Solemn Evensong with The Liturgy of Consecration for the Casavant Frères Organ Opus 3865 Sunday, January 20, 2008 5:00 PM Grace Episcopal Church Gainesville, Georgia

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

Philippians 1:2

Welcome to this holy place! Welcome to a special offering of worship to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for our new Casavant Frères Organ, Opus 3865!

The people of Grace Church extend their sincere gratitude to all those who made possible the purchase and installation of our new organ. Many people gave generously to the "Completing the Dream" capital campaign that funded the purchase of the organ. Numerous other gifts of time and talent also were received, both before and during the organ's installation. Together, these gifts "completed the dream" of having a fine pipe organ in Grace Church. Thank you to everyone who gave as they were able.

No words of gratitude would be complete without mention of our builder, Casavant Frères of Quebec, Canada. From the beginning of this project to its completion, it has been a pleasure to work with the Casavant staff. All displayed the exceptional commitment to excellence, passion for organs and professionalism for which their firm is well-known. It is clear to us why Casavant has been one of the premiere North American organ builders for over a hundred years.

Our worship on this occasion, Evensong (or sung Evening Prayer), is one of the glories of the Anglican/Episcopal Christian tradition. The service has changed little since the sixteenth century. Much of the service is sung by the choir to classical and often elaborate settings. Enjoy the sung portions of the service; listen with both ear and heart. And please join in the singing of the hymns and in the chanting of the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the "Amen" at the end of the collect prayers. Yes, please add your voice to the prayers and praises of this evening.

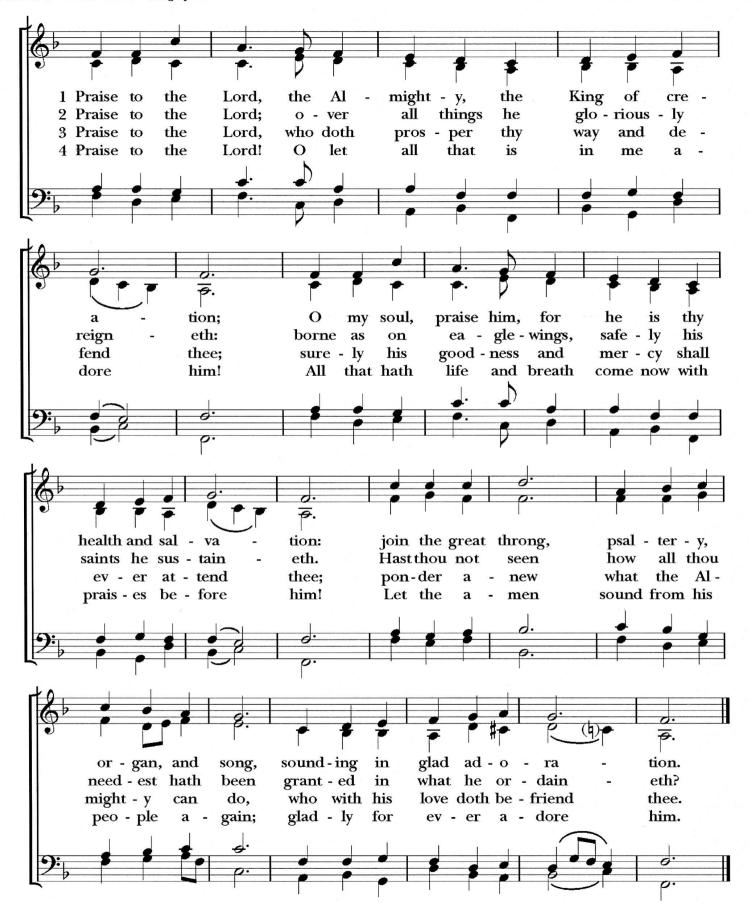
Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise God for the wonderful gift of music and the new means of making music in this place: Casavant Frères Organ, Opus 3865!

The Rev. Douglas G. Dailey Rector

EVENSONG

HYMNAL 390 Please stand Sung by all

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THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

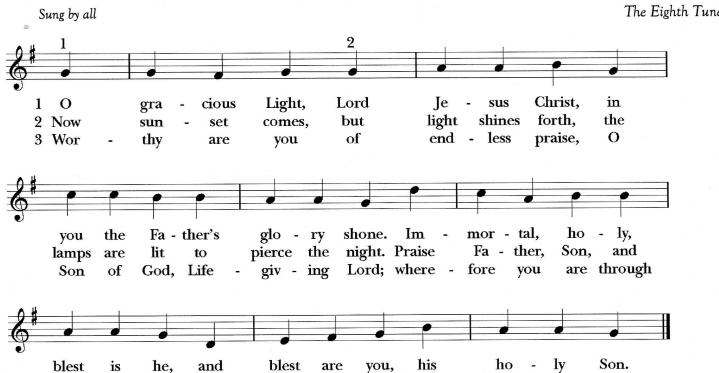
Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

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

Officiant Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised. Choir





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- 1 O be joyful in the LORD, all ye lands; * serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Be ye sure that The LORD he is God; * it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving; and into his courts with praise; * be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
- 4 For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; * and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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. FIRST LESSON Psalm 150

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple, praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts; praise him for his excellent greatness. Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; praise him with lyre and harp. Praise him with timbrel and dance; praise him with strings and pipe. Praise him with resounding cymbals; praise him with loud-clanging cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

MAGNIFICAT

Sung by the choir

Service in D major

George Dyson (1883-1964)

Luke 1:46-55

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My soul doth magnify the Lord, *

and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded *

the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth *

all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *

and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him *

throughout all generations.

He hath shew'd strength with his arm; *

he hath scatter'd the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *

and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath fill'd the hungry with good things, *

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *

as he promis'd to our forefathers,

Abraham and his seed for ever.

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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Voluntary in D Major

John Stanley (1712-1786)

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 7:9-12

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

NUNC DIMITTIS Sung by the choir

Service in D major

George Dys (1883-1964

Luke 2:29-32

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.

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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Adagio for Strings

Samuel Bar (1910-1981

Please stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Sung by all, monotone

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, SUFFRAGES AND COLLECTS

Officiant

The Lord be with you.

Choir Officiant And with thy spirit. Let us pray.

Please kneel

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung by all, monotone

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Choir

And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant

O Lord, save the State.

Choir

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant

Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

Choir

And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant

O Lord, save thy people.

Choir

And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Choir

For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety.

Officiant

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Choir

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsel, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please be seated

Please stand

HYMN 432 Sung by all

Laudate Domin



Please be seated

THE SERMON

THE RT. REV. J. NEIL ALEXANI BISHOP OF ATLANTA

ANTHEM

A German Requiem iv. How lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

Johannes Brah (1833-1897) HYMNAL 454 Lowry

During the singing of the hymn, a procession will go to the choir loft for The Liturgy of Consecration. As the procession passes, the congregation is asked to turn and face the choir loft. Please remain standing after the hymn.



THE LITURGY OF CONSECRATION FOR THE NEW ORGAN

The People present the organ to the Bishop with these words

Bishop Alexander, we present to you this organ to be set apart for the service of Christ's holy Church.

The Bishop responds, saying

Through the ages, the Lord God has moved his faithful servants to set apart and adorn places of worship. With gratitude and thanksgiving for the addition of this beautiful organ to this place of prayer and praise, let us now consecrate it for the glory of God's holy name and for the building up of God's holy people.

Bishop All things come from you, O Lord;
People And from your own gifts do we give

People And from your own gifts do we give to you.

Bishop Prosper the work of our hands, O God;

People Prosper our handiwork.

Almighty God, we thank you that you have put it into the hearts of your people to make offerings for your service and to give gifts that honor your name. Be with us now and bless us as we set apart this organ for your praise and glory, and for the benefit of your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Bishop continues

The Scriptures reveal that from earliest times God's people have made use of musical instruments to worship the Lord our God. They sang to the tambourine and the lyre, and rejoiced to the sound of the pipes. So praise God with the sound of the trumpet! Praise him with strings and cymbals and organ! Make this place resound with the lifted voices of God's people and with the rich voice of this wonderful new organ!

Let us pray.

O Lord, before whose throne trumpets sound, and saints and angels sing the songs of Moses and the Lamb: Accept this organ for the worship of your temple, that with music and song we may proclaim your praise and tell it abroad; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Bishop censes the new organ and completes the consecration by saying

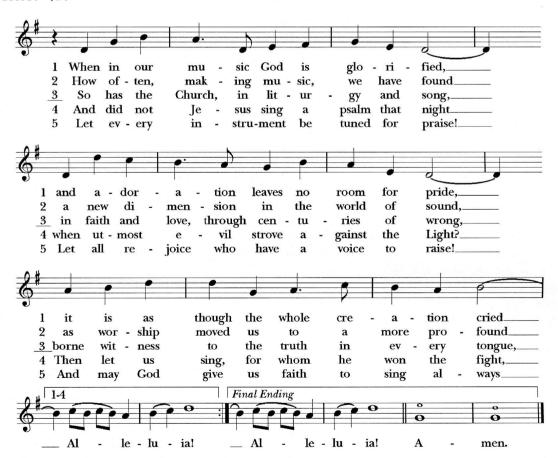
I consecrate this organ in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. May it be a source of inspiration and joy to all who worship here for generations to come!

People Amen!

The Bishop blesses the People and then all sing the final hymn facing the Altar.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 420

Engelberg



DISMISSAL

Officiant People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Thanks be to God.

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Karen Sinyard Warren Stribling It is with great pleasure that the community of faith called Grace Episcopal Church consecrates its new pipe organ, Casavant Frères, opus 3865. Surely, any attempt to chronicle all the hands that made possible this instrument, which today we render to the Glory of God, would be incomplete. But, with affirmity, one can state that the firm of Casavant Frères is one of the most venerated establishments in pipe organ building in North America—and most assuredly the favorite organ builder of this writer. In a legacy that spans nearly 180 years of organ building—with official incorporation in 1879, a serious organist need not search far for a fine organ built by Casavant Frères. In every taste and trend of organ building, time of construction, size and milieu, organs by Casavant Frères are handsome to see by the eye, a pleasure to play for the musician, and tonally satisfying to the listener.

Specifically, I would call attention to the primary work of Mr. Simon Couture, Vice-President of Casavant Frères and Dr. Robert Poovey who served as consultant to the Organ Committee in the discrimination process that led to the choice of this instrument. Additionally, words of thanks to Mr. Jacquelin Rochette, Tonal Director and Dr. Pierre Drouin, Chief Architect for Casavant Frères. Installation was made possible by Mr. Robert Hiller and Mr. Tymen DeVries of Toronto, and Grace Church's own Jeremy Landers, whose on-site assistance was invaluable. Marked thanks to Mr. Alain Goneau and Mr. Daniel Fortin, also of Casavant Frères, who tonally voiced and finished the organ. Special attention should be given to all the members of the Grace Church Organ Committee for hours spent in seeing and hearing many organs, and to the multitude of donors without whom this nearly one-million dollar instrument would have remained a dream. Special thanks to Fr. Douglas Dailey, Rector of Grace Church, for his keen support of this project. May God bless all who labored to bring this fine treasure to Grace Church.

Finally, we must all be aware of the boundless, yet often unspoken, thanks due to Almighty God himself, without whom the variety of gifts needed to build organs, write organ music, and play this—the King of Instruments, would never happen. It is only in the endless imagination of the Creator that such art could abound, from the God who himself gave us the wonderful gift of Music. *Deo Gratias!*

With deepest appreciation, Dr. David Burton-Brown Director of Music/Organist

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