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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 21 May 2023

The Sunday after Ascension Day

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Stephen Davies

Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671 (Bach)

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 677 (Bach)

Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot, BWV 678 (Bach)

Wir gläuben all' an einen Gott, BWV 680 (Bach)

Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir, BWV 687 (Bach)

Fugue in E \flat , 'St Anne', BWV 552 (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.*

*This evening we welcome visitors from the parishes
of St George's Camberwell and St Mary's Over.*

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

HYMN

NEH 128 (ii)

GONFALON ROYAL

**Eternal Monarch, King most high,
whose blood hath brought redemption nigh,
by whom the death of Death was wrought,
and conquering grace's battle fought:**

**Ascending to the throne of might,
and seated at the Father's right,
all power in heaven is Jesu's own,
that here his manhood had not known.**

**Yea, angels tremble when they see
how changed is our humanity;
for flesh hath purged what flesh had stained,
and God, the flesh of God, hath reigned.**

**Be thou our joy and strong defence,
who art our future recompense:
so shall the light that springs from thee
be ours through all eternity.**

**O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
all praise to thee let earth accord,
who art, while endless ages run,
with Father and with Spirit one. Amen.**

Words: c. 5th C. Latin, trans. John Mason Neale (1818–66)

Music: Percy Buck (1871–1947)

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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.

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 106: 1–12

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious :
and his mercy endureth for ever.

Who can express the noble acts of the Lord :
or shew forth all his praise?

Blessed are they that alway keep judgement :
and do righteousness.

Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour
that thou bearest unto thy people : O visit me
with thy salvation;

That I may see the felicity of thy chosen :
and rejoice in the gladness of thy people,
and give thanks with thine inheritance.

We have sinned with our fathers :
we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.

Our fathers regarded not thy wonders in Egypt,
neither kept they thy great goodness in
remembrance : but were disobedient at the sea,
even at the Red sea.

Nevertheless, he helped them for his Name's sake :
that he might make his power to be known.

He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up :
so he led them through the deep, as through a
wilderness.

And he saved them from the adversaries' hand :
and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.

As for those that troubled them, the waters
overwhelmed them : there was not one of them left.

Then believed they his words :
and sang praise unto him.

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 Gospel according to John.

Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already. Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off: And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother. Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house. Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

John 11: 17–27

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, 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 Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

In a Christian community everything depends upon whether each individual is an indispensable link in a chain. Only when even the smallest link is securely interlocked is the chain unbreakable. A community which allows unemployed members to exist within it will perish because of them. It will be well, therefore, if every member receives a definite task to perform for the community, that he may know in hours of doubt that he, too, is not useless and unusable. Every Christian community must realize that not only do the weak need the strong, but also that the strong cannot exist without the weak. The elimination of the weak is the death of the fellowship.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*,
trans. John W. Doberstein (London 2015)

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...

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 the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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

Coelos ascendit hodie (1890)

Coelos ascendit hodie Jesus Christus Rex gloriae. Sedet ad Patris dexteram, gubernat coelum et terram. Iam finem habent Omnia Patris Davidis carmina; iam Dominus cum Domino sedet in Dei solio in hoc triumpho maximo. Benedicamus Domino, laudatur Sancta Trinitas, Deo dicamus gratias. Alleluia! Amen.

Today Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, has ascended into the heavens. He sits at the right hand of the Father, ruling heaven and earth. Now are fulfilled all the songs of our forefather David; the Lord sits with his Lord, upon the royal throne of God in this his greatest triumph. Let us bless the Lord; let the Holy Trinity be praised; let us give thanks to the Lord. Alleluia! Amen.

Words: Anonymous, from the Cowley Carol Book

Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

THE ADDRESS

Christian Voices from Prison

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The Revd Dr Sam Wells

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**Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya!**

**O higher than the Cherubim,
more glorious than the Seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluya!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya!**

**Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
all Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya!**

**O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya!**

Words: Athelstan Riley (1858–1945)

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

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THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess

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

VOLUNTARY

The Peacock Throne from
'The Everlasting Crown'

Bingham

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

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

Dr Dan Sperrin, a Junior Research Fellow at Trinity College, will be speaking on The Consolation of Boethius 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

Table Talk: Lord Martin Rees

Tuesday 23 May

Join us for dinner and conversation with Martin Rees, Member of the House of Lords, Astronomer Royal, founder of the Centre for the Study of Existential Risk, Fellow, and former Master of Trinity. He also has an asteroid named after him! *Anne*

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. *Anne*

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