# TRINITY COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE



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# CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 7 June 2015

The First Sunday after Trinity

# ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Owain Park (Trinity College)

Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137 (Buxtehude)

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BuxWV 211 (Buxtehude)

In dulci jubilo, BuxWV 197 (Buxtehude)

Durch Adams Fall ist ganz verderbt, BuxWV 183 (Buxtehude)

Ach Herr, mich armen Sünder, BuxWV 178 (Buxtehude)

Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BuxWV 224 (Buxtehude)

Komm, heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, BuxWV 199 (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

This evening we welcome visitors from the parish of St Mary and St Michael, Trumpington

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

**HYMN** NEH 333

MICHAEL

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) based on the German of Joachim Neander (1650-80) Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983) CCLI Licence No. 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 Rose

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.

# *The congregation sits for* PSALM 37: 1–10

Fret not thyself because of the ungodly: neither be thou envious against the evil-doers.

For they shall soon be cut down like the grass: and be withered even as the green herb.

Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good: dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

Delight thou in the Lord: and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.

Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him: and he shall bring it to pass.

He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light: and thy just dealing as the noon-day.

Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him: but grieve not thyself at him whose way doth prosper, against the man that doeth after evil counsels.

Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure: fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.

Wicked doers shall be rooted out: and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.

Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone: thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.

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 Book of Psalms.

Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God. Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night. Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up. In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth. For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told. The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away. Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Psalm 90: 1-12

 $All\ stand\ for\ the\ {\sf MAGNIFICAT}$ 

Finzi

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

And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law, Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

Luke 2: 25–32

*All stand for the* NUNC DIMITTIS

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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

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; 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
Te Deum (Collegium Regale, 1944)

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee; the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the powers therein. To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Holy; Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee. The noble army of Martyrs praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee; The Father of an infinite Majesty; Thine honourable, true and only Son; Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man: thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death: thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the Glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants: whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy Saints: in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage. Govern them: and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify thee; And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

THE ADDRESS
Christianity and Old Age
The Dean of Chapel

All stand for the HYMN CP 398

**GUITING POWER** 

Words: Michael Saward (1932–2015) Music: John Barnard (b. 1948) CCLI Licence No: 176476/808452

# THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess

**VOLUNTARY** 

Fugue in Eb, 'St Anne', BWV 552

Bach

# THIS TERM'S CHARITABLE CAUSES

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# THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Gerald Finzi was commissioned to write a Magnificat for a university Christmas concert in 1952. It was not intended for liturgical use, yet the work remains true to the text throughout. From the triumphant repetitions of 'My soul doth magnify the Lord' through to the final lullaby-like 'Amen', Finzi brilliantly imagines and evokes the mood of Mary's song.

Gustav Holst's setting of the Nunc Dimittis was composed for Richard Terry, organist of Westminster Cathedral. It was first performed on Easter Sunday, 1915. Like Finzi's Magnificat, Holst manages to convey effectively the meaning of the biblical text. The opening passage is particularly beguiling, capturing a stillness and serenity befitting the words, 'Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace'.

Tonight's anthem epitomises the sentiment expressed in Howell's own programme notes for the King's College recording of his music: 'in all my music for the Church, people and places have been a dual influence.' During World War II, he had a particular association with Cambridge, as acting organist at St John's College whilst Robin Orr was away on active service. It was during this time that the morning and evening canticles for King's College were written: the Jubilate and Te Deum in 1944, and the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis the following year. The set was then completed in 1956 with the arrival of the Office for Holy Communion. Howells' time in Cambridge brought him back into contact with Eric Milner-White, Dean of King's College. Having heard an early performance of A Spotless Rose in 1920, Milner-White had written to the young Howells urging him to do more for the liturgy of the Church of England. During the 1940s, Milner-White again encouraged Howells, prompting the beginning of his large contribution to the Anglican choral tradition.

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tonight • 8.45 pm Singing on the River

The Choir will be giving a concert from punts moored on the Cam - all are welcome.

> Tuesday 23 June • 6.00 pm Leavers' Service

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Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn (1606–69) Simeon's Song of Praise (1669) National Museum of Sweden, Stockholm