

# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Worship

Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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✦ *Please rise, as you are able.*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Prelude**                      Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654                      *J. S. Bach (1685–1750)*

### 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**                      Cry out and shout                      *Knut Nystedt (1915–2014)*

Cry out and shout, ye people of God! The Lord is strength and song!

Cry out and shout, ye people of God! Cry out and shout, Alleluia!                      *Isaiah 12, adapted*

✦ **Hymn 73**                      O worship the King, all-glorious above                      LYONS

✦ **Collect** (*in unison*)

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Kyrie**                      Kyrie in A major (for Double Choir)                      *Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

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 Exodus 14:19–31

*Lector:* A lesson from the Book of Exodus, chapter 14, verses 19–31:

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

**Anthem**

Cantique de Jean Racine, Op. 11

Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924)

Verbe égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance, *O Word, worthy of the Most High,*  
Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux, *our sole hope, eternal day of earth and the heavens,*  
De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence: *we break the silence of the peaceful night.*  
Divin sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux. *Divine saviour, cast Thine eyes upon us!*

Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante; *Shed the light of Thy mighty grace upon us.*  
Que tout l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix; *Let all Hell flee at the sound of Thy voice.*  
Dissipe ce sommeil d'une âme languissante *Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul*  
Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois! *that leads it to the forgetting of Thy laws!*

Ô Christ! sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle, *O Christ, be favorable unto this faithful people*  
Pour te bénir maintenant assemblé; *now gathered to bless Thee.*  
Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire immortelle, *Receive its hymns offered to Thine immortal glory*  
Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé. *and may it return fulfilled by Thy gifts.*

Consors paterni luminis  
tr. Jean Racine (1639–1699)

**Lesson**

Romans 14:1–12

*Lector:* A lesson from St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, chapter 14, verses 1–12:

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 114

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



**Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord.**

*Cantor:* When Israel went out from Egypt,  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,  
*People:* Judah became God's sanctuary,  
Israel God's dominion.

*Cantor:* The sea looked and fled;  
Jordan turned back.  
*People:* The mountains skipped like rams,  
the hills like lambs.

*Cantor:* Why is it, O sea, that you flee?  
O Jordan, that you turn back?  
*People:* O mountains, that you skip like rams?  
O hills, like lambs?

*Cantor:* Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the LORD,  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,  
*People:* who turns the rock into a pool of water,  
the flint into a spring of water. ♪

✘ **Gloria Patri** from 'Evening Service in B minor' *T. Tertius Noble (1867–1953)*

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 18:21–35

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,  
chapter 18, verses 21–35:

*People:* *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold,

together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.  
 People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

✠ Hymn 116 The God of Abraham praise LEONI

Sermon "Remembering Elie Wiesel" The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

Call to Prayer (sung by all) Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy right - eous - ness;

make thy way plain be - fore my face. For it is thou, Lord,

thou, Lord on - ly, that mak - est me dwell in safe - ty.

## Prayers of the People

### The Lord's Prayer

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.

### Response

Amen, from Geistliches Lied, Op. 30

*Johannes Brahms* (1833–1897)

### Community Life and Offering

#### At the Offertory

Magnificat (Collegium Regale)

*Herbert Howells* (1892–1983)

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm:

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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.

*Canticle of Mary* (Luke 1:46–55)

#### ✕ Presentation of the Gifts *(sung by all)*

CWM RHONDDA

God of grace and God of glo-ry, on thy peo-ple pour thy pow'r;

crown thine an-cient church's sto-ry; bring her bud to glo-rious flow'r.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -  
dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

✘ **Offertory Prayer**

✘ **Hymn 426** Behold a broken world MARSH CHAPEL

✘ **Benediction**

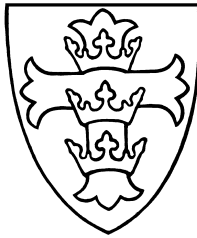
✘ **Response** God be in my head *arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)*

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** Toccata in G major (abridged) *Théodore Dubois (1837–1924)*

*The preacher is the Reverend 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.*





## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Dean's Choice: Lecture — "Autonomy and Love in Christian Ethics"**

Given by Robert Merrihew Adams, Visiting Professor, Rutgers Center for Philosophy of Religion  
Wednesday, September 20 — 5:00 p.m. — School of Theology, Room 325

Fall 2017 marks the third and final year in a three-year exploration of the theological virtues and their opposites: faith and doubt, hope and despair, love and hate. These virtues have important resonances in classical philosophy and throughout the Western tradition of philosophical and religious reflection about what it means to live a good life. This is true of faith and hope, and is even more true of love. Aristotle said that no one would choose to live without friendship. Would anyone choose to live without love? What is love? How does it develop? How is it related to happiness? How is it related to hate? These questions, and others like them, lie at the heart of religious reflection in many different traditions. This lecture, the first in a series of six that will be held throughout the semester, will explore the possibility of an answer.

### **The Bach Experience**

*Siehe zu, daß deine Gottesfurcht*, BWV 179, Cantata for the Eleventh Sunday after Trinity  
Next Sunday, September 24, 2017 — 9:45 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

In this, the eleventh season of *The Bach Experience*, we present four cantatas that Bach composed in his first four months at Leipzig. 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. This year's series also includes a performance of the St. John Passion, BWV 245, on Sunday, March 18, 2018. We hope you'll join us next week for the first of these four special Sundays.

### **Hurricane Relief**

Marsh Chapel has noted with horror the devastation wrought by recent hurricanes on our friends throughout the southern United States. For information on how you can assist, contact:

The United Methodist Committee on Relief  
458 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308  
Email: [umcor@umcor.org](mailto:umcor@umcor.org)  
To donate by phone: 1.888.252.6174

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.

## WEEKLY SUNDAY MORNING ACTIVITIES

### **Morning Study Group – Sundays – 9:45 a.m. – Thurman Room**

In honor of Dean Hill's ten years of service and leadership at Marsh Chapel, this semester we're reading *Village Green: Sermons from Asbury First United Methodist Church*. We will read and discuss some of the Dean's sermons, consider the differences and similarities in ministry contexts between Rochester and Boston, and learn about how sermons get written. We might even have a special appearance from Dean Hill himself at the end of the semester! (Contact: The Rev. Jen Quigley, [jenquig@bu.edu](mailto:jenquig@bu.edu))

### **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 learn useful suggestions for possibilities of active listening to the day's musical selections.

### **Bible Study – Sundays – 12:30 p.m. – Thurman Room**

Don't rush off after coffee hour—join us in the Thurman Room to study God's word. Bible Study is held each Sunday, with an emphasis on discernment, fellowship, and faith formation. It's led this year by Bill Cordts, a 2011 STH graduate and Marsh Chapel alumnus. Bill is a candidate for ordination in the United Church of Christ and has led Bible Study for several years at his home church in Newton Highlands, where he serves as a lay minister. (Contact: Bill Cordts, [wmcordts@gmail.com](mailto:wmcordts@gmail.com))

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

### **Monday Meditation – Mondays – 12:15–12:45 p.m. – Robinson Chapel**

Breathe deeply and start off your week by getting balanced through meditation. In these half-hour sessions we invite you to join in a guided meditation from a variety of faith traditions, and meditate in a time of silence.

### **Silence Practice – Thursdays – 12:00 noon – Marsh Chapel Nave**

Have a decision to make? Seeking balance? Overworked? Stressed? Anxious? Troubled? Wondering about the future? Don't just do something – sit there! Come for five minutes or stay for the whole hour.

### **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.

## THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

<b>TODAY</b>	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 p.m.	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Thurman Room)
<b>MONDAY</b>	12:15 p.m.	Monday Meditation (Robinson Chapel)
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	3:00 p.m.	Create Space (Marsh Chapel, Lower Level)
	6:00 p.m.	Global Dinner Club (Thurman Room)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Dean's Choice: Lecture by Robert Merrihew Adams</b> <b>"Autonomy and Love in Christian Ethics" (STH 325)</b>
	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Nave)
	5:30 p.m.	BU United Methodist Fellowship (Thurman Room)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	12:00 p.m.	Silence Practice (Nave)
	12:20 p.m.	Common Ground Communion (Marsh Plaza)
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:45 a.m.</b>	<b>The Bach Experience (Nave)</b>
	10:40 a.m.	Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)</b> BACH <i>Siehe zu, daß deine Gottesfurcht</i> <i>nicht Heuchelei sei</i> , BWV 179
	11:50 a.m.	Children's Education (Thurman Room)
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Thurman Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Thurman Choir Rehearsal (Robinson Chapel)
	12:30 p.m.	Abolitionist Chapel Today (Thurman 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.

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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