Major works of the 1980s and early 1990s include Orthodox Vigil Service; The Akathist of Thanksgiving (which was given a standing ovation in a packed Westminster Abbey at its premiere in 1988); The Protecting Veil for solo cello and strings; two large-scale choral and orchestral works, Resurrection and We Shall See Him As He Is; and an opera, Mary of Egypt, written for the 1992 Aldeburgh Festival.

The enormous popularity of Tavener's music during recent years is sustained well beyond his 50th birthday year - 1994 - marked by a major BBC Festival devoted to his music. Performances of The Protecting Veil have taken place in the USA, Canada, Greece, Sweden and Japan.

Recent commissions have been Let's Begin Again (1995), jointly commissioned by the Norfolk and Norwich Festival, Festival d'Art Sacré Paris, Greenwich Festival, London and Perth Festival, Australia; Svyati (1995) for Steven Isserlis and the Kiev Chamber Choir at the Cricklade Festival; Innocence (1994), written to commemorate the victims of World War II, premiered in October 1995 by the Westminster Abbey Choir, and recorded by Sony Classical (SK 66613), Agraphon for soprano Patricia Rozario and string orchestra, commissioned to form the centrepiece of a Tavener Festival in Athens, November 1995; Feast of Feasts (1995), commissioned by Al Bustan Festival, Lebanon and first performed by Yurlov State Academic Choir in March 1996; Prayer To The Hold Trinity (1995) commissioned by Cambridge Taverner Choir and performed by them in April 1996, at Jesus College Chapel, Cambridge; Vlepondas (1996) commissioned by the European Cultural Centre of Delphi; The Hidden Face (1996) commissioned by the City of London Sinfonia and first performed by them, conducted by Richard Hickox, with Michael Chance, counter-tenor and Nicholas Daniel, in October 1996. Tavener was a featured composer at the Perth Festival, Australia, February/March 1997.

CATALOGUE RAISONNE OF TAVENER'S COMPOSITIONS

Acclamation 1987 SSATTBB chorus
Agraphon (?) solo S/timp/str
Akathist Of Thanksgiving 1987 2ctn,2alt,ten,bar, SATB chorus, . timp, perc, (org), strings
Akhmatova Requiem 1980 sop, bass, 2timp, 3perc, cel, strings
Akhmatova Songs 1994 sop, 2vn, va, vc
Amen 1994 SATB
Angels 1985 SSATTTBBBB chorus, organ
Annunciation 1992 sop, alt, ten, bass, SATB chorus
Antiphon For Christmas Morning 1972 3sop, SSSS female choir
Apocalypse, The 1993 voices and instruments arranged in 3 spatial groups
Apolytikion For Saint Nicholas 1988 SATB chorus
Apolytikon of St Martin 1997 SATB
As one who has slept 1996 SATB
Cain And Abel 1964 sop, alt, ten, bas, timp, 3perc, harp, strings
Call, The 1988 SATB chorus:
Canciones espanolas 1972 2ctn, 2afl, perc: handbells, hpd, chamber organ
Canticle Of The Mother Of God 1976 sop, SSATBB chorus
Cappemakers, The 1964 2spks, 10vv, men's choir, perc, org, pf, harp, 2vn, va, vc
Celtic Requiem 1969 sop, children's choir, AATTBB chorus, bagpipes, 6perc, bgui, strings
Chamber Concerto 1965, timp, 4perc, harp, strings
Chant 1984 guitar
Chant vc
The Child Lived (1992) Soprano, cello
Christmas Round, A 1990 SATB chorus
Concerto for piano and orchestra 1963 pf, (timp,) strings
Coplas 1971 sop, alt, ten, bas, SATB chorus (16vv), tape
Credo 1960 tenor, SATB chorus, organ
Diodia 1997 string quartet (no 3)
Do Not Move 1990 SSATBB chorus
Doxa 1982 SSAATTB chorus
Eis Thanaton 1986 sop, bas, timp, harp, strings
Eonia 1989 SSAATBB chorus
Eternal Memory 1991 vc, strings
Eternity's Sunrise 1998 baroque orchestra, soprano
Feast Of Feasts 1996 chorus
Funeral Ikos 1981 SSATBB chorus
Genesis 1962 tenor, spkr, SATB chorus, timp, pf, org, 2vn, va, vc
Gentle Spirit, A 1977 sop, ten, timp, perc, pf, 2vn, va, vc, db
Glimpses of Paradise 1992
God Is With Us 1987 ten or bar, SATB chorus, organ
Grandma's Footsteps 1968 ob, bn, hn, 5 musical boxes, 4vn, 2va, 2vc
Great Canon Of Saint Andrew Of Crete 1981 SSATBB chorus
Greek Interlude 1979 fl, pf
He Hath Entered The Heven 1982 9 trebles/(perc:handbells)
Hidden Face, The 1996 ctn; ob, strings: violins & violas only
Hidden Treasure, The 1991 string quartet:2vn, va, vc
Hymn For The Dormition Of The Mother Of God 1985 SATB chorus
Hymn of the Unwaning Light 1996 SATB
Hymn To The Holy Spirit 1987 3trebles, SSAATTBB chorus
Hymn To The Mother Of God 1985 SATB chorus
Hymns Of Paradise 1992 bass, SSSSAA female choir, 6v
Ikon Of Light 1984 SATB chorus, vn, va, vc
Ikon of Saint Cuthbert Of Lindisfarne 1986 SATTBB chorus:
Ikon Of Saint Seraphim 1988 ctn, bar,4bas, SATB chorus, vn, , . perc, strings
Ikon Of The Crucifixion 1988 sop, ctn, bar, bass, SATB chorus, timp, perc, organ, strings
Ikon Of The Nativity 1991 SATB chorus
Ikon Of The Trinity 1990 sop, bass, SSAABB chorus
Immurement Of Antigone, The 1978 mez; . 2timp, perc, bells, glock, celesta, harp, strings
In Alium 1968 sop perc, eorg 4h, (org), pf, strings, tape
In memoriam Igor Stravinsky 1971 2afl, organ, perc:handbells
In Memory Of Two Cats 1986 pf
Innocence 1994 soprano cello SATB
Introit For March 27th 1968 sop, alt, SATB chorus, . org, pf, strings
Klitos 1996 SATB
Kyklike Kinesis 1977 sop, vc, chorus, ob, bn, tpt, trb, 3perc, pf, 2vn, va, vc, db
Lamb, The 1985 SATB chorus
Lament for Phedra 1995 cello & soprano
Lament Of The Mother Of God, The 1988 soprano, SATB chorus
Lamentation, Last Prayer And Exultation 1977 female voice, perc:handbells
Last Sleep Of The Virgin, The 1991 1perc:handbells, string quartet:2vn, va, vc
Let Not The Prince Be Silent 1988 SSAATTBB chorus
Let's begin again (1995) choirs, orchestra
Little Missenden Calm 1984 ob, cl, bn, hn
Little Requiem For Father Malachy Lynch 1972 SATB chorus, organ, strings
Liturgy Of Saint John Chrysostom 1978 SATB chorus
Lord's Prayer, The (1) 1982 SATB chorus
Lord's Prayer, The (2) 1993 SATB chorus
Love Bade Me Welcome 1985 SAATBB chorus
Ma fin est mon commencement 1972 4ten, 4trb, perc, 4vc
Magnificat and Nunc dimittis 1986 SSSAAATTBB chorus
Mandelion 1981 organ
Mandoodles 1982 pf
Many Years 1987 SATB chorus
Many Years 1998 bas, SATB chorus
Mary Of Egypt 1991 sop, alt, bass, SATB chorus, timp, 3perc, harp, strings
Meditation on the Light 1986 Ct ten, g, handbells
Melina soprano
Mini Song Cycle For Gina, A 1984 high voice, pf
My Grandfather's Waltz 1980 pf duet
Myrrh-Bearer, The 1993 va, chorus, 1perc
Nativity Carol, A 1985 SSSAA female choir
Nomine Jesu 1970 mez, 5 male spkr, SSATTBB chorus (14vv), 2afl, org 4h
Notre Pere 1996 children's choir
Ode Of Saint Andrew Of Crete 1981 SATB chorus
Orthodox Vigil Service 1984 SATB chorus/handbells
Palin 1977 pf
Palintropos 1978 pf, perc, celesta, harp, strings
Panikhida SATB chorus
Petra 1996 7 strings
Piano Concerto 1962 pno, 3 horns/timp str
Prayer for Szymanowski 1987 bs, pno
Prayer For The World 1981 SATB chorus: 16 vv:
Prayer to the Holy Trinity 1995 SATB
Protecting Veil, The 1987 vc; strings:min.
Psalm 121 1989 SATB chorus
Repentant Thief, The 1990 cl, timp, 1perc, strings
Requiem For Father Malachy 1973 2ctn, ten, 2bar, bas, chorus, perc, corg, pf, strings
Responsorium In Memory Of Annon Lee Silver 1971 2mez, SATB chorus
Resurrection 1989 vv, mens choir, SATB chorus, recs, 3tpt, 5trb, timp, perc, organ, 2vn, va, vc
Risen! 1980 SATB chorus, timp, 3perc, organ, pf, strings
Samaveda 1997 soprano, flute, tampura
Sappho : Lyrical Fragments 1980 2sop; strings
Six Abbashid Songs 1979 tenor, 3afl, perc
Six Russian Folksongs 1978 voice, fl, bn, domra, pf, 2vn, vc
Sixteen Haiku Of Seferis 1984 sop, ten; timp, perc:handbells, gongs, strings
Song For Athene 1993 SATB chorus
Song For Ileana 1988 fl
Song of the Angel 1994 soprano, violin, str
Svyati 1995 SATB chorus, vc
Tears of the Angels 1995 vln/str
Theophany 1993 timp, perc:bandic drum, strings, tape
Therese 1976 7vv, chorus, 6rec, 2timp, 10perc, cel, 2pf, harp, strings
Three Antiphons (1995) SATB
Three sections from T S Eliot's 'Four Quartets' 1964 high v + gtr.
Three Holy Sonnets 1962 baritone; timp, strings
Three Surrealist Songs 1968 mez, pf/bongo, tape
Thrinos 1990 vc
Thunder Entered Her 1990 SATB chorus, perc:handbells, organ
To A Child Dancing In The Wind 1983 sop, fl, harp, va
Today The Virgin 1989 SATB chorus
Toll Houses, The sop, 2ten, bass, boy's choir, sax, perc, pf, harp, strings
Towards The Son 1982 3trebles; perc:bells/crotales/gongs, strings, 4 bowed psalteries
Trisagion 1981 brass quintet
Tyger, The 1987 SSSSSAATTTBBB chorus
Ultimos Ritos 1972 max:4vv,chorus,6rec.,timp,perc,2org/hpd,strings, tape
Uncreated Eros, The 1988 SSSSAATBBBB chorus
Variations On 'Three Blind Mice' 1972 . timp, pf 4h, harp, strings
Vigil Service Of The Orthodox Church, The 1984 chorus, bells
Village Wedding, A 1992 ctn, 2ten, bass
Vlepondas 1996 soprano baritone cello
Wake up and die 1996 cello/orchestral cellos
We Shall See Him As He Is 1992 sop, 2ten, SATB chorus, 2timp, org, strings
Wedding Greeting 1989 ten, SATB chorus
Wedding Prayer 1987 SSAATTBB chorus
Whale, The 1966 mez,bar,chorus, spkr, timp,8perc,eorg,org,pf,harp,strings,tape
World Is Burning, The 1993 SATB chorus, perc:tam-tam

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