

COMMUNION PROCESSION

John 9:11, 38; Psalm 27



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The Secret of Christ [Choir: 10 am]

Shephard

For a long time I have held my peace, but now will I speak. I will lead the blind in a way they know not, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn their darkness into light, and I will not forsake them.

And he showed me a pure river of the water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God; and on either side of the river was there a tree of life, and the leaves of the trees were for the healing of the nations.

Help us, Lord, to persevere in prayer with minds awake and thankful hearts, that we may share the secret of Christ with those we meet on our earthly pilgrimage, following in the steps of Jesus, our Master and our Friend. Amen.

Text: based on Isaiah 42:14-16, Revelation 22:1-3, and The Pilgrim Prayer by Rev. Canon Derrick Walters.
Setting: Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

HYMN OF PRAISE [please stand]

Christ Is the World's Light



1. Christ is the world's Light, he and none oth - er;
2. Christ is the world's Peace, he and none oth - er;
3. Christ is the world's Life, he and none oth - er;
4. Give God the glo - ry, God and none oth - er;



Born in our dark - ness, he be - came our Broth - er.
 No one can serve him and de - spise an - oth - er.
 Sold once for sil - ver, mur - dered here, our Broth - er;
 Give God the glo - ry, Spir - it, Son, and Fa - ther;



If we have seen him, we have seen the Fa - ther:
 Who else u - nites us, one in God the Fa - ther?
 He, who re - deems us, reigns with God the Fa - ther:
 Give God the glo - ry, God in Flesh our Broth - er:



Glo - ry to God on high.

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✠ THE CONCLUDING RITE ✠

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

PROCESSION

Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV

Bach



Today we celebrate the Second Scrutinies for our Elect, those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. **The word scrutiny means to search.** Thus, these Lenten Scrutinies are rites of searching for the Elect, who hope to discover, then heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in their hearts, and to strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good in them through a prayer called an “exorcism,” which follows the Intercessions for the Elect.

The Elect are invited to focus their thoughts on the Man Born Blind and their own “Passover” from blindness to sight. The scrutinies also apply to us, the community of the baptized, who need this strengthening help during Lent on our journey to Easter.

The assembly is invited to pray in silence that these Elect will be given a spirit of repentance, a sense of sin, and the true freedom of the children of God.



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CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- STEWARDS OF GOD'S GIFTS -

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 15, 2026

✠ THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

INTROIT [Choir: 10 am]

cf. Isaiah 66:10, 11; Psalm 121

L aetare Ierusalem: et conventum facite
 Lomnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum
 laetitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exsultetis, et
 satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestrae.
 Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi: in
 domum Domini ibimus.

Rejoice, O Jerusalem; gather round, all you who
 lover her; rejoice in gladness after having been
 in sorrow; exult and be replenished with the
 consolation flowing from her motherly bosom.
 I rejoiced when it was said unto me: "Let us go
 to the house of the Lord."

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Isaiah 66:10-14



Re - joice, O Je - ru - sa - lem, all you who love her.

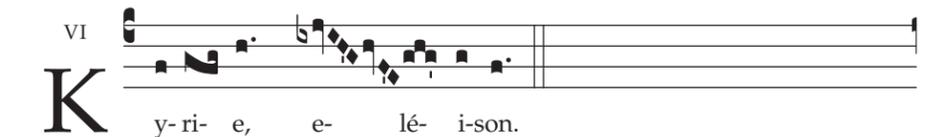
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THE PENITENTIAL ACT

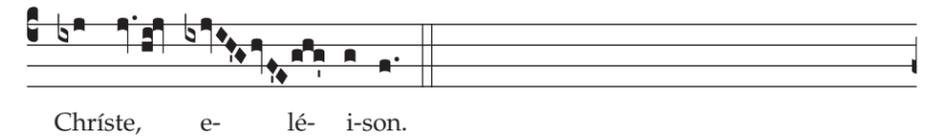
✠ I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have
 greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in
 what I have failed to do, (and, striking their breast, they say):
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
**therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my
 brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

KYRIE ELEISON

Cantor/Choir, then ALL:



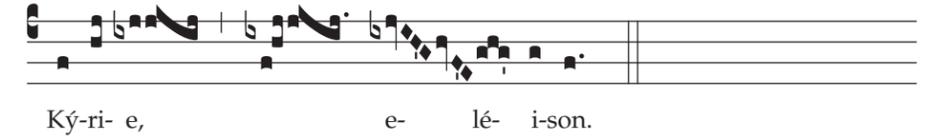
Cantor/Choir, then ALL:



Cantor/Choir:



ALL:



✠ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

READING I

Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

David is anointed as king of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23



The Lord is my shep-herd; there is noth-ing I shall want.

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READING II

Ephesians 5:8-14

Arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & VERSE



Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry!

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GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

John 9:1-41

The man who was blind went off and washed himself and came back able to see.

THE SECOND SCRUTINY [8 am]

DISMISSAL OF THE ELECT [8 am]



I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's



light; Look un - to me, your morn shall rise, And all your



day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I found



In him my star, my sun; And in that light of



life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889
Music: KINGSFOLD, CMD; English melody

PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

[bow] *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,*

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER



Let us pray to the Lord: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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✠ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1. I want to walk as a child of the Light I want to
2. I want to see the Bright-ness of God I want to
3. I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ I want to



fol - low Je - sus God set the stars To give
look at Je - sus Clear Son of right - eous - ness
be with Je - sus When we have run, with



light to the world The Star of my life is Je - sus.
shine on my path And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
pa - tience, the race We shall know the joy of Je - sus.



In Him there is no dark-ness at all The night and the



day are both a - like The Lamb is the Light of the



cit - y of God Shine in my heart Lord Je - sus.

Text: Ephesians 5:8-10, Revelation 21:23, John 12:46, 1 John 5, Hebrews 12:1; Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934
Tune: HOUSTON, 10 7 10 8 with refrain; Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934
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How Long, O Lord? [Choir: 10 am]

March

How long, O Lord, wilt thou forget me? O Lord, forever? How long wilt thou hide thy face from me? How long shall I take counsel in my woul, having sorrow in my heart? How long shall mine enemy be exalted over me? Behold and answer me, O God! Lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death; Lest mine enemy say, "I have prevailed against him!" Lest my foes be joyful when I fall.

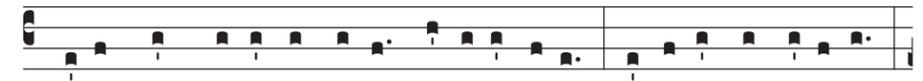
How long, O Lord, wilt thou forget me? O Lord, for ever? How long wilt thou hide thy face from me? As for me, I have confided in thy mercy; My heart shall be joyful in thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath been good to me.

Text: adapted from Psalm 13
Setting: Andrew March (b. 1973)

SANCTUS



S Anctus, * Sánctus, Sánctus Dóminus Déus Sá-baoth.



Pléni sunt caé-li et tér-ra gló-ri-a tú-a. Hosánna in excélsis.



Be-nedíctus qui vénit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excél-sis.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your



Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

DOXOLOGY & AMEN



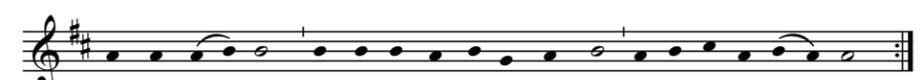
for ev - er and ev - er. ✠ A - men.

✠ THE COMMUNION RITE ✠

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

FRACTION LITANY



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di, mi-se-re-re no - bis.



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di, do-na no-bis pa - cem.

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