

Welcome

Hymn 273

The Gathering

(Page 1 Red Prayer Book)

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, our own God, will bless us.

Prayer of Preparation *(Page 2)*

Invitation to Penitence

Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor, and repent of the ways in which we waste the resources of the world.

Prayer of Penitence *(Page 3)*

Prayer of Absolution *(Page 4)*

Gloria in Excelsis *(Page 5)*

The Collect

Bountiful God, you crown the year with your goodness and give us the fruits of the earth in due season: give us grateful hearts that we may sincerely thank you for all your loving kindness, and truly care for your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy chapter eight, verses 7-18

The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to

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yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Anthem:

Let the Peoples Praise you (Alan Smith)

Second Reading Pew Sheet

A reading from the Second Epistle

to the Corinthians chapter nine, verses 6- end.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! *This is the word of the Lord*

Hymn 253

Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according St Mark (4:26-29)

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon

the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." *This is the Gospel of the Lord:*

Praise to you O Christ.

Children's Talk *(If children are present)*

Sermon

Intercession *(Page 8 Red Prayer Book)*

The Peace *(Page 9 Red Prayer Book)*

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The Eucharistic Prayer (E) *(Page 30)*

The Lord's Prayer *(Page 12 [2nd version])*

Breaking of the Bread *(Page 13)*

Agnus Dei *(Page 13 Red Prayer Book)*

Giving of Communion *(Page 14)*

(If you are not confirmed and would like a blessing,

come to the altar rail holding a prayer book)

Post Communion Prayer

Living God, in this holy meal.....

Prayer after Communion *Page 16*

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

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Notices

Blessing

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Organ Postlude

A Paschal Fanfare Malcolm Archer

6.30pm Tonight

Choral Evensong

Hymn 274 *To thee, O Lord, our hearts*

Psalm 119 *(vv 121-128 page 287)*

1st Lesson: *Deuteronomy 28:1-14*

Cantate D. *Psalm 98 (page 253)*

2nd Lesson: *Luke 12: 16-30*

Deus Mis. *Psalm 67 (page 213)*

Anthem *O Thou the central orb (Wood)*

Hymn 275 *We plough the fields and scatter*

Prayers *Andrew*

Hymn 254 *For the fruits of the creation*

Sermon *Andrew*

Hymn (sheet) *Praise our God for his creation*

Voluntary

Toccata Joseph Callaertes (1838-1901)