



SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Evensong for July 21, 2021

Albert Mvumbi Luthuli

Evensong is a service in the Daily Office of the Church, finding its origins in ancient monastic communities. Evensong is regularly offered at St. Andrew's on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm and available electronically on the first and third Wednesday of the month.

This participatory service consists of prayers, hymns, scripture readings and

canticles. At the time of the General Intercession you are invited to add your own personal intercessions. You will find links within the service to musical settings.

We hope that you find this to be a way to remain spiritually connected the St. Andrew's community and the larger Church as we continue to remain physically apart.

-- Fr. Alan



Opening Sentence

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Invitatory: *Preces & Responses*

David Jernigan (b. 1959)

O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen.*

Hear *Preces & Responses* as performed by the
Choirs of St. Thomas's Episcopal Church:
<https://youtu.be/I76DLICyFUA>

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Phos Hilaron: O Radiant Light

Mark Templeton (b.1974)

Hear *O Radiant Light*:
<https://youtu.be/UombztaR55o>

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Psalm 12

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
- 2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;

- 4 To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
“May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions’ sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good.”

The Psalm ends with *Gloria Patri*:

Glorify to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen*.

First Lesson: Ephesians 2:12-18

Remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

Magnificat: *Magnificat in E flat*

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

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.

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.*

Hear the *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* as performed by the Guildford Cathedral Choir:

<https://youtu.be/n0aJ3m6-iz4>

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Second Lesson: John 16:25-33

“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures, but will tell you plainly of the Father. On that day you will ask in my name. I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God.

I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and am going to the Father.” His disciples said, “Yes, now you are speaking plainly, not in any figure of speech! Now we know that you know all things, and do not need to have anyone question you; by this we believe that you came from God.” Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each one to his home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me. I have said this to you, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!”

Nunc Dimittis: Magnificat in E flat

Edward Bairstow

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.

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.*

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Prayers

Bidding

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray:

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Suffrages

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and good will,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear,
and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by the Holy Spirit in the communion
of all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,
We entreat you, O Lord.

The Collects

A Collect for Albert Mvumbi Luthuli

Eternal God, we thank you for the witness of Chief Luthuli, Nobel Laureate for Peace, who was sustained by his Christian faith as he led the struggle against apartheid in South Africa. Strengthen us, after his example, to make no peace with oppression and to witness boldly for our Deliverer, Jesus Christ; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Peace

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot

give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. *Amen.*

First Collect for Mission

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Concluding Collect

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help, for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn: *The First One Ever*

Hymnal, no. 673

Hear the hymn: <https://youtu.be/sGyEP9IWk0>

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Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Responsory

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Dismissal

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.* [Romans 15:13]

ALBERT MVUMBI LUTHULI

PROPHETIC WITNESS, 1967

Albert Mvumbi Luthuli was the first African to receive the Nobel Prize, which in 1960 recognized his leadership in the non-violent struggle for civil rights in South Africa. Luthuli's grandfather was a tribal chief and his father, a younger son, a Christian missionary in what was then Rhodesia when Mvumbi was born 1897 or 1898. He trained at Adams College in Natal, the first college to offer liberal education to Africans, both men and women, at the same educational standards as white colleges (personal note: Jim's maternal grandfather taught at Adams and was later its principal). Luthuli was an active educator for 15 years, incorporating Zulu history, music, literature and culture into his teaching; he also advocated for African teachers' pay and working conditions.

Luthuli served as chief of his tribe from 1936 until the government removed him from that position in 1952; he was the leader of the African National Congress from 1944, though the government sought repeatedly to silence and side-line him through arrests, prison sentences, house arrests and banishments. His publications were banned, although they had a significant international readership and influence. He organized and led peaceful demonstrations against the Pass Laws. His banishment was lifted temporarily so that he and his wife could accept the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo in 1960; the ban was reimposed when he returned home.

Luthuli believed the struggle for civil rights was a Christian struggle and his leadership grew out of his understanding of discipleship. When he was removed from tribal leadership he issued a statement called "the Road to Freedom is Via the Cross," which was published as an appendix to his autobiography. He said, "My own urge because I am a Christian, is to get into the thick of the struggle with other Christians, taking my Christianity with me and praying that it may be used to influence for good the character of the resistance."

Luthuli was killed accidentally by a train when he was crossing a bridge on this day in 1967. Although he did not live to see the end of apartheid, his legacy as a Christian leader against oppression is still inspiring today.

--DWW, adapted from *Holy Women, Holy Men* and <https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/peace/1960/lutuli/biographical/>

Evensong Schedule

Evensong is available on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month.
The next service of Evensong is scheduled for **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4.**



St. Andrew's will resume in-person worship on Sunday, August 1, 2021.

We are excited to begin our return to regular worship and ask for your patience and understanding during this transitional period.

Please be aware that a mask is required while indoors at St. Andrew's regardless of your vaccination status.

A PHASED RE-OPENING of in-person worship

WHAT TO INITIALLY EXPECT

Unless otherwise noted, services will be held weekly starting on the date listed.

JULY

Wednesday, July 28

7:00 AM Holy Eucharist

Resumes in the Chapel

Friday, July 30

12:15 PM Holy Eucharist

Resumes in the Church

AUGUST

Sunday, August 1

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

Begins in the Church

PLEASE NOTE: This service will only be held from August 1 - September 5. It will be spoken, without hymns or music.

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, Sept. 8

6:00 PM Evensong

Resumes in the Church

Sunday, September 12

8 / 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist

Resumes in the Church

9:15 AM Family Service

Resumes in the Chapel

Sunday, September 19

8:00 PM Compline

Resumes in the Church

Compline will be sung the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

Masks will need to be worn while inside the church and should be removed only for communion. A supply of masks and hand sanitizer will be available at the doors.

Wafers will be used for the communion bread. Wine will not be offered. Communion will be distributed at the foot of the chancel steps.

Offering plates will be placed in the aisle to receive your offering as you come to communion or you can give online at standrewsaa.weshareonline.org.

A bulletin will be produced for each service. Hymnals and Prayer Books have temporarily been removed from the Sanctuary.

These measures are designed to protect all of us, especially those unable to take the COVID-19 vaccine, and may change as the public health situation in Washtenaw County evolves.

VIRTUAL SERVICE OPTIONS

Through September 5: Pre-recorded services of Morning Prayer with hymns and music will be available on YouTube each Sunday. 'Service Links' emails with the eService Bulletin will be sent to the parish on Saturday mornings.

Starting September 12: A livestream of the 10:00 am Holy Eucharist will be available on YouTube each Sunday. The bulletin will be available on our website but not emailed to the parish weekly.

LEARN MORE

St. Andrew's Phase 3: Re-Opening: standrewsaa.org/phase3.html

EDOMI Re-entry plan: edomi.org/covid-19-guidelines