

Corpus Christi College Chapel

Choral Evensong

6 June 2021

Trinity 1



Preces and Responses: Humphrey Clucas (b. 1941)

Setting: Noble in B minor

Anthem: O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit - Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

All are welcomed to the service and announcements are given.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

HYMN 557 (omit 5, 6)

OPENING SENTENCE

That I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

Psalm 43.3

THE INTRODUCTION TO CONFESSION

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

THE GENERAL CONFESSION *said by all:*

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, who 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 ABSOLUTION

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.

THE PRECES *are sung by the Choir:*

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips;
Choir And our mouths shall shew forth thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us
Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord
Choir The Lord's name be praised.

PSALM 130 *is sung by the Choir.*

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord *
Lord, hear my voice.
O let thine ears consider well *
the voice of my complaint.
If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss *
O Lord, who may abide it?
For there is mercy with thee *
therefore shalt thou be feared.
I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him *
in his word is my trust.
My soul fleeth unto the Lord *
before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy *
and with him is plenteous redemption.
And he shall redeem Israel *
from all his sins.

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 3.8-15

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

THE MAGNIFICAT (Luke 1.46-55) *is sung by the Choir.*

My soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded:
The lowliness of his hand-maiden.
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.

THE SECOND LESSON Mark 3.20-end

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (Luke 2.29-32) *is sung by the Choir.*

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.

THE APOSTLES' CREED *is sung by the Choir.*

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 Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body;
And the Life everlasting. Amen.

THE RESPONSES *are sung by the Choir.*

Cantor The Lord be with you
Choir And with thy spirit
Cantor Let us pray

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us
Choir Christ, have mercy upon us
Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us

Choir 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 those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation;
 but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
Choir And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor O Lord, save the Queen;
Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Cantor Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
Cantor O Lord, save thy people;
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT *for Trinity 1.*

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of your grace, that in keeping of thy commandments, we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE SECOND COLLECT AT EVENING PRAYER

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 THIRD 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.

THE ANTHEM *is sung by the Choir.*

We praise thee, O God, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts,
and lighten our understanding,
that we may dwell in the fear of thy name
all the days of our life;
that we may know thee, the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Words from Lidley's Prayers

SERMON Revd Stephen McCarthy, Chapel Homilist

HYMN 14

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

HYMN 621

Normally, during this hymn, a Collection for charity would be taken. We can't do that with Covid at the moment, but please consider giving to one of Oxford's charities working with people who are homeless or poorly housed, such as the Oxford Gatehouse <www.oxfordgatehouse.org>.

THE BLESSING *is given by the Chaplain.*

God the Holy Trinity, make you strong, defend you on every side, and lead you into all peace; and the blessing **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Prelude and Fugue in E minor, BWV 533

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)