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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 10 February 2019

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

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Prelude in b, BWV 544 (Bach)

Suite in G (Dandrieu)

Fugue in b, BWV 544 (Bach)

Welcome to this service of Choral Evensong sung by The Choir of Trinity College Cambridge

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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 335

ENGELBURG

Words: Francis Bland Tucker (1895–1984) based on Philippians 2, vv 5–11 Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

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 86

Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : for I am poor, and in misery.

Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.

Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I will call daily upon thee.

for I will call daily upon thee. Comfort the soul of thy servant:

for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

For thou, Lord, art good and gracious: and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer: and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee : for thou hearest me.

Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord: there is not one that can do as thou doest.

All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord: and shall glorify thy Name.

For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.

I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart : and will praise thy Name for evermore.

For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

O God, the proud are risen against me: and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.

But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me: give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.

Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it and be ashamed: because thou, Lord, hast holpen me and comforted me.

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.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more. Thus saith the Lord, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The Lord of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the Lord, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever. Thus saith the Lord; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the Lord.

Jeremiah 31: 31-37

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Service in G Jackson

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 Gospel according to St Mark.

And again he entered into Capernaum after some days; and it was noised that he was in the house. And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them. And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four. And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee. But there was certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts, Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?

And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts? Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house. And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion.

Mark 2: 1-12

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Service in G Jackson

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, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; 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

Timor et tremor from *Quatre motets pour un temps de pénitence* (1939)

Timor et tremor venerunt super me, et caligo cecidit super me: miserere mei, Domine, quoniam in te confidit anima mea. Exaudi, Deus, deprecationem meam, quia refugium meum es tu et adjutor fortis. Domine, invocavi te, non confundar.

Fear and trembling came over me, and darkness fell over me: have mercy on me, O Lord, for my soul trusts in you. Hear, O God, my prayer, for you are my refuge and my strong helper. Lord, I have called upon you, I shall not be confounded.

Words: from the Book of Psalms Music: Francis Poulenc (1899–1963)

THE ADDRESS

The Psalms
Psalm 86 – Bow down thine ear

Professor Robert Gordon FBA former Regius Professor of Hebrew, University of Cambridge

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 362 (t. 185)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Words: John Newton (1725–1807) Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907–91) 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

Adoro te Messiaen

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Francis Jackson CBE is a British organist and composer born in 1917. He started his musical education as a chorister at York Minster, conducted by then Director of Music Edward Bairstow. Jackson would later succeed his conductor in that post, continuing his association with York Minster for a further 36 years until his retirement. Jackson's service in G, published in 1969, sits comfortably in the mid-20th century Anglican evening canticle tradition. The modal transformations compare to those of contemporary Herbert Howells, although the lyrical lines that tie these transformation together are oftentimes more rhapsodic. The development of motivic gestures to illuminate the drama of the text is also 'Jacksonian'; melodic shapes heard towards the Magnificat's beginning and at the words 'and his mercy is on them that fear him' reappear tonally and rhythmically transformed. The soprano melody at 'he hath scatterèd the proud' notably becomes a keystone of the rousing Gloria. If the Magnificat is comparable to Howells' contemporary settings, then the brooding opening of the Nunc dimittis surely foreshadows the second service (1972) of Kenneth Leighton, which it precedes by three years. However, unlike Leighton's, Jackson's song fills with light at the words 'to be a light to lighten the Gentiles', and ultimately regains the lyrical breadth of the Magnificat.

Tonight's anthem is the first of Poulenc's Quatre Motets pour un temps de pénitence, a set of four unaccompanied Lenten motets written between the end of 1938 and early 1939. Timor et tremor, which opens the set with blazing intensity, exemplifies the nouveau sérieux of Poulenc's 1930s choral style: sharply defined dynamic contrasts between phrases, the neat assignation of lines of text to discreet homophonic blocks – as in a Lutheran chorale – the frequent obfuscation of melody by 3/4 and 5/4 time signatures, and intriguing (and often ingenious) chord sequences. These sequences are always fundamentally diatonic - though that's not to say they are conventional - and coloured by additive pitches that anticipate cadences, directly challenge the 'key of the moment', or mystify familiar harmonies. Amongst this set, Timor et tremor is particularly anguished; Meurig Bowen calls it 'an edgy, dark imprecation'.

THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

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NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

The Revd Kirsty Ross, one of our Chaplains, will be speaking on Psalm 22 (My God, my God).

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

Literary Pilgrimage – Canterbury Saturday 16 February

Join as we travel to Canterbury, hearing some perspectives on Chaucer's Canterbury Tales as we go, with a pub lunch and tour of the Cathedral on arrival.

Women's Bible Study Sundays • 4.30–5.30 pm • M6 Blue Boar

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