



CHORAL EVENSONG

Thursday 26 May 2022

Ascension Day

*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.*

*This evening we welcome visitors from
Kansas State University Concert Choir.*

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Majesté du Christ demandant sa gloire
à son Père Messiaen

INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel

Viri Galilaei

Viri Galilaei, quid admiramini aspicientes in caelum?
Alleluia. Quemadmodum vidistis eum ascendentem
in caelum, ita veniet. Alleluia. Omnes gentes plaudite
manibus: jubilate Deo in voce exultationis.

*Ye men of Galilee, why wonder you, looking up to
heaven? Alleluia. He shall so come as you have seen him
going up into heaven. Alleluia. O clap your hands, all
ye nations; shout unto God, with the voice of exultation.*

Words: Acts 1 v. 11; Psalm 47 v. 1

Music: plainsong

All stand when the choir and clergy enter

RESPONSES Shephard

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 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 2 Kings 2: 9–15

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Chichester Service Walton

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 Revelation 5: 1–8

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Chichester Service Walton

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

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, 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

Viri Galilaei (1987)

Alleluia. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which said unto them: Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up to heaven? In like manner as ye have seen him going up into heaven, so shall he come again. God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Christ to highest heaven ascending, led captivity captive. Sing ye to the Lord, who ascended to the heaven of heavens, to the sun rising.

See the conqueror mounts in triumph,
see the king in royal state,
riding on the clouds his chariot
to his heavenly palace gate.
Hark! the choirs of angel voices
joyful Alleluias sing,
and the portals high are lifted
to receive their heavenly king.

Words: from the Proper of the Mass for Ascension Day;
Bishop Christopher Wordsworth (1807–85)
Music: Patrick Gowers (1936–2014)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS

All stand for the HYMN

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LLANFAIR

**Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluya!
glorious to his native skies; Alleluya!
Christ, awhile to mortals given, Alleluya!
enters now the highest heaven! Alleluya!**

**There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluya!
lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluya!
Christ hath vanquished death and sin; Alleluya!
take the King of glory in. Alleluya!**

**Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluya!
far above yon azure height, Alleluya!
grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluya!
seeking thee beyond the skies. Alleluya!**

**There we shall with thee remain, Alleluya!
partners of thine endless reign; Alleluya!
there thy face unclouded see, Alleluya!
find our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluya!**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–88) and Thomas Cotterill (1779–1823)
Music: Robert Williams of Anglesey (1781–1821)

FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

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

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Transports de joie from 'L'Ascension'

Messiaen