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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 4 November 2018

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Gregory Drott

St Stephen's Gloucester Road, London

Prélude from *Le Tombeau de Couperin* (Ravel)

Magnificat in A (Dandrieu)

Les Anges from '*La Nativité du Seigneur*' (Messiaen)

Choral (Honegger)

Pavane in g (Gibbons)

Ballo del Granduca (Sweelinck)

*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 333

MICHAEL

Words: Robert Bridges (1844–1930)
based on the German of Joachim Neander (1650–80)
Music: Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

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

Shephard

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 23

The Lord is my shepherd :
therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me
forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the
paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow
of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them
that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head
with oil, and my cup shall be full.
Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the
house of the Lord 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 Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen. And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake. Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God. And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council, And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law: For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us. And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Acts 6: 8–end; 7: 55–end

All stand for the **MAGNIFICAT**

Chichester Service

Walton

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 Life of St Thomas*.

After the monks took [Thomas] through the doors of the church, the four aforementioned knights followed behind with a rapid pace. And those knights who approached the confused and disordered people who had been observing vespers but, by now, had run toward the lethal spectacle exclaimed in a rage: “Where is Thomas Becket, traitor of the king and kingdom?” No one responded and instantly they cried out more loudly, “Where is the archbishop?”

Unshaken ... he descended from the steps to which he had been taken by the monks who were fearful of the knights and said in an audible voice, "Here I am, not a traitor to the king but a priest; why do you seek me?" ... (Then) with rapid motion they laid sacrilegious hands on him, handling and dragging him roughly outside of the walls of the church

But when it was not possible to easily move him from the column, he bravely pushed one [of the knights] who was pursuing and drawing near to him; he called him a pander saying, "Don't touch me, Reginald, you who owe me faith and obedience, you who foolishly follow your accomplices." On account of the rebuff the knight was suddenly set on fire with a terrible rage and, wielding a sword against the sacred crown said, "I owe no faith or obedience to you who oppose the fealty I owe my lord king." The invincible martyr – seeing that the hour which would bring the end to his miserable mortal life was at hand and already promised by God to be the next to receive the crown of immortality – with his neck bent as if he were in prayer and with his joined hands elevated above – commended himself and the cause of the Church to God, St Mary, and the blessed martyr St Denis.

... Then, with another blow received on the head, he remained firm. But with the third the stricken martyr bent his knees and elbows, offering himself as a living sacrifice, saying in a low voice, "For the name of Jesus and the protection of the church I am ready to embrace death." But the third knight inflicted a grave wound on the fallen one; with this blow he shattered the sword on the stone and the crown of his head, which was large, was severed so that the blood turned white from the brain yet no less did the brain turn red from the blood; it purpled the appearance of the church with the colours of the lily and the rose, the colours of the Virgin and Mother and the life and death of the confessor and martyr.

The Life of St Thomas by Edward Grim

All stand for the **NUNC DIMITTIS**

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Walton

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 God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; 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

There is an old belief (1916)

There is an old belief,
That on some solemn shore,
Beyond the sphere of grief
Dear friends shall meet once more.

Beyond the sphere of Time
And Sin and Fate's control,
Serene in changeless prime
Of body and of soul.

That creed I fain would keep,
That hope I'll ne'er forgo,
Eternal be the sleep
If not to waken so.

Words: John Gibson Lockhart (1794–1854)
Music: C. Hubert H. Parry (1848–1918)

THE ADDRESS

Saints – *Thomas Becket*

Professor Nicholas Vincent FBA

Professor of Medieval History, University of East Anglia

All stand for the **HYMN**

NEH 368

CWM RHONDDA

Words: William Williams (1717–91)
trans. Peter Williams (1727–96) and others
Music: John Hughes (1873–1932)

THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess

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

VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in a, BWV 543

Bach

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Tonight's canticles were written for Chichester Cathedral's 900th anniversary. The Dean at the time, Walter Hussey, had approached Walton 31 years previously for an anthem to mark the golden jubilee of St Matthew's Northampton, where Hussey was Vicar. Walton turned the commission down, so Britten was asked instead, leading to the composition of *Rejoice in the Lamb*. In 1974, perhaps partially as a way of making amends for his previous rebuttal, Walton accepted the commission of a Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis (the words of which he found totally uninspiring) for Chichester Cathedral.

The Songs of Farewell, written between 1916 and 1918, are often thought of as Parry's final inward religious reflection. Though commonplace to think of a composer as being most wistful towards the end of their life, the distillation of personal belief in preparation for death was certainly in Parry's mind as he composed; of his seventieth birthday in 1918 he wrote: 'I have reached the last milestone.' *There is an old belief*, the fourth of six motets (described as such by the composer), is scored for six voice parts with a text by John Gibson Lockhart (1794–1854). It is with this setting and its predecessor, *Never weather-beaten sail*, that contrapuntal music is introduced and the choral texture begins to expand. This is the most openly nostalgic poem in the setting, 'There is an old belief, / That on some solemn shore, / Beyond the sphere of grief / Dear friends shall meet once more', and it serves well the more personal and agnostic ideology (spiritual, but perhaps not explicitly religious) that Parry might be attempting to codify. John Heighway believes that, in the collection as a whole, Parry approaches levels of 'musical expression and sensitivity to textual meaning and inflexion which have rarely been exceeded in English music'.

THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

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SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

Friday 9 November • 8.00 pm

Sacred Space

A short, informal Communion service open to everyone, with reflective music, readings and silence.

Sunday 11 November • Remembrance Sunday

10.45 am • Act of Remembrance and Mattins

Address to be given by Sir John Tusa

Alumnus & former Managing Director of BBC World Service and the Barbican Arts Centre

6.15 pm • A Service of Music & Readings for Remembrance

Address to be given by Mr James Penney

Alumnus & Chairman of Darwin Property Investment Management Ltd

EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

Bonfire Night

Monday 5 November • 6.30 pm • Allhusen Room

Join us for hot dogs and hot chocolate before walking to Midsummer Common to see the fireworks.

A Good Read: Book for Michaelmas Term

Thursday 8 November • 7.30 pm • F2 Whewell's Ct

The Human Planet: How We Created the Anthropocene by Simon Lewis and Mark Maslin. All are invited to join a conversation about its themes hosted by Hugh Hunt and Andrew Bowyer.

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.

LOOKING AHEAD

Winter Getaway: Morocco • 1–8 December

Basing ourselves in Casablanca and then Marrakesh, we will visit world heritage sites as well as markets, museums and sites of religious significance. Contact Andrew to express interest.

Christmas Day Lunch

Join the Chaplains for lunch on Christmas Day. Places are limited, so please contact Kirsty well in advance if you would like to join in.