



GIRTON COLLEGE CHAPEL

Michaelmas Term 2021



Meeting God in...

Our sermons this term will be exploring the theme of meeting God through various aspects of our lives.

WHO'S WHO?

THE CHAPLAIN: Rev'd Dr Tim Boniface

Rev'd Dr Tim Boniface is the College Chaplain. Tim is available to all members of College, and is happy to see people in confidence for any reason. He is part-time, but is around College regularly in full term. Information about office hours can be found on the Chapel noticeboard outside Tim's office (**D4A**).

Do feel free to drop in to Tim's office. He is more than happy to see you in person, talk on the phone, on Zoom, or be in contact by email (**chaplain@girton.cam.ac.uk**) if that is best for you. The Porters' Lodge can also contact Tim in an emergency.

LAY MINISTER: Dr Roland Randall, Life Fellow & Diocesan Reader

Dr Randall can be contacted by email (**rer10**).

DIRECTOR OF CHAPEL MUSIC: Gareth Wilson

Gareth (**nota1cambiata@hotmail.com**) oversees the musical life of the Chapel and runs the College Choir.

He is assisted by the **Organ Scholars, Felix Elliott (fe273)** and **Emily Nott (en360)**, also by the Choir Secretaries.

CHAPEL WARDENS:

Girton's Chapel Wardens assist the Chaplain in all practical matters relating to Chapel and are a crucial part of the community. We would always welcome more! Please contact Tim if you're interested serving as a Chapel Warden yourself, or to explore any other ways in which you might contribute to Chapel life, such as assisting with live streaming, reading or leading prayers.

STUDENT ORGANISATIONS:

Girton Christian Union Reps:

Alice Rivers (**aar51**) and Thomas Wright (**tgdw2**)

Cambridge University Catholic Chaplaincy:

www.fisherhouse.org.uk

The Chapel remains open to everyone in the College community for quiet reflection, prayer or meditation. Please read the notice upon entry about hygiene precautions. There are sometimes musical rehearsals in Chapel, but it is mostly free and peaceful. You are encouraged to make use of this beautiful calm space at any time. Any groups wishing to use the Chapel for rehearsals or meetings *must* obtain direct permission from the Chaplain beforehand.

SERVICES

CHORAL CANDLELIT COMPLINE

Compline (night prayer) will be sung by the Choir at Girton College on Tuesday evenings at 9pm during Full Term, starting on 12 October.

NB, there will be no Compline on 19 October or 9 November.

VESPERS SERVICE

Vespers (evening prayer) will be sung by the Choir at Girton College on Friday 19 November, at 6.45pm.

Come and enjoy this gentle and relaxing service.

MIDDAY COMMUNION

There will be a short service of Holy Communion at midday every other Thursday in full term.

All are welcome.

COMMEMORATION OF BENEFACTORS

Saturday 17 October, at 5.45pm for 6pm.

CHORAL EVENSONG: ALL SUNDAYS IN FULL TERM at 5.30 pm (unless otherwise stated)

Evensong in English dates back to the time of the Reformation, but many elements draw on the ancient monastic 'offices' or 'hours' (regular prayers at certain times of day), especially to the office of vespers (evening prayer). The 1662 Book of Common Prayer provides the form of words and ceremonies that the Church of England uses to this day, although the service first appeared in this form in 1549. Congregations are drawn to the rhythms of prayer that have sustained worshippers down the centuries. The Evensong at Girton is 'choral', meaning that key elements of the service are sung to beautiful choral settings by our first rate College Choir.

Choral evensong also includes a sermon of around 10 - 15 minutes, often by a guest preacher.

Our sermon theme for evensong this term explores different ways and settings in which people encounter God.

10 October: Introductory Evensong

Speaker: Rev'd Dr Tim Boniface, *College Chaplain*

Psalm: 16 (chant: Bobby McFerrin)

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 18:1-8

New Testament Reading: Mark 15:25-39

Music: Introit - If Ye Love Me (Thomas Tallis), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Evening Service in C (Charles Villiers Stanford), Anthem - Save Us, O Lord (Edward Bairstow)

17 October: Meeting God in the Homeless

Speaker: Rev'd Jon Canessa, *Community Chaplain at Newcastle Cathedral; former Chair of Cambridge Churches Homeless Project and Bishop's Advisor for Homelessness*

Psalm: 27 (chant: Trevor Weston)

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

New Testament Reading: John 8:12-20

Music: Introit - Ascension (Libby Croad), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Evening Service in B Minor (Thomas Tertius Noble), Anthem - Holy Is The True Light (William Harris)

24 October: Meeting God in Urban Spaces

Speaker: Rev'd Erin Clark, *Rector of St Matthew's Bethnal Green, author of 'Sacred Pavement'*

Psalm: 147 (chant: Nora G Thewlis)

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31:10-17

New Testament Reading: John 10:1-10

Music: Introit - Logos I (Gareth Wilson), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Evening Service in G Minor (Henry Purcell), Anthem - Teach me, O Lord (David Hurd)

31 October: All Souls' Commemorative Evensong

Title: Meeting God in Grief

Speaker: Rev'd Dr Tim Boniface, *College Chaplain*

Psalm: 23 (chant: Gareth Wilson)

First Reading: *Intimations* by Robert Chapman

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7

Music: Introit - O Lord, Hear My Prayer (Moses Hogan), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Truro Service (Dobrinka Tabakova), Anthem - Thou Wilt Keep Him In Perfect Peace (Samuel Sebastian Wesley)

7 November: Meeting God among the Icebergs

Speaker: Rev'd Harriet Johnson, *Chaplain of St Augustine's Theological College for the South East of England*

Psalm: 104 (chant: Tom Williamson)

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:20-30

New Testament Reading: Matthew 25:14-30

Music: Introit - With Great Delight (Alice Rivers), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Gloucester Service (Herbert Howells), Anthem - In Thee, O Lord, Have I Put My Trust (Samuel Coleridge Taylor)

14 November: Remembrance Sunday

Speaker: Rev'd Dr Tim Boniface, *College Chaplain*

Psalm: 25 (chant: Joe Wardhough)

Old Testament Reading: Revelation 21:1-4

New Testament Reading: John 15:1-17

Music: Introit - We Will Walk In The Valley Of Peace (Undine Smith Moore), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Evening Service in A flat (Basil Harwood), Anthem - In Memoriam (Libby Croad)

21 November: Meeting God in Music

Speaker: Gareth Wilson, *Director of Chapel Music*

Psalm: 19 (chant: Sheila T. Wrong)

Old Testament Reading: TBC

New Testament Reading: TBC

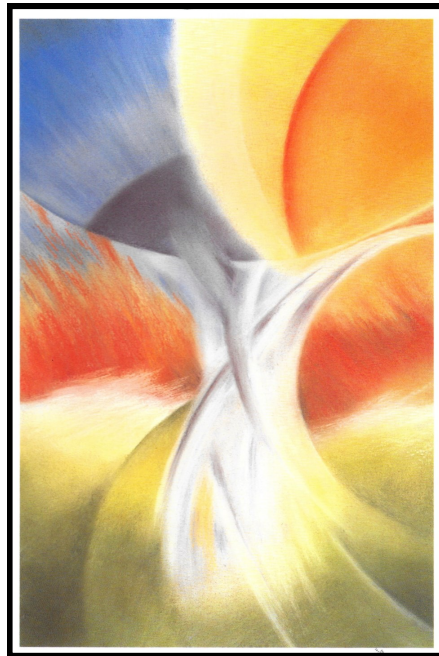
Music: Introit - Blagoslovi Dushe Moya Ghospoda (Alexander Gretchaninov), Responses - Rhiannon Randle, Canticles - Evening Service in D (Herbert Brewer), Anthem - Many Are The Wonders (Ken Burton)

28 November: Advent Carol Service, 6 pm

We begin our preparation for Christmas with a beautiful service of music, readings and light.

To include music by Ken Burton, Libby Croad, Herbert Howells, Anna Semple, and George Taylor

THIS TERM'S COVER ART



The cover art is 'Ekstasis' by Sophie Hacker

IMPORTANT LINKS

- **Chapel website:** www.girton.cam.ac.uk/life-girton/chapel-faith
 - **YouTube page (for streamed services):** search ‘Girton College Chapel’ on YouTube, or visit <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6aEopm-Dt-moE2zqYbOIBA>
 - The Chapel Choir of Girton College, Cambridge Facebookpage: www.facebook.com/GirtonChoir
 - **Follow the Choir on Twitter:** @GirtonChoir
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This year’s Chapel charities reflects the Girton Conversations theme for the year – Our Fragile Planet – and this term we are supporting a local nature conservation organisation, the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire, whose mission is “to create a wilder future by protecting and restoring wildlife and wild places across Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire”.

For more information visit:

Website: www.wildlifebcn.org

Twitter: @wildlifebcn

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