

# NIGHT SONG

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent  
First Church in Cambridge  
March 25, 2012

## OPENING

Chant: Iudica me Deus

Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly nation. From wicked and deceitful men deliver me, for you are my God and my strength. Send forth your light and your truth; these have led me and brought me to your holy mountain and to your dwelling place. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Motet: Hoc est praeceptum meum by Francisco Guerrero

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do the things that I command you. But I have called you friends because all things, whatsoever I have heard of my Father, I have made known to you.

Opening Versicles

Motet: Come help O Lord by William Byrd

Come, come help O God, for Christ's sweet bloody sweat. I seek thy love and fear thy rod. For mercy I entreat, my griefs remedyless, if mercy, merciless.

Opening Versicles (concluded)

## **SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 91 *Qui habitat*, Tone 8

Chant: Confitebor tibi, Domine

I will praise you, O Lord, with my whole heart. Deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live and observe your word. Revive me according to your word, O Lord.

Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Office Hymn: Cardarr by Daryl Bichel

Jesus, Redeemer of the world, Word of the Father throned on high, light from the light invisible, and watchful guardian over all.

The whole creation's architect, you set the bounds of night and day; give to our wearied bodies rest in night's enfolding quietness.

You broke the chains of death and hell: Lord, free us from our ancient foe and let him never lead astray those you have ransomed by your blood.

Lord, while we live for this short time as mortals clothed in earth bound frame, refresh us now with restful sleep that waking we may watch with you.

All glory be to you, Lord Christ, who conquering death, reign gloriously with God, Creator of all things and with the Spirit, Comforter. Amen.

## **PRAYERS**

Responsory: Into your hands

Kyrie

Lord's Prayer and Collect

Canticle: Guide us waking O Lord

## **CLOSING**

Motet: Ave Regina coelorum by Alonso Lobo

Hail, Queen of the heavens, hail, ruler of the angels: hail, root, hail, portal from whom light has shone to the world. Hail, Virgin most glorious, beautiful above all. Farewell, O most comely, and pray to Christ for us.

Blessing

Collect

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*The service music was adapted from plainchant hymns by Daryl Bichel,  
Artistic Director for Night Song.*

# WelCome!

Thank you for your presence. May Night Song speak inwardly to you, and help you reach for the divine in this world.

## **Your Offering**

Your offering will directly support Night Song. A check payable to First Church in Cambridge is a tax-deductible contribution. You may opt to contribute on-line. Go to <http://www.firstchurchcambridge.org/>, click on "Contribute," and then select "How to contribute on-line." Indicate your contribution as a gift directed to Night Song.

## **Night Song**

For further information about Night Song and to add your name to our e-mail reminder list, go to [www.nightsong.org](http://www.nightsong.org). To inquire about singing in a Night Song choral group contact Daryl Bichel at 617.312.8328 or [darylbichel@aol.com](mailto:darylbichel@aol.com).

## **Angeli te custodiant**

<b>Cantus:</b>	Gail Abbey (cantor) and Beth Spaulding
<b>Altus:</b>	Michael Terranova
<b>Tenor:</b>	Darryl Abbey
<b>Bassus:</b>	Daryl Bichel
<b>Piano:</b>	Ben Schwendener
<b>Thurifer:</b>	Bruce McLay

## **Next Week**

Next Sunday Night Song will be presented in a different format. Canticum Vespertinum, the mixed ensemble of eight, will sing the entire Lamentations of Jeremiah by Victoria. This is serene, sublime, and mystical music written for Holy Week. Each Lamentation ends with the words "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to your God."