Dear Friends,

Welcome to the varied ministry of Marsh Chapel at Boston University! We look forward to getting to know you, as you sign up to sing in a choir, as you volunteer to usher or greet, as you attend a fellowship or study group, and especially as you worship with us on Sunday at 11:00 a.m.!

The envisioned mission of Marsh Chapel is to be ‘a heart in the heart of the city, and a service in the service of the city’. To that end, Dr. Jarrett will invite you to vocal expressions of faith in the life of our music program. To that end, Ms. Chicka will invite you to global outreach in our work with international students. To that end, Br. Whitney will invite you to take part and take leadership in campus student ministry. To that end, Mr. Bouchard will solicit your support for work and works in hospitality.

This year, with our emphasis on ‘voice, vocation, and volume’ in our shared life, we are using as a focus for our work the term ‘conversation’. What are the healthy types of conversation in our current experience? What forms of conversation fall short of full conversation? Do you know a good conversation only in retrospect because it leads to another? If prayer is our conversation with God, and God’s with us, especially in the Psalms come Sunday, what depths of prayer do we now plumb or could we later learn? A sermon is a set of dialogues clothed in a univocal affirmation: what conversations, what calls and responses, bear meaning therein? Do any of the newer technologies open us to conversation, or not? Are we growing in our capacity for gracious conversation? Come and join in!

Where I can be personally helpful to you, and where our staff, chaplains, and campus ministers can be a benefit and blessing to you, do not hesitate to call upon us.

John Wesley famously called conversation ‘a means of grace’. May grace expand and extend in meaning for us in 2016!

Grace and peace,

Bob Hill
FIRST WEEK ACTIVITIES: SEPTEMBER 4 - 11

New and returning students are invited to join together for a variety of fellowship activities during the first week of classes. For more information about any of these events, contact Br. Larry Whitney at lwhitney@bu.edu or Chaplain Jessica Chicka at jchicka@bu.edu.

**Matriculation Service**  
Sunday, September 4 ~ 11:00 a.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave

**Labor Day**  
Monday, September 5  
“A Sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; for those who enter God’s rest also cease from their labors as God did from his. Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest” – Hebrews 4:9-11a

**Religious Life Fair and Ice Cream Social**  
Tuesday, September 6 ~ 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. - Marsh Plaza

**First Day of Classes Dinner**  
Tuesday, September 6 ~ 6:00 p.m. - Marsh Room

**Interfaith Ice Cream Social and Speed Friending**  
Wednesday, September 7 ~ 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel

**Dean’s Tea – Faith and Politics 2016**  
Thursday, September 8 ~ 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. - Thurman Room

**The Greening of the Dorms**  
Friday, September 9 ~ 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. - BU Beach

**SPLASH**  
Saturday, September 10 ~ 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. - Nickerson Field

**Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service**  
Sunday, September 11 ~ 11:00 a.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave

**BBQ Lunch and Blessing of the Books, Bags, and Bikes**  
Sunday, September 11 ~ 12:00 noon - Marsh Plaza/BU Beach
SUNDAY SERVICES 11:00 a.m.

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.

September 4
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost/University Matriculation
Holy Communion
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “On Beginning a Conversation”
Anthems: Surge amica mea – Palestrina
All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord – Kenneth Jennings
Ave verum corpus – Mozart

September 11
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Jer. 4:11-12, 22-28 - Ps. 14 - 1 Tim. 1:12-17 - Luke 15:1-10
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “A Tenebrous Edge”
Anthems: When David heard – Tomkins
Wondrous Love – arr. Parker/Shaw

September 18
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Preacher: Ms. Jessica Chicka,
University Chaplain for International Students
Sermon: “An Invitation”

September 25
The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Jer. 32:1-3a, 6-15 - Ps. 91:1-6, 14-16 - 1 Tim. 6:6-19 - Luke 16:19-31
Preachers: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music
Cantata: Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam, BWV 7 – J. S. Bach
October 2
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday
Holy Communion
Lam. 1:1-6 - Lam. 3:19-26 - 2 Tim. 1:1-14 - Luke 17:5-10
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “The Sacrament of Conversation”
Anthems: Da pacem Domine – Arvo Pärt
Draw us in the Spirit’s tether – Harold W. Friedell
Let us break bread together – arr. William Lawrence

October 9
The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
Jer. 29:1, 4-7 - Ps. 66:1-12 - 2 Tim. 2:8-15 - Luke 17:11-19
Preacher: Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell, Chapel Associate for Methodist Students
Sermon: “Good Advice from the Most Unlikely”
Anthems: Laudate Dominum – Sweelinck
How can I keep from singing? – arr. Ronald Staheli

October 16
The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “Compassionate Conversation”
Anthems: Tu es Petrus – Palestrina
Wo ist ein so herrlich Volk – Brahms

October 23
The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “Generation to Generation”
Anthems: Rise up, my love – James Kallembach
I was glad when they said unto me – Parry

October 30
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “In Conversation with Martin Luther”
Anthems: Exultate Deo – Poulenc
Lord, thou hast been our refuge – Vaughan Williams
November 6
All Saints’ Sunday
Holy Communion
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “The Sacrament and Conversation”
Anthems: And I saw a new heaven – Edgar Bainton
Hark, I hear the harps eternal – arr. Alice Parker
Vor deinen Thron tret ich hiermit – J. S. Bach

November 13
The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “Thanksgiving in Memory”
Music offered by the Inner Strength Gospel Choir.

November 20
The Last Sunday after Pentecost/The Reign of Jesus Christ, King
Preachers: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music
Cantata: Meine Seel erhebt den Herren, BWV 10 – J. S. Bach

November 27
The First Sunday of Advent
Is. 2:1-5 - Ps. 122 - Rom. 13:11-14 - Matt. 24:36-44
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “Approaching Advent”
Anthems: Laetentur coeli – Byrd
My Lord, what a mornin’ – arr. Harry T. Burleigh

HEALING PRAYER STATIONS
We offer prayer for healing at every Sunday Communion service. 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 of the Nave. Also, if you, clergy or laity, find yourself drawn to participate in the ministry of the healing prayer group, please contact Rev. Victoria Gaskell, Chapel Associate, at vgaskell@bu.edu.
December 4
The Second Sunday of Advent
Holy Communion
Is. 11:1-10 ~ Ps. 72:1-7, 18-19 ~ Rom. 15:4-13 ~ Matt. 3:1-12
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “Sacrament and Discourse”
Anthems: Thou shalt know him – Mark Sirett
Magnificat in G – Stanford
Ave verum corpus – Byrd

December 11
The Third Sunday of Advent
The Forty-Third Service of Lessons and Carols
Is. 35:1-10 ~ Ps. 146:5-10 ~ James 5:7-10 ~ Matt. 11:2-11
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 Break. Music for these services is offered by the Marsh Chapel Choral Scholars.

December 18
The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “The Gospel at Christmas”

December 25
Christmas Day: The Nativity of Our Lord
Is. 52:7-10 ~ Ps. 98 ~ Heb. 1:1-12 ~ John 1:1-14
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Sermon: “Nativity”
MONDAY MEDITATION  
**Mondays ~ 12:15 – 12:45 p.m. - Robinson Chapel**  
Breathe deeply and start off your week by getting balanced through meditation. Each Monday at 12:15 p.m., 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.  
(Contact: Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

ECUMENICAL EVENING PRAYER  
**Wednesdays ~ 5:15 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave**  
This service is sponsored by the Episcopal Chaplaincy and offers a moment of quiet reflection and communion.

SILENCE PRACTICE  
**Thursdays ~ 12:00 noon - Marsh Chapel Nave**  

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. The service is held weekly during the term while classes are in session.

*Additional services are listed on page 15 under “Marsh Connections.”*
SPECIAL SERVICES

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUNDAY
Sunday, September 18 - 11:00 a.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Come to Marsh Chapel for a Sunday service specifically dedicated to Boston University’s wonderfully diverse international students. Chaplain Jessica Chicka preaches a multicultural-themed sermon and a lot of tasty international snacks are served afterwards in the lower level of Marsh Chapel. This is a great opportunity for international students to make new friends and get better connected with the Marsh Chapel community.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS WEEKEND SERVICE
Sunday, October 23 - 11:00 a.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Family and friends of Boston University students are welcomed at this service, followed by a complimentary luncheon in the Marsh Room.

A “BLUE CHRISTMAS” SERVICE
Sunday, December 4 - 3:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel 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 9 - 6:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Sunday, December 11 - 11:00 a.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Join the Boston University community for the Forty-Third 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. 11.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES
Saturday, December 24 - 1:00 p.m./7:30 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel’s annual Christmas Eve services are a time of quiet meditation and joyful celebration. In addition to our annual 7:30 p.m. service, we now offer a 1:00 p.m. service, convenient for families with children and Boston University employees leaving for the winter break.
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Located in the heart of a great university with a rich heritage, Marsh Chapel regularly offers settings for teaching, discussion, and conversation.

MORNING STUDY GROUP
Sundays - 9:45 a.m. - Thurman Room
What relationship (if any) should the church have with the political sphere? How does faith inform how you participate in civic life? Christianity has a number of perspectives on these questions, so this semester we will be reading *Five Views on the Church and Politics*, where we will hear from Anabaptist, Lutheran, Catholic, Black Church, and Reform voices. Come join the conversation as we try to think through this important and timely topic. Books are available in the chapel office.
(Contact: Rev. Jen. Quigley, jenquig@bu.edu; Matthew Cron, mattcron@bu.edu)

CHILDREN’S EDUCATION
Sundays - 11:50 a.m. - Thurman Room
Our children’s education ministry is available every Sunday excluding Communion Sundays. Those interested are invited to leave the service during the last hymn for a time of lessons, crafts, and fun with Marsh Associate Devin Harvin. (Contact: Devin Harvin, dharvin@bu.edu)

DEAN’S BIBLE STUDY
Mondays (9/12, 9/19, 9/26) - 5:00 p.m. - Dean Hill’s Office
Join Dean Hill for a special three-week Bible study on the Gospel of Luke. This session promises to be rich in conversation and meaningful in spiritual enrichment. Space is limited, so please RSVP to Dean Hill to reserve your space.
(Contact: Dean Robert Allan Hill, rahill@bu.edu)

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.
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: Kaitlin Noe, knoe@bu.edu)

- Coffee Hour
- Community Dinner
- Covered Dish Lunch (in lieu of Coffee Hour)

RELIGION ON TAP
Sept. 19/Oct. 24/Dec. 5 - 7:30 p.m. - BU Pub, 225 Bay State Road
A casual space where Boston University friends, faculty, staff, and (21+) students from all different faiths and walks of life can join together to have a drink (alcoholic or non-alcoholic, according to your comfort level and/or religious tradition); talk about faith, God, and life; and be in authentic community together. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

BRUNCH AT THE DEANERY
Sunday, October 2 ~ 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. ~ 96 Bay State Road, #10
Sunday, November 6 ~ 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. ~ 96 Bay State Road, #10
On these two Sunday mornings, Bob and Jan Hill host a brunch at the Deanery before the 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning service. These brunches are a wonderful opportunity to get to know the Hills and enjoy a moment of fellowship and conversation. Please RSVP to Kaitlin Noe a week in advance. (Contact: Kaitlin Noe, knoe@bu.edu)

PAINTING IN THE SPIRIT
Friday, October 14 ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Room
Join the Global Ministries Department for a two-hour long spiritual painting class. Learn about painting as a devotional practice, enjoy some snacks, and put paint to canvas. Those with no painting experience and well-practiced artists are both encouraged and welcome. Space is limited, so reserve your spot quickly. (Contact: Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)
WOMEN’S FORUM
**Sunday, October 16 - 12:30 p.m. - 96 Bay State Road, #10**
Jan Hill hosts this year’s Women’s Forum, featuring a talk by Professor Dr. Virginia Sapiro on the implications and consequences of the November national election. To reserve your seat, contact Kaitlin Noe at knoe@bu.edu or speak to Jan Hill directly.

SPIRITUAL POETRY SLAM
**Friday, November 11 - 7:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel, Lower Level**
Join the Global Ministries Department in a night of poetry recitation and appreciation. No poetic prowess necessary – just come with an open mind, an appetite for swanky snacks, and fingers that snap! (Contact: Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

GLOBAL STRESS RELIEF DAY
**Tuesday, December 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel, Lower Level**
During the fury of exams, papers, 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, tea, henna, meditation, coloring, board games, and more. All of it is free and all Boston University students are welcome. So stop by for a few minutes or all day to take a break and de-stress. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

SPIRITUAL LIFE YOGA
**Thursdays - 4:45 – 6:00 p.m. - Robinson Chapel**
Led by Amy Aubrecht, a recent STH MDiv graduate and certified yoga instructor, this class seeks to offer the BU community another option for spiritual development and nourishment, as well as community formation. Bring a yoga mat and water-bottle. Other props and extra mats will be provided. Please note, anyone who arrives after 5:00 p.m. will not be permitted to enter. (Contact: Amy Aubrecht, aaub3@bu.edu)

MEN’S FORUM: UNIVERSITY LECTURE
The men of the chapel and community join together once each year for an evening of fellowship. This year, they will attend the University Lecture, a speech offered to members of the BU community and the general public by distinguished faculty about the outstanding and often groundbreaking research and scholarship in which they are actively engaged. More information, including the date of this year’s University Lecture, will be announced in the Sunday bulletin. For more information, contact Jay Reeg at jayreeg@rcn.com.
MUSIC AT MARSH CHAPEL 16|17

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

Considered to be one of the most vibrant parts of the greater university community, Music at Marsh Chapel enjoys a rich heritage of quality music making both in worship and concert. The principal organizations are the Marsh Chapel Choir, the Marsh Chapel Thurman Choir, the Inner Strength Gospel Choir, and Lorelei, our ensemble-in-residence. For tickets or questions, contact the Music at Marsh Chapel offices at the phone number or email address above.

CONCERTS AND SPECIAL SERVICES

KALLEMBACH *The Most Sacred Body of Jesus* [Marsh Chapel commission]
October 22, 2016 ~ 8:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
Scott Allen Jarrett conducting

*University Service of Lessons and Carols*
Friday, December 9, 2016 ~ 6:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Sunday, December 11, 2016 ~ 11:00 a.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir
Boston University School of Theology Seminary Singers
Majestic Brass

*HANDEL Israel in Egypt*
Saturday, March 18, 2017 ~ 8:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
Scott Allen Jarrett conducting

*HAYDN The Seven Last Words of Christ*
Good Friday, April 14, 2017 ~ 12:00 noon ~ 3:00 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
Scott Allen Jarrett conducting
THE BACH EXPERIENCE
Selected Sundays - 9:45 a.m./11:00 a.m.
Music at Marsh Chapel celebrates the tenth anniversary of the Bach Cantata Series with four cantatas never performed before at Marsh Chapel. Each Bach Experience Sunday begins at 9:45 a.m. with a 30-minute discussion of the work’s musical and theological significance. After a complimentary breakfast, the Experience continues with a complete performance of the cantata during the Sunday morning service.

September 25, 2016  Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam, BWV 7
Cantata for the Feast of St. John the Baptist

November 20, 2016  Meine Seel erhebt den Herren, BWV 10
Cantata for the Feast of the Visitation

February 12, 2017  Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin, BWV 125
Cantata for the Feast of the Purification of Mary

April 30, 2017   Wer mich liebet, der wird mein Wort halten, BWV 74
Cantata for Pentecost

INNER STRENGTH GOSPEL CHOIR
Herbert S. Jones, Director

CONCERTS
Saturday, October 22, 2016 - 12:30 p.m. - Steps of Marsh Chapel
Friday, November 18, 2016 - 7:30 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave
Friday, April 21, 2017 - 7:30 p.m. - Marsh Chapel Nave

SUNDAY SERVICES
November 13, 2016; February 26, 2017; April 23, 2017

THURMAN CHOIR
Sundays (see below) - 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 family 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 Christmas Eve Service. No audition or previous experience is required, and a multi-generational experience is encouraged.

REHEARSALS
September 18; October 2/16; November 6/20; December 4/18

SUNDAY SERVICES
October 2, October 23, December 4
ENSEMBLE-IN-RESIDENCE: LORELEI
Beth Willer, Founder and Artistic Director
lorelei.ensemble@gmail.com - www.loreleiensemble.com

Lorelei advances the women’s vocal ensemble through passionate, engaging artistry and creative collaboration. Committed to a fresh and culturally relevant repertoire, Lorelei reimagines and cultivates bold compositional voices in performances that transform audience perspectives and expectations.

PART AND PARCEL
Saturday, October 1, 2016 ~ 8 p.m. ~ BU Art Gallery (808 Comm. Ave.)
Sunday, October 2, 2016 ~ 4 p.m. ~ BU Art Gallery (808 Comm. Ave.)
Program to include works by Hildegard von Bingen, Guillaume Du Fay, Kate Soper, Luciano Berio, and a world premiere by Jessica Meyer.

METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART (New York, NY)
Thursday, December 22, 2016 ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ Gallery 305, Medieval Sculpture Hall
Thursday, December 22, 2016 ~ 8:30 p.m. ~ Gallery 305, Medieval Sculpture Hall

GEORGE BENJAMIN Dream of the Song
with the Boston Symphony Orchestra
Andris Nelsons, conductor
Thursday, February 9, 2017 ~ 8:00 p.m. ~ Symphony Hall, Boston
Friday, February 10, 2017 ~ 8:00 p.m. ~ Symphony Hall, Boston
Saturday, February 11, 2017 ~ 8:00 p.m. ~ Symphony Hall, Boston
Thursday, March 2, 2017 ~ 8:00 p.m. ~ Carnegie Hall, New York

WITNESS
Saturday, June 10, 2017 ~ 8:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Chapel
Sunday, June 11, 2017 ~ 4:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Chapel
BYRD Mass for Three Voices
JAMES KALLEMBACH The Death of Antigone [World Premiere]
AUGUSTA READ THOMAS Water is Taught By Thirst [World Premiere]
SHAWN KIRCHNER [Untitled World Premiere]
JONATHAN WOODY Witness

TAKE NOTE
Sundays ~ 10:35 – 10:45 a.m. ~ Robinson Chapel
This brief and informal session is designed to enhance congregants’ experience of the music offered each week in the 11:00 a.m. Marsh Chapel worship service. Curated by Patrick T. Waters, a weekly host will offer insights to the anthems, hymns, service music, and/or organ repertoire that so richly adorn worship at Marsh Chapel. In addition to biographical information about composers and their compositions, attendees will learn useful suggestions for possibilities of active listening to the day’s musical selections.
MARSH CONNECTIONS

Throughout the semester, Marsh Chapel is host to numerous guests from within and outside the Boston University community. We highlight several of these groups here, in furtherance of our mission to be ‘a heart in the heart of the city, and a service in the service of the city’.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Roman Catholic Mass - Sundays - 12:30 p.m./6:00 p.m. - Nave
Weekly Compline Service - Mondays - 7:00 p.m. - Nave
School of Theology Worship Service - Wednesdays - 11:15 a.m. - Nave
Alumni Weekend Memorial Service - Saturday, October 1 - 11:00 a.m. - Nave

RELIGIOUS GROUPS

RUF Reformed University Fellowship Bible Study
Mondays - 8:00 p.m. - Robinson Chapel
Confucian Group - Wednesdays - 6:00 p.m. - Robinson Chapel
BU Zen Society - Wednesdays - 7:30 p.m. - Marsh Room

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Alcoholics Anonymous - Daily, Monday – Friday - 1:00 p.m. - Marsh Room

SPECIAL EVENTS

CFA Choral Concert - Tuesday, October 4 - 8:00 p.m. - Nave
Young Organists’ Initiative - Saturday, October 15 - 10:00 a.m. - Nave
STH Preaching Competition - Saturday, October 29 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Nave
Alea III Composition Competition - Saturday, November 19 - 7:00 p.m. - Nave
In Choro Novo Concert - Saturday, December 10 - 8:00 p.m. - Nave
FELLOWSHIP and ADVOCACY GROUPS

ABOLITIONIST CHAPEL TODAY
Sundays (9/25, 10/23, 11/20, 12/18) - 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. - Thurman Room
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 one 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.

CREATE SPACE
Tuesdays ~ 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. ~ Marsh Chapel, Lower Level
Feeling crafty? Want to learn how to knit or make paper cranes? Create Space is
a time and place to let your creative juices flow. We’ll supply origami paper,
coloring books, yarn, knitting needles, and other craft supplies to give you an
opportunity to connect your brain with your fingers and mindfully create. Once a
month, we’ll use our creative juices to “craft for a cause,” making items that can
be donated to those in need. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

GLOBAL DINNER CLUB
Tuesdays ~ 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. ~ Thurman Room
The Global Dinner Club 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 stories, and discussing culture. This group is open
to people of all nationalities and religions and thrives on diversity. (Contact:
Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

BOSTON UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST FELLOWSHIP
Every other Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. - Thurman Room
Methodist students from across the university meet for good company, good
conversation, good food, and Communion once a month. The first gathering of
the semester is on September 7. (Contact: Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell,
vgaskell@bu.edu)
INTERFAITH COUNCIL
Interfaith Council re-imagines how to learn, live, and lead in a pluralistic world. If you’re interested in helping in this year’s visioning process for interfaith work at Boston University, please be in touch with Ian Quillen at iquillen@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; hollybr@bu.edu)

STUDY RETREAT
December 14/15 - Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

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

Participation in Study Retreats is free of charge and available to all Boston University students. For more information or to register online, visit the Marsh Chapel website under the “Life Together” tab.
(Contact: Br. Larry Whitney, lwhitney@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
Individuals or organizations can reserve Marsh Chapel 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. Marsh Chapel requests that applicants 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 are offered on an individual basis and may be scheduled by contacting Dean Hill directly (617.358.3394; rahill@bu.edu). The Sacrament of Baptism and the rites of Confirmation are administered during the Great Vigil Service on April 15, 2017. 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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• To receive our e-newsletter, Common Ground, please sign up on our website at www.bu.edu/chapel.
• 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.
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• To express interest in endowing the future of Marsh Chapel through planned giving, please call Dean Hill at 617.358.3394.
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• To help us improve our communication, please provide suggestions to Justin Blackwell at 617.358.3395.