KING'S CHAPEL

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Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, the Twenty-Second of March, Two Thousand Twenty

THE ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER

as found in the Book of Common Prayer, beginning on page 1.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020

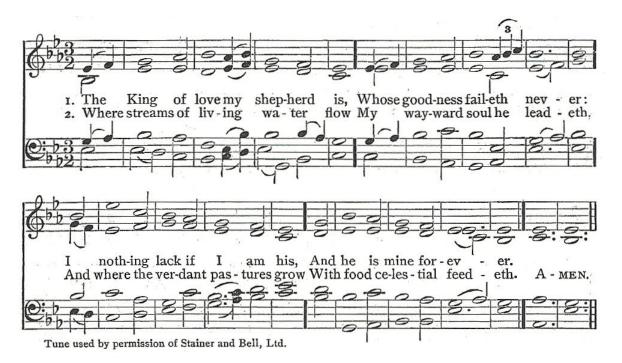
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

O God, the life of the faithful, the joy of the righteous, mercifully receive the prayers of thy suppliants, that the souls which thirst for thy promises may evermore be filled from thine abundance, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Prayerbook, p. 194

PRELUDE

Partita on Slane Daniel Pinkham (1923-2006)



3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me And on his shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me. * WELCOME

* SIGN OF PEACE

All are invited to greet one another with a sign of God's peace, mindful that in this time of increased health risks, a simple smile or bow, accompanied by the phrase, "Peace be with you!" is most appropriate.

* OPENING SENTENCES

Prayerbook, p. 1

* EXHORTATION

Prayerbook, p. 3

GENERAL CONFESSION

Prayerbook, p. 4

All shall sit.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Prayerbook, p. 5

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayerbook, pp. 5-6

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

* VERSICLES Prayerbook, p. 6

Minister O Lord, open thou our lips;

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

All shall stand.

Minister Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God;

People Be honor and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. Amen.

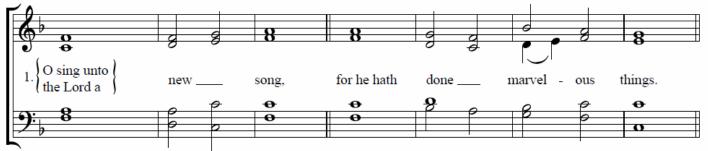
Minister Praise ye the Lord.

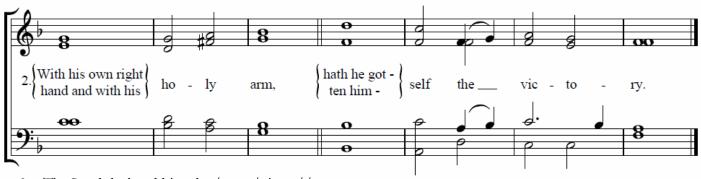
People The Lord's name be praised.

* CANTICLE | CANTATE DOMINO

Psalm 98

Prayerbook, pp. 7-8





- 3. The Lord declared his sal / va / tion; // his righteousness hath he openly shown in the / sight of the na / tions. //
- 4. He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of / Is ra / el; // and all the ends of the earth have seen the sal / va tion / of our / God. //
- 5. Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord / all ye / lands; // sing, re / joice and / give / thanks. //
- 6. Praise the Lord up /on the / harp; // sing to the harp with a / psalm of thanks / giv / ing. //
- 7. With trumpets / also and / shawms, // O show yourselves joyful be / fore the / Lord the / King. //
- 8. Let the sea make a noise and all that / there in / is; // the round world and / they that / dwell there / in. //
- 9. Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together be / fore the / Lord; // for he / cometh to / judge the / earth. //
- 10. With righteousness shall he / judge the / world, // and the / people with / e qui / ty. //

* PSALM 23 Prayerbook, p. 299

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul.

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

* DOXOLOGY Prayerbook, p. 8

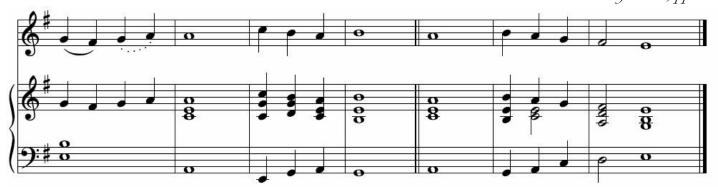
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MOTET Psalm 23
Daniel Pinkham

FIRST LESSON Exodus 9: 13-35

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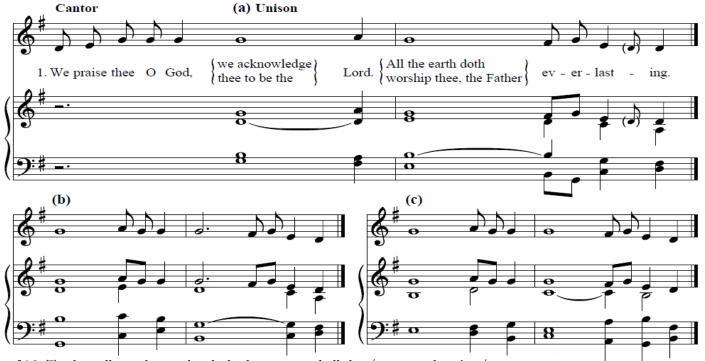
The Song of the Three Holy Children Prayerbook, pp. 8-9



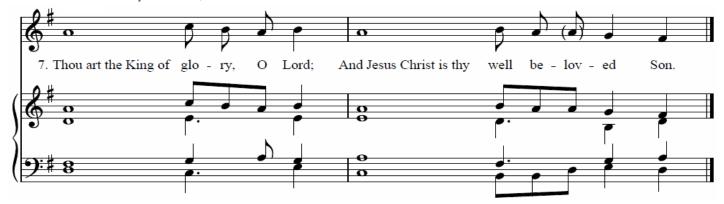
- 1. O all ye / works of the Lord, / bless ye the / Lord; // Praise him and magnify / him for / ev er. //
- 2. O ye / angels of the Lord, / bless ye the / Lord; // O all ye pow'rs of the Lord, / bless ye the / Lord. //
- 3. O ye / sun and moon, / bless ye the / Lord; // O ye show'rs and dew, / bless ye the / Lord. //
- 4. O ye / fire and heat, / bless ye the / Lord; // O ye dews and frosts, / bless ye the / Lord. //
- 5. O ye / ice and snow, / bless ye the / Lord; // O ye light and darkness, / bless ye the / Lord. //
- 6. O let the / earth / bless the / Lord; // O all ye green things upon the earth, / bless ye the / Lord. //
- 7. O all ye / fowls of the air, / bless ye the / Lord; // O ye children of men, / bless ye the / Lord. //
- 8. O ye / priests of the Lord, / bless ye the / Lord; //
 O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, /bless ye the / Lord. //
- 9. O all ye / works of the Lord, / bless ye the / Lord; // Praise him and magnify / him for / ev er. //

SECOND LESSON

John 9: 1, 6-9, 13-14, 16-17



- (b)2. To thee all angels cry aloud; the heavens and all the / powers therein. / To thee cherubim and seraphim contin / ually do cry, //
- (b)3. Holy, holy, holy Lord God of / Sabaoth. / Heaven and earth are full of the majesty / of thy glory. //
- (c)4. The glorious company of the apostles / praise thee. / The goodly fellowship of the /prophets praise thee. //
- (c)5. The noble army of martyrs / praise thee. /
 The holy Church throughout all the world / doth acknowledge thee, //
- (a)6. The Father of an infinite majesty; thine honorable, true, and holy / Son; / Also the holy / Ghost, the comforter. //



- (b)8. O Lord save thy people, and bless thine / heritage. // Govern them, and lift them / up forever. //
- (a)9. Day by day we magnify / thee; // And we worship thy Name ever, / world without end. //
- (a)10. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without / sin. //
 - O Lord, have mercy upon us; have mer / cy upon us. //
- (a)11. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in / thee. // O Lord, in thee have we trusted; let us never be confounded. //

SERMON: "POWER IN THE PLAGUE"

Rev. Mariama White-Hammond



- Thou spread'st a table in my sight,
 Thy unction grace bestoweth,
 And O! the transport of delight
 With which my cup o'er-floweth.
- 6 And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 Within thy house forever.

*VERSICLES Prayerbook, p. 14

Minister The Lord be with you.People And with thy spirit.

Minister Let us pray.

All shall sit.

Minister O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People And grant us thy salvation.

Minister O God, make clean our hearts within us; People And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

COLLECT FOR GRACE

Prayerbook, p. 14

Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS

Prayerbook, pp. 14-17, 173

Collect for the Day Collect for Peace Prayer for All Nations Prayer for Those in Authority Prayer for the Clergy and People Prayer for All Sorts and Conditions Prayer for Those Memorialized

GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Prayerbook, p. 17

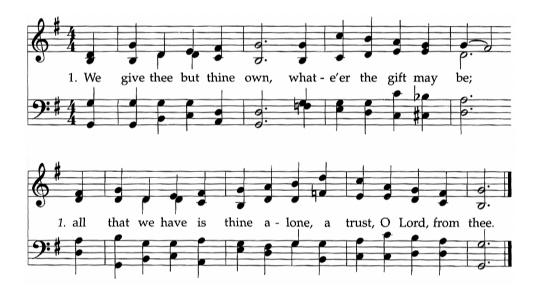
Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all people. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; in whose name we ascribe unto thee all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Psalm 23 Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)

Each Sunday, 10% of the plate collection is given to our Community Action strategic partners: common cathedral, the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute, and the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry, that together we might do works of mercy, justice, and healing. All cash/checks not specially designated are considered a plate offering.

* RESPONSE



GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please be seated for the playing of the POSTLUDE.

POSTLUDE

Partita on Slane Daniel Pinkham



SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Rev. Joy Fallon, Senior Minister
David Waters, Minister for Education and Membership
Heinrich Christensen, Music Director
The Rev. Mariama, White-Hammond, Founder, New Roots Church, Dorchester, Guest Preacher
Sudeep Agarwala, Soloist
Clark Aitkins, Verger

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE MINISTER

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you...
You are precious in my sight,
and honored, and I love you...
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
Isaiah 43

Dear Friends.

together spiritually.

The King's Chapel staff met today, as we do each Tuesday. But we met by Zoom, a free, web-based "app" explained more below. Look at our photos, and you'll see all the different locations where we were - David and I at the Parish House and others from their homes in Medford, Dorchester, Lowell and Vermont. Our top priority was holding all of you in our hearts and prayers, and planning ways in which we can continue to support each other during this unusual, anxious time. Although we cannot be physically together, we can be

We will make all of this information available on our website, so you can access everything from that one location. Just click here www.kings-chapel.org or search for "King's Chapel" to find it.

Here are specific ways to continue to gather; watch for more to come

Worship

Sunday Worship Services are now posted on our website: www.kings-chapel.org and on the King's Chapel YouTube Channel (just search for King's Chapel YouTube)

Last Sunday, we posted our entire 9 AM Morning Light Service and our 11 AM Morning Prayer Service to our website: www.kings-chapel.org. We hope you'll enjoy them! Let us know what you think. Next Sunday we hope to improve the sound on the 11 AM recording.

Wednesday Evening Contemplative Worship. This week we'll be videotaping the Wednesday service and will post it on our website. If you've never attended, here is a chance to experience this half hour, quiet midweek service. Heinrich plays the organ, a choir member sings a solo, a scripture is read, and we share prayers and a simple communion in our candle-lit sanctuary. It can bring peace to the soul.

Reaching Out to One Another by Phone or Facebook

Today your staff began calling our Boston-based members; if you do not hear from Joy, David, Gretchen or Heinrich this week, please call Joy at her work number (617-227-2155 x 109) and she will be certain to call you back. We want to know how you are faring during this time.

This is a wonderful time for all of us to reach out to each other - especially by the old fashioned telephone. If you want to call someone but have misplaced his or her number, please contact Gretchen Horton who will share what is publicly available, gretchen@kings-chapel.org

King's Chapel has a Facebook page which can be accessed either through our website www.kings-chapel.org or Facebook (www.facebook.com/KingsChapelBoston) Postings will be made by our clergy, history program and music director. Check it out!

Virtual Gatherings

We are planning additional ways for the community to keep gathering, albeit at a distance. Plans are not complete, but a few are noted below. Watch for more details. We're all learning new technologies, and we promise to make it very easy for you all.

Morning Coffee with Joy: join by Zoom, dates to be decided, 9:30 - 10:30 AM Raising a Glass Before Dinner: join by Zoom, date to be decided, 5:30-6:30 PM

Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 6:15-7:30 pm. During Lent, our members Tim Nelson-Hoy and Stephen Courtney have decided to offer their Lenten bible study live via Zoom for all those who want to read and discuss the week's scriptures. For more information, contact Tim Nelson-Hoy at tim.c.nh@gmail.com

Prayers.

Our Prayer Circle and clergy continue to hold all of you in our prayers, as well as those for whom you have particularly requested we pray.

We are not aware of any of our members who have tested positive for the coronavirus as of this time, and hope that you will keep us posted about this or other concerns for which we can pray.

If you'd like to add prayers, please contact us: joy@kings-chapel.org

Our Buildings

As you know, the Parish House and Chapel buildings are closed until further notice, pursuant to decisions by our leaders and advice of public health agencies. We have no renters at the Parish House, no weekly concerts at the church, and no worship services being held in person.

We have been continuing to clean these spaces after any use, consistent with public health guidelines.

Coronavirus Information

It's hard to keep up to date with the most recent information about the coronavirus, but two sites we have found useful are the local Boston Government website www.boston.gov and the New York Times live updates on COVID-19 (https://www.nytimes.com/news-event/coronavirus) which is free to all (no paid subscription is required).

Giving to the Church

King's Chapel continues to incur costs for our staff, while not receiving the usual worship offerings or rental incomes. Please consider sending in your contribution to the church via the website donate button (http://www.kings-chapel.org/make-a-gift.html) or by check through the mail. Receiving donations earlier than usual would help us weather this season.

What a privilege it is to be part of this ongoing, welcoming community.

Gratefully and in prayer,

Joy K. Fallon Senior Minister

KING'S CHAPEL COVENANT

In the love of truth, and in the spirit of Jesus Christ, we unite for the worship of God and the service of all.



Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

TO OUR VISITORS

Welcome to King's Chapel! We are happy to have you with us this morning. Please join us for refreshments and conversation after the service. Also, a volunteer guide will be at the Chancel Rail after worship to tell you something of our history and present activity and answer any questions you may have. If you are new to King's Chapel, please sign our Fellowship Pads found in your pew, and give your sheet to a Minister.

ACCESSIBILITY ASSISTS

Our beautiful Georgian sanctuary was designed by Peter Harrison and completed in 1754. One of the box pews has been made wheelchair accessible. Ushers are available to assist those who are wheelchair users to that pew. There is also an accessible bathroom in the vestry. A sound system has been installed in the sanctuary of the Chapel to amplify the sound during worship services. Hearing assistance devices are available for your use. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHURCH SCHOOL - NURSERY

Our church school program for pre-kindergarten to high school students is offered each Sunday at 10 AM after our Morning Light service at 64 Beacon Street. We also offer Nursery Care for infants and toddlers from 9 AM - 12:30 PM each Sunday at the same location. E-mail david.waters@kings-chapel.org with any questions.

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee works to welcome newcomers into the life of the King's Chapel community. Those interested please contact Minister for Education and Membership David Waters at david.waters@kings-chapel.org, or Membership Chair Christopher Allen, at comradechris@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

BEDE LIST

In Morning Prayer on Sundays, we offer prayers to God for those who are in special need in any way. If you wish to add any names to our List, or remove any at this time, please speak with our Ministers, or leave a message with our Parish Administrator (617-227-2155 x 108).

PARTNER CHURCH

King's Chapel is affiliated as partner church with the First Unitarian Church of Kolozsvar in Transylvania (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), a relationship inaugurated in 1922 celebrating the historic roles of both churches in the birth of Unitarian theology.

TWO REDUCED-RATE PARKING TICKETS

We have reduced rate parking for weekends for both One Beacon Street Garage and the Boston Common Garage. One Beacon Street Garage: When you enter the garage turn immediately left, take a ticket and then park. Bring your ticket to church and ask the Verger or Lead Usher to stamp your ticket. When returning to the parking garage, present your ticket to the attendant in the kiosk and pay, then leave. With the ticket validation you receive a reduced rate of \$10 for parking (\$2.00 off). Boston Common Garage: You can receive a reduced rate ticket for \$9.00 for weekend parking. Tickets are available for purchase in advance by contacting our office at 617-227-2155 or in person at our Parish House office at 64 Beacon Street, Monday - Friday 9 AM - 4PM.