

FROM THE DEAN



Dear Friends,

Welcome to the varied ministry of Marsh Chapel at Boston University, Fall 2018! We look forward to getting to know you: as you sign up to sing in a choir, as you volunteer to usher or greet, as you attend a fellowship or study group, and especially as you worship with us on Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

The envisioned mission of Marsh Chapel is to be “a heart in the heart of the city, and a service in the service of the city.” To that end, Dr. Jarrett will invite you to vocal expressions of faith in the life of our music program. To that end, Ms. Chicka will invite you to global outreach in our work with international students. To that end, Br. Whitney will invite you to take part and take leadership in campus student ministry. To that end, Mr. Bouchard will solicit your support for work and works in hospitality.

This year, with our emphasis on “voice, vocation, and volume” in our shared life, we are using as a focus for our work the word “hope.” Our fall and spring term worship and community life are laden with expressions of hope. We trust and hope that each and every Sunday morning will become an occasion for the speaking and hearing of “a word of faith in a pastoral voice toward a common hope.”

Where I can be personally helpful to you, and where our staff, chaplains, and campus ministers can be a benefit and blessing to you, do not hesitate to call upon us.

John Wesley famously called for a means of grace to “spread scriptural holiness and reform the nation.” Now that was a big dream! May grace expand and extend in meaning for us in the fall term, 2018.

Grace and peace,

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FIRST WEEK ACTIVITIES: SEPTEMBER 2-9

New and returning students are invited to join together for a variety of fellowship activities during the first week of classes. For more information about any of these events, contact Br. Larry Whitney at lwhitney@bu.edu or Chaplain Jessica Chicka at jchicka@bu.edu.

Matriculation Service

Sunday, September 2 — 11:00 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Labor Day

Monday, September 3

“A Sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; for those who enter God’s rest also cease from their labors as God did from his. Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest” (Hebrews 4:9-11a)

First Day of Classes Breakfast

Tuesday, September 4 — 8:00-10:00 a.m. — Marsh Room

Religious Life Fair and Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, September 4 — 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. — Marsh Plaza

Ecumenical Service with Eucharist

Wednesday, September 5 — 5:15 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

MOV(i)E Night

Wednesday, September 5 — 6:30 p.m. — Thurman Room

Marsh Chapel Garden Party

Thursday, September 6 — 4:30-6:00 p.m. — BU Beach

Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions

Thursday, September 6 — 6:00-9:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

The Greening of the Dorms

Friday, September 7 — 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Marsh Plaza

Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service

Sunday, September 9 — 11:00 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

BBQ Lunch

Sunday, September 9 — 12:00 noon — BU Beach

Sunday mornings at Marsh Chapel are interdenominational Protestant worship services influenced by the University's traditional Methodist roots. They are broadcast year-round on WBUR 90.9 FM and streamed over the Internet at www.wbur.org. A podcast is available from iTunes® and the Chapel website (www.bu.edu/chapel). Communion is offered on the first Sunday of each month and on Easter Sunday.

September 2

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost/University Matriculation

Holy Communion

Song 2:8-13 — Ps. 45 — James 1:17-27 — Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Communion Meditation"

Anthems: Rise up, my love, my fair one — Healey Willan

I was glad — Parry

Draw us in the Spirit's tether — Harold Friedell

September 9

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prov. 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 — Ps. 125 — James 2:1-17 — Mark 7:24-37

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Begin With the Hope in Mind"

Anthems: Give almes of thy goods — Tye

Os justi meditabitur — Bruckner

September 16

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prov. 1:20-33 — Ps. 19 — James 3:1-12 — Mark 8:27-38

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Hope that is Seen is not Hope"

Anthems: Exaltabo te — Palestrina

My song in the night — arr. Paul Christiansen

September 23

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Alumni Sunday

Prov. 31:10-31 — Ps. 1 — James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a — Mark 9:30-37

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Lawrence E. Carter, Sr.

Dean, Martin Luther King, Jr., Chapel; Morehouse College

Sermon: "It's All About Peace"

Anthems: Behold, O God, our defender — Howells

Amazing Grace — arr. Anthony Furnivall

September 30

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Esth. 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 — Ps. 124 — James 5:13-20 — Mark 9:38-50

Preachers: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel
Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music

Cantata: Herr, gehe nicht ins Gericht, BWV 105 — J. S. Bach

October 7

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion Sunday/International Student Sunday

Job 1:1; 2:1-10 — Ps. 26 — Heb. 1:1-4; 2:5-12 — Mark 10:2-16

Preacher: Ms. Jessica Chicka
University Chaplain for International Students

Anthems: Padre Nuestro — Alvaro Bermudez
A New Song — James MacMillan
Acceptit Jesus panes — Morales

October 14

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 — Ps. 22 — Heb. 4:12-16 — Mark 10:17-31

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "The Presence of Hope"

Anthems: O how amiable — Weelkes
Psalm 100 (Jauchzet dem Herrn) — Mendelssohn

October 21

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:1-7, 34-41 — Ps. 104 — Heb. 5:1-10 — Mark 10:35-45

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Hope Against Hope"

Anthems: Ecce sacerdos magnus — Victoria
Bless the Lord, O my soul — Carson Cooman

October 28

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Job 42:1-6, 10-17 — Ps. 34 — Heb. 7:23-28 — Mark 10:46-52

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Hope and Freedom"

Anthems: My Lord, what a mornin' — arr. Harry T. Burleigh
As truly as God is our Father — William Mathias

November 4

All Saints' Sunday

Holy Communion

Wisdom 3:1-9 — Ps. 24 — Rev. 21:1-6a — John 11:32-44

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Communion Meditation"

Anthems: They are at rest — Elgar

How lovely is thy dwelling place — Brahms

O quam gloriosum — Byrd

November 11

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 — Ps. 127 — Heb. 9:24-28 — Mark 12:38-44

Preacher: The Rev. Mark Trotter, Senior Minister (retired)

First United Methodist Church, San Diego

Music provided by the Inner Strength Gospel Choir.

November 18

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Sam. 1:4-20 — 1 Sam. 2:1-10 — Heb. 10:11-25 — Mark 13:1-8

Preachers: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music

Cantata: Schauet doch und sehet, BWV 46 — J. S. Bach

November 25

The Last Sunday after Pentecost/The Reign of Jesus Christ, King

2 Sam. 23:1-7 — Ps. 132 — Rev. 1:4b-8 — John 18:33-37

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Words of Warning"

Anthems: Gloria Laus — Juan Ginés Perez

The Deer's Cry — Pärt

HEALING PRAYER STATIONS

We offer prayer for healing at every Sunday Communion service. 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 (essential oil, with no additives), please join the members of the healing prayer group under the first windows on the pulpit side of the Nave. Also, if you—clergy or laity—find yourself drawn to participate in the ministry of the healing prayer group, please contact the Rev. Victoria Gaskell, Chapel Associate, at vgaskell@bu.edu.

December 2

The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

Jer. 33:14-16 — Ps. 25 — 1 Thess. 3:9-13 — Luke 21:25-36

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Communion Meditation"

Anthems: Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming — arr. David Blackwell
Tröstet, tröstet mein Volk — Schütz
Ave maris stella — Grieg

December 9

The Second Sunday of Advent

The Forty-Fifth Service of Christmas Lessons and Carols

Baruch 5:1-9 — Luke 1:68-79 — Philip. 1:3-11 — Luke 3:1-6

Music includes a selection of Christmas carols, motets, and anthems with brass, organ, and timpani.

*Marsh Chapel remains open for Sunday services during the Winter Break.
Music for these services is offered by the Marsh Chapel Choral Scholars.*

December 16

The Third Sunday of Advent

Zeph. 3:14-20 — Is. 12:2-6 — Philip. 4:4-7 — Luke 3:7-18

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Know Thyself"

December 23

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Micah 5:2-5a — Luke 1:46b-55 — Heb. 10:5-10 — Luke 1:39-55

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel

Sermon: "Are You Ready for Christmas?"

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. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

ECUMENICAL NIGHT PRAYER

Mondays — 5:30 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

This service offers a time of gathering, prayer and reflective space. Enjoy this sacred time at the end of the day. This service is held weekly while classes are in session. (Contact: The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, revkaren@bu.edu)

ECUMENICAL SERVICE WITH EUCHARIST

Wednesdays — 5:15 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

This service offers scripture, prayer, and the sharing of communion. It is held weekly while classes are in session and followed by dinner. (Contact: The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, revkaren@bu.edu)

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.

SPECIAL SERVICES

ALUMNI SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Saturday, September 22 — 10:30 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

As Boston University alumni return to campus during Alumni Weekend, Dean Hill leads a special memorial service honoring those friends and family we've lost. The music is led by the Marsh Chapel Choir.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT/WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Sunday, October 7 — 11:00 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Come to Marsh Chapel for a Sunday service specifically dedicated to Boston University's wonderfully diverse international students. Chaplain Jessica Chicka preaches a multicultural-themed sermon, and a lot of tasty international snacks are served afterwards in the Marsh Room. This is a great opportunity for international students to make new friends and get better connected with the Marsh Chapel community.

INTERFAITH SHABBAT

Friday, November 16 — 5:30-9 p.m. — Hillel House, 213 Bay State Road

Join BU Hillel for a special evening of interfaith Shabbat fellowship. The evening begins at 5:30 p.m., when we meet over tapas and mocktails in the Hillel lobby. Then, at 6:00 p.m., students are invited to attend a Shabbat service or a Big Q conversation. At 7:00 p.m., the community comes together to enjoy the Shabbat meal, ending with dessert and fun. Come for all or part of the evening's festivities. Those attending the 7:00 p.m. meal must register on Hillel's website the week of November 11th.

(www.bu.edu/hillel/student-life/hillel-shabbat/)

A SERVICE OF CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS

Friday, December 7 — 6:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Sunday, December 9 — 11:00 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Join the Boston University community for the Forty-Fifth Annual Service of Lessons and Carols. The liturgy takes as its model the famous service from King's College, Cambridge and is one of the most popular University events of the year. An open house follows the Sunday service on Dec. 9.

A “BLUE CHRISTMAS” SERVICE

Sunday, December 9 — 3:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

This service is a time when we can recognize the “blue” feelings we may have during the Christmas season, acknowledge the reasons for them, and offer these feelings to God. In the midst of the surrounding holiday cheer, some of us mourn a loved one, or feel particularly lonely in our challenges, or struggle with the dark and the cold. In this service, we share in song, scripture, prayer, candlelight, reflection, and the solace and hope of knowing that we are not alone.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Monday, December 24 — 1:00 p.m./7:30 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Marsh Chapel’s annual Christmas Eve services are a time of quiet meditation and joyful celebration. In addition to our annual 7:30 p.m. service, we now offer a 1:00 p.m. service, convenient for families with children and Boston University employees leaving for the winter break.

DEAN’S CHOICE

Printed weekly in the Sunday worship bulletin

As part of our programmatic ministry, Dean Hill designates a special event every week as the “Dean’s Choice.” These events, chosen from across the life of the University, are spiritually enriching, life affirming, and personally educational. They include fine arts performances, lectures in the sciences and humanities, sporting events, and presentations related to theological and religious ideas. As a community of faith, we have the joy and privilege of worshipping and serving within a vibrant university, whose offerings frequently present modes of growth for us as individuals and as a congregation. We encourage you to consider each week’s “Dean’s Choice” and, when possible, to attend those most meaningful for you.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Located in the heart of a great university with a rich heritage, Marsh Chapel regularly offers settings for teaching, discussion, and conversation.

MORNING STUDY GROUP

Sundays — 9:45 a.m. — Thurman Room

This semester, the Morning Study Group explores *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World*, by His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. It is the gift of stories shared by two remarkable men and a gift to the reader. They try to answer the single burning question: How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering? Join us for a good discussion and great fellowship. Books are available for free in the chapel office. This semester's class is co-taught by Karen Coleman and Marsh Associate Tom Batson.

(Contact: The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, revkaren@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 active listening to the day's musical selections.

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Sundays — 11:50 a.m. — Thurman Room

Our children's education ministry is available every Sunday. Those interested are invited to leave the service during the last hymn for a time of lessons, crafts, and fun. For more information, contact the Chapel office at chapel@bu.edu.

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 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)

MINDFULNESS: CULTIVATING STILLNESS AND SPACE IN EVERYDAY LIFE

Fridays, Sept. 28–Nov. 2 — 12:30–2:30 p.m. — Robinson Chapel

"Mindfulness" is an introduction to concepts and meditation practices in the tradition of Thich Nhat Hahn. In this 6-week series, you will learn how to put down your burdens and cultivate a peaceful, calm presence. Each session will explore a new meditation practice that will touch upon a different aspect of life and experience: developing compassion, transforming difficult emotions, and facilitating mindful communication. Open to beginner and advanced meditators. To register, please contact Dr. Brenda Caldwell Phillips, Lecturer of Psychological and Brain Sciences, at bcp@bu.edu.

RECTIFYING THE NAME OF CONFUCIANISM: A SYMPOSIUM

September 28–30 — Marsh Chapel

Organized by the Boston University Confucian Association, this conference aims to explore the question of how to situate Confucianism in contemporary society after being misunderstood by the West for so many years. The three days of presentations seek to put to rest some of those misunderstandings and set Confucianism in a more accurate context for Western audiences. To register for the conference, visit our website at bu.edu/chapel.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS

For the sixth year, the ministry staff of Marsh Chapel offers a daily emailed Advent devotion from the first Sunday of Advent until Christmas Day. Each email includes a scripture passage, reflection, and encouragement for further action or more information. Registration for the Advent devotion is available on the Marsh Chapel website beginning in early November.

MUSIC AT MARSH CHAPEL 18|19

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Considered to be one of the most vibrant parts of the greater university community, Music at Marsh Chapel enjoys a rich heritage of quality music making both in worship and concert. The principal organizations are the Marsh Chapel Choir, the Inner Strength Gospel Choir, and the Marsh Chapel Thurman Choir. For tickets or questions, contact the Music at Marsh Chapel office at the phone number or email address listed above.

CONCERTS AND SPECIAL SERVICES

MOZART *Mass in C minor, K. 427*

Friday, October 27, 2018 — 7:30 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
Scott Allen Jarrett *conducting*

University Service of Lessons and Carols

Friday, December 7, 2018 — 6:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave
Sunday, December 9, 2018 — 11:00 a.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir
Boston University School of Theology Seminary Singers
Majestic Brass

HANDEL *Dixit Dominus, HWV 232*

Sunday, March 23, 2019 — 8:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
Scott Allen Jarrett *conducting*

HAYDN *The Seven Last Words of Our Savior on the Cross*

Good Friday, April 19, 2019 — 12:00–3:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir
Arneis Quartet
Scott Allen Jarrett *conducting*

ROBERT KYR *Resurrection [Marsh Chapel Commission]*

Saturday, April 27, 2019 — 8:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave
Marsh Chapel Choir and Collegium
Scott Allen Jarrett *conducting*

THE BACH EXPERIENCE

Selected Sundays — 9:45 a.m./11:00 a.m.

In this, the twelfth season of The Bach Experience, we begin with two works from Bach's first months in Leipzig and compare them with two works from later in his output. 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, we present a complete performance of the cantata during the Sunday morning service.

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| September 30, 2018 | <i>Herr, gehe nicht ins Gericht</i> , BWV 105 Cantata for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity |
| November 18, 2018 | <i>Schauet doch und sehet</i> , BWV 46 Cantata for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity |
| February 10, 2019 | <i>Herr Jesu Christ, wahr' Mensch und Gott</i> , BWV 127 Cantata for Quinquagesima |
| April 7, 2019 | <i>Liebster Gott, wenn werd ich sterben?</i> BWV 8 Cantata for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity |

INNER STRENGTH GOSPEL CHOIR

Herbert S. Jones, Director

CONCERTS

Saturday, October 20, 2018 — 12:30 p.m. — Steps of Marsh Chapel

Friday, November 16, 2018 — 7:30 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Friday, April 26, 2019 — 7:30 p.m. — George Sherman Union

SUNDAY SERVICES

November 11, 2018; February 24, 2019; April 28, 2019

THURMAN CHOIR

Sundays (see below) — 12:30–1:30 p.m. — Robinson Chapel

In the spirit of Dean Howard Thurman's visionary ministry of a "common ground," the Thurman Choir is open to any and all members of the Marsh Chapel family who wish to lift their voice in song as a community of common faith. The choir sings in worship several Sundays a semester and provides the music for the Christmas Eve Service. No audition or previous experience is required, and a multi-generational experience is encouraged.

REHEARSALS

September 9/23; October 14/28; November 11/25; December 16/23

SUNDAY SERVICES

September 23, October 7, October 28, November 25

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

It is important from time to time to rest, relax, and have some fun. All are welcome to join us for these fellowship events.

MEALS

One of the most important parts of our life together is the ministry of food. Greet old friends, meet new faces, and break bread together at any or all of these meals hosted by Marsh Chapel.

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| Coffee Hour | Sundays — 12:00 noon — Marsh Room |
| Covered Dish Lunch | Sundays — Sept. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2 |
| Community Dinner | Mondays — 6:00 p.m. — Marsh Room |
| Global Dinner Club | Tuesdays — 6:00 p.m. — Thurman Room |
| Eucharist and Dinner | Wednesdays — 5:15 p.m. — Nave & Thurman Room |

DEAN'S GARDEN PARTY

Thursday, September 6 — 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.

PAINTING IN THE SPIRIT

Friday, October 5 — 7:00 p.m. — Marsh Room

Join the Global Ministries Department for a two-hour spiritual painting class. Learn about painting as a devotional practice, enjoy some snacks, and put paint to canvas. Both those with no painting experience and well-practiced artists are equally encouraged to attend. Space is limited, so reserve your canvas quickly. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

SPIRITUALITY AND RECOVERY

Wednesday, November 7 — 6:00 p.m. — Marsh Room

Marsh Chapel is partnering with the BU Collegiate Recovery Program (CRP) to explore the topic of Spirituality and Recovery. The BU CRP is a safe and welcoming community where students in recovery from substance use are empowered to advance their academic, personal, and professional potentials. Questions of spirituality and faith often arise for those in recovery, and there are no right answers. Come explore these questions in a nondenominational dialogue led by the Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. followed by conversation at 6:30 p.m. Open to BU students in recovery.

MARSH CHAPEL CHRISTMAS TREE TRIMMING

Thursday, December 6 — 5:00-6:30 p.m. — Marsh Chapel Nave

Join Dean Hill and Br. Larry Whitney as we decorate the Marsh Chapel Christmas tree, enjoy some Christmas cookies, and sing a few Christmas carols—all in preparation for the annual Lessons and Carols Service. (For more information on the Lessons and Carols service, see page 8)

GLOBAL STRESS RELIEF DAY

Thursday, December 13 — 10 a.m.-5 p.m. — Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

During the fury of exams, papers, and final projects, take a moment to breathe and get balanced in Marsh Chapel. Our Stress Relief Day has relaxation techniques from all around the globe: massage, tea, henna, meditation, coloring, board games, and more. All of it is free, and all Boston University students are welcome. So stop by for a few minutes or all day to take a break and de-stress. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

FELLOWSHIP and ADVOCACY GROUPS

ABOLITIONIST CHAPEL TODAY

Sundays (9/23, 10/28, 11/18, 12/16) — 12:30 p.m. — Thurman Room

Marsh Chapel is reaching out in conversation with individuals and groups at Boston University and in the Massachusetts Abolitionist Network to raise awareness, educate, and involve people directly against the crime of modern-day slavery/human trafficking.

Modern-day slavery is the world's second-largest criminal activity, involving more than twenty-seven million people held in situations of forced labor/debt bondage, sexual exploitation, child soldiering, and/or sale of body parts. At least one million people live in slavery situations in this country alone, some of them in Boston. The good news is that many exciting things are being done, in Boston and around the world, to stop modern-day slavery/human trafficking.

For more information, to extend the conversation, or to join the monthly research and program group (all meetings with complimentary lunch), contact the Rev. Victoria Hart Gaskell, Chapel Associate, at vgaskell@bu.edu.

CREATE SPACE

Tuesdays — 3:00–6:00 p.m. — Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

Feeling crafty? Want to learn how to knit or make paper cranes? Create Space is a time and place to let your creative juices flow. We supply origami paper, coloring books, yarn, knitting needles, and other craft supplies to give you an opportunity to connect your brain with your fingers and mindfully create. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

GLOBAL DINNER CLUB

Tuesdays — 6:00–8:00 p.m. — Thurman Room

The Global Dinner Club is a group that creates safe, sacred spaces for fellowship, relational ministry, and spiritual exploration. Primarily we do this by cooking cultural foods together, sharing stories, and discussing culture. This group thrives on diversity and is open to people of all nationalities and religions. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT YOGA

Thursdays — 5:00–6:00 p.m. — Robinson Chapel

Join us for a rigorous Vinyasa flow class. The focus is on strengthening the body and connecting with the breath—as well as connecting with the BU community. Bring a yoga mat and water bottle; extra mats and blocks are provided. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

RELIGION ON TAP

October 15, November 5, December 3 — 7:30 p.m. — B.U. Pub

Religion on Tap is a casual gathering during which Boston University friends, faculty, staff, and (21+) students from all different faiths and walks of life can join together to have a drink (alcoholic or non-alcoholic, according to your comfort level and/or religious tradition); talk about faith, God, and life; and be in authentic community together. (Contact: Chaplain Jessica Chicka, jchicka@bu.edu)

ADDITIONAL FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Additional fellowship groups at Marsh Chapel include:

Women's Forum (Contact: Jan Hill, 96jphill@gmail.com)

Men's Fellowship (Contact: Jay Reeg; jayreeg@rcn.com)

Mid-Life Fellowship (Contact: Robert Hill; rahill@bu.edu)

Families with Children (Contact: Br. Larry Whitney; lwhitney@bu.edu)

STUDY RETREATS

October 13 & December 14-16 — Marsh Chapel, Lower Level

Study Retreats provide an opportunity to unite head and heart by putting study in the context of spiritual practice. Each day begins with breakfast and Morning Meditation, during which participants articulate what they intend to accomplish during the day. After a substantial period of study, participants gather for Mid-Day Meditation, followed by lunch and another study period. The day ends with Evening Meditation, during which participants check in about what they accomplished—celebrating successes and encouraging one another to keep working toward unmet goals. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided.

Participation in Study Retreats is free of charge and available to all Boston University students. For more information or to register online, visit the Marsh Chapel website under the "Life Together" tab.

(Contact: Br. Larry Whitney, lwhitney@bu.edu)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Getting to Marsh Chapel

Marsh Chapel is accessible via the MBTA Green Line B Train (Boston University Central) and the No. 57 Bus (St. Mary's Street). Free parking is available for the Sunday morning service (11:00 a.m.) in the "J lot" behind the College of Arts and Sciences (accessible via Bay State Road). On occasion, this lot may be closed on Sunday mornings for other official University functions. For all other parking needs, parishioners are advised to find on-street parking on Commonwealth Avenue, St. Mary's Street, Bay State Road, or other nearby streets. For directions to Marsh Chapel, visit our website at www.bu.edu/chapel/directions.

Child Care

Child Care for the 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning service is available each week. Inquiries may be made in the main office located on the lower level of the chapel. In addition, Children's Worship Activity Bulletins are available in the narthex at the beginning of the service for those interested.

In compliance with Boston University's Protection of Minors Policy, the parents/guardians of participating minors must sign the Boston University Parental Acknowledgment, Consent, and Release from Liability Form before minors can be left in our care.

Handicapped Accessibility

A wheelchair lift is located at the west door of the Chapel on the Marsh Plaza level. This lift allows for access between Marsh Plaza and the Sanctuary level of the Chapel. For access, please ring the bell located next to the lift. A member of the Chapel staff will be happy to assist you.

Reservations

Individuals or organizations can reserve Marsh Chapel for concerts, recitals, lectures, and ceremonies. In addition, Marsh Plaza and Warren Alpert Mall (BU Beach) may also be reserved, although use of those spaces is generally limited to Boston University student groups and departments. Marsh Chapel requests that applicants thoroughly review the Space-Use Policy found on our website (www.bu.edu/chapel/reservations) before submitting the required online application. Further inquiries may be made by calling Ray Bouchard at 617.358.3390.

Marsh Chapel Broadcasts

Sunday Morning services are broadcast on WBUR 90.9 FM and streamed over the Internet at www.wbur.org. A weekly podcast of the Sunday morning service is available through iTunes®.

Online Resources

Online resources (www.bu.edu/chapel) include a sermon archive, a bulletin archive (including bulletins for upcoming Sunday services), a list of upcoming events, staff biographies, online applications for weddings and other space requests, and a link to our podcast of Sunday morning services. For the most recent information on Marsh Chapel events, join the Marsh Chapel Facebook™ page (www.facebook.com/MarshChapel) or follow us on Twitter™ (www.twitter.com/MarshChapel).

Weddings, Funerals, and Memorial Services

Marsh Chapel is available for weddings, funerals, and memorial services. Scheduling preference is given to members of the Marsh Chapel and Boston University communities. Further information, including an online wedding application, is available on the “Worship” page of our website (www.bu.edu/chapel/worship). Funeral and memorial service requests must be made by phone or email. To request the use of Marsh Chapel for a funeral or memorial service, or for more information on any of the services listed above, please contact the main office at 617.353.3560 or email at chapel@bu.edu.

Baptism and Confirmation

Baptism and Confirmation classes are offered on an individual basis and may be scheduled by contacting Dean Hill directly (617.358.3394; rahill@bu.edu). The Sacrament of Baptism and the rites of Confirmation are administered during the Great Vigil Service on April 20, 2019. Roman Catholics interested in receiving the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation should contact the Boston University Catholic Center at 617.353.3632.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is available from any chaplain at Boston University. To request a meeting, contact the chapel office at 617.353.3560 or chapel@bu.edu. Alternatively, fill out the pastoral contact form on the website at www.bu.edu/chapel/contact. We are happy to arrange a meeting with a chaplain appropriate to your faith community and need.

Stewardship

All are invited to contribute to the life and ministry of Marsh Chapel through time, talents, gifts, and service. Financial contributions may be sent to us at Marsh Chapel, Boston University, 735 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02215. Alternatively, credit card contributions may be made online through our website at www.bu.edu/chapel/stewardship.

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Joining the Marsh Chapel Chapter can be done in several ways. If you intend to lead your life of faith in and through the community of Marsh Chapel—to love God and neighbor and keep faith in the use of time, talent, and treasure—then we encourage you to join the chapter in one or more of the following ways. All are equally viable and valuable, and represent varieties of experience and interest with which people come to Marsh Chapel.

- You may sign the red “Ritual of Friendship” notebooks on Sunday morning, checking the box “member of this church.”
- You may speak with the Dean about your interest, either by phone or in person. (617.358.3394)
- You may ask to be received as a member at the conclusion of a worship service (often on a communion Sunday, the first Sunday of the month), responding to questions of faith found in our hymnal at page 33ff.
- You may stand and answer these questions during our Easter Vigil service in the spring each year, following a meeting or meetings with the Dean.

What if I am a member of another church? Can I belong here too?

Definitely. It is important to remember that, first and foremost, you are a member of the family of God. Many people who are members of another church choose to make Marsh Chapel their second church home and be recorded as a member here as well. We welcome you to do this.

If you would like to join in a more informal fashion, we can most certainly accommodate that as well. Dean Hill is always happy to discuss those matters on an individual basis. Dean Hill can be reached at 617.358.3394 or by email at rahill@bu.edu.

COMMUNICATIONS

How to Communicate at Marsh

- To note your weekly presence in Sunday morning worship, please sign the red “Ritual of Friendship” notebooks passed down the pew during the offertory.
- To receive print mailings, please contact the chapel office at 617.353.3560.
- To receive information about becoming a member of the Marsh Chapter congregation, please contact the chapel office at 617.353.3560.
- To speak with the Dean, please call 617.358.3394.
- To obtain offering envelopes for weekly tithes and gifts, please call Ray Bouchard at 617.358.3390.
- To express interest in endowing the future of Marsh Chapel through planned giving, please call Dean Hill at 617.358.3394.
- To learn about current ministry at Marsh Chapel, please visit our website at www.bu.edu/chapel.
- To get to know the current Marsh Chapel membership, please visit Coffee Hour following worship.

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