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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 9 June 2019

Whit Sunday

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

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Trinity College

Praeludium in e, 'The Great' (Bruhns)

Chorale No. 1 in E (Franck)

Fugue in E \flat , 'St Anne', BWV 552 (Bach)

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

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including cameras, are switched off.*

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webcast live and available to watch again.*

*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

Rose

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 47

O clap your hands together, all ye people :
O Sing unto God with the voice of melody.

For the Lord is high, and to be feared :
he is the great King upon all the earth.

He shall subdue the people under us :
and the nations under our feet.

He shall choose out an heritage for us :
even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.

God is gone up with a merry noise :
and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

O sing praises, sing praises unto our God :
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.

For God is the King of all the earth :
sing ye praises with understanding.

God reigneth over the heathen :
God sitteth upon his holy seat.

The princes of the people are joined unto the people
of the God of Abraham : for God, which is very
high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were
with a shield.

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 Gospel according to St Luke.

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

Luke 4: 16–21

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

St Paul's Service

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 Acts of the Apostles.

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. And all that believed were together, and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Acts 2: 37–end

All stand for the **NUNC DIMITTIS**

St Paul's Service

Howells

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

God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. 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

Loquebantur variis linguis

Loquebantur variis linguis Apostoli magnalia Dei, Alleluia. Repleti sunt omnes Spiritu Sancto, et coeperunt loqui: magnalia Dei, Alleluia. Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto: Alleluia.

The Apostles spoke in different languages of the great deeds of God, Alleluia. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak of the great deeds of God, Alleluia. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Alleluia.

THE ADDRESS

The Church and the Good Society

The Dean of Chapel

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 373 (t. CP 466)

COE FEN

Words: John Mason (c. 1645–94)

Music: Ken Naylor (1931–91)

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THE BLESSING

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

VOLUNTARY

Choral varié sur le Veni Creator

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THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

Herbert Howells, whose name infuses the musical landscape of Anglican worship, set the words of the *Magnificat* and *Nunc dimittis* at least eighteen times. Of all these settings, Howells considered his 1951 St Paul's service distinctive for its sheer breadth and tonal sumptuousness. According to Howells, 'this is the most extended in scale [...] With the great spaces of St Paul's in mind, the nature of this setting would be acutely influenced. Prolonged echo would dictate a less rapidly-changing harmonic rhythm [...] harmonic and tonality changes are built more slowly; with these conditions there comes a heightened volume of sound, and a tonal opulence commensurate with a vast church'. Textural transformations, too, are perfectly conceived for the mystical acoustic of St Paul's Cathedral: the mighty unison of the *Magnificat's* beginning drives gradually but relentlessly towards the Amen with impressive momentum.

When the Roman Catholic Rite was restored in England, during the brief reign of Queen Mary, English composers such as Thomas Tallis were forced to change their compositional focus rapidly and dramatically. Perhaps spurred on by personal faith, Tallis poured out a huge number of complex contrapuntal works in the space of only five years. *Loquebantur variis linguis*, a Pentecostal anthem in seven parts, is one of these works. Six voices dance about in complex polyphony, whilst the tenors steadfastly sing out a *cantus firmus* melody (taken from the ancient Gregorian chant). Certainly, this complex musical metaphor reflects the text, which begins 'The Apostles spoke in different languages'. The structure of the piece also adheres to the liturgical structure of the matins responsory for the Feast of Pentecost. Tallis ultimately weathered the storm of religious tension in Tudor England: he and the younger William Byrd were granted by Queen Elizabeth an exclusive 21-year license to print and publish polyphonic music, effectively securing their survival as court-sponsored musicians. Tallis lived until he was around 80 years old.

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