

CANTATA VESPERS

Sat. 19th October 5pm

Jesu, meine Freude BWV 227

J.S. Bach

Jesu, my joy, my pasture

featuring the Vox Baroque choir

Service with retiring collection

51 Victoria St., Hamilton



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Next cantata vespers: 5pm Saturday 16th November: *Wachet! Betet!* BWV70 – J.S. Bach

OPENING

PRELUDE : Voluntary in C major - Handel

Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Psalm 141:2


We stand to sing

THE OPENING HYMN

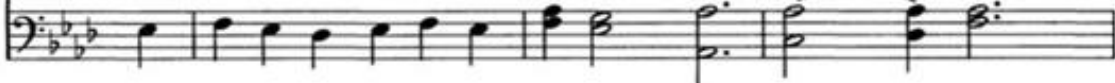
Latin hymn, ca. 9th century
Trans. by John Cosin, 1627

Plainsong melody, Mechlin form
As in *Pilgrim Hymnal*, 1958

Unison



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire And light - en with ce -
2. Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove Is com - fort, life, and
3. A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face With the a - bun - dance
4. Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, And thee, of both, to




les - tial fire; Thou the a - noint - ing Spir - it art
fire of love; En - a - ble with per - pet - ual light
of thy grace; Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
be but One; That through the ag - es all a - long




After last stanza



Who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.
The dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.
Where thou art guide no ill can come.
This may be our end - less song: Praise to thy e -



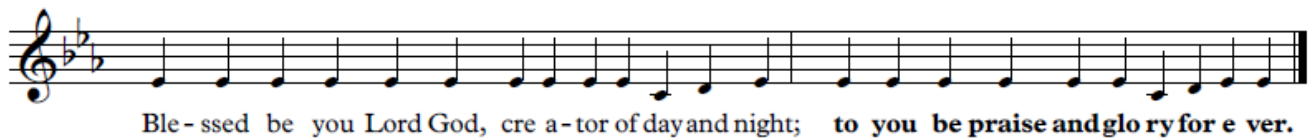
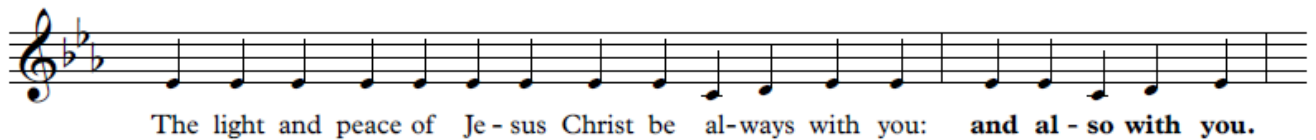
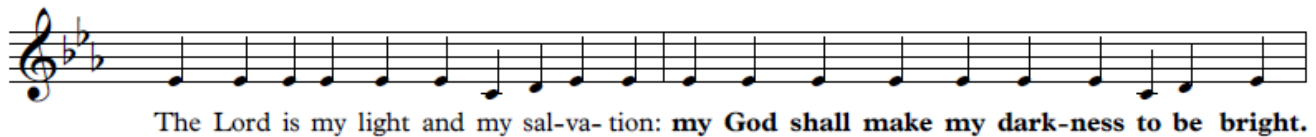
ter - nal mer - it, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.



Words: Latin, ninth century; trans. John Cosin, 1627

THE BLESSING OF LIGHT

Please sit or kneel



As darkness falls, you renew your promise to reveal among us the light of your presence. By the light of Christ your living word, dispel the darkness of our hearts that we may walk as children of light, and sing your praise throughout the world. **Amen**

Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of the 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.**

Please stand for the **HYMN OF LIGHT**

The image shows a musical score for a hymn, consisting of seven systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The music is written in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The score includes measure numbers 13, 17, and 21. The lyrics are: "Hail, gladdening Light of his pure glo - ry poured. Who is the Immortal Fa - ther, Heaven - ly Blest, Ho - li - est of Ho - lies, Je - sus Christ, our Lord. Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest. The lights of eve - ning round us shine. We hymn the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it Di - vine. Worthiest art Thou at all timesto be sung With un - de - fil - ed tongue. Son of our God, giv - er of life, A - lone; There - fore in all the world Thy glo - ries, Lord, they own. A - men".

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Words: Greek; trans. John Keble, 1834

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and shall be for ever. **Amen.**

Blessed are you, God of compassion and mercy,
to you be praise and glory for ever.

In the darkness of our sin,
your light breaks forth like the dawn
and your healing springs up for deliverance.
As we rejoice in the gift of your saving help,
sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
and open our lips to sing your praise:

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

Please join in singing

PSALM 148: 1-6

CHANT: T.A. WALMISLEY



1. Praise the Lord /from the/ heavens; praise him in the /heights a/bove.
2. Praise him, /all his/ angels; praise him, /all his/ heavenly /hosts.
3. Praise him, /sun and /moon; praise him,/ all you/ shining/ stars.
4. Praise him, you /highest /heavens; and you /waters. a/bove the skies.
5. Let them praise the /name. of the/ Lord; for at his com/mand they/ were cre/ated,
6. and he established them for /ever. and /ever; he issued a decree that will /never/ pass a/way.

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. A/-men.

WORD

We sit to hear

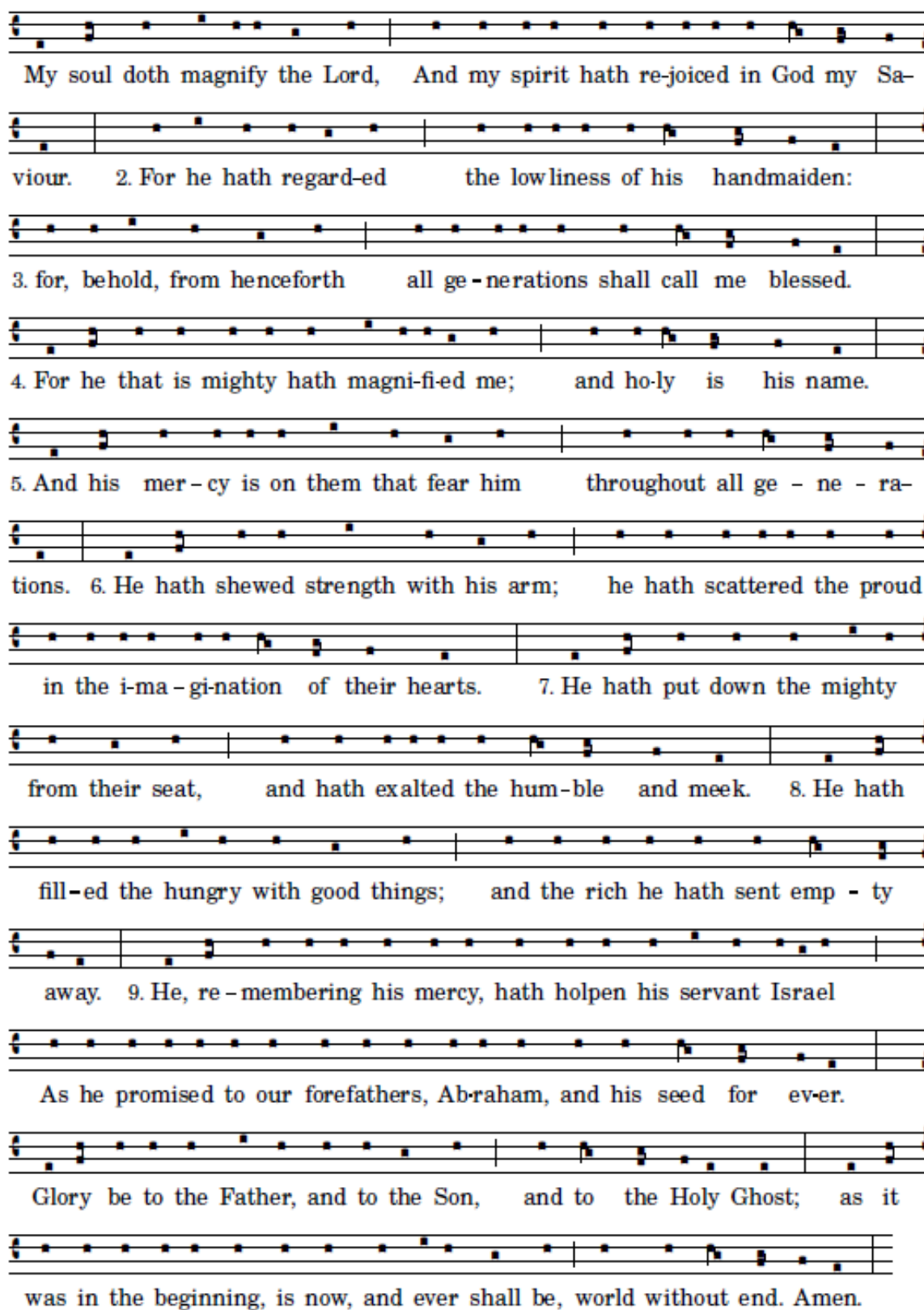
THE FIRST READING: EPHESIANS 6: 10-17

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Here ends the first Lesson

Thanks be to God

We stand to sing **MAGNIFICAT**



My soul doth magnify the Lord, And my spirit hath re-joiced in God my Sa-
viour. 2. For he hath regard-ed the lowliness of his handmaiden:
3. for, behold, from henceforth all ge-nerations shall call me blessed.
4. For he that is mighty hath magni-fi-ed me; and ho-ly is his name.
5. And his mer-cy is on them that fear him throughout all ge - ne - ra-
tions. 6. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud
in the i-ma-gi-nation of their hearts. 7. He hath put down the mighty
from their seat, and hath exalted the hum-ble and meek. 8. He hath
fill-ed the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent emp - ty
away. 9. He, re - membering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Israel
As he promised to our forefathers, Ab-raham, and his seed for ev-er.
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.

We sit to hear

THE SECOND READING: JOHN 4: 46-54

Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death.

“Unless you people see signs and wonders,” Jesus told him, “you will never believe.”

The royal official said, “Sir, come down before my child dies.”

“Go,” Jesus replied, “your son will live.”

The man took Jesus at his word and departed. While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, “Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him.”

Then the father realised that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” So he and his whole household believed.

This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.

Here ends the second Lesson

Thanks be to God

THE CANTATA

Jesu meine Freude BWV227

1. Jesus, my joy, My heart's pasture Jesus, my treasure. Ah how long, ah how long must my heart be anxious and full of longing for you!
Lamb of God, my bridegroom, besides you there is nothing else on earth that is dearer to me.
2. There is now no condemnation in them who are in Christ and who walk not according to the flesh but according to the spirit. (Romans 8:1)
3. Beneath your protection I am free from the raging of all enemies.
Let the devil sniff around, let my enemy become incensed . Jesus stands by me.
Even though thunder crashes and lightning blazes, even though sin and hell terrify,
Jesus will protect me.
4. For the law of the spirit, which makes me living in Christ Jesus, has made me free from the law of sin and death. (Romans 8:2)
5. I defy the ancient dragon; I defy the jaws of death, I defy the fear they cause.
Rage, World, and leap upon me. I stand here and sing in the calm of certainty.
God's power takes care of me; earth and hell's abyss must fall silent, however much they roar.
6. But you are not of the flesh, but of the spirit, and so God's spirit dwells in you in a different way. But whoever does not have Christ's spirit is not his. (Romans 8:9)

7. Away with all treasures! You are my delight, Jesus, my desire! Away with all vain honours, I don't want to hear of you, remain unknown to me! Suffering, distress, the cross, shame and death, however much I have to suffer, will never separate me from Jesus.
8. If Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the spirit is life because of righteousness. (Romans 8:10)
9. Good night, O [earthly] existence, what the world has to offer does not please me at all. Good night, you sins stay far away from here, come no more to the light! Good night, arrogance and splendour. To everything about you, sinful existence, I bid goodnight.
10. Now the spirit that has raised Jesus from the dead, dwells in you. The very same spirit that has raised Jesus from the dead ,gives life to your mortal bodies, so that his spirit may dwell in you. (Romans 8:11)
11. Vanish, spirits of gloom, for my joyful master, Jesus, enters in. For those who love God even their grief must become pure delight. Here I may have scorn and derision, but even in the midst of suffering you remain, Jesus, my joy.

Response

Eternal spirit flow through our being and open our lips;
That our mouths may proclaim your praise.

In response to tonight's cantata let us now stand and affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

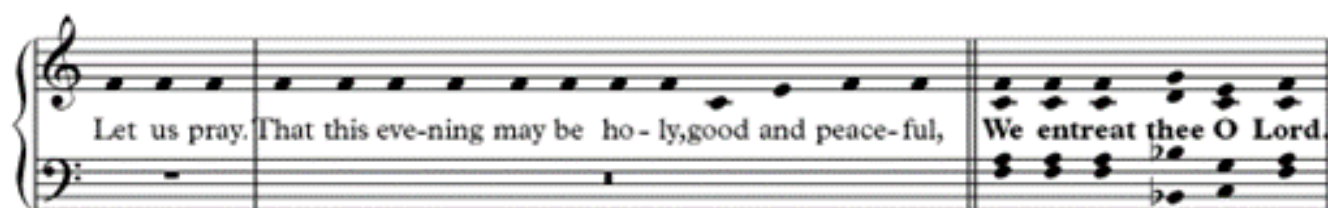
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born
of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS

We sit or kneel

The Lord be with you.
And also with you

THE LITANY FOR PEACE



That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill **We entreat...**

That we may be pardoned and forgiven our sins and offences, **We entreat...**

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world, **We entreat...**

That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgement seat of Christ, **We entreat...**

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

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

O God, the source of eternal light: Shed forth thine unending day upon us who watch for thee, that our lips may praise thee, our lives may bless thee, and our worship on the morrow may give thee glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, creator of the changes of day and night, giving rest to the weary, renewing the strength of those who are spent, bestowing upon us occasions of song in the evening. As you have protected us in the day that is past, so be with us in the coming night; keep us from every sin, every evil, and every fear; for you are our light and salvation, and the strength of our life. To you be glory for endless ages. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

We stand to sing THE CLOSING HYMN



God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient Church's story,
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us
scorn the Christ, assail his ways.
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

3 Cure your children's warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of your salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
serving you whom we adore,
serving you whom we adore.

POSTLUDE: Was mein Gott will das gescheh'allzeit - Pachelbel

Congratulations to Dr. Amy Thomas who graduated with her Doctor of Musical Arts degree this week. Amy's thesis was an investigation of Graupner's sacred cantatas for solo soprano.

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