

# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Word and Sacrament Sunday, September 6th, 2015 –11:00 a.m. The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

# The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

■ Please rise, as you are able.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

Prelude Passacaglia in C minor, BWV 582

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 "All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord" *René Clausen* (b. 1953)

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, shout to the Lord, Alleluia! Praise the Lord with joyful song: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, Alleluia! Praise Him! Laud Him! Alleluia!

from Psalm 96; adapted by the composer

**♣ Hymn 166** All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

SINE NOMINE

## **▼** Collect (in unison)

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Lesson** Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

*Lector:* A lesson from the Book of Proverbs, chapter 22:

<sup>1</sup>A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold.

<sup>2</sup>The rich and the poor have this in common: the LORD is the maker of them all.

8Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail.

<sup>9</sup>Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.

<sup>22</sup>Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate;

<sup>23</sup>for the LORD pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

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.

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. Psalm 37:30-31

**Lesson** James 2:1-10, 14-17

Lector: A lesson from the Epistle of James, chapter 2, verses 1-10 and 14-17:

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 125

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

# **♬** Antiphon (sung by all)



Cantor: Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion.

which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

People: As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people,

from this time on and forevermore.

Cantor: For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest

on the land allotted to the righteous,

so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.

People: Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,

and to those who are upright in their hearts.

Cantor: But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways

the LORD will lead away with evildoers.

People: Peace be upon Israel!

**▼ Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat: Collegium Magdalenae Oxoniense'

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

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.

**蚤 Gospel Lesson** Mark 7:24-37

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

chapter 7, verses 24-37:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he

returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon** "The Senses of Prayer" Dean Robert Allan Hill

₩ Hymn 358 Dear Lord and Father of mankind REST

# **Community Life and Offering**

# At the Offertory A New Song

James MacMillan (b. 1959)

O sing unto the Lord a new song, sing unto the Lord all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord and praise His Name, be telling of His salvation from day to day.

For He cometh to judge the earth, and with righteousness to judge the world and the people with His truth.

Psalm 96:1, 2, 13

# **№ Presentation of the Gifts** (sung by all)

adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The music to this hymn is found on page 95 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# **▼** Offertory Prayer

#### **▼** Invitation to Confession

Celebrant: Jesus said: Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled. As brothers and

sisters in God's family, we come together to ask for forgiveness.

#### **▼** Confession of Sin

All: Father, you are always present,

Forgive us for not reflecting your faithfulness.

Jesus, you are always self-giving, Forgive us for living for ourselves.

Holy Spirit, you always lead us forward,

Forgive us for holding back.

#### **■** Absolution

Celebrant: May God almighty forgive all your sins, and keep you walking in love,

through the Spirit, for Christ's sake.

All: Amen.

# **■** Exchange of Peace

Celebrant: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name," says Jesus, "there am

I in the midst of them."

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange signs of love and peace.

## **▼** Invitation to the Lord's Table

Celebrant: Wise and gracious God,

you spread a table before us;

nourish your people with the word of life

and the bread of heaven.

All: Amen.

# 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 to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O God, our light and our salvation;

to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things

and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation.

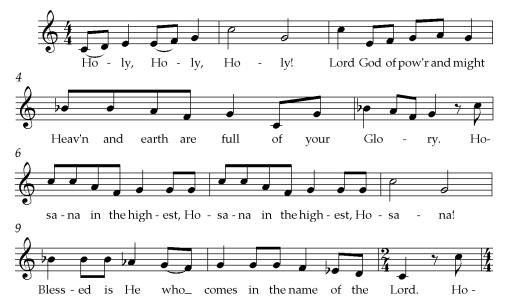
You give us breath and speech,

that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven

we may find a voice to sing your praise:

# **▼** Sanctus and Benedictus (sung by all)

Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)





sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!

# **■** History of Salvation

*Celebrant*: How wonderful the work of your hands, O God.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own.

When they turned away and rebelled, your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Savior, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

Jesus offered his life for sinners,

and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

#### **₩** Words of Institution

Celebrant: On the night before he died,

Jesus came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.

He broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

#### **★** Acclamation

*Celebrant*: Great is the mystery of faith:

(Sung by all):



# **₩** Epiclesis

*Celebrant*: Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation;

may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,

form us in the likeness of Christ,

and build us into a living temple to your glory.

#### **▼** Intercessions

Celebrant: We plead with confidence Christ's sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;

we remember Jesus' dying and rising in glory,

and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Today we invoke a particular blessing on the new academic year,

on new and returning students,

on faculty, staff, and administrators,

for the health and safety of the Boston University community,

and for the grace of wisdom, insight, and knowledge

to contribute to the flourishing of all creation.

Bring us at the last with all the saints

to the vision of that eternal splendor for which you have created us.

# ■ Doxology

Celebrant: We pray all these things through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

by whom, with whom, and in whom,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,

we worship you, almighty God, in songs of everlasting praise:

All: Blessing and honor and glory and power be yours forever and ever. Amen.

# **▼** The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, with the confidence of children of God, we are bold to 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.

#### **▼** The Fraction

*Celebrant*: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

# ■ Agnus Dei (sung by the choir)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace. Amen.

#### **▼** Distribution of the Elements

*Celebrant*: Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

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# **Communion Motet** Hear my prayer

Words and music by Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer, In the morning when I rise. It's your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer, Keep me safe within your arms. It's your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

When my work on earth is done, And you come to take me home. Just to know I'm bound for glory. And to hear you say: well done.

# Postcommunion (in unison)

Lord of the harvest, you have fed your people in this sacrament with the fruits of creation made holy by your Spirit: strengthen us who have received this holy food to be good stewards of your manifold grace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came not to be served but to serve. Amen.

₩ Hymn 581

Lord, whose love through humble service

BEACH SPRING

#### **■** 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

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

The celebrant is Br. Lawrence A. Whitney, LCt, University Chaplain for Community Life.

The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music.

The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.

# COMMUNION AT MARSH CHAPEL

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.

Healing Prayer Stations: Marsh Chapel offers prayer for healing at every Sunday Communion service (except the Easter services). 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, please join the members of the healing prayer group under the first windows on the pulpit side of the Nave. Please feel free to stay until you are prayed with as the service continues to hold us all in worship.

# THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

TODAY	9:45 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:00 a.m. <b>12:00 noon</b> 12:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Morning Study Group (Thurman Room) Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave) Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave) Marsh Chapel BBQ Lunch (BU Beach) Reading the Bible Together (Thurman Room) Sunday Vespers (Robinson Chapel)
MONDAY	Labor Day – Classes Cancelled – Marsh Chapel Activities Cancelled	
TUESDAY	<b>6:00 p.m.</b> 8:00 p.m.	Dean's Choice: International Student Fellowship (Thurman Room) Student Bible Study (Thurman Room)
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WEDNESDAY	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Nave)
THURSDAY	12:00 p.m. 12:20 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Silence Practice (Nave) Common Ground Communion (Marsh Plaza) Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions (Nave) Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
FRIDAY	8:00 p.m.	Friday Fellowship (Marsh Chapel, Lower Level)
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:50 a.m. 12:00 noon 12:30 p.m. 12:30 p.m. 12:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Morning Study Group (Thurman Room) Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave) Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave) International Student Sunday Children's Ministry (Thurman Room) Coffee Hour (Marsh Room) International Student Luncheon Reading the Bible Together (Thurman Room) Thurman Choir Rehearsal (Robinson Chapel) Sunday Vespers (Robinson Chapel)

**Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions** will take place this Thursday, September 10, from 6-9 p.m. in the Main Chapel. Those auditioning should plan to stay for the entire rehearsal period. Please email the music staff at musicmar@bu.edu to reserve an audition slot.

# 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.

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