

FUNERAL LITURGY FOR
CHRISTOPHER DAVID FITZGERALD

February 7, 1992 - February 18, 2023



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

CATHEDRAL BASILICA *of* SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
AND THE SHRINE *of* SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, *Rector*
Celebrant and Homilist

RECEPTION *of* THE BODY AND VISITATION

8:00 AM

WORDS *of* REMEMBRANCE

11:30 AM

FUNERAL LITURGY

12:00 NOON

HYMN

WERE YOU THERE?



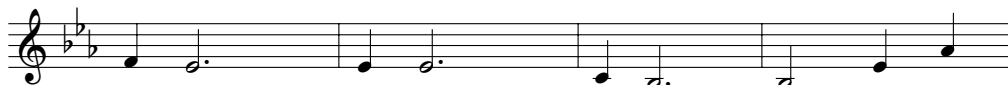
1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
4. Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
6. Were you there when they rolled the stone a - way?



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Oh! Some-times it caus - es me to



trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble, Were you



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Text: African-American spiritual

Tune: WERE YOU THERE, 10 10 with refrain; African-American spiritual; harm. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

DUKE STREET

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics provided for four different verses. The first staff covers the first two lines of the first verse, the second staff covers the next two lines, and the third staff covers the final two lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What joy the
2. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3. He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to
4. He lives, all glo - ry to his name! He lives, my

1. blest as - sur - ance gives! He lives, he lives, who
2. ter - nal - ly to save; He lives in maj - es -
3. wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my
4. Sav - ior, still the same; What joy this blest as -

1. once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
2. ty a - bove; He lives to guide his Church in love.
3. trou - bled heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.
4. sur - ance gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

Text: LM; based on Job 19:25; Samuel Medley, 1738–1799.

Music: John Hatton, c. 1710–1793.

SIGN *of* THE CROSS AND GREETING

COLLECT

LITURGY of THE WORD

FIRST READING

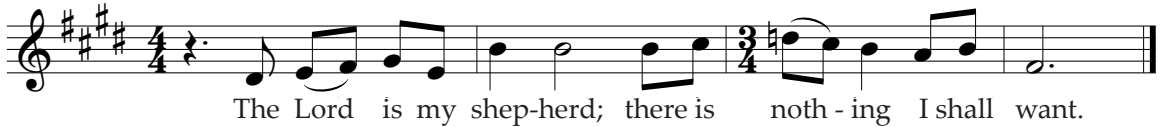
WISDOM 4:7-15

An unsullied life, the attainment of old age.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 23

LUKE MAYERNIK



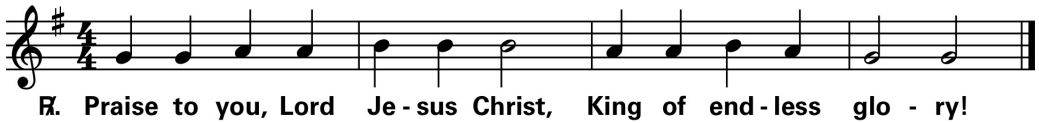
SECOND READING

2 TIMOTHY 2:8-13

If we have died with him we shall also live with him.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE the GOSPEL

OWEN ALSTOTT



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GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 5:1-12a

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

HOMILY

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

UNIVERSAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

FINAL COMMENDATION

INVITATION TO PRAYER AND SILENCE

SONG *of* FAREWELL

PETER LAMANNA

Re - ceive his soul, and pre - sent him to God the most high.

PRAYER *of* COMMENDATION

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE *of* COMMITTAL

HYMN

SING WITH ALL THE SAINTS IN GLORY

HYMN TO JOY



1. Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -
2. Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has
3. Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who
4. Life e - ter - nal! O what won - ders Crowd on faith; what



1. rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,
2. yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing,
3. once was dead; Join with all the heav'n - ly voic - es;
4. joy un - known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,



1. To the form - er days be - long. All a - round the
2. Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,
3. Child of God, lift up your head! Pa - tri - archs from
4. Saints shall stand be - fore the throne! Oh, to en - ter



1. clouds are break - ing, Soon the storms of time shall cease; In God's
2. Christ pre - pares it, There on high our wel - come waits; Ev - 'ry
3. dis - tant a - ges, Saints all long - ing for their heav'n, Proph - ets,
4. that bright por - tal, See that glow - ing fir - ma - ment, Know, with



1. like - ness, peo - ple wak - ing, Know the ev - er - last - ing peace.
2. hum - ble spir - it shares it, Christ has passed th'e - ter - nal gates.
3. psalm - ists, seers, and sa - ges, All a - wait the glo - ry giv'n.
4. you, O God im - mor - tal, Je - sus Christ whom you have sent!

Text: 87 87 D; 1 Corinthians 15:20; William J. Irons, 1812–1893; fr. *Psalms and Hymns*, 1873, alt.
Music: Ludwig van Beethoven; adapt. by Edward Hodges, 1796–1867.

Charlene Angelini, *Cantor*
Mark Loria, *Organist*

