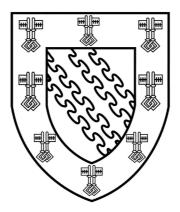
EXETER COLLEGE CHAPEL



EASTERTIDE SERVICE

26 April 2020



WELCOME TO EXETER COLLEGE CHAPEL

Although we are unable to gather in the Chapel to worship, to pray, to listen, and to think, this service is offered as an audiofile alternative. Please note that the quality of the sound may vary as different parts have been recorded in different locations, and on different instruments.

The Service is conducted by the Chaplain.

The Organ, in the various recordings, is played by the Junior Organ Scholar, Christopher Holman. He has also edited the anthems 'This Joyful Eastertide', and 'If ye love me'. For the other anthems the Choir is conducted by the Parry Wood Organ Scholar, James Short. The readers are Lily Carson, a soprano in the Choir; Andrew Small, the Keeper of the Sherry; and Carris Jones, the Singing Teacher. The prayers are led by the Catechist.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Prélude in Ab Lemmens

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

¶ The congregation are welcomed and the service introduced. The Choir sings

THE INTROIT

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow:

Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst His three-day prison, our faith had been in vain; but now has Christ arisen!

Death's flood hath lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river; Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver:

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number:

> Words: G.R.Woodward Music: C. Wood Recorded remotely for this Service.

THE BIDDING PRAYER

And at the end:

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.

¶ The Choir sings:

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my strength? My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

> Words: Psalm 121 (Authorised Version text) Music: J. Dove, Commissioned by Exeter College in 2009 Recording is taken from the Choir's forthcoming CD, 'And then the heavens espy'

Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise Without delayes, Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise With him mayst rise: That, as his death calcined thee to dust, His life may make thee gold, and much more, just.

Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part With all thy art. The crosse taught all wood to resound his name, Who bore the same. His stretched sinews taught all strings, what key Is best to celebrate this most high day.

Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song Pleasant and long: Or, since all musick is but three parts vied And multiplied, O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part, And make up our defects with his sweet art.

George Herbert

¶ *The Choir sings:* Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, Herr Zebaoth! Meine Seele verlanget und sehnet sich nach den Vorhöfen des Herrn; mein Leib und Seele freuen sich in dem lebendigen Gott. Wohl denen, die in deinem Hause wohnen, die loben dich immerdar.

O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. My flesh and soul rejoice in the living God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy courts; they will be always praising thee.

> Words: Psalm 84 Music: J. Brahms Recorded live in concert at St Martin in the Fields on 27 February 2019

THE FIRST LESSON

1 Peter 1. 1 − 9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

¶ All sing the hymn



Love's redeeming work is done; fought the fight, the battle won: lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er, lo, he sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell; death in vain forbids his rise; Christ has opened paradise.

Lives again our glorious King; where, O Death, is now thy sting? dying once, he all doth save; where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head; made like him, like him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Praise to thee by both be given: thee we greet triumphant now; hail, the Resurrection Thou!

> Words: C. Wesley Music: from Herrnhut, Germany Recorded for this Service

THE SECOND LESSON

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the crowds, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained. But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

THE SERMON

THE ANTHEM

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; E'en the Sp'rit of truth.

> Words: John 14 Music: T. Tallis Recorded remotely for this Service

THE PRAYERS

Concluding with: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us all ever more. Amen.

¶ All sing the hymn



Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise; sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise: he who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits of the holy harvest field, which will all its full abundance at his second coming yield: then the golden ears of harvest will their heads before him wave, ripened by his glorious sunshine from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen: shed upon us heavenly grace, rain, and dew, and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face: that we, Lord, with hearts in heaven here on earth may fruitful be, and by angel-hands be gathered, and be ever safe with thee. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high; to the Father, and the Saviour, who has gained the victory; Glory to the Holy Spirit, fount of love and sanctity. Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty!

> Words: C. Wordsworth Music: A. Sullivan Recorded for this Service

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of the God of love, who is Father, Son, and Holy Ghost rest abide, and remain with you now and for evermore. **Amen.**

The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in. Alleluia! Alleluia! From this time forth, for ever more. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in G Scheidemann

It is hoped that we will be able to offer several services in the course of Trinity Term. The suggested schedule is as follows:

Week 2 – Service of Reflection with Taizé Music

Friday 8 May - Prayers and music to celebrate 75 years of peace in Europe

Week 3 – Organ Vespers

Week 4 – Choral Mattins for Ascension Day

Week 5 - Service of Reflection with Taizé Music

Week 6 - Choral Eucharist on the Feast of Pentecost

Week 7 – Organ Vespers

Week 8 - Commemoration of Benefactors