

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Word and Sacrament
Sunday, February 2nd, 2020 — 11:00 a.m.
The Presentation of Our Lord (Candlemas)

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

◀ Hearing Assist System available—please ask an usher. 79.200 MHz
✘ Please rise, as you are able.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

Prelude Elegy [in G minor] *Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875–1912)*
 Arietta [in F major]
 Melody [in D major]

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** Introit for the Season of Epiphany *Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)*

O Lord, open thou our lips, and our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
The Lord hath manifested forth his glory: O come let us adore him.
The earth is the Lord's and he made it: O come let us adore. *Text adapted by the composer*

✘ **Hymn 185** When morning gilds the skies LAUDES DOMINI

✘ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Almighty and ever-living God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; 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.*

All may exchange signs and words of God's peace.

✘ **Hymn 632** Draw us in the Spirit's tether (stanza 1 only)

UNION SEMINARY

Lesson Malachi 3:1–4

Lector: A lesson from the prophet Malachi, chapter 3, verses 1–4:

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem Jesu, the very thought of thee

Edward C. Bairstow (1874–1946)

Jesu the very thought of thee
With sweetness fills my breast
But sweeter far thy face to see
And in thy presence rest.

St. Bernard; translated by E. Caswell

Lesson Hebrews 2:14–18

Lector: A lesson from Paul's epistle to the Hebrews, chapter 2, verses 14–18:

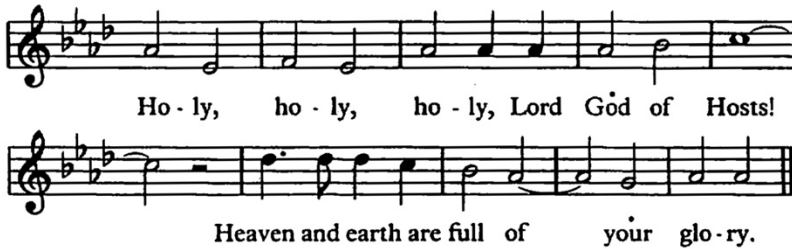
Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 24:7–10

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



Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts! Heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry."

Cantor: Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.

People: *Who is the King of glory?*
The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle.

Cantor: Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.

People: *Who is this King of glory?*
The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. ♪

✘ **Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat in D major' *George Dyson (1883–1964)*

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** Luke 2:22–40

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter 2, verses 22–40:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your

salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed--and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

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

Meditation "Healing in Sacrament" The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ **Hymn 679** O splendor of God's glory bright WAREHAM

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory Nunc dimittis *Arvo Pärt* (b. 1935)

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine,

Secundum verbum tuum in pace:

Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum

Quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum:

Lumen ad revelationem gentium,

Et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
According to thy word.*

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,

And to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper,

et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Glory to the Father and Son and Holy Spirit.

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

Song of Simeon (Luke 2:29–32)

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

NUN DANKET; *arr. John Rutter* (b. 1945)

The musical score is written on four staves in G major and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics printed below each staff. The lyrics are: "All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be giv - en, The Son, and him who reigns With them in high - est hea - ven, The One e - ter - nal God, Whom heav'n and earth a - dore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more. A - men."

✘ **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.
Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth,
from everlasting to everlasting, you alone are God.
You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth.
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

Celebrant:

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.

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 treble clef. It begins in 4/4 time and consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The second staff has a measure rest of 4 measures. The third staff has a measure rest of 6 measures. The fourth staff has a measure rest of 9 measures. The fifth staff has a measure rest of 12 measures. The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might
4
Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho -
6
sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!
9
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
12
sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!

✦ **Words of Institution**

Celebrant:

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,
in whom you have revealed yourself, our light and our salvation.

And now we give you thanks because by appearing in the Temple
he brings his peace to the world.

The Word made flesh searches the hearts of all your people,
to bring to light the brightness of your splendor.

Celebrant:


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.

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.

(Sung by all):



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

Marsh Chapel at Boston University is an interdenominational faith community and all are welcome and invited to participate in Communion today. Other invitations regarding Communion are found on the next page of this bulletin.

Motet

Agnus Dei, from 'Mass for Four Voices'

William Byrd (c. 1540–1623)

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

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 626** Let all mortal flesh keep silence PICARDY

✘ **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** Every time I feel the Spirit *Adolphus Hailstork* (b. 1941)

*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

TODAY	9:45 a.m.	Morning Study Group (Thurman Room)
	10:35 a.m.	Take Note (Robinson Chapel)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service (Nave)
	12:00 p.m.	Covered Dish Luncheon (Marsh Room)
	2:00 p.m.	Groundhog Day Skating (Boston Common)
MONDAY	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Worship (Nave)
	5:15 p.m.	Bibles and Brews (BU Pub)
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
TUESDAY	3:00 p.m.	Create Space (Main Chapel, Lower Level)
	6:00 p.m.	Global Dinner Club (Thurman Room)
WEDNESDAY	11:45 a.m.	Tai Chi (Marsh Room)
	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Service with Eucharist/Dinner (Robinson Chapel)
THURSDAY	12:00–1:00 p.m.	Silence Practice (Nave)
	12:00–2:00 p.m.	Chaplain Office Hours (Med Campus, Talbot 113c)
	5:00–6:15 p.m.	Mind, Body, and Spirit Yoga (Robinson Chapel)
	5:00 p.m.	Lecture: What Truth Do Martyrs Tell? (Yawkey, Rm. 613) Professor Karen King, Harvard Divinity School
FRIDAY	10:00 a.m.	Weekly Meditation Group (Robinson Chapel)
	7:00 p.m.	Spiritual Paint Night
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45 a.m.	The Bach Experience (Nave)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service (Nave) <i>BACH Herr Gott, dich loben wir, BWV 16</i>
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Thurman Choir Rehearsal (Robinson Chapel)

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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The Chapel Office is open 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays, and on Sunday mornings.

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