Choral Vespers

November 8, 2012

Five-fifteen in the evening

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

GATHERING

Organ Prelude

*The Preces/Invitatory

Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962)

Cantor: O Lord, open thou our lips
Choir: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Cantor: O God, 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 698

God of the Ages

National Hymn

*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—Amos 7:1-15

(OT page 806-07 of the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem
Remember Not, Lord, Our Offenses
Henry Purcell
(1659-1695)

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.
Spare us, good Lord.

New Testament Lesson—Revelation 16:12-21 (NT page 240-41)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem
Verleih uns Frieden
Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich,
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.
Es ist doch ja kein ander nicht,
der für uns könnte streiten,
denn du, unser Gott, alleine.

Mercifully grant us peace,
Lord God, during our time on earth.
There is indeed no other
Who could fight for us
than you, our God, alone.

—Martin Luther’s translation (published in 1528)
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Responses/Suffrages
William Smith
(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.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
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. Amen.

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

The Lord’s Prayer

Sending Forth

*Recessional Hymn 690
The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended
ST. CLEMENT

*Benediction

*Choral Dismissal
Gabriel Jackson

Cantor: The Lord be with you.
Choir: And with thy spirit.
Cantor: Let us bless the Lord.
Choir: Thanks be to God.

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.