

EXETER COLLEGE CHAPEL



CHORAL EUCHARIST ON THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

31 MAY 2020

Welcome to this Service from Exeter College Chapel.

Many thanks to those who contributed; not least all who sent in recordings of the Lord's Prayer in various languages.

The lesson is read by Christopher Scholtens, a second year PPE student. The epistle is read by Frances Cairncross, former Rector, and the gospel by Ewa Wegrzyn, a fourth year chemist. The deacon is Andrew Small, a post graduate in Byzantium studies. The preacher is the Singing Teacher, Carris Jones.

The hymns 'Come down, O love divine', and 'O thou who camest from above', the anthem, 'Come, Holy Ghost'. and the Responses to the Commandments are recorded in isolation. For these the organ is played by the Junior Organ Scholar, Christopher Holman, who also has edited the service. The anthem 'O taste and see' is conducted by the Parry Wood Organ Scholar, James Short, and is from the choir's forthcoming CD.

The organist for the final hymn is Theodore Hill, who was assistant organist 2018 – 19. The mass setting is from the CD 'Vierne, Fauré & Saint Saëns, Sacred Music' and was recorded in 2003. Timothy Burke directed, and Richard Hill played the organ. The sanctus and gloria are from Louise Vierne's Messe solennelle en ut #.

Musical Notes

Today's anthem was written by English composer Thomas Attwood, transitional figure between the Baroque and early Romantic periods. He is best remembered today for having studied with Mozart in Vienna and helping introduce his teacher's music to Britain. He later became organist at St Paul's Cathedral in London and composer to the Chapel Royal, and became friends with Felix Mendelssohn. The anthem "Come Holy Ghost" was composed in 1834, toward the end of Attwood's life, and combines Mozartian melodies with unusually well-crafted counterpoint in the English style. While Attwood was studying in Vienna, English organist William Selby had emigrated to America and became organist at King's Chapel in Boston. Due to the Revolutionary War, he was forced to leave this post and become a shopkeeper for seven years, but afterward he was able to return to music, and championed the music of Bach and Handel. His "Voluntary in A" is identical in style to the French overtures which often began Handel's operas and oratorios, and is notable for its numerous echo effects, cheerful harmonies, and being one of the first organ works to have been composed in the newly-formed United States.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist, BWV 631

The Service is introduced

HYMN



Come down, O love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing.
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
til earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till they become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes her dwelling.

Words: Italian, Bianco da Siena, d 1434, trans. R. Littledale 1833 – 90
Music: Down Ampney, R. Vaughan Williams, 1872 – 1958

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.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Recorded in Isolation. The responses are by Thomas Tallis c1505 – 85

GOD spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God :

Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them. For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Honour thy father and thy mother ; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt do no murder.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not steal.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

THE COLLECT

God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end.

Amen.

THE LESSON

Ezekiel 37

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord God, thou knowest. Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus saith the Lord God unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone. And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them. Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts. Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,

And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the Lord have spoken it, and performed it, saith the Lord.

The Choir sings :

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

Words: Psalm 34

Music: R. Vaughan Williams, 1872 – 1958

THE EPISTLE

Acts 2. 1 – 21

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this? Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine. But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of 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: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

THE GRADUAL

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 mortal sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at hoe:
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 thine eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

*Words: J. Cosins, 1594 – 1672, based on Veni, creator, Spiritus, C9th
music: Plainsong, mode viii*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Reader Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John
All **Glory be to thee O Lord.**

John 7 37 – 39

In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

At the end

Reader This is the gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise be to thee, O Lord.**

THE SERMON
Carris Jones, Singing Teacher

THE OFFERTORY AND INTERCESSION

OFFERTORY HYMN



O thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart!

There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up the gift in me.

Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

Words: C. Wesley 1707 – 88

Music: Hereford, S. Wesley, 1810 – 76

Recorded in Isolation

THE INTERCESSIONS

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all:

We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy servant *ELIZABETH* our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments:

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

Amen.

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

THE CONFESSION

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our

Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden,
and I will refresh you.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
to the end that all that believe in him should not perish,
but have everlasting life.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any one sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

THE CONSECRATION

Sursum corda.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Preface

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who, after that he had ascended far above all the heavens and was set down at thy right

hand, did as at this time pour forth upon the children of adoption thy holy and life-giving Spirit; that through his glorious power the joy of the everlasting gospel may come abroad into all the world; therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and singing:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. 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.*

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, o merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks; he brake 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. Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. **AMEN.**

THE COMMUNION

The Choir sings

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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 mortal sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at hoe:
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 thine eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Words: J. Cosins, 1594 – 1672, based on Veni, creator, Spiritus, C9th

Music: T. Attwood, 1765 – 1838

Recorded in isolation

THE POST COMMUNION

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.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us ; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory. world without end.

Amen.

The Choir sings

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi propter magnam
gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex
caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili Unigenite, Iesu Christe
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis
qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe
deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad
dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus
Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Iesu
Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: in gloria
Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace,
goodwill to men. We praise 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, 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 BLESSING

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always.

Amen.

HYMN



Alleluya! sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluya! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
hark! the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of ev'ry nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluya! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluya! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how;
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluya! Bread of Angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluya! here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluya! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluya! Born of Mary,

Earth thy footstool, heav'n thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest;
thou on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic feast.

Words: W. Chatterton Dix, 1837 0 98
Music: Hyfrydrol, R. Pritchard, 1811 – 87

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Voluntary in A *William Selby*

NOTICES

Next Sunday's service is Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Holy and Undivided Trinity

Sunday 14 June – Commemoration of Benefactors

Anyone who would like to, is invited to record 'I was glad' at home and send it in to the organ scholar to be edited for the final service of this academic year. You can find more details here:

https://www.exeter.ox.ac.uk/about/chapel/commemoration-of-benefactors-i-was-glad-recording/?fbclid=IwAR2xuP_xw_ZhQLXmk7aHwLrF3F5Bdthqgb83h1vmPcgHdzs8vpULOjCV7paU

The image on the front cover shows the projection of the stained glass windows on the altar cloth in the chapel.