The Liturgy of the Word

The congregation is invited into silent prayer prior to the service.

Prelude

Prelude on ‘Rhosymedre’  Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Chorale Prelude on “Down Ampney”  Herbert Sumson (1899-1995)

Call to Worship and Greeting

The Dean:  The Lord be with you.
People:  And also with you.
The Dean:  Lift up your hearts.
People:  We lift them up to the Lord!

Introit

from “All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord”  René Clausen (b. 1953)

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, shout to the Lord, Alleluia!
Praise the Lord with joyful song: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, Alleluia!
Praise Him! Laud Him! Alleluia!

from Psalm 96; adapted by the composer

Hymn 716  Rejoice, the Lord is King!  GOPSAL

Collect (in unison)

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Lesson 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Lector: A lesson from Paul’s first epistle to the Corinthians, chapter 9, verses 16-23:

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God’s law but am under Christ’s law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem My soul, there is a country C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

My soul, there is a country far beyond the stars,
Where stands a wingèd sentry, all skillful in the wars.

There, above noise and danger, sweet Peace sits crowned with smiles,
And One, born in a manger, commands the beauteous files.

He is thy gracious friend, and (O my soul, awake!)
Did in pure love descend, to die here for thy sake.

If thou canst get but thither, there grows the flower of peace,
The Rose that cannot wither, thy fortress, and thy ease.

Leave, then, thy foolish ranges, for none can thee secure
But one who never changes, thy God, thy life, thy cure. Henry Vaughan (1622-1695)
Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c

The antiphon is sung twice, first by choir alone, and then by choir and congregation.

♪ Antiphon (sung by all)

Praise the Lord who reigns above: Alleluia!

Cantor: Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for God is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

People: The LORD builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

Cantor: The LORD heals the brokenhearted,
and binds up their wounds.

People: The LORD determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.

Cantor: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

People: The LORD lifts up the downtrodden;
he casts the wicked to the ground.

Cantor: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre.

People: He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth,
makes grass grow on the hills.

Cantor: He gives to the animals their food,
and to the young ravens when they cry.

People: His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

Cantor: but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

People: Praise the LORD! ♪

♫ Gloria Patri

from 'Magnificat in B-flat major, Op. 10' C. V. Stanford (1852-1924)

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.
Gospel Lesson  Mark 1:29-39

Lector:  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter 1, verses 29-39:

People:  Glory to you, O Lord.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.


People:  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon  ‘Prevenient Grace’  Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

Hymn 618  Let us break bread together (stanzas 1-3 only)  LET US BREAK BREAD

Community Life and Offertory

At the Offertory  Deus in adiutorium  Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

Alleluia.

Deus in adiutorium meum intende:  Make haste, O God, to deliver me:  
Domine ad adjuvandum me festina.  hurry to help me, O Lord. (Psalm 70:1)

Gloria Patri et Filio  Glory to the Father, and to the Son, 
et Spiritui Sancto.  and to the Holy Spirit.
Sicut erat in principio,  Just as it was in the beginning, 
et nunc et semper,  both now and always, 
et in saecula saeculorum.  and for generation after generation.

Amen. Alleluia.
Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)  NUN DANKET; arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

The music to this hymn is found on page 102 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 3

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God, whom heav’n and earth adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Exchange of Peace

Celebrant: In the tender mercy of our God,
the dayspring from on high has broken upon us,
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Preparation of the Table

Celebrant: As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth
into your kingdom.

People: Amen.

All may exchange signs of love and peace.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Celebrant: It is indeed right and good, always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ, who is one with you from all eternity. For on this day he appeared in the Temple in substance of our flesh to come near to us in judgment. He searches the hearts of all your people and brings to light the image of your splendor. Your servant Simeon acclaimed him as the light to lighten the nations while Anna spoke of him to all who looked for your redemption. Destined for the falling and rising of many, he was lifted high upon the cross and a sword of sorrow pierced his mother’s heart when by his sacrifice he made our peace with you. And now we rejoice and glorify your name that we, too, have seen your salvation and join with angels and archangels in their unending hymn of praise:  

* Sanctus and Benedictus (sung by all)  

\[\text{Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God of pow'rl and might}\]

\[\text{Heavn' and earth are full of your Glory. Ho-sa-na in the high-est, Ho-sa-na in the high-est, Ho-sa-na!}\]

\[\text{Bless-ed is He who... comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-sa-na in the high-est, Ho-sa-na in the high-est, Ho-sa-na!}\]
Epiclesis

Celebrant: We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

Anamnesis

Celebrant: On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Acclamation

Celebrant: Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

(Sung by all):

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
**Doxology**

*Celebrant:* Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.  

Look with favor on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.  

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

*People:* Amen.

**The Lord’s Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Believing the promises of God,  
as our savior taught us, so we pray:

*Our Father,* who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as  
we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us  
from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Fraction**

*Celebrant:* We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.  

*All:* God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.

**Agnus Dei (sung by the choir)**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace. Amen.
Distribution of the Elements

Celebrant: Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

A note regarding Communion

Marsh Chapel at Boston University is an interdenominational faith community and all are welcome and invited to participate in Communion today. If you do not feel comfortable receiving the elements of Communion, you may, if you wish, come forward and receive a blessing instead. Simply let the server know when you approach. If you are unable to come forward, we will come to you with Communion or for a blessing—just raise your hand after the others have finished. We provide both wine (pulpit side) and an alcohol-free grape juice (lectern side). Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

Communion Motet  O sacrum convivium!  Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

O sacrum convivium! in quo Christus sumitur:
O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received;
recolitur memoria passionis ejus:
the memorial of his passion is renewed;
mens impletur gratia:
the soul is filled with grace;
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur,
and a pledge of future glory is given to us,
Alleluia.

Antiphon for Corpus Christi

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ’s body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.
1. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal.

2. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost
from dark despair.

3. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with one accord;
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
for Christ our Lord.

4. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with joyful song;
the newborn souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error’s ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.

**Benediction**

**Response**

God be in my head

God be in my head and in my understanding, God be in mine eyes and in my looking.

God be in my mouth and in my speaking, God be in my heart and in my thinking.

God be at mine end and at my departing.

*Old English Prayer from Sarum Primer*

*Please remain standing until the procession has left the nave.*

**Postlude**

Fantasia super Komm, Heiliger Geist, BWV 651

*J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*
# This Week at Marsh Chapel

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Marsh Chapel is pleased to offer child care during our Sunday morning services. Inquiries can be made at the main office on the lower level of the building.

We are happy to provide free parking for the Sunday morning service (11:00 a.m.) in the lot behind the College of Arts and Sciences (accessible via Bay State Road).

## Dean’s Choice

**Finish the Dissertation**

*Friday, February 10; 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.*

*Thurman Room*
WELCOME TO MARSH CHAPEL

We thank you for joining us this morning for worship, and hope that you have found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Marsh Chapel, or have other questions, please feel free to contact any of the Chaplains or Associates listed below.

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