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Choral Evensong  
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 8, 2009  
4:00 p.m.

*Welcome to St. Paul's. We invite you to join us as an active participant in the worship of God. Hymns not in this bulletin are found in The Hymnal 1982, the blue book in the pew racks.*

Prelude Méditation

Theodore Dubois

The Good Shepherd

Margaret Vardell Sandresky

- I. The saviour's blood and righteousness
- II. Come, faithful shepherd, bind me
- III. Jesus, still lead on
- IV. How great the bliss to be a sheep of Jesus

*The people stand as the officiant and acolytes enter the church.*

Opening Sentence

*The Officiant says*

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

*Psalm 141:2*

The Preces

Richard Ayleward

*Officiant:* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Choir:* And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

*Officiant:* O God, make speed to save us.

*Choir:* O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

*The people remain standing and sing*  
Hymn, So the day dawn for me

1. So the day dawn for me, so the day break,  
2. Be the day shine for me, be the day bright,

Christ watch - ing o - ver me, Christ as I wake.  
Christ my com - pan - ion be, Christ be my light. *to vs. 3*

3. Be the day dark to me, be the day drear,  
4. Be the day swift to me, be the day long,

Christ shall my com - fort be, Christ be my cheer.  
Christ my con - tent - ment be, Christ be my song. *to vs. 5*

5. So the day close for me, so the night fall,

Christ watch - ing o - ver me, Christ be my all.

*The people are seated for the singing of the psalm.*

**The Psalm**                  Psalm 34                  *Benedicam Dominum*

Bruce Neswick

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;  
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, \*  
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, \*  
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
- 11 Come, children, and listen to me; \*  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- 12 Who among you loves life \*  
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
- 13 Keep your tongue from evil-speaking \*  
and your lips from lying words.
- 14 Turn from evil and do good; \*  
seek peace and pursue it.

Glory to the Father and to the Son; and to the Holy spirit  
as it was in the beginning is now; and will be forever. Amen.

*The people are seated for the reading of the lessons.*

**Lesson**                  Hebrews 12:1-6

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And you have forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as children—"My child, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, or lose heart when you are punished by him; for the Lord disciplines those whom he loves, and chastises every child whom he accepts."

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    Thanks be to God.

**Magnificat**                  *Collegium Magdalenae Oxoniense*  
*The people stand for the canticle.*

Kenneth Leighton

**Lesson**            John 7:37-46

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some in the crowd said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Messiah." But some asked, "Surely the Messiah does not come from Galilee, does he? Has not the scripture said that the Messiah is descended from David and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David lived?" So there was a division in the crowd because of him. Some of them wanted to arrest him but no one laid hands on him. Then the temple police went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who asked them, "Why did you not arrest him?" The police answered, "Never has anyone spoken like this?"

*After the reading the reader says*

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    Thanks be to God.

**Nunc Dimittis**            *Collegium Magdalenae Oxoniense*  
*The people stand for the canticle.*

Kenneth Leighton

**The Apostles' Creed**            *(sung in unison by all)*

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**                    *(sung by the choir)*

Richard Ayleward

*Officiant:*    The Lord be with you.  
*Choir:*        And with thy spirit.  
*Officiant:*    Let us pray.  
*Choir:*        Lord, have mercy upon us.  
                  Christ, have mercy upon us.  
                  Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

## The Suffrages

- V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;  
R. And grant us thy salvation.  
V. O Lord save the State.  
R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness.  
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.  
V. O Lord, save thy people.  
R. And bless thine inheritance.  
V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.  
V. O God make clean our hearts within us.  
R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## Collects

### A Collect for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### A Collect for Sunday

Lord God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us our place in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection, may praise you in the City of which he is the light, and where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### A 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.*

**Anthem**      O nata lux      Thomas Tallis  
O born of light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, mercifully deem worthy and accept the praises and prayers of your supplicants. Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of the lost ones, grant us to be made members of your holy body.      Hymn for the Feast of the Transfiguration.

**Homily**      The Reverend Richard H. Winters, *Rector*

**Anthem**      O Thou the central Orb      Charles Wood  
O Thou the central orb of righteous love, Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light Of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above. Come, quickly come, and let Thy glory shine, Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine. Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move, As stars about Thy throne, set in the height Of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight Gives measur'd grace to each, Thy power to prove. Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, Our nature all shall feel eternal day, In fellowship with Thee, transforming clay To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

## Welcome and Announcements

### The Closing Prayers

*The people stand for the closing prayers.*  
*Officiant*      Let us pray.

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

### *Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

### Concluding Versicle and Response

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. *Thanks be to God.*

### *All say together*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Hymn 466, Eternal light, shine in my heart

*Jacob*

Procession          Psalm 150      (*sung by the choir*)

George S. Talbot

*The people remain standing.*

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### Assisting with the Liturgy

Officiant and Homilist: The Reverend Richard H. Winters, *Rector*

The Choir of St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Frank W. Boles, *Organist and Associate for Music*

Edie Johnson, *Assistant Organist/Choir Director*



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