KING’S COLLEGE CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Choral Evensong

(following the Feast of Christ the King)

Led by Rev Dr James Garnett
Honorary Methodist Chaplain

Chapel Podcast
Season 3 Episode 8

Order of Service
Choral Evensong is a beautifully reflective service in which the song of voices sounding together in harmony is heard at the even point between the active day and restful night, allowing those listening time for contemplation.

Originating from the combination of the two monastic services of Vespers and Compline, Evensong is one of the traditional services of the Anglican (Episcopal) Church which came into use around 1549. Composers such as William Byrd and Thomas Tallis started composing exquisite polyphonic music for Evensong some decades later, and that tradition of composing music for the service continues to this day.

The words of this ancient service connect us to the worship that has gone on in the University Chapel for centuries and will continue after us.

Whilst the service is led by clergy and choir, the congregation are invited to participate by singing the hymns, joining in the words in bold type and by standing for the ‘Gloria Patri…’ (‘Glory be to the Father…’) at various points in the service. As with the other directions given for standing and sitting, please feel free to do what is most comfortable for you throughout the service.

We hope you find this time of reflection in word and song both comforting and refreshing.

This evening the Introit has been composed by our King’s College Chapel Organ Scholar, Martin Willems.

We welcome you to Wednesday Worship every week during term time
Introit  
*Clap your hands, all ye people*  
Martin Willems (b1998)

Welcome

Hymn 128  
How shall I sing

Minister: Seeing we are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and perfecter of our faith. *(Hebrews 12. 1, 2.)*

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All: We confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us. Almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting. Amen.

Priest: May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Preces and Responses:* S Wallace in G major

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips;  
Choir: And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.  
Minister: O God, make speed to save us;  
Choir: O Lord, make haste to help us.

*(Congregation please stand)*

Minister: 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

Minister: Praise ye the Lord;  
Choir: The Lord's Name be praised.

*(Congregation please sit)*
Psalm 150 – chant: C V Stanford

O praise God in his holiness:
praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts:
praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet:
praise him on the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances:
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals:
praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let everything that hath breath:
praise the Lord.

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.

Old Testament Lesson   Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Choir: Magnificat: R Vaughan Williams in C major (1872-1958)


Choir: Nunc Dimittis: R Vaughan Williams in C major (1872-1958)

(Congregation please stand)

All: 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 Catholic Church; The communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

(Congregation please sit)
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.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen;
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
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 God, make clean our hearts within us;
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY
Holy God, who hast given unto thy Son Jesus Christ the Name which is above every name: mercifully grant that as thy faithful people have comfort and peace in his Name, so they may ever labour to proclaim it unto all nations; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
THE SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE

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.

THE THIRD COLLECT, FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

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.

Anthem: Jesu, joy of man’s desiring  J S Bach (1685-1750)

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn 465  Be thou my vision

All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Recessional  Prelude in A minor BWV 543  J S Bach (1685-1750)
University of Aberdeen Chapel Choir
Stuart Muir, Director of Chapel and Ceremonial Music

Samuel Scheibe, Hopkin Conducting Scholar
Allen Quinn, King’s College Chapel Conducting Scholar

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
Weekly Events in King’s College Chapel

Sunday at 6.30pm
Mass celebrated by the Catholic Chaplain

Monday to Friday Morning Prayers
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 8.30am - 8.50am
Wednesday: 8am - 8.20am

Monday to Friday from 1pm to 2pm – Quiet time
The Chapel provides a space of peace and tranquility in the middle of our busy campus and lives.

Chaplaincy On-line Events

Monday, 1pm to 2pm
Bible Study exploring the Gospel of John via Teams

Wednesday, 12 noon to 1pm
Book Group via Teams. The book for the term is *How to Fly: (in Ten Thousand Easy Lessons)* by Barbara Kingsolver

Events in the Chaplaincy Centre

Monday and Tuesday Pet and Companion (PEACE)
Sessions are available on Mondays with Mary and Kimmie from 11am - 3pm and Tuesdays with Miranda and Spud from 1.30pm - 3.30pm. Please e-mail chaplaincy@abdn.ac.uk to book a 30 minute appointment.

Wednesday and Thursday 11am to 3pm
Lightbox available. Please e-mail to book a 30 minute session.

We are open for visitors on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11am to 3pm

SPECIAL EVENT

University Carol Service - St Machar’s Cathedral
Wednesday 8 December 2021 at 7.30pm

To book a place please visit www.abdn.ac.uk/events or contact the Chaplaincy Office