

# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Word and Sacrament  
Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 — 11:00 a.m.  
The First Sunday of Advent

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**The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean**

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The congregation is invited into silent prayer prior to the service.*

**Prelude**                      Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659                      *J. S. Bach (1685–1750)*

### Call to Worship and Greeting

*The Dean:*                      The Lord be with you.

*People:*                         *And also with you.*

*The Dean:*                      Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

*People:*                         *Blessed be the name of the Lord.*

✘ **Introit**                      Veni, veni, Emmanuel                      *Chant, 15<sup>th</sup> c. French*

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

captivum solve Israel,

qui gemit in exilio,

privatus Dei Filio.

Gaude! Gaude! Emmanuel,

nascetur pro te Israel!

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,*

*and ransom captive Israel,*

*that mourns in lonely exile here*

*until the Son of God appear.*

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*

*shall come to thee, O Israel.*

✘ **Hymn 718**                      Lo, he comes with clouds descending                      HELMSLEY

✠ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him 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.*

✦ Hymn

Prepare the way, O Zion

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN



1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!

Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.

Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.

*Refrain*

Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

Words: Frans Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr. composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (b. 1920)  
 Music: *Bereden väg för Herran*, melody from *Then Svenska Psalmboken*, 1697

76. 76. 77 with Refrain

**Lesson**

Isaiah 2:1-5

*Lector:* A lesson from the prophet Isaiah, chapter 2, verses 1-5:

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Anthem**

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem

*Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656)*

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.

*Psalms 122:6*

**Lesson** Romans 13:11–14

*Lector:* A lesson from St. Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 13, verses 11–14:

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 122**

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



**Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!**

*Cantor:* I was glad when they said to me,

"Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

*People:* *Our feet are standing within your gates,*

*O Jerusalem.*

*Cantor:* Jerusalem built as a city

that is bound firmly together.

*People:* *To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,*

*as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.*

*Cantor:* For there the thrones for judgment were set up,

the thrones of the house of David.

*People:* *Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.*

*Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers."*

*Cantor:* For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say,

"Peace be within you."

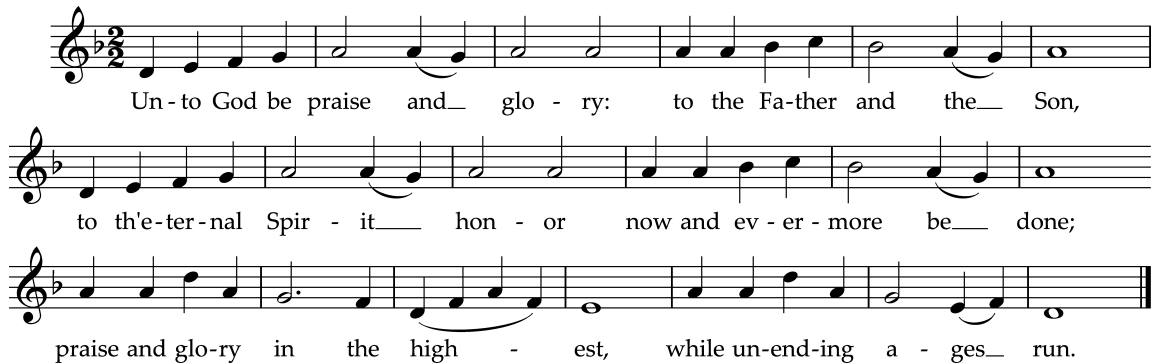
*People:* *For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,*

*I will seek your good. ♪*



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

PICARDY



Un-to God be praise and glo - ry: to the Fa-ther and the Son,  
to th'e-ter-nal Spir - it 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.  
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.  
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.  
You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,  
and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day  
when justice shall roll down like waters  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream,  
when nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.

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)

The musical score is written for a single voice part in 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na! Bless - ed is He who\_ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!" The score includes bar numbers 4, 6, 9, and 12. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end.

✦ **Words of Institution**

*Celebrant:*

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,  
whom you sent in the fullness of time to be a light to the nations.  
You scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts  
and have mercy on those who fear you from generations to generation.  
You put down the mighty from their thrones and exalt those of low degree.  
You fill the hungry with good things, and the rich you send empty away.

Your own Son came among us as a servant,  
to be Emmanuel, your presence with us.  
He humbled himself in obedience to your will  
and freely accepted death on a cross.  
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.

*Celebrant:*

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.



Christ has died, Christ is ri - sen, Christ will come a - gain.

*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**

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**Motet**

Jesus Christ the apple tree

*Elizabeth Poston (1905–1987)*

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green:  
The trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree

His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know but ne'er can tell  
The glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought:  
I missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest a while:  
Under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit does make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

*Divine Hymns or Spiritual Songs (1810)*

**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 202**

People, look east. The time is near

BESANÇON

✠ **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**                      Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661    *J. S. Bach (1685–1750)*

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*The preacher and celebrant is the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.*

*The Marsh Chapel Choir and Thurman Choir are 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

<b>TODAY</b>	10:35 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Take Note (Robinson Chapel) Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave) Covered Dish Luncheon (Marsh Room)
<b>MONDAY</b>	5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Ecumenical Night Prayer (Nave) Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	3:00–6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Create Space (Lower Level) Global Dinner Club (Thurman Room)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	12:45–1:45 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	Tai Chi (Marsh Room) Ecumenical Eucharist with Dinner (Robinson Chapel)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	12:00–1:00 p.m. 5:00–6:00 p.m. 5:00–6:30 p.m.	Silence Practice (Nave) Mind, Body, and Spirit Yoga (Robinson Chapel) Christmas Tree Trimming (Nave)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>The Forty-Sixth Service of Lessons and Carols (Nave)</b>
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	11:00 a.m.  12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	<b>Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)</b> <b>A Service of Christmas Lessons and Carols</b> Dean’s Open House (The Castle, 225 Bay State Road) <b>Blue Christmas Service (Nave)</b>

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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