

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 12:9-11

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 12, verses 9-11:

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem Os justi

Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Os justi meditabitur sapientiam,
et lingua ejus loquetur judicium.
Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius:
et non supplantabuntur gressus ejus.
Alleluia.

*The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom,
and his tongue speaks what is just.
The law of God is in his heart,
and his feet do not falter.
Alleluia.*

Psalm 37:30-31

Psalm 106: 1-5

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

♪ **Antiphon** (*sung by all*)



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Cantor: Praise God!
O give thanks to God, who is good;
whose steadfast love endures forever.

People: *Who can utter the mighty doings of God,
or declare all God's praise?*

Cantor: Happy are those who observe justice,
who do righteousness at all times.

People: *Remember me, O God, when you show favor to your people;
help me when you deliver them;*

Cantor: that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones,
People: that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,
that I may glory in your heritage. ♪

✘ **Gloria Patri** from 'Jubilate: Collegium Regale' *Herbert Howells* (1892-1983)

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 22:1-14

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 22, verses 1-14:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to earth comedown; fix in
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery trou - bled breast! Let us
 3. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be. Let us

us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, thou art
 all in thee in - her - it; let us find that sec - ond rest. Take a - way our
 see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee; changed from glo - ry

all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it
 bent to sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of
 in - to glo - ry, till in heav'n we take our place, till we

us with thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Sermon

‘Let Love Be Genuine’

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 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

Amen, from "Ave Maria"

Robert Parsons (c. 1535-1572)

Community Life and Offertory

At the Offertory

Fix Me Jesus

Augustis O. Hill (b. 1953)

Oh, fix me; fix me, Jesus, fix me.

Fix me for my journey home.

[fix me Jesus, fix me]

Fix me for my long white robe.

Fix me for the streets of gold.

Fix me for my starry crown.

Traditional Spiritual

✠ Presentation of the Gifts *(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.

✠ Offertory Prayer

✠ Hymn 549

Where charity and love prevail (verses 1, 2, 3, and 6)

ST. PETER

✠ Benediction

THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

TODAY	9:45 a.m.	Study Group: <i>Unprotected Texts</i> (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	Columbus Day – Chapel closed – Community Dinner cancelled	
TUESDAY	Community Lunch cancelled	
WEDNESDAY	5:00 p.m.	Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Main Chapel)
	6:00 p.m.	BeYou: VocationCare (Thurman Room)
THURSDAY	6:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Main Chapel)
SATURDAY	8:00 a.m.	CROP Walk (Meet at Marsh Chapel)
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45 a.m.	Study Group: <i>Unprotected Texts</i> (Thurman Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Women’s Gathering (The Dean’s Residence) (see announcement below)
	12:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Thurman Room)
	4:00 p.m.	Servant Team Meeting and Dinner (Thurman Room)

This year, Marsh Chapel once again participates in the **Greater Boston CROP Walk**. CROP stands for Congregations Responding to Overcome Poverty. More information will be announced today from the pulpit. To RSVP, please send an email to servants@bu.edu. The event is expected to end around 4:00 p.m.

Women’s Gathering: All women are invited to **brunch at Jan Hill’s home**, 96 Bay State Road, #10, **on October 16 at 12:30 p.m.** following Sunday morning worship. Come enjoy food, fellowship, and also celebrate the upcoming wedding of Nellie Staley (a Marsh Chapel Chapter Member). RSVP to Jan Hill at 617.859.3750.

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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