Choral Vespers
September 12, 2013
Five-fifteen in the evening

Keeping the heart of the University listening to the heart of God

GATHERING

Organ Prelude

*The Preces

Richard Webster
(b. 1952)

Cantor: O God, make speed to save us.
Choir: O Lord, make haste to help us.
Cantor: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
Choir: And to the Holy Ghost;
Cantor: As it was in the beginning, and will be forever,
Choir: Amen.

*Procesional Hymn 66

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

Opening Sentence

Leader: Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Collect for Light

Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of your vesper light; and we implore you of your great mercy, that as you enfold us with the radiance of this light, so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson—Deuteronomy 7:7-16

(OT page 158 of the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem
If Ye Love Me  Thomas Tallis
(c. 1505-1585)
If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the
Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may
bide with you forever; E'en the spirit of truth. —John 14: 15-17

*Gospel Lesson—John 1:1-18 (NT page 86)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem
Christe, qui lux est et dies  William Byrd
(c. 1540-1623)
Christe qui lux es et dies,
Noctis tenebras detegis,
Lucisque lumen crederis,
Lumen beatum praedicans.
Precamur Sancte Domine,
Defende nos in hac noete,
Sit nobis in te requies,
Quietam noctem tribue.
Ne gravis somnus irruat,
Nec hostis nos surripiat,
Nec caro illi consentiens,
Nos tibi reos statuat.
Oculi somnum capiant,
Cor ad te semper vigilet,
Dextera tua protegat
Famulos qui te diligunt.
Defensor noster aspice,
Insidiantes reprime,
Gubernra tuo famulos,
Quos sanguine merceatus es.
Memento nostri Domine
In gravi isto corpore,
Qui es defensor animae,
Adesto nobis Domine.
Deo Patri sit gloria,
Eiusque soli Filio,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Et nunc et in perpetuum.

Responses/Suffrages  Webster
(choir alone, congregation seated)
Cantor: Show us your mercy, O Lord;
Choir: And grant us your salvation.
Cantor: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Choir: Let your people sing with joy.
Cantor: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
Choir: For only in you can we live in safety;
Cantor: Lord, keep this nation under your care;
Choir: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Cantor: Let your way be known on earth;
Choir: Your saving health among all nations.
Cantor: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Choir: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Cantor: Create in us clean hearts, O God;
Choir: And sustain us with your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers
(The congregation responds to each petition: “Hear our prayer.”)

Sending Forth

*Recessional Hymn 682
All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night  TALLIS’ CANON

*Benediction

*Choral Dismissal
Glory Be to God the Father  Johann Sebastian Bach
(from BWV 10, Meine seele erhebt den Herrn)  (1685-1750)
Glory be to God the Father, and the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning,
And is now, and forever shall be, world without end, Amen

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

You are welcome to stay for the organ postlude.
Should you need to leave, please do so quietly and respectfully.