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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 14 May 2023

The Fifth Sunday after Easter

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

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Tocatta in C, BWV 566a (Bach)

Passacaglia and Fugue in c, BWV 582 (Bach)

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

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including cameras, are switched off.*

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webcast live and available to watch again. You
may be identifiable as in attendance at the service.*

The congregation stands when the choir and clergy enter the Chapel. The opening hymn will follow unannounced.

HYMN

NEH 394

LUCKINGTON

**Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!
The heavens are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but above all, the heart
must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!**

Words: George Herbert (1593–1632)

Music: Basil Harwood (1859–1949)

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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

Mäntyjärvi

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 73: 1-14

Truly God is loving unto Israel :
even unto such as are of a clean heart.

Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone :
my treadings had well-nigh slipt.

And why? I was grieved at the wicked :
I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.

For they are in no peril of death :
but are lusty and strong.

They come in no misfortune like other folk :
neither are they plagued like other men.

And this is the cause that they are so holden with
pride : and overwhelmed with cruelty.

Their eyes swell with fatness :
and they do even what they lust.

They corrupt other, and speak of wicked blasphemy :
their talking is against the most High.

For they stretch forth their mouth unto the heaven :
and their tongue goeth through the world.

Therefore fall the people unto them :
and thereout suck they no small advantage.

Tush, say they, how should God perceive it :
is there knowledge in the most High?

Lo, these are the ungodly, these prosper in the world,
and these have riches in possession : and I said,
Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, and washed
mine hands in innocency.

All the day long have I been punished :
and chastened every morning.

Yea, and I had almost said even as they :
but lo, then I should have condemned the
generation of thy children.

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 Epistle of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints.

Ephesians 6: 10–18

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, 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 Frei Betto.

Letter 23, March 10 1970

We do not regret ending up behind bars if it is important for the sake of the gospel and the church.

Here among our cellmates – political prisoners and common prisoners – we have found the living image of Jesus Christ. For us prison is truly a theological experience. Only by actually living it can you get some idea of the richness it offers. You come to see why the Christian's way to glory leads through the cross. It is the logic of the Servant of Yahweh. [...]

Every day we read the book of Psalms. The military authorities have decided that we are no longer Christians, so they don't let us celebrate Mass here, but they cannot stop us from praying. [...]

In prison, Saint Paul was tempered, there the apostles spent some time, the martyrs and mystics, like Saint John of the Cross, turned their cells into cages of divine love.

The reason is that, in prison, life is seen as if it were a photographic negative. A developed print, which takes full advantage of the play of light, can sometimes create a false picture of reality. We sometimes need raw reality to work out the full potentiality of what is real. Daydreams and mere fancies fall away when torture confronts us with the prospect of death. When we discover the full depth and dimension of the inner person, the outer person diminishes. We realise that life comes down to a few basic needs and a few essential values. This reduction to our basic and primeval dimensions shows us that the one and only real vocation of human beings is to take part in the intimacy of God. The more we cling tooth and nail to suffering, the closer this intimacy becomes. [...] Just as sickness helps us to realise the value of good health, so prison reveals the true worth of freedom.

Frei Betto, *Against Principalities and Powers: Letters from a Brazilian Jail*

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 ...

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 Lord, from whom all good things do come;
Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy
inspiration we may think those things that be good,
and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ. 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

ANTHEM

Lo, the full, final sacrifice (1946)

Lo, the full, final sacrifice
On which all figures fix't their eyes.
The ransomed Isaac, and his ram;
The Manna, and the Paschal Lamb.
Jesu Master, just and true!
Our food, and faithful shepherd too!

O let that love which thus makes thee
Mix with our low mortality,
Lift our lean souls, and set us up
Convictors of thine own full cup,
Co-heirs of saints, that so all may
Drink the same wine; and the same way;
Nor change the pasture, but the place
To feed of Thee in thine own face.

O dear memorial of that death
Which lives still, and allows us breath!
Rich, royal food! Bountiful bread!
Whose use denies us to the dead!
Live ever, bread of loves, and be
My life, my soul, my surer self to me.

Help, Lord, my faith, my hope increase;
And fill my portion in thy peace.
Give love for life; nor let my days
Grow, but in new powers to thy name and praise.

Rise, Royal Sion! rise and sing
Thy soul's kind shepherd, thy heart's King
Stretch all thy powers; call if you can
Harps of heaven to hands of man.
This sovereign subject sits above
The best ambition of thy love.

Lo the bread of life, this day's
Triumphant text provokes thy praise.
The living and life-giving bread,
To the great twelve distributed
When life, himself, at point to die
Of love, was his own legacy.

O soft self-wounding Pelican!
Whose breast weeps balm for wounded man.
All this way bend thy benign flood
To a bleeding heart that gasps for blood.
That blood, whose least drops sovereign be
To wash my worlds of sins from me.
Come love! Come Lord! and that long day
For which I languish, come away,
When this dry soul those eyes shall see,
And drink the unseal'd source of thee;
When Glory's sun faith's shades shall chase,
And for thy veil give me thy face. Amen.

Words: from Richard Crashaw (c.1613–49)
translations of the Hymns of St Thomas Aquinas
Music: Gerald Finzi (1901–56)

THE ADDRESS

Christian Voices from Prison
Frei Betto: From Hell to Hope

James Penney

Alumnus & Chairman of Darwin Alternatives

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 252

ST CLEMENT

**The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
the darkness falls at thy behest;
to thee our morning hymns ascended,
thy praise shall sanctify our rest.**

**We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world her watch is keeping,
and rests not now by day or night.**

**As o'er each continent and island
the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent,
nor dies the strain of praise away.**

**The sun that bids us rest is waking
our brethren 'neath the western sky,
and hour by hour fresh lips are making
thy wondrous doings heard on high.**

**So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never,
like earth's proud empires, pass away;
thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
till all thy creatures own thy sway.**

Words: John Ellerton (1826–93)
Music: Clement Scholefield (1839–1904)

THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess

*Please remain quiet until the end of the
organ voluntary*

VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in c, BWV 546

Bach

THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

The Red Hen Project

A hyper-local Cambridge charity working directly with families, promoting positive, confident parenting and cooperative relationships between schools and families. www.redhenproject.org

Tearfund

An international aid organisation supporting those in poverty and providing disaster relief for disadvantaged communities. www.tearfund.org

NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

The Revd Dr Sam Wells, Vicar of St Martin-in-the-Fields, will be speaking on Dietrich Bonhoeffer in our series Christian Voices from Prison.

www.trinitycollegechapel.com

EVENTS THIS WEEK

All members of the College community are welcome at the following events

Card Games and Crafternoons

Friday • 1.15–3.00 pm • H2 New Court

Crafts, cards and a big jigsaw – what could be more relaxing in exam term? Especially when we throw in cake. Drop in with or without your knitting/crochet/embroidery project. Learn new skills from expert crafters, or just have a go at our fiendish jigsaw. *Anne*

Picnic Punting

Saturday 20 May

‘When tired at last, he sat on the bank, while the river still chattered on to him, a babbling procession of the best stories in the world...’ *The Wind in the Willows*. Escape the stresses of revision with al fresco food and drink on the water. *John*

Women's Bible Study

Sunday • 4.30–5.30 pm • H2 New Court

A friendly group of women ranging from undergrads to grannies! Join us for discussion, tea, cake and colouring in (children are welcome when accompanied by mum). *Anne*

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