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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 28 January 2024

The Third Sunday before Lent (Septuagesima)

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

George Herbert (Hampton Court Palace)

Præludium in g, BuxWV 149 (Buxtehude)

Scherzo, Op. 2 (Duruflé)

Toccata and Fugue in G, 'The Wanderer' (Parry)

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

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HYMN

NEH 52

WAS LEBET

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Bow down before him, his glory proclaim; with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness, kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness, high on his heart he will bear it for thee, comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness, guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine: truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness, these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness, he will accept for the name that is dear; mornings of ion give for evenings of tearfulness

mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness, trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

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> Words: John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811–75) Music: from Rheinhardt MS (1754)

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

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 137: 1-6

- By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept : when we remembered thee, O Sion.
- As for our harps, we hanged them up : upon the trees that are therein.
- For they that led us away captive required of us then a song, and melody in our heaviness : Sing us one of the songs of Sion.
- How shall we sing the Lord's song : in a strange land?
- If I forget thee, O Jerusalem : let my right hand forget her cunning.
- If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth : yea, if I prefer not Jerusalem in my mirth.
- 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 Isaiah.

The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish. The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

Isaiah 24: 4-6

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Service in A

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 Second Epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians.

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work[.]

2 Corinthians 9:8

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Service in A

Stanford

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, 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 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, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever 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

Epiphany (2019)

Awake, glad heart! get up and sing! It is the birthday of thy King. Awake! awake! The Sun doth shake light from his locks, and all the way breathing perfumes, doth spice the day. Awake! awake! hark how the wood rings; winds whisper, and the busy springs a concert make: Awake! awake! Man is their high priest, and should rise to offer up the sacrifice. I would I were some bird, or star, flutt'ring in the woods, or lifted far above this inn and the road of sin! Then either star or bird should be shining or singing to thee. I would I had in my best part fit rooms for thee! or that my heart were so clean as thy manger was! But I am filth and obscene; yet, if thou wilt, thou canst make clean.

Sweet Jesu! will then. Let no more this leper haunt and soil thy door! Cure him, ease him, O release him! And let, once more, by mystic birth, the Lord of life be born in earth.

> Words: *Christ's Nativity* by Henry Vaughn (1621–95) Music: Piers Connor Kennedy (b. 1991)

THE ADDRESS

Life in Adbundance

Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta GBE FRS FBA Frank Ramsey Professor Emeritus of Economics & Fellow of St John's College Cambridge

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 47

Dix

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious God, may we evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, to that lowly manger-bed, there to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore, so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare, so may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

Holy Jesu, every day keep us in the narrow way; and, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heavenly country bright, need they no created light; thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down: there for ever may we sing alleluyas to our King.

> Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837–98) Music: Conrad Kocher (1786–1872) adapt. William Henry Monk (1823–89)

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

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THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

Homestart Cambridgeshire

This local charity aims to help give every child the best possible start in life by supporting families. They train volunteers to provide tailored practical and emotional support through weekly visits and run support groups in Cambridge and Wisbech. homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

The Revd Canon Robert Mackley, Vicar of Little St Mary's Church, Cambridge, will speak as part of our series Life in Abundance.