

St. John's Church

Welcome to St. John's Church and to the service this evening, which is one of nine Sunday afternoon services scheduled this year.

If you are not accustomed to Choral Evensong, these notes may be useful. Our aim here is to offer beauty in song to God, the giver of all beauty and goodness. Based on the services held daily in the ancient and medieval Church, Choral Evensong has been an integral part of Anglican worship since the sixteenth century. Here, the music is sung by the choir. You are asked to join silently in the service while they sing the prayers and other music which they have practiced with care. We all join the choir in saying the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer; in adding *Amen* to the other said prayers; and in singing the hymns.

If you would like to receive information about future services, please fill out the card found in your pew and leave it in the alms basin or hand it to an usher.

FUTURE SUNDAY AFTERNOON SERVICES AT 5:30 P.M.

November 6—Choral Evensong for the Feast of All Saints

December 4—Advent Choral Evensong

January 1—A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

January 8—Evensong for Epiphany

The Reverend Gavin G. Dunbar, Rector

The Reverend Craig E. O'Brien, Priest Associate

Brian J. Taylor, DSM, AAGO, Organist and Choirmaster

Mr. Stephen Branyon, Guest Organist

BULL STREET AT MADISON SQUARE, SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

Parish chartered in 1841. Church consecrated in 1853.

St. Michael and All Angels (Trinity XV)

October 2, 2011

FIVE-THIRTY O'CLOCK-CHORAL EVENSONG

ORGAN: *Fantasia in G (BWV 572)*

Johann Sebastian Bach

SENTENCES, CONFESSION

BCP p. 21-23

ABSOLUTION, LORD'S PRAYER (said by all the people)

BCP p. 24

THE PRECES

William Smith of Durham

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

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 Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

OFFICE HYMN 600 *Ye Holy Angels Bright*

Darwall

PSALM 34

Chant in Db by Charles Frederick South

(Text of the Psalm may be found in The Prayer Book on page 380)

FIRST LESSON

MAGNIFICAT *in G* (BCP p.26)

Herbert Sumsion

SECOND LESSON

NUNC DIMITTIS *in G* (BCP p. 28)

Herbert Sumsion

APOSTLES' CREED (Said by all the people)

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

William Smith

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us

Lord , have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung by the choir)

The Choir continues:

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the state;

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness,

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE FOUR COLLECTS

BCP p. 251, 214, 31

THE GRACE

ANTHEM: *And I Saw Another Angel*

Charles Villiers Stanford

And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms were in their hands; And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. Amen: Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be unto our God forever and ever. Amen.

– Revelation 7:2-3, 9-10, 12

FINAL PRAYERS AND BLESSING

HYMN 472 *Hark, Hark, My Soul*

Pilgrims

ORGAN: Improvisation on *Coelites Plaudant*

ACOLYTES

Clayton Compton, Thurifer

Mikel Kelly, Crucifer

**You are invited to a Wine and Cheese Party
in the Mall and Parish House after the service.**