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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 20 November 2016

The Sunday Next before Advent

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Jeremy Cole

St Martin-in-the-Fields

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 541 (Bach)

A Fancy (Byrd)

Impromptu from 24 Pièces de fantaisie,
Op. 54 (Vierne)

Méditation (Durufié)

Prélude et danse fuguée (Litaize)

*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*

*For those who wish to use them, copies of
The New English Hymnal melody edition
are available in the stalls*

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

HYMN

NEH 352

DIADEMATA

Words: Matthew Bridges (1800–94)
Music: George Elvey (1816–93)

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

Smith

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 congregation sits for the PSALM

PSALM 104: 1–10

Praise the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious; thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment: and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

He maketh his angels spirits: and his ministers a flaming fire.

He laid the foundations of the earth: that it never should move at any time.

Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment: the waters stand in the hills.

At thy rebuke they flee : at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.

They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath: even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.

Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass: neither turn again to cover the earth.

He sendeth the springs into the rivers: which run among the hills.

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 Jeremiah.

Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;

Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon; Build ye houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them; Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished. And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the Lord for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4–7

All stand for the **MAGNIFICAT**

Perpulchrum septimi toni

Lassus

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 Philippians.

Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now; Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1: 1-8

All stand for the **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Tone I

Plainsong

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

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

ANTHEM

This worldes joie (1922)

Wynter wakeneth al my care,
Nou this leves waxeth bare;
Ofte I sike ant mourne sare
When hit cometh in my thoht
Of this worldes joie,
Hou hit goth al to noht.

Nou hit is, ant nou hit nys,
Al so hit ner nere, ywys.
That moni mon seith, soth hit ys:
Al goth bote Godes wille:
Alle we shule deye, thah us like ylle.

Al that gren me graueth grene
Nou hit faleweth albydene:
Jesu, help that hit be sene
Ant shild us from helle!
For y not whider y shal,
Ne hou longe her duelle.

Winter wakens all my care, Now these leaves grow bare; Often I sigh and sorely mourn When this world's joy Comes into my thought, How it all comes to nought.

Now it is, and now it is not, As though it had never been, I believe. Many men say that it is true: Everything vanishes except God's will: We shall all die, though we like it ill.

Everything green grows green for me, Now it fades altogether: Jesus, help it to be seen And shield us from hell! For I know not whither I shall go, Nor how long I shall dwell here.

Words: Anonymous (c. 1300)
Music: Arnold Bax (1883–1953)

THE ADDRESS

The Bible as Literature – The Epistles

Dr Cathy Ross

*Lecturer in Contextual Theology,
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All stand for the **HYMN**

NEH 394

LUCKINGTON

Words: George Herbert (1593–1632)

Music: Basil Harwood (1859–1949)

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THE BLESSING

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

VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in a, BuxWV 152

Buxtehude

THIS TERM'S CHARITABLE CAUSES

Red Balloon www.redballoonlearner.org

supporting young people in Cambridge who self-exclude from school and are missing education because of bullying or other trauma.

Médecins sans Frontières www.msf.org.uk

helping people world-wide where the need is greatest, delivering emergency medical aid to people affected by conflict, epidemics and disasters.

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Orlando di Lassus was a Franco-Flemish composer of the late Renaissance. He is today considered to be the chief representative of the mature polyphonic style of the Franco-Flemish school, and one of the most famous and influential musicians in Europe at the end of the 16th century. His output includes a huge number of settings of the Magnificat, this one is based on the seventh plainsong tone and is aptly written for seven voices.

Arnold Bax is known primarily for his orchestral works, but also wrote a substantial number of choral pieces – mostly secular, but some religious. He was a nominal member of the Church of England, but in the view of the critic Paul Spicer, 'None of Bax's choral music can be described as devotional or even suitable for church use ... Here is a secular composer writing voluptuous music'. Bax was a lover of poetry and a keen poet himself, writing under the pseudonym of Dermot O'Byrne. *This Worldes Joie* is a setting of a poem written in Middle English written circa 1300, the author of which is unknown.

NEXT SUNDAY – ADVENT SUNDAY

There will be a said **Eucharist** at 9.30 am followed by breakfast. The **Advent Carol Service** is in the evening. Tickets will be sent out this week to all those who requested them. Anyone without a ticket wishing to attend the service should join the queue of non-ticket-holders on the night and as many as possible will be admitted to any empty seats at 6.00 pm. Doors close at 6.10 pm; latecomers will be admitted at a suitable point in the service.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Saturday 17 December • 4.00 pm

Christingle with Carols

An interactive service for children of all ages, featuring the Choristers of Little St Mary's Church and the distribution of Christingles

Saturday 24 December • 3.30 pm

Christmas Eve Crib Service

A service for young children at which we hear the Christmas story and assemble the nativity scene together

Sunday 25 December • 9.30 am

Christmas Day Eucharist

A traditional service of hymns, readings and Holy Communion with a sermon by the Acting Dean of Chapel