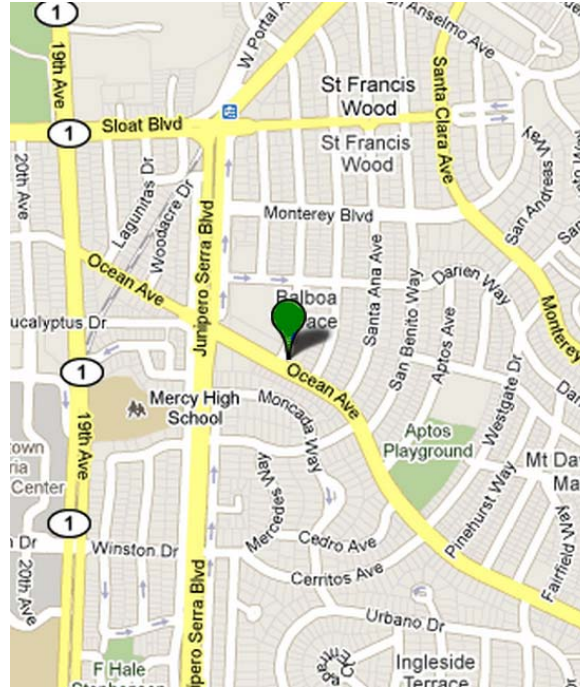


CHORAL EVENSONG

Evensong has been called the most uniquely Anglican service in all of Christian worship. Originating in the monastic hours, it consists of parts of the ancient offices of Vespers and Compline: the *Magnificat* (the canticle appointed for Vespers), and the *Nunc dimittis* (appointed for Compline). The choir traditionally offers certain portions of the liturgy to enhance the service with music. In the 20th century, Evensong increased in popularity and gained its reputation as a beautiful liturgy in which the word is illuminated by music. Today it is sung regularly in cathedrals and parish churches throughout the world, and daily in many places in England.

At St. Francis, the choir sings the Psalms to Anglican Chant, Plainsong or other settings, the Evening Canticles to choral music from the Anglican tradition, one or more anthems, and an orison, assisted by professional instrumentalists with organ or harpsichord. The congregation joins in hymns, Plainsong Psalms, and the Suffrages. Program notes about the music and composers, as well as liturgical notes, offer background on the service offerings. A reception with sherry and other refreshments takes place in the Guild Hall after each Evensong.

In Choral Evensong, words and music meet to enrich each other so that our senses, intellects, hearts, and minds may help us to draw closer to God. Everyone is most welcome at these reflective services of prayers, readings, canticles, hymns, and choral and instrumental music.



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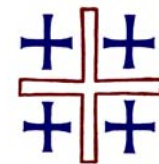
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The Reverend Beth Sherman,
Rector

Robert J. Kerman,
Organist & Choirmaster

2 October 2011 · 5:30 p.m.

A Commemoration of St. Francis of Assisi

With chamber orchestra

- John Gardner O how amiable are thy dwellings
Gerald Finzi Psalm 148 (Anglican Chant)
Carl Schalk Evening Canticles (*premiere*)
Alessandro Scarlatti Es Dies Trophei
Paul Bouman Now rest beneath night's shadow
Richard Proulx Prayer for the City
Hymns 407 *Lukkason*
Now rest beneath night's shadow
O Welt, ich muss dich lassen
C. Hubert H. Parry An English Suite (*selections*)

23 November 2011 · 5:30 p.m. Note special day

Thanksgiving Eve (Wednesday)

With oboe & organ

- Gregorian Tone V,3 Psalm 65
Robert Powell Evening Canticles
Antonio Vivaldi Laudate Dominum omnes gentes
Carl Schalk Lord of feasting and of hunger
Hymns 397 *Nun danket alle Gott*
Litany of Thanksgiving, *with hymns*
424 *East Acklam*
G.F. Kaufmann Prelude on *Old 100th* for Oboe & Organ
David N. Johnson Prelude on *Nun danket alle Gott*

12 February 2012 · 5:30 p.m.

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

With strings

- Richard Hillert To Jesus, who is King
Vaughan Williams Psalm 46 (Anglican Chant)
John Ireland Evening Canticles in F
Ned Rorem Two Psalms and a Proverb
Henry Purcell Evening Hymn
Hymns 119 *Dix*
Jesus, Redeemer of the world
San Francisco
Dan Locklair In Memory H.H.L., for Strings



ST. FRANCIS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Francis' Episcopal Church is located at 399 San Fernando Way (at Ocean Avenue) in San Francisco. There is ample street parking at the church, and our buildings are wheelchair accessible.

If you wish to be added to our Evensong mailing list, please contact our office and give us your name and address. The Evensong mailing list is used only for Evensong purposes and we do not share it with anyone.

For more information or directions to the church, visit www.stfrancisepiscopal.org or call (415) 334-1590.

18 March 2012 · 5:30 p.m.

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

With strings & bassoon

- John Blow Let my prayer come up as incense
John Joubert Psalm 25 (Anglican Chant)
S. Drummond Wolff Evening Canticles
J.S. Bach Cantata BWV 150
Nach dir, Herr, verlanget mich
K. Lee Scott Jesus, my breath, my life, my Lord
Hymns 671 *New Britain*
482 *Slane*
Albinoni/Gaizotto Adagio in G minor

3 June 2012 · 5:30 p.m.

The Holy Trinity

With chamber orchestra

- Charles Ore My Crown of Creation
H.W. Zimmermann Psalm 100
William Mathias Evening Canticles (*Jesus College*)
Benjamin Britten Rejoice in the Lamb
Richard Wienhorst O Trinity, O Blessed Light
Hymns 370 *St. Patrick's Breastplate/Deidre*
34 *Innisfree Farm*
Gustav Holst A Fugal Concerto