CLARE COLLEGE CHAPEL

A Service of Music and Readings for Passiontide

with Cambridge University string players

Second Sunday in Lent

Voluntary O Mensch, bewein dein Sündegro , BWV 622

J. S Bach (1685–1750)

All stand as the choir and clergy enter

Welcome and Opening Prayer

The Dean gives words of welcome, then leads the congregation in prayer

God

Reading Mark 15: 1–32

Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

² 'A re you the king of the Jews?' asked Pilate.

'Y ou have said so,' Jesus replied.

³ The chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴ So again Pilate asked him, 'A ren't you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of.'

⁵ But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

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- 25 It was nine in the morning when they crucified him. $^{26}\,\rm The$ written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- ²⁷ They crucified two rebels with him,

Final Prayer

The Dean Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we beseech thee to set thy passion, cross and death before us, now, and in the hour of our death; that we may live as

those who have been bought with a price, and glory only in thy cross.

All Amen.

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee,

All Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

All stand

Hymn My song is love unknown,

My Saviour's love to me, Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be.

O, who am I,
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh, and die?

He came from his blest throne, Salvation to bestow: But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know.

But O, my Friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need

His life did spend!

Sometimes they strew his way, And his sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then 'Crucify!' Is all their breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.

They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful he To suffering goes, That he his foes From thence might free. Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine; Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like thine! This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

Words Samuel Crossman (1624–83)
Music Love unknown, John Ireland (1879–1962)
Descant Christopher Robinson (1936–)

Remain standing

Blessing Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm

support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with

you always.

All Amen.

Voluntary *Le Chemin de la Croix*, Op. 29:

Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

x. Jésus est dépouillé de ses vêtements

If leaving the Chapel before the end of the Voluntary, please do so quietly and respectfully to those staying to listen.

All are warmly welcome to refreshments in the Ante-Chapel

Cambridge University string players

Violin I Leon Sturdee (leader) Tamara Redmond Charlotte Howdle Imaan Kashim

> Violin II Tabitha Appel Tara Spencer Aisling Martin Emlyn Cox

Viola
Polly Almond
Alice Appleton
Annabel Marshall
Charlie Rose

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