

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Word and Sacrament

Sunday, January 1st, 2017 –11:00 a.m.

Epiphany Sunday – The First Sunday after Christmas

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

Call to Worship and Greeting

The Dean: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

The Dean: The Word became flesh and dwells among us!

People: *Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth!*

✦ **Introit** Ding dong! merrily on high *harm. Charles Wood (1866-1926)*

Ding dong! merrily on high in heaven the bells are ringing:

Ding dong! verily the sky is riven with angel singing:

Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

G. R. Woodward

✦ **Hymn 245** The first Noel the angel did say THE FIRST NOEL

✦ **Collect** (*in unison*)

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the Peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

✦ **Gloria in excelsis** (*sung by all*)

1. An-gels we have heard on high sweet - ly sing-ing o'er the plains,
 2. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Christ whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee, Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a,
 in ex - cel - sis De - o! Glo - - - - -
 - - - - - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Lesson Isaiah 60:1-6

Lector: A lesson from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, chapter 60, verses 1-6:

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Reges Tharsis et insulae a 4

William Byrd (c.1540 - 1623)

Reges Tharsis et insulae munera offerent,
Reges Arabum et Saba dona adducent.
Et adorabunt eum omnes Reges terrae,
Omnes gentes servient ei.

*The kings of Tharsis and the isle offer their gifts,
The kings of Arabia and Sheba bring gifts.
And all the kings of the earth worship him,
All peoples bow before him.*

Offertory for Epiphany

Lesson Ephesians 3:1-12

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, chapter 3, verses 1-12:

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

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

♪ Antiphon (*sung by all*)



I will give you as a light to the



nations, my sal - va - tion to the ends of the earth.

- Cantor: Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to a king's son.
- People: *May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice.*
- Cantor: May the mountains yield prosperity for the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.
- People: *May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,
give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.*
- Cantor: May he live while the sun endures, and as long as the moon,
throughout all generations.
- People: *May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,
like showers that water the earth.*
- Cantor: In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound,
until the moon is no more.
- People: *May the rulers of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute,
may the rulers of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.*
- Cantor: May all rulers fall down before him,
all nations give him service.
- People: *For he delivers the needy when they call,
the poor and those who have no helper.*
- Cantor: He has pity on the weak and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy.
- People: *From oppression and violence he redeems their life;
and precious is their blood in his sight. ♪*

✦ **Gloria Patri** (*sung by all*)

REGENT SQUARE



Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Laud and hon - or to the Son,
Laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, Ev - er Three and_ ev - er One,
One in might and One in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run.

✦ **Gospel Lesson** Matthew 2:1-12

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 2, verses 1-12:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

✘ **Hymn 254** We three kings of Orient are KINGS OF ORIENT

Sermon "Resolution" Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✘ **Hymn 219** What child is this GREENSLEEVES

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory O beatum et sacrosanctum diem *Peter Philips (1561-1628)*

O beatum et sacrosanctum diem,
in qua Dominus noster de Virgine Maria
pro nobis nasci dignatus est.

Gaudeat itaque universus orbis,
et cantemus illi in sono tubæ,
cithara, psalterio et organo.

Congratulemur cum multitudine Angelorum
exercitus semper suas laudes cantibus:
noë, noë.

*O blessed and most holy day,
on which our Lord deigned
to be born for us of the Virgin Mary.*

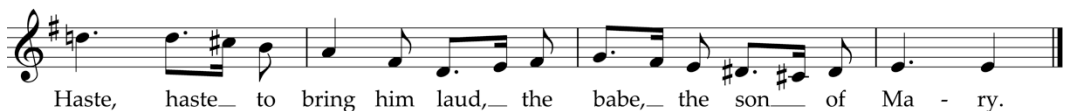
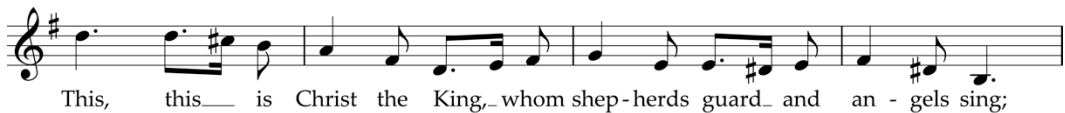
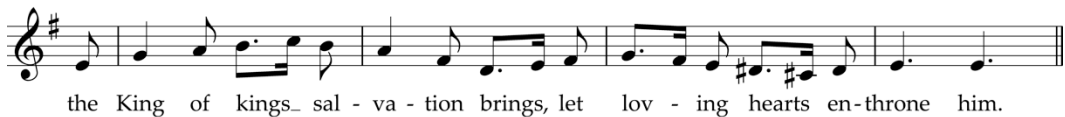
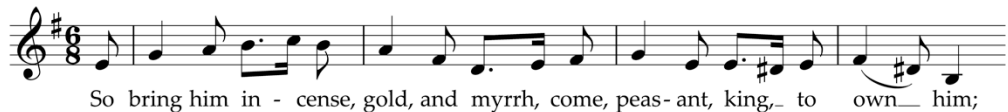
*Therefore let the whole world rejoice,
and let us sing with the sound of the trumpet,
strings, harp and organ.*

*Let us rejoice with the multitude of the heavenly host,
ever singing God's praises:
noë, noë.*

Antiphon for Christmas Day

✘ **Presentation of the Gifts** (*sung by all*)

GREENSLEEVES



✘ **Offertory Prayer**

✘ Exchange of Peace

Celebrant: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!

People: *And also with you.*

All may exchange signs and words of God's peace.

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 up to the Lord.*

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

People: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.
Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth,
from everlasting to everlasting, you alone are God.
You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth.
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.
You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,
and spoke to us through your prophets.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(over)

✦ **Sanctus and Benedictus** (*sung by all*)

Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef. It begins in 4/4 time and contains five staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na! Bless - ed is He who_ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!" The score includes measure numbers 4, 6, 9, and 12. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature changes from 4/4 to 2/4 and back to 4/4.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might

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Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho -

6

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

9

Bless - ed is He who_ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

12

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

✦ **Words of Institution**

Celebrant:

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,
in whom you have revealed yourself, our light and our salvation.

You sent a star to guide wise men to where the Christ was born;
and in your signs and witnesses, in every age and through all the world,
you have led your people from far places to his light.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.


On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Celebrant:

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

(Sung by all):



Christ has died, Christ is ri - sen, Christ will come a - gain.

Celebrant:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.
By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

All:

Amen.

✠ The Lord’s Prayer

Celebrant:

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us 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.*

✠ **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.

Distribution of the Elements

Marsh Chapel at Boston University is an interdenominational faith community and all are welcome and invited to participate in Communion today. Healing Prayer Stations are offered at every Sunday Communion. Other invitations regarding Communion are found on the next page of this bulletin.

Motet

Ach, Herr, du Schöpfer aller Ding

Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)

Ach, Herr, du Schöpfer aller Ding,
wie bist du worden so gering,
daß du da liegst auf dürrem Gras,
davon ein Rind und Esel aß!

*O Lord, Creator of all things,
how have you become so low
that you lie there on dried grass,
of which a cow and donkey ate!*

Martin Luther, "Von himmel hoch," verse 9

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*in unison*)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ **Hymn 248**

On this day earth shall ring

PERSONENT HODIE

✠ **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 and celebrant is the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.

The conductor and organist is Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, 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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Dean, Chaplains, and staff of Marsh Chapel wish everyone a Happy New Year and a safe holiday season!

Winter Intersession: The University is currently closed for Winter Intersession. During this period, the **chapel offices are not open and the building is closed to visitors.** The University and Chapel offices will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. Phone messages left at the chapel will be checked daily.

Marsh Chapel is pleased to offer **childcare** during Sunday morning services. Inquiries can be made in the main office on the lower level of the building.

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	11 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
(New Year's Day)	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)

Weekday Chapel activities have been suspended while students are on Winter Break.

NEXT SUNDAY	11 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)

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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Marsh Chapel Sunday morning services are broadcast live on WBUR 90.9 FM.

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