

# **CHORAL EVENSONG**

Thursday 23 October 2025

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

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#### **VOLUNTARY**

Fantasia of four parts

Gibbons

**INTROIT** sung from the Ante-Chapel

O Lord, in thy wrath

O Lord, in thy wrath rebuke me not: neither chasten me in thy displeasure. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak: O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed. My soul is also sore troubled: but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me? O save me, for thy mercy's sake.

> Words: Psalm 6 Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

All stand when the choir and clergy enter

**RESPONSES** Smith

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...

The FIRST LESSON is read

Isaiah 24: 1-15 (NRSV pp. 597-8)

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Second Service

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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

John 16: 25-33 (NRSV p. 106)

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Second Service

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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.

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

Lord, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee, the only God; 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

Great Lord of Lords (1617)

Great Lord of Lords, supreme immortal King, O give us grace to sing thy praise, which makes earth, air and heav'n to ring.

O Word of God from ages unbegun, The Father's only Son, With Him in pow'r, in substance Thou art One.

O Holy Ghost, whose care doth all embrace, Thy watch is o'er our race, Thou source of life, Thou spring of peace and grace.

One living Trinity, one unseen Light, the earth is thine; Thy light beholds alike The bounds of depth and height. Amen.

> Words: Henry Ramsden Bramley (1833–1917) Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

All sit or kneel for the PRAYERS ending with

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

All stand for the HYMN

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Love of the Father, love of God the Son, From whom all came, in whom was all begun; Who formest heavenly beauty out of strife, Creation's whole desire and breath of life.

Spirit all-holy, thou supreme in might, Thou dost give peace, thy presence maketh right; Thou with thy favour all things dost enfold, With thine all-kindness free from harm wilt hold.

Hope of all comfort, splendour of all aid, That dost not fail nor leave the heart afraid: To all that cry thou dost all help accord, The angel's armour, and the saint's reward.

Purest and highest, wisest and most just, There is no truth save only in thy trust; Thou dost the mind from earthly dreams recall, And bring through Christ to him for whom are all.

Eternal glory, all men thee adore, Who art and shalt be worshipped evermore: Us whom thou madest, comfort with thy might, And lead us to enjoy thy heavenly light.

> Words: Robert Bridges (1844–1930) based on a 12th century Latin hymn Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

## **FINAL RESPONSES**

Marlow

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

### **VOLUNTARY**

In Nomine á 5

Gibbons