CHORAL EUCHARIST

on the Day of Pentecost

Sunday 8th June 2025 | 11.00am



Setting Missa Brevis in D Mozart

Psalm 104, 25-36

Gospel



Motet O for a closer walk with God.

A calm and heavenly frame; A light to shine upon the road

That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return, Sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God, Calm and serene my frame; So purer light shall mark the road That leads me to the Lamb.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800)

Music: Hymn (after a Song of Wisdom) Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

Organ Fantasia super 'Komm, Heiliger Geist', BWV 651 J. S. Bach



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The Opening Hymn



Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes, in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Words: Discendi, amor santo Bianco da Siena (d.1434) translated Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890) Music: DOWN AMPNEY Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Offertory Hymn



- 1. Come, Holy Spirit, come!
 Inflame our souls with love,
 transforming every heart and home
 with wisdom from above.
 Let none of us despise
 the humble path Christ trod,
 but choose, to shame the worldly wise,
 the foolishness of God.
- 2. Come with the gift to heal the wounds of guilt and fear, and to oppression's face reveal the kingdom drawing near. Where chaos longs to reign, descend, O holy Dove, and free us all to work again the miracles of love.
- 3. Spirit of truth, arise:
 Inspire the prophet's voice:
 Expose to scorn the tyrant's lies, and bid the poor rejoice.
 O Spirit, clear our sight, all prejudice remove, and help us to discern the right, and covet only love.

Words: Michael Forster (b. 1946)

- 4. Give us the tongues to speak, in every time and place, to rich and poor, to strong and weak, the word of love and grace. Enable us to hear the words that others bring, interpreting with open ear the special song they sing
- 5. Come, Holy Spirit, dance within our hearts today, our earthbound spirits to entrance, our mortal fears allay.

 And teach us to desire, all other things above, that self-consuming holy fire, the perfect gift of love.

Music: DIADEMATA George J. Elvey (1816-93)

The Closing Hymn



All for Jesus! all for Jesus! This our song shall ever be; for we have no hope nor Saviour, if we have not hope in thee.

All for Jesus! thou wilt give us strength to serve thee hour by hour; none can move us from thy presence while we trust thy grace and power.

All for Jesus! at thine altar thou dost give us sweet content; there, dear Lord, we shall receive thee in thy holy sacrament.

All for Jesus! thou hast loved us, all for Jesus! thou hast died, all for Jesus! thou art with us, all for Jesus, glorified!

All for Jesus, all for Jesus! This the Church's song shall be, till at last we all are gathered, one in love, and one in thee.

Words: W. J. Sparrow-Simpson (1859-1952)

Music: ALL FOR JESUS John Stainer (1840-98)

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