Selwyn College, Cambridge



Choral Evensong with Commemoration of Benefactors

Saturday 24 September 2022 at 6.00pm

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CHORAL EVENSONG

At the entry of the procession, please stand.

Introit

Confortare

words: Deuteronomy 31:6 and 8:6 music: George Dyson (1883-1964)

Be strong and of a good courage. Keep the commandments of the Lord thy God And walk in his ways.

Sentence

Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Isaiah 6:3

Preces

(sung by the choir and clergy)

music: William Byrd (1543-1623)

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.

Welcome

Psalm 34: 1-11

(sung by the choir)

I will always give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. O praise the Lord with me: and let us magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me: yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

They had an eye unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed. Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him: yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him: and delivereth them. O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints: for they that fear him lack nothing. The lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Please sit.

Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 8: 22-30

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, 'O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, "There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me." Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

'But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant's prayer and his plea, O LORD my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, "My name shall be there", that

you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive.

Please stand.

Magnificat

(sung by the choir)

words: Luke 1:46-55

music: Charles Wood in D major (1866-1926)

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.

New Testament Lesson

1 Peter 2: 1-10

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Please stand.

Nunc Dimittis

(sung by the choir)

words: Luke 2: 29-32

music: Charles Wood in D major (1866-1926)

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.

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.

Responses

(sung by the choir)

music: William Byrd (1543-1623) adapted by Sarah MacDonald (b.1968)

The Lord be with you: And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please kneel or sit.

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 King: Who putteth his trust in thee.

Send him help from thy holy place. And evermore mightily defend him.

Be unto him, O Lord, a strong tower; From the face of his enemies.

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 Lord, hear our prayer; And let our cry come unto thee.

Collects

- (1) O Lord God Almighty, Maker of all things and Giver of all good gifts, who art always to be praised both in the living and in the dead; We give thee thanks for all our Founders and Benefactors, by whose bounty we are here nurtured in true religion and learning; beseeching thee to grant that we, using these gifts to thy glory, may with them attain to the eternal glory of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God world without end. Amen.
- (2) O GOD, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love: Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our King, that under him this nation may be wisely governed, and thy Church may serve thee

in all godly quietness; and grant that he being devoted to thee with his whole heart, and persevering in good works unto the end, may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.

Please sit.

Anthem

And I saw a new heaven words: Revelation 21:1-4

music: Edgar Bainton (1880-1956)

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:

For the first heaven and the first earth had passed away,

And there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city,

New Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven,

Prepared as a bride adorned for her husband:

And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying,

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,

And he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people,

And God himself shall be with them, and be their God;

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes,

And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying,

Neither shall there be any more pain,

For the former things are passed away.

Please remain seated as the College's Founders and Benefactors are remembered before God

Commemoration of Benefactors

Let us commemorate all our Founders and Benefactors, by whose energy and liberality this our College has been founded, who in various ways strengthened and endowed the advancement of religion and sound learning, and the perpetuation of the name and labours of GEORGE AUGUSTUS SELWYN.

Her Majesty Queen VICTORIA gave us our Charter. CHARLES JOHN ABRAHAM first proposed that the College be founded, and did more than anyone else to see that it was brought into being.

Three friends of Bishop Selwyn gave their aid to Bishop Abraham: EDMUND HOBHOUSE, SIR WILLIAM MARTIN, and FREDERICK THATCHER.

Three resident members of the University gave help: JOSEPH BARBER LIGHTFOOT, BROOKE FOSS WESTCOTT and VINCENT HENRY STANTON. Our first Master ARTHUR TEMPLE LYTTELTON and his wife MARY KATHLEEN guided the young college so that it soon became established.

We owe much that we value to members of the Selwyn family, notably: SARAH HARRIET, widow of George Augustus, and WILLIAM, elder son of George Augustus, who, with his wife, HARRIET SUSAN, presented the screen in the Hall.

JOHN RICHARDSON SELWYN, younger son of George Augustus worked to see that this Chapel was built and his widow, ANNIE CATHARINE, gave us the Old Senior Combination Room.

EDWARD BALME WHEATELY-BALME built B Staircase and inscribed its doorway to the memory of his friend E J Rose, gave money for this Chapel, and bequeathed his library to the College.

THOMAS HERBERT ORPEN and AMY OCTAVIA, his wife, contributed largely to the building of the chapel and the hall.

ARTHUR CHRISTOPHER BENSON gave our hall the panelling from the old English church at Rotterdam.

JOHN FREDERICK PEEL RAWLINSON was involved in the management of the College.

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The College is also greatly indebted to the late MARGUERITE KEASBEY founder of the Keasbey Memorial Foundation, which funds the Keasbey Fellowship and makes generous annual grants to students.

And so, as we also remember with thanksgiving those of all faiths and none who have in the past given generously of their time and money, and whose names are not recorded here; those who presently give to the College in various ways; those many unknown people who have benefited the College by quiet and constant service at home or abroad and those members of the College who have died in the service of their country, we join in gratitude for all that they have done.

Sermon

Preacher: The Rt Revd Stephen Conway (SE 1983)

Bishop of Ely, Acting Bishop of Lincoln

Please stand

Hymn Praise my Soul the King of Heaven (NEH 436)

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; To his feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like me his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise him still the same forever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless. Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us, Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise him! Praise him! Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him, Ye behold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before him; Dwellers all in time and space, Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace.

> words: H. F. Lyte (1793-1847) music: John Goss (1800-1880)

The College Prayer

O Lord the Resurrection and the Life of them that believe, who didst enrich thy servant GEORGE AUGUSTUS SELWYN with thy manifold gifts of grace, grant that all who serve thee here may be taught by his example to serve in their several callings to the honour of thy Name, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal

(sung by the Choir)

music: Edward Woodall Naylor (1867-1934)

The Lord be with you: And with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord: Thanks be to God.

Please remain standing as the clergy and choir leave the Chapel.

Organ Voluntary

Elegy: Sir George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

The retiring collection will be given to the Melanesian Mission, to support the work of the church in the Solomon Islands, with which Selwyn College has longstanding connections through the ministries of Bishop George Augustus Selwyn and later Bishop John Patteson, first Bishop of Melanesia.

The Grace before dinner this evening was composed by Sarah MacDonald (b. 1968)

A service of Holy Communion will be celebrated in Chapel at 8:30am tomorrow morning, during which alumni whose deaths have been notified to the College in the past year will be remembered in prayer. Breakfast will be served in the hall afterwards.

