

Fall 2014



Boston University Marsh Chapel

Termbook



FROM THE DEAN . . .

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the ministry of Marsh Chapel! Here you will find a heart in the heart of the global city and a worship service in the service of the global city. Here you will find passionate interest in matters related to gospel voice, personal vocation, and congregational volume. I look forward to knowing your name!

Please peruse the opportunities described herein for ministry, music, hospitality, and international engagement. Find your way to your own true interests in our midst. Get to know Br. Larry, Rev. Longsdorf, Dr. Jarrett, and Mr. Bouchard. I look forward to *their* knowing your name!

For Marsh Chapel to be the leading liberal pulpit in the country, the exemplary collegium for vocational discernment in our time, and the largest University congregation in the country, we need you. We need your Sunday presence, your tithing generosity, your acceptance of service roles, your prayer before worship and night and day, and mainly your own best self.

Our preaching this year will cycle around and through an engagement with 'Spirit.' We will of course follow the common lectionary and offer ordered 11 a.m. Sunday worship in the Marsh tradition. The sermons will 'test the spirits to see if any be of God' (1 John 4:1). They will speak with those who are spiritual but not necessarily religious.

In particular, the first Sunday sermons will explore 'The Marsh Spirit.' What is the particular, soulful spirit of our community here, after these sixty years? What makes 'Marsh Chapel' Marsh Chapel? Then also, once each month, a theme sermon will explore what the Spirit is saying to the Church on issues of the moment (the moral equivalents of war, religion on campus, safety and student life, drones, law and love in the United Methodist Church, and other). Advent and Lent will give us seasons of Spirit cycles. In Lent, we will debate Jonathan Edwards, but on the matter of Spirit.

So find your way to the Paraclete. Open your door to the 'Spirit of Truth.' Study a little about the Holy Spirit. Channel your inner Third Person persona. And get ready - the word this year: Spirit.

See you Sunday!

Bob Hill
Dean of Marsh Chapel

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Sunday mornings at Marsh Chapel are interdenominational Protestant worship services influenced by the University's traditional Methodist roots. They are broadcast year-round on WBUR 90.9 FM and streamed over the Internet at www.wbur.org. A podcast is available from iTunes® and the chapel website (www.bu.edu/chapel). Communion is offered on the first Sunday of each month and on Easter Sunday.

An Intercessory Silent Prayer Group meets at 10:40 a.m. prior to each service.

August 31

University Matriculation/The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Ex. 3:1-15 ~ Ps. 105 ~ Rom. 12:9-21 ~ Matt. 16:21-28

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Alma Mater"

Anthems: O clap your hands - Rutter

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit - arr. Dawson

September 7

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

Ex. 12:1-14 ~ Ps. 149 ~ Rom. 13:8-14 ~ Matt. 18:15-20

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Celebrant: Br. Lawrence A. Whitney, LC+, University Chaplain

Sermon: "The Marsh Spirit"

Anthems: Kyrie (Missa 'O admirabile commercium') - Palestrina

Exsultate justi - Viadana

Psalm 23 (Requiem) - Howells

September 14

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ex. 14:19-31 ~ Ex. 15:1-11, 20-21 ~ Rom. 14:1-12 ~ Matt. 18:21-35

Preacher: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, University Chaplain

Anthems: Praise the Name of the Lord (*All-Night Vigil*) - Rachmaninoff

Salvator mundi (Requiem) - Howells

September 21

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Alumni Sunday

Ex. 16:2-15 ~ Ps. 105 ~ Philipp. 1:21-30 ~ Matt. 20:1-16

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Remembering Robert Hamill"

Anthems: Psalm 43: Richte mich, Gott - Mendelssohn

I'm gonna sing 'til the Spirit moves in my heart - Hogan

September 28

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ex. 17:1-7 ~ Ps. 78 ~ Philipp. 2:1-13 ~ Matt. 21:23-32

Preachers: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music

Cantata: Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied, BWV 190 - J. S. Bach

October 5

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday
Holy Communion

Ex. 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 ~ Ps. 19 ~ Philipp. 3:4b-14 ~ Matt. 21:33-46

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Celebrant: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, University Chaplain

Sermon: "The Marsh Spirit"

Anthems: Kyrie (Mass in E-flat major) - Rheinberger
Let all mortal flesh keep silence - Bairstow
Agnus Dei - Barber

October 12

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ex. 32:1-14 ~ Ps. 106 ~ Philipp. 4:1-9 ~ Matt. 22:1-14

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Spinaker"

Anthems: Troparion: Thou Didst Rise (*All Night Vigil*) - Rachmaninoff
Der Geist hilft unser Schwachheit auf, BWV 226 - J. S. Bach

October 19

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Parents' Weekend

Ex. 33:12-23 ~ Ps. 99 ~ 1 Thess. 1:1-10 ~ Matt. 22:15-22

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Heart of Wisdom"

Anthems: I will lift mine eyes - Jake Runestad
Greater love hath no man - Ireland

October 26

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Deut. 34:1-12 ~ Ps. 90 ~ 1 Thess. 2:1-8 ~ Matt. 22:34-46

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Beautiful the Feet"

Anthems: Seek the Lord - Wachner
Schaffe in mir, Gott, ein rein Herz - Brahms

November 2

All Saints' Sunday

Holy Communion

Rev. 7:9-17 ~ Ps. 34 ~ 1 John 3:1-3 ~ Matt. 5:1-12

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Celebrant: Rev. Liz Douglass, Chapel Associate

Sermon: "The Marsh Spirit"

Anthems: Kyrie (Requiem, Op. 9) – Duruflé
Gaudeamus omnes in Domino à 5 – Byrd
We remember them (from *Triptych*) – Tarik O'Regan

November 9

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 ~ Ps. 78 ~ 1 Thess. 4:13-18 ~ Matt. 25:1-13

Preachers: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music

Cantata: Jesu, der du meine Seele, BWV 78 – J. S. Bach

November 16

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Judges 4:1-7 ~ Ps. 123 ~ 1 Thess. 5:1-11 ~ Matt. 25:14-30

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Resistance"

Music offered by the Inner Strength Gospel Choir.

November 23

The Last Sunday after Pentecost/The Reign of Christ, King

Ez. 34:11-16, 20-24 ~ Ps. 100 ~ Eph. 1:15-23 ~ Matt. 25:31-46

Preacher: Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell, OSL, Chapel Associate

Sermon: "Christ the King"

Anthems: Come, let us worship (*All-Night Vigil*) – Rachmaninoff
Lord, thou hast been our refuge – Vaughan Williams

November 30

The First Sunday of Advent

Is. 64:1-9 ~ Ps. 80 ~ 1 Cor. 1:3-9 ~ Mark 13:24-37

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Thanksgiving"

Anthems: Es wird das Scepter von Juda – Schütz
Vigilate – Byrd

December 7

The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

Is. 40:1-11 ~ Ps. 85 ~ 2 Peter 3:8-15a ~ Mark 1:1-8

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Celebrant: Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell, OSL, Chapel Associate

Sermon: "The Marsh Spirit"

Anthems: Kyrie (Missa 'Alma Redemptoris') - Victoria

Ave Maria - Bruckner

There is no rose of such virtue - Robert H. Young

December 14

The Third Sunday of Advent

The Forty-First Service of Christmas Lessons and Carols

Is. 61:1-4, 8-11 ~ Ps. 126 ~ 1 Thess. 5:16-24 ~ John 1:6-8, 19-28

Music includes a selection of Christmas carols, motets, and anthems with brass, organ, and timpani.

Marsh Chapel remains open for Sunday services during the Winter Intercession.

Music for these services is provided by the Marsh Chapel Choral Scholars.

December 21

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sam. 7:1-11, 16 ~ Luke 1:47-55 ~ Rom. 16:25-27 ~ Luke 1:26-38

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

December 28

The First Sunday after Christmas

Is. 61:10 - 62:3 ~ Ps. 148 ~ Gal. 4:4-7 ~ Luke 2:22-40

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Religion on Campus"

HEALING PRAYER STATIONS AT COMMUNION

We offer prayer for healing at every Sunday Communion service (except for the Easter services, which are in *kairos* time). If, after partaking of Communion, you are moved to prayer for healing in an area of your life that calls for attention, with the laying on of hands and/or anointing with oil (essential oil, with no additives), please join the members of the healing prayer group under the first windows on the pulpit side in the Nave. Please feel free to stay until you are prayed with as the service continues to hold us all in worship. Also, if you, clergy or laity, find yourself drawn to participate in the ministry of the healing prayer group, please contact Rev. Victoria Gaskell, OSL, Chapel Associate, vgaskell@bu.edu.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

SUNDAY VESPERS

Sundays ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ Robinson Chapel

This less formal and more intimate service provides opportunity to explore and experience a variety of liturgical styles over the course of the school year. Various members of the ministry department staff, colleagues, and friends of Marsh Chapel provide leadership for each distinctive worship experience. This service always includes the celebration of the Eucharist (Holy Communion; The Lord's Supper). Supper is provided following each service.

8/31 - Dinner Church	10/5 - World Communion	11/16 - Holden Evening Prayer
9/7 - TBD	10/19 - Holden Evening Prayer	11/23 - Dinner Church
9/14 - Iona Evening Prayer	10/26 - Labyrinth	12/7 - Labyrinth
9/21 - Alumni Vespers	11/2 - Celtic Vespers	12/14 - Taize Prayer
9/28 - Liturgy and Art	11/9 - TBD	

MONDAY MEDITATION

Mondays ~ 12:00 noon ~ Robinson Chapel

Breathe deeply and start off your week by getting balanced through meditation. Each Monday morning, a guided meditation is offered in Marsh Chapel. In these half-hour sessions, we open with a prayer for peace, join in a guided meditation from a variety of faith traditions, and meditate in a time of silence. All are welcome.

ECUMENICAL EVENING PRAYER

Wednesdays ~ 5:15 p.m. ~ Nave

This service is sponsored by the Episcopal Chaplaincy and offers a moment of quiet reflection and communion.

SILENCE PRACTICE

Thursdays ~ 12:00 noon ~ Nave

Have a decision to make? Seeking balance? Overworked? Stressed? Anxious? Troubled? Wondering about the future? Don't just do something - SIT THERE! Come for five minutes or stay for the whole hour.

COMMON GROUND COMMUNION

Thursdays ~ 12:20 p.m. ~ Marsh Plaza

This public service of Holy Communion is blessedly brief, and the sacrament is available to passers-by until 1:00 p.m.

SPECIAL SERVICES

MATRICULATION SERVICE

Sunday, August 31 ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

Marsh Chapel welcomes students back to Boston University with a special Sunday morning service in their honor.

PARENTS' WEEKEND SERVICE

Sunday, October 19 ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

Parents of Boston University students are welcomed at this service, which is followed by a luncheon in the Oxnam Room in the School of Theology. More information on Marsh Chapel Parents' Weekend events is found on page 11.

WORLD AIDS DAY VIGIL

Monday, December 1 ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Nave

Join us for a commemoration of World AIDS Day 2014 as we vigil together in readings, testimonies, prayers, song, silence, and a special address from a leader in fighting the global AIDS epidemic.

A "BLUE CHRISTMAS" SERVICE

Sunday, December 7 ~ 3:00 p.m. ~ Nave

This service is a time when we can recognize the "blue" feelings we may have during the Christmas season, acknowledge the reasons for them, and offer these feelings to God. In the midst of the surrounding holiday cheer, some of us mourn a loved one, or feel particularly lonely in our challenges, or struggle with the dark and the cold. In this service, we share in song, scripture, prayer, candlelight, reflection, and the solace and hope of knowing that we are not alone.

A SERVICE OF CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS

Friday, December 12 ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Nave

Sunday, December 14 ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

Join the Boston University community for the Forty-First Annual Service of Lessons and Carols. The liturgy takes as its model the famous service from King's College, Cambridge and is one of the most popular University events of the year. An open house at The Castle follows the Sunday service on Dec. 14.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Wednesday, December 24 ~ 12:00 noon/7:30 p.m. ~ Nave

Marsh Chapel's annual Christmas Eve services are both a time of quiet meditation and an occasion for joyful celebration. In addition to our annual 7:30 p.m. service, we now also offer a 12:00 noon service, convenient families with children and Boston University employees leaving for the winter break. Music at the 7:30 p.m. service is provided by the Marsh Chapel Thurman Choir.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Located in the heart of a great university with a rich heritage, Marsh Chapel regularly offers settings for teaching, discussion, and conversation. For more information about the opportunities listed here, contact Br. Larry Whitney at 617.358.3392 or lwhitney@bu.edu.

MORNING STUDY GROUP: HOW JESUS BECAME GOD

Sundays ~ 9:45 a.m. ~ Thurman Room

This semester, the Morning Study Group explores Bart Ehrman's *How Jesus Became God: The Exaltation of a Jewish Preacher from Galilee*, while discussing Early Christian history and theology. Free copies of the book will be made available to study members at no cost. Please join us for fellowship and conversation; all are welcome. (Contacts: Rev. Liz Douglass, imd@bu.edu; Rev. Jen Quigley, jenquig@bu.edu)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sundays ~ 11:50 a.m. ~ Thurman Room

Marsh Chapel continues to offer religious education for children. Those interested are encouraged to leave the service during the last hymn for a time of lessons, crafts, and fun with Marsh Associate Jaimie Dingus. Our children's ministry is available every Sunday excluding Communion Sundays. (Contacts: Jaimie Dingus, jdingus@bu.edu; Rev. Jen. Quigley, jenquig@bu.edu)

THE WIRED WORD

Sundays ~ 12:15 p.m. ~ George Sherman Union, first floor

Join us for this weekly Bible study based on current events. Each week, group members receive an email with a discussion topic and relevant scripture passages. On Sundays, as a group, we share and discuss how we understand these passages to apply to our everyday lives based on these current events. (Contact: Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER AT MARSH CHAPEL

Sundays ~ 12:30 p.m. ~ Thurman Room

Join Rev. Dr. Mark Yoon, University Chaplain for Evangelical Students, in a weekly study of the life and ministry of Jesus. No need to prepare; just show up, listen, discuss, and learn. (Contact: Br. Larry Whitney, lwhitney@bu.edu)

STUDY RETREATS

September 13; October 25; November 22; December 13-14
Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

The theme of our retreats this semester is *Howard Thurman: The Growing Edge*.

Study Retreats provide an opportunity to unite head and heart by putting study in the context of spiritual practice. Breakfast and lunch are provided, as is dinner during the final retreat at the end of term. The day begins with breakfast and Morning Prayer during which participants articulate what they intend to accomplish during the day. After a substantial period of study, participants gather for Mid-Day Prayer followed by lunch and then another study period. The day ends with Evening Prayer during which participants check in about what they accomplished, celebrating successes and encouraging one another to keep working toward unmet goals.

Participation in Study Retreats is free of charge and available to any and all Boston University students. For more information or to register for one of the retreats, visit the Marsh Chapel website under the “Life Together” tab. (Contact: Br. Larry Whitney, lwhitney@bu.edu)

ART AND ARCHITECTURE TOUR

September 20/October 18 ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

Dean Robert Allan Hill and Br. Larry Whitney lead a guided tour of the art and architecture of Marsh Chapel as it relates to the history of Boston University.

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

November 10 through November 21

Marsh Chapel is pleased to partner with Boston University Global Programs for several events to take place during International Education Week. See the Marsh Chapel website for events, days, times, and locations.

DEAN'S CHOICE

Printed weekly in the Sunday worship bulletin

As part of our programmatic ministry, Dean Hill designates a special event every week as the “Dean’s Choice.” These events, chosen from across the life of the University, are spiritually enriching, life affirming, and personally educational. They include fine arts performances, lectures in the sciences and humanities, sporting events, and presentations related to theological and religious ideas. As a community of faith, we have the joy and privilege of worshipping and serving within a vibrant university, whose offerings frequently present modes of growth for us as individuals and as a congregation. We encourage you to consider each week’s “Dean’s Choice,” and when possible, to attend those most meaningful for you.

FIRST WEEK ACTIVITIES: AUG. 31 – SEPT. 7

New and returning students are invited to join together for a variety of fellowship activities during the first week of classes.

MATRICULATION SERVICE

Sunday, August 31 ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

Marsh Chapel welcomes students back to Boston University with a special Sunday morning service in their honor.

HARBOR ISLANDS EXCURSION

Monday, September 1 ~ 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Plaza

Meet on Marsh Plaza and bring your Charlie Card as we head for the Boston Harbor Islands for swimming, picnicking, exploring, and fellowship. The \$10 fee includes ferry fare and lunch.

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES INTERNATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

Tuesday, September 2 ~ 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. ~ Marsh Room

Get the semester started off right with prayer and a hearty breakfast.

RELIGIOUS LIFE FAIR and ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Wednesday, September 3 ~ 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Plaza

Come to Marsh Plaza to learn about the many religious life groups on campus. An Ice Cream Social begins at 1 p.m.

EVENING PRAYER

Wednesday, September 3 ~ 5:15 p.m. ~ Nave

Hosted by the Episcopal Chaplaincy; a service of word, prayer, and sacrament.

TWITTER CHAT

Thursday, September 4 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Marsh Chapel hosts a Twitter Chat about the spirit of Boston University. We ask you to reflect on various aspects of the spirit of this place, what you receive from that spirit, and what you contribute to our common spirit. Follow @MarshChapel and #MarshTweets.

FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Friday, September 5 - 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Pizza, a movie, board games, and Capture the Flag on the BU Beach. Unwind a bit at the end of the first week of classes and get to know other students involved at Marsh Chapel.

INTERFAITH SPEED DATING

Saturday, September 6 ~ 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Room

Make new friends and learn about different faith traditions in this speed-dating style game. (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf; britt1@bu.edu)

BARBECUE LUNCH

Sunday, September 7 ~ 12:00 noon ~ BU Beach

PARENTS' WEEKEND: OCTOBER 17-19

Parents' Weekend is an opportunity for students to showcase to their families the host of events, programs, and experiences available in the Boston University community. This year, Marsh Chapel once again offers a variety of events aimed at introducing parents to the life and ministry of the Chapel. The University's complete list of Parents' Weekend events and services is found online at www.bu.edu/orientation/families/parents-weekend/.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

MARSH CHAPEL CHOIR CONCERT

8:00 p.m. ~ Nave

The Marsh Chapel Choir presents a concert of choral masterworks inspired by the sermon theme for this year: Spirit. Admission to the concert is free, but donations are welcomed.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

BU HISTORY AND MARSH CHAPEL ART AND ARCHITECTURE TOUR

11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

Br. Larry Whitney, University Chaplain for Community Life, and Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of Marsh Chapel, lead a guided tour of the art and architecture of Marsh Chapel as it relates to the history of Boston University.

INNER STRENGTH GOSPEL CHOIR CONCERT

12:30 p.m. ~ Steps of Marsh Chapel

Rain Location: Marsh Chapel Nave

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

INTERDENOMINATIONAL PROTESTANT WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 a.m. ~ Nave

PARENTS' WEEKEND LUNCHEON

12:00 noon ~ Oxnam Room, School of Theology

All parents and students are welcome at this luncheon.

MUSIC AT MARSH CHAPEL 14|15

Scott Allen Jarrett, DMA, Director of Music
Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music
617.358.3395; musicmar@bu.edu

THE BACH EXPERIENCE: The Eighth Annual Bach Cantata Series **Selected Sundays ~ 9:45 a.m./11:00 a.m.**

After a highly successful and rewarding year exploring the *Mass in B minor*, the Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium return this year to the church cantatas of Johann Sebastian Bach. On four Sundays throughout the year, we explore an individual cantata, first with a 30-minute discussion of its musical and theological underpinnings, and second with a complete performance during the Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service.

9:45 a.m. – Discussion of the cantata of the day

10:15 a.m. – Complimentary breakfast

11:00 a.m. – Performance of the cantata in the 11:00 a.m. worship service

September 28, 2014	BWV 190: Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied Cantata for New Year's Day
November 9, 2014	BWV 78: Jesu, der du meine Seele Cantata for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
February 8, 2015	BWV 1: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern Cantata for the Feast of the Annunciation
April 12, 2015	BWV 67: Halt im Gedächtnis Jesum Christ Cantata for the Sunday after Easter

CONCERTS AND SPECIAL SERVICES

All concerts and services are held in the nave of Marsh Chapel.

October 17, 2014 8:00 p.m.	Parent's Weekend Concert BACH Der Geist hilft unser Schwachheit auf, BWV 226 BARBER Agnus Dei (after <i>Adagio for Strings</i> , Op. 11) HOWELLS Requiem (1932) SCHOENBERG Friede auf Erden, Op. 13 Marsh Chapel Choir
December 12, 2014 6:00 p.m.	University Service of Christmas Lessons and Carols
December 14, 2014 11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service Service of Christmas Lessons and Carols

February 28, 2015 8:00 p.m.	RACHMANINOFF All-Night Vigil (Vespers), Op. 37 Marsh Chapel Choir
April 3, 2015 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Ecumenical Good Friday Service BUXTEHUDE Membra Jesu Nostri Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
April 25, 2015 7:30 p.m.	HANDEL Theodora, HWV 68 Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium

ENSEMBLE-IN-RESIDENCE: LORELEI

Beth Willer, Founder and Artistic Director

Dedicated to the expansion of repertoire for women's voices, Lorelei Ensemble works to expose lesser-known early music from the Medieval through Baroque periods, while collaborating with living composers to produce innovative programming that speaks to a wider audience.

Concerts

October 31, 2014 (8 p.m.)/November 2, 2014 (3 p.m.) ~ Marsh Chapel, Nave
January 24, 2015 (8 p.m.) ~ Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory
May 22, 2014 (8 p.m.) ~ Marsh Chapel, Nave

INNER STRENGTH GOSPEL CHOIR

Herbert S. Jones, Director

Concerts ~ 7:30 p.m. ~ Marsh Chapel Nave

Friday, November 21, 2014
Friday, April 17, 2015

Sunday Services

November 16, 2014
February 22, 2015
April 19, 2015

THURMAN CHOIR

2nd and 4th Sundays of the month ~ 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. ~ Robinson Chapel

In the spirit of Dean Howard Thurman's visionary ministry of a "common ground," the Thurman Choir is open to any and all members of the Marsh Chapel community who wish to lift their voice in song as a community of common faith. The choir sings in worship three Sundays a semester and provides the music for the Candlelight Christmas Eve Service. No audition or previous experience is required, and a multi-generational experience is encouraged. (Contact: Music at Marsh Chapel; musicmar@bu.edu)

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

It is important, from time to time, to rest, relax, and have some fun. All are welcome to join us for these fellowship events.

MEALS

One of the most important parts of our life together is the ministry of food. Greet old friends, meet new faces, and break bread together at any or all of these meals hosted by Marsh Chapel. (Contact: Ray Bouchard, dymphna@bu.edu)

Coffee Hour	Every Sunday ~ 12:00 noon ~ Marsh Room
Community Dinner	Every Monday ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Room
Potluck Lunch (in lieu of Coffee Hour)	September 7; October 5; November 2; December 7

OUT TO LUNCH

Weekly, various days - 12:30 p.m. - Dining Halls

Br. Larry takes a different faculty member out to lunch each week to discuss their vocational trajectory, that is, how and why they went into the field they went into. A schedule of faculty members, dates, and locations is available on the Marsh Chapel website at <http://www.bu.edu/chapel/life/vocation/out-to-lunch>. Join us for lunch, hear from the faculty member of the day, and ask questions. (Contact: Br. Larry Whitney, lwhitney@bu.edu)

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUNDAY LUNCHEON

2nd Sunday of the month after worship (9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/14)

Join us after Chapel worship on the second Sunday of every month to eat delicious food, share in fellowship, and discuss theology, scripture, and worship. (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, britt1@bu.edu)

ARTS FESTIVAL AT BU

Friday, September 19 ~ 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. ~ Nave

Marsh is participating in the Arts Festival at BU, a day-long arts event that happens across campus. Marsh Chapel hosts an art and architecture tour from 1:00-2:00 p.m., as well as an opportunity to craft your own prayer beads in the narthex to take with you. (Contact: Sarah Miller, svmiller@bu.edu)

GLOBAL HYMN SING AND POTLUCK

Wednesday, October 22 ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Robinson Chapel

Join in for this fun and festive sing-a-long worship service lead by Boston University international and interfaith students from around the globe. We join together for a night of singing in sacred celebration as we learn hymns, chants, and songs from various religious and cultural traditions. Afterwards, there is an interfaith/intercultural potluck dinner. Feel free to bring a dish to share! (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, britt1@bu.edu)

GRADUATE STUDENT THANKSGIVING MEAL

Thursday, November 27 ~ 1:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

Join us for a traditional American Thanksgiving meal with turkey and all of the fixin's. Share together in hospitality by volunteering to help set up, cook, or clean up. (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, britt1@bu.edu)

THANKSGIVING HOMESTAY PROGRAM

November 26 -30

Marsh Chapel is joined by the Boston University Howard Thurman Center and the Parents Program in this new initiative to make international students feel more welcomed into our community. International students are paired with a host from our local community for the Thanksgiving weekend and will have a chance to experience this bounteous American traditional holiday. If you are interested in being a participant or a host, please contact Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, International Student Chaplain, britt1@bu.edu for an application.

GLOBAL STRESS RELIEF DAY

Thursday, December 11 ~ 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

During the fury of exams and final projects, take a moment to breathe and get balanced in Marsh Chapel. Our Stress Relief Day has relaxation techniques from all around the globe: massage, yoga, tea, henna, meditation, and more. All of it is free and Boston University international students and friends are welcome to stop by to take a break and de-stress. (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, britt1@bu.edu)

FELLOWSHIP and ADVOCACY GROUPS

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Tuesdays ~ 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. ~ Thurman Room

The International Fellowship is a group that creates safe, sacred spaces for fellowship, relational ministry, and spiritual exploration. Primarily, we do this by cooking cultural foods together, sharing in the meal, and discussing spirituality and cultural heritage. This group is open to people of all nationalities and religions and it thrives on diversity. Our goal is to form relationships at the table and to seek wisdom, comfort, counseling, and spiritual growth through those relationships. (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, britt1@bu.edu)

CULTURE CAUCUS

Wednesdays (Sept. 17; Oct. 1, 15, and 29; Nov. 12; Dec. 3)

5:00 – 8:00 p.m. ~ Meet on Marsh Plaza

This group is for international students and friends who want to explore through tangible experiences both American culture and other international cultures present in America. As a group, we watch cultural films, visit Boston landmarks, museums, cultural heritage sites, and enjoy international cuisine. This caucus's purpose is to enable the exploration of the cultures represented at B.U., as well as the wider city of Boston, through sensory experience and fellowship. (Contact: Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, britt1@bu.edu)

BOSTON UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST FELLOWSHIP

Every other Wednesday ~ 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. ~ Thurman Room

Methodist undergraduates meet for good company, good conversation, good food, and Communion once a month. The first gathering of the semester is on September 3. (Contact: Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell, OSL, vgaskell@bu.edu)

INTERFAITH COUNCIL

The Interfaith Council works to promote understanding and cooperation between all religious and non-religious traditions through education, in order to achieve religious literacy; through discussion, to enable open and honest communication; and by coming together over shared values through service. For meeting times and information about other events, see the Interfaith Council blog at <http://buifc.wordpress.com>.

ABOLITIONIST CHAPEL TODAY

Sundays (Sept. 21, Oct. 26, Nov. 23, Dec. 28) ~ 12:30 p.m.

Marsh Chapel is reaching out in conversation with individuals and groups at Boston University and in the Massachusetts Abolitionist Network to raise awareness, educate, and involve people directly against the crime of modern-day slavery/human trafficking.

Modern-day slavery is the world's second-largest criminal activity, involving more than 27 million people held in situations of forced labor/debt bondage, sexual exploitation, child soldiering, and/or sale of body parts. At least 1 million people live in slavery situations in this country alone, some of them in Boston. The good news is that many exciting things are being done, in Boston and around the world, to stop modern-day slavery/human trafficking.

For more information, to extend the conversation, or to join the monthly research and program group (dates listed above; all meetings with complimentary lunch) contact Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell, Chapel Associate, at vgaskell@bu.edu.

OUTLOOK: LGBTQ MINISTRY

OUTlook, Marsh Chapel's LGBTQ Ministry, is a community where lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer/questioning students—and their allies—can safely explore spirituality without fear of judgment or discrimination. We are a group of people who view spirituality and sexuality as something to discover and embrace, not ignore or oppress. When we say "all people are invited," we mean it. Information about meetings and special events is available on the Chapel website. (Contact: Rev. Liz Douglass, lmd@bu.edu)

ADDITIONAL FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Additional fellowship groups are available at Marsh Chapel, including:

Women's Forum (Contact: Jan Hill, 96jphill@gmail.com)

Men's Fellowship (Contact: Jay Reeg; jayreeg@rcn.com)

Mid-Life Fellowship (Contact: Robert Hill; rahill@bu.edu)

Families with Children

(Contact: Br. Larry Whitney; lwhitney@bu.edu)

Sunday Morning Intercessory Prayer Group

(Contact: Rev. Holly Benzenhafer-Redford; hollybr@bu.edu)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Getting to Marsh Chapel

Marsh Chapel is accessible via the MBTA Green Line B Train (Boston University Central) and the No. 57 Bus (St. Mary's Street). Free parking is available for the Sunday morning service (11:00 a.m.) in the "J lot" behind the College of Arts and Sciences (accessible via Bay State Road). On occasion, this lot may be closed on Sunday mornings for other official University functions. For all other parking needs, parishioners are advised to find on-street parking on Commonwealth Avenue, St. Mary's Street, Bay State Road, or other nearby streets. For directions to Marsh Chapel, visit our website at www.bu.edu/chapel/directions.

Child Care

Child Care is available during the Sunday morning service. Inquiries may be made in the main office located on the lower level of the chapel. In addition, Children's Worship Bulletins are available in the narthex at the beginning of the service for those interested.

Handicapped Accessibility

A wheelchair lift is located at the west door of the Chapel on the Marsh Plaza level. This lift allows for access between Marsh Plaza and the Sanctuary level of the chapel. For access, please ring the bell located next to the lift. A member of the Chapel staff will be happy to assist you.

Reservations

Marsh Chapel may be reserved by individuals or organizations for concerts, recitals, lectures, and ceremonies. In addition, Marsh Plaza and Warren Alpert Mall (BU Beach) may also be reserved, although use of those spaces is generally limited to Boston University student groups and departments. Applicants are requested to thoroughly review the Space-Use Policy found on our website (www.bu.edu/chapel/reservations) before submitting the required online application. Further inquiries may be made by calling Ray Bouchard at 617.358.3390.

Marsh Chapel Broadcasts

Sunday Morning services are broadcast on WBUR 90.9 FM and streamed over the Internet at www.wbur.org. A weekly podcast of the Sunday morning service is available through iTunes®.

Online Resources

The Marsh Chapel website (www.bu.edu/chapel) resources include a sermon archive, a bulletin archive (including bulletins for upcoming Sunday services), a list of upcoming events, staff biographies, online applications for weddings and other space requests, and a link to our podcast of Sunday morning services. For the most recent information on Marsh Chapel events, join the Marsh Chapel Facebook™ page (www.facebook.com/MarshChapel) or follow us on Twitter™ (www.twitter.com/MarshChapel).

Weddings, Funerals, and Memorial Services

Marsh Chapel is available for weddings, funerals, and memorial services. Scheduling preference is given to members of the Marsh Chapel and Boston University communities. Further information, including an online wedding application, is available on the “Worship” page of our website (www.bu.edu/chapel/worship). Funeral and memorial service requests must be made by phone. To request the use of Marsh Chapel for a funeral or memorial service, or for more information on any of the services listed above, please call the main office at 617.353.3560.

Baptism and Confirmation

Baptism and Confirmation classes will be offered during Lent of 2015. Details will be forthcoming in the Spring 2015 Termbook. The Sacrament of Baptism and the rites of Confirmation will be administered during the Great Vigil Service on April 4, 2015. Roman Catholics interested in receiving the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation should contact the Boston University Catholic Center at 617.353.3632.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is available from any chaplain at Boston University. To request a meeting, contact the chapel office at 617.353.3560 or chapel@bu.edu. Alternatively, fill out the pastoral contact form on the website at www.bu.edu/chapel/contact. We are happy to arrange a meeting with a chaplain appropriate to your faith community and need.

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All are invited to contribute to the life and ministry of Marsh Chapel through time, talents, gifts, and service. Financial contributions may be sent to us at Marsh Chapel, Boston University, 735 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02215. Alternatively, credit card contributions may be made online through our website at www.bu.edu/chapel/stewardship.

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- To receive print mailings, please contact the chapel office at 617.353.3560.
- To receive information about becoming a member of the Marsh Chapter congregation, please contact the chapel office at 617.353.3560.
- To speak with the Dean, please call 617.358.3394.
- To obtain offering envelopes for weekly tithes and gifts, please call Ray Bouchard at 617.358.3390.
- To express interest in endowing the future of Marsh Chapel through planned giving, please call Dean Hill at 617.358.3394.
- To learn about current ministry at Marsh Chapel, please visit our website at www.bu.edu/chapel.
- To get to know the current Marsh Chapel membership, please visit Coffee Hour following worship.
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