



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Word and Sacrament

Sunday, June 5th, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

The Seventh Sunday of Easter/The Ascension of the Lord

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

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** Soli Deo gloria *G. P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)*

Soli Deo gloria, alleluia. *To God alone the glory. Alleluia.*

✠ **Hymn 312** Hail the day that sees him rise LLANFAIR

✠ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into heaven, so we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesson 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Lector: A lesson from the first epistle of St. Peter, chapter 4, verses 12-14, and chapter 5, verses 6-11:

Возлюбленные! огненного искушения,
для испытания вам посылаемого, не
чуждайтесь, как приключения для вас
странного, но как вы участвуете в

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery
ordeal that is taking place among you to
test you, as though something strange
were happening to you. But rejoice

Христовых страданиях, радуйтесь, да и в явление славы Его возрадуетесь и восторжествуете. Если злословят вас за имя Христово, то вы блаженны, ибо Дух Славы, Дух Божий почивает на вас. Теми Он худится, а вами прославляется. Итак смиритесь под крепкую руку Божию, да вознесет вас в свое время. Все заботы ваши возложите на Него, ибо Он печется о вас. Трезвитесь, бодрствуйте, потому что противник ваш диавол ходит, как рыкающий лев, ища, кого поглотить. Противостойте ему твердою верою, зная, что такие же страдания случаются и с братьями вашими в мире. Бог же всякой благодати, призвавший нас в вечную славу Свою во Христе Иисусе, Сам, по кратковременном страдании вашем, да совершит вас, да утвердит, да укрепит, да соделает непоколебимыми. Ему слава и держава во веки веков. Аминь.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Psalm 117

Praise the Lord, all nations;
Praise Him, all people.
For His steadfast love is great to us
And His truth endures forever. Alleluia.

insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Timothy Shaw (b. 1976)

Psalm 117, KJV, alt.

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

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

♪ **Antiphon** (*sung by all*)



Sing God's glo - ry a - bove the heavens;



praise God's name in all the earth.

- Cantor:* Let God rise up, let his enemies be scattered;
let those who hate him flee before him.
- People:* *As smoke is driven away, so drive them away;
as wax melts before the fire, let the wicked perish before God.*
- Cantor:* But let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God;
let them be jubilant with joy.
- People:* *Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds—
his name is the LORD-- be exultant before him.*
- Cantor:* Father of orphans and protector of widows is God
in his holy habitation.
- People:* *God gives the desolate a home to live in;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious live in a parched land.*
- Cantor:* O God, when you went out before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
- People:* *the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God,
the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.*
- Cantor:* Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad;
you restored your heritage when it languished;
- People:* *your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.*
- Cantor:* Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
sing praises to the Lord, (over)

People: *O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.*

Cantor: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel;
and whose power is in the skies.

People: *Awesome is God in his sanctuary, the God of Israel;
he gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God! ♪*

✘ **Gloria Patri** (*sung by all*)

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

The music to this hymn may be found on page 559 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 4.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.

✘ **Gospel Lesson** John 17:1-11

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John, chapter 17,
verses 1-11:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon "Consecration"

Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✘ **Hymn 553** And are we yet alive

DENNIS

*we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Celebrant: Hear the good news:
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
People: *In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!*
All: *Glory to God. Amen.*

✠ Exchange of Peace

Celebrant: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!
People: *And also with you.*

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 up to the Lord.*
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*
Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Holy God, creator of heaven and earth.
You formed us in your image
and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed,
your love remained steadfast.
You delivered us from captivity,
made covenant to be our sovereign God,
and spoke to us through your prophets.
And so, with your people on earth
and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

✠ **Sanctus and Benedictus** (*spoken*)

All: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

✠ **Words of Institution**

Celebrant: *Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.*

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

*By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.*

*When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.*

*On the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to those gathered with him,
and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."*

*When the supper was ended, he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to those gathered, and said:
"Drink deeply from this, all of you; this is a sign of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."*

*And so, in remembrance of Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living community, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

All: *Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.*

Celebrant: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the bread of life and the cup of grace in Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ.

(Additional prayers for the day will be offered here.)

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until we feast at the heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

✠ The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

All: 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.

✠ Agnus Dei (responsive)

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

People: Have mercy on us.

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Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

People: Grant us your peace.

Distribution of the Elements

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.

At Communion Jesus took the cup

arr. Hal H. Hopson (b. 1933)

Jesus took the bread, He took the bread and blessed it, then gave it to his disciples, He gave it to them saying: "Take and eat this bread. This bread is my own body. Do this and remember, remember me and eat."

Jesus took the cup, He took the cup, gave thanks, then gave it to his disciples, He gave it to them saying: "Take and drink this cup, This cup is my own blood. Do this and remember, remember me and drink." Thanks to God forever.

I Cor. 11:24-26, para. Hal H. Hopson

Prayer of Thanksgiving *(in unison)*

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

✘ **Hymn 437** This is my song, O God of all the nations

FINLANDIA

✘ **Benediction**

✘ **Response** Peace I give to you

Larry Visser (b. 1962)

Peace I give to you; my peace I leave with you. (*John 14:27*)

Please remain standing until the procession has left the nave.

Postlude

All are warmly invited to attend a potluck lunch following today's worship service.

The preacher is Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.

The celebrant is Rev. Holly Benzenhafer Redford.

The choir is Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church Youth Choir.

The soloists are Amy Baker, Nathan McLendon, Jordan Swords, William Ashley,

Dustin Tilley, and Cassie Hergert.

The conductor is Steven Kelly Jones.

The pianist is Marcy McCarty.

The organist is Kira Winter.

REV. DR. SERGEI V. NIKOLAEV

The Reverend Dr. Sergei V. Nikolaev is President of the Russia United Methodist Theological Seminary in Moscow, Russia, and is also holds the E. Stanley Jones Chair in Evangelism at the Seminary. He graduated with a Master of Divinity from the same school, received his doctorate in Christian Tradition from Southern Methodist University, and was ordained as an elder in the Russia United Methodist Church. He has served churches and agencies in Russia, Indiana, and Texas as well as serving on various global Boards and Agencies for the United Methodist Church. The Rev. Dr. Nikolaev represents one of the new global leaders of our church today. He lives in Moscow with his wife Deborah and their children Katya, Alexei, and Davyd.

Participants of the Russia United Methodist Seminary-Boston University School of Theology Summer Institute 2011:

- Rev. Dr. Sergei V. Nikolaev
- Artur Rakhmankulov
- Zhanna Ivanova
- Evgeny Lee
- Nory Leachon
- Cassie Helms
- Rev. Holly Benzenhafer Redford
- Sarah Goodloe
- Rev. Samuel M. Johnson
- Donna Johnson

We welcome to worship today many guests who are participating in today's liturgy. Including those participating in the Russia United Methodist Seminary-Boston University School of Theology Summer Institute 2011 (listed above), we also welcome the youth choir of the Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church, conducted by Steven Kelly Jones. The youth choir last visited Marsh Chapel in 2006 and we are delighted to have them back. Finally, Kira Winter usually offers her musical talents as a Soprano Choral Scholar in the Marsh Chapel Choir, but today is leading the service from the organ console. We thank all of these people for their time, talent, and service.

DEAN ROBERT ALLAN HILL: SPEAKING EVENTS, 2011

January 16	Cambridge, MA	Harvard Memorial Church
May 11	Rolling Ridge Retreat Ctr. North Andover, MA	New England Annual Conference, UMC Stewardship Training
June 7 & 30	Syracuse, NY	Lemoyne College
June 8 & 10	Rochester, NY	Upper New York Conference, UMC
July 17	New Harford, NY	First United Methodist Church
July 31	North Hampton, NH	Union Chapel
August 21	Ithaca, NY	TBD
September 18	Concord, MA	Trinitarian Congregational Church (UCC)

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 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship
 12:00 noon Coffee Hour (First Sundays, Potluck Lunch)

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).

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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