



# CHORAL EVENSONG

Tuesday 4 February 2025

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

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in attendance at the service.*

## VOLUNTARY

Mit Fried' und Freud' ich fahr dahin, BWV 616      Bach

*INTROIT sung from the Ante-Chapel*

Jesu, the very thought of thee (1925)

Jesu, the very thought of thee  
With sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far thy face to see,  
And in thy presence rest.

Words: St Bernard of Clairvaux (1090–1153)  
trans. Edward Caswall (1814–78)  
Music: Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)

*All stand when the choir and clergy enter*

## RESPONSES

Byrd

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.

*All sit for PSALM 23*

The Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack  
nothing.  
He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me  
forth beside the waters of comfort.  
He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the  
paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow  
of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me;  
thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them  
that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with  
oil, and my cup shall be full.  
But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all  
the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of  
the Lord for ever.  
Glory be to the Father...

*The FIRST LESSON is read*

1 Samuel 4: 12–end  
(NRSV pp. 235–6)

*All stand for the MAGNIFICAT*

Short 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*

Luke 1: 57–end  
(NRSV p. 55)

*All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS*

Short 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

Sheppard

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  
let us not be led into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For  
thine is the kingdom and the power, to thee be all honour  
and glory for evermore. Always so be it.

#### 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 knowest us to be set in the midst of so many  
and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our  
nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such  
strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers,  
and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. 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**

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 ending with The Grace...**

*All stand for the* **HYMN**

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REDHEAD

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Words: Basil Woodd (1760–1831)

Music: Richard Redhead (1820–1901)

#### FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

#### VOLUNTARY

Fantazia no. 7 for Four Viols

Purcell arr. Flood