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THE PRELUDE

In paradisum (from the Requiem, Op. 48)

Gabriel Fauré

arr. Alain Brunet

May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs receive you at your arrival and lead you to the holy city Jerusalem.

May choirs of angels receive you and with Lazarus, once a poor man, may you have eternal rest.

THE HYMN

For All the Saints, sts. 1-4



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:___
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,___
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!___



thee___ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;___
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O___ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
win, with___ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
all are___ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Cantor: O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Cantor: O God, make speed to save us

Choir: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Cantor: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

Choir: 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.

PSALM 34:1-10, 22

sung by the quartet

chant: Frederick A Gore Ouseley

- 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.
- 22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

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

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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 SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Richard Shephard

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 APOSTLE'S CREED *spoken by all*

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, dead, and 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

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with thy spirit.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *spoken by 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.
Amen**

THE PRECES AND RESPONSES

The Tryon Service
Richard Shephard

Cantor: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Choir: And grant us thy salvation.

Cantor: O Lord, save the State.

Choir: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

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

THE COLLECTS

Officiant: Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

***All:* Amen.**

Officiant: O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior.

***All:* Amen.**

Officiant: Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

***All:* Amen.**

THE ANTHEM

There is a Land of Pure Delight

Grayston Ives

There is a land of pure delight,
where saints immortal reign;
infinite day excludes the night,
and pleasures banish pain.

There everlasting spring abides,
and never-withering flowers;
death, like a narrow sea, divides
that heavenly land from ours.

Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood
stand dressed in living green;
so to the Jews old Canaan stood,
while Jordan rolled between.

But timorous mortals start and shrink
to cross the narrow sea,
and linger shivering on the brink,
and fear to launch away.

O could we make our doubts remove,
those gloomy doubts that rise,
and see the Canaan that we love
with unclouded eyes;

Could we but climb where Moses stood,
and view the landscape o'er,
not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood,
should fright us from the shore!

— Isaac Watts (1674-1748), 1709

THE FINAL COLLECT AND THE GRACE

Officiant: O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship thee, all nations obey thee, all tongues confess and bless thee, and men and women everywhere love thee and serve thee in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***All:* Amen.**

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

***All:* Amen.**

THE HYMN

*Who are these like stars appearing,
sts. 1, 3, and 5*



1. Who are these like stars ap-pear - ing, these, be - fore God's
3. These are they who have con-tend - ed for their Sa - vior's
5. These, like priests, have watched and wait - ed, of - fering up to



throne who stand? Each a gold - en crown is wear - ing;
hon - or long, wres - tling on till life was end - ed,
Christ their will, soul and bo - dy con - se - crat - ed,



who are__ all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ia!__
fol - lowing not the sin - ful throng; these, who well the__
day and__ night they serve him still. Now in God's most



hark, they sing, prais - ing loud their heaven - ly King.
fight sus - tained, tri - umph by__ the Lamb have gained.
ho - ly__ place, blest they stand be - fore his face.

Words: Theobald Heinrich Schenck (1656-1727); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Music: *Zeuch mich, zeuch mich*, melody from *Geistreiches Gesang-buch*, 1698

THE POSTLUDE

Fanfare

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