



SEMINARY OF THE
SOUTHWEST

Matriculation Evensong

*Welcoming New Students
Presenting the Charles Cook Award for Servant Leadership*

Sunday, August 30, 2020
5:00pm

AN ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE EVENING

PRELUDE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SHORT LESSON OF SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 4:5-6

It is not ourselves that we proclaim; we proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants, for Jesus' sake. For the same God who said, "Out of darkness let light shine," has caused his light to shine within us, to give the light of revelation — the revelation of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR LIGHT

Officiant Let us pray.

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 Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PHOS HILARON

O gracious Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.



- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done.
- 5 He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their children;
- 6 That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
- +7 So that they might put their trust in God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his commandments;

THE LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you**
Officiant Let us pray

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.

THE COLLECT FOR EDUCATION

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom: Enlighten by your Holy Spirit those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship you and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

CONFERRING OF THE CHARLIE COOK SERVANT LEADERSHIP AWARD

MATRICULATION OF NEW STUDENTS

HOMILY

Dr. Scott Bader-Saye

THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. Amen.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you. Amen.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace. Amen.

Cantor or Officiant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.



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