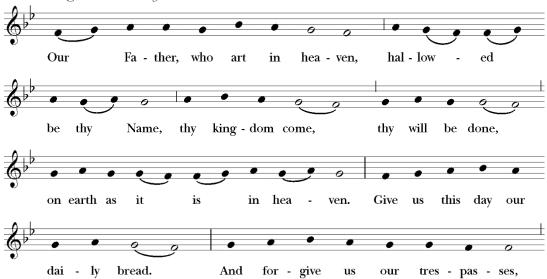
Remember Michael our presiding bishop, Matthew, our own bishop, and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

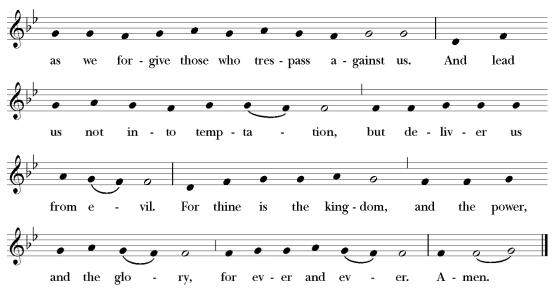


Memorial Acclamation: Ambrosian chant; adapted by Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



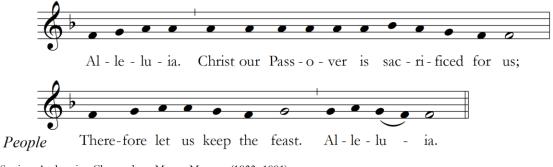
Then all sing the Lord's Prayer.



Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and then a Minister sings



Setting: Ambrosian Chant adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)

The Choir sings Agnus Dei. The setting is by David Hurd.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; dona nobis pacem. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

The Invitation

The Celebrant invites the People to receive the Holy Communion.

We are all invited to the Lord's Table

Those who wish to receive Communion should proceed to the Communion rail, guided by the ushers. At the rail, you may either stand or kneel.

In the Episcopal Church all baptized persons are invited to receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

Persons who do not wish to receive the Holy Communion are also invited to come forward to receive a blessing. If you would like someone to bring you Communion at your seat, please notify an usher. We would be happy to accommodate you.

The Communion Song & Motet

As the ministration of Communion begins, the Choir sings the appointed antiphon.

Pater, cum essem cum eis,	Father, while I was with them,
ego servabam eos,	I kept those
quos dedisti mihi, alleluia:	which thou hast given me, alleluia;
nunc autem ad te venio:	now I am coming to thee;
non rogo ut tollas eos	I do not pray that thou shouldst take them
de mundo,	out of the world,
sed ut serves eos	but that thou shouldst keep them
a malo, alleluia, alleluia.	from the evil one, alleluia, alleluia.

During the ministration of Communion, the Choir sings the motet, Non vos relinquam orphanos. The setting is by William Byrd (c. 1543–1623).

Non vos relinquam orphanos, alleluia.	
Vado, et venio ad vos, alleluia.	
Et gaudebit, cor vestrum, alleluia.	

I will not leave you orphans, alleluia. I go, and I will come to you, alleluia. And your heart shall rejoice, alleluia.

Hymn: Alleluia, sing to Jesus *All stand and sing the hymn.*

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The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant	Almighty and everliving God,
<i>All</i>	we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

People	The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Celebrant	The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, ➡ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People AMEN.

Welcome and Announcements

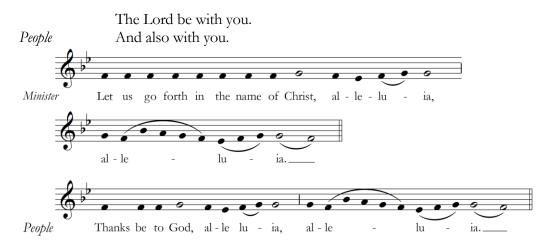
All are seated for the announcements.

Hymn: Praise the Lord through every nation

The Congregation stands and sings the hymn.

The Dismissal

A Minister dismisses the assembly, first singing



The Postlude

Heut' triumphiret Gottes Sohn, BWV 630

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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