

# LEAVERS' SERVICE

Tuesday 21 June 2016

6.00 pm

Welcome to this service sung by the Choir of Trinity College, Cambridge

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Intrada John Ireland (1879–1962) All stand when the choir and clergy enter

## INTROIT

Crucifixus pro nobis iv (1961)

Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet Which brought from heaven the news, and Prince of Peace. Cease not, wet eyes, His mercy to entreat; To cry for vengeance sin doth never cease. In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; Nor let His eye see sin, but through my tears.

> Text: Phineas Fletcher (1582–1650) Music: Kenneth Leighton (1929–88)

#### RESPONSES

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 THE WELCOME

The Reverend Dr Andrew Bowyer, Chaplain

Leighton

The choir sings PSALM 122

I was glad when they said unto me:

We will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city: that is at unity in itself.

For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord:

to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord. For there is the seat of judgement: even the seat of the house of David.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions' sakes: I will wish thee prosperity.

Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God:

I will seek to do thee good.

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.

# FIRST READING

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the

oven. shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof

Matthew 6: 25-34

## All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

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 hand-maiden.

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 showed 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.

Howells

#### All sit

#### SECOND READING

There is an island there is no going to but in a small boat the way the saints went, travelling the gallery of the frightened faces of the long-drowned, munching the gravel of its beaches. So I have gone up the salt lane to the building with the stone altar and the candles gone out, and kneeled and lifted my eyes to the furious gargoyle of the owl that is like a god gone small and resentful. There is no body in the stained window of the sky now. Am I too late? Were they too late also, those first pilgrims? He is such a fast God, always before us and leaving as we arrive. There are those here not given to prayer, whose office is the blank sea that they say daily. What they listen to is not hymns, but the slow chemistry of the soil that turns saints' bones to dust, dust to an irritant of the nostril.

There is no time on this island. The swinging pendulum of the tide has no clock; the events are dateless. These people are not late or soon; they are just here with only the one question to ask, which life answers by being in them. It is I who ask. Was the pilgrimage I made to come to my own self, to learn that in times like these and for one like me God will never be plain and out there, but dark rather and inexplicable, as though he were in here?

'Pilgrimages' by R. S. Thomas (1913-2000)

#### All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

St Paul's Service

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.

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.

# A COLLECT OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thank thee for all thou hast given and for all thou hast forgiven; for thy hidden blessings and for those which in our negligence we have passed over: for every gift of nature or of grace: for our power of loving: for all which thou hast yet in store for us: for everything, whether joy or sorrow, whereby thou art drawing us to thyself 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

Lord, let me know mine end (1918)

Lord, let me know mine end and the number of my days, that I may be certified how long I have to live. Thou hast made my days as it were a span long; and mine age is as nothing in respect of Thee, and verily, ev'ry man living is altogether vanity, for man walketh in a vain shadow and disquieteth himself in vain, he heapeth up riches and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope? Truly my hope is even in Thee. Deliver me from all mine offences and make me not a rebuke to the foolish. I became dumb and opened not my mouth for it was Thy doing. Take Thy plague away from me, I am even consumed by means of Thy heavy hand. When Thou with rebukes does chasten man for sin thou makest his beauty to consume away like as it were a moth fretting a garment; ev'ry man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my pray'r, O Lord, and with Thy ears consider my calling, hold not Thy peace at my tears! For I am a stranger with Thee and a sojourner as all my fathers were. O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength before I go hence and be no more seen.

> Words: Psalm 39 Music: C. Hubert H. Parry (1848–1918)

Remain seated

THE ADDRESS

The Reverend Kirsty Ross, Chaplain

All stand for the HYMN NEH 252

ST CLEMENT

Words: John Ellerton (1826–93) Music: Clement Scholefield (1839–1904)

# THE PRAYERS

Giving thanks to almighty God for all that we have received during our time in Trinity College and commending ourselves and our futures to his providential care, let us pray.

All sit or kneel

God of love, just as you draw together into one all whom you have created, so also you send out to the corners of the earth those whom you have blessed.

Be present with those who are now to leave the College and begin new lives beyond its walls. Guide and empower them with your life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear us. Lord graciously, hear us.

Renew in us all the zeal to serve you and your whole creation by serving our neighbours,

and help us to know your presence in each and every person with whom we live and work.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

Bless the work of the College and inspire those who continue to labour within it.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

Be with our friends and those whom we have come to love during our time together. Hallow our relationships with your presence, and help us to appreciate those whose lives have enriched our own lives.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

God of the past, present and future, mindful of our lives brought together within the College, we commend to your loving care and direction our lives, wherever and however we are given to serve you.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

All stand for the HYMN NEH 373 (t. CP 466)

COE FEN

Words: John Mason (c. 1645–94) Music: Ken Naylor (1931–91) CCLI Licence No. 808452

# THE BLESSING

May the love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself; may the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service; may the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your souls; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with you and abide with you always. **Amen.** 

All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess; please remain quiet until the end of the organ voluntary

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Sortie in E≅ Louis Lefébure-Wély (1817–69)