

## As We Gather

At this hymn festival, we will recall stories of King David, and we will try to imagine what might have been going through his head as he was writing his psalms.

Why did he write Psalm 23?

What caused him to cry out for forgiveness in Psalm 51?

The Hymn Festival includes choral and congregational psalm settings, nearly a dozen hymns, and music by Manz, Parry, Hildebrand, David Gilson, among others.

Please follow the instructions on who is meant to sing each selected stanza throughout the service.

**LIVE-STREAMING:** This service will be live streamed. We provide this service for our members who cannot attend worship. The video perspective from the choir loft looks toward the altar and shows all aspects of the service from the sixth row of pews forward. This includes baptisms, children's talks, and communion.

# Into the House of the Lord: A Hymn Festival Reflecting on Our Christian Faith Through the Life and Psalms of David

October 22, 2023 ЗРМ

Prelude: Thaxted Charles Callahan

## I. The Psalms: How to Pray and Sing

Psalms 19, 145

#### Prayer

Let us pray. L

God of all grace and mercy, bless those who seek by music to enrich Your people's praise and worship. Grant that through their service Your Church may be built up in faith to the honor of Your most holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Hymn: LSB 819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

- st. 1 all (unison)
- st. 2 all (harmony)
- st. 3 women
- st. 4 men
- st. 5 all (unison)

Please Stand

Hymn: LSB 795 Voices Raised to You We Offer

Please Sit

## II. David: A Shepherd King

#### Psalm 23

## Prayer

**L** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Hymn: LSB 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Extended introduction by Kevin Hildebrand

- st. 1 all (unison)
- st. 2 women
- st. 3 all (harmony)
- st. 4 men
- st. 5 all (harmony)
- st. 6 all (unison)

Hymn: LSB 740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

# III. Saul: Jealousy, Fear, Trust, and Mercy

Psalms 9, 57, 59, 142

## Prayer

Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, from Your hand we receive all good gifts and by Your grace we are guarded from all evil. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that, acknowledging with our whole heart Your boundless goodness, we may now and evermore thank and praise You for Your loving-kindness and tender mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Hymn: LSB 798 The God of Abraham Praise

sts. 1-4, 8-9

st. 1-2 all

st. 3 men

st. 4 women

sts. 8-9 all

Hymn: LSB 876 O Blessed, Holy Trinity

- st. 1 all (unison)
- st. 2 women
- st. 3 men
- st. 4 all (harmony)
- st. 5 all (unison)

Please Stand

Hymn: LSB 656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

st. 3 sung in harmony

Please Sit

# IV. Bathsheba: Temptation, Sin, Repentance, and Forgiveness

Psalms 51, 32

#### Prayer

P Let us pray.

> Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

 $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

#### Choral Psalm - Create in Me

Carl F. Mueller

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free Spirit. Then I will teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto thee. Create in me a clean heart. O God! Psalm 51:10-13, alt.

Hymn: LSB 613 To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All

Hymn: LSB 616 Baptismal Waters Cover Me

## V. Absalom: Rebellion, Betrayal, Grief, and Hope

**Psalms 3. 22** 

## Prayer

L Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, in this earthly life we endure sufferings and death before we enter into eternal glory. Grant us grace at all times to subject ourselves to Your holy will and to continue steadfast in the true faith to the end of our lives that we may know the peace and joy of the blessed hope of the resurrection of the dead and of the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Hymn: LSB 880 Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow Extended introduction by Paul Manz

- st. 1 all (unison)
- st. 2 women
- st. 3 men
- sts. 4-5 all (harmony)

Psalm 22 David Gilson

The choir sings parts marked "A"; the congregation sings parts marked "C"

Antiphon

#### Antiphon



A My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,

and by night, but I find no rest.

In you our fathers trusted;

they trusted, and you delivered them.

To you they cried and were rescued;

in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

- Antiphon
- A But I am a worm and not a man,

scorned by mankind and despised by the people.

All who see me mock me;

they make mouths at me; they wag their heads.

For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet;

I can count all my bones;

they stare and gloat over me.

#### Antiphon

They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

But you, O LORD, do not be far off!

O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,

and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

C Antiphon

Psalm 22 and Isaiah 53, selected verses

#### VI. David: Into the House of the Lord

Psalm 122

Please Stand

### Prayer

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer LSB 257

- Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven,
  hallowed be Thy name,
  Thy kingdom come,
  Thy will be done on earth
  as it is in heaven;
  give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction LSB 259

The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the 

→ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.

C Amen.

Please sit

Choir Psalm: I Was Glad

C. Hubert H. Parry, arr. David Gilson

I was glad when they said unto me, "We will go into the house of the LORD."

Our feet shall stand in thy gates

O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

"They shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls

and plenteousness within thy palaces."

- Psalm 122:1-3, 6-7

Please stand

Hymn: Jerusalem the Golden see next page

Silent Prayer and Chimes

Postlude: Yigdal Steven Wente

Choir, st. 2



- 1 Je ru sa lem the gold en, With milk and hon ey blest—
- 2 Oh, sweet and bless-ed coun try, The home of God's e lect!
- 3 The Christ is ev er with them; The day-light is se rene.



The sight of it re-fresh-es The wea-ry and op-pressed: Oh, sweet and bless-ed coun-try That ea - ger hearts ex - pect, The pas-tures of the bless-ed Are ev - er rich and green.



I know not, oh, I know not What joys a - wait us there, Where they who with their lead - er Have con-quered in the fight There is the throne of Da-vid; And there from care re-leased,



What ra - dian-cy of glo - ry, What bliss be-yond com-pare: For - ev - er and for - ev - er Are clad in robes of white. The shout of them that tri - umph, The song of them that feast.



To sing the hymn un - end - ing With all the mar-tyr throng, In mer-cy, Je - sus, bring us To that dear land of rest To God en-throned in glo - ry The Church's voic - es blend,



A - midst the halls of Where sings the host of The Lamb for - ev - er Zi - on Re-sound-ing full with song. heav - en Your glo-rious name to bless. bless - ed, The Light that knows no end.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS SPONSORED BY HOLY CROSS MUSIC DEPARTMENT**



December 10: Gateway Ringers, 4PM

December 17: Lessons & Carols, 8AM & 10:45AM

Serving in God's House	
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Vocalists	Holy Cross Adult Choir David Gilson, Director

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