



# CHORAL EVENSONG

Thursday 17 February 2022

*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.*

## VOLUNTARY

Preludio 'Sine Nomine' Howells

*INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel*

Set me as a seal (2011)

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine  
arm. For love is stronger than death. Many waters  
cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

Words: Song of Solomon 8 vv. 6-7  
Music: David Briggs (b. 1962)

*All stand when the choir and clergy enter*

RESPONSES McWilliam

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.

*All sit for PSALM 89: 1-9*

My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the  
Lord : with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy  
truth from one generation to another.  
For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever :  
thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.  
I have made a covenant with my chosen :  
I have sworn unto David my servant;  
Thy seed will I stablish for ever : and set up thy throne  
from one generation to another.  
O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous  
works : and thy truth in the congregation of the  
saints.  
For who is he among the clouds :  
that shall be compared unto the Lord?  
And what is he among the gods :  
that shall be like unto the Lord?

God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the  
saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that  
are round about him.

O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee :  
thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.  
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* 2 Chronicles 6: 1-11

*All stand for the MAGNIFICAT*

Tone VI Tomkins

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...

*All sit for the SECOND LESSON* John 18: 1-11

*All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS*

Tone VI Tomkins

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...

*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.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### 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 favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever 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*

Blessed city, heavenly Salem (1914)

Blessed city, heavenly Salem,  
Vision dear of peace and love,  
Who of living stones art builded  
In the height of heav'n above,  
And by Angel hands apparell'd  
As a bride doth earthward move.

Out of heav'n from God descending,  
New and ready to be wed  
To thy Lord, whose love espous'd thee,  
Fair adorn'd shalt thou be led;  
All thy gates and all thy bulwarks  
Of pure gold are fashioned.

Bright the gates of pearl are shining,  
They are open evermore;  
And, their well earn'd rest attaining,  
Thither faithful souls do soar,  
Who for Christ's dear Name in this world  
Pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture  
Polish'd well those stones elect,  
In their places now compacted,  
By the heav'nly Architect,  
Nevermore to leave the Temple  
Which with them the Lord hath deck'd.

To this Temple, where we call Thee,  
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;  
With thy wonted loving-kindness  
Hear Thy servants as they pray;  
And thy fullest benediction  
Shed within its walls away. Amen.

Words: from a 7th century Latin hymn  
Music: Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)

#### *All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS*

#### *All stand for the HYMN*

*Members of the congregation are welcome to join in with the singing of the hymn – please continue to wear a face mask.*

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STRENGTH AND STAY

**O Strength and Stay upholding all creation,  
who ever dost thyself unmoved abide,  
yet day by day the light in due gradation  
from hour to hour through all its changes guide;**

**Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending,  
an eve untouched by shadows of decay,  
the brightness of a holy death-bed blending  
with dawning glories of the eternal day.**

**Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,  
through Jesus Christ thy co-eternal Word,  
who, with the Holy Ghost, by all things living  
now and to endless ages art adored. Amen.**

Words: St Ambrose (340–397)  
tr. John Ellerton (1826–93) and Fenton J.A. Hort (1828–92)  
Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823–76)

#### FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

*All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess;  
please remain quiet until the end of the organ voluntary*

#### VOLUNTARY

Naiades from 24 Pièces de fantaisie, Op. 55

Vierne