Corpus Christi College Chapel
Choral Eucharist

Saturday, 22 May 2021
Eve of the Feast of Pentecost (Whitsun)

Music:

Setting for the Eucharist: plainsong Gloria & Agnus Dei; Sanctus and Benedictus from the Missa Brevis – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c 1525-1594)

Anthems: Come, Holy Ghost – Thomas Attwood (1756-1836)
Listen sweet dove - Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

Organ Voluntary

‘Ruhig bewegt,’ from Organ Sonata No. 2
Paul Hindemith (1895-1963)

Choir Introit

The Spirit of the Lord hath filled the whole world, alleluia: and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
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: world without end. Amen.

Wisdom 1.7

The Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Words of welcome are given by the Chaplain.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Prayers of Penitence

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.  
Silence is kept.  
You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**  
You bring pardon and peace to the broken hearted:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**  
The President  
The Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  **Amen.**  

Gloria in excelsis

*The Choir sings the Gloria.*  
Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.  

The Collect

O God, who at this time did teach the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of the Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in this holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  **Amen.**
HEBREW BIBLE READING  Ezekiel 37.1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, ‘Mortal, can these bones live?’ I answered, ‘O Lord God, you know.’ Then he said to me, ‘Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.’

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, ‘Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.’ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, ‘Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, “Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.” Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.’

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING  Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, ‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.’ All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘What does this mean?’ But others sneered and said, ‘They are filled with new wine.’

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are
not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:
“In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
   and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
   and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
   in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
   and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
   and signs on the earth below,
   blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
   and the moon to blood,
   before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

At the end each Reader says
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Anthem

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.
Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far from foes, give peace at home:
where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but One,
that through the ages all along,
this may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Office Hymn for Whitsun

Veni, Creator Spiritus

adapted by John Cosin (1594-1672), Bishop of Durham
Gospel Alleluia (Choir)

Alleluia. Alleluia. O send for thy Spirit, and they shall be made: and thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia.
The Holy Spirit, proceeding from the throne, came down in unseen majesty: as on this day, upon the Twelve, purifying their most inmost hearts.

Partly based on Psalm 104.30

Gospel acclamation

Please stand
Alleluia, alleluia!
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name:
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to God, sing praises to God;
and speak of all his marvellous works. Alleluia!

The Gospel

John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. ‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Revd Andrew Allen, Chaplain & Fellow, Exeter College (CCC 2002)
The Creed

All stand.
Sung to the setting by John Merbecke.
I believe in one God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made;
Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven,
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
And was made man,
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead:
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
The Lord and giver of life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
Who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Intercessions

Leader
The Spirit of God aids us in our weakness and teaches us to pray. In the power of the Spirit let us offer prayers to God for the needs, concerns, and hopes of all the world.

For peace from on high and for our salvation.
Glory and praise to you, O living God.
For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all.
Glory and praise to you, O living God.
For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**
For the newly baptized illumined by the light of Christ.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**
For Justin our archbishop and Steven our bishop, and the presbyters, the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**
For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**
For all those in need, the suffering and the oppressed, travellers and prisoners, the dying and the departed.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**
For ourselves, our families, and those we love.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**
Remembering our most glorious and Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

**To you, O Lord.**

*Silence is kept. The President concludes*
Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who transforms our lives and makes us new. Hear our prayers which we offer in confidence and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**The Peace**

*Stand*
The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.
If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
**And also with you.**

All may exchange a Covid compliant sign of peace.

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**Offertory**

HYMN  191

**CHOIR**

Stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us: for thy temple’s sake at Jerusalem, shall kings bring presents unto thee, alleluia.

Psalm 68.28-29
The Preparation of the Gifts

The gifts of bread and wine are placed on the holy table.
This prayer is said at the offering of the Bread and Wine.
Blessed be God,
Who feeds the hungry,
Who raises the poor,
Who fills our praise.
Blessed be God for ever!

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.
This day we give you thanks
because in fulfilment of your promise
you pour out your Spirit upon us,
filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth,
and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.
Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,
to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.
Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name,
for ever praising you and saying:

The Choir sings the Sanctus and Benedictus
Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabbaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith

**Christ has died:**
**Christ is risen:**
**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Accept through Christ, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

The President breaks the consecrated Bread, saying

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

The Choir sings the Agnus Dei.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Communion

CHOIR
I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you again, alleluia: and your heart shall be joyful, alleluia, alleluia.

from John 14

An invitation to Communion is made, saying
Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!
The Body of Christ.

Amen.

The Blood of Christ.

Amen.

The president and people receive Communion. All baptized persons and communicant members of all churches are always welcome to receive the Sacrament in Corpus Chapel. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward at this time. Gluten free wafers are available. Please indicate when you come up for Communion.

Due to Covid safety protocols, for the time being Communion will be given only in one kind, the Bread. Also, during the pandemic, Communion is received in silence; no individual words of administration are used.

Communion Anthem

Listen sweet dove unto my song
And spread thy golden wings in me;
Hatching my tender heart so long
Till it get wing and flie away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow
That the earth did like a heaven appear,
The starres were coming down to know
If they might mend their wages and serve here.

The sunne which once did shine alone,
Hung down his head and wisht for night
When he beheld twelve sunnes for one
Going about the world and giving light.

Lord though we change thou art the same,
The same sweet God of love and light;
Restore this day for thy great name,
Unto his ancient and miraculous right.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)
Music: Grayston Ives (b. 1948)
Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us the Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by the same Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  Amen.

Blessing

The Spirit of Truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing …  
Amen.

Dismissal

Go forth into the world in peace.  Alleluia, alleluia!  
Thanks be to God.  Alleluia, Alleluia!

Organ Voluntary

‘Lebhaft,’ from Organ Sonata No. 2  
Paul Hindemith (1895-1963)