Choral Evensong

YALE CONSORT

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OCTOBER 22, 2024 5:30 PM CHRIST CHURCH NEW HAVEN Yale Consort is a professional vocal ensemble sponsored by the Yale Institute of Sacred Music. It is conducted by Professor James O'Donnell and provides high-quality choral music in partnership with Yale School of Music and Yale Divinity students through weekly term-time evening services in local parishes and chapels.

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The Office of Evensong presented this evening is in accordance with the Book of Common Prayer (1662) and (1979)

Prelude on Slane

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

All stand as the Choir and ministers enter

The Choir sings the Introit

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words: Collect for the 3rd Sunday after Epiphany Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

The Officiant says a sentence of Scripture

All remain standing as the Officiant and the Choir sing the Preces

V O Lord, open thou our lips. R And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

V O God, make speed to save us. R O Lord, make haste to help us.

V Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

R As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

V Praise ye the Lord. R The Lord's name be praised.

Matthew Martin (b. 1976)

All sit. The Choir sings Psalm 39

I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I offend not in my tongue.

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle, while the ungodly is in my sight.

I held my tongue, and spake nothing: I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me: and while I was thus musing the fire kindled, * and at the last I spake with my tongue:

Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days; * that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long, and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; * and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain; * he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope? Truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences; and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

I became dumb, and opened not my mouth; for it was thy doing.

Take thy plague away from me:

I am even consumed by the means of thy heavy hand.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment:

every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling; * hold not thy peace at my tears;

For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength, before I go hence, and be no more seen.

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.

James Turle (1802-1882)

All remain seated for the First Lesson (Sirach 6:5-17)

All stand. The Choir sings Magnificat (Song of Mary, Luke 1:39-56)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior, for he hath regarded the lowliness of his

hand-maiden.

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.

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1988) in G

All sit for the Second Lesson (Luke 10:1-16)

All stand. The Choir sings Nunc dimittis (Song of Simeon, Luke 1:39-56)

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.

Charles Villiers Stanford in G

All sing together 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 catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Officiant and Choir sing the Responses

- V The Lord be with you.
- R And with thy spirit.
- V Let us pray.

All kneel or sit

- V Lord, have mercy upon us.
- R Christ, have mercy upon us.
- V 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.

V O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

V O Lord, save the State.

V Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

V O Lord, save thy people.

V Give peace in our time, O Lord.

V O God, make clean our hearts within us.

R And grant us thy salvation.

R And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

R And make thy chosen people joyful.

R And bless thine inheritance.

R Because there is none other that fighteth for us,

but only thou, O God.

R And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect of the day, for peace, and for aid against all perils

Almighty and everlasting God, who in Christ hast revealed thy glory among the nations: Preserve the works of thy mercy, that thy Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of thy Name; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

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 Savior. 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 Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Matthew Martin

All sit. The Choir sings the Anthem

I love all beauteous things, I seek and adore them; God hath no better praise, And man in his hasty days Is honored for them.

I too will something make
And joy in the making;
Altho' to-morrow it seem
Like the empty words of a dream
Remembered on waking.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) Music: Judith Weir (b. 1954) All kneel as the Officiant offers prayers for the church and for the world

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

Amen.

The Dismissal

V Let us bless the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

All stand to sing Hymn 482: Lord of all Hopefulness (Slane)

The hymn may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982 at your seat

All remain standing as the Choir and ministers depart

MUSIC AFTER THE SERVICE Prelude in G, BWV 568

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

All are invited to remain seated until the conclusion of the organ voluntary

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Yale Consort

James O'Donnell, conductor Holly Broadbent, M.M. '25, organist

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