

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

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### **VOLUNTARY**

Pastoral-Prelude from 3 Characteristic Pieces

Langlais

INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel
Tout puissant Dieu (from Quatre petites prières, 1948)

Tout puissant, très saint, très haut et souverain Dieu; souverain bien, bien universel, bien total; toi qui seul es bon; puissions-nous te rendre toute louange, toute gloire, toute reconnaissance, tout honneur, toute bénédiction; puissions-nous rapporter toujours à toi tous les biens. Amen.

Almighty, most holy, most high and supreme God, highest good, all good, wholly good, who alone art good: to you may we give all praise, all glory, all thanks, all honour, all blessing; and may we ascribe all good things to you for ever and ever. Amen.

Words: St Francis of Assisi Music: Francis Poulenc (1899–1963)

All stand when the choir and clergy enter

*RESPONSES* Plainsong

O Lord, open thou our lips. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

All sit for PSALM 137

The FIRST LESSON is read

Genesis 22: 1-13

And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Then on the third day Abraham

lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT
Tonus peregrinus

Plainsong

All sit for the SECOND LESSON Hebrews 11: 8–19

By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised. Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable. These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city. By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Tone I Plainsong

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.

#### RESPONSES

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.

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

God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

# THE COLLECT FOR PEACE THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

All sit for the ANTHEM

Seigneur, je vous en prie (from Quatre petites prières)

Seigneur, je vous en prie, que la force brûlante et douce de votre amour absorbe mon âme et la retire de tout ce qui est sous le ciel, afin que je meure par amour de votre amour, puisque vous avez daigné mourir par amour de mon amour.

Lord, I beseech you, may the sweet burning power of your love absorb my soul and withdraw it from everything under heaven, that I might die for love of your love, since you deigned to die for love of my love.

Words: St Francis of Assisi Music: Francis Poulenc (1899–1963)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS

All stand for the HYMN NEH 225 (ii)

SAN ROCCO

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FINAL RESPONSES

Plainsong

All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess

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