



CHORAL EVENSONG

TO CELEBRATE THE

700TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday 26th June 2021 at 6.00pm

Officiant – The Rector

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE JS Bach – *O Lamm Gottes*, BWV 618 CV Stanford – Prelude no. 4 in F, Op 101

¶ Please stand

THE SENTENCE

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

THE INVITATION TO CONFESSION

DearLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

¶ Please kneel or sit

THE GENERAL CONFESSION

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

A LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and + absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

¶ Please sit

THE VERSICLES AND RESPONSES - T Brown 'Lincoln' Responses

- *Priest* O Lord, open thou our lips
- *Choir* and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
- *Priest* O God, make speed to save us.
- *Choir* O Lord, make haste to help us.

Priest Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
Choir as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Priest Praise ye the Lord.
Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALM 84

O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; they will be alway praising thee. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee, in whose heart are thy ways, who, going through the vale of misery use it for a well and the pools are filled with water. They will go from strength to strength, and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion. O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob. Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed. For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness. For the Lord God is a light and defence; the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life. O Lord God of hosts, blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

THE FIRST LESSON - read by Jane Hawking

The First Lesson is written in the twenty ninth chapter of the first book of the Chronicles, beginning at the sixth verse

Then the leaders of ancestral houses made their freewill-offerings, as did also the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of the thousands and of the hundreds, and the officers over the king's work. They gave for the service of the house of God five thousand talents and ten thousand darics of gold, ten thousand talents of silver, eighteen thousand talents of bronze, and one hundred thousand talents of iron. Whoever had precious stones gave them to the treasury of the house of the Lord, into the care of Jehiel the Gershonite. Then the people rejoiced because these had given willingly, for with single mind they had offered freely to the Lord; King David also rejoiced greatly. Then David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly; David said: 'Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, for ever and ever. Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Riches and honour come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might; and it is in your hand to make great and to give strength to all. And now, our God, we give thanks to you and praise your glorious name.

Here endeth the First Lesson

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THE MAGNIFICAT – sung to the setting by C V Stanford in C

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.

¶ Please sit

THE SECOND LESSON - read by Jayne Ringrose

The Second Lesson is written in the second chapter of the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians, beginning at the nineteenth verse

S o then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Here endeth the Second Lesson

THE NUNC DIMITTIS – sung to Stanford in C

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.

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THE APOSTLES CREED

I BELIEVE in God, 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 Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

¶ Please kneel or sit

THE LESSER LITANY AND RESPONSES The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

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.

- Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
- *Choir* And grant us thy salvation.
- Priest. O Lord, save the Queen.
- *Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
- *Priest* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
- *Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.
- Priest. O Lord, save thy people.
- *Choir* And bless thine inheritance.
- Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
- *Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Priest. O God, make clean our hearts within us. *Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

OGOD, whom year by year we praise for the dedication of this church; Hear, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people, and grant that whosoever shall worship before thee in this place, may obtain thy merciful aid and protection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OGOD, 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.

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

THE ANTHEM - William Byrd Teach us, O Lord (soloist: Elisabeth Marksteiner)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments : for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies : and not to covetousness. O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity : and quicken me in thy ways. O stablish thy word in thy servant : that I may fear thee. Glory be to the Father, and to the Sun, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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THE PRAYERS

¶ Please stand

THE HYMN NEH 357 Father, hear the prayer we offer



- 1 Father, hear the prayer we offer: Not for ease that prayer shall be, But for strength that we may ever Live our lives courageously.
- 2 Not for ever in green pastures Do we ask our way to be; But the steep and rugged pathway May we tread rejoicingly.

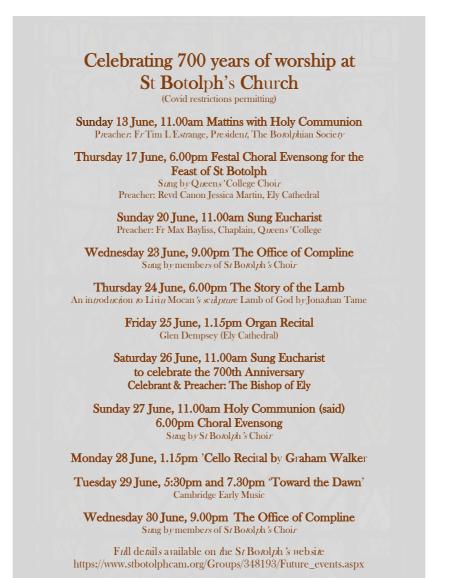
- Not for ever by still watersWould we idly rest and stay;But would smite the living fountainsFrom the rocks along our way.
- Be our strength in hours of weakness, In our wanderings be our guide; Through endeavour, failure, danger, Father, be thou at our side.

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.**

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY CV Stanford – Postlude no. 2 in G, 'On a Theme of Gibbons', Op 105 Organist : Jonathan Hellyer Jones

> Choir of St Botolph's Church Directed by Tim Brown





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'CELLO RECITAL



Graham Walker

Magdalene College

JS Bach 'Cello Suite no. 2 in D minor, BWV 1008 Imogen Holst The Fall of the Leaf Paul Hindemith Sonata for unaccompanied 'cello

Monday 28 June, 1.15pm

ADMISSION FREE (retiring collection) (subject to Covid restrictions)

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TUESDAY 29th June 5.30 and 7.30pm

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