

YALE INSTITUTE OF SACRED MUSIC

Choral Evensong

YALE CONSORT

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5:15 PM

CHRIST CHURCH

NEW HAVEN

Yale Consort is a newly formed professional vocal ensemble conducted by Professor James O'Donnell and sponsored by the Yale Institute of Sacred Music. It provides high quality choral music through a series of evening services in local parishes and chapels. The centuries-old tradition of Choral Evensong encourages quiet contemplation through hymns, psalms, canticles, prayer, and reflection. For more information and to view all upcoming evening services, please use the QR code.



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

ORGAN PRELUDE

Pavana Lachrimae

Heinrich Scheidemann (1595 – 1663)

All stand as the Choir and ministers enter

The Choir sings the Introit

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee,
now and evermore.
Amen.

Words: Lidley's Prayers, 1566
Music: Richard Farrant (1530-1580)

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. Praise ye the Lord.

Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

All sit. The Choir sings Psalm 47

O clap your hands together, all ye people:
O sing unto God with the voice of melody.
For the Lord is high, and to be feared:
he is the great King upon all the earth.
He shall subdue the people under us:
and the nations under our feet.
He shall choose out an heritage for us:
even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.
God is gone up with a merry noise:
and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
O sing praises, sing praises unto our God:

O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
For God is the King of all the earth:
sing ye praises with understanding.
God reigneth over the heathen:
God sitteth upon his holy seat.
The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham:
for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

Chant: John Goss (1800–1880)

All remain seated for the First Lesson (Deuteronomy 9:4-12)

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.

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)
Short Service

All sit for the Second Lesson (1 Corinthians 1:20-31)

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.

*Orlando Gibbons
Short Service*

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. R And grant us thy salvation.
V O Lord, save the State. R And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
V Endue thy ministers with righteousness. R And make thy chosen people joyful.
V O Lord, save thy people. R And bless thine inheritance.
V Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
V O God, make clean our hearts within us. 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, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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.

Thomas Morley

All sit. The Choir sings the Anthem

Nolo mortem peccatoris;
Haec sunt verba Salvatoris.
Father I am thine only Son, sent down
from heav'n mankind to save.
Father, all things fulfilled and done
according to thy will, I have.
Father, my will now all is this:
Nolo mortem peccatoris.
Father, behold my painful smart,
taken for man on ev'ry side;
Ev'n from my birth to death most tart,
no kind of pain I have denied,
but suffered all, and all for this:
Nolo mortem peccatoris.

*"I do not wish the death of a sinner."
These are the words of the Savior.*

*Words: John Redford (?-1547)
Music: Thomas Morley*

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.

*All stand to sing **Hymn 150**. The hymn may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982 at your seat*

The Blessing

V The Lord be with you. R **And with thy spirit.**
V Let us bless the Lord. R **Thanks be to God.**

All remain standing as the ministers depart

MUSIC AFTER THE SERVICE

Prelude from Prelude and Fugue No. 2

Elsa Barraine (1910-1999)

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

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