

THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE
CHURCH BUILDING

of

Saint Matthew's Episcopal Church

St. Matthews, Louisville, Kentucky

On The Second Sunday After Trinity, June 27, 1965

At Eight O'Clock In The Evening



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THE DEDICATION OF THE BUILDING

¶ *For use before the Consecration.*

¶ *The Bishop shall officiate. The organ shall remain silent and no candles shall be lighted until the time appointed. The Altar shall be bare, its vestments and ornaments being placed nearby.*

THE OPENING OF THE DOOR

¶ *The people having assembled in the Church shall stand facing the Door. The Senior Warden shall close the Door and wait inside to open it. The Bishop and other ministers, having vested, shall go outside to the Church Door, where the Bishop, with the foreman of the Pastoral Staff, shall knock three times, saying,*

OPEN me the gates of righteousness, that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

¶ *The Warden shall open the door, and say,*

This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter into it.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say,*

PEACE be to this House, and to all who enter here; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Procession shall enter the Narthex. The Reverend Olof Anderson shall say responsively with the People the following Psalm:*

Psalm 122. *Laetatus sum.*

I WAS glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself.

For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

For there is the seat of judgment, even the seat of the house of David.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will wish thee prosperity.

Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do thee good.

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 People still standing, the Bishop shall enter the Chapel, and say,*

Bishop: The Lord be with you;

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Bishop: Let us pray.

Regard, O Lord, the supplications of thy servants, and grant that whosoever in this chapel shall be received by Baptism into the congregation of Christ's flock, and they who at this place shall renew the promises and vows of their Baptism and be Confirmed by the Bishop, and whosoever shall receive in this place the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, and whosoever shall be joined together in this place in the holy estate of Matrimony, and all who shall draw near to thee in this place may in their lives show forth thy praise. Graciously accept, O most glorious God, the Dedication of this chapel to thy service; and grant that all who shall call upon thee here may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then, the People still standing, the Bishop and other Ministers shall proceed up the center aisle, saying the Litany for the Church, led by the Rev. Samuel Diehl.*

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 hundredfold;
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.

O Christ, who didst send the Holy Ghost upon thy 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 breaking 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 fulfill 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.

¶ *Then the Bishop with the other Ministers and the People shall be seated while by telephone shall be heard the voice of the Founder of the Parish,*

BISHOP CLINGMAN,
In Greeting

¶ *Then, the People standing, the Officiant may go to bless the various Ornaments, Vessels, and Vestments of the Church, beginning with the Font, and ending with the Altar.*

BENEDICTION OF THE ORNAMENTS

The Font

Bishop: Thou shalt purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean;

People: Thou shalt wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Bishop: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, we pray thee to hallow with thy heavenly benediction this Font which we dedicate to thee; the whosoever shall be baptized therein, being cleansed from sin, may be born again into the family of thy holy Church and may attain unto everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Lectern and Pulpit

Bishop: They read in the book in the law of God distinctly;

People: And caused them to understand the reading.

Bishop: Let us pray.

BLESS, O Lord, this Lectern and Pulpit, and grant that all who shall here read the Scriptures which thou hast given us being trained in mind and heart and voice, may be filled with the faith of the Gospel; and that all who hear thy holy Word may receive it into an honest and good heart, and may bring forth fruit with patience; show the light of thy countenance upon us, O Lord, and bless both this Pulpit and those who shall preach therefrom; that the going forth of thy Word may so enlighten us, that we may rightly understand and truly perform thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Altar Vestments

Bishop: O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious;

People: Thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

Bishop: Let us pray.

O GLORIOUS God, whose perfect beauty the wonderful design of all thy works proclaim; Bless, we beseech thee, these Hangings, which we devoutly offer unto thee, that they may beautify the place of thy sanctuary and show forth thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Altar

Bishop: I will go unto the Altar of God;

People: Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

Bishop: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, who of old didst command thy servants to erect altars unto thy Name, and by thy blessed Son didst sanctify the Holy Table in the upper room by the offering of the Holy Eucharist; Bless, we beseech thee, this Altar, set up to thy glory, and in honour of Saint Matthew, and grant that the offerings made here may be acceptable unto thee both to the relief of our necessities and to the setting forth of thy glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE DEDICATION

¶ *After blessing the Altar, the Bishop shall turn to the People, and say,*

Bishop: The Lord be with you;

People: And with thy spirit.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts;

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

People: It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then turning back to the Altar, he shall continue,*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, who dwellest in the heavens, yet hast thy habitation among the sons of men; who by thy blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, didst cleanse the temple, that it might be a house of prayer for all people; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy people; cleanse and sanctify this house, which we desire to dedicate unto thee, that being devoted henceforth to the proclamation of thy glorious Gospel, the ministration of thy holy Sacraments, and the offering of prayer and praise, it may be filled with glory of thine abiding presence, and may be an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, a honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say,*

I DEDICATE this Altar, and this Temple, together with all the Vessels and Vestments thereof, to the glory of God and in honour of Saint Matthew: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

¶ Here the organ shall sound for the first time.
¶ Here the congregation and choir shall sing the following hymn.

The Hymn—No. 396..... Aurelia

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 oppress, 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.
'Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her war, She waits the consummation Of peace for evermore; Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest, And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.		Yet she on earth hath union With God, the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with thee. Amen.

¶ While the hymn is being sung, appointed Ministers shall vest the Altar, place the Ornaments, and light the lights.
¶ Then shall be said The Lord's Prayer, the People devoutly kneeling, the Reverend Robert Board first pronouncing:
The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed by 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.

¶ Then likewise he shall say,
O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

¶ Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Minister: Praise ye the Lord.

People: The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ Then shall be said the following Psalm, responsively.

Psalm 84. *Quam dilecta!*

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young; even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; they will be alway praising thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well; and the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength, and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence; the Lord will give grace and worship; and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts, blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

¶ Then shall be sung:

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 shall be read by the Reverend Walter Lawrenson, the Evening Lesson.

The Lesson: I Corinthians 3:9-17

¶ And after that shall be sung the Benedic, anima mea, Psalm ciii.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

Who forgiveth all thy sin, and healeth all thine infirmities;

Who saveth thy life from destruction, and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness.

O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength; ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye servants of his that do his pleasure.
O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion: praise thou the Lord, O my soul.
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 shall be said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the People, standing.*

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.

¶ *And after that, these Prayers following, the People devoutly kneeling; the Reverend William Gentleman first pronouncing,*
The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People: And grant us thy salvation.

Minister: O Lord, save the State.

People: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

People: And make thy chosen people joyful.

Minister: O Lord, save thy people.

People: And bless thine inheritance.

Minister: Give peace in our time, O Lord.

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

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

People: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

¶ *Then shall be said the Collects and Prayers following.*

The Collect for the Second Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern those whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love; Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Peace.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, 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.

A Collect for Aid against Perils.

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.

The Collect for Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.

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 for 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.

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all ever more. Amen.

Welcome *The Recto*

¶ *Then, while the offering is being received, the following Anthem will be sung by the choir:*

"How lovely is Thy dwelling-place" *Johannes Brahm*

How lovely is Thy dwelling-place, O Lord of hosts!

For my soul longeth, yea, fainteth for the courts of the Lord.

My soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God.

O blest are they that dwell within Thy house; they praise Thy name evermore.

¶ *While the offering is being presented, the following will be sung by the choir and congregation, all standing,*

PEOPLE AND CHOIR

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.

CHOIR

For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

PEOPLE AND CHOIR

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

¶ *Then shall be sung the following Hymn,*

The Hymn—No. 384 *Regent Squar*

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, to-day;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy servants as they pray,
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls alway.

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.

ADDRESS BY

The Right Reverend C. Gresham Marmion, D.D.,
Bishop of Kentucky

Closing Prayers
and

The Benediction By

The Right Reverend Charles Clingman, D.D., L.L.D.,
Retired Bishop of Kentucky

The Recessional Hymn—No. 276 *Nun Danke*

Now thank we all our God,
With heart, and hands, and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us!
With ever-joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
Eternal, Triune God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be, evermore. Amen.

The Organ Postlude—"Now thank we all our God" *J. S. Bach*