

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

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THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



Welcome to the Cathedral of Saint Paul. The order of Mass can be found on page 3 in Sunday's Word.

PRELUDE

NUN BITTEN WIR DEN HEILIGEN GEIST, BUXWV 208

DIETRICH BUXTEHUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN

SING PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre - a - tion,
What God's al - might - y pow'r hath made, His gra - cious mer - cy keep - eth;
The Lord is ne - ver far a - way, but through all grief dis - tress - ing,
Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and glo - ry;

the God of power, the God of love, the God of our sal - va - tion;
by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade His watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth.
an ev - er - pre - sent help and stay, our peace and joy and - bless - ing.
let all who know His power pro - claim a - loud the won - drous sto - ry!

with heal - ing balm my soul He fills, and ev - ery faith - less
With - in the king - dom of His might, Lo! all is just and
As with a moth - er's ten - der hand, He gent - ly leads His
Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the Lord is God, and

mur - mur stills: To God all praise and glo - ry.
all is right: To God all praise and glo - ry.
cho - sen band: To God all praise and glo - ry.
he a - lone: To God all praise and glo - ry.

ENTRANCE ANTIphon (8:30AM & 11:00AM) *Iustus es, Domine*

PSALM 119:137,124

Iustus es, Domine, et rectum iudicium tuum: fac cum servo tuo secundum misericordiam tuam. *¶* Beati immaculati in via: qui ambulant in lege Domini. / You are just, O LORD, and Your judgment is right; treat Your servant in accord with Your merciful love. *¶* Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

KYRIE

MASS XII

VIII

K Y-ri- e * e- lé- i-son. *ij.* Chrí ste e-lé- i-son. *ij.* Ký-ri- e
 e- lé- i-son. Ký-ri- e * e- lé- i-son.

GLORIA

MASS XII

IV

G Ló-ri- a in excélsis Dé- o. Et in térra pax homí-nibus bónae vo-lun-tá-tis.
 Laudámus te. Benedí-cimus te. Ado-rámus te. Glo-ri-fi-cámus te. Grá- ti- as á-gimus
 tí-bi prop ter mágnam gló-ri- am tú- am. Dómine Dé- us, Rex caeléstis, Dé- us Pá-ter om-
 nípo- tens. Dómine Fí- li uni-géni-te Jésu Chrís- te. Dómine Dé- us, Agnus Dé- i,
 Fí- li- us Pá-tris. Qui tóllis peccá-ta mún di, mi-se-ré-re nó-bis. Qui tóllis peccá-ta
 mún di, súscipe depreca-ti- ónem nós tram. Qui sédes ad déx te-ram Pátris, mi-se- ré-re
 nó-bis. Quó ni- am tu só- lus sánctus. Tu só-lus Dóminus. Tu só-lus Altíssi-mus, Jésu
 Chrís te. Cum Sáncto Spí- ri- tu, in gló-ri- a Dé- i Pátris. A- men.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 90

In ev - ry age, O Lord, you have been our ref - uge.

ALLELUIA

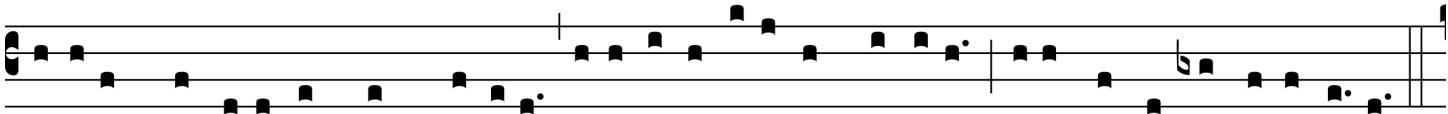
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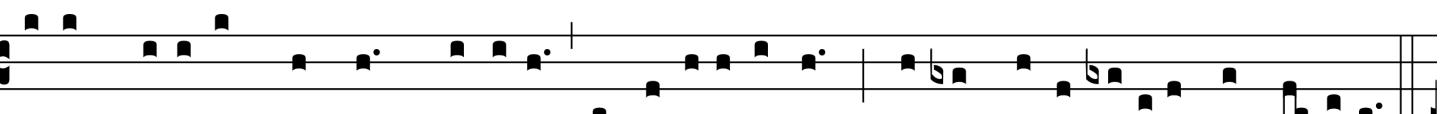
Let your face shine upon your servant; and teach me your laws.

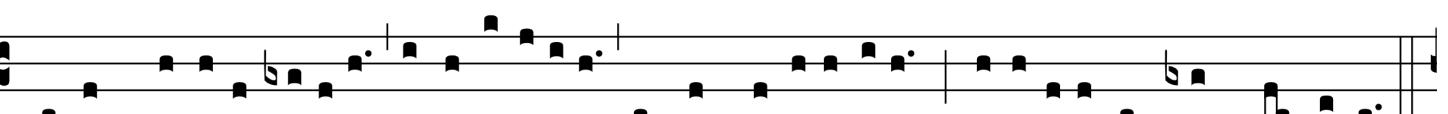
CREDO III (11:00AM)

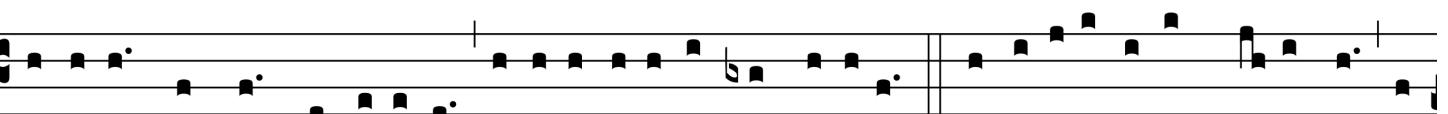
Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipoténtem, factó- rem cæ- li et terræ, vi- si- bili- um óm-ni- um, et in vi- si- bí- li- um. Et in unum Dóminum Je- sum Chris tum, Fí-li- um De- i unigéni- tum. Et ex Patre na- tum ante ómni- a sá- cu-la. De- um de De- o, lumen de lú- mine, De- um verum de De- o vero. Géni- tum, non fac- tum, consubstan ti- á- lem Patri: per quem ómni- a fac- ta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines, et propter nos tram sa- lútem descén dit de cæ- lis. Et incar nátus est de Spí- ri- tu Sanc to ex Ma- rí- a Vírgine: Et homo factus est. Cru- ci- fí- xus ét-i- am pro nobis: sub Pónti- o Pi-láto passus, et sepúl- tus est. Et resur réxit térti-

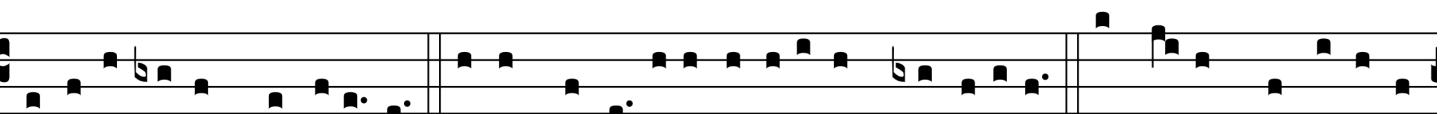

 a di- e, secún dum Scrip tú- ras. Et ascén dit in cæ- lum: sedet ad déx te- ram Pa- tris. Et

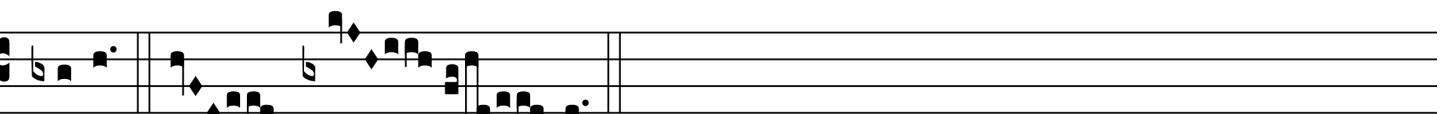

 í-terum ven tú- rous est cum gló- ri- a, ju di- cá- re vivos et mórtu- os: cujus regni non e- rit fi- nis.


 Et in Spí- ri- tum Sanc tum, Dóminum, et vi- vi- fi- cán tem: qui ex Patre Fi-li- óque pro- cédit.


 Qui cum Patre et Fí-li- o simul adorá tur, et con glo- ri- fi- cátur: qui locútus est per Prophé- tas.


 Et unam sanc tam cathó- li- cam et apos tó- li- cam Ecclé- si- am. Con fi- te- or unum bap tís ma in


 remis si- ónem pec cató- rum. Et ex spécto resur rec ti- ónem mor tu- órum. Et vi- tam ven tú- ri sá-


 cu- li. A- men.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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OFFERTORY ANTIphon (11:00AM) *Oravi, Deum meum*

DANIEL 9:4,2,17,19

Oravi Deum meum ego Daniel, dicens: Exaudi, Domine, preces servi tui: illumine faciem tuam super sanctuarium tuum: et propitius intende populum istum, super quem invocatum est nomen tuum, Deus. / I, Daniel, prayed to the Lord my God, saying: Hear, O Lord, the prayers of Thy servant. Let Thy face shine upon thy sanctuary, and be merciful to this people, who call upon Thy name, O God.

OFFERTORY

ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED

MICHAEL



1. All my hope on God is found - ed; He doth still my
 2. Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3. God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom
 4. Dai - ly doth the al - might - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on
 5. Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of

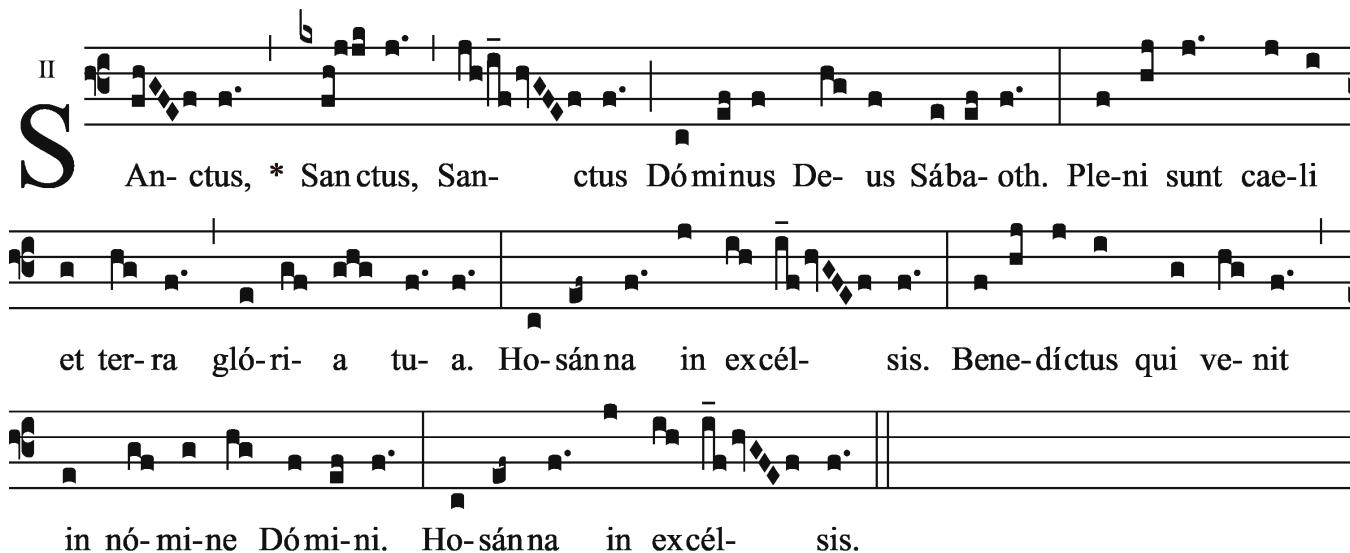
trust re - new. Me through change and chance he guid - eth, on - ly
 tray - our trust; though with care and toil we build them, tower and
 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at - tend him, beau - ty
 us - be - stow; his de - sire our soul de - light - eth, plea - sure
 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing for the

good and on - ly true. God un - known, he a -
 tem - ple fall to dust. But God's power, hour by -
 spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er - more from his -
 leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his -
 gift of Christ, his son. Christ doth call one and -

alone calls my heart to be _____ his own.
 hour, is my tem - ple and _____ my tower.
 store new - born worlds rise and _____ a - dore.
 hand; joy doth wait - on his _____ com - mand.
 all: ye who fol - low shall _____ not fall.

SANCTUS

MASS XII



II

S An- ctus, * Sanctus, San- ctus Dóminus De- us Sába- oth. Ple-ni sunt cae-li
 et ter- ra gló-ri- a tu- a. Ho-sánná in excél- sis. Bene-dictus qui ve- nit
 in nó- mi-ne Dómi-ni. Ho-sánná in excél- sis.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur - rec - tion un - til you come a-gain.

AGNUS DEI

MASS XI



II
A -gnus Dé- i, * qui tól- lis peccá- ta mún di : mi-se- ré- re nó- bis. Agnus
Dé- i, * qui tóllis peccá-ta mún di : mi-se- ré-re nó- bis. Agnus Dé- i, * qui tól- lis
peccá- ta mún di : dóna nó- bis pá- cem.

HOLY COMMUNION

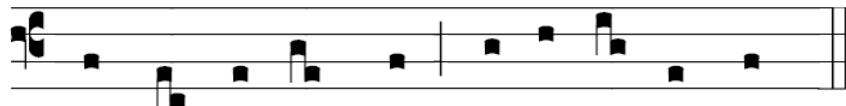
We invite all Catholics who are properly disposed (i.e., in the state of grace and having fasted for one hour before communion) to come forward in the usual way to receive Holy Communion.

All others, including our non-Catholic guests, may remain in their pews and join us in prayer. Alternatively, to participate in the communion procession and receive a blessing, come forward in the line and cross your arms over your chest as you approach the minister. Thank you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (ALL MASSES) *Sitivit anima mea*

PSALM 42:3

Please join in singing the refrain below after the cantor introduction and between verses.



2. My soul is thirst-ing for the liv-ing God.

POSTCOMMUNION (11:00AM)

SICUT CERVUS/SITIVIT ANIMA MEA

G.P. DA PALESTRINA

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad Te, Deus. Sitivit anima mea ad Deum fortem, vivum; quando veniam et apparebo ante faciem Dei? / *Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?*

-Psalm 42

PLEASE RESPECT OUR CUSTOM OF STAYING THROUGH THE CONCLUSION OF THE CLOSING HYMN.

THIS IS OUR CORPORATE ACT OF THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS. THANK YOU!

CLOSING

FIRMLY I BELIEVE AND TRULY

HALTON HOLGATE

1. Firm - ly I be - lieve and tru - ly God is Three, and
2. And I trust and hope most ful - ly In that Man - hood
3. Sim - ply to His grace and whol - ly Light and life and
4. And I hold in ven - er - a - tion, For the love of
5. A - dor - a - tion ay__ be giv - en With and through the_an -

God is One;__ And I next ac - knowl - edge du - ly
cru - ci - fied;__ And each thought and deed__ un - ru - ly
strength be - long,__ And I love su - preme - ly sole - ly,
Him a - lone,__ Ho - ly__ Church as His__ cre - a - tion,
gel - ic host,__ To__ the__ God of earth and heav - en

Man - hood ta - ken by__ the Son.
Do to death, as He__ has died.
Him the ho - ly, Him__ the strong.
And her teach - ings are__ His own.
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

VOLUNTARY

TOCCATA IN D, BUXWV 155

DIETRICH BUXTEHUDE

ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

As is usually the case here at the Cathedral, we use a Gregorian chant ordinary. It is worth remembering that *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, Vatican II's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, says that Gregorian chant should be given "first place" in the liturgy (SC #116) and sees cathedrals as custodians of this art and the art of choral singing (SC #114). In the words of Pope St. Paul VI, this congregational chant helps "...make it easier for Christians to achieve unity and spiritual harmony with their brothers and with the living tradition of the past" (*Voluntati Obsequens*). The anthem after communion is the full setting of Palestrina's cycle on Psalm 42. While "Sicut cervus" is familiar to many, "Sitivit anima mea" is not...but should be! This piece is two halves of a whole. The second half/*secunda pars* adds an urgency to the tranquil first part that admirably closes the piece. Palestrina has a reputation as a somewhat dispassionate composer, but this piece (and the "Super flumina Babylonis" that we'll hear in a few weeks) beg to differ. We hear many personal moments, especially the close of the first part, where the psalmist's words "anima mea/my soul" have a special intensity and tension as the composer seeks to portray the feelings of the believer. This animates the entire "Sitivit" second half, and can be seen as a development of this very personal idea, and as a testament to faith in God.

Concerts are in the church
unless otherwise noted.
Smart casual dress is
recommended.



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Season

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Sunday, September 28 4:00PM BRUCE E. LUDWICK, JR., organist

Our Director of Music & Organist since 2013, Mr. Ludwick will present a varied program featuring J.S. Bach's Toccata & Fugue in F and the complete Symphonie N°. 1 for Organ by Louis Vierne, two cornerstones of the organ repertoire, along with contrasting pieces.



Friday, October 17 7:00PM BYRD ENSEMBLE

Our old friends, the Byrd Ensemble, based in the Seattle area, will return for their third visit to the Cathedral! This year's program will celebrate the 500th anniversary of the birth of the great Renaissance composer, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina.



Saturday, November 8 7:00PM NICK BOTKINS, organist

Organist & Choirmaster of the Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist in Stamford, CT, Mr. Botkins is known for his liturgical instinct and expressive improvisation. He will present a program of works by Elgar, Thalben-Ball, Bairstow, and Widor.



Sunday, December 14 4:00pm A CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS

An interactive concert with a blend of sing-along favorites and solo/ensemble repertoire, "A Cathedral Christmas" will feature all Cathedral choral ensembles (and friends!), to help us appreciate the beauty of Advent and anticipate the glories of our Lord's Nativity!



Tuesday, January 6 7:00pm ISABELLE DEMERS, organist

Québec native Dr. Isabelle Demers, Associate Professor of Organ at McGill University in Montréal, makes her second visit to the Cathedral - this year, in connection with our hosting of the Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedral Musicians (CRCCM).



Friday, March 13 5:30pm CATHEDRAL CHOIR

Choral Stations of the Cross is a venerable and long-standing tradition at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, giving Cathedral Choir an opportunity to preview Holy Week repertoire in a prayerful environment that also aids the congregation's Lenten meditation.



Friday, April 17 7:00pm THE AEOLIANS

The Aeolians of Oakwood University in Huntsville are one of Alabama's great cultural exports. With a long history of elite performance at the national and international levels, their repertoire ranges from the Baroque to the 20th century. Don't miss this!



Sunday, May 10 4:00pm McGALLIARD/RENNA, organists

Our Director of Music & Organist inaugurated the season, and now it concludes with our Assistant Organist, Mr. James McGalliard, and our Organ Scholar, Mr. Daniel Renna! Each holds an important and valued role in the Cathedral's fine sacred music program.