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# CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 29 January 2023

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

## ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Martin Baker

Passacaglia in d, BuxWV 161 (Buxtehude)

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BuxWV 223 (Buxtehude)

Te Deum laudamas, BuxWV 218 (Buxtehude)

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

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#### **HYMN**

**NEH 48** 

STUTTGART

Bethlehem, of noblest cities none can once with thee compare; thou alone the Lord from heaven didst for us incarnate bear.

Fairer than the sun at morning was the star that told his birth; to the lands their God announcing, seen in fleshly form on earth.

By its lambent beauty guided see the eastern kings appear; see them bend, their gifts to offer, gifts of incense, gold and myrrh.

Solemn things of mystic meaning: incense doth the God disclose, gold a royal child proclaimeth, myrrh a future tomb foreshows.

Holy Jesu, in thy brightness to the Gentile world displayed, with the Father and the Spirit endless praise to thee be paid. Amen.

Words: Prudentius (348–410) trans. Edward Caswall Music: from Christian Friedrich Witt's 'Harmonica Sacra' (1715)

#### 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.** 

#### 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.

## The congregation sits for PSALM 143

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire: hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

And enter not into judgement with thy servant : for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground: he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

Therefore is my spirit vexed within me: and my heart within me is desolate.

Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works: yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

I stretch forth my hands unto thee : my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

- Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.
- O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust: shew thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.
- Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies : for I flee unto thee to hide me.
- Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God: let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.
- Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake: and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.
- And of thy goodness slay mine enemies: and destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am thy servant.
- 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 Book of Genesis.

And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran. And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep. And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it. And, behold, the Lord stood above it, and said, I am the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of. And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not. And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows,

and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it. And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first. And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God: And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

Genesis 28: 10-22

## 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 Epistle to Philemon

brother, unto Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellowlabourer, and to our beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in thy house: Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers, Hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints; That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus. For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother. Wherefore, though I might be much bold in Christ to enjoin thee that which is convenient,

Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our

Yet for love's sake I rather beseech thee, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ. I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds: Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me: Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels: Whom I would have retained with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the gospel: But without thy mind would I do nothing; that thy benefit should not be as it were of necessity, but willingly. For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever; Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

Philemon 1-16

#### 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...

## 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 knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; 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

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child (1948)

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child. By, by, lully, lullay.

O sisters too, How may we do For to preserve this day This poor youngling For whom we do sing, By, by, lully, lullay?

Herod the king, In his raging, Charg'd he hath this day His men of might, In his own sight, All young children to slay.

That woe is me, Poor child, for thee! And ever morn and may, For thy parting, Nor say nor sing By, by, lully, lullay!

Words: 15th Century, from the Pageant of the Shearmen and Tailors, Coventry Music: Kenneth Leighton (1929–88)

## THE ADDRESS

Reflections for my student aged self The Lord Bishop of London Dame Sarah Mullally, formerly Chief Nursing Officer,

Department of Health

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy Bride, with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore opprest, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distrest, yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, 'How long?' and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil, and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Words: Samuel Stone (1839–1900) Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–76)

#### THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess Please remain quiet until the end of the organ voluntary

#### **VOLUNTARY**

Pièce d'orgue, BWV 572

Bach

## THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

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is a local charity, working to support adults with learning disabilities since 1984. Rowan provides an art centre and forest school. In a safe, creative and enriching environment, the arts bring people together and help to tackle social exclusion. Rowan also provides much needed respite for families and carers.

## IntoUniversity

provides local learning centres in areas across the country where young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods can be inspired to achieve. Trinity is partnering with UEA and IntoUniversity to establish one of these hubs in Great Yarmouth.

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

## NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

Baroness Hale of Richmond will continue our series, Reflections for my student aged self

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