



CHORAL EVENSONG

Tuesday 17 February 2026

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

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Toccatà quarta from Secondo libro Frescobaldi

INTROIT *sung from the Ante-Chapel*

But take heart (2026)

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

Words: John 16:33
Music: Kyle Bradshaw (b. 2005)

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 89: 1-9

My song shall be always of the loving-kindness of the Lord : with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one generation to another.

For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever : thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

I have made a covenant with my chosen : I have sworn unto David my servant;

Thy seed will I stablish for ever : and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works : and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

For who is he among the clouds : that shall be compared unto the Lord?

And what is he among the gods : that shall be like unto the Lord?

God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee : thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

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

Judges 14: 5-17
(NRSV p. 220)

All stand for the MAGNIFICAT

Service in e

D. Purcell

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

Revelation 10: 4-end
(NRSV p. 240)

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

Service in e

D. Purcell

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

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without
charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost, and
pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity,
the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which
whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this
for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. 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

Beati omnes (1680)

Beati omnes qui timent Dominum, qui ambulant in
viis ejus. Labores manuum tuarum quia manducabis:
beatus es, et bene tibi erit. Uxor tua sicut vitis
abundans in lateribus domus tuae; filii tui sicut
novellae olivarum in circuitu mensae tuae. Ecce sic
benedicetur homo qui timet Dominum. Alleluia.

*Blessed are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his
ways. For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O
well is thee, and happy shalt thou be. Thy wife shall be
as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house. Thy
children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.
Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.
Alleluia.*

Words: Psalm 128

Music: Henry Purcell (1659–1695)

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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NUNC DIMITTIS

**O gladsome light, O grace
of God the Father's face,
the eternal splendour wearing;
celestial, holy, blest,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
joyful in thine appearing.**

**Now, ere day fadeth quite,
we see the evening light,
our wonted hymn outpouring;
Father of might unknown,
thee, his incarnate Son,
and Holy Spirit adoring.**

**To thee of right belongs
all praise of holy songs,
O Son of God, Lifegiver;
thee, therefore, O Most High,
the world doth glorify,
and shall exalt for ever.**

Words: trans. from the Greek by Robert Bridges (1844–1930)

Music: from the 'Genevan Psalter' (1549),
harm. Claude Goudimel (d. 1572)

FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

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

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Toccata terza from Secondo libro

Frescobaldi