

CHORAL EVENSONG

Tuesday 24 January 2023

The Eve of the Conversion of Paul

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

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VOLUNTARY

Oneliner Andries van Rossem

INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel

Introit for the Conversion of St Paul 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 119: 1-8**

Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord.

Blessed are they that keep his testimonies: and seek him with their whole heart.

For they who do no wickedness: walk in his ways.

Thou hast charged: that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!

So shall I not be confounded : while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart: when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness. I will keep thy ceremonies: O forsake me not utterly.

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

Isaiah 49: 1-13 (NRSV p. 622)

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Robinson

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

Acts 22: 3-16 (NRSV p. 136)

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Robinson

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.

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 King. 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 God, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; 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

Seigneur, je vous en prie (from Quatre petites prières, 1948)

Seigneur, je vous en prie, que la force brûlante et douce de votre amour absorbe mon âme et la retire de tout ce qui est sous le ciel, afin que je meure par amour de votre amour, puisque vous avez daigné mourir par amour de mon amour.

Lord, I beseech you, may the sweet burning power of your love pervade my soul and withdraw it from everything under heaven, that I might die for love of your love, since you deigned to die for love of my love.

Words: St Francis of Assisi Music: Francis Poulenc (1899–1963)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS

All stand for the HYMN

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SINE NOMINE

For all the saints, who from their labours rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy Name, O Jesu, be forever blest.

Alleluya, Alleluya!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might; thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight; thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.

Alleluya, Alleluya!

O blest communion! fellowship divine! we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluya, Alleluya!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day; the saints triumphant rise in bright array: the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluya, Alleluya!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:

Alleluya, Alleluya!

Words: William Walsham How (1823–97) Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958) CCLI Licence No. 808452

FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

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

VOLUNTARY

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 664

Bach