

Second Sunday in Easter

April 11th, 2021 9:00 a.m. Virtual Worship



Miserere Series, Plate 32, *Lord, it is you, I know you*
Georges Rouault

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GATHERING

Prelude: *Fanfare, Intermezzo, and Finale Jubilante* from *Five Pieces for Organ*

Healey Willan

Healey Willan (1880-1968) is often called the “Dean of Canadian Composers.” Although he wrote in nearly all classical genres and spent many years as a music professor, he is most celebrated for his contribution to sacred music. From 1921 until his death he served as organist and music director at the Anglo-Catholic Church of St. Mary Magdalene in Toronto. Born in England (but of Irish descent), he was fond of summarizing his heritage by describing himself as: “English by birth; Canadian by adoption; Irish by extraction; Scotch by absorption.” This suite was written from 1957-58 for the 1959 dedication of a new organ in Ottawa.

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THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamations

Celebrant. Alleluia. Christ is risen.

***People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Epistle

1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone

does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Gospel

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Barbara White, Seminarian

Music for Reflection: *We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight*

Hymn 209

We walk by faith, and not by sight; no gracious words we hear from him who spoke as none e'er spoke; but we believe him near. We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod; but in his promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!" Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound, to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found: that, when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light we may behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

Garrett Gerard, soloist

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt.

Music: *St. Botolph*, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People

Form II, BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those in our community _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored especially whom we remember today. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The celebrant concludes with prayers and a collect

The Lord's Prayer

Priest 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.**

The Offertory Anthem: *Up, Up My Heart with Gladness*

J. S. Bach

Up, up my heart with gladness, and learn what did befall when, after days of sadness, the Light was shed o'er all. Three days, within the tomb, Jesus lay in the gloom; then conquering Hell's domain he rose in glory to reign. Straightway our Lord descended, contending Satan's might. But when the battle ended he broke the bonds of night. Now is the victory won; let songs of praise be sung; and raise the banners high; for Man no more shall die. Come, then your voices raising, and join the Easter throng of Saints and Angels praising in one united song Jesus, the God of Love, risen to reign above; who after such fierce strife, has gained us endless life.

Johann Crüger (1598-1662) was the editor of the most widely used Lutheran hymnal of the 17th century, Praxis pietatis melica, and the author of numerous hymns. He wrote this Easter chorale in 1648. Nearly a century later, in 1736, Leipzig church musician Georg Christian Schemelli (c. 1676-1762) published his Musicalisches Gesang-Buch (Musical songbook), a collection of 954 sacred songs with texts in the tradition of pietism, probably intended for private contemplation. The great Leipzig composer J. S. Bach (1685-1750) contributed to the collection, but musicologists debate to what extent. This adaptation of Crüger's 1648 Easter chorale is one of Bach's contributions to Schemelli's songbook.

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Announcements

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Postlude: *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*

Healey Willan

Willan wrote this setting of Hymn 205 during a prolific period following his retirement from university teaching in 1950. He wrote over 100 works for organ during this time, including scores of hymn settings that combined formal structures of the Baroque chorale prelude with the neo-Romantic harmonic language of the mid-20th century.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Formation Series starts today, 9:45am: *The Resurrection Appearances*: discussing the various resurrection accounts in scripture throughout Eastertide, led by The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings.

DOK monthly meeting is today, at 12:15pm on Zoom. For inquires email here: st.theresa.dok@gmail.com.

Men's Group, Monday, April 12th, 6pm, St. Mark's Parking Lot:

Grill master Britt will be cooking up some BBQ! Please bring a mask and a chair. BBQ+beverages will be provided; small donations are requested to help offset the cost. Please respond to [Bill Kibler](#) for planning purposes. All men of St. Mark's are invited!

St. Mark's Annual Bishop Visitation & Confirmation will be on Sunday, April 25th, with Bishop Kai Ryan.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

- **In-person worship:** services at 10am (Family Picnic Eucharist, Front Lawn) and 11:15am (Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Parking Lot). RSVPs here: stmarksaustin.org/rsvp.
- **Sunday Virtual Worship, 9:00 a.m.:** *Please join us online* - links available on our website.
- **Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.:** *a new class will resume on Sunday, April 11th.*
- **Tuesday Noon Bible Study:** the link will be shared on our website. All are welcome!
- **Morning Prayer meets 8:30 a.m. M-F.** Check our home page for the link: www.stmarksaustin.org.

Parish Intercession List

You are invited to use this Intercession List to pray for those listed below.

For healthcare workers and teachers: Heather, Michael B., Christine, Eric, Joan, Beth, Mac, Jodi, Courtney, Russ, Nicole, Jewellyn, Jana Kay, Steven, Pam, Marcille, Jesse, Laurie, Charles, Cilla, Jonea, Jennifer R., Jennifer S., Samuel, Mary, Jordan, Jeffrey, Kim, Michael T., Amber, Aaron, Sarah, Laurie, Jennifer, Chez, James., Cindy.

For those celebrating birthdays: Amber Ramsey, Alma Sullivan, Jack Sullivan, Mairin Bachschmid, Samantha Harwood, Jodi Doran, Amber Featherstone-Uwague, Caroline Blanding, Stephen Davis, Molly Lynd.

For those celebrating anniversaries: George & John De Marines, Cindy & Dan Bogard, Alana & Patrick Hatton, Jodi & Jay Doran, Corinne & Brendan Callahan.

For those who have died: Rex White, husband of Brenda White; John Cartier, brother of Susan Willis; James Pazdral, son of George Pazdral; Margaret Smythe, sister of Joe Moldenhauer.

For those whom the Daughters of the King pray.

Lector: Cindy Bogard



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