Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude  Prelude in E-flat major, BWV 552/1  J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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 “Arise, Shine”  Drew Collins (b. 1975)

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises over you. All nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.  Isaiah 60: 1, 3

* Hymn 152  I sing the almighty power of God  FOREST GREEN

* Collect (in unison)

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Kyrie  from ‘Communion Service in B minor’  T. Tertius Noble (1867-1953)

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 Romans 14:1-12

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul’s epistle to the Romans, chapter 14, verses 1-12:

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, ”As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.” So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Arise, my love Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)

Arise my Love, and come away;
Arise my Love, my fair one;
For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;
The flowers appear on the earth;
And the time of the singing of birds is come.

Set me as a seal upon your heart,
as a seal upon your arm: for love is strong as death,
Many waters cannot quench love,
neither can the floods drown it: for love is strong as death.

Song of Solomon 2:10-12

Song of Solomon 8:6-7

Texts adapted by the composer
Psalm 114

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

🔗 Antiphon (sung by all)

Cantor: When Israel went out from Egypt,  
        the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,  
People: Judah became God’s sanctuary,  
        Israel God’s dominion.  
Cantor: The sea looked and fled;  
        Jordan turned back.  
People: The mountains skipped like rams,  
        the hills like lambs.  
Cantor: Why is it, O sea, that you flee?  
        O Jordan, that you turn back?  
People: O mountains, that you skip like rams?  
        O hills, like lambs?  
Cantor: Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the LORD,  
        at the presence of the God of Jacob,  
People: who turns the rock into a pool of water,  
        the flint into a spring of water.  

🌟 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 18:21-35

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,  
        chapter 18, verses 21-35:  
People: Glory to you, O Lord.  

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten
thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.’


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 729 O day of peace that dimly shines

Jerusalem

Sermon “Transcending Boundaries” 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: A Litany of Remembrance Rev. Susan S. Shafer

August, 2011

All: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, Bless His Holy Name.

Leader: We would remember this day …

those whose lives were taken in moments and acts of violence by aggressors on September 11, 2011 ….

People: God’s steadfast love stretches high overhead like the canopy of heaven.

Leader: We would remember …

those first responders who risked theirs live and those who lost their lives that others might live …
People: God’s compassion, constancy of Presence and steadfast love, emerges with inexorable fidelity in human form.

Leader: We would remember … those families and friends whose loved ones died in the tragedy of collapsing towers and its groundswell of dust …

People: Bless the Lord, o my soul, for the Lord heals, redeems and restores, changing us with steadfast love and mercy.

Leader: We would remember … ourselves, whose lives, hearts and minds, were affected turning to faith as our stronghold knowing God values relationships over retribution …

People: God’s mercy washes over us like a gentle rain and our lives as a result are opened up to a whole new world of possibility.

Leader: We would remember … our world, a fragile island home, and in remembrance strive to make it God’s kingdom of love and peace …

People: Guiding, empowering Spirit, we wait upon Your silent breath that gives life to our faith, that makes active our love, that emboldens our commitment, giving direction to our lives. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us all. Amen.

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 Dona nobis pacem Scott Ordway (b. 1984)

Dona nobis pacem. (Grant us peace.)

* 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, Lau and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one; One in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.
**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn 438**
Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

**Benediction**

**Response**
God be in my head

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**
Fugue in E-flat major (“St. Anne”), BWV 552/2

*J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*

The preacher is Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.
The anthem at the offertory is offered by Lorelei, conducted by Beth Willer.
The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett.
The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell.
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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).

**Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions** will take place this Thursday, September 15, from 6-9 p.m., in the Main Chapel. Those auditioning should plan to stay for the entire rehearsal period. Please email Aram Demirjian at [aram.demirjian@gmail.com](mailto:aram.demirjian@gmail.com) to reserve an audition slot.
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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