



# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Worship  
Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.  
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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This Sunday, the Reverend Scott Donahue-Martens brings us a sermon titled titled "The Parabolic Path," which was recorded on Wednesday, July 22.

The remainder of the service is being re-broadcast from previous services.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

✠ *Please rise in body or in heart*

### Prelude

### 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

Cantate Domino

*Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612)*

Cantate Domino canticum novum,  
cantate Domino omnis terra.  
Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus.  
Annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.  
Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam ejus,  
in omnibus populis mirabilia ejus.

*Sing to the Lord a new song,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.  
Sing to the Lord and bless his name:  
Proclaim his salvation from day to day.  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
his wonders among all people.*

*Psalms 96:1–3*

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
 2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,  
 4. For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5. For thy church, that ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,  
 6. For thy - self, best Gift Di - vine, to the world so free - ly given,

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies;  
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light;  
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight;  
 friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild;  
 of - fer - ing up on ev - ery shore her pure sac - ri - fice of love;  
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven:

*Refrain*

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.  
 \* Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

WORDS: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1864  
 MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838; arr. by W. H. Monk, 1861

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✦ **Collect** (*in unison*)

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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,  
 Christe eleison,  
 Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy,  
 Christ, have mercy,  
 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

Romans 8:26–39

*Lector:* A lesson from St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, chapter 8, verses 26–39:

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.  
*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

## Anthem

O God, be merciful

*Christopher Tye* (c. 1500–1573)

O God, be merciful unto us, and bless us:  
and shew us the light of his countenance upon us.  
So be it.

*Psalm 67:1*

## Psalm 105:1–11, 45b

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



**They who wait for the Lord shall re - nëw their strength.**

*Cantor:* O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.  
*People:* *Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.*  
*Cantor:* Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.  
*People:* *Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually.*  
*Cantor:* Remember the wonderful works he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,  
*People:* *O offspring of his servant Abraham,*  
*children of Jacob, his chosen ones.*

*Cantor:* He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.  
*People:* He is mindful of his covenant forever,  
of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,  
*Cantor:* the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac,  
*People:* which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,  
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,  
*Cantor:* saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan  
as your portion for an inheritance."  
*People:* Praise the LORD! 🎵

✠ **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 13:31–33, 44–52

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, chapter 13, verses 31–33 and 44–52:  
*People:* Glory to you, O Lord.

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old." When Jesus had finished these parables, he left that place.

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

1. This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-tening ears all  
 2. This is my Fa-ther's world, the birds their car-ols raise, the  
 3. This is my Fa-ther's world. O let me ne'er for - get that

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.  
 morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.  
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world: I rest me in the thought of  
 This is my Fa-ther's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the  
 This is my Fa-ther's world: why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.  
 rust - ling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev - ery - where.  
 Lord is King; let the heav - ens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!

WORDS: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901  
 MUSIC: Trad. English melody; adapt. by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

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Sermon

“The Parabolic Path”

The Rev. Scott Donahue-Martens  
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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

FINLANDIA, *Jean Sibelius* (1865–1957)

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)

### At the Offertory

*Dominus meus et Deus meus*

*Cristóbal de Morales* (c.1500–1553)

*Dominus meus et Deus meus,*  
*ego credidi quia tu es Christus,*  
*Filius Dei vivi;*  
*qui in hunc mundum venisti.*  
*In manus tuas Domine*  
*commendo spiritum meum.*  
*Redemisti me, Domine,*  
*Deus veritatis.*

*My Lord and my God,*  
*I believe that you are the Christ,*  
*the Son of the living God,*  
*who has come into this world.*  
*Into your hands, Lord,*  
*I commend my spirit.*  
*You have redeemed me, O Lord,*  
*the God of truth.*

✦ Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)

adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;  
Praise God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

✦ Offertory Prayer

✦ Hymn 664

Sent forth by God's blessing

THE ASH GROVE

*Unison*

1. Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2. With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing,  
the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - ery - day life we will face.  
The ser - vice is end - ed, O now be ex - tend - ed  
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,  
the fruits of our wor - ship in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of the teach- ing, re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,  
 With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;  
 shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
 u - nite us as one in this life that we share.  
 God's grace did in - vite us, and love shall u - nite us  
 Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing  
 to work for God's king - dom and an - swer the call.  
 give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.

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 MUSIC: Welsh folk tune; harm. by Leland Sateren, 1972  
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✘ **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 Scott Donahue-Martens.*

*The conductor and organist is Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music.*

*Today's broadcast was recorded by Eddie Muizulis, compiled by Justin Blackwell, and edited by Heidi Freimanis-Cordts..*



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Marsh Chapel is currently closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.  
All Marsh Chapel activities—including in-person Sunday morning services—are suspended until further notice.

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We look forward to resuming live broadcasts as soon as conditions permit.

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or to view or print a copy of the Sunday morning bulletin.

## WELCOME TO MARSH CHAPEL

We thank you for joining us virtually 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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