



# CHORAL EVENSONG

Thursday 12 March 2026

*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

O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde gross, BWV 622      Bach

## INTROIT *sung from the Ante-Chapel*

Christus, der uns selig macht

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Kein Bö's hat begangen,  
Der ward für uns in der Nacht  
Als ein Dieb gefangen,  
Geführt für gottlose Leut  
Und fälschlich verklaget,  
Verlacht, verhöhnt und verspeit,  
Wie denn die Schrift saget.

*Christ, who makes us blessed,  
Has committed no evil;  
For us, in the night, he was seized like a thief,  
Led before godless people,  
And falsely accused,  
Mocked, scorned, and spat upon,  
Just as the scripture says.*

Words: trans. Michael Marissen (b. 1960)  
and Daniel R. Melamed (b. 1960)

Music: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

*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 67*

God be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us  
the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto  
us:

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving  
health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the  
people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt  
judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations  
upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people  
praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and  
God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall  
fear him.

Glory be to the Father...

*The FIRST LESSON is read*

Daniel 12: 5-end  
(NRSV p. 765)

*All stand for the MAGNIFICAT*

Marenzio

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*

Mark 13: 21-end  
(NRSV p. 48)

*All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS*

Tye

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...

#### 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

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### 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*

Quemadmodum

Quemadmodum desiderat cervus ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus. Sitivit anima mea ad Deum fortem, vivum; quando veniam, et apparebo ante faciem Dei?

*Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God; when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?*

Words: Psalm 42: 1-2

Music: John Taverner (c. 1490–1545)

*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*

NEH 76

BRESLAU

**Take up thy cross, the Saviour said,  
if thou wouldst my disciple be;  
deny thyself, the world forsake,  
and humbly follow after me.**

**Take up thy cross; let not its weight  
fill thy weak spirit with alarm;  
his strength shall bear thy spirit up,  
and brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.**

**Take up thy cross then in his strength,  
and calmly every danger brave;  
'twill guide thee to a better home,  
and lead to victory o'er the grave.**

**Take up thy cross, and follow Christ,  
nor think till death to lay it down;  
for only he who bears the cross  
may hope to wear the glorious crown.**

**To thee, great Lord, the One in Three,  
all praise for evermore ascend;  
O grant us in our home to see  
the heavenly life that knows no end.**

Words: Charles Everest (1814–77)

Music: Melody from 'As Hymnodus Sacer' (Leipzig 1625)  
arr. Felix Mendelssohn (1809–47)

FINAL RESPONSES

Marlow

VOLUNTARY

Sonata No. 4 in e, BWV 528, i Adagio – Vivace

Bach