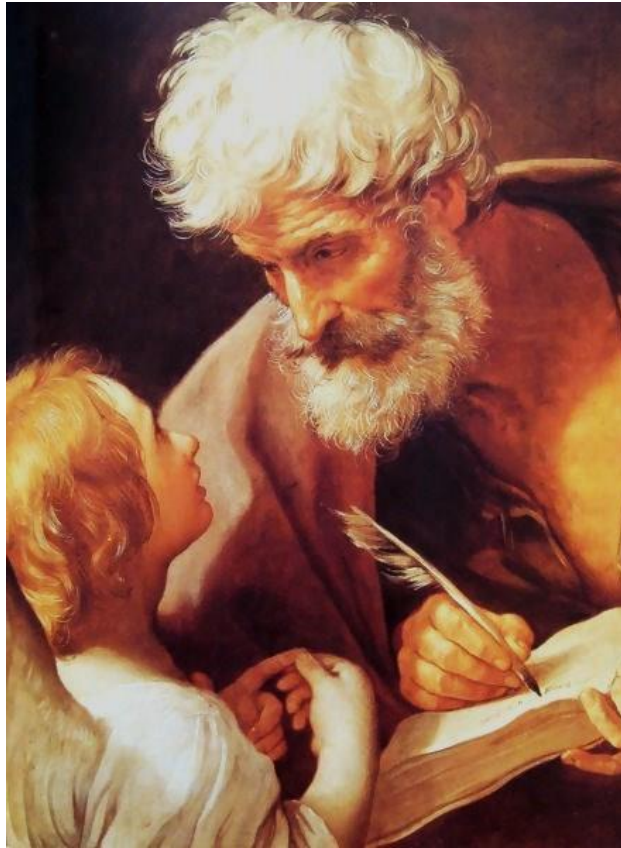


ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Denver, Colorado



Guido Reni (1575-1642)

Choral Evensong: September 23, 2021

St. Matthew



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St. Matthew, *Apostle and Evangelist* (transferred)

Derived from the ancient monastic evening offices of Vespers and Compline, Evensong (literally “Evening Song”) is an almost entirely sung service. Thomas Cranmer, the first Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury, combined the above two Roman Catholic monastic offices into one Anglican lay office, characterized by the chanting of psalms and the singing of the principal canticles from each – the Magnificat from Vespers and the Nunc dimittis from Compline. This felicitous pairing, and the mystical atmosphere of a church at dusk, have fired the imaginations of many of the Anglican Church’s greatest musicians. Please note that the texts to some of the sung items may differ slightly from what is printed in the modern Book of Common Prayer, particularly the Suffrages.

Numbers preceded by “BCP” are found in the Book of Common Prayer (Black Book)

Numbers preceded by “S” are in the front portion of the 1982 Hymnal (Red Book)

The Organ Voluntary: Pastorale: *Alla Siciliana & Allemande* Johann Sebastian Bach (1665-1750)

All stand at the entrance bells as the ministers enter the Church

The Invitatory and Psalter

The Invitatory: *Preces*

William Smith (1603-1645)

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips;

Choir And our mouth shall show 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.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord:

Choir The Lord’s Name be praised.

The Canticle of Light: Lord, we beseech thee

Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Lord, we beseech thee, give ear unto our prayers, and by thy gracious visitation lighten the darkness of our hearts, by our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Collect, 1549 BCP

The People sit. All stand when the Choir concludes the psalm with the Gloria Patri (“Glory to the Father...”)

The Psalm: 119:33-40

Legem pone; Plainchant Tone I.a.

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; * I shall keep it with all my heart.

35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for that is my desire.

36 Incline my heart to your decrees * and not to unjust gain.

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; * give me life in your ways.

38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, * which you make to those who fear you.

- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, * because your judgments are good.
40 Behold, I long for your commandments; * in your righteousness preserve my life.

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

The People sit.

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Proverbs 3:1-6

My child, do not forget my teaching,
but let your heart keep my commandments;
for length of days and years of life
and abundant welfare they will give you.
Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake
you;
bind them round your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.

So you will find favour and good repute
in the sight of God and of people.
Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

Here ends the Reading

The People stand.

The Magnificat

Adrian Batten

Fourth Evening Service

My soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, * and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him * throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; * he hath scattered the proud in the imagination
of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, * as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.

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.

The People sit.

The Second Lesson

Galatians 6:14-18

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

Here ends the Reading

The People stand.

The Nunc dimittis

*Adrian Batten
Fourth Evening Service*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, * according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, * which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, * and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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

The People sit.

The Reflection

The People stand.

The Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

The People kneel.

The Suffrages & Collects

William Smith

Officiant The Lord be with you;

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray:

Choir Lord, have mercy on us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord have mercy upon us.

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.

Officiant O Lord, show they mercy upon us;

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant O Lord, bless this land:

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
Officiant O Lord, save thy people:
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant We thank thee, heavenly Father, for the witness of thine apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of thy Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Choir Amen.

A Collect for Evening

Officiant Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know thee as thou art revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of thy love.
Choir Amen.

A Collect for Mission

Officiant Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love's sake.
Choir Amen.

The People sit.

The Anthem: O Sing Joyfully

Adrian Batten

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

Take the song, bring hither the tabret: the merry harp with the lute.

Blow up the trumpet in the new moon: e'en in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast day.

For this was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of Jacob.

Ps. 81:1-4

1 He sat to watch o'er cus - toms paid, a
 2 But grace with - in his heart had stirred, there
 3 E - nough, when thou wast pass - ing by, to
 4 O wise ex - change! with these to part, and

man of scorned and hard - ening trade, a - like the sym - bol
 need - ed but the time - ly word; it came, true Lord of
 hear thy voice, to meet thine eye; he rose, re - spon - sive
 lay up trea - sures in the heart; let them of Mat - thew's

and the tool of for - eign mas - ter's hat - ed rule.
 souls, from thee, that roy - al sum - mons, "Fol - low me."
 to the call, and left his task, his gains, his all.
 wealth par - take, who yield up all for Je - sus' sake.

Words: William Bright (1824-1901), alt. Music: Breslau, melody from *Lochamer Gesangbuch*, 1450?, alt.; harm. after Felix Mendelssohn (1804-1847)

All say

The Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

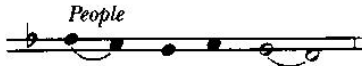
All sing

The Concluding Versicle & Response

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Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

The People sit.

The Organ Voluntary: Pastorale: *Aria & Alla Gigue*

Johann Sebastian Bach



Please join us for a sherry and cider reception in the Common Room next door in the Parish House

Evensong is sung every Thursday at St. Andrew's between September and May.



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