



# CHORAL EVENSONG

Thursday 25 January 2024

*The Conversion of Paul*

*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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in attendance at the service.*

## VOLUNTARY

Ballo del granduca, SwWV 319 Sweelinck

*INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel*

Almighty and everlasting God

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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words: Collect for the Third Sunday after Epiphany  
Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

*All stand when the choir and clergy enter*

## RESPONSES

Tomkins

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: 73–80*

Thy hands have made me and fashioned me : O give me  
understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.  
They that fear thee will be glad when they see me :  
because I have put my trust in thy word.  
I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right : and  
that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be  
troubled.  
O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort :  
according to thy word unto thy servant.  
O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may  
live : for thy law is my delight.

Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly  
about to destroy me : but I will be occupied in thy  
commandments.

Let such as fear thee, and have known thy  
testimonies : be turned unto me.

O let my heart be sound in thy statutes :  
that I be not ashamed.

Glory be to the Father...

*The FIRST LESSON is read*

Isaiah 56: 1–7

(NRSV p. 628)

*All stand for the MAGNIFICAT*

Second Service

Gibbons

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...

*All sit for the SECOND LESSON* Colossians 1: 24 – 2: 7

(NRSV p. 190)

*All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS*

Second Service

Gibbons

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

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

### THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

*All sit for the ANTHEM*

See, see, the Word is incarnate

See, see, the word is incarnate; God is made man in the womb of a Virgin. Shepherds rejoice, wise men adore, and angels sing: Glory be to God on high: peace on earth, good will towards men.

The Law is cancelled, Jews and Gentiles all converted by the preaching of glad tidings of salvation. The blind have sight and cripples have their motion; diseases cured, the dead are raised, and miracles are wrought. Let us welcome such a guest with Hosanna.

The Paschal Lamb is offered, Christ Jesus made a sacrifice for sin. The earth quakes, the sun is darkened, the powers of hell are shaken; and lo, he is risen up in victory. Sing Alleluia.

See, O see the fresh wounds, the goring blood, the pricks of thorns, the print of nails; and in the sight of multitudes a glorious ascension.

Where now he sits on God's right hand, where all the choir of heaven all jointly sing: Glory be to the Lamb that sitteth on the throne. Let us continue our wonted note with Hosanna: Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord; with Alleluia, we triumph in victory, the serpent's head bruised, Christ's kingdom exalted, and heaven laid open to sinners. Amen.

Words: Bishop Godfrey Goodman (1582/3–1656)  
Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

*All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS*

*All stand for the HYMN*

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KING'S LYNN

**We sing the glorious conquest  
before Damascus' gate,  
when Saul, the Church's spoiler,  
came breathing threats and hate;  
the ravening wolf rushed forward  
full early to the prey;  
but lo! the Shepherd met him,  
and bound him fast today!**

**O glory most excelling  
that smote across his path!  
O light that pierced and blinded  
the zealot in his wrath!  
O voice that spake within him  
the calm reproving word!  
O love that sought and held him  
the bondman of his Lord!**

**O Wisdom, ordering all things  
in order strong and sweet,  
what nobler spoil was ever  
cast at the Victor's feet?  
What wiser master builder  
e'er wrought at thine employ,  
than he, till now so furious  
thy building to destroy?**

**Lord, teach thy Church the lesson,  
still in her darkest hour  
of weakness and of danger  
to trust thy hidden power.  
Thy grace by ways mysterious  
the wrath of man can bind,  
and in thy boldest foeman  
thy chosen saint can find!**

Words: John Ellerton (1826–93)  
Music: arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)  
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### FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

*All remain standing as the choir, clergy and Fellows recess*

### VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in C, BWV 545

Bach