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Michaelmas Term 2024

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Tavener, *O do not move*

O do not move,
Listen to the gentle beginning.

Words *Giorgos Seferis (1900–71)*
Music *John Tavener (1944–2013)*

Purcell, *Man that is born of woman*

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John 1: 1–13

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognise him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God – ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

John 1: 14–

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Luke 9: 37–50

The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. ³⁸ A man in the crowd called out, 'Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. ³⁹ A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. ⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not'

⁴¹ 'You unbelieving and perverse generation,' Jesus replied, 'how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here.'

⁴² Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father. ⁴³ And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

While everyone was marvelling at all that Jesus did, he said to his disciples, ⁴⁴ 'Listen carefully to what I am about to tell you: the Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men.' ⁴⁵ But they did not understand what this meant. It was hidden from them, so that they did not grasp it, and they were afraid to ask him about it.

⁴⁶ An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest. ⁴⁷ Jesus, knowing their thoughts, took a little child and made him stand beside him. ⁴⁸ Then he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For it is the one who is least among you all who is the greatest.'

⁴⁹ 'Master,' said John, 'we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we tried to stop him, because he is not one of us.'

⁵⁰ 'Do not stop him,' Jesus said, 'for whoever is not against you is for you.'

And around the wicked in Hell's abyss
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Of dreadful things you did: O hang the head,
Impetuous child with the tremendous brain,
O weep, child, weep, O weep away the stain,
Lost innocence who wished your lover dead,
Weep for the lives your wishes never led.

O cry created as the bow of sin
Is drawn across our trembling violin.

O weep, child, weep, O weep away the stain.

O law drummed out by hearts against the still
Long winter of our intellectual will.

That what has been may never be again.

O flute that throbs with the thanksgiving breath
Of convalescents on the shores of death.

O bless the freedom that you never chose.

O trumpets that unguarded children blow
About the fortress of their inner foe.

O wear your tribulation like a rose.

*Blessed Cecilia, appear in visions
To all musicians, appear and inspire:
Translated Daughter, come down and startle
Composing mortals with immortal fire.*

Words *W.H. Auden (1907–73)*
Music *Benjamin Britten (1913–76)*

Purcell, *In the midst of life*

Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven and in earth: and in the sea, and in all deep places.
 He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world: and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.
 He smote the first-born of Egypt: both of man and beast.
 He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land of Egypt: upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.
 He smote divers nations: and slew mighty kings;
 Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan: and all the kingdoms of Canaan;
 And gave their land to be an heritage: even an heritage unto Israel his people.
 Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever: so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.
 For the Lord will avenge his people: and be gracious unto his servants.
 As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold: the work of men's hands.
 They have mouths, and speak not: eyes have they, but they see not.
 They have ears, and yet they hear not: neither is there any breath in their mouths.
 They that make them are like unto them: and so are all they that put their trust in them.
 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel: praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.
 Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi: ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
 Praised be the Lord out of Sion: who dwelleth at Jerusalem.
 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.

John 1: 19–28

Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. ²⁰ He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, 'I am not the Messiah.'

²¹ They asked him, 'Then who are you?' He answered and

John 1: 29–34

²⁹ The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, 'Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is the one I meant when I said, "A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me." ³¹ I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptising with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.'

³² Then John gave this testimony: 'I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. ³³ And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptise with water told me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit." ³⁴ I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One.'

O Almighty and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L. Berkeley, *Thou hast made me*

Thou hast made me, and shall thy worke decay?
Repaire me now, for now mine end doth haste,

1 (Ley)

Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners: and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side: that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement: neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

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.

John 1: 35–42

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶ When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, 'Look, the Lamb of God!'

³⁷ When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Turning round, Jesus saw them following and asked, 'What do you want?'

They said, 'Rabbi' (which means 'Teacher'), 'where are you staying?'

³⁹ 'Come,' he replied, 'and you will see.'

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, 'We have found the Messiah' (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus.

John 1: 43–51

The next day Jesus de

⁵⁰ Jesus said, 'You believe

⁶⁰ Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God.'

⁶¹ Still another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family.'

⁶²

9: 1–12 (plainsong)

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: I will speak of all thy marvellous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: yea, my songs will I make of thy Name, O thou most Highest. While mine enemies are driven back: they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

For thou hast maintained my right and my cause: thou art set in the throne that judgest right.

Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly: thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: even as the cities which thou hast destroyed, their memorial is perished with them.

But the Lord shall endure for ever: he hath also prepared his seat for judgement.

For he shall judge the world in righteousness: and minister true judgement unto the people.

The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed: even a refuge in due time of trouble.

And they that know thy Name will put their trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee.

O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion: shew the people of his doings.

For when he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

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.

John 2: 1–12

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him,

scattered the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ To those who sold doves he said, 'Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!' ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it is written: 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'

¹⁸ The Jews then responded to him, 'What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?'

¹⁹ Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days.'

²⁰ They replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?' ²¹ But the temple he had spoken of was his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

²³ Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name. ²⁴ But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people. ²⁵ He did not need any testimony about mankind, for he knew what was in each person.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Purcell, *Thou tun'st this world*

Thou tun'st this world below, the spheres above,
who in the heavenly round to their own music move.

Words *Nicholas Brady* (1659–1726)
Music *Henry Purcell* (1659–95)

White, *Christe qui lux es et dies IV*

Christe qui lux es et dies,
noctis tenebras detegis,
lucisque lumen crederis,
lumen beatum praedicans.

*O Christ, who are the light and day,
you drive away the darkness of night;
you are called the light of light,
for you proclaim the blessed light.*

Precamur, Sancte Domine,
defende nos in hac nocte;
sit nobis in te requies,
quietam noctem tribue.

*We beseech you, Holy Lord,
protect us this night;
let us take our rest in you,
grant us a tranquil night.*

Ne gravis somnus irruat,
nec hostis nos surripiat,
nec caro illi consentiens
nos tibi reos statuatur.

*Let our sleep be free from care,
let not the enemy snatch us away,
nor flesh conspire with him
and make us guilty in your sight.*

Oculi somnum capiant,
cor ad te semper vigilet,
dextera tua protegat
famulos qui te diligunt.

*Though our eyes are filled with sleep,
keep our hearts forever awake to you,
let your right hand protect
your loving servants.*

Defensor noster, aspice,
insidiantes reprime;
guberna tuos famulos,
quos sanguine mercatus es.

*You who are our shield, behold,
restrain those that lie in wait;
and guide your servants,
whom you have ransomed with your blood.*

Memento nostri, Domine,
in gravi isto corpore;
qui es defensor animae,
adesto nobis Domine.

*Remember us, O Lord,
who bear the burden of this mortal form;
you who are the defender of the soul,
be near us, O Lord.*

Deo Patri sit gloria,
eiusque soli Filio,
cum Spiritu Paraclito,
et nunc et in perpetuum. Amen.

*Glory be to God the Father,
and to his only Son,
with the Spirit, the Comforter,
both now and evermore. Amen.*

Words *Hymn at Compline*
Music *Robert White (c. 1538–74)*

4 (plainsong)

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble;
have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour: and have such pleasure in vanity, and
seek after leasing?

Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly: when I call upon the
Lord he will hear me.

Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

Offer the sacrifice of righteousness: and put your trust in the Lord.

There be many that say: Who will show us any good?

Lord, lift thou up: the light of thy countenance upon us.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart: since the time that their corn and wine and oil increased.

I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest: for it is thou

He shall deliver me from my strongest enemy, and from them which hate me: for they are too mighty for me.

They prevented me in the day of my trouble: but the Lord was my upholder.

He brought me forth also into a place of liberty: he brought me forth, even because he had a favour unto me.

The Lord shall reward me after my righteous dealing: according to the cleanness of my hands shall he recompense me.

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.

John 3: 1-8

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

¹⁶ 'Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me.'

Schnittke, *Bogorodiste Devo*

Bogoroditse Devo, raduissya,
Blagodatnaya Mariye, Gospod sToboyu.
Blagoslovyenna Ty v zhenakh,
i blogaslovyen Plod chryeva Tvoyego,
yako Spassa rodila yessi dush nashikh.

*Rejoice, O Virgin Mary,
Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
for thou hast borne the Saviour of our souls.*

Words from *the Liturgy of Vespers*
Music *Alfred Schnittke (1934–98)*

34 (Pratt)

I will always 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 t

Job 7: 1-6, 11-16

¹Do not mortals have hard service on earth?

Are not their days like those of hired labourers?

²Like a slave longing for the evening shadows,
or a hired labourer waiting to be paid,

³so I have been allotted months of futility,
and nights of misery have been assigned to me.

⁴When I lie down I think, "How long before I get up?"
The night drags on, and I toss and turn until dawn.

⁵My body is clothed with worms and scabs,
my skin is broken and festering.

⁶'My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle,
and they come to an end without hope.

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believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God – ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

¹⁵ (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, 'This is the one I spoke about when I said, "He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me."') ¹⁶ Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in the closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bullock, *Give us the wings of faith*

Give us the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The Saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came;
They, with one united breath,
Ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
His zeal inspired their breast;
And, following their incarnate God,
They reach'd their promised rest.

Words *Isaac Watts (1674–1748)*
Music *Ernest Bullock (1890–1979)*

Stanford, *Iustorum animae*

Iustorum animae in manu Dei sunt,

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,

O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.
With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.
The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world

Ramsey, *How are the mighty fallen*

How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle.
O Jonathan, thou wast slain in thy high places.
O Jonathan, woe is me for thee,
O Jonathan, my brother Jonathan, very kind hast thou been to me:
thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.
How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war destroyed.

Words *2 Samuel 1: 25–27*
Music *Robert Ramsey (c. 1612–44)*

Beach, *Peace I leave with you*

Peace, I leave with you,
My peace I give unto you:
Not as the world giveth, Give I unto you.
Let not your heart be troubled,
Neither let it be afraid.

Words *John 14: 27*
Music *Amy Beach (1867–1944)*

62 (Boyce)

My soul truly waiteth still upon God: for of him cometh my salvation.
He verily is my strength and my salvation: he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.
How long will ye imagine mischief against every man: ye shall be slain all the sort of you; yea, as a
tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.
Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt: their delight is in lies; they give good
words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.
Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God

⁴ Now he had to go through Samaria. ⁵ So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot

Bairstow, *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and stand with fear and trembling,
and lift itself above all earthly thought.

For the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Christ our God,
cometh forth to be our oblation, and to be given for Food to the faithful.
Before him come the choirs of angels, with every principality and power;
the Cherubim with many eyes, and winged Seraphim,
who veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn, Alleluia.

Words from *The Liturgy of St. James*
Music *Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)*

Harris, *Let my prayer into Thy presence*

Let my prayer come up into Thy presence as incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands be as an evening sacrifice. Alleluya.

Words *Psalm 141: 2*
Music *William Harris (1883–1973)*

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³³ Then his disciples said to each other, 'Could someone have brought him food?'

³⁴ 'My food,' said Jesus, 'is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. ³⁵ Don't you have a saying, "It's still four months until harvest"? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. ³⁶ Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. ³⁷ Thus the saying "One sows and another reaps" is true. ³⁸ I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labour.'

John 5: 10-15

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I've ever done.' ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. ⁴¹ And because of his words many more became believers.

⁴² They said to the woman, 'We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Saviour of the world.'

⁴³ After the two days he left for Galilee. ⁴⁴ (Now Jesus himself had pointed out that a prophet has no honour in his own country.) ⁴⁵ When he arrived in Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him. They had seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, for they also had been there.

⁴⁶ Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay ill at Capernaum. ⁴⁷ When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death.

⁴⁸ 'Unless you people see signs and wonders,' Jesus told him, 'you will never believe.'

⁴⁹ The royal official said, 'Sir, come down before my child dies.'

⁵⁰ 'Go,' Jesus replied, 'your son will live.'

The man took Jesus at his word and departed. ⁵¹ While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. ⁵² When he enquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, 'Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him.'

⁵³ Then the father realised that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, 'Your son will live.' So he and his whole household believed.

⁵⁴ This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.

O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Vaughan Williams, *A Choral Flourish*

Exultate, justi,
Exultate, justi, in Domino;
Rectos decet collaudatio.
Confitemini Domino in cithara;
cantate ei canticum novum;
Bene psallite ei in vociferatione.
Quia rectum est verbum Domini,
et omnia opera ejus in fide.

*O be joyful ye righteous,
O be joyful in the Lord ye righteous;
For praise is comely for the upright.
Praise the Lord with harp,
sing praises unto Him, sing a new song.
Sing ye praises lustily unto Him with a good courage,
For the word of the Lord is right,
and all his works are done in truth.*

Words *Psalm 32*

Music *Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*

95 (Goss)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.
O come, let us worship and fall down: and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts: as in the provocation, and as in the day of
temptation in the wilderness;
When your fathers tempted me: proved me, and saw my works.
Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said: It is a people that do err in their hearts,
for they have not known my ways;
Unto whom I sware in my wrath: that they should not enter into my rest.
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.

Exodus 31: 1–11

hast all our fathers led:
Our vows and prayers we now present
before Thy throne of grace;
God of our fathers, be the God

¹³ The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there.

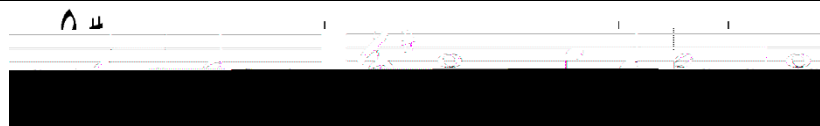
¹⁴ Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, 'See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you.' ¹⁵ The man went away and told the Jewish leaders that it was Jesus who had made him well.

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the

Exodus 3: 1–14

For everything there is a season,
and a time for every purpose under heaven:
2 a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
3 a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build up,
4 a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
5 a time to cast away stones and a time to gather stones together,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
6 a time to seek and a time to lose,
a time to keep and a time to cast away,
7 a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to keep silence and a time to speak,
8 a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

⁹What do workers gain from their toil? ¹⁰I have seen the burden God has laid on the human race. ¹¹He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart.



Cantor His power is an everlasting power that shall not be taken away;
His Kingdom shall not be destroyed.
(*Alleluia...*)

Luke 18: 9–17

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable:

¹⁰Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: "God, I thank you that I am not like other people – robbers, evildoers, adulterers – or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get."

¹³ 'But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, " God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

¹⁴ 'I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

¹⁵ People were also bringing babies to Jesus for him to place his hands on them. When the disciples saw this, they rebuked them. ¹⁶ But Jesus called the children to him and said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁷ Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it'

Reena Esmail, *We look for You*

Eventide, our single star,

One looking star, this night.

Next to me, the sparrow hen,

Two pilgrims small and bold.

Dusking hour, that lone(ha) a-2e£1 12.96 Tf1 0 0 1 t4m.6571 0 595.32 841.92 reWW*nQ EMC P KICID 11B

David Bednall, *Noe, noe*

Noe, noe.
Resonet in laudibus, cum jucundis plausibus,
Sion cum fidelibus apparuit quem genuit Maria.

Noe, noe.

Parvulus filius hodie natus est nobis,
Salvator mundi.
Cantemus et exultemus et laetemur in eo dicentes:
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Noe, noe.

*Noel, noel.
Let Zion resound in praises and with joyful acclaim,
together with the faithful, he whom Mary bore has
appeared.
Noel, noel.*

*A tiny son has been born for us today,
the saviour of the world.
Let us sing, rejoice, and be glad in him, saying:
Glory to God in the highest.
Noel, noel.*

Words *Anonymous 15th century carol*
Music *David Bednall (1979–)*

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Luke 6: 37–45

The people walking in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep darkness
a light has dawned.

³You have enlarged the nation
and increased their joy;
they rejoice before you
as people rejoice at the harvest,
as warriors rejoice
when dividing the plunder.

⁴For as in the day of Midian's defeat,
you have shattered
the yoke that burdens them,
the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor.

