

CHORAL EVENSONG

Thursday 10 March 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.

Members of the congregation are encouraged to wear a mask throughout the service.

VOLUNTARY

Prelude in b, BWV 544

Bach

INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel

Vexilla regis (2011)

Vexilla regis prodeunt; / fulget crucis mysterium, / quo carne carnis conditor / suspensus est patibulo. Impleta sunt quae concinit / David fideli carmine, / dicendo nationibus: / regnavit a ligno Deus.

Beata, cujus brachiis / precium pependit saeculi: / statera facta est corporis, / prac damque tulit tartaris.

The Royal Banner forward goes, / The mystic Cross refulgent glows: / Where He, in flesh, flesh who made, / Upon the tree of pain is laid.

Fulfilled is all that David told / In true prophetic song, of old: / Unto the nations, lo! saith he, / Our God hath reignèd from the tree.

How blest thine arms, beyond compare, / Which Earth's eternal ransom bare! / That balance where his body laid, / The spoil of vanquished hell outweighed.

Words: Venantius Fortunatus (530–609) tr. 'The Psalter of Sarum' (1852)

Music: plainsong; with organ versets by David Briggs (b. 1962)

All stand when the choir and clergy enter

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.

All sit for PSALM 53

The foolish body hath said in his heart: There is no God. Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness: there is none that doeth good.

God looked down from heaven upon the children of men: to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable: there is also none that doeth good, no not one.

Are not they without understanding, that work wickedness: eating up my people as if they would eat bread? they have not called upon God.

They were afraid where no fear was: for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee; thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath despised them.

O that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Sion :
O that the Lord would deliver his people out of captivity!

Then should Jacob rejoice: and Israel should be right glad. Glory be to the Father...

The FIRST LESSON is read

Jeremiah 6: 9-13

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Trinity Fauxbordons

Briggs

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 6: 1-15

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

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Briggs

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, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

All sit for the ANTHEM

Komm, Jesu, komm (before 1732)

Komm, Jesu, komm, mein Leib ist müde, die Kraft verschwindt je mehr und mehr, ich sehne mich nach deinem Friede; der saure Weg wird mir zu schwer! Komm, komm, ich will mich dir ergeben; du bist der rechte Weg, die Wahrheit und das Leben.

Drum schließ ich mich in deine Hände / und sage, Welt, zu guter Nacht! / Eilt gleich mein Lebenslauf zu Ende, / ist doch der Geist wohl angebracht. / Er soll bei seinem Schöpfer schweben, / weil Jesus ist und bleibt / der wahre Weg zum Leben.

Come, Jesu, come, my flesh is weary, my strength is fading more and more, I long for thy peace, the bitter path grows too hard for me! Come, come, I would give myself up to thee; thou art the right path, the truth and the life.

So I enfold myself in thy hands and say, World, goodnight! Though the course of my life is running to its end, the spirit is truly ready. Let it dwell with its creator, since Jesus is and ever shall be the true way to life.

Words: Paul Thymich (1656–94) Music: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 73 (i)

SOLOMON

My God, I love thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby, nor yet because who love thee not are lost eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me upon the Cross embrace; for me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace,

And griefs and torments numberless, and sweat of agony; e'en death itself; and all for one who was thine enemy.

Then why, O blessèd Jesu Christ, should I not love thee well, not for the sake of winning heaven, or of escaping hell;

Not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as thyself hast loved me, O ever-loving Lord!

E'en so I love thee, and will love, and in thy praise will sing, solely because thou art my God, and my eternal King.

Words: 17 C Latin trans Edward Caswall (1814–78) Music: adapted from George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

All remain standing

VOLUNTARY Fugue in b, BWV 544

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