Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Call to Worship and Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Introit

Cantate Domino

Cantate Domino canticum novum, Sing to the Lord a new song,
cantate Domino omnis terra. 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. Psalm 96:1–3

Hymn 152

I sing the almighty power of God

Collect (in unison)

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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

Leader:  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  
Isaiah 40:21–31

Lector:  A lesson from the prophet Isaiah, chapter 40, verses 21–31:

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Lector:  The Word of the Lord.

People:  Thanks be to God.

Anthem  
Tu es Petrus  
Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612)

Tu es Petrus et super hanc petram  
You are Peter, And upon this Rock
aedificabo ecclesiam meam et portae inferi  
I will build My Church: and the gates of hell
non praevalebunt adversus eam.  
shall not overcome it.

Matthew 16:18
Lesson Romans 12:1–8

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul’s Epistle to the Romans, chapter 12, verses 1–8:

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124

🎵 Antiphon (sung by all)

When the storms of life are raging, stand by me.

Cantor: If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—

People: if it had not been the LORD who was on our side,

Cantor: when our enemies attacked us,

People: then they would have swallowed us up alive,

Cantor: when their anger was kindled against us;

People: then over us would have gone the raging waters.

Cantor: Blessed be the LORD,

People: We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers;

Cantor: the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

People: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

Cantor: who made heaven and earth. 🎵
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 16:13–20

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 16, verses 13–20:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

"Have You Not Known?" The Rev. Laura Merrill
Assistant to the Bishop for Clergy Excellence
Rio Texas Conference, UMC

Hymn 579

Lord God, your love has called us here CAREY’S (SURREY)

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

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

Laetentur coeli

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad:
let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it:
then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice
before the Lord.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth:
and with righteousness to judge the world,
and the people with his truth.

Psalm 96:11–13

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 Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Hymn 438 Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

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 Laura Merrill.*  
*The conductor and organist is Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett.*

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**TODAY’S COMPOSER: HANS LEO HASSLER**

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612) was born in Nuremberg of a very talented musical family. Early in life he went to study under Andrea Gabrieli in Venice and became a colleague of Giovanni Gabrieli. Returning to Germany, he obtained the post of organist to the Fuggers, and in 1602 was appointed Chief *Kapellmeister* in Nuremberg. He wrote a large number of sacred and secular works and organ compositions. Hassler uses a variety of techniques in his sacred compositions, some of them clearly derived from Giovanni Gabrieli, being especially evident in his polychoral compositions, and a few others taken from the Flemish composers. He is known for his extroverted compositional style, as well as his strong sense of well-sustained and pleasing melodies.

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Join us next Sunday at 11 a.m. for the University Matriculation Service.

**NEXT SUNDAY**  
10:40 a.m.  Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)  
11:00 a.m.  University Service of Matriculation  
12:00 noon  Coffee Hour

**Dean’s Garden Party — Thursday, September 7, 2017 — 4:30–6:00 p.m. — BU Beach**

To mark the start of the academic year, join the Dean of the Chapel and the Marsh Chapel community for an outdoor garden party, complete with iced teas, snacks, and lawn games. The gathering is open to all—staff, students, friends, and colleagues alike. We hope you will join us for this convivial moment of fun and fellowship. Please RSVP to Heidi Freimanis-Cordts at hrf@bu.edu or 617-353-3560 prior to September 4th.

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.

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).
“New Directions in Discipleship”

July 2  Br. Lawrence A. Whitney, LC†
University Chaplain for Community Life, Boston University, Boston, MA

July 9/30  The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill
Dean of Marsh Chapel and Professor of New Testament and Pastoral Theology
Boston University, Boston, MA

July 16/23  The Rev. Dr. Stephen M. Cady, II
Senior Minister, Asbury First United Methodist Church
Rochester, NY

August 6  The Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell
Chapel Associate for Methodist Students, Boston University, Boston, MA

August 13/20  The Rev. Rebecca W. Dolch
United Methodist Minister
Upper New York Conference, Ithaca, NY

August 27  The Rev. Laura Merrill
Assistant to the Bishop for Clergy Excellence
Rio Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church

DEAN HILL’S SUMMER SPEAKING AND PREACHING SCHEDULE

June 11  Asbury First United Methodist Church, Rochester, NY
June 25  Marsh Chapel, Boston University, Boston, MA
July 9   Marsh Chapel, Boston University, Boston, MA
July 11  Lemoyne College, Syracuse, NY
July 23  Union Chapel, North Hampton, NH
July 30  Marsh Chapel, Boston University, Boston, MA
August 1  Lemoyne College, Syracuse, NY
August 6–12  Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, NY
August 20  Fayetteville United Methodist Church, Fayetteville, NY

Dean Hill’s summer writings and sermons may be found at:
• 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/
Welcoming 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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Sean Watland, Conducting Fellow, Marsh Chapel Choir

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