

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 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

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

Michelle Kardos, MT-BC is the Worship Supervisor and Music Therapist for the Sisters of Charity at Seton Hill. She also works for Seton Hill University as a part-time organist for their Student Masses. She is a graduate student at Duquesne University where she is pursuing a Master of Music in Sacred Music through studying the organ. She is also a recent graduate of Seton Hill where she received her Bachelor of Music in Music Therapy along with a Sacred Music Certificate and a psychology minor. Her major instrument was piano with secondary instruction in organ, voice, and guitar.

THE ORISON

Dein Will' gescheh', Herr Gott, zugleich auf Erden wie im Himmelreich, gib uns Geduld in Leidenszeit, Gehorsamkeit in Lieb' und Leid, wehr' und steu'r allem Fleisch und Blut, das wider deinen Willen tut.

Your will be done, Lord God, on earth as in heaven, give us patience in suffering, obedience in love and suffering, protect and guide all sinful flesh and blood, which acts against your will.

Order of Service

First Sunday in Lent

Procession *(please stand, if able)*

The Prelude *(please sit)*

From *Suite Brève* by Jean Langlais.
 III. *Plainte*

The Opening Collect *(please stand)*

Congregation: Amen.

The Orison

Dein Will' gescheh', Herr Gott, zugleich by J.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,

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 4 (Tone 7)

When I cried for help, the God of my justice heard me; when I was in distress, Thou hast enlarged me. Have mercy on me, and hear my prayer. Ye sons of men, how long will you be hard of heart? Why love vanities and have recourse to lying? Know ye, that the Lord hath dealt wondrously with His Holy one: The Lord will hear me when I cry unto Him. When roused to anger, sin not: what you scheme in your hearts, deplore upon your beds. Offer a righteous sacrifice and put your trust in the Lord. Many there are that say: Who will show us good things? Let the light of Thy countenance shine upon us, O Lord! Thou hast given gladness to my heart, By the fruit of their corn, their wine, their oil, they are multiplied. In peace, then, shall I sleep and rest; For thou, O Lord! Makest me rest secure. Gloria

Psalm 32 (George Garrett)

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away! Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile! While I held my tongue my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long, for your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. You are my hiding place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye. Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you." Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord. Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart. 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 (Paul Ayres)

The Gospel Canticle (Tone 3)

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

Ubi Caritas by Maurice Duruflé

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Where charity and love are, God is there.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Let us fear and let us love the living God.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

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

COMPLINE PLUS

We welcome PCC alumni and friends to this 'Compline Plus' Sunday night. Once each semester we are inviting friends to join the regular choir for 'Compline Plus' to experience the beauty of Compline from inside the choir stalls.

HELP US BE IN TOUCH

The Pittsburgh Compline Choir and Lutheran Campus Ministry would like to be able to let you know about special services, concerts, and events. We would be grateful if you would complete one of the information slips found in the narthex on your way out and hand it to any choir member. Thank you very much.

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