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** Fugue in A-flat minor, WoO 8

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

**Call to Worship and Greeting**

*The Dean:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*The Dean:* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People:* God’s mercy endures forever.

**Introit** Lamb of God

F. Melius Christiansen (1871-1955)

Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross didst suffer,
Patient still and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer;
Our sins by thee were taken, Or hope had us forsaken:
Have mercy on us, O Jesu!

Nicolaus Decius; tr. Arthur T. Russell

**Hymn 116** The God of Abraham praise

LEONI

**Collect (in unison)**

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Celebrant: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession of Sin

All: Merciful God
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Celebrant: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love towards us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

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.

Hymn 614 For the bread which you have broken (stanzas 1 and 2)
Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Lector: A lesson from the Book of the prophet Ezekiel, chapter 37, verses 1-14:

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Super flumina Babylonis à 4

By the streams of Babylon

illic sedimus et flevimus,
we sat down and we wept

dum recordaremur tui, Sion.
when we remembered you, O Zion.

In salicibus in medio ejus,
Among the willows on its banks

suspendimus organa nostra.
we hung our harps.

Psalm 137: 1-2
Psalm 130

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

🎵 Antiphon (sung by all)

\[\text{In my distress I cry to the Lord:}\]

\[\text{“Deliver me, O Lord.”}\]

Cantor: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.
People: Lord, hear my voice!
         Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
Cantor: If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
         Lord, who could stand?
People: But there is forgiveness with you,
         so that you may be revered.
Cantor: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
         and in his word I hope;
People: my soul waits for the Lord
         more than those who watch for the morning,
         more than those who watch for the morning.
Cantor: O Israel, hope in the LORD!
         For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
         and with him is great power to redeem.
People: It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

✠ Gloria Patri from ‘Magnificat: St. Paul Morning Service’ Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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  
John 11:17-45

Lector:  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John,  
chapter 11, verses 17-45:

People:  
Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Lector:  
The Gospel of the Lord.

People:  
Praise to you, Lord Christ.
Sermon

“In Conversation with Nouwen: Here and Now”
The Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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Hymn 297
Beneath the cross of Jesus

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory
Out of the depths (De profundis)
Robert Kyr (b. 1952)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading!
O Lord, hear my voice!
I wait for you, my soul waits,
and in your word I hope;
out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord
My soul longs for you
more than those who watch for daybreak.

from Psalm 130

Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)

Un-to God be praise and glo-ry: to the Fa-ther and the Son,
to th’e-ter-nal Spi-rit hon-or now and ev-er-more be done;
praise and glo-ry in the high-est, while un-end-ing a-ges run.

Offertory Prayer
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.
In love you made us for yourself;
and when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death,
your love remained steadfast.
You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the Easter feast,
that, renewed by your Word and Sacraments
and fervent in prayer and works of justice and mercy,
we may come to the fullness of grace
that you have prepared for those who love you.

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

* Sanctus and Benedictus (sung by all)  

Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)
Words of Institution

Celebrant: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, whom you sent in the fullness of time to redeem the world. He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in our likeness. He humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. He took upon himself our sin and death and offered himself, a perfect sacrifice for the sin of the whole world. 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.”

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.
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 In manus tuas John Sheppard (c.1515-1559)

In manus tuas, Domine, commendo spiritum meum.
Redemisti me Domine, Deus veritatis.

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. You have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

John 6:30
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 543**

O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us

Bishop Powell

**Benediction**

**Response**

from the “St. Matthew Passion, BWV 244”

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

O Haupt, voll Blut und Wunden,

O Head, full of blood and wounds,

voll Schmerz und voller Hohn!

full of suffering and shame!

O Haupt, zu Spott gebunden

O Head, bound in mockery

mit einer Dornenkron!

with a crown of thorns!

O Haupt, sonst schön gezeiert

O Head, once beautifully adorned

Mit höchster Ehr und Zier,

with the highest honor and beauty,

Jetzt aber hoch schimpfieret:

now rather supremely defiled:

Gegrüsset seist du mir!

be greeted by me!

**Postlude**

Mein Jesu, der du mich, Op. 122, No. 1

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

The preacher and celebrant is the 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.

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** |
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| **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) |
|                      | 12:00 noon Covered Dish Luncheon (Marsh Room) |
|                      | 12:30 p.m. Thurman Choir Rehearsal (Robinson Chapel) |
| **MONDAY**           | 12:15 p.m. Monday Meditation (Robinson Chapel) |
|                      | 6:00 p.m. Community Dinner (Marsh Room) |
| **TUESDAY**          | 3:00 p.m. Create Space (Marsh Room) |
|                      | 6:00 p.m. Global Dinner Club (Thurman 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) |
|                      | 5:00 p.m. Spiritual Life Yoga (Robinson Chapel) |
| **PALM 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) |
|                      | 11:50 a.m. Children’s Education (Thurman Room) |
|                      | 12:00 noon Coffee Hour (Marsh Room) |

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

Our **children’s education** is available every Sunday during the school semester excluding the first Sunday of the month. Those interested are invited to leave the service during the last hymn for a time of lessons, crafts, and fun.

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).
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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