



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Worship

Sunday, July 9th, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

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** Cantate Domino *Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)*

Cantate Domino canticum novum,
cantate Domino omnis terra.

*Sing to the Lord a new song,
sing to the Lord all the earth.*

Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus.

Sing to the Lord and bless his name:

Annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.

Proclaim his salvation from day to day.

Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam ejus,

Declare his glory among the nations,

in omnibus populis mirabilia ejus.

his wonders among all people.

Psalms 96: 1-3

✠ **Hymn 57** O for a thousand tongues to sing (stanzas 1-5, 7) AZMON

✠ **Collect** (*in unison*)

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Kyrie from Missa 'pour ung plaisir'

Blasius Ammon (c. 1560-1590)

Kyrie eleison, *Lord, have mercy,*
Christe eleison, *Christ, have mercy,*
Kyrie eleison. *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 Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Genesis, chapter 24:

So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" --let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son.' Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up,

mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem The eyes of all wait upon thee

Jean Berger (1909-2002)

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.
Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

Psalm 145:15, 16

Lesson Romans 7:15-25a

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 7, verses 15-25:

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:10-17

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

♪ **Antiphon** (*sung by all*)



O taste and see that the Lord is good!



Hap-py are those who take ref-uge in God!

Cantor: Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear;
forget your people and your father's house,
and the king will desire your beauty.

People: Since he is your lord, bow to him;
the people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts,
the richest of the people with all kinds of wealth.

Cantor: The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes;
in many-colored robes she is led to the king;
behind her the virgins, her companions, follow.

People: With joy and gladness they are led along
as they enter the palace of the king.

Cantor: In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons;
you will make them princes in all the earth.

People: I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations;
therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever. ♪

✦ **Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat in G major'

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** Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 11, verses 16-19 and 25-30:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

"But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

✠ **Hymn 454** Open my eyes, that I may see OPEN MY EYES

Sermon "Imagination and Discipleship" The 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

The Lord's Prayer

Response

FINLANDIA, *Jean Sibelius* (1865-1957)

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:
Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up 'til all shall serve him,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations;
myself I give thee -- let thy will be done.

Georgia Harkness (1891-1974)

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory O quam gloriosum

Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

O quam gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti!
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

*O how glorious is the kingdom
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ,
clad in robes of white
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.*

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

adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;



Praise God a-bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

✦ Offertory Prayer

✦ Hymn 157 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

DUKE STREET

✦ 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 conductor and organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.*

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- July 30** Marsh Chapel, Boston University, Boston, MA
- August 1** Lemoyne College, Syracuse, NY
- August 6-12** Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, NY
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- The Huffington Post Contributor: <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/author/robert-allan-hill>
- Dean Hill's Blog: <http://deanhill.blogspot.com/>
- The Marsh Chapel Sermon Blog: <http://blogs.bu.edu/sermons/>

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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