Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in B minor, BWV 544

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Call to Worship and Greeting

The Dean: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Dean: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say:

Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,

Tell us, art thou he that should come?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.

Hymn 203

Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

Elacombe

Collect (in unison)

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Kyrie from ‘Mass for Five Voices’  
William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

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  2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Lector:  A lesson from the second book of Samuel, chapter 7, verses 1-11 and 16:

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the L ORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the L ORD is with you." But that same night the word of the L ORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the L ORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the L ORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the L ORD declares to you that the L ORD will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

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

**Bogoródyitse Dyévo**

Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

Богородицe Дево,
радуйся, Благодатная Марие,
Господь с Тобою.
Благословен Ты в женах,
и благословен Плод чрева Твоего,
яко Спаса родила еси душ наших.

Bogoródyitse Dyévo,
ráduisya, Blagodátnaya Mariyé,
Gospóď s Tobóyu.
Blagoslovýéna Ty v zhenákh,
i blagoslovýén Plod chryéva Tvoyegó,
yáko Spása rodyilá yesí dush náshikh.

Virgin mother of God,
hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee:
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
For thou hast brought forth the Savior
who redeemed our souls.

Russian Orthodox Liturgy, All-Night Vigil

The **Magnificat** (Luke 1:46b-55)

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

🎵 **Antiphon** (sung by all)

Blessed are the poor and needy,
for God's kingdom surely is theirs.

Cantor: "My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor
on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on
all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
Cantor: His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

People: He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

Cantor: He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;

People: he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

Cantor: He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

People: according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

* Gloria Patri * from “Vespers of 1610” Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.

* Gloria to the Father and Son and Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.


Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, chapter 1, verses 26-38:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.
Hymn 198  
My soul gives glory to my God  
MORNING SONG

Sermon  
‘Advent Carol’  
Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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 maketh 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  
My song in the night  
arr. Paul Christiansen (1914-1997)

O Jesus my Savior, my song in the night, come to us with Thy tender love, my soul’s delight.  
My comfort and joy, my soul’s delight, O Jesus my Savior, my song in the night.

Southern Folk Hymn

Community Life and Offertory

At the Offertory  
Magnificat  
Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

Magnificat anima mea Dominum  
My soul magnifies the Lord:
Et exultavit spiritus meus in Deo salutari meo.  
And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.
Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:  
For he has regarded:
ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.  
For behold, from henceforth:
Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est,  
For he who is mighty has done great things to me:
et sanctum nomen eius.  
and holy is his Name.
Et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.  
And his mercy is on them who fear him:
Fecit potentiam in bracchio suo,  
He has showed strength with his arm:
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.  
he has scattered the proud; the arrogant of heart.
Deposuit potentes de sede
et exaltavit humiles.
Esurientes implevit bonis
et divites dimisit inanes,
Suscepit Israel puerum suum
recordatus misericordiæ suæ,
Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros,
Abraham et semini eius in sæcula.
He has deposed the mighty from their seats:
and exalted the humble.
The hungry he has filled with good things;
and the rich he has sent empty away.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy.
As it was spoken to our fathers,
to Abraham and his seed for ever.

Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55)

**Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)**
PICARDY

The music to this hymn may be found on page 296 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 5.

Unto God be praise and glory: to the Father and the Son,
To th'eternal Spirit honor now and evermore be done;
Praise and glory in the highest, while unending ages run!

**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn 213** Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates TRURO

**Benediction**

**Response** God be in my head arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

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** Toccata on “Veni Emmanuel” Andrew Carter (b. 1939)


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The preacher is Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.
The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett.
The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell.
**This Week at Marsh Chapel**

**Next Sunday**
- 9:45 a.m. Study Group: *Unprotected Texts* (Thurman Room)
- 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
- 12:00 noon Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
- 12:30 p.m. Bible Study (Thurman Room)
- 4:00 p.m. Servant Team Meeting and Dinner (Thurman Room)

**Monday**
- Last Day of Classes – Marsh Chapel Weekly Activities End
- 6:00 p.m. Community Dinner

Weekday Chapel activities are suspended during the University’s exam period. These activities will resume the week of January 15, 2012.

**Next Sunday**
- 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
  **Service of Lessons and Carols**
- 12:30 noon **Dean’s Open House** (96 Bay State Road, No. 10)
  12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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**Dean’s Choice:**

Service of Lessons and Carols
Marsh Chapel Choir; Majestic Brass
Sunday, December 18; 11:00 a.m.; Marsh Chapel

Dean’s Open House following the service, 12:30 pm – 2:30 p.m.
96 Bay State Road, No. 10
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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