

# CANTATA VESPERS

SAT. 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 5PM



Der Herr ist mein Hirt - J.P. Krieger  
*The Lord is my shepherd*  
Cantata for Misericordias Sunday

featuring  
Anna Leese, soprano  
Catherine Polglase, baroque violin



Service with retiring collection  
51 Victoria St. Hamilton



**The Waikato Cathedral Church of St Peter**

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**Leading the service today:** Anna Leese, soprano; Catherine Polglase, baroque violin; Martin Griffiths, cello, Rachael Griffiths-Hughes, organ; Rev'd Wendy Tyrell

**Next cantata vespers: 5pm Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2026** *Sie werden euch in den Bann tun* BWV 44 J.S. Bach.

# OPENING

**PRELUDE** : Sicilienne and Allegro from Sonata in e minor for cello by C.F. Abel (1723-1787)

Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Psalm 141:2


*We stand to sing*

## THE OPENING HYMN


Latin hymn, ca. 9th century  
Trans. by John Cosin, 1627

Plainsong melody, Mechlin form  
As in *Pilgrim Hymnal*, 1958

*Unison*



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire And light - en with ce -  
2. Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove Is com - fort, life, and  
3. A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face With the a - bun - dance  
4. Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, And thee, of both, to




les - tial fire; Thou the a - noint - ing Spir - it art  
fire of love; En - a - ble with per - pet - ual light  
of thy grace; Keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
be but One; That through the ag - es all a - long




*After last stanza*



Who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.  
The dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.  
Where thou art guide no ill can come.  
This may be our end - less song: Praise to thy e -



ter - nal mer - it, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.



Words: Latin, ninth century; trans. John Cosin, 162



Please stand for the **HYMN OF LIGHT**

The image shows a musical score for a hymn, consisting of seven systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The music is in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. The lyrics are: "Hail, gladdening Light of his pure glo - ry poured. Who is the Immortal Fa - ther, Heaven - ly Blest, Ho - li - est of Ho - lies, Je - sus Christ, our Lord. Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest. The lights of eve - ning round us shine. We hymn the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it Di - vine. Worthiest art Thou at all timesto be sung With un - de - fil - ed tongue. Son of our God, giv - er of life, A - lone; There - fore in all the world Thy glo - ries, Lord, they own. A - men". The score includes bar numbers 13, 17, and 21.

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Words: Greek; trans. John Keble, 1834

# INVITATORY AND PSALTER

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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

Blessed are you, God of compassion and mercy, to you be praise and glory for ever.

In the darkness of our sin, your light breaks forth like the dawn and your healing springs up for deliverance.

As we rejoice in the gift of your saving help, sustain us with your bountiful Spirit and open our lips to sing your praise: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*Please join in singing*

PSALM 66: 1-8

CHANT: C.V. STANFORD



1. O be joyful in God, /all ye/ lands : sing praises unto the honour of his Name, /make his /praise to. be/ glorious.
2. Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou /in thy/ works : through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found /liars /unto /thee.
3. For all the /world shall /worship thee : sing of /thee, and /praise thy /Name.
4. O come hither, and behold the /works of/ God : how wonderful he is in his /doing. toward the/ children. of /men.
5. He turned the sea into/ dry /land : so that they went through the water on foot; there did /we re/joyce there/of.
6. He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes be/hold the/ people : and such as will not believe shall not be /able /to ex/alt themselves.
7. O praise our /God, ye/ people : and make the /voice of. his/ praise to. be /heard;
8. Who holdeth our /soul in /life : and suffereth/ not our /feet to/ slip.

**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. A/-men**

# WORD

*We sit to hear*

## **THE FIRST READING: 1 PETER 2 : 21-25**

To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.” For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

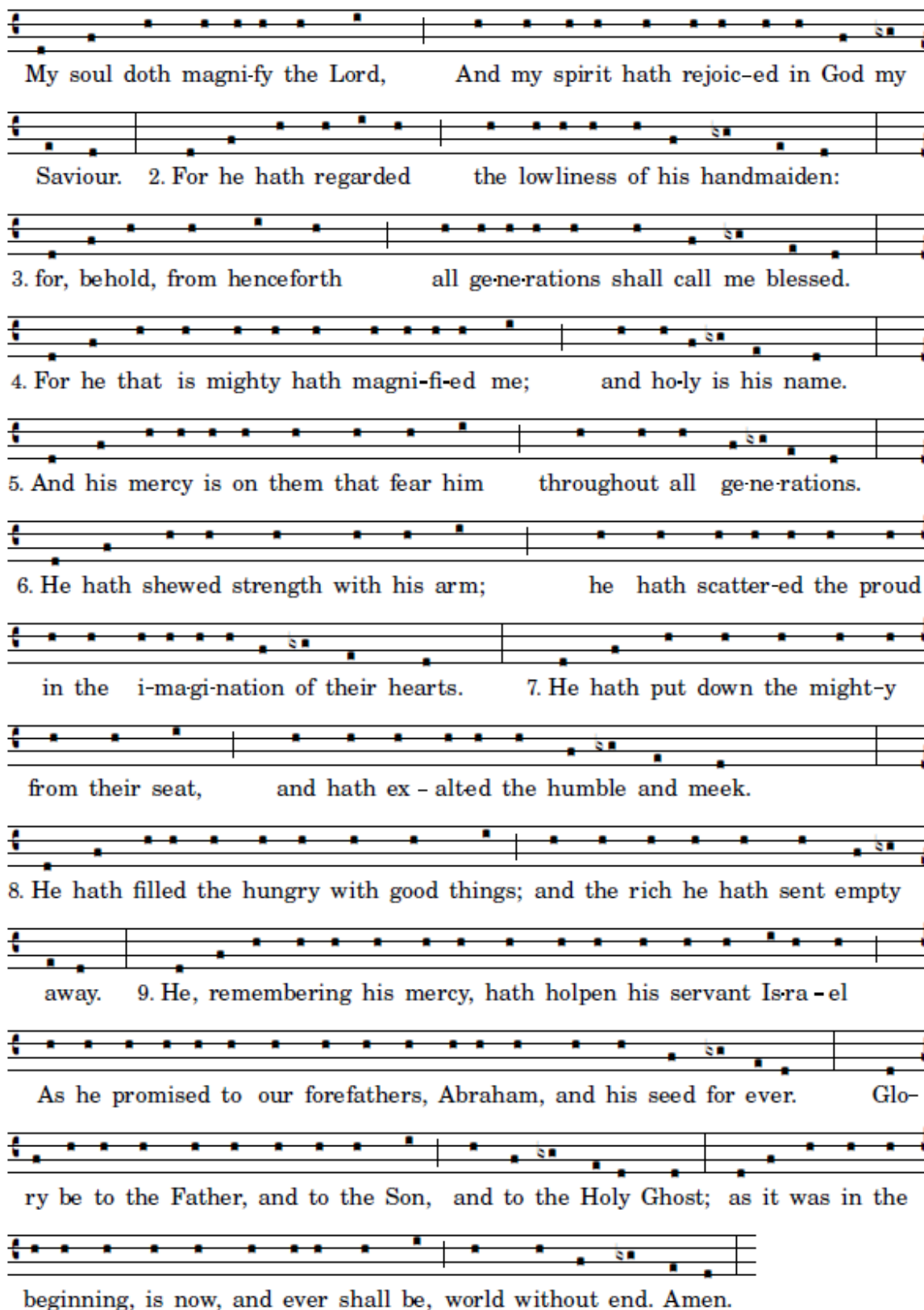
Here ends the first Lesson

**Thanks be to God**

*We stand to sing*

## Magnificat

tone V 3



My soul doth magni-fy the Lord, And my spirit hath rejoic-ed in God my  
Saviour. 2. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden:  
3. for, behold, from henceforth all ge-ne-rations shall call me blessed.  
4. For he that is mighty hath magni-fi-ed me; and ho-ly is his name.  
5. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all ge-ne-rations.  
6. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scatter-ed the proud  
in the i-magi-nation of their hearts. 7. He hath put down the might-y  
from their seat, and hath ex - al-ted the humble and meek.  
8. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty  
away. 9. He, remembering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Isra - el  
As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham, and his seed for ever. Glo-  
ry 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.

*We sit to hear*

## **THE SECOND READING: JOHN 10: 11-16**

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

“I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

Here ends the second Lesson

**Thanks be to God**

## **THE CANTATA**

1. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters.
2. He refreshes my soul; he guides me along the right paths for his name's sake; even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.
3. I fear no evil; for you, Lord, are my refuge and my staff, you comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil and fill my cup to the brim.
4. Goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.
5. Hallelujah!

## Response

Eternal spirit flow through our being and open our lips;  
**That our mouths may proclaim your praise.**

In response to tonight's cantata let us now stand and affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

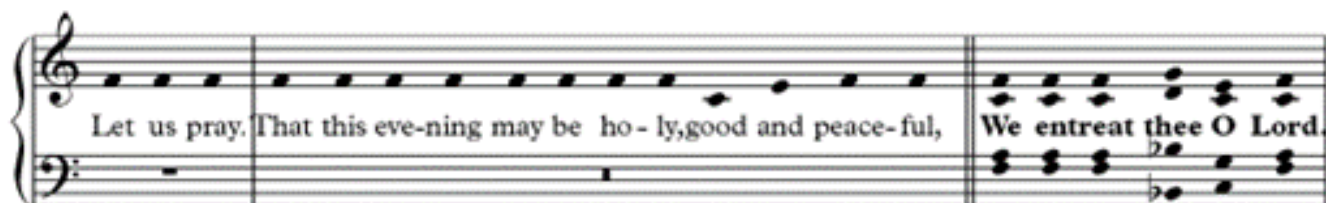
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born  
of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the  
holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection  
of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS

*We sit or kneel*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you**

### THE LITANY FOR PEACE



That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill **We entreat...**

That we may be pardoned and forgiven our sins and offences, **We entreat...**

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world, **We entreat...**

That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgement seat of Christ, **We entreat...**

That we may be bound together by the Holy Spirit in the communion of all thy saints,  
entrusting one another and all our life to Christ, **We entreat...**

**Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

O God, the source of eternal light: Shed forth thine unending day upon us who watch for thee, that our lips may praise thee, our lives may bless thee, and our worship on the morrow may give thee glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, creator of the changes of day and night, giving rest to the weary, renewing the strength of those who are spent, bestowing upon us occasions of song in the evening. As you have protected us in the day that is past, so be with us in the coming night; keep us from every sin, every evil, and every fear; for you are our light and salvation, and the strength of our life. To you be glory for endless ages. **Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

*We stand to sing*    **THE CLOSING HYMN**



Loving Shepherd of your sheep,  
all your lambs in safety keep;  
nothing can your power withstand,  
none can pluck them from your hand.

2 May they praise you ev'ry day,  
gladly all your will obey,  
like your blessed ones above,  
happy in your precious love.

3 Loving Shepherd, ever near,  
teach your lambs your voice to hear;  
suffer not their steps to stray  
from the straight and narrow way.

4 Where you lead them may they go,  
walking in your steps below;  
then, before your Father's throne,  
Saviour, claim them for your own.

**POSTLUDE:**    Voluntary I in D major, Larghetto – John Bennett (1734-1785)

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If you would like pastoral support, or know someone who would and have their permission, please let the pastoral care team know: pastoralcare@stpeter.org.nz or Robin (027 441 9292) or ring Julian (020 4124 6555)

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