



A Word of Welcome from the Dean

Opening Hymn 435

*King's Weston*



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,  
2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name  
3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,  
4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,  
\*5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
\*6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;  
2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,  
3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,  
4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;  
5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;  
6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord  
2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,  
3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;  
4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,  
5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;  
6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;  
3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.  
4 ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.  
5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.  
6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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## The Acclamation

*Presider:* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People:* **Glory to God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

Richard Proulx

The musical score for 'Gloria in Excelsis' is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff. It begins with a 4/4 time signature and a fermata over the first measure, followed by a 2/4 time signature. The lyrics are: 'Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you we give you thanks we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our pray'r re - ceive, re - ceive our pray'r. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.'

*Presider:* God is with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

## The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 100

Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; \*

serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The LORD himself is God; \*

he himself has made us, and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \*

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.



## The Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;  
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home;  
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;  
 for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er thy face ap - pears.

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,  
 for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,  
 Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.  
 but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heaven - ly king - dom comes.  
 the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

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*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### The Gospel Reading

**Matthew 25:31-46**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?'

And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

**Jeffrey Goldone, Diocesan Intern**

Moment for silent reflection

## **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the People**

*Deacon:* Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.  
*The people audibly or silently name those for whom they are interceding*

*Leader:* Let us pray to God for the whole church and for all the world, saying: Direct our hearts to keep your law:  
Lord, have mercy.

*Leader:* Make your church faithful to your word, not seeking to satisfy human expectations but clinging solely to your will and command. We pray especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Deon, our Bishop; Kathie, our Dean; for the clergy, lay staff, and Chapter of our Cathedral; for Bishop Deon Johnson and his family; for Sunday School for the youth of Lui Diocese; and for Bravelly, St. Louis. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* Make your people listen to the words of the prophets you send, that we may not stray from the paths you have set for us to walk in. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* Make our country a blessing to all the nations of the earth by seeking justice for all above all things, and lead us in the paths of peace. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* Teach us to pray earnestly night and day that the distressed and afflicted may find comfort. We pray for all those in need of Christ's healing love especially those experiencing anxiety and fear, all in this country, those effected by raging wildfires and hurricanes, for the Clark Family, the Simmons Family, the Phillips family, Don, James, Wendy, Nelson, Linda, Maureen, Livingston, Evelyn, Darian, Calvin, Richard, Henrietta, the Gross & Frederick family, the Kinman family, Scott, the Jones family, Natalie, Br. Clyde, Ray, Lynne, Walt; for all those affected by COVID-19 and any illness, all healthcare professionals and workers including Audrey, Bradley, Ira, Lauren, Lore, Logan, Phil, Susan; all poll workers, ballot counters and election judges; all teachers, students, parents and grandparents; all essential workers, those who have lost their jobs, all experiencing economic hardship, homelessness, neighbors on our streets, those affected by gun violence and violence and oppression in all forms. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* Make us ever mindful of your everlasting love for us. We pray for all who have died, especially Richelle Clark, Matthew Davis, Mara Bullington, Jacqueline Louise Schroeder Kinman, all who have died in recent natural disasters, of COVID 19 or any other illness, tragedy, at the hand of another or by their own hand, all those lost to gun violence, especially those 232 lives taken by gun violence this year so far in St. Louis and all who die at the hand of another, that they may go from strength to strength in your eternal kingdom. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* We beg you by your great might to transform the hunger, hatred and violence which surround us into birth pangs of the new age. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* Make each of us increase and abound more and more in love to one another and to all people and so prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* When we fail to be your witnesses, recall us to our baptism, cover us with the robe of Christ's righteousness, and increase our faith in Christ our Redeemer, that with renewed resolution we may set out again to walk in your ways. Direct our hearts to keep your law:

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader:* We pray together:

*All:* **Holy and righteous God, we offer you our thanks and praise on behalf of all your people, and we join with all creation in looking with joyful hope to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall rule the world with justice and mercy, through whom we offer our prayers and intercessions to you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Confession and Absolution**

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins to God. *Silence is kept.*

*All:* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love, and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Presider:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

### **Announcements and Blessing of the Books**

**(Advent Big Read: *Citizen: An American Lyric* by Claudia Rankine, sponsored by: CCC Pursuing Racial Justice Committee)**

### **Offertory Anthem**

Thomas Tallis

*All people that on earth do dwell. Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, Come ye before him and rejoice.*

*The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, Without our aid he did us make;  
We are his flock, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.*

*O enter then his gates with praise, Approach with joy his courts unto;  
Praise, laud and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do.*

*For why? the Lord our good is good: His mercy is for ever sure;  
His truth hath always firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure. Amen*

### **Doxology Hymn 380, v. 3**

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
praise God, all creatures here below  
praise God above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Presider:* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**All: 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.**

*Presider:* In unity with one another as we join in worship from our homes and acknowledge our spiritual communion we pray:

**Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present Lord Jesus as you were present with your disciples, be known to us in the breaking of the bread, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your Church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.**

*Silence is kept.*

## The Blessing

*Presider:* Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those whom we love and those who travel with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind; and may the Divine Mystery that is beyond our ability to know be your companion on the way. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the grace of Christ the Son, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn 494

*Diademata*

*Descant*

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and  
3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and  
4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who  
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -  
2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who  
3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his  
4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now  
5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Hymn continued on the next page

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be-fore him

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and  
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who  
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their  
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.  
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.  
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

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## The Dismissal

*Deacon:* Our worship has ended; now our service begins.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Voluntary** Postlude in D Major

William Matthias

## **Liturgical Ministers**

*Presider:* The Very Rev. Kathie Adams-Shepherd, Cathedral Dean

*Preacher:* Jeffrey Goldone, Diocesan Intern

*Deacon:* The Rev. Dn. Barbi Click

*Lector:* Thom Gross

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*Organist & Choirmaster:* Canon Precentor William Partridge

*Digital Moderator:* Rob Good, Christ Church Cathedral Senior Warden

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