

CLARE COLLEGE CHAPEL



Choral Evensong

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 30 April 2023
6.00 p.m.

Voluntary *Six Short Pieces for Organ:*
 i. Tranquillo, ma con moto

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

All stand as the choir and clergy enter

The Introit is sung

Introit Beati quorum via integra est: qui ambulant in lege Domini.

Blessed are those whose way has integrity, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Words *Psalm 119: 1*

Music *Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)*

Welcome The Dean

Hymn 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 ‘Come unto me and rest;
 Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
 Thy head upon my breast:’
 I came to Jesus as I was,
 Weary, and worn, and sad;
 I found in him a resting place,
 And he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
‘Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one;
Stoop down, and drink, and live:
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
‘I am this dark world’s Light;
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright:’
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I’ll walk
Till traveling days are done.

Words *Horatius Bonar (1808–89)*

Music *Kingsfold, adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*

All sit

Responses

(sung by the choir)

O Lord, open thou our lips;
And our mouth shall show 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.

Music *Bernard Rose (1916–96)*

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of
comfort.
He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for
his Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no
evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast
anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

All stand

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.

Music *Martin How (1931–2022, Clare 1949)*

Reading

Psalm 119: 1–16

Here begins the 119th Psalm.

⌘ Aleph

¹ Blessed are those whose ways are blameless,
who walk according to the law of the Lord.

² Blessed are those who keep his statutes
and seek him with all their heart –

³ they do no wrong
but follow his ways.

⁴ You have laid down precepts
that are to be fully obeyed.

⁵ Oh, that my ways were steadfast
in obeying your decrees!

⁶ Then I would not be put to shame
when I consider all your commands.

⁷ I will praise you with an upright heart
as I learn your righteous laws.

⁸ I will obey your decrees;
do not utterly forsake me.

ⲛ Beth

⁹ How can a young person stay on the path of purity?

By living according to your word.

¹⁰ I seek you with all my heart;

do not let me stray from your commands.

¹¹ I have hidden your word in my heart

that I might not sin against you.

¹² Praise be to you, Lord;

teach me your decrees.

¹³ With my lips I recount

all the laws that come from your mouth.

¹⁴ I rejoice in following your statutes

as one rejoices in great riches.

¹⁵ I meditate on your precepts

and consider your ways.

¹⁶ I delight in your decrees;

I will not neglect your word.

Here ends the first reading.

All stand as the Choir stands

Magnificat

(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 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 showed 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.

Words *Luke 1: 46–55*

Music *Herbert Howells (1892–1983)*, in b

All sit

Reading

Psalm 119: 17–32

Here begins the 17th verse of the 119th Psalm.

ⲗ Gimel

¹⁷ Be good to your servant while I live,

that I may obey your word.

¹⁸ Open my eyes that I may see

wonderful things in your law.

¹⁹ I am a stranger on earth;

do not hide your commands from me.

²⁰ My soul is consumed with longing
for your laws at all times.
²¹ You rebuke the arrogant, who are accursed,
those who stray from your commands.
²² Remove from me scorn and contempt,
for I keep your statutes.
²³ Though rulers sit together and slander me,
your servant will meditate on your decrees.
²⁴ Your statutes are my delight;
they are my counsellors.

7 Daleth

²⁵ I am laid low in the dust;
preserve my life according to your word.
²⁶ I gave an account of my ways and you answered me;
teach me your decrees.
²⁷ Cause me to understand the way of your precepts,
that I may meditate on your wonderful deeds.
²⁸ My soul is weary with sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word.
²⁹ Keep me from deceitful ways;
be gracious to me and teach me your law.
³⁰ I have chosen the way of faithfulness;
I have set my heart on your laws.
³¹ I hold fast to your statutes, Lord;
do not let me be put to shame.
³² I run in the path of your commands,
for you have broadened my understanding.

Here ends the second reading.

All stand as the Choir stands

Nunc dimittis *(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.

Words *Luke 2: 29–32*
Music *Herbert Howells*, in b

The Apostles' Creed (*All turn towards the East*)

I believe
All 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 Lesser Litany and Responses (*sung by the choir*)

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit.

All kneel or sit
Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven...

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 Collects

The First Collect, for the Day:

Almighty God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Second 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 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.

Music *Bernard Rose*

All sit

Anthem

Voskreseniye Hristovo videvshe,
poklonimsia Sviatomu Ghospodu Iisusu,
yedinomu Bezgreshnomu.

Krestu Tvojemu pokloniyemsia, Hriste,
i sviatoye voskreseniye Tvoye poyem i
slavim:

Ti bo yesi Bog nash, razve Tebe inogo ne
znayem,

imia Tvoye imenuyem.

Priidite fsi vernii,

poklonimsia sviatomu Hristovu
voskreseniyu:

se bo priide krestom

radost fsemu miru,

fsegda blagosloviashche Ghospoda,

poyem voskreseniye Yego:

raspiatiye bo preterpev,

smertiyu smert' razrushii.

*Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ,
let us worship the holy Lord Jesus,
the only Sinless One.*

*We venerate Thy Cross, O Christ,
and we hymn and glorify Thy holy
resurrection,*

*for Thou art our God, and we know no
other than Thee;*

we call on Thy name.

Come, all you faithful,

let us venerate Christ's holy resurrection.

*For, behold, through the cross
joy has come into all the world.*

Ever blessing the Lord,

let us praise His resurrection,

for by enduring the cross for us,

He has destroyed death by death.

Words from the All-Night Vigil

Music *Sergei Rachmaninov (1873–1943)*

The Prayers, which conclude with the Grace

All **The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

Notices The Dean

Sermon The Dean

All stand

Hymn 478

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

O higher than the Cherubim,
More glorious than the Seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluya!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord.

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
All Saints triumphant, raise the song.

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One.

Words *Athelstan Riley (1858–1945)*

Music *Lasst uns erfreuen, adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams*

The Blessing

All remain standing as the choir and clergy leave the chapel

Voluntary *Saraband for the Morning of Easter*

Herbert Howells

If leaving the Chapel before the end of the Voluntary, please do so quietly and respectfully to those staying to listen.

Chapel Collections at Sunday services in Easter Term are in aid of Aspire, part of a local charity Romsey Mill. Aspire runs youth clubs and support for autistic children and young people. Their clubs reduce social isolation and improve the lives and mental well-being of those who attend. The Aspire team currently work with around 140 young people around Cambridge and Cambridgeshire, both in groups and in settings of 1: 1 mentoring. You can find out more at www.romseymill.org

Drinks follow the service in Scholars' Garden (ante-Chapel if wet), to which all are warmly welcome.

Supper (served with wine) follows in the Buttery at 7.30pm, for those who would like to stay. Payment for supper can be made by card at the Buttery till (£6 for Clare students, £13.80 for guests).

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 2 nd	6:15 p.m.	Choral Evensong (in Chapel)
Wednesday 3 rd	10.00 p.m.	Compline (in Chapel)
Thursday 4 th	6.15 p.m.	Choral Evensong to Mark the Coronation of King Charles III (in Chapel)
Sunday 7 th	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (in Chapel) <i>followed by breakfast</i>

There is no evening service in Chapel today

Please note that the use of cameras, recording equipment, video cameras and mobile phones is not permitted in Chapel.

SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023, 5.30 P.M.
West Road Concert Hall, Cambridge
Tickets £20: www.adcticketing.com

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