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Choral Evensong **Honouring St. Patrick's Day**

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

4:00 P.M.

In-Person & Livestream

The Clergy of Christ Church Cathedral
Christ Church Cathedral Choir
&
Rupert Lang, *Organist & Director of Music*

Sunday Services

Holy Communion | 8:00 a.m. | Using the Book of Common Prayer
Choral Eucharist | 10:30 a.m. | Using the Book of Alternative Services
Eucharist with St. Brigid's | 1:30 p.m. | Contemplative and contemporary liturgy
Compline | 8:00 p.m. | Timeless service featuring Gregorian Chant

Weekday Worship at the Cathedral

Morning Prayer | *Monday—Friday* | 9:30 a.m. (on Zoom)
Holy Eucharist | *Monday—Friday* | 12:15 p.m.
Holy Eucharist | *Thursday* | 7:30 a.m. (with breakfast following)
Rite of Reconciliation (Confession) | *4th Wednesday* | 11:00 a.m.—Noon
Healing Prayers & Anointing | *Wednesday* | Following the 12:15 p.m. Eucharist

Calendar of Events

Spring Equinox Labyrinth Week | *March 18—March 21*
Music of the Labyrinth | *March 21*
Maundy Thursday Supper | *March 28* | 5:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Hymn Fest | *May 26* | 4:00 p.m.

Hold these Dates

Spring Bonnet and Cream Tea Day | *Sunday, April 14*
Africa Day | *Saturday, May 25*
National Indigenous Day of Prayer | *Sunday, June 23*

Holy Week Services

Teilhard de Chardin Mass | *Monday, March 25* | 7:30 p.m.
Holden Evening Prayer | *Tuesday, March 26* | 7:30 p.m.
Tenebrae | *Wednesday, March 27* | 7:30 p.m.
Maundy Thursday Eucharist | *Thursday, March 28* | 7:30 p.m.
Songs on the Road to the Cross | *Friday, March 29* | 1:00 p.m.
Good Friday Service | *Friday, March 29* | 3:00 p.m.
Great Vigil of Easter | *Saturday, March 30* | 8:00 p.m.

Welcome to Christ Church Cathedral

Whether today is your first time with us, or if this is your spiritual home, we welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral. We're glad that you're here today.

We envision a radically inclusive, restlessly inquisitive, intentional, and inspired Cathedral. This is a place that is called to lead and to serve, in communion and community, with healing, reconciliation, and love, living out the Christian mission. Together, we look to the power of Christ for the transformation of each person, this city of Vancouver, and the world.

We recognize our history and traditions while seeking renewal and growth in spiritual depth and size. Curious and adaptable, this chorus has room for every voice—especially yours.

To learn more about the many ministries and opportunities for service in this community, please visit our website: www.thecathedral.ca.

Thank you for joining us today. Your presence enriches our life together.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris A. Pappas', with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Very Rev. Christopher A. Pappas, Ph.D., D.Min.
Dean & Rector



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*Welcome to Christ Church Cathedral located in the heart of Vancouver.
For 135 years people have met on this site to worship God and witness to Christ's love for the world.
For 95 years, it has served as the Cathedral for the Anglican Diocese of New Westminster.
You are invited to join in the prayers and singing of the hymns, as we make our offering of prayer and worship.*

Prelude

Celtic Harp

The Reverend Clare Morgan

Processional Hymn *St. Patrick's Breastplate*

Text: attrib. Patrick of Ireland (389?-461?), tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895).
Music: Old Irish Melodies, arr. Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924); verse 4: harm. Patrick Wedd (1948-2019).

1 I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.

low voices 2 I bind this day to me forever,
by power of faith, Christ's
incarnation;
his baptism in the Jordan river;
his death on Cross for my salvation;
his bursting from the spiced tomb;
his riding up the heavenly way;
his coming at the day of doom:
I bind unto myself today.

high voices 3 I bind unto myself today
the virtues of the starlit heaven,
the glorious sun's life-giving ray,
the whiteness of the moon at even,
the flashing of the lightning free,
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
the stable earth, the deep salt sea,
around the old eternal rocks.

4 I bind unto myself today
the power of God to hold and lead,
his eye to watch, his might to stay,
his ear to hearken, to my need;
the wisdom of my God to teach,
his hand to guide, his shield to ward;
the word of God to give me speech,
his heavenly host to be my guard.

all 5 Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me,
choir Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

6 I bind unto myself the name,
the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation,
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
praise to the Lord of my salvation:
salvation is of Christ the Lord! Amen!

Officiant In this time and place, as we gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and we give thanks for the light of God that shines in the darkness.

***All* A light no darkness can quench.**

Officiant In this time and place,
together, one people of God.

***All* In the name of God, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Bidding

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

The Confession

Officiant Almighty and most merciful Father,

All **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; and there is no health in us.**

**But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou
them, O God, which confess their faults.
Restore thou them that 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 Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live, hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Responses

Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995).

Choir *O Lord, open thou our lips;*
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

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

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.

Praise ye the Lord;
The Lord's name be praised!

Psalm 150

Setting: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924).

O praise God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!
Gloria Patri

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 23:16-32

Magnificat

Evening Service in B^b

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924).

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel;
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Gloria Patri

The Second Lesson

John 8:46-59

Nunc Dimittis

Evening Service in B^b

C. V. Stanford.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Gloria Patri

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant I believe in God,
All 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 Catholic Church;
the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Please be seated or kneel.

Responses

Herbert Sumsion.

Choir The Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heav'n, hallow'd be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heav'n.
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.

Choir *O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;*
And grant us thy salvation.

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

Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people;
And bless thine inheritance.

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

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

Collect of the Day

Cantor Most merciful God,
by the death and resurrection
of your Son Jesus Christ,
you created humanity anew.
May the power of his victorious cross
transform those who turn in faith
to him who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

A Collect For Peace

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 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.

A Collect For Aid Against Perils

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.

Offertory

Thank you for your prayerful stewardship of the ministries of Christ Church Cathedral. Your generous gift of any amount matters, because your stewardship empowers our mission to advance the Good News of God's infinite love and mercy through our worship, ministries, formation, and service. Please refer to the back page of this bulletin to see how you can make a gift.

Anthem

Beati Quorum Via

C. V. Stanford.

Blessed are they whose path is virtuous,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
(Psalm 119:1)

Officiant *General Intercession*

Officiant General Thanksgiving

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. 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 ourselves 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 honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Officiant Prayer of St. Chrysostom

God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy name thou wilt grant their requests: fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Please stand and join in the singing of the closing hymn.

Closing Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

(CP 505)

Text: Irish hymn (8th cent.); tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); vers. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt.

Music: SLANE; melody Irish Trad.; arr. Martin Shaw (1875-1958), alt.

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor the world's emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of heav - en, when vic - tory is won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, bright heav - en's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be,
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 high King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Officiant 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.**

Final responses Choir Herbert Sumsion.

Postlude Celtic Harp The Reverend Clare Morgan

Music Notes

This St. Patrick's Day, for the 10:30 a.m. and Choral Evensong, we mark the centenary of the imposingly-named Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924). Born in Dublin, Stanford studied at Cambridge and Trinity College in London before further studies in Germany with Carl Reinecke and Friedrich Kiel. A founding professor of the Royal College of Music, he taught composition there from 1883 until his death, also at Cambridge University from 1887 onwards. Stanford was legendary for his temper and unorthodox teaching methods: his criticism consisted for the most part of "I like it, my boy," or "It's damned ugly, my boy" (the latter in most cases). Nevertheless, his pupils included virtually the whole next generation of British composers, including Ralph Vaughan Williams, Gustav Holst, Herbert Howells, John Ireland, Ivor Gurney, Charles Wood, and Sir Arthur Bliss.

In his own compositions Stanford made overt use of Irish traditional elements, yet with a few exceptions (*The Blue Bird* and *Drake's Drum*) they mostly have not entered the standard repertoire. "Too Irish for the English, too English for the Irish and too German for both, he fell between all stools." The big exception is his music for the Anglican church, notably his settings of the evening canticles, which have been a staple in services ever since their composition. This afternoon our evensong features one of Stanford's most beloved works, the motet *Beati quorum via*.

Stephen Wright

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Music

Christ Church Cathedral Choir,
Rupert Lang, Organist & Director of Music

This Choral Eucharist takes place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwətaɫ (Tsleil-Waututh) nations, in the heart of Vancouver.

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