

A Service of Music for Good Friday

April 29, 2011
8 o'clock in the evening

*All who are able please stand

PRELUDE:

Chorale Prelude and Fugue on 'O Traurigkeit, O Herzeleid'

Samuel Backman, guest organist
Johannes Brahms

SILENT PROCESSION

***HYMN**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Pilgrim (Red) Hymnal 177

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: O God, true source of humanity,
mother and father of us all;
you renew us so we may grow like you.

All: We gather together:

Leader: from corner or limelight,
from fears or from sadness,
from hope or from gladness
in close relationships or from separate lives.

All: We gather together:

Leader: who long for the company,
the leveling and the deepest joys,
found in your presence.

All: We gather together:

Leader: to meet you, to celebrate your love,
and to rejoice in the possibilities that arise
when we honour all the diversity of our humanity.

All: We gather together - with you. (Adapt./St James Church, London)

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Dr. David D. Young

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Rev. Daniel B. England

Matthew 27: 45-60

REQUIEM

John Rutter

The Chancel Choir
First Congregational Church Chamber Ensemble
Hanna Golodinskii, soprano
Janice Riddell, soprano

1. **Requiem aeternam** [*from Missa pro defunctis*]

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine: et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion; et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem .

Exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Grant them rest eternal, Lord our God, we pray to thee:

and light perpetual shine on them forever.

Thou, Lord, art worshipped in Sion:

thy praises shall ever be sung in all Jerusalem .

O hear us: O Lord, hear thy faithful servants' prayer;

to thee shall all mortal flesh return.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

2. **Out Of The Deep** [*Psalm 130*]

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord:

Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss:

O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look to the Lord; my soul doth wait for him,

and in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord: before the morning watch, I say,

before the morning watch.

O Israel trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:

and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

3. **Pie Jesu** [*'Dies Irae', Missa pro defunctis*]

Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem.

Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis sempiternam requiem.

Blessed Jesus, Lord I pray, in thy mercy grant them rest.

Lord our God, we pray thee, grant them everlasting rest.

4. **Sanctus** [*Missa pro defunctis*]

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli Gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and majesty.

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

*Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord our God.*

Hosanna in the highest.

5. Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona eis requiem.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:

In thy mercy, grant them rest.

Man that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live,
and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down like a flower;
he fleeth as it were a shadow. In the midst of life we are in death.

Of whom may we seek for succor?

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord:

he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

Latin text from Missa pro defunctis; English texts from The Burial Service, 1662 Book of Common Prayer

6. The Lord Is My Shepherd [Psalm 23]

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth
beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul and bring me forth 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 comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me; thou hast
anointed my head with oil
and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.

7. Lux aeterna

I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they rest from their
labours. Even so saith the Spirit.

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine: Cum sanctis tuis in aeternam quia pius es. Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et
lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Light eternal shine upon them, Lord, we pray: With saints and angels
ever dwelling, for thy mercy's sake, may they rest in peace.*

*Grant them rest eternal, Lord our God, we pray to thee,
and light perpetual shine on them forever.*

CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

The Choir will leave in silence.

At the rear of the Meetinghouse, there will be offering plates if you wish to consider a contribution to the music program of First Congregational Church.

First Congregational Church Chamber Ensemble

Flute: Mary Fike
Oboe: Dorothy Darlington
Harp: Lynette Wardle
Cello: Gunnar Sahelin
Organ: Samuel Backman
Timpani: Eric Phinney

Please join us for our Easter Sunday Celebration beginning at 5:45 am with a Sunrise Service at Greenwich Point and continuing at 9:00 and 11:00 am with Festival Services in the Meetinghouse including choirs, brass and timpani.

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