

For more than 25 years, the Pittsburgh Compline Choir has sung Compline's prayers for peace and safety through the coming night on Sunday evenings at Heinz Chapel. Established as a ministry of Lutheran Campus Ministry in Greater Pittsburgh, the choir is made up of singers from many different Christian denominations who rehearse bi-weekly at the Lutheran University Center.

Financial support for the Pittsburgh Compline Choir comes **primarily from individual donors.** We rely upon the generosity of members of the congregation and friends of Compline for more than half of our annual budget. Additional funding is provided by First Lutheran Church, Downtown Pittsburgh, and Lutheran Campus Ministry.

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1 Now all the woods are sleep - ing, Through fields the shad -
 2 The ra - diant sun has van - ished, Its gold - en rays
 3 Now all the heav'n - ly splen - dor Breaks forth in star -
 4 Though long our an - cient blind - ness Has missed God's lov -

ows creep - ing, And cit - ies sink to rest; Let us, as night
 are ban - ished From dark - ning skies of night; But Christ, the sun
 light ten - der From myr - iad worlds un - known; And we, this mar -
 ing - kind - ness And plunged us in - to strife; One day, when life

is fall - ing, On God our mak - er call - ing,
 of glad - ness, Dis - pel - ling all our sad - ness,
 vel see - ing, For - get our self - ish be - ing
 is o - ver, Shall death's fair night un - cov - er

Give thanks to him who loves us best.
 Shines down on us in warm - est light.
 For joy of beau - ty not our own.
 The fields of ev - er - last - ing life.

Compline

Choral Prayer at the Close of Day



GUEST ORGANIST

Marty Barstow, a native of Norfolk, VA, obtained degrees in Organ Performance and Sacred Music from East Carolina University in Greenville, NC, and Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA. Currently, he is the organist and choir director of St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Williamsburg, VA. He is also a member of the American Guild of Organists, American Choral Directors Association, and Association of Lutheran Church Musicians. In addition, he has studied voice privately, and currently studies conducting with Agnes French. He sung with Pittsburgh Compline Choir for three years, and currently sings with Cantori Choral Ensemble of Williamsburg.

Order of Service

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Procession *(please stand, if able)*

The Prelude *(please sit)*

O Welt, ich muß dich lassen, Op. 122, No. 11, by Johannes Brahms
O Welt, ich muß dich lassen by Emma Lou Diemer

The Opening Collect *(please stand)*

Congregation: Amen.

The Orison

Agnus Dei from Missa Brevis by Alastair Stout

The Opening Versicles

Leader: The Lord Almighty † grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

Congregation: A - men

L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

C to sing praise to your name, O most high.

L to herald your love in the morning,

C your truth at the close of the day.

The Congregational Hymn (back page)

THE ORISON

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi. Dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us peace

Psalm 91 (Tone 4.1/Tomas Luis de Victoria)

He that dwelleth in the shelter of the Most High, and abideth in the shadow of the Almighty, he shall say to the Lord, "Thou art my protector and my stronghold, my God, in whom I put my trust." For He will rescue thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the sharp word. With His pinions, will He shelter thee; and under His wings thou shalt be secure. Like a shield His truth shall guard thee, thou shalt not fear the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the plague that prowls in the dark, nor the noonday attack of the demon. A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand, yet no evil shall come to thee. But with thine eyes thou shalt see and behold the punishment of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord thy hope, and the most High thy refuge, no evil shall befall thee nor any plague come near thy dwelling. He hath given His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways; they shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the asp and the adder, the lion and dragon shalt thou trample under foot. "Because he hath put his trust in Me, I will deliver him; I will protect him because he hath known my name. He will call upon Me and I will hear him; I will be with him in need, I will rescue him and bring him honor; with length of days I will satisfy him, and show him my salvation." Gloria.

Psalm 121 (Henry Walford Davies)

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep. Behold, he who keeps watch shall neither slumber nor sleep; The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forever more. Gloria

The Confession *(please sit)*

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for self-examination

I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

C The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

L Amen.

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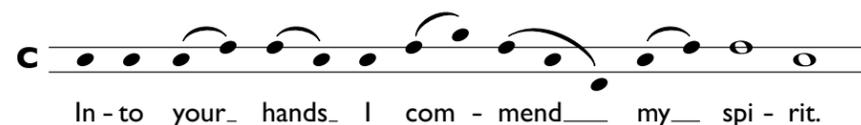
C Amen.

The Psalmody

The Lesson

The Responsory

L Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

C  In - to your_ hands_ I com - mend___ my___ spi - rit.

L You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth

C Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

L Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

C Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

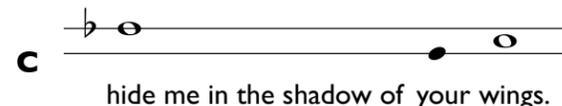
The Anthem

The Versicles *(please stand)*

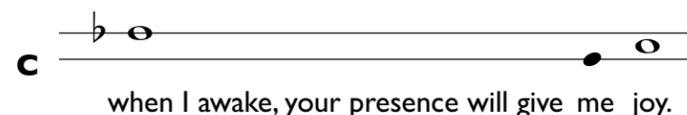
L Hear my prayer, O Lord.

C  Listen to my cry.

L Keep me as the apple of your eye;

C  hide me in the shadow of your wings.

L In righteousness I shall see you;

C  when I awake, your presence will give me joy.

The Litany

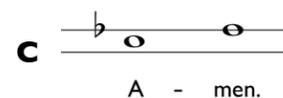
 Lord have mer - cy. A - men.

The Lord's Prayer (Jacob Temple)

The Gospel Canticle (John Tavener)

The Benediction

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

C  A - men.

(Please remain standing as the choir recesses.)

THE ANTHEM
Be Still My Soul
by Percy Whitlock

Be still my soul, for God is near;
The Great High Priest is with thee now;
The Lord of Life Himself is here,
Before whose face the angels bow.

To make thy heart His lowly throne
Thy Savior God in love draws nigh.
He gives Himself unto His own,
For whom He once came down to die.

I come, O Lord, for Thou dost call
To blend my pleading prayer with Thine:
To Thee I give myself my all
And feed on Thee, and make Thee mine.
Amen.

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE

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.
Gloria.

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