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# CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 20 February 2022

*The Second Sunday before Lent (Sexagesima)*

*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.*

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

## VOLUNTARY

Prélude sur le nom d'Alain

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*The congregation stands when the choir and clergy enter the Chapel. The hymn will follow unannounced.*

HYMN NEH 205

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

**Christ is made the sure foundation,  
and the precious corner-stone,  
who, the two walls underlying,  
bound in each, binds both in one,  
Holy Sion's help for ever,  
and her confidence alone.**

**To this temple, where we call thee,  
come, O Lord of hosts, today;  
with thy wonted loving-kindness,  
hear thy people as they pray;  
and thy fullest benediction  
shed within its walls for ay.**

**Here vouchsafe to all thy servants  
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;  
here to have and hold for ever,  
those good things their prayers obtain,  
and hereafter, in thy glory,  
with thy blessed ones to reign.**

**Laud and honour to the Father,  
laud and honour to the Son,  
laud and honour to the Spirit,  
ever Three and ever One,  
One in love, and One in splendour,  
while unending ages run. Amen.**

Words: c. 7th C. Latin, tr. John Mason Neale (1818–66)

Music: adapted from Henry Purcell

*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.**

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 106: 1-12*

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious :  
and his mercy endureth for ever.

Who can express the noble acts of the Lord :  
or shew forth all his praise?

Blessed are they that alway keep judgement :  
and do righteousness.

Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour  
that thou bearest unto thy people :  
O visit me with thy salvation;

That I may see the felicity of thy chosen :  
and rejoice in the gladness of thy people,  
and give thanks with thine inheritance.

We have sinned with our fathers :  
we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.

Our fathers regarded not thy wonders in Egypt, neither  
kept they thy great goodness in remembrance :  
but were disobedient at the sea, even at the Red sea.

Nevertheless, he helped them for his Name's sake :  
that he might make his power to be known.

He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up :  
so he led them through the deep, as through a  
wilderness.

And he saved them from the adversaries' hand :  
and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.

As for those that troubled them, the waters over-  
whelmed them : there was not one of them left.

Then believed they his words :  
and sang praise unto him.

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 Second Book of Samuel.

And David sat between the two gates: and the watchman went up to the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man running alone. And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he be alone, there is tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near. And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman called unto the porter, and said, Behold another man running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth tidings. And the watchman said, Me thinketh the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He is a good man, and cometh with good tidings. And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, All is well. And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed be the Lord thy God, which hath delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king. And the king said, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, and me thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what it was. And the king said unto him, Turn aside, and stand here. And he turned aside, and stood still. And, behold, Cushy came; and Cushy said, Tidings, my lord the king: for the Lord hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee. And the king said unto Cushy, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Cushy answered, The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee to do thee hurt, be as that young man is. And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!

2 Samuel 18: 24–end

*All stand for the MAGNIFICAT*

in E

Murrill

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 Luke.

And he said, A certain man had two sons: And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

Luke 15: 11–20

*All stand for the* **NUNC DIMITTIS**

in E

Murrill

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 God, who seest that we put not our trust in  
any thing that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy  
power we may be defended against all adversity;  
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

When David heard (c. 1616)

When David heard that Absolon was slain, he  
went up to his chamber over the gate, and wept:  
and thus he said, O my son Absolon, my son,  
my son Absolon! Would God I had died for thee,  
O Absolon, my son, my son!

Words: 2 Samuel 18 v. 33  
Music: Thomas Tomkins (1572–1656)

## THE ADDRESS

People of the Old Testament  
David and Absalom

Professor Adrian Poole

*Emeritus Professor of English Literature  
and Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge*

*All stand for the HYMN*

NEH 362 (t. 185)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

**Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Sion, city of our God;  
he whose word cannot be broken  
formed thee for his own abode:  
on the Rock of Ages founded,  
what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.**

**See, the streams of living waters,  
springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters,  
and all fear of want remove:  
who can faint, while such a river  
ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord the giver,  
never fails from age to age.**

Words: John Newton (1725–1807)

Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907–91)

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## THE BLESSING

*All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess*

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

## VOLUNTARY

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*For details of all events and activities, please see the  
Chaplains' weekly email.*

## NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

Professor David Fergusson FBA, Regius Professor of  
Divinity at the University, will be speaking on Ruth  
in our series on People of the Old Testament.

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Et factum est cum darent erant...  
 et...  
 tantum commisso... et absalon.

Absalon super mulum fugiens cum  
 in ramis quereis transire capillum  
 necis iste quereis mulo fugiente. q' ubi nun  
 tiatu e Joab. trib' lanceis cum transiit.

داستان از کشته شدن پسر داود  
 و پسران او که او را کشته  
 و داود را از تخت و پادشاهی  
 و پسران از کشته شدن پسر داود  
 و پسران او که او را کشته  
 و داود را از تخت و پادشاهی

و حضرت داود در خانه نشست و منتظر بود که خبر خوبی برسد

... qui erat in fastidio porte amittit ac

Leaf from the Morgan Picture Bible (c. 1250), The J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles.