

## MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Word and Sacrament  
Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.  
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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This Sunday, Dr. Jessica Chicka, University Chaplain for International Students, brings us a new sermon titled "Children of Light," which was recorded on Thursday, November 12. Today's anthems are taken from October 31, 2010 from our broadcast archive. The remainder of the service has been selected from previously broadcast services

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

✠ *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** 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*

1. Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of  
 2. All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to  
 3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the  
 4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come, bring thy fi - nal

har - vest home; all is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the  
 God we yield; wheat and tares to - geth - er sown are to  
 har - vest home; from the field shall in that day all of -  
 har - vest home; gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from

win - ter storms be - gin. God our Mak - er doth pro - vide  
 joy or sor - row grown; first the blade and then the ear,  
 fens - es purge a - way, giv - ing an - gels charge at last  
 sor - row, free from sin, there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied,

for our wants to be sup - plied; come to God's own  
 then the full corn shall ap - pear; Lord of har - vest,  
 in the fire the tares to cast; but the fruit - ful  
 in thy pres - ence to a - bid; come, with all thine

tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.  
 grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 ears to store in the gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

✦ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Lesson** 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

*Lector:* A lesson from Paul's first epistle to the Thessalonians, chapter 5, verses 1–11:

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Anthem** Give us the wings of faith

*Ernest Bullock (1890-1979)*

Give us the wings of faith to rise  
Within the veil, and see  
The Saints above, how great their joys,  
How bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came,  
They, with one united breath,  
Ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,  
Their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,  
His zeal inspired their breast;  
And, following their incarnate God,  
They reached the promised rest.

*Isaac Watts (1674-1748)*

**Psalm 123**

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



*Cantor:* To you I lift up my eyes,  
 O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

*People:* *As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,  
 as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,  
 so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.*

*Cantor:* Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,  
 for we have had more than enough of contempt.

*People:* *Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease,  
 of the contempt of the proud. ♪*

✘ **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 25:14–30

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 25, verses 14–30:  
*People:* *Glory to you, O Lord.*

"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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

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Sermon

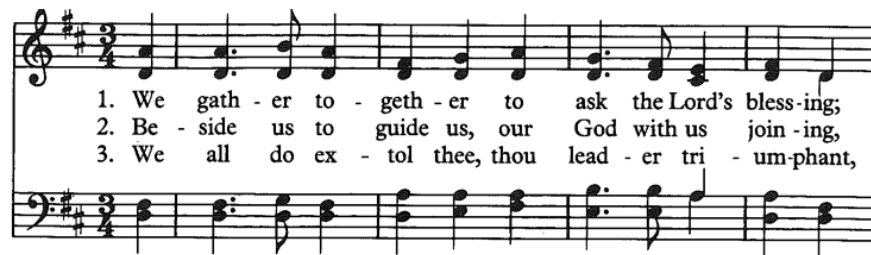
"Children of Light"

Dr. Jessica Chicka  
University Chaplain for International Students

✦ Hymn 131

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing

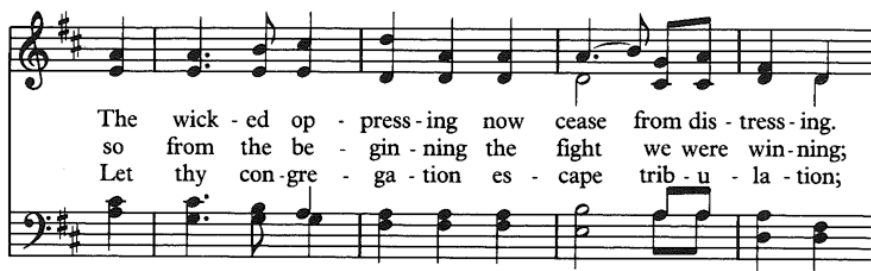
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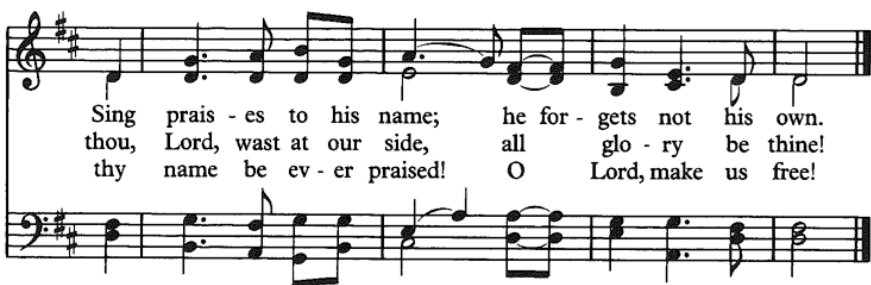
1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;  
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,  
3. We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - umphant,



he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known.  
or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;  
and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.



The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing.  
so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;  
Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion;



Sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.  
thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glo - ry be thine!  
thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

WORDS: *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626; trans. by Theodore Baker, 1894  
MUSIC: 16th cent. Dutch melody; arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877

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**At the Offertory** Lord, Thou hast been our refuge

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

<sup>1</sup>Lord, Thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another.

<sup>2</sup>Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made,  
Thou art God from everlasting and world without end.

<sup>3</sup>Thou turnest man to destruction; again Thou sayest; Come again ye children of men

<sup>4</sup>For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday,  
seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

*O God our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home.* (Isaac Watts)

<sup>5</sup>As soon as Thou scatterest them,  
they are even as asleep and fade away suddenly like the grass.

<sup>6</sup>In the morning it is green and groweth up,  
but in the evening it is cut down, dried up and withered.

<sup>7</sup>For we consume away in Thy displeasure, and are afraid at Thy wrathful indignation.

<sup>9</sup>For when Thou art angry all our days are gone;  
we bring our years to an end as a tale that is told.

<sup>10</sup>The years of our age are three score years and ten,  
and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years,  
yet is their strength but labour and sorrow.  
So passeth it away and we are gone.

<sup>13</sup>Turn Thee again O Lord at the last. Be gracious unto Thy servants.

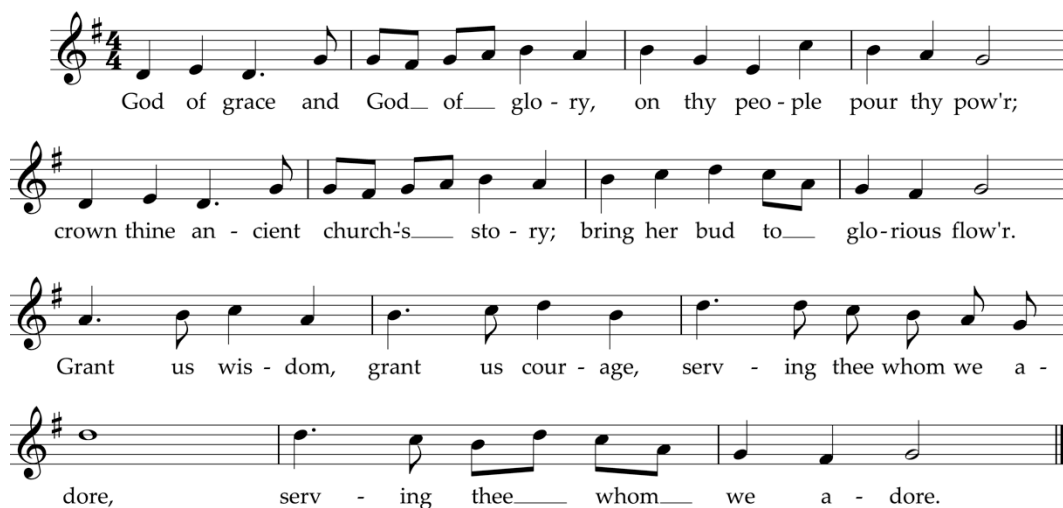
<sup>14</sup>O satisfy us with Thy mercy and that soon.  
So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

<sup>17</sup>And the glorious Majesty of the Lord be upon us.  
Prosper Thou, O prosper Thou the work of our hands,  
O prosper Thou our handy work.

*Psalm 90*

**✦ 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

We plow the fields and scatter

WIR PFLÜGEN

1. We plow the fields, and scat - ter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and  
2. He on - ly is the ma - ker of all things near and far; he paints the way side  
3. We thank thee, then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good, the seed time and the  
wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand; he sends the snow in win - ter, the  
flow - er, he lights the eve - ning star; the winds and waves o - bey him, by  
har - vest, our life, our health, our food: the gifts we have to of - fer are  
warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.  
him the birds are fed; much more to us, his chil - dren, he gives our dai - ly bread.  
what thy love im - parts, but chief - ly thou de - sir - est our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.  
All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove; then  
thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

✘ 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

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*The preacher and celebrant s 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.*

*The baritone soloist is Mr. Josh Taylor.*

*The quartet soloists are Margot Rood, Emily Marvosh, Andrew Shryock, and Joshua Taylor.*

*The Trumpeter is Eric Berlin.*

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

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The entirety of today's service was recorded prior to broadcast.  
We are not currently holding in-person services at Marsh Chapel.

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## 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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