

Choral Eucharist for the Feast of Corpus Christi



Selwyn College Chapel, Cambridge

THURSDAY 3 JUNE 2021

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THE GATHERING

Please stand as the ministers enter the chapel.

INTROIT Adoramus te, Christe
words: Antiphon for Good Friday
music: Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)

Adoramus te, Christe
et benedicimus tibi.
Quia per tuam sanctam crucem
redemisti mundum.
Domine, miserere nobis.

*We adore thee, O Christ,
and we bless thee,
because by thy holy cross
thou hast redeemed the world.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.*

GREETING

President In the Name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

President Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**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.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

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

Please sit or kneel.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past,
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The Priest says the Absolution:

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.

Please stand.

GLORIA – Missa de angelis (sung by the choir)

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless 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 the most high, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

COLLECT

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.

Please face East.

CREED

**We believe in one God, 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

After each petition one of the following responses will be used:

Lord, hear us. *(or)* Lord, in your mercy
Lord, graciously hear us. **Hear our prayer.**

At the end:

All **Merciful Father, accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. 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.

Please sit.

OFFERTORY HYMN (sung by the choir)

NEH 287 – Glory, love and praise and honour (tune ‘Benifold’)

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Please stand.

THE PREFACE

President The Lord be with you:

All And also with you.

President Lift up your hearts:

All We lift them to the Lord.

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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.

In joyful confidence we proclaim:
**All Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

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 Rejoicing in God's new creation,
let us pray as our Redeemer has taught us.

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.**

AGNUS DEI – Missa de angelis (sung by the choir)

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 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 Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,
and share your bread with sinners.
So cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom.
Amen.**

*The president and the people receive Holy Communion.
To the words of distribution, the communicant replies **Amen.***

All baptized Christians permitted to receive Holy Communion in their own church, may receive the sacrament in Selwyn Chapel.

Please stand in your place if you wish to receive, and communion will be brought to you, in one kind (bread) only, due to current coronavirus restrictions.

*All are welcome to receive a blessing.
Please stand and hold this service sheet to indicate your intention.*

During Communion, the choir sings

MOTET O quam suavis est
words: Antiphon for Corpus Christi, based on Wisdom 12
music: Caterina Assandra (c1590-c1618)

O quam suavis est, Domine,
spiritus tuus,
qui ut dulcedinem tuam
in filios demonstrares
pane suavissimo de caelo praestito,
esurientes reple bonis,
fastidiosos divites dimittens inanes.

*O how sweet, Lord,
is thy spirit,
thou who shows thy sweetness
to thy children,
send the sweetest bread down from heaven,
fill the hungry with good things,
and send away empty the disdainful rich.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The president says the Post Communion prayer:

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.

We pray together:

**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 we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please stand.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The president gives the blessing in these words:

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.

A minister dismisses the people:

Minister Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele (BWV 654)
(Deck thyself, my soul with gladness)
J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Those who leave the Chapel before the end of the Voluntary are asked to do so quietly.