

Saint John's Episcopal Church—Gloucester, Massachusetts
The Third Sunday in Lent
March 7, 2020



Welcome
Regular worshiper, first-timer, or occasional visitor,
we hope you will enjoy our fellowship!

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Music Notes 🎵

Hymn 152, “Kind Maker of the World, O Hear” is a Latin office hymn ascribed to Gregory the Great (540-604), the namesake for “Gregorian Chant.” It is likely a poem from perhaps the 7th century. The words first appeared in the Hymnal 1940 along with the same tune “*A la venue de Noël*.” One notices that this tune is actually a French Christmas song! The tune is documented in French royal music books from the late 1400s. It was popular enough to invite variations by organists from the 18th century and continuing through the 20th century. The tune is included in Charpentier’s great *Messe de minuit pour Noël*. Being in a minor key, it is at odds with our Victorian Christmas (lullaby) ideal. The Hymnal 1982 Companion states: “Here the dark modal quality of the tune is in keeping with the deeply penitential nature of the text.”

Hymn 436 “Lift up your heads, Ye Mighty Gates” seems like an unusual choice for Lent, yet it is a faithful commentary on the Gospel reading: John 2:13-22.

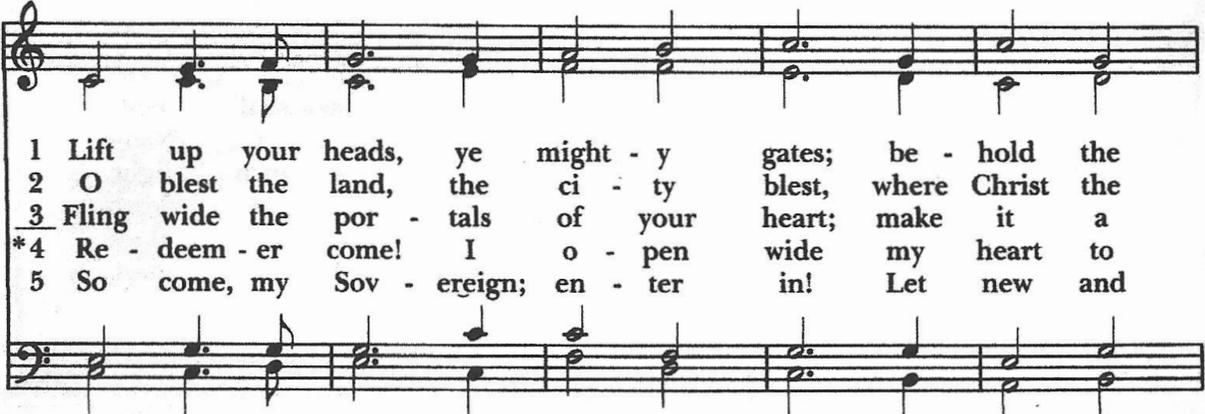
Our choir check in this past Thursday included participating with the Royal School of Church Music in England in their weekly recorded Compline. The service was shared to 2 singers, that works within the context of online singing. It also included a small choir who sang several short pieces by Tallis, which we had copies and could sing along! You can see this here: https://youtu.be/N_Es5oLu7kI. We had several guests and you too can join us by contacting me: mark@stjohnsgloucester.org

Voluntary

Flute Piece

Thomas Thorley (18th Century)

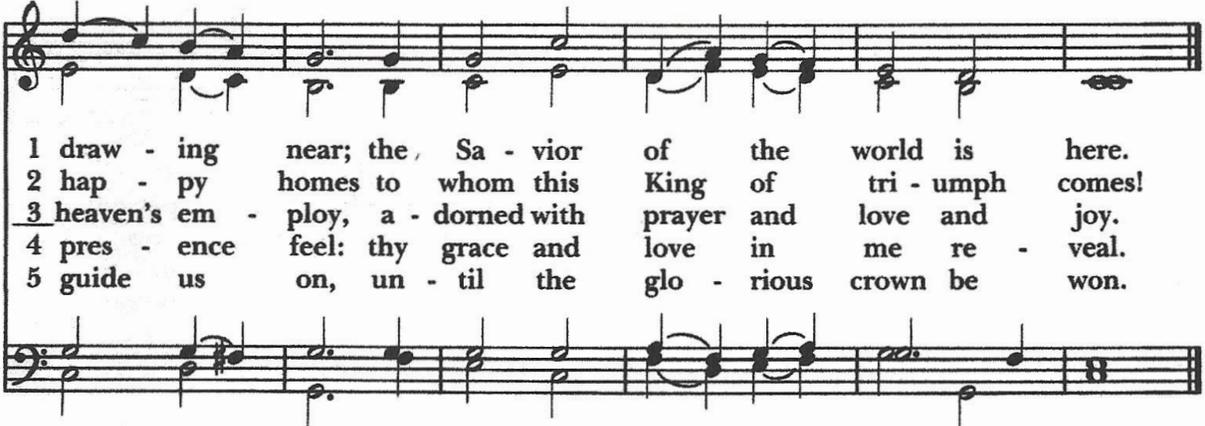
Please join in singing hymn 436:



1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the
 2 O blest the land, the ci - ty blest, where Christ the
 3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a
 *4 Re - deem - er come! I o - pen wide my heart to
 5 So come, my Sov - ereign; en - ter in! Let new and



1 King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is
 2 ru - ler is con - fessed! O hap - py hearts and
 3 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for
 4 thee: here, Lord, a - bide! Let me thy in - ner
 5 no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spi - rit



1 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here.
 2 hap - py homes to whom this King of tri - umph comes!
 3 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
 4 pres - ence feel: thy grace and love in me re - veal.
 5 guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

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All stand

Officiant I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him,
“Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,
and am no more worthy to be called thy son.”

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

All stand

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Officiant and People

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Please join in singing the invitatory hymn:

Trisagion

Sung three times.

Music: Marty Wheeler Burnett



Flute

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might - y,

The first line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains three measures of music. The first measure starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The second measure contains a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The third measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, and a quarter note E4. The lyrics "Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might - y," are aligned under the notes.



Ho - ly im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.

The second line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains eight measures of music. The first measure starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The second measure contains a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The third measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, and a quarter note E4. The fourth measure contains a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and a quarter note B3. The fifth measure contains a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, and a quarter note F#3. The sixth measure contains a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, and a quarter note C3. The seventh measure contains a quarter note B2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note G2. The eighth measure contains a quarter note F#2, a quarter note E2, and a quarter note D2. The lyrics "Ho - ly im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us." are aligned under the notes.

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Canticle 9: a metrical setting

First Song of Isaiah (12:2-6)

Torah Song



Sure - ly God is my sal - va - tion, I will trust and shall not fear.
Thus with joy you shall draw wa - ter from sal - va - tion's wells and spring.
Tell the na - tions of God's glo - ry, make this known in all the earth.



God the Lord is strong and might - y, my sal - va - tion true.
Sing your thanks to God Al - might - y for these won - drous deeds.
Praise the Lord, the God of Is - rael, call up - on God's name.



Shout a - loud and sing for joy, O daugh - ter Zi - on!



Great in your midst is the Lord, the Ho - ly One!

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

You Are Beloved (Canticle N)

Ana Hernandez

You are be - love-ed, be - loved of God for God is Love.
You are loved for God is love. God is Love.
You are be-loved for God is love. You are be-loved of God.

So let us love one an - oth-er for God is love.
So let us love, for God is love, for God is love.
So let us love one an - oth-er for God is love.
You are be - loved for God is love, for God is love.

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Third Reading

John 2:13-22

Sermon

Apostles' Creed "Pentatonic"

Mark Nelson



I be-lieve in God, the Fa-ther al-might-y, cre-at-or of heav-en and earth;



I be-lieve in Je-sus Christ, his on-ly Son, our Lord. He was con-ceived by the



pow-er of the Ho-ly Spi-rit and born of the Vir-gin Mar-y.



He suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, was cru-ci-fied, died, and was bur-ied.



He de-scend-ed to the dead. On the third day he rose a-gain. He a-scend-ed in-to heav-en,



and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther.



He will come a-gain to judge the liv-ing and the dead. I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit,



the ho-ly cath-olic Church, the com-mun-ion of saints, the for-give-ness of sins



the re-sur-rect-ion of the bod-y, and the life ev-er-last-ing. A-men. A-men.

The Prayers

The people stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**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.**

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. **And grant us thy salvation.**

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. **Thy saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

The Officiant then says the following Collects

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Collect of Ash Wednesday

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. **Amen.**

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.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

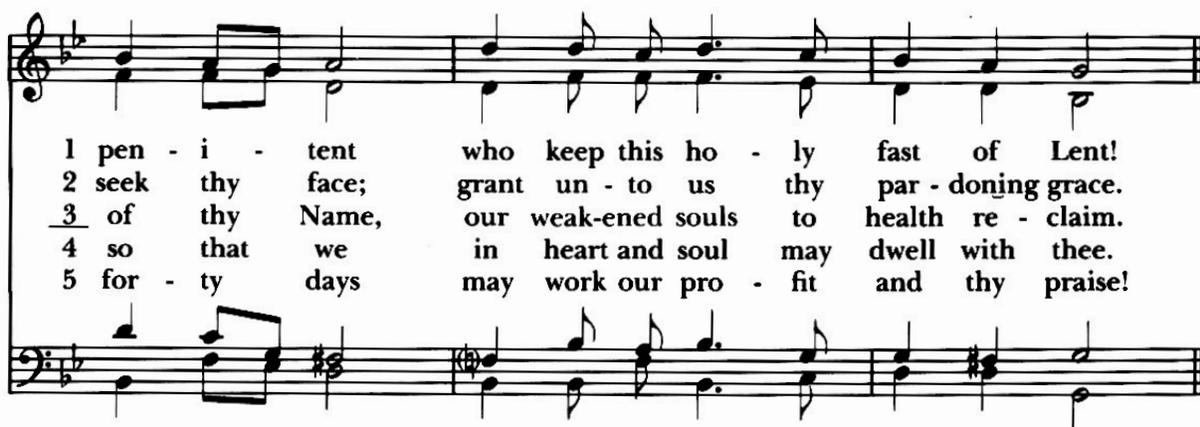
Please join in singing hymn 152:



1 Kind Ma - ker of the world, O hear the fer - vent
 2 Each heart is man - i - fest to thee; thou know - est
 3 Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess our sins and
 4 Give us the dis - ci - pline that springs from ab - sti -
 5 Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty; grant, O un -



1 prayer, with man - ya tear poured forth by all the
 2 our in - fir - mi - ty; now we re - pent, and
 3 all our wick - ed - ness, and, for the glo - ry
 4 nence in out - ward things with in - ward fast - ing,
 5 chang - ing U - ni - ty; that this our fast of



1 pen - i - tent who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!
 2 seek thy face; grant un - to us thy par - doning grace.
 3 of thy Name, our weak - ened souls to health re - claim.
 4 so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.
 5 for - ty days may work our pro - fit and thy praise!

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 Music: *A la venue de Noël*, melody from *Fleurs des noëls*, 1535

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