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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 24 November 2013

The Sunday Next before Advent

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Stephen Farr St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge

De ore prudentis (Scheidemann)
Englische mascarada (Scheidemann)
Echo ad manual duplex forte et lene (Scheidt)
Paduana Lachrimae (Sweelinck)
Ciacona in e, BuxWV 160 (Buxtehude)

Welcome to this service of Choral Evensong sung by The Choir of Trinity College Cambridge

Please ensure that all electronic devices, including cameras, are switched off

The congregation stands when the choir and clergy enter the Chapel. The opening hymn will follow unannounced.

HYMN NEH 345

VULPIUS

Words: George Bell (1883–1958) Music: from Vulpius' 'Gesangbuch' 1609, harm. Henry Ley (1887–1962) CCLI Licence No: 176476/808452

The minister reads

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me;

All say, kneeling

Almighty and most merciful Father;

We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against thy holy laws.

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.

Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.

Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,

to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

The minister then says the ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; and hath given power, and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RESPONSES

Leighton

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

The congregation sits for PSALM 72: 1-7

Give the King thy judgements, O God: and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

Then shall he judge thy people according unto right: and defend the poor.

The mountains also shall bring peace: and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

He shall keep the simple folk by their right: defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong-doer.

They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth: from one generation to another.

He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool: even as the drops that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish: yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

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.

The FIRST LESSON *is read* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection. And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, is? For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean. (For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.) Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN God. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you. God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Howells

All sit for the SECOND LESSON A reading from the Gospel according to St Luke.

And again [Jesus] said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God? It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them, Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are: Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets. But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out. And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God. And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.

Luke 13: 20-30

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS Collegium Regale

Howells

All turn East and say THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

All kneel

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father
which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

RESPONSES

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us. And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness. And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people. And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE 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 both 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.

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL 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.

All sit for the ANTHEM Christus vincit (1994)

Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat. Alleluia!

Christ conquers, Christ is King, Christ is Lord of all. Alleluia!

Words: the Worcester Acclamations (10th century)
Music: James MacMillan (b. 1959)

THE ADDRESS

Some Modern Saints? The Unknown Saints

The Right Hon. Lord Ian Blair,
former Metropolitan Commissioner of Police

All stand for the HYMN SP 152

Lux Eoi

Words: James Seddon (1915–83) Music: Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842–1900) CCLI Licence No: 176476

THE BLESSING

All remain standing

The Lord preserveth (from Chandos Anthem, HWV 253)

The Lord preserveth the souls of the saints, he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.

> Words: from Psalm 97 Music: George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

The choir, clergy and Fellows recess

VOLUNTARY Litanies

Alain

THIS TERM'S CHARITABLE CAUSES

Prison Fellowship - Angel Tree Project

supporting prisoners by providing a way for them to give Christmas presents to their children www.prisonfellowship.org.uk/what-we-do/angel-tree

Cambridge Cyrenians

providing accommodation and support to single, homeless, men and women in Cambridge www.cambridgecyrenians.org.uk

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

This evening's setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, first performed in 1945, was one of several sacred works Herbert Howells commissioned to write for King's College, Cambridge. The Magnificat begins with the sopranos singing in unison, suitably representing Mary. It is only at the line 'He hath shewn strength with his arm' that we hear the full choir for the first time. Similarly, the Nunc Dimittis dominated by a tranquil tenor solo, intended to characterise the gentle and contented Simeon. By comparison, the Gloria Patri, is one of the most ecstatic settings ever written. This contrast was very much Howells intention. Having been devastated by the death of his son, Michael, in 1935, and having lived through the horrors of two world wars, he wrote of this setting '... the mighty should be put down from their seat without a brute force... Only the Gloria should raise its voice.'

Christus Vincit was written by contemporary Scottish composer James MacMillan in 1994 for St Paul's Cathedral, London. The structure of the work is almost counterintuitive: despite the triumphant meaning of the words, the first half of the piece remains utterly contained and punctuated with periods of complete silence. Only twice during the repeated utterances of 'Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat' is the choir allowed to reach to a loud dynamic. However, in the final 'Alleluia' section, the exultant nature of the piece is realised. The composer builds towards a musical climax, before culminating with a breath-taking soprano solo.

The Lord Preserveth is one movement from 'Chandos Anthem No. 5b' (I will magnify thee, O God), composed by Handel in 1724. The Chandos Anthems are so known because they were written whilst Handel was the house composer for James Brydges, 1st Duke of Chandos. The anthems were written for very specific musical forces, depending on the other resident musicians present at the time. This particular movement is written for tenor soloist, oboe, violin, and continuo.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Advent Sunday. There will be a Eucharist as usual at 9.00 am.

The Advent Carol Service is at 6.15 pm.

Tickets will be sent out this week to all those who have applied. Doors open at 5.30 pm, but please be seated by 6.00 pm. Those without tickets are invited to join the queue of non-ticket holders on the night and as many as possible will be admitted to any vacant seats.

The texts of this term's sermons may be found on the Chapel website.

REGULAR CHAPEL SERVICES

Sunday	9.00 am	Eucharist & breakfast	
	6.15 pm	Choral Evensong	
Monday to Saturday	8.45 am	Morning Prayer	
Monday, Wednesday	6.15 pm	Evening Prayer	
Tuesday, Thursday	6.15 pm	Choral Evensong	

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

All members of the College community are welcome at the following events

Women's Bible Study

Sundays • 4.45 pm • F2 Whewell's Court

A reading and discussion group exploring
the Book of Acts, with ordinand at Westcott House,

Karin Rubenson.

Heresies and How to Avoid Them

Mondays • 9.15 pm • M6 Blue Boar Court

A reading and discussion group exploring some of the formative questions and conversations of the early Christian Church. No prior reading or knowledge required. Christopher Stoltz (cs617).

Christianity and Some Issues of the Day

Tuesdays • 9.15 pm • F2 Whewell's Court A series of speakers on some modern-day issues: this week, Bonnie Evans-Hills will be speaking on 'Islam: Faith in the Public Square'. Wine and cheese served. Paul Dominiak (pad39).

Chaplain's Teas

Thursday • 4.00–5.00 pm • F2 Whewell's Court Relax for an hour and chat with peers over cakes, tea, and coffee. Paul Dominiak (pad39).

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