



Closing Worship Service

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JESUS & THE WORLD'S FAITHS

CLOSING WORSHIP SERVICE

FOLLOWING THE LITURGY OF THE CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA

6:00 pm , 12 July, 2018 | *Magdalene College Chapel*

University of Cambridge

PREPARATION

Preludes

Organist: Richard Hinitt

Pastorella BWV 590

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Prière à Notre-Dame from Suite Gothique

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

Jesus said: I am the vine, you are the branches.

Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit.

Apart from me you can do nothing.

– JOHN 15:5

Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious God, in whom alone our hearts find rest and peace: we ask you to reveal yourself to us in this hour of worship; pour down upon us your spiritual gifts; and grant that this season of holy quiet may be profitable to us in heavenly things, and refresh and strengthen us to finish the work which you have given us to do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(All may stand)

PRAISE

HYMN

At the Name of Jesus

- 1 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him King of glory now;
'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.
- 2 At his voice creation sprang at once to sight:
all the angel faces, all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations, stars upon their way,
all the heavenly orders in their great array.
- 3 Humbled for a season, to receive a name
from the lips of sinners, unto whom he came;
faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious when from death he passed;
- 4 bore it up triumphant, with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures, to the central height,
to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast,
filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.
- 5 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true.
Look to him, your Savior, in temptations' hour;
let his will enfold you in its light and power.
- 6 Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory o'er the earth to reign;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

Words: Caroline Noel (1817-1877)

Music: *King's Weston*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

CONFESSION

Brothers and sisters, we have come together to hear God's most holy Word. Let us therefore kneel and examine ourselves in silence, seeking God's grace that we may draw near to him with repentance and faith.

(All may kneel. Silence is kept)

You who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and peace with your neighbour, and intend to live a new life, following the commandments of God and walking from now on in his holy ways, make your humble confession to the compassionate God, that you may be reconciled anew to him through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbour. We have walked in darkness rather than in light; we have named the name of Christ, but have not departed from iniquity. Have mercy upon us, we ask you; for the sake of Jesus Christ forgive us all our sins; cleanse us by your Holy Spirit; quicken our consciences; and enable us to forgive others; that we may hereafter serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

The Saviour of the world, the refuge of the repentant, forgives and strengthens all who truly seek his grace. He accepts you as his sons and daughters, and sets you free from the bondage of your past. For Christ died and rose to new life that we might all share his wholeness and abundant life. As God's own people, be merciful in action, kind in heart, humble in mind. Be always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven you. And, above everything else, be loving and never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for you.

Amen, thanks be to God.

(All may stand)

THE PEACE

Having been forgiven and made whole through our Peacemaker, let us live together in Peace. God's Peace challenges us and guides us towards the acts of justice, peace and integration of the whole creation. Let us say 'Shalom' to one another and give each other a sign of reconciliation and peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(All may be seated)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your Word is a lamp to guide us.

And a light for our path.

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Galatians 2:15-21

We thank you God for speaking to us.

Thanks be to you, O God.

(All may stand)

HYMN

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners

- 1 Jesus! what a friend for sinners!
Jesus! lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

REFRAIN

Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah! what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

- 2 Jesus! what a strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in Him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. REFRAIN

- 3 Jesus! what a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul. REFRAIN

THE SECOND READING

Luke 7:36-50

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

- 4 Jesus! what a guide and keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
He, my pilot, hears my cry. REFRAIN

5 Jesus! I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find,
He hath granted me forgiveness,
I am His, and He is mine. **REFRAIN**

Words: J. Wilbur Chapman (1859-1918)

Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

(All may be seated)

THE SERMON

“Jesus and the Redemption of Touch”

Professor Miroslav Volf

(All may stand)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We affirm our faith in one God—

Source of all life, greater than all names and forms, source of our being, closer than any. Upon this one God we depend for all we are and for all that ever will be.

And we affirm our faith in Christ—

Who has shown us the way to true life. By breaking the chain of human bondage, through his self-giving life and death and by his rising again, he has given us hope for a new humanity, hope for the healing of earth’s life.

And we affirm our faith in the living Spirit of God—

Through whom we awaken to God’s purpose for the world, and share in the freedom, joy and peace of the children of God. For by his Spirit God’s love has flooded our lives, shaping us into a community of forgiven and freely accepted brothers and sisters set apart for God’s service, risen with Christ we share in his work for God’s world of everlasting life, justice and peace. Amen.

(All may kneel)

THE PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, holy be your name. Your kingdom come; your will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

SUFFRAGES

○ Lord, show your mercy upon us;

And grant us your salvation.

Endow your ministers with righteousness;

And make your chosen people joyful.

○ Lord, save your people;

And give your blessing to your Church.

○ Lord, be gracious to our countries;

And mercifully hear us when we call upon you.

○ Lord, guide our leaders;

And give them wisdom from above.

Give peace to the world, O Lord;
And let your kingdom come on earth.
O Lord, make us mindful of all in trouble and distress;
And deliver those who are oppressed and marginalized.
O God, send your Holy Spirit upon us;
And make clean our hearts within us.

THE COLLECTS

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding; pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, whose will it is to be glorified in your saints, and who raised up your servant Lesslie Newbigin to be a light in the world; Shine, we pray, in our hearts, that we also in our generation may show forth your praise, who called us out of darkness into your marvelous light; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

Amen.

THE BLESSING

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honour all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit and may the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always.

Amen.

HYMN

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.

Words: William Williams (1717-1791)

Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

Let us depart in peace
In the name of Christ. Amen

POSTLUDE

Sun Dance
Bob Chilcott (b.1955)