

THE CHAPEL - UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW
THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY 1993

**(an Order of Service devised by the Chapel worship committee
in consultation with the preacher)**

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ORGAN PRELUDE: "Kyrie, Gott vater in Ewigkeit ... eleison!", J S Bach, (Clavierübung III:1739) [Lord, God the Father in Eternity ... have mercy!], in Peter Williams, ed., *The Organ Music of J S Bach* (CUP:1980) vol 2.

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- 1 PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 401** (*omit verses 3 and 5*)
- *Attributed to St Patrick*
- I bind unto myself today
The strong Name of the Trinity
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One, and One in Three.
- 2** I bind this day to me for ever,
By power of faith, Christ's Incarnation;
His baptism in the Jordan river;
His death on cross for my salvation;
His bursting from the spic-ed tomb;
His riding up the heavenly way;
His coming at the day of doom;
I bind unto myself today.
- 4** I bind unto myself today
The power of God to hold and lead,
His eye to watch, his might to stay,
His ear to hearken to my need,
The wisdom of my God to teach,
His hand to guide, his shield to ward,
The word of God to give me speech,
His heavenly host to be my guard.
- 6** I bind unto myself the Name,
The strong Name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One, and One in Three,
Of whom all nature hath creation,

Eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
Praise to the Lord of my salvation:
Salvation is of Christ the Lord.

2 **MINISTER:**

O the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God:
how incomprehensible are his judgements,
how unsearchable his ways.
Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: LET US PRAISE HIM
AND EXULT HIM ABOVE ALL FOREVER.

3 **PRAYER** [based on "*Common Order*"(1994)]

MINISTER:

In the name of the Father,
In the name of the Son, In the name of the Spirit, Three in One:

PEOPLE: GOD MAKE US HOLY,
CHRIST MAKE US HOLY,
SPIRIT MAKE US HOLY,
THREE, ALL-HOLY.

MINISTER:

Count us not as nothing, O God,
Count us not as nothing, O Christ,
Count us not as nothing, O kind Spirit.
Nor abandon us to eternal loss.

PEOPLE: WE CONFESS OUR SINS TO YOU,
FATHER, SON, AND SPIRIT HOLY.
COMPASSIONATE GOD OF LIFE,
YOUR KINDLY PARDON GIVE,
IN OUR CARELESS TALK,
OUR EMPTY SPEECH;
IN ALL THAT WE HAVE LEFT UNDONE,
IN ALL THAT WE HAVE DONE AMISS.

MINISTER:

Jesus, only-begotten Son
and Lamb of God the Father,
you gave the wine-blood of your body
to save us from the grave.

As we receive the word
 and knowledge of your forgiveness,
 enshield, encircle us,
 each day, each night,
 each dark, each light.
 Uphold us,
 be our treasure,
 our triumph everlasting;
 strong Son of God most high.

A - B (LINK)

I CHOIR AND PEOPLE: Te Deum laudamus ... 345

- 1 We praise \ Thee O \ God:
 we ac- \ knowledge thee to \ be the \ Lord:
 All the \ earth doth \ worship thee:
 the \ Father \ ever- \ lasting.
- 2 To thee all angels \ cry a- \ loud:
 the \ heavens and \ all the \ powers therein:
 To thee \ cherubim and \ seraphim:
 con- \ tinual- \ ly do \ cry.
- 3 Holy holy holy Lord \ God of Sa- \ baoth:
 Heaven and earth are full of the \ majesty \ of thy \ glory:
 The glorious company of the a- \ postles \ praise thee:
 The goodly \ fellowship of the \ prophets \ praise thee.
- 4 The noble army of \ martyrs \ praise thee:
 The holy church throughout \ all the \ world
 doth ac- \ knowledge thee
 The Father of an \ infinite \ majesty:
 Thine honourable true and only son
 also the \ Holy \ Ghost the \ Comforter.
- 5 Thou art the King of \ Glory O \ Christ:
 Thou art the ever- \ lasting \ Son of the \ Father:
 When thou tookest upon thee to de- \ liver \ man:
 Thou didst not ab- \ hor the \ Virgin's \ womb.
- 6 When thou hadst overcome the \ sharpness of \ death:
 Thou didst open the Kingdom of \ Heaven to \ all be- \ lievers:
 Thou sittest at the \ right hand of \ God:
 in the \ glory \ of the \ Father.

- 7 We believe that thou shalt come to \ be our \ Judge:
 We therefore pray thee help thy servants
 whom thou hast re-deemed with thy precious \ blood:
 Make them to be \ numbered with thy \ saints:
 in \ glory \ ever- \lasting.
- 8 O Lord save thy people and \ bless thine \ heritage:
 Govern them and \ lift them \ up for \ ever:
 Day by day we \ magnify \ thee
 And we worship thy \ Name ever \ world without \ end.
- 9 Vouchsafe O Lord to keep us this \ day without \ sin:
 O Lord have mercy up- \ on us have \ mercy up- \ on us:
 O Lord let thy mercy lighten upon us as our \ trust is in \ thee:
 O Lord in thee have I trusted let me \ never \ be con-founded.

- 2 MINISTER:
 Whosoever will be saved:
 before all things,
 it is necessary that he hold the true Christian Faith. (i)
 And the true Christian Faith is this:
 that we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity.
(Athanasian Creed)

PEOPLE: FATHER, CREATOR -
 SON, REDEEMER -
 HOLY SPIRIT, SANCTIFIER.

MINISTER: Let us confess our Faith in God the Father
 in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

- (ii) PEOPLE: I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD,
 THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,
 MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

- (iii) READER: 1 There is one Father, neither created nor begotten ...
(Athanasian Creed)

READER: 2 [He is] the Father Almighty,
 maker ... of all things visible and invisible.
(Nicene Creed)

MINISTER:3 You O Lord, are the eternal Father of us all.
Have mercy on us,
preserve us,
and grant us your peace.

PEOPLE: AMEN.

CHOIR: *Benedictus es, Domine, in firmamento caeli.
Et laudabilis et gloriosus in saecula.
(Verse/Response Antiphonale Monasticum, 537).*

Translation: Blessed are you, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.
And greatly to be praised and glorified forever.

3 FIRST LESSON FIRST The vision of the prophet, Isaiah.
... I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted,
and the skirt of his robe filled the temple.
Seraphim were in attendance on him.
Each had six wings:
with one pair of wings they covered their faces
and with another their bodies,
and with the third pair they flew.
They were calling to one another.

[CHOIR] "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts:
the whole earth is full of his glory."
[Hosanna in the highest]
(*Mikolajus Ciurlionis, 1875-1911*)

As each called,
the threshold shook to its foundations at the sound,
while the house began to fill with clouds of smoke.
Then I said,
"Woe is me! I am doomed,
for my own eyes have seen the King, the Lord of Hosts,
I, a man of unclean lips,
I, who dwell among a people of unclean lips."
One of the seraphim flew to me,
carrying in his hand a glowing coal
which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.
He touched my mouth with it and said,
"This has touched your lips;
now your iniquity is removed and your sin is wiped out."
I heard the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" (*Isaiah 6:1-8*)

- 1 CHOIR: *Benedictus es, Domine, in firmamento caelii.
Et Laudabilis et gloriosus in saecula.*
- Translation: Blessed are you, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.
And greatly to be praised and glorified forever.
- 2(i) MINISTER Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation
that we also believe rightly
the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.
For the right Faith is
that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Son of God,
is God and man.
(Athanasian Creed)
Let us confess our Faith in God the Son,
in the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- (ii) PEOPLE: [I BELIEVE] IN JESUS CHRIST
HIS ONLY SON OUR LORD,
WHO WAS CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT,
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 IS SEATED ON THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD
THE FATHER ALMIGHTY;
FROM THENCE HE SHALL COME
TO JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD.
(Apostles' Creed)
- (iii) READER: 1 The Son of the Father alone;
not made, nor created,
Father before all worlds ... *(Athanasian Creed)*
- PEOPLE: 2 GOD FROM GOD
LIGHT FROM LIGHT
TRUE GOD FROM TRUE GOD
- READER: 3 [He is] of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made. *(Nicene Creed)*
- READER: 4 God, of the substance of the Father *(Athanasian Creed)*

READER: 5 Man, of the substance of his Mother

READER: 6 Perfect God, as touching his Godhead;
and inferior to the Father, as touching his manhood.

READER: 7 Although he is God and man,
yet he is not two, but one Christ.

READER: 8 One, not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh,
but by taking the manhood into God.

MINISTER:9 O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
Redeemer of the world,
have mercy upon us. (*Variant of the "Jesus Prayer"*)

PEOPLE: AMEN.

- 3 SECOND LESSON: The manifestation of the Trinity at the baptism of Christ
... Jesus arrived at the Jordan from Galilee, and came to John to be baptized
by him. John tried to dissuade him. "Do you come to me?" he said. "It is I
who need to be baptized by you." Jesus replied, "Let it be so for the present;
it is right for us to do all that God requires." Then John allowed him to come.
No sooner had Jesus been baptized and come up out of the water than the
heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove to
alight on him. And there came a voice from heaven saying, "This is my
beloved Son, in whom I take delight." (*Matthew 3: 13-17*)

READER Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Spirit

PEOPLE: LET US PRAISE HIM
AND EXULT HIM ABOVE ALL FOREVER.

HYMN 198 (*omit verses 3 & 4*)
- Prudentius (358 - c.413)

- 1 Of the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is alpha and omega,
He the source, the ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore.

- 2 O that birth forever bless-ed
When the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bare the Saviour of our race,
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer.
First revealed his sacred face,
Evermore and evermore.

2(i) MINISTER:

Let us confess our Faith in the Holy Spirit
according to the Apostles' Creed.

- (iii) READER: 1 The Holy Spirit is of the Father, and of the Son,
neither made, not created, nor begotten,
but proceeding (Athanasian Creed)
from the Father and the Son. (Nicene Creed)

READER: 2 [He is] the Lord, the giver of life ...
 who has spoken [through] the prophets ...
 [and] is worshipped and glorified
 together with the Father and the Son ... (*Nicene Creed*)

READER: 3 the glory equal,
 the majesty co-eternal ...
 as we are compelled by the Christian Verity:
 to acknowledge every person [of the Trinity] by Himself
 to be God and Lord;
 so we are forbidden to say,
 there are three Gods, or three Lords. (*Athanasian Creed*)

3 THIRD READING
 Peter's address at Caesarea
 and the outpouring of the Spirit on the Gentiles

... "I now understand how true it is that God has no favourites, but that in every nation those who are god-fearing and do what is right are acceptable to him. He sent his word to the Israelites and gave the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. I need not tell you what has happened lately all over the land of the Jews, starting from Galilee after the baptism proclaimed by John. You know how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Because God was with him he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil. And we can bear witness to all that he did in the Jewish countryside and in Jerusalem. They put him to death, hanging him on a gibbet; but God raised him to life on the third day, and allowed him to be clearly seen, not by the whole people, but by witnesses whom God had chosen in advance - by us, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to proclaim him to the people, and affirm that he is the one designated by God as judge of the living and the dead. It is to him that all the prophets testify, declaring that everyone who trusts in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Peter was still speaking when the Holy Spirit came upon all who were listening to the message. The believers who had come with Peter, men of Jewish birth, were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out even on Gentiles; for they could hear them speaking in tongues of ecstasy and acclaiming the greatness of God. Then Peter spoke:

"Is anyone prepared to withhold the water of baptism from these persons, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we did?" Then he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

(*Acts 10:34-49*)

READER: The Father is Love, the Son is Grace,
 the Holy Spirit is the Bond of Union.

PEOPLE: O BLESSED TRINITY,
THE FATHER INCOMPREHENSIBLE,
THE SON INCOMPREHENSIBLE,
THE HOLY SPIRIT INCOMPREHENSIBLE.

B-C LINK

HYMN 334 - Timothy Rees (1874-1939)

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever living
As the Church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving
Through her in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming
In the Church the mind of Christ;
Thee we praise with endless worship
For thy fruit and gifts unpriced.
- 2 Holy Spirit, every working
Through the Church's ministry;
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving,
Setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, every binding
Age to age, and soul to soul,
In a fellowship unending
Thee we worship and extol.

SERMON: The Reverend T Graeme Longmuir, MA, BEd,
[Chaplain, Strathallan School, Perth.]

CHORALE PRELUDE: "Christe, aller Welt Trost ... eleison!"
(Clavierübung III), J S Bach
[Christ, consolation of all the world ... have mercy!]

PRAYERS

MINISTER Lord, hear us;

PEOPLE LORD, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US.

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HYMN - Paraphrase of the Nicene Creed (Martin Luther, 1483-1546)

- 1 We all believe in one true God,
 Maker of the earth and heaven,
 The Father, who to us in love
 Hath the right of children given.
 He both soul and body feedeth,
 All we need he doth provide us;
 He through snares and perils leadeth,
 Watching that no harm betide us.
 He careth for us day and night,
 All things are governed by his might.

- 2 We all believe in Jesus Christ,
 His own Son, our Lord, possessing
 As equal godhead, throne and might,
 Source of every grace and blessing;
 Was incarnate by the Spirit
 Of the chosen virgin-mother,
 That the lost might life inherit,
 Made true man, our elder brother;
 Was crucified for sinful men,
 and raised by God to life again.

- 3 We in the Holy Ghost believe,
 Who sweet grace and comfort giveth,
 And with the Father and the Son
 In eternal glory liveth;
 Who the Church, his own creation,
 Keeps in unity of spirit;
 Here forgiveness and salvation
 Daily come through Jesus' merit.
 All flesh shall rise, and we shall be
 In bliss with God eternally.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist ... eleison!"

J S Bach (Clavierübung III)

[Lord, God the Holy Spirit ... have mercy!]