The Chapel of Gonville & Caius College

Leavers’ Evensong

2nd Sunday after Trinity

13th June 2021
The Dean calls the congregation to prayer with a sentence of scripture and invitation:

Beloved, we are come together in the presence of almighty God and of the whole company of heaven to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ our worship and praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves, that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace; and to ask on behalf of all men such things as their well-being doth require. Wherefore let us kneel in silence, and remember God's presence with us now.

Kneel
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 Dean declares God’s forgiveness:

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
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.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Stand: the Dean and Choir sing the PRECES

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.

Sit
PSALM 139 (Choir)

1. O Lord thou hast searched me out and known me:
thou knowest my down-sitting and mine uprising
thou understandest my thoughts long before.

2. Thou art about my path and about my bed:
and spiest out all my ways.

3. For lo there is not a word in my tongue:
but thou O Lord knowest it altogether.

4. Thou hast fashioned me behind and before:
and laid thine hand upon me.

5. Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me:
I cannot attain unto it.

6. Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit:
or whither shall I go then from my presence?

7. If I climb up into heaven thou art there:
if I go down to hell thou art there also.

8. If I take the wings of the morning:
and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

9. Even there also shall thy hand lead me:
and thy right hand shall hold me.

10. If I say peradventure the darkness shall cover me:
then shall my night be turned to day.

11. Yea the darkness is no darkness with thee but the night
is as clear as the day:
the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

12. For my reins are thine:
thou hast covered me in my mother’s womb.

13. I will give thanks unto thee for I am fearfully and wonderfully made:
marvellous are thy works and that my soul knoweth right well.

14. My bones are not hid from thee:
though I be made secretly and fashioned beneath in the earth.

15. Thine eyes did see my substance yet being unperfect:
and in thy book were all my members written;

16. Which day by day were fashioned:
when as yet there was none of them.

17. How dear are thy counsels unto me O God:
O how great is the sum of them!

18. If I tell them they are more in number than the sand:
when I wake up I am present with thee.

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.
Thus says the LORD:

In a time of favour I have answered you,
on a day of salvation I have helped you;
I have kept you and given you
as a covenant to the people,
to establish the land,
to apportion the desolate heritages;
saying to the prisoners, “Come out,”
to those who are in darkness, “Show yourselves.”
They shall feed along the ways,
on all the bare heights shall be their pasture;
they shall not hunger or thirst,
neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down,
for he who has pity on them will lead them,
and by springs of water will guide them.
And I will turn all my mountains into a road,
and my highways shall be raised up.
Lo, these shall come from far away,
and lo, these from the north and from the west,
and these from the land of Syene.
Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
break forth, O mountains, into singing!
For the LORD has comforted his people,
and will have compassion on his suffering ones.
But Zion said, “The LORD has forsaken me,
my Lord has forgotten me.”
Can a woman forget her nursing child,
or show no compassion for the child of her womb?
Even these may forget,
yet I will not forget you.
See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands;
your walls are continually before me.
MAGNIFICAT  
Evening Service in D George Dyson (1883-1964)

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.

Sit

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 7.1-21

“Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour’s eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ while the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour’s eye. “Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you. “Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives,
and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him! “In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. “Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it. “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will know them by their fruits.“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven.

**Stand**

**NUNC DIMITTIS**  
*Evening Service in D* George Dyson

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 to say

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Dean I believe in God
All 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.

All turn back from the east:

the Dean and Choir sing THE LESSER LITANY

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.
Kneel (the Dean & Choir remain standing)

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.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.
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 Dean sings the **COLLECTS**

**The first Collect, of the day.**

**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.

**Sit**

**ANTHEM**    *Jubilate*    Matthew Martin (b. 1976)

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise:
Be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory 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.

*After the Anthem, all kneel.*
THE PRAYERS

The prayers end with the Grace, prayed by 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.

Stand

HYMN (Choir)

He who would valiant be
'Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound—
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight;
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend
Us with thy Spirit,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
To be a pilgrim.
Sit

THE SERMON

Stand

HYMN (Choir)

O Christ the same through all our story's pages,  
Our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears;  
Eternal Lord, the King of all the ages,  
Unchanging still, amid the passing years:  
O living Word, the source of all creation,  
Who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze,  
O Christ the same, who wrought man's whole salvation,  
We bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

O Christ the same, the friend of sinners, sharing  
Our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide,  
Still as of old upon your body bearing  
The marks of love, in triumph glorified:  
O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heaven,  
O Prince of life, in all your saving power,  
O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given,  
We bring our thanks for this the present hour.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping  
Our lives and loves, our days and years remain,  
Our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping,  
Our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain:  
O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows,  
For all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee,  
O Christ the same, for all our brief tomorrows,  
We bring our thanks for all that is to be.
Remain standing for

THE BLESSING

Please sit after the clergy have departed. If you wish to leave before the end of the Organ Voluntary please do so quietly.

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Fugue in D major BWV 532a

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
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