



CHORAL EVENSONG

Tuesday 23 January 2024

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

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Ode Leighton

INTROIT *sung from the Ante-Chapel*

O magnum mysterium (2019)

O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum,
ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, jacentem in
praesepio! Beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt
portare Dominum Jesum Christum. Alleluia.

*O great mystery and wondrous sacrament, that
animals should see the new-born Lord, lying in a
manger! Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy
to bear Jesus Christ the Lord. Alleluia!*

Words: Responsory for the Matins of Christmas
Music: Joanna Marsh (b. 1970)

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 114

When Israel came out of Egypt : and the house of
Jacob from among the strange people,
Judah was his sanctuary : and Israel his dominion.
The sea saw that, and fled : Jordan was driven back.
The mountains skipped like rams :
and the little hills like young sheep.

What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest :
and thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?
Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams :
and ye little hills, like young sheep?
Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord :
at the presence of the God of Jacob;
Who turned the hard rock into a standing water :
and the flint-stone into a springing well.
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 Hosea 4: 1–9
(NRSV p. 767)

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 1 Corinthians 10: 1–13
(NRSV p. 163)

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 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

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

All sit for the ANTHEM

A Christmas Caroll

What sweeter musick can we bring,
Than a caroll, for to sing
The birth of this our heavenly King?
Awake the voice! Awake the string!
Heart, eare, and eye, and everything.
Awake! the while the active finger
Runs division with the singer.

Dark and dull night, flie hence away,
And give the honour to this day,
That sees December turn'd to May.

If we may ask the reason, say;
The why, and wherefore all things here
Seem like the springtime of the year?

Why does the chilling winter's morne
Smile, like a field beset with corne?
Or smell, like to a meade new-shorne,
Thus, on the sudden? Come and see
The cause, why things thus fragrant be:
'Tis He is borne, whose quickning birth
Gives life and luster, public mirth,
To heaven, and the under-earth.

We see Him come, and know Him ours,
Who, with His sunshine, and His showers,
Turnes all the patient ground to flowers.
The darling of the world is come,
And fit it is, we finde a roome
To welcome Him. The nobler part
Of all the house here, is the heart,
Which we will give Him; and bequeath
This hollie, and this ivie wreath,
To do Him honour, who's our King,
And Lord of all this revelling.

Words: Robert Herrick (1591–1674)
Music: Kenneth Leighton (1929–88)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS

All stand for the HYMN

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KING'S WESTON

**From the eastern mountains, pressing on they come,
wise men in their wisdom, to his humble home;
stirred by deep devotion, hasting from afar,
ever journeying onward, guided by a star.**

**Gather in the outcasts, all who've gone astray,
throw thy radiance o'er them, guide them on their way;
those who never knew thee, those who've wandered far,
guide them by the brightness of thy guiding star.**

**Onward through the darkness of the lonely night,
shining still before them with thy kindly light.
Guide them, Jew and Gentile, homeward from afar,
young and old together, by thy guiding Star.**

**Until every nation, whether bond or free,
'neath thy starlit banner, Jesu, follows thee.
O'er the distant mountains to that heavenly home,
where nor sin nor sorrow evermore shall come.**

Words: Godfrey Thring (1823–1903)
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)
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FINAL RESPONSES

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

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