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# CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 18 February 2018

*The First Sunday of Lent*

# ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Alexander Hamilton  
*Trinity College*

Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir, BWV 686 (Bach)

Herzlich tut mich verlangen (Brahms)

Chorale Prelude on 'Rockingham' (Parry)

Chorale Prelude on 'Eventide' (Parry)

Alleluyas (Preston)

*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 377

ST DENIO

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824–1908)  
Music: Welsh melody, adapted John Roberts (1822–77)

### *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**

McWilliam

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 93*

The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel:  
the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded  
himself with strength.

He hath made the round world so sure: that it  
cannot be moved.

Ever since the world began hath thy seat been  
prepared: thou art from everlasting.

The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up  
their voice: the floods lift up their waves.

The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly:  
but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure: holiness  
becometh thine house 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.

*The FIRST LESSON is read*

A reading from the Book of Acts.

And, [Peter said,] behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Caesarea unto me. And the Spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house: And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter; Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved. And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God? When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.

*All stand for the* **MAGNIFICAT**

Short Service

Weelkes

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 the First Epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

1 Corinthians 13: 4–end

*All stand for the* **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Short Service

Weelkes

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 for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

## THE COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; 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*

Christ on the Mount of Olives (2018)

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most  
high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.  
I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my  
fortress: my God, in him will I trust.

When the Lord raised his wasted arms to heaven,  
Beneath the sacred trees, as poets do,  
Long lost in mute afflictions, and  
Knowing himself betrayed by thankless friends:  
He turned to those below attending him,  
Who, numb, adrift in the slumber of beasts  
Dreamed themselves sages, prophets, kings...

He shall cover thee with his feathers and under  
his wings shalt thou trust, thou shalt not be afraid  
for the terror by night.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore  
will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because  
he hath know my name.

And began to cry: 'No, God does not exist!'  
They slept on. 'Friends, have you learnt the news?  
Against the eternal vault I leant my brow;  
I am bloodied, broken, have borne endless days!  
Brothers I deceived you: Abyss! Abyss! Abyss!  
God is absent from the altar, where I am sacrifice...  
There is no God! God is no more!' And still they slept!

Surely he shall deliver me from the snare of the  
fowler; Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder,  
the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample  
under feet.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him:  
I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him,  
and honour him.

He is my refuge and my fortress: in him will I trust.  
With long life will I satisfy him, and show him  
my salvation.

Words: from 'Christ on the Mount of Olives'  
by Gérard de Nerval (1808–55) trans. Will Stone  
and Psalm 91, vv. 1–4, 13–16

Music: Christopher Moore (b. 1997), Choral Scholar

**THE ADDRESS**

Faith in the Police

The Right Hon. Lord Ian Blair

*Chair of the Board of Trustees, Woolf Institute,  
University of Cambridge & former Commissioner  
of the Metropolitan Police*

*All stand for the* **HYMN**

NEH 352

DIADEMATA

Words: Matthew Bridges (1800–94)

Music: George Elvey (1816–93)

## THE BLESSING

*All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess*

*Please remain quiet until the end of the organ voluntary*

## VOLUNTARY

Chorale No. 1 in E

Franck

## THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

**The Cambridge Fundraising Choir** is composed of choral scholars from the University who are raising money to help support the work of Cancer Research UK, and in particular their contribution towards the treatment of brain tumours.

**[www.cambridgefundraisingchoir.com](http://www.cambridgefundraisingchoir.com)**

**The Holocaust Educational Trust** was established in 1988 with the aim of educating young people from every background about the Holocaust and the important lessons that can be learned for today.

**[www.het.org.uk](http://www.het.org.uk)**

## NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

Professor John Lister, Professor of Fluid Dynamics & Fellow of Trinity College, will be speaking on *Faith in Academia* in our series Faith in the Workplace.

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

*[www.trinitycollegechapel.com](http://www.trinitycollegechapel.com)*

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

### **Getaway for a Day: London**

**Saturday 24 February • depart 10.00 am**

Explore the renowned Science Museum at your leisure and meet the International Space Station crew members in an immersive IMAX presentation on one of the biggest screens in the UK. Email to register. Andrew (adb69)

## THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Tonight's canticles were composed by the English composer Thomas Weelkes. Weelkes was active in the late-16<sup>th</sup> and early-17<sup>th</sup> centuries, holding posts as organist at Winchester College and, later, at Chichester Cathedral. The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis heard tonight are from his Short Service. This posthumous moniker is not an overstatement: the two movements together make up only four minutes of music, an economy achieved by an almost entirely homophonic setting. Weelkes is particularly remembered for his madrigals, published in four volumes between 1597 and 1608. Despite this prolific and promising start, from 1609 his name was often associated with scandal. As well as repeatedly finding himself in trouble with the Cathedral authorities, he was once fined for 'urinating on the Dean from the organ loft during Evensong', and frequently reported for drunken behaviour. He died in London in 1623.

The composer writes: *Christ on the Mount of Olives* sets part of a longer poem from *Les Chimères* by Gérard de Nerval, alongside verses from Psalm 91. The Nerval text, presented here in an English translation by Will Stone, is an imagined narrative of Christ's prayer in Gethsemane, focussing on the agony of his betrayal by both God and Man. In the musical setting of the text I have attempted to reflect a sense of abandonment, ruin and pain in a restless, unsettled harmonic language and shifting textures. In contrast to this, a distant semi-chorus reassures us with passages from Psalm 91, with repeated major chords symbolising the constant presence of God. The two elements play out against each other until the climax of the piece – in which the Lord's hysterical cry, 'There is no God!' is met with the incredulity that, with his God appearing to have deserted him, his human disciples are still snoozing at his feet. The continued assertion of the Psalm by the semi-chorus grows to become forced and uncomfortable against the increasingly bleak text, when suddenly the drama dissolves, and we are left once more with a gentle incantation of the Psalm, which gradually disappears to nothing.

Christopher Moore, January 2018