Selwyn College Chapel, Cambridge

Eucharist for Easter Day

Sunday 4 April 2021 at 10:30am
Please stand as the procession enters the chapel

INTROIT
sung by the choir

This joyful Eastertide
traditional Dutch carol. arr. Sarah MacDonald (b. 1968)

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

Had Christ, that once was slain, ne’er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain: but now hath Christ arisen.

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

Death’s flood hath lost his chill,
since Jesus crossed the river:
Lover of souls, from ill
my passing soul deliver. Refrain.

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

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God. Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

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 president 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 remain standing.

GLORIA Missa de Angelis
Mass VIII – 15th-century
sung by the choir

Glory be to God on high, and peace, good will toward 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, Jesus 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, 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 FOR EASTER DAY

President Let us pray that we may reign with the risen Christ in glory.

A period of silent prayer is kept.

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity. Amen.

Please sit.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 10: 34-43

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. ‘I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.
GRADUAL CANTICLE  The Song of Moses
sung by the choir  words: from Exodus 15
music: Sarah MacDonald
(based on ‘O filii et filiae’ and ‘Victimae Paschali’)

Sing to the Lord, O sing to the Lord: for he hath triumphed gloriously. Alleluia!
Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father’s God, and I will exalt him. The Lord is a man of war: the Lord is his name. Pharaoh’s chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea. Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in power: Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them. Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation. The Lord shall reign for ever and ever. For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the Lord brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea.

Please stand, and turn to face the reader.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
sung by the choir  Alleluia. I am the first and the last says the Lord: I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever more. Alleluia.

GOSPEL  Luke 24:1-12

Deacon  Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
All  Glory to you, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had accompanied Jesus came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the
stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground but the men said to them, ‘Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.’ Then they remembered Jesus’ words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Deacon      This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All         Praise to you, O Christ.

The Gospel procession returns, accompanied by an organ fanfare.

Please sit.

HOMILY      The Dean of Chapel

CREED

Please stand and face the altar.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

We pray to the Father.
Hear our prayer.

At the end:
Heavenly Father,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant that, as his death has recalled us to life,
so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please stand
THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please remain standing.

THE PEACE

President  The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said ‘Peace be with you’. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All  And also with you.

Due to the current restrictions the sharing of the peace is contactless this year.

OFFERTORY HYMN  Jesus Christ is risen today (NEH 110)
sung by the choir  words and music: from Lyra Davidica 1708

1 Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!
   Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
   Who did once upon the cross Alleluia!
   Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia!
   Unto Christ our heav’nly King, Alleluia!
   Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
   Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
   Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
   Now above the sky he’s King, Alleluia!
   Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

During the singing of the hymn, the altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. The President takes the bread and wine with these words:
Blessed are you, Lord our God,  
King of all creation.  
You bring food out of the earth:  
bread to strengthen the hearts of your people,  
and wine to make us glad.  

All  **Blessed be God for ever.**

O Lord our God,  
All  accept our prayers and our gifts,  
that by your grace  
this Easter mystery of our redemption  
may perfect the saving work  
you have begun in us. Amen.

**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, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:
SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS  Missa de Angelis

sung by the choir

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please remain standing.

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.
Deacon  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.

Please sit or kneel.

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.
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.

President  Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All  Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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 GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The congregation receives communion “in one kind” – that is, bread only.
The use of the communion wine is suspended during the pandemic, but receiving just the bread is equally valid.

Please stand and remain in your place in the pews if you would like to receive communion. If you would like to receive a blessing, please stand and hold your service sheet to indicate this.

To the words of distribution, the Communicant replies Amen.

All Christians who have been baptised, who normally receive Holy Communion in their own Church and wish to do so here, are welcome to receive the bread.
During Communion, the Choir sings the motet.

**MOTET**  Now the green blade riseth  
French carol arr. Sarah MacDonald (b. 1968)

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:  
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love who had been slain,  
Thinking that He never would awake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;  
Quick from the dead the risen One is seen:  
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

**Please stand.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

President  Author of life divine, in the resurrection of your Son,  
you set before us the mystery of his triumph over sin and death;  
may all who are washed in the waters of rebirth  
rise to newness of life  
and find the promised presence of your abundant grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All  Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. **Amen.**
THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

President  God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you by his life-giving Spirit
to walk with him in the paths of righteousness and peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN  Thine be the glory (NEH 120)
sung by the choir  words: Edmond Budry (1854-1932); tr. Richard Hoyle (1875-1939)
music: G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

1  Thine be the glory, risen, conqu’ring Son:
Endless is the vict’ry thou o’er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu’ring Son;
endless is the vict’ry thou o’er death hast won.

2  Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting. Refrain.

3  No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu’rors, through thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. Refrain.

SOLEMN DISMISSAL

President  Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
Choir  Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Please remain standing while the Ministers and choir depart.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY  Pièce d’orgue (BWV 572) – J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
Happy Easter!