Choral Vespers
October 11, 2012
Five-fifteen in the evening
Keeping the heart of the University listening to the heart of God

GATHERING

Organ Prelude
*The Preces/Invitatory
William Smith
(1603-1645)
Cantor: O Lord, open thou our lips
Choir: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Choir: O Lord, make speed to save us.
Choir: 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.

*Processional Hymn 606
Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine
KINGSFOLD

*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—Micah 3:9-4:5
(OT page 814 of the pew Bible)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Psalm

Praise to the Lord
Hugo Distler
(1908-1942)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation!
O my Soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and Salvation!
Gather ye round, Let us make Music resound!
Praise Him in glad adoration!
Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things so wondrously reigneth.
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen how thy hearts wishes have been
granted in what He ordaineth?
—paraphrased from Psalms 103 and 150

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Christe, Adoramus te
Claudio Monteverdi
(1567-1643)

Christe, adoramus te, et benedicimus tibi,
quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum.
Domine, miserere nobis.

Christ, we adore you and we bless you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.
Lord, have mercy on us.

*Gospel Lesson—Luke 7:36-50
(NT page 60-61, congregation stands)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Responses/Suffrages

(choir alone, congregation seated)

Cantor: The Lord be with you.
Choir: And with thy spirit.
Cantor: Let us pray.
Choir: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Choir: Christ, have mercy upon us.
Cantor: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Cantor: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
Choir: And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor: Keep the nations under thy care;
Choir: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Cantor: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
Choir: And make thy chosen people joyful.
Cantor: O Lord, save thy people;
Choir: And bless thine inheritance.
Cantor: Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Choir: Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.
Cantor: O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Prayers

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

The Lord’s Prayer

Sending Forth

*Recessional Hymn 644
Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring

*Benediction

*Choral Dismissal

Gloria Patri, from “Herr nun lässest dir” Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

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.

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.