

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.

The ministry of Compline cannot exist on these two sources of support alone. Donations from individuals ensure the continued existence of this weekly service.

We would invite you to become a supporter of Compline, through a contribution left in the basket as you leave this evening. Thank you for your presence here tonight and for your support.

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

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 615 Grant St., 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

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, For the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour Of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, Broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,

For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies:
 Hill and vale and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon and stars of light:
 For the mys - tic har - mo - ny Link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 Friends on earth and friends a - bove; For all gen - tle thoughts and mild:

Refrain
 Christ, our Lord, to you we raise This our sac - ri - fice of praise.

5 For yourself, best gift divine
 To the world so freely giv'n;

Agent of God's grand design,
 Peace on earth and joy in heav'n: *Refrain*

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

Nathan Carterette has been Organist-Choirmaster at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Squirrel Hill since 2012. There he curates the popular 'Poets of the Piano' series as well as an annual celebration of Bach's Birthday, usually featuring Chatham Baroque. He is pianist in The Arsenal Duo, along with organist Edward Alan Moore. Since their debut in 2014 in Youngstown's historic Stambaugh Auditorium, they have performed on series throughout the country. In July 2017 they will be featured performers in the Great Lakes Regional Conference of the American Guild of Organists. For more information please visit nathancarterette.com

THE ORISON

*Quoniam Tu illuminas lucernam meam,
 Domine Deus meus, illumina tenebras meas.*

Thou shalt light my candle, O Lord my God, and make my darkness to be light.

Order of Service

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Procession *(please stand, if able)*

The Prelude *(please sit)*

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 541 by J.S. Bach

The Opening Collect *(please stand)*

Congregation: Amen.

The Orison

Quoniam tu Illuminas by Cristoforo Guizzardi

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)

Psalm 84 (Tone 1.2)

O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. My heart and flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, they will be always praising thee. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee, in whose heart are thy ways. Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well, and the pools are filled with water. they will go from strength to strength, and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion. O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer, harken O God of Jacob. Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed. For one day in thy courts, is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness. For the Lord God is a light and defense, the Lord will give grace an worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life. O Lord God of hosts, blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee. Gloria.

Psalm 134 (G.P. Palestrina)

Ecce nunc benedicite Dominum, omnes servi Domini: qui statis in domo Domini, in atriis domus Dei nostri. In noctibus extollite manus vestras in sancta, et benedicite Dominum. Benedicat te[tibi] Dominus ex Sion, qui fecit caelum et terram.

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, you that stand by night in the house of the Lord. Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the Lord; the Lord who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

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 (Alastair Stout)

The Gospel Canticle (Mode 4)

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

O Lord, How Manifold Are Thy Works Thomas Tomkins

O Lord, how manifold are thy works: in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

(Psalm 104:24)

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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