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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 19 January 2020

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

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Trinity College

Serenade (Bourgeois)

Those Americans from Five Dances (Hampton)

Sun Dance (Chilcott)

Valse Mignonne, Op. 142 No. 2 (Karg-Elert)

Deux Danses à Agni Yavishta, JA 77 & 78 (Alain)

Prélude et danse fuguée (Litaize)

*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.*

*Services from Trinity College Chapel are video
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 47

DIX

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837–98)
Music: Conrad Kocher (1786–1872)
adapt. William Henry Monk (1823–89)

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

Leighton

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 99

The Lord is King, be the people never so impatient :
he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth
never so unquiet.

The Lord is great in Sion : and high above all people.
They shall give thanks unto thy Name : which is
great, wonderful, and holy.

The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast
prepared equity : thou hast executed judgement
and righteousness in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our God : and fall down before
his footstool, for he is holy.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel
among such as call upon his Name : these called
upon the Lord, and he heard them.

He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar :
for they kept his testimonies, and the law
that he gave them.

Thou heardest them, O Lord our God : thou
forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their
own inventions.

O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him
upon his holy hill : for the Lord our God is holy.

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 Genesis.

And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the Lord. And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. And the Lord said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

Genesis 4: 1-8

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 Gospel according to St Mark.

And he began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land. And he taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in his doctrine, Hearken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow: And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the air came and devoured it up. And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth: But when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit. And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred. And he said unto them, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Mark 4: 1-9

All stand for the **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Collegium Regale

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

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; 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

Bethlehem Down (1927)

‘When he is king we will give him the kings’ gifts,
Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown,
Beautiful robes,’ said the young girl to Joseph,
Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight,
Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold,
Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music,
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

When he is king they will clothe him in grave-sheets,
Myrrh for embalming, and wood for a crown,
He that lies now in the white arms of Mary
Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down.

Here he has peace and a short while for dreaming,
Close-huddled oxen to keep him from cold,
Mary for love, and for lullaby music,
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

Words: Bruce Blunt (1899–1957)
Music: Peter Warlock (1894–1930)

THE ADDRESS

Parables of Jesus: The Sower

The Dean of Chapel

Jan Brueghel the Elder (1568–1625)
Harbour Scene with Christ Preaching, 1598
Alte Pinakothek, Munich

Vincent Van Gogh (1853–90)
The Sower, 1888
Foundation E.G. Bührle Collection, Zurich

Edward Hopper (1882–1967)
Automat, 1926–7
Des Moines Art Center, Des Moines, Iowa

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 49 (i)

WESSEX

Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826)
Music: Alwyn Surplice (1906–77)

THE BLESSING

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

VOLUNTARY

Dieu parmi nous from
'La Nativité du Seigneur'

Messiaen

THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

The Red Hen Project

A small local charity working with five primary schools in North Cambridge, supporting children and their families to overcome barriers to learning and to provide a link between home and school. Red Hen works one to one with children and families in their home, at school, and in the community.

www.redhenproject.org

Afrinspire

A Christian charity supporting development projects in Africa aimed at the relief of poverty. It often delivers support with the help of local church leaders, and is currently raising funds to support Burundian and South Sudanese refugees in Uganda.

www.afrinspire.org.uk

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

The canticles that Herbert Howells wrote between 1945 and 1951 are known to demonstrate his highest achievements in the genre – the *Collegium Regale*, Gloucester and St Paul's services abound with sensitivity and drama, and stand out as clearly the work of an impressively deft compositional and dramaturgical mind. 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. Paul Spicer writes that 'It is somehow fitting that possibly the most sublime piece of architecture in England, the chapel at King's College, Cambridge, should be the launching pad for the twentieth century's equivalent in music for the church'. 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'.

Peter Warlock was the pseudonym used by Philip Heseltine, best known for his substantial body of work belonging to the genre of English solo song. The choral carol *Bethlehem Down*, like so many of

his songs, is notable for its skilful marriage of music and text. Warlock renders Bruce Blunt's poem with a tender melancholy which, through the subtle reworking of the accompanying harmony in verse three teleports us from sleepy Bethlehem to Golgotha and back. While for the most part the summative effect of the vocal lines in the first two verses is that of serenity, taken independently each vocal line is riddled with angst and torment. Even at this early stage in the carol, the music at once summons the image of 'the fair young girl with her first-born on Bethlehem Down', alongside the 'King clothed in grave-sheets' and the promised anguish of the passion; like so many Christmastide compositions, Warlock's short piece embodies the greatest paradox of the Christian story: the anonymity of the innocent birth, and significance of the brutal death of Jesus Christ. Perhaps the agony contained underneath the surface was inspired by Warlock's own life experience. Like so many suffering alcoholics, he was often to be found in an impecunious state. *Bethlehem Down* – published in *The Daily Telegraph* on Christmas Eve – financed Warlock and Blunt's 'immortal carouse' on Christmas Day 1927. Although its origins may be marred with decadent motives, its beauty is second to none.

NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

The Revd Dr Karin Voth Harman, Priest in Charge of St Andrew's Cherry Hinton, will be speaking on the parable of the Prodigal Son.

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 Lent Term

Be inspired by George Herbert's honest and fresh poetry with reflections by Mark Oakley, the Dean of St John's, in *My Sour-Sweet Days: George Herbert and the Journey of the Soul*. Read as little or as much of it as you like and come along to a relaxed discussion over port and cheese at **8.00 pm on Thursday 5 March**. Collect a copy from outside F2 Whewell's Court in weeks 1 and 2.

Chinese New Year Dinner

Saturday 25 January • 6.30 pm • M6 Blue Boar

Celebrate Chinese New Year with a delicious meal at The Dumpling Tree. Gather for pre-dinner drinks in M6 Blue Boar.

Chaplains' Tea

Sundays • 3.00–4.00 pm • F2 Whewell's Court

Everyone is welcome to drop in and unwind with tea, coffee, cake, and friendly conversation.

Women's Bible Study

Sundays • 4.30–5.30 pm • M6 Blue Boar

Join us for tea and cake as we reflect on the surprising lives and legacies of saints and misfits, martyrs and social reformers, poets and theologians, with Rowan Williams' *Luminaries: Twenty Lives that Illuminate the Christian Way*. Contact Eleanor Lancelot.