MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY  
University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Worship  
Sunday, January 15th, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.  
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany  

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

• Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude  Psalm-Prelude, Op. 32 (Set 1), No. 3  
Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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 139  Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
LOBE DEN HERREN

★ Collect (in unison)

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that  
your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of  
Christ’s glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one  
God, now and for ever. Amen.

Kyrie  from Missa ‘Quam pulchri sunt’  
Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

Kyrie eleison,  Lord, have mercy,
Christe eleison,  Christ, have mercy,
Kyrie eleison.  Lord, have mercy.
Assurance of Pardon

The Dean: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

All: Thanks be to God.

Lesson Deuteronomy 34:1-5

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Deuteronomy, chapter 34, verses 1-5:

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, ‘This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, “I will give it to your descendants”; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.’ Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Ave, Regina Caelorum

Guillaume Dufay (c. 1397-1474)

Ave, Regina Caelorum,        Hail, O Queen of Heaven.
Ave, Domina Angelorum:       Hail, O Lady of Angels
Salve, radix, salve, porta   Hail! thou root, hail! thou gate
Ex qua mundo lux est orta:   From whom unto the world, a light has arisen:
Gaude, Virgo gloriosa,       Rejoice, O glorious Virgin,
Super omnes speciosa,        Lovely beyond all others,
Vale, o valde decora,        Farewell, most beautiful maiden,
Et pro nobis Christum exora. And pray for us to Christ.
Alleluia.                    Alleluia.

Marion Antiphon after Compline

Lesson Hebrews 11:24-29; 39

Lector: A lesson from the Epistle to the Hebrews, chapter 11, verses 24-29 and 39:

By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called a son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ to be greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, unafraid of the king’s anger; for he persevered as though he saw him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of
Israel. By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

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

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

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

Search me, O God, and know my heart;
try me and know my thoughts.

Cantor: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.
People: You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
Cantor: You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.
People: Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.
Cantor: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.
Cantor: For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.
People: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.
Cantor: My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
People: Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.
Cantor: In your book were written all the days that were formed for me,
when none of them as yet existed.
People: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
**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**

Matthew 21:33-44

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 21, verses 33-44:

*People:* Glory to you, O Lord.

‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures: “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes”? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’


*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Hymn 474**

Precious Lord, take my hand

PRECIOUS LORD

**Sermon**

‘Standing on the Rock’

Rev. Dr. Walter Earl Fluker

Martin Luther King, Jr. Professor of Ethical Leadership

Boston University School of Theology

**Call to Prayer**

Lead me, Lord (sung by all)

LEAD ME, LORD

The music to this hymn is found on page 473 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
That makest me dwell in safety.
Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Response

Give me Jesus  

O when I am alone, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

Traditional Spiritual

Community Life and Offertory

At the Offertory

My God is a rock  
Spiritual; arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

My God is a rock in a weary land, shelter in a time of storm.  
I know he is a rock in a weary land, shelter in a time of storm.

Stop and let me tell you about the chapter one, when the Lord God’s work was just begun,  
Stop and let me tell you about the chapter two, when the Lord God written his Bible through,  
Stop and let me tell you about the chapter three, when the Lord God died on Calvary.

Stop and let me tell you about the chapter four, when the Lord God visits among the poor,  
Stop and let me tell you about the chapter five, when the Lord God brought the dead alive,  
Stop and let me tell you about the chapter six, He went in Jerusalem and healed the sick.

Stop, let me tell you about the chapter seven, died and risen and went to heaven,  
Stop, let me tell you about the chapter eight, John seen Him standing at the Golden Gate,  
Stop and let me tell you about the chapter nine, Lord Got turned the water to wine,  
Stop and let me tell you about the chapter ten, John says He’s coming in the world again.

Traditional Spiritual

* 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
REV. DR. WALTER EARL FLUKER

Walter Earl Fluker is the Martin Luther King, Jr. Professor of Ethical Leadership and the editor of the Howard Thurman Papers Project. Before coming to Boston University School of Theology, he was founding executive director of the Leadership Center and the Coca-Cola Professor of Leadership Studies at Morehouse College. Fluker is a featured speaker, lecturer and workshop leader for professionals and emerging leaders in public and private domains. His recent publications include two volumes of a multi-volume series entitled, The Papers of Howard Washington Thurman: volume I, My People Need Me and volume II, Christian, Who Calls Me Christian? (University of South Carolina Press, 2009, 2011); and Ethical Leadership: The Quest for Character, Civility and Community (Fortress, 2009). He is completing a manuscript entitled, The Ground Has Shifted: Essays on Spirituality, Ethics and Leadership from African American Moral Traditions. His prior academic experience includes professorial and administrative positions at Vanderbilt University, Harvard College, Dillard University and Colgate-Rochester Divinity School; and has served as visiting professor and scholar at Harvard University, The University of Cape Town in South Africa, Columbia Theological Seminary and Princeton Theological Seminary. He is married to Sharon Watson Fluker and is the father of four children and five grandchildren.

We warmly welcome Dr. Fluker to Marsh Chapel and to the pulpit this morning.
### THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

#### TODAY
- 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
- 12:00 noon Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)

#### MONDAY
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Chapel Offices Closed**
- 1:00 p.m. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration (Metcalf Hall; George Sherman Union)

#### TUESDAY
**Day Instructions Begins**
- 12:00 noon Community Lunch (Marsh Room)

#### WEDNESDAY
- 5:00 p.m. Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Main Chapel)
- 6:00 p.m. BeYou: VocationCare (Thurman Room)

#### THURSDAY
- 12:30 p.m. Common Ground Communion (Marsh Plaza)

#### NEXT SUNDAY
- 9:45 a.m. Study Group: *Rediscovering Values* (Thurman Room)
- 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
- 12:00 noon Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
- 12:30 p.m. Bible Study: The Sermon on the Mount (Thurman Room)
- 4:00 p.m. Servant Team Meeting and Dinner (Marsh Room)

### DEAN’S CHOICE

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration**
- Monday, January 16, 2012; 1:00 p.m.
- George Sherman Union; Metcalf Hall

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**Ensemble-in-Residence, Marsh Chapel**
**Beth Willer, Founder and Artistic Director**

**Sopranos:** Emily Culler, Kira Winter, Kimberly Soby, Anna Ward  
**Altos:** Christina English, Carola Emrich-Fischer, Clare McNamara, Beth Willer
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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