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# CHORAL EVENSONG

# Sunday 7 October 2018

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

# ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Asher Oliver *Trinity College* 

Prelude in Eb, BWV 552 (Bach)

Premier Livre d'Orgue (Dumage) Plein Jeu Fugue Trio Tierce en taille Basse de Trompette Récit Duo Grand Jeu

Fugue in Eb, 'St Anne', BWV 552 (Bach)

*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 436

PRAISE MY SOUL

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847) Music: John Goss (1800–80)

#### 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

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 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.

Smith

#### The FIRST LESSON is read

A reading from the Book of Psalms.

- I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
- My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.
- He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
- Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
- The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
- The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
- The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Psalm 121

#### All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

#### Collegium Regale

Howells

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 Passion of Perpetua and Felicity.

On another day, while we were eating lunch, we were suddenly rushed off for a hearing. We arrived at the forum and immediately a rumour circulated throughout the neighbourhood surrounding the forum, and a huge crowd had gathered. We climbed the platform. The others, having been questioned, confessed. Then they came to me. And my father appeared in that very place with my son and dragged me from the step saying: 'Offer the sacrifice. Have pity on your baby.' And Hilarianus, the procurator, who at that time had received the right of the sword on the death of proconsul Minucius Timinianus, said: 'Spare the grey hair of your father, spare your infant son. Offer the sacrifice for the health of the emperors.' 'I will not,' I answered. Hilarianus then said: 'Are you a Christian?' 'I am a Christian,' I replied. And when my father persisted in his efforts to change my mind, Hilarianus ordered him to be thrown to the ground and beaten with a rod. My father's suffering made me sad, almost as if I had been beaten. I grieved for his pitiable old age. Then Hilarianus pronounced sentence on us all and condemned us to the beasts. And we descended the platform and returned cheerfully to prison. But because my baby had become accustomed to nurse at my breasts and to stay with me in prison, I immediately sent Pomponius, the deacon, to ask my father for the child. But my father would not give him back. And as God willed, the baby no longer desired my breasts, nor did they ache and become inflamed, so that I might not be tormented by worry for my child or by the pain in my breasts.

*The Passion of Perpetua and Felicity* trans. Thomas J. Heffernan (OUP 2012)

# All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS Collegium Regale

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.

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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

O Lord, support us (2005)

O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in thy mercy grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen.

> Words: John Henry Newman (1801–90) Music: David Briggs (b. 1962)

#### THE ADDRESS

Saints – Perpetua

The Dean of Chapel

All stand for the **HYMN** NEH 372

MONKS GATE

Words: John Bunyan (1628–88) & Percy Dearmer (1867–1936) Music: adapted from an English folk song by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958) CCLI Licence No. 808452

#### THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess Please remain quiet until the end of the organ voluntary

#### VOLUNTARY

Sonata No. 3 in A, Op. 65, i. Con moto maestoso

Mendelssohn

# THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

The canticles that Herbert Howells wrote between 1945 and 1951 are known to demonstrate the composer's highest achievements in the genre. The Collegium Regale and Gloucester services in particular are neither too elaborate nor heavy, and seem perfectly to encapsulate the meaning of Anglican evening worship. After the first performance of the Collegium Regale setting in 1945 - in King's College Chapel, by whose choir they had been commissioned - the service became a continuous point of reference through which the specific strengths and weaknesses of other settings would be distilled. In this setting, Howells revolutionised the received template for music of the Anglican evening service, introducing a strikingly dramatic understanding of the familiar text and demonstrating new modal idioms, whilst still giving voice to the age-proven truisms of the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis specifically. Howells himself wrote of this setting that 'the mighty should be put down from their seat without a brute force [...] Only the Gloria should raise its voice'.

Tonight's anthem is a setting of the beautiful evening collect 'O Lord, support us' from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer, taken from the words of John Henry Newman. David Briggs was commissioned to write the work in 2005 by Jeremy Bruns, the then Assistant Organist of St Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York, in honour of Jeremy's wife, Kathy.

# THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

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# NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

The Revd Canon Jonathan Boardman, Vicar of St Paul's Clapham, will be speaking on Lawrence in our series on Saints.

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

# **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

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

# A Good Read: Book for Michaelmas Term

*The Human Planet: How We Created the Anthropocene* by Simon Lewis and Mark Maslin. The book can be collected from outside F2 Whewell's Court during weeks 1 & 2, and all are invited to join a conversation about its themes hosted by Hugh Hunt and Andrew Bowyer on **Thursday 8 November** at 7.30 pm.

## Chapel Volunteers' Soirée Sunday 7 October • 8.00–10.00 pm • Junior Parlour

A get-together for anyone involved in helping to read or usher at Chapel services, and those who would like to do so. Pizza will be available and a selection of drinks.

# **Coffee Tasting**

# Monday 8 October • 6.00 pm

Join the Bould Brothers, Max and Alex, as they introduce us to the fine art of coffee making.

# John Donne

# Wednesday 10 October • 9.00 pm • Chapel

An evening of short readings from John Donne's poems and sermons, together with English sacred music from his time; followed by a candlelit service of Compline at 9.45 pm.

# Women's Bible Study

# Sunday • 4.30–5.30 pm • M6 Blue Boar

Join us for tea and cake as we explore the biblical passages behind some of the best-known hymns.