Over twenty-five years ago, the Pittsburgh Compline Choir began as an outgrowth of the Lutheran University Center's mission. As the Compline Choir has grown in scope, the Lutheran Campus Ministry, housed at the Lutheran University Center, continues to offer support in several different ways. The ministry of Compline is further supported by a very generous annual gift from First English Evangelical Lutheran Church in downtown Pittsburgh.

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The Lutheran University Center, 4515 Forbes Ave, is where all college students are welcome regardless of religious affiliation. Their pastor is Pastor Brian Bennett. They have a Thursday evening meal from 5:00pm-6:00pm, followed by GodTalk at 6:00 pm, and a Pub Theology at Fuel and Fuddle on Wednesday evenings at 8 pm. Their Sunday worship service is at 12:30 pm in Heinz Memorial Chapel. www.lucpgh.com

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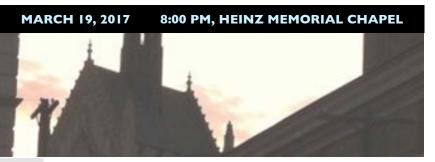
is served by Senior Pastor Brian Evans. They offer Sunday services at 8:30 am and 11:00 am, as well as, weekday services of Holy Communion from 12:10-12:30 pm. www.flcpittsburgh.org



THE PITTSBURGH COMPLINE CHOIR

Compline

Choral Prayer at the Close of Day



WELCOME TO COMPLINE

You are stepping into a service of worship that originated in the convents and monasteries of Europe more than a thousand years ago. We hope that Compline's ancient prayers for peace, forgiveness and safety through the coming night will touch your heart and you will be renewed and strengthened by this hour.

GUEST ORGANIST

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THE ORISON

In meines Herzens Grunde
Dein Nam und Kreuz allein
Funkelt all Zeit und Stunde,
Drauf kann ich fröhlich sein.
Erschein mir in dem Bilde
Zu Trost in meiner Not,
Wie du, Herr Christ, so milde
Dich hast geblut' zu Tod!

At the bottom of my heart your name and cross alone shimmer for ever and each hour, thence can I be happy.

Appear to me, to comfort me in my misery, as you, Lord Christ, so gentle remained even as you bled to death.

Order of Service

Third Sunday in Lent

Procession (please stand, if able)

The Prelude (please sit)
Seasonal Selection

The Opening Collect (please stand)

Congregation: Amen.

The Orison

In meines Herzens Grunde by I.S. Bach

The Opening Versicles

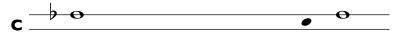
Leader: The Lord Almighty † grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

Congregation:



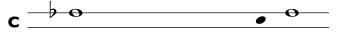
A - men

L It is good to give thanks to the Lord,



to sing praise to your name, O most high.

L to herald your love in the morning,



your truth at the close of the day.

The Congregational Hymn (back page)

Psalm 91 (Jeremy Jelinek)

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 95 (Tone 3.4)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord. Let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with Thanksgiving and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is a great god and a great king above all gods. In his hand are all the corners of the earth, and the strength of the hills it is also. The sea is his, and he made it, and his hands prepared the dry land. Oh come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is the Lord our God and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness. When your father is tempted me, proved me, and saw my works. (Cont.)

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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The Psalmody

The Lesson

The Responsory

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



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

C Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

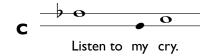
L Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

C Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

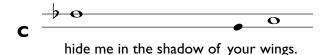
The Anthem

The Versicles (please stand)

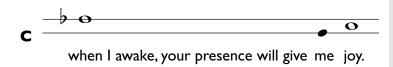
■ Hear my prayer, O Lord.



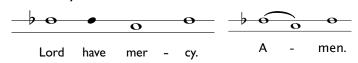
L Keep me as the apple of your eye;



L In righteousness I shall see you;



The Litany

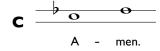


The Lord's Prayer (Robert Stone)

The Gospel Canticle (John Naylor)

The Benediction

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



(Please remain standing as the choir recesses.)

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, it is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways. Unto whom I swear in my wrath, that they should not enter into my rest.

Gloria.

THE ANTHEM Deus, Refugium et Virtus by Carlos Gesualdo

Deus, refugium et virtus, adesto piis Ecclesiae precibus, auctor ipse pietatis, et praesta ut quod fideliter petimus efficaciter consequamur.

O God, refuge and strength, hear the pious prayers of the church, author of piety, and grant that what we faithfully ask, we may effectually obtain.

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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