

Lutheran Vespers

A Praetorius Organvespers for Pentecost

Wednesday, June 25 & Thursday, June 26, 2014, 7:30 p.m.
First Lutheran Church of Boston

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Canto Armonico
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Prelude

Veni Creator Spiritus

Hieronymus Praetorius
(1560–1629)

Choral Antiphon Veni, Sancte Spiritus

Franz Eler, *Cantica Sacrae*
(Hamburg, 1588)

Veni, Sancte Spiritus, reple tuorum corda fidelium, et tui amoris in eis ignem accende, qui per diversitatem linguarum cunctarum gentes in unitate fidei congregasti: Alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your believers, and kindle in them your ardent love, whom from all the various tongues you have gathered in one faith: Alleluia.

Motet

Komm, heiliger Geist

Michael Praetorius
(1571–1621)

Veni, Sancte Spiritus, reple tuorum corda fidelium, Hallelujah. Komm heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, erfüll mit deiner Gnaden gut deiner Glaubigen Herz, Mut und Sinn, dein brünstig Lieb entzünd in ihn'n, Hallelujah. O Herr, durch deines Lichtes Glanz zu dem Glauben versammelt hast das Volk aus aller Welt Zungen das sei dir Herr zu Lob gesungen, Hallelujah.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your believers, Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God, fill the heart, spirit and mind of thy faithful people with thy grace, kindle in them your ardent love, Alleluia. O Lord, by the radiance of your light you have gathered people from all the tongues of the world so that in your praise, Lord, may there be sung Alleluia.

The congregation stands to sing the hymn.

Hymn

Come, Holy Ghost

from *Eyn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein*
(Erfurt, 1524)

Versicles

The congregation is seated as the choir sings the Psalms.

Laudate, pueri, Dominum, Laudate nomen Domini. Sit nomen Domini, sit benedictum ex hoc nunc et usque in saeculum a solis ortu usque ad occasum. Laudabile nomen Domini excelsus super omnes gentes Dominus et super coelos gloria eius.

Quis sicut Dominus Deus noster, qui in altis habitat et humilia respicit in coelo et in terra suscitans a terra inopem et de stercore erigens pauperum ut collocet eum cum principibus populi sui, qui habitare facit sterilem in domo matrem filiorum laetantem.

Gloria Patri et filio et spiritui Sancto, sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Praise the Lord, ye servants, Praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord, from this time forth for evermore. The LORD's Name be praised from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same. The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

Who is like unto the LORD our God, that hath his dwelling so high, and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth! He taketh up the simple out of the dust, and lifteth the poor out of the mire; That he may set him with the princes, even with the princes of his people. He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.

Glory 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.

Herr, wie groß sind deine Werk zubereit in Kraft und Stärk! Sind geordnet allzumal sehr weislich in großer Zahl, mit dein Gütern allezeit ist die Erden voll bereit und das Meer so groß und weit.

Darin wimmeln ingemein Fisch ohne Zahl groß und klein, auch gehn auf dem wilden Meer große Schiff mit Macht daher, Walfisch die man drinnen findet, und durch dich geschaffen sind, treiben ibren Schertz geschwind.

All, was lebt, wartet auf dich, daß du ihnen mildiglich Speise gäbst zu seiner Zeit, wenn du gibst, sind sie bereit, sammeln ein mit fröhlichm Mut, werden satt von deinem Gut, wann sich deine Hand auftut.

Verbirgst du dein Angesicht, für Schrecken sie bleiben nicht, Staub sie werden wiederum, wenn du nimmst ihrn Odem hin, läßt du aus den Odem dein, muß alles geschaffen sein und die Erde sich verneun.

Ewig bleibt des Herren Heer, seine Werk ihm gefallen sehr, wenn er schaut die Erden an im Zorn, bebet sie davon, seine Kraft man merklich spurt, wenn sein Blitz die Berge röhrt, davon Rauch und Dampf auffährt.

Dir, Herr, zu Lob, Ehr und Dank, sing ich all mein Lebelang, so lang ich hier bleiben mag, meinem Gott stets Lob ich sag, ihm gefall die Rede mein, von Grund meines Herzen rein will ich mich des Herren freun.

Ausgerottet werden muß, wer da sündigt ohne Buß in den Tag sicher und frei, der Gottlose nichts mehr sei, sing, mein liebe Seel, mit Freud, lob des Herren Gütekeit, preise ihn in Ewigkeit.

Lord, how greatly are your works prepared in power and strength! They are appointed very wisely in great number; at all times the earth is filled with your goodness, as is the sea, so great and wide.

Therein swarm exquisite fish without number, great and small, and upon the wild sea sail great ships with power hence. Whales, that one finds within and that are created through you, nimbly frolic there.

All, that lives, waits for you, that you would give them nourishment in your time. When you give, they are ready; they gather with a happy countenance and are satisfied by your goodness, when you open your hand.

You hide your face, they flee in fear; they become dust once again, when you take away their breath. You but let out a breath, and all must be created, and the earth must be renewed.

The Heavenly Host remains forever, his works please him greatly, when he looks upon the earth in wrath, they assuage him in prayer. One senses his power noticeably when his thunder shakes the mountains from which smoke and steam arise.

To you, Lord, I will sing praise, honor and thanks, all my life long. So long I may stay here, I will continually say praise to my God; My speech pleases him, because of my pure heart will I rejoice in the Lord.

He who sins without repentance must be exterminated. No longer will the godless live in daylight, safely and freely; Sing, my dear soul, with joy, laud the goodness of the Lord, praise him in eternity.

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| Reading | Acts 2:1–21 | |
| Responsory | Factus est repente | Franz Eler, <i>Cantica Sacrae</i> |

*Factus est repente de coelo sonus, advenientis
spiritus vehementis, hallelujah, hallelujah.*

Suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a mighty wind coming where they were sitting, alleluia, alleluia.

The congregation stands for the reading of the Gospel.

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| Reading | John 14:23–31 | |
| P | <i>The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.</i> | |
| C | Glory to You, O Lord! | |

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

C **Praise to You, O Christ!**

The congregation is seated.

The Magnificat

The congregation may join in the following responsorial chants.

During Organvespers, verses of the Magnificat alternate between chant and organ, and, for special services, German composers traditionally added carols or hymns between sets of Magnificat verses.

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| Antiphon | Non vos relinquam orphanos | Franz Eler, <i>Cantica Sacrae</i> |
| | <i>Non vos relinquam orphanos, Halleluja: vado et venio ad vos, Halleluja; et gaudebit cor vestrum, Halleluja.</i> | I will not leave you comfortless, Alleluia. I go, and I will come to you, Alleluia. And your heart shall rejoice, Alleluia. |

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| Organ Verse | Magnificat VI. Toni | Hieronymus Praetorius |
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| Hymn Interpolation | Der heilig Geist vom Himmel kam | Michael Praetorius |
| | <i>Der heilig Geist vom Himmel kam mit Brausen das ganz Haus einnahm darin die Jünger saßen Gott wollt sie nicht verläßn. O welch ein selig Fest, ist der Pfingesttag gewest, Gott sende noch jetzund in unser Herz und Mund seinn heilgen Geist, das sei ja, das sei ja, das sei ja, So singn wir Alleluja, Alleluja.</i> | The Holy Ghost came from Heaven with a noise filling the entire house where the disciples were sitting; God would not forsake them. O what a blessed feast is Pentecost, God sends us still, in our hearts and mouths, his Holy Ghost, that is so, yes, therefore let us sing Alleluia, Alleluia. |

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Hymn Interpolation Komm, heiliger Geist

Michael Praetorius

*Komm, heiliger Geist, erfülle die Herzen
deiner Gläubigen und entzünd in ihnen das
Feuer deiner göttlichen Liebe, der du durch
Mannigfaltigkeit der Zungen die Völker
der ganzen Welt versammlet hast in
Einigkeit des Glaubens, Alleluja.*

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy
believers and kindle in them the fire of
your godly love, with which you
through the diversity of tongues have
gathered people from the whole world
in unity of belief, Alleluia.

The congregation stands.

Hymn

To God the Holy Spirit let us pray

vv. 1 and 4

GEYSTLICHE GESANGK BUCHLEYN

(Wittenberg, 1524)

The Lord's Prayer

P *Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

C **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 forever
and ever. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

A Collect for Peace

The congregation is seated.

Te Deum Laudamus

Hieronymus Praetorius

Prima pars:

*Herr Gott, dich loben wir. Herr Gott, wir
dancken dir. Dich, Vater in Ewigkeit, ehrt
die welt weit und breit. All Engel und
himels Heer und was dienet deiner ehr, auch
Cherubin und Seraphin, singen immer mit
hoger stim:*

*Heilig ist unser Gott, Heilig ist unser Gott,
Heilig ist unser Gott, der Herre Zebaoth.*

*Dein Göttlich macht und herligkeit geht
uber Himl und Erden weit. Der heiligen
zwölff boten zahl und die lieben Propheten
all, die tenren märtrer allzumahl loben
dich, Herr, mit großem schal.*

*Die ganze werthe Christenheit rümbt dich
auff Erden allezeit. Dich, Gott vater im
högsten thron, deinen rechten und einigen
Sohn, den heiligen Geist und Tröster werth
mit rechtem dienst sie lobt und ehrt.*

Lord God, we praise you. Lord God, we thank you. You, the eternal Father, the wide world honors. All the angels and hosts of heaven and whatever serves your honor, also Cherubim and Seraphim, sing endlessly with full voices:

Holy is our God, Holy is our God, Holy is our God, the Lord of Sabaoth.

Your divine power and glory stretch over heaven and earth. The holy twelve apostles and all the dear prophets [and] the beloved martyrs altogether praise you, Lord, in a great tumult.

The whole precious Christendom extols you on earth continually. You, God the Father on the highest throne, your true and only Son [and] the Holy Spirit and beloved comforter in rightful service, it praises and honors.

Secunda pars:

*Du König der Ehren, Jesu Christ, Gott
Vaters einiger Sohn du bist. Der Jungfrau
Leib nit hast verschmecht zurlösen das
menschlich geschlecht.*

*Du hast dem tod zerstört sein macht und all
Christen zum himel bracht. Du sitzt zur
rechten Gottes gleich mit aller Ehr ins
vaters reich. Ein Richter du zukünftig bist
alles, was tod und lebend ist.*

*Nun hilff uns, Herr, den dienern dein, die
mit deim tewrn bludt erlöset seyn. Laß uns
im himel haben theil mit den heiligen im
ewigem heyl.*

*Hilff deinem Volck, Herr Jesu Christ, und
segne, was dein Erbtheil ist. Wart und pfleg
ihr zu aller zeit und heb sie hoch in
Ewigkeit. Teglich, Herr Gott, wir loben
dich und ehren deinen namen stetiglich.*

You, King of glory, Jesus Christ, you
are God the Father's only son. You
did not spurn the virgin's womb to
redeem the human race.

You have destroyed the power of
death and brought all Christians to
heaven. You sit at God's right hand
with all honor in the father's
kingdom. In the future you will be a
judge of the dead and the living.

Now help us, Lord, your servants,
who are redeemed by your dear
blood. Let us in heaven share with
the saints in eternal salvation.

Help your people, Lord Jesus Christ,
and bless your inheritance. Tend and
care for it always and raise it on high
forever. Daily, Lord God, we praise
you and honor your name
continuously.

Tertia pars:

*Behüt uns heut, O treuer Gott, für aller
Sünd und missethat. Sey uns gnedig, O
Herre Gott, sey uns gnedig in aller noth.
Zeig uns deine Barmherzigkeit, als unser
hoffnung zu dir steht. Auff dich hoffen wir,
lieber Herr, in schanden laß uns
nimmermehr. Amen.*

Protect us today, O true God, from
all sins and misdeeds. Be merciful to
us, O Lord God, be merciful to us in
time of need. Show us your mercy,
since our hope rests in you. In you
we hope, dear Lord, let us never be
disgraced. Amen.

Benedicamus

Michael Praetorius

*Benedicamus Domino, Christus scandens in
coelum misit discipulis, Halleluja, Spiritum
sanctum singulis, in linguis igneis,
Halleluja.*

Let us bless the Lord, Christ, when
ascending to heaven, sent to the
disciples, Alleluia, the Holy Spirit to
each of them, in tongues of flame,
Alleluia.

The congregation stands for the benediction.

Benediction

The congregation is seated for the postlude.

Postlude

Nun lob, meine Seele

Michael Praetorius