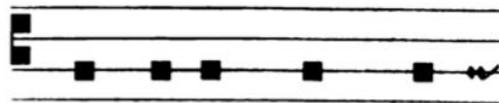


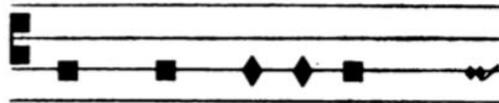


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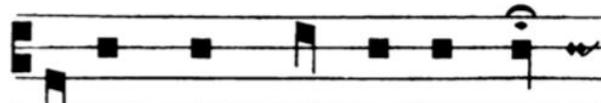


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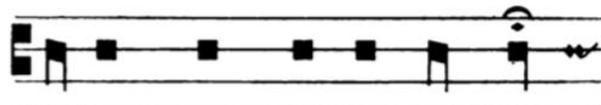
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# EVENSONG

*Please stand when the bells are rung. The Ministers enter as a hymn is sung.*

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;  
your justice like mountains high soaring above,  
your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,  
in all life now living, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,  
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
your angels adore you, all veiling their sight;  
of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart -  
take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight  
what hides you is only the splendour of light;  
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart,  
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

*Walter Chalmers Smith 1824-1908 alt*  
*TIS 143*

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.  
R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.  
R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
R. **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.**

V. Praise ye the Lord.  
R. **The Lord's name be praised.**

*The Officiant welcomes the congregation. Please sit as we sing together the PSALM.*

Psalm 40:11-21

I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation :

lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart :

my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.

I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth :

from the great congregation.

Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord:

let thy loving-kindness and thy truth alway preserve me.

For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold  
upon me that I am not able to look up :

yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath  
failed me.

O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me :

make haste, O Lord, to help me.

Let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul to  
destroy it :

let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.

Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame:

that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.

Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee :

and let such as love thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.

As for me, I am poor and needy :

but the Lord careth for me.

Thou art my helper and redeemer :

make no long tarrying, O my God.

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.

*Remain seated for the FIRST LESSON from the Old Testament.*

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

[44:1-8]

But now hear, O Jacob my servant,  
Israel whom I have chosen!  
Thus says the Lord who made you,  
who formed you in the womb and will help you:  
Do not fear, O Jacob my servant,  
Jeshurun whom I have chosen.  
For I will pour water on the thirsty land,  
and streams on the dry ground;  
I will pour my spirit upon your descendants,  
and my blessing on your offspring.  
They shall spring up like a green tamarisk,  
like willows by flowing streams.  
This one will say, 'I am the Lord's',  
another will be called by the name of Jacob,  
yet another will write on the hand, 'The Lord's',  
and adopt the name of Israel.

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one.

Here endeth the first lesson.

*Please stand to sing the MAGNIFICAT, the Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary*



MY ✕ soul doth | magnify the | Lord :  
 and my spirit hath re | joicèd in | God my | Saviour.  
 For he | hath re | garded :  
 The | lowliness | of his | hand-maiden.  
 For be | hold, from | henceforth :  
 all gene | rations shall | call me | blessèd.  
 For he that is mighty hath | magni•fièd | me :  
 And | holy | is his | Name.  
 And his mercy is on | them that | fear him :  
 Through | out all | gene | rations.  
 He hath shewèd | strength • with his | arm :  
 he hath scatterèd the proud in the imagi | nation | of their | hearts.  
 He hath put down the mighty | from their | seat :  
 and hath ex | alted the | humble and | meek.  
 He hath fillèd the hungry with | good | things :  
 and the rich he | hath sent | empty a | way.  
 He re | membering his | mercy :  
 hath | holpen his | servant | Israel.  
 As he promisèd | to our | fore•fathers :  
 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 :  
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*Please sit for the SECOND LESSON from the New Testament.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians

[4.1-11]

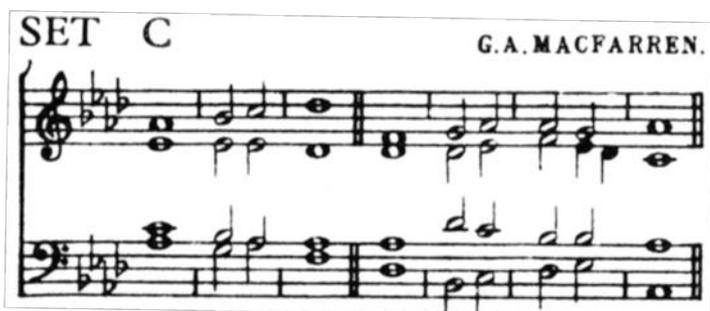
My point is this: heirs, as long as they are minors, are no better than slaves, though they are the owners of all the property; but they remain under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; while we

were minors, we were enslaved to the elemental spirits of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Formerly, when you did not know God, you were enslaved to beings that by nature are not gods. Now, however, that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and beggarly elemental spirits? How can you want to be enslaved to them again? You are observing special days, and months, and seasons, and years. I am afraid that my work for you may have been wasted.

Here endeth the second lesson.

*Please stand to sing NUNC DIMITTIS, the Song of Simeon*



LORD now lettest thou thy servant de | part in | peace :  
ac | cording | to thy | word.

For mine eyes have | seen thy sal | vation :

which thou hast preparèd 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. A | - - | men.

*The APOSTLES' CREED is said.*

**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 catholick Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, ☩ and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The VERSICLES AND RESPONSES are sung.*

V. The Lord be with you.  
R. **And with thy spirit.**

*All kneel or sit*

V. Let us pray.  
V. Lord, have mercy upon us.  
R. **Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
V. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*The LORD'S PRAYER is sung*

**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.

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
R. **And grant us thy salvation.**

V. O Lord, save the King.  
R. **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V. O Lord, save thy people.  
R. **And bless thine inheritance.**

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
R. **Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.**

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
R. **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

*The Officiant sings the COLLECTS.*

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

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 both 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.**

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.**

*Please sit for the MUSICAL REFLECTION*

*Please kneel for the PRAYERS, which conclude*

✠ **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.**

*Please stand to sing the hymn*

1. Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days,  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands, and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.

3. Take my voice, and let me sing  
always, only, for my King.

Take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from thee.

4. Take my silver and my gold,  
nothing, Lord, would I withhold.

Take my intellect, and use  
every power as thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

6. Take my love: my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

*Frances Ridley Havergal 1836-79 alt  
TIS 599(i)*

*Remain standing for the BLESSING.*

*The organist plays the POSTLUDE*

*Please join us for cheese and wine after the service.*



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