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# CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 24 May 2026

*Whit Sunday*

# ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Peter King (formerly Organist of Bath Abbey)

Studien für Pedal-Flügel, Op. 56 (Schumann)

- i. Nicht zu schnell
- ii. Mit innigen Ausdruck
- iii. Andantino
- iv. Innig
- v. Nicht zu schnell
- vi. Adagio

Ricercar à 6 from The Musical Offering, BWV 1079  
(Bach)

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

*Please ensure that all electronic devices,  
including cameras, are switched off.*

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webcast live and available to watch again. You  
may be identifiable as in attendance at the service.*

*The congregation stands as the choir and clergy enter the Chapel.*

**HYMN**

NEH 140

ALL FOR JESUS

**Holy Spirit, come, confirm us  
in the truth that Christ makes known;  
we have faith and understanding  
through your promised light alone.**

**Holy Spirit, come, console us,  
come as Advocate to plead,  
loving Spirit from the Father,  
grant in Christ the help we need.**

**Holy Spirit, come, renew us,  
come yourself to make us live,  
holy through your loving presence,  
holy through the gifts you give.**

**Holy Spirit, come, possess us,  
you the love of Three in One,  
Holy Spirit of the Father,  
Holy Spirit of the Son.**

Words: Brian Foley (1919–2000)

Music: John Stainer (1840–1901)

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*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.**

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 119: 1-8*

Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and  
walk in the law of the Lord.

Blessed are they that keep his testimonies : and seek  
him with their whole heart.

For they who do no wickedness : walk in his ways.  
Thou hast charged : that we shall diligently keep thy  
commandments.

O that my ways were made so direct : that I might  
keep thy statutes!

So shall I not be confounded : while I have respect  
unto all thy commandments.

I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart : when I  
shall have learned the judgements of thy  
righteousness.

I will keep thy ceremonies : O forsake me not  
utterly.

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 Numbers.

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord, and he gathered seventy of the elders of the people and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders, and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

NRSVUE Numbers 11: 24-30

*All stand for the MAGNIFICAT*

Service for Trebles

Weelkes

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 Gospel according to Saint John.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

NRSVUE John 20: 19-23

*All stand for the* **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Service for Trebles

Weelkes

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

God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, 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*

Dum complerentur

Dum complerentur dies Pentecostes  
erant omnes pariter dicentes: Alleluia.  
Et subito factus est sonus de caelo. Alleluia.  
Tanquam spiritus vehementis  
et replevit totam domum. Alleluia.

Dum ergo essent in unum discipuli congregati  
propter metum Judaeorum,  
sonus repente de caelo venit super eos.  
Tanquam spiritus vehementis  
et replevit totam domum. Alleluia.

*When the day of Pentecost had come  
they were all together saying: Alleluia.  
And suddenly there was a sound from heaven.  
Alleluia.*

*As of a rushing mighty wind  
and it filled the whole house. Alleluia.*

*When therefore the disciples  
were gathered together in one  
for fear of the Jews,  
a sound from heaven came upon them.  
As of a rushing mighty wind  
and it filled the whole house. Alleluia.*

Words: First Responsory at Matins on the Day of Pentecost  
Music: Giovanna Pierluigi de Palestrina (1525-1594)

## THE ADDRESS

### **Visions of God: Pentecost**

Professor David Ford OBE

Regius Professor of Divinity Emeritus  
University of Cambridge

**Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path  
illumining.**

**Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with  
loathing.**

**And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till he become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.**

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)  
trans. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833–90)  
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)  
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## THE BLESSING

*All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess  
Please remain quiet until the end of the  
organ voluntary*

## VOLUNTARY

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## SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 26 May

6.30 pm • Joint Evensong

*The College Choir will be joined by members of the University Choral Foundation Scheme for a joint service of Evensong here in Chapel.*

## NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER

Professor David Fergusson FBA, Regius Professor of Divinity, will speak on the Trinity as part of our series on 'Visions of God.'

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## CHAPLAINS' EVENTS

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