SELWYN COLLEGE CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE

Choral Eucharist for Corpus Christi
Thursday 8 June 2023 at 6.30pm
Please note that this service is being livestreamed at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ba6hk7poaqw

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE
Le Banquet Céleste – Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)
(The heavenly banquet)
THE GATHERING

Please stand as the ministers and choir enter the chapel.

INTROIT  Verily, verily  
words: John 6: 53-56  
music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Verily, verily I say unto you:  
extcept ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man,  
and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.  
Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood,  
hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.  
For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.  
He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood,  
dwelleth in me, and I in him.

THE GREETING

President  Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
All  And also with you.

President  Beloved, on this day of thanksgiving for the Eucharist,  
whose cup of blessing is a sharing in the blood of Christ,  
whose broken bread is a sharing in the body of Christ,  
we rejoice to celebrate the presence of God  
in this most holy feast.  
May we strengthen, in this sacrament of faith,  
the grounds of our belief.  
May we look, in this sacrament of hope,  
for the transformation of our hearts and lives.  
May we know, in this sacrament of love,  
what it is to be one body,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
All  Amen.
PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

President As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God’s love, revealed in Word and Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins.

President Like as the hart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for you, O God: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

President O send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me: Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

President May we come to your altar, O God, the God of our salvation: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

President Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.
GLORIA    Missa de Angelis (sung by all)

Glo-ry be to God on high: and in Earth peace, good will to-wards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee,
we glo-ri-fy thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo-ry.

O Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty.

O Lord, the on-ly be-got-ten Son, Je-su Christ, O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world,
have mer-cy up-on us; thou that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world,
re-ceive our prayer. Thou that sit-test at the right hand
of God the Fa-ther, have mer-cy up-on us: For thou on-ly art ho-ly,
thou on-ly art the Lord. Thou on-ly O Christ,
with the Ho-ly Ghost, art the most high
in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.
COLLECT

President    Lord Jesus Christ,
             we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
             you have given us the memorial of your passion:
             grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
             of your body and blood,
             that we may know within ourselves
             and show forth in our lives the fruits of your redemption;
             for you are alive and reign with the Father
             in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
             one God, now and for ever.

All    Amen.

Please sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

EPISTLE   1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord
Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he
had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do
this in remembrance of me.” In the same way he took the cup also, after
supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often
as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread
and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Reader    This is the word of the Lord.
All    Thanks be to God.

Please stand
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Cantor  
2 Full

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Please remain standing and turn to face East.

NICENE CREED

President  We believe in one God,
All the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.
Please sit or kneel.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader We pray to the Lord.  
Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered at your table.  
In faith we pray:  
All we pray to you our God.

Leader Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body to be our spiritual food, listen as we pray for his body the Church, spread throughout the world.  
In faith we pray:  
All we pray to you our God.

Leader Here, where we recognise the presence of Christ, who takes away the sin of the world, listen as we pray for that world and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed.  
In faith we pray:  
All we pray to you our God.

Leader Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his friends to give us this meal of holy fellowship, listen as we pray for all whom you have given us, our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours.  
In faith we pray:  
All we pray to you our God.

Leader Here, where we remember the night of Christ’s agony and trial, listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings through fear or pain or distress of many kinds.  
In faith we pray:  
All we pray to you our God.
Leader        Here, where we join our praises
with the whole company of heaven,
listen as we pray for all who have trusted Christ’s promise
to raise up on the last day
those who eat his flesh and drink his blood.
In faith we pray:
All          we pray to you our God.

Leader     Lord, satisfy our hunger with the food that lasts,
the bread of God which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world,
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
All             Amen.

THE LITURGY
OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

President       We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All             And also with you.

A minister invites the congregation to share a sign of Christ’s peace.
During the hymn, the altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

1  Glory, love and praise, and honour  
   For our food, now bestowed,  
   Render we the Donor.  
Bounteous God, we now confess thee;  
   God, who thus blessest us,  
   Meet it is to bless thee.

2  Thankful for our every blessing,  
   Let us sing Christ the Spring,  
   Never, never ceasing.  
Source of all our gifts and graces,  
   Christ we own; Christ alone  
   Calls for all our praises.

3  He dispels our sin and sadness,  
   Life imparts, cheers our hearts,  
   Fills with food and gladness.  
Who himself for all hath given,  
   Us he feeds, us he leads  
   To a feast in heaven.

music: BENIFOLD – Francis Westbrook (1903-1975)  
words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
The President takes the bread and wine with these words:

President  

God our sustainer,
receive the gifts we bring before you,  
and feed us continually with that bread  
which satisfies all hunger,  
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

THE PREFACE

V: The____ Lord be____ with you.  
R: And____ al-so____ with you.  

V: Lift____ up your hearts.  
R: We lift them to____ the Lord.  

V: Let us give thanks to the Lord____ our God.  
R: It is right to give thanks and praise____

President  

It is indeed right and good, 
our duty and our salvation 
always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise 
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our great high priest.  
He offered himself to you as the Lamb without blemish,  
the acceptable gift that gives you perfect praise.  

At the Last Supper, seated with his apostles,  
he left this memorial of his passion  
to bring us its saving power until the end of time.  
In this great sacrament you feed your people  
and strengthen them in holiness,  
so that throughout the world the human family  
may be enlightened by one faith  
and drawn together in one communion of love.
We come to this foretaste of your heavenly banquet to be transformed by your grace and restored in the image and likeness of the risen Christ.

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise; we too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end:

**SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS** Missa de Angelis (*sung by all*)

Please sit or kneel.

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

President  
Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood.
Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke 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.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Deacon Christ is the bread of life:
All When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All  Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

President    As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.
All          Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on 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.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

President    We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
All          Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

President    Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
All          Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.
PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All  We do not presume to come to this your table,  
     O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,  
     but in your manifold and great mercies.  
     We are not worthy so much as  
     to gather up the crumbs under your table.  
But you are the same Lord  
     whose nature is always to have mercy.  
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
     so to eat the flesh of your 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.

AGNUS DEI Missa de Angelis (sung by all)

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.
The president and the people receive Holy Communion. To the words of distribution, the communicant replies Amen.

The choir comes to the altar first, followed by the congregation. All Christians who have been baptised in the name of the Trinity, and who normally receive Holy Communion in their own Church, may receive the Sacrament. All are welcome to come to the front to receive a blessing. Please bring this service sheet with you to indicate your intention.

**MOTET** (sung by the choir during Communion)
words: 13thC Eucharistic hymn
music: William Byrd (1543-1623)

Ave verum corpus, Hail, true Body,
natum de Maria Virgine, born of the Virgin Mary,
vere passum, immolatum truly suffered, sacrificed
in cruce pro homine on the cross for mankind,
cuius latus perforatum from whose pierced side
fluxit aqua et sanguine: water and blood flowed:
esto nobis prægustatum Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet]
in mortis examine. in the trial of death!
O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie, O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,
O Jesu, fili Mariae. O Jesus, son of Mary,
Miserere mei. Amen. have mercy on me. Amen.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Please stand.

President All praise to you, our God and Father,
for you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and quenched our thirst from the true vine:
hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ,
we may grow together in unity
and feast with him in his kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.
Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ’s body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

President Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

The congregation is invited to follow the procession of the Blessed Sacrament into the garden, where a prayer of blessing for the College will be said.

ORGAN Verset sur le thème ‘Tantum ergo’
– Eugénie-Emilie Folville (1870-1946)