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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 7 February 2016

The Sunday Next before Lent (Quinquagesima)

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Colin Walsh *Lincoln Cathedral*

Pièce d'orgue, BWV 572 (Bach)Wir gläuben all' an einen Gott, BWV 680 (Bach)Wir gläuben all' an einen Gott, BWV 740 (Bach)Fantasia and Fugue in g, BWV 542 (Bach)

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

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

HYMN

NEH 335

ENGELBURG

Words: Francis Bland Tucker (1895–1984) Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

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 Judges.

And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread. And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web. And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.

And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth. And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand. And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him. But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house. Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.

St Paul's Service

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever. 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.

All sit for the SECOND LESSON

A reading from St Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews.

And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets: Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions. Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

Hebrews 11: 32-end

St Paul's Service

Howells

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; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. 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.

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 Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. 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

Evening Hymn and Ekteniya of the Litany (1972)

Jeesus Kristus, rauhaisa Valkeus Autuaan, Kunnian rauhaisa Valkeus. Kuole mattoman Isäan, Taivaallisen, Pyhän, Autuann rauhaisa Valkeus. Auringon laskiessa ehtoocalon nähtyäme me veisaten ylistämme Jumalaa, Isää, Poikaa ja Pyhää Henkeä. Jumalan Poika, Elämän antaja, Otollosta on autuain äänin ylistää Sinua kaikkina aikoina. Sentähden maalima Silnulle kiitosta kanta, Jumalan Poika.

Herra armahda.

Jesus Christ, thou peaceful Light of the Father. O thou immortal, peaceful Light of the heavenly and Holy, blessed. Now at the setting of the sun, having seen the light of evening, we sing a hymn of praise to our God, the Father and the Holy Spirit. O Son of God, who gavest us life, wellpleasing to God, it is with a blessed voice we praise thee now and for eternity. Therefore all the world sings praises to thee, O Son of God.

Lord have mercy.

Music: Einojuhani Rautavaara (b. 1928)

THE ADDRESS

Scenes from the Old Testament: Samson and Delilah

Dr Alison Gray Director of Studies & Tutor in Old Testament, Westcott House, and Bye-Fellow of Selwyn College, Cambridge

Peter Paul Rubens (1577–1640), *Samson and Delilah* (c. 1610), The National Gallery, London http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/paintings/peter-paul-rubens-samson-and-delilah

All stand for the HYMN NEH 362

AUSTRIA

Words: John Newton (1725–1807) Music: Franz Joseph Haydn (1732–1809)

THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess

VOLUNTARY

Postlude in d

Stanford

THIS TERM'S CHARITABLE CAUSES

Romsey Mill

www.romseymill.org

British Red Cross European Refugee Crisis Appeal

www.redcross.org.uk/RefugeeCrisisHero

NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

The Revd Professor William Horbury, FBA, Professor Emeritus of Jewish and Early Christian Studies and Fellow of Corpus Christi College Cambridge, will be speaking on Balaam and the Angel in our series 'Scenes from the Old Testament'.

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

www.trinitycollegechapel.com

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Tonight's setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis was written by Herbert Howells in 1951 for St Paul's Cathedral. Compared with other settings by Howells, this work incorporates slower harmonic changes and a greater number of unison passages, creating expansive music appropriate for the significant acoustic of the Cathedral. The Magnificat begins without an introduction, and continues with impressive momentum through to the final Amen. The Nunc Dimittis is more understated, with a quieter beginning and more gradual journey to the climax. Nonetheless, by the time we hear the final Gloria Patri, there is no doubting the assured and euphoric mood of the piece. Einojuhani Rautavaara has long been acknowledged within Finland as the leading Finnish composer of his generation, but internationally his work has gained full recognition only recently. Prolific in both instrumental and vocal music, his music for choir is nourished by Finland's rich, thriving choral tradition. Evening Hymn and Ekteniya of the Litany are two movements from his All-Night Vigil setting, written in 1972 in response to a joint commission from the Helsinki Festival and the Orthodox Church of Finland. The Evening Hymn is a Finnish version of the *Phos Hilaron*, a third-century Greek text which we know as Hail Gladdening Light, and the Ekteniya of the Litany is a repeated setting of 'Lord have mercy'.

SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

Shrove Tuesday 9 February • 6.15 pm

Choral Evensong

followed by a pancake supper in the Ante-Chapel

Wednesday 10 February, Ash Wednesday
12.00 noon • Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
6.15 pm • Sung Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
9.30 pm • Sung Compline by Candlelight *followed by drinks in the Ante-Chapel*

EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

Women's Bible Study: Heroines, Tricksters, and Temptresses–Women of Valour and Faith in the Old Testament

Sunday • 4.30–5.30 pm • F2 Whewell's Court

Join us for afternoon tea as we reflect on the lives of key women in the Old Testament. Led by Olga Fabrikantova (Ridley Hall).

Weekly, from 17 January

Sceptics Anonymous

Tuesday • 9.15–10.15 pm • F2 Whewell's Court

Explore belief and non-belief. The conversation will begin with Terry Eagleton's response to the 'New Atheists' in his book Reason, Faith and Revolution; Reflections on the God Debate.

2 & 9 February • Dan Parkinson, Ordinand

Chaplains' Tea

Thursday • 4.00–5.00 pm • F2 Whewell's Court

Take a break and enjoy tea, cake and conversation.

Weekly, 21 January to 3 March • Andrew

LOOKING AHEAD

Getaway for a Day: Canterbury

Saturday 20 February

Take a short break from study and explore the medieval centre of Canterbury, including a guided tour of the Cathedral. All Fellows, staff and students welcome.

Places limited • email Andrew (adb69) for further details