



Jesus of Nazareth Passeth By

See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
Ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering,
Showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
Light by night, and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna
Which he gives them when they pray.

Blest inhabitants of Sion,
Washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raises
Over self to reign as kings:
And as priests, his solemn praises
Each for a thank-offering brings.
Amen.

Presentation of Offering.....The Doxology.

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON

Rev. Wilfred Myll.....Rector

THE SERVICE OF
THE LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE
OF THE FIRST UNIT

OF

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Minister and People

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

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.

PROSPER thou the work of our hands upon us;
O prosper thou our handy-work.
LET thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us;
Like as we do put our trust in thee.
THE Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Then shall be said the following Litany for the Church.

O GOD the Father, Creator of heaven and earth;

Have mercy upon us.

O GOD the Son, Redeemer of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O GOD the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful;

Have mercy upon us.

O HOLY, blessed, and glorious Trinity, One God;

Have mercy upon us.

O CHRIST, the Rock upon which thy Church is built, whereon thy People, as living stones fitly framed together, grow into a spiritual house;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

O CHRIST, the Vine of which thy People are the branches, that they may bring forth fruit an hundred-fold;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

O CHRIST, the Head of thy Body, the Church, whereof all thy People are the members;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

O CHRIST, our Prophet, who teachest the way of God in truth;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

O CHRIST, our Priest, who didst offer up thyself upon the Cross, and ever livest to make intercession for us with the Father;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

O CHRIST, our King, who reignest over all the earth, and makest us the citizens of thy heavenly Kingdom;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

HELP me now, O Lord;

O Lord send us now prosperity.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious;
And his mercy endureth 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.

Then the Bishop shall say,

O LORD, Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
who art the brightness of the Father's glory,
and the express image of his person, the one
foundation, and the chief Corner Stone; Bless
what we do now in laying this stone in thy
Name, and be thou, we beseech thee, the be-
ginning, the increase, and the consummation
of this work, which is undertaken to the glory
of thy Name; who with the Father and the Holy
Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world
without end. Amen.

Then the Bishop shall lay
the stone, and striking it
three times with a trowel,
shall say,

I LAY this Corner Stone: In the Name of the
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Amen.

HERE let the true faith and fear of God, with
brotherly love, ever abide; and may this place
now set apart with prayer, and with the in-
vocation and praise of the Most Holy Name, be
evermore the Temple of the Most High God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with
the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all honour
and glory, world without end. Amen.

Let us pray.

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual
pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and be-
cause it cannot continue in safety without
thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy
help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honour and glory, world without end.
Amen.

NOW unto him who is able to do exceeding
abundantly above all that we ask or think
according to the power that worketh in us,
unto him be glory in the Church and in Christ
Jesus throughout all ages, world without end.
Amen.

Here an appointed Minister
shall read the Lesson, as
follows.

HEAR the words of the First Epistle General
of Saint Peter.

The Lesson. I St. Peter 2:1

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Then the persons appointed shall
deposit the foundation Symbols in
the Corner Stone, as follows.

1. The Cross

M. O. Diggs, Jr.: I place the Cross of Christ
in this foundation; In the Name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Bishop: God forbid that I should glory
save in the Cross;

People: For other foundation can no man lay
than is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

2. The Holy Bible

David Hitz: I place the Holy Bible in this
foundation; In the Name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Bishop: Seek ye out the Book of the Lord
and read;

People: For we are built upon the foundation
of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ him-
self being the chief Corner Stone.

3. The Book of Common Prayer

Joe Scheirich: I place the Book of Common
Prayer in this foundation; In the Name of the
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Amen.

The Bishop: Prayer shall be made ever unto him,
and daily shall he be praised;

People: That we may continue steadfastly in the
Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the break-
ing of bread, and in the prayers.

4. The Record of Founders

Richard Soehner: I place the Record of Founders
in this foundation; In the Name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Bishop: A book of remembrance was written
before him for them that feared the Lord, and
that thought upon his Name;

People: This shall be written for those who
come after, and the people which shall be born
shall praise the Lord.

Then mention shall be made of any
other articles to be deposited, and

they shall be placed in the
stone. After which, while the
following Psalm is being said,
the receptacle shall be sealed
and the Corner Stone made ready
for laying.

From Psalm 118. Confitemini Domino.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious.
Because his mercy endureth for ever.

LET Israel now confess that he is gracious.

And that his mercy endureth for ever.

LET the house of Aaron now confess;

That his mercy endureth for ever.

YEA, let them now that fear the Lord confess;

That his mercy endureth for ever.

THE LORD is my strength and my song;

And is become my salvation.

THE voice of joy and health is in the dwell-
ings of the righteous;

The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty
things to pass.

THE right hand of the Lord hath the pre-
eminence;

The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty
things to pass.

OPEN me the gates of righteousness;

That I may go into them, and give thanks un-
to the Lord.

THIS is the gate of the Lord;

The righteous shall enter into it.

I WILL thank thee for thou hast heard me;

And art become my salvation.

THE same stone which the builders refused,

Is become the head stone in the corner.

THIS is the Lord's doing,

And it is marvellous in our eyes.

THIS is the day which the Lord hath made;

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

O CHRIST, who didst send the Holy Ghost upon
the Church at Pentecost, enduing it with power
from on high;

Defend thy Church, O Lord.

WE do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and
that we may continue steadfastly in the
Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the break-
ing of bread, and in the prayers;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THAT we may make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and
of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THAT thou wilt fulfil thy promise to be with
us always, even unto the end of the world;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THAT thou wilt bless the Clergy of thy Church,
that they may diligently preach the Gospel,
and faithfully administer the holy Sacraments;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THAT thou wilt heal the divisions in thy
Church, that we all may be one, even as thou
art one with the Father.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THAT every member of the Church in his vocation
and ministry may truly and godly serve thee;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

ARISE, O God, maintain thine own cause;

And forget not the congregation of the poor
for ever.

LOOK down from heaven, behold and visit this
vine;

And the branch that thou madest so strong
for thyself.

LET thy priests be clothed with righteousness.

And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

THE Lord be with you;

And with thy spirit.

Here Hymn 384 shall be sung.

CHRIST is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and corner stone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
Binding all the Church in one;
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
In glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy servants as they pray,
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls away.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
What they ask of thee to gain;
What they gain from thee, for ever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in thy glory
Evermore with thee to reign.
Amen.

Then the Bishop shall con-
clude with the following.

EXCEPT the Lord build the house; their
labour is but lost that build it; * the
foundation of God standeth sure, having
this seal, the Lord knoweth them that
are his.

THE SERVICE OF
THE LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE

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Before the service, the Foundation Symbols, namely, the Cross, the Holy Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, the Record of Founders, and any other articles to be deposited in the Corner Stone, shall be ready.

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Opening Hymn, No. 396

THE Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore opprest,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distrest;
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

O GOD, who laid the foundations of the earth; Make sure this corner stone and the foundation of the Church now begun in thy Name, and bless all who take part in this holy undertaking; remember for good those who give alms; guide those who plan and direct the work; give skill to the workmen and protect them from harm; that the building of thy temple may be completed, to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

BE strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee: he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Then, while the offering
is being taken, Hymn 385
shall be sung.

GLORIOUS things of thee are spoken,
Sion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken,
Formed thee for his own abode;
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

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Concluding Prayers

The Benediction

Closing Hymn

COME, O Thou God of grace,
Dwell in this holy place,
E'en now descend!
This temple, reared to Thee,
O may it ever be
Filled with Thy majesty,
Till time shall end!

Be in each song of praise
Which here Thy people raise
With hearts aflame!
Let ev'ry anthem rise
Like incense to the skies,
A joyful sacrifice
To Thy blest name!

To the great One in Three
Glory and praises be
In love now giv'n!
Glad songs to Thee we sing,
Glad hearts to Thee we bring,
Till we our God and King
Shall praise in heav'n.
Amen.