

CHORAL EVENSONG

Tuesday 31 May 2022

The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

Welcome to this service of Choral Evensong sung by The Choir of Trinity College Cambridge.

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VOLUNTARY

Jesus Christus, unser Heiland, BWV 626

Bach

INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel

Ave Maris Stella

Ave, maris stella, Dei Mater alma, atque semper Virgo, felix cœli porta. Sumens illud ave Gabrielis ore funda nos in pace mutans hevæ nomen. Solve vincla reis profer lumen cæcis: mala nostra pelle bona cuncta posce. Monstra te esse matrem: sumat per te precem, qui pro nobis natus, tulit esse tuus. Virgo singularis, inter omnes mitis, nos culpis solutos, mites fac et castos. Vitam præsta puram, iter para tutum: ut videntes Jesum semper collætemur. Sit laus Deo Patri summo Christo decus, Spiritui Sancto, tribus honor unus. Amen.

Hail, O Star of the ocean, God's own mother blest, ever sinless *Virgin, gate of heavenly rest. Taking that sweet Ave, which* from Gabriel came, peace confirm within us, changing Eve's name. Break the sinners' fetters, make our blindness day, chase all evils from us, for all blessings pray. Show thyself a mother, may the Word divine born for us, thine infant, hear our prayers through thine. Virgin all excelling, mildest of the mild, free from guilt preserve us meek and undefiled. Keep our life all spotless, make our way secure till we find in Jesus, joy for evermore. Praise to God the Father, honour to the Son, in the Holy Spirit, be the glory one. Amen.

> Words: Hymn for Vespers Music: Plainsong

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 150

O praise God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord. 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

Zechariah 2: 10-end

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT Second Service

Leighton

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 3: 25–30

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS Second Service

Leighton

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

Mighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favour on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

All sit for the ANTHEM

The Twelve (1964-65)

I Without arms or charm of culture, persons of no importance from an unimportant Province, they did as the Spirit bid, went forth into a joyless world of swords and rhetoric to bring it joy.

When they heard the Word, some demurred, some mocked, some were shocked: but many were stirred and the Word spread. Lives long dead were quickened to life; the sick were healed by the Truth revealed; released into peace from the gin of old sin, men forgot themselves in the glory of the story told by the Twelve.

Then the Dark Lord, adored by this world, perceived the threat of the Light to his might. From his throne he spoke to his own. The loud crowd, the sedate engines of State, were moved by his will to kill. It was done. One by one they were caught, tortured, and slain.

II O Lord, my God, though I forsake thee forsake me not, but guide me as I walk through the Valley of Mistrust, and let the cry of my disbelieving absence come unto thee, thou who declared unto Moses: I SHALL BE THERE.

III Children play about the ancestral graves, for the dead no longer walk. Excellent still in their splendour are the antique statues: but can do neither good nor evil. Beautiful still are the starry heavens: but our fate is not written there. Holy still is speech, but there is no sacred tongue: the Truth may be told in all. Twelve as the winds and the months are those who taught us these things: envisaging each in an oval glory, let us praise them all with a merry noise.

> Words: W.H. Auden (1907–73) Music: William Walton (1902–83)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS

All stand for the HYMN NEH 188 (ii)

DAILY DAILY

Ye who own the faith of Jesus, sing the wonders that were done, when the love of God the Father o'er our sin the victory won, when he made the Virgin Mary mother of his only Son. *Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace.*

Blessèd were the chosen people out of whom the Lord did come, blessèd was the land of promise fashioned for his earthly home; but more blessèd far the Mother she who bare him in her womb.

Wherefore let all faithful people tell the honour of her name, let the Church in her foreshadowed, part in her thanksgiving claim; what Christ's Mother sang in gladness let Christ's people sing the same.

Let us weave our supplications, she with us and we with her, for the advancement of the faithful, for each faithful worshipper, for the doubting, for the sinful, for each heedless wanderer.

Praise, O Mary, praise the Father, praise thy Saviour and thy Son, praise the everlasting Spirit, who hath made thee ark and throne; o'er all creatures high exalted, lowly praise the Three in One.

> Words: Vincent Stucky Coles (1845–1929) Music: Anon. from a French Paroissien

FINAL RESPONSES

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All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess VOLUNTARY Miroir Wammes