

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship Sunday, July 13th, 2014 – 11:00 a.m. The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

■ Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude Pièce d'orgue, BWV 572 *J. S. Bach* (1685-1750)

Call to Worship and Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

▼ Introit Northfield Jeremiah Ingalls (1764-1828)

How long, dear Saviour, O how long Shall this bright hour delay, Fly swifter 'round the wheel of time, And bring the welcome day.

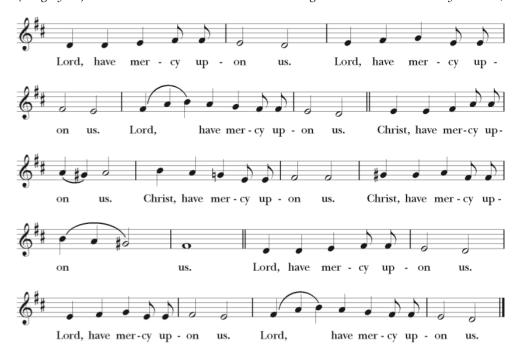
from *The Christian Harmony* (1805)

▼ Hymn 598 O Word of God incarnate

MUNICH

▼ Collect (in unison)

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



Assurance of Pardon

Leader: 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 Romans 12:1-8

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 12, verses 1-8:

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry,

in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Bless the Lord, O my soul

Carson P. Cooman (B. 1982)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy.

And the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

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Psalm 103:1-2, 8, 11, 17a, 22b

Psalm 119:105-112

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

♬ Antiphon (sung by all)





Cantor: Your word is a lamp to my feet

and a light to my path.

People: I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,

to observe your righteous ordinances.

Cantor: I am severely afflicted;

give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

People: Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD,

and teach me your ordinances.

Cantor: I hold my life in my hand continually,

but I do not forget your law.

People: The wicked have laid a snare for me,

 $but\ I\ do\ not\ stray\ from\ your\ precepts.$

Cantor: Your decrees are my heritage forever;

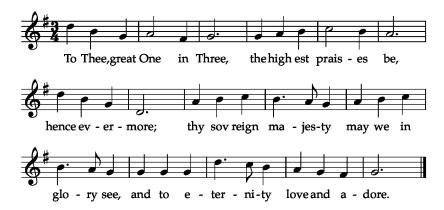
they are the joy of my heart.

People: I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever,

to the end. 1

▼ Gloria Patri (sung by all)

Moscow



▼ Gospel Lesson Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew

chapter 13, verses 1-9 and 18-23:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while,

and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon "(B)e Yo(U)"

Dr. Echol Nix, Jr.

Associate Professor of Religion Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina

▼ Hymn 402 Lord, I want to be a Christian

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Call to Prayer (sung by all)

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)



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

from "Peace I leave with you"

Walter L. Pelz (b. 1926)

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth give I unto you.

John 14:27

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory S

Sicut Moses, SWV 68

Sicut Moses serpentem in deserto exaltavit, ita filium hominis oportet exaltari, ut ominis qui credit in eum non pereat, sed habeat vitam aeternam.

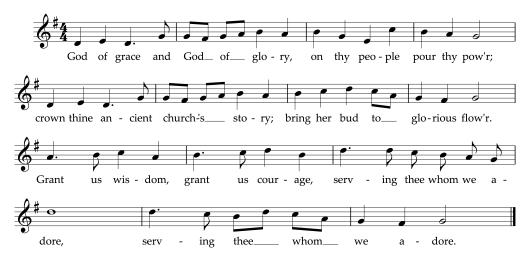
Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

John 3:14-15

▼ Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)

CWM RHONDDA



▼ Offertory Prayer

₩ Hymn 438

Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

DUKE STREET

■ 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

Postlude Lobe den Herren, op. 67/24

Max Reger (1873-1916)

SUMMER SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The events listed here will take place weekly throughout the summer. Additional events for the week will be listed in the bulletin as it becomes necessary.

SUNDAYS 10:40 a.m. Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)

11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship12:00 noon Coffee Hour (First Sundays, Potluck Lunch)

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.

◀ Hearing Assist System available –please ask an usher. 79.200 MHz

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