

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Worship

Sunday, September 11th, 2016 –11:00 a.m.
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✦ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude Six Fugues on B-A-C-H, Op. 60 *Robert Schumann (1810-1856)*
 III. Mit sanften Stimmen
 IV. Mässig, doch nicht zu langsam

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** Cry out and shout *Knut Nystedt (b. 1915)*

Cry out and shout, ye people of God! The Lord is strength and song!

Cry out and shout, ye people of God! Cry out and shout, Alleluia!

Isaiah 12, adapted

✦ **Hymn 103** Immortal, invisible, God only wise ST. DENIO

✦ **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, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, 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

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Jeremiah, chapter 4, verses 11-12 and 22-28:

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger. For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem

When David heard *Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656)*

When David heard that Absolon was slain, he went up to his chamber over the gate and wept:
And thus he said: O my son, Absolon my son, Would God I had died for thee. *2 Samuel 18:33*

Psalm 14

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

♪ **Antiphon** (*sung by all*)



My hope is lost; breathe life up - on me.

Cantor: Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."

People: *They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds;
there is no one who does good.*

Cantor: The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

People: *They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good, no, not one.*

Cantor: Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people
as they eat bread, and do not call upon the LORD?

People: *There they shall be in great terror,
for God is with the company of the righteous.*

Cantor: You would confound the plans of the poor,
but the LORD is their refuge.

People: *O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad. ♪*

✘ **Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat in B-flat major, Op. 10' C. V. Stanford (1852-1924)

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** Luke 15:1-10

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke,
chapter 15, verses 1-10:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

✘ **Hymn 437** This is my song FINLANDIA

Sermon "A Tenebrous Edge"

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

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, 2001*

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

*Leader: We would remember ...
those first responders who risked their lives 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.*

—Rev. Susan S. Shafer, August 2011

The Lord's Prayer *(in unison)*

Response after "Abendlied" *adapted from Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)*

Stay with us in your mercy; May we live the song you teach us;
Stay with us Lord, O stay with us; Through Christ our Lord. Amen. *Scott Allen Jarrett*

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory Wondrous Love *arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this,
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.


When I was sinking down,...
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul....

To God and to the Lamb I will sing,...
To God and to the Lamb
who is the great "I am,"
While millions join the theme, I will sing....

And when from death I'm free I'll sing on,...
And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity, I'll sing on...

American Folk Hymn

✦ **Presentation of the Gifts** *(sung by all)* *adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;



Praise God above, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

✦ **Offertory Prayer**

Those wishing to attend Children's Education may exit the chapel during the singing of the next hymn.

✘ **Hymn 427** Where cross the crowded ways of life (stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 6) GERMANY

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

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

NAMES IN REMEMBRANCE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

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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).

THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

TODAY	9:45 a.m.	Morning Study Group (Thurman Room)
	10:35 a.m.	Take Note (Robinson Chapel)
	10:40 a.m.	Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
	11:50 a.m.	Children's Education (Thurman Room)
	12:00 noon	Blessing of the Books, Bags, and Bikes (Marsh Plaza)
	12:10 p.m.	Barbeque Lunch (BU Beach)
MONDAY	12:15 p.m.	Monday Meditation (Robinson Chapel)
	5:00 p.m.	Dean's Choice: Dean's Bible Study (Dean Hill's Office)
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
TUESDAY	3:00 p.m.	Create Space (Marsh Chapel, Lower Level)
	6:00 p.m.	Global Dinner Club (Marsh Room)
WEDNESDAY	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Nave)
THURSDAY	12:00 p.m.	Silence Practice (Nave)
	12:20 p.m.	Common Ground Communion (Marsh Plaza)
	4:45 p.m.	Spiritual Life Yoga (Robinson Chapel)
	6:00 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions (Nave)
	6:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45 a.m.	Morning Study Group (Thurman Room)
	10:35 a.m.	Take Note (Robinson Chapel)
	10:40 a.m.	Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave) International Student Sunday
	11:50 a.m.	Children's Education (Thurman Room)
	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Thurman Choir Rehearsal (Robinson Chapel)

Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions will take place this Thursday, September 8, 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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