

## MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

# University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship Sunday, March 28th, 2021 – 11:00 a.m. Palm Sunday

## The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

This Sunday, the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel, brings us a new sermon titled "Green Light on Top," which was recorded on Wednesday, March 24th.

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

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

▶ Please rise in body or in heart

**Prelude** Chorale No. 3, in A minor César Franck (1822–1890)

## 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: Hosanna in the Highest!

**♣ Introit** Truro

Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart from earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)



#### **▼** Collect (in unison)

Almighty God, on this day your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along the way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**Kyrie** 

from Missa 'O quam gloriosum'

Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548–1611)

Kyrie eleison,Lord, have mercy,Christe eleison,Christ, have mercy,Kyrie eleison.Lord, have mercy.

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

The Chaplain: 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** Isaiah 50:4–9

Lector: A lesson from the book of the prophet Isaiah, chapter 50, verses 4–9:

The Lord GoD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GoD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GoD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GoD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Anthem** Hosanna to the Son of David Thomas Weelkes (c. 1575–1623)

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, thou that sittest in the highest heavens.

Hosanna in excelsis Deo.

Matthew 21:9

**Lesson** Philippians 2:5–11

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians, chapter 2, verses 5–11:

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

#### Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

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

## **♬** Antiphon (sung by all)





Cantor: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

His steadfast love endures forever!

People: Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Cantor: Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

*People:* This is the gate of the LORD;

the righteous shall enter through it.

Cantor: I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

People: The stone which the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone.

Cantor: This is the Lord's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

People: This is the day which the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Cantor: Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!

O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

*People:* Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Cantor: The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

People: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

**¥** Gloria Patri

from "Magnificat: Westminster Service"

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

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** Mark 11:1–11

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter 11, verses 1–11:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

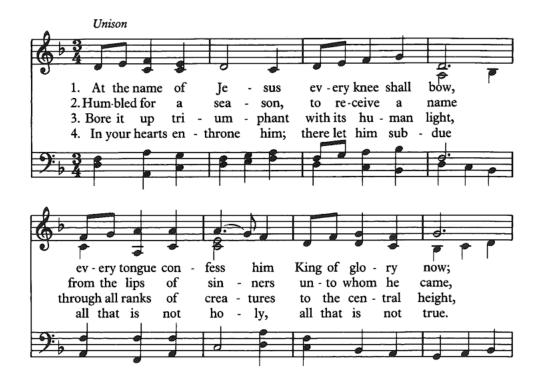
**Sermon** "Green Light on Top"

The Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill Dean of the Chapel

₩ Hymn 168

At the name of Jesus

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## Call to Prayer (sung by all)

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)



#### **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.

### **Choral Response**

adapted from Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

There for me the Savior stands, shows his wounds and spreads his hands. God is Love! I know, and feel; Jesus weeps and loves me still. Now incline me to repent, let me now my sins lament, now my foul revolt deplore, weep, believe, and sin no more.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

## At the Offertory

Solus ad victimam

Kenneth Leighton (1929–1988)

Alone to sacrifice thou goest, Lord, giving thyself to Death whom thou hast slain. For us thy wretched folk is any word? Who know that for our sins this is thy pain?

For they are ours, O Lord, our deeds, our deeds. Why must thou suffer torture for our sin? Let our hearts suffer in thy Passion, Lord, that very suffering may thy mercy win.

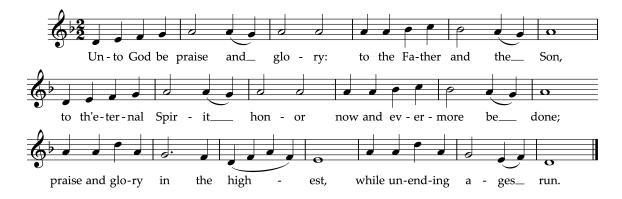
This is the night of tears, the three days' space, sorrow abiding of the eventide,
Until the day break with the risen Christ,
and hearts that sorrowed shall be satisfied.

So may our hearts share in thine anguish, Lord, that they may sharers of thy glory be; Heavy with weeping may the three days pass, to win the laughter of thine Easter Day.

Peter Abelard (1079-1142), trans. Helen Waddell

#### **▼ Presentation of the Gifts** (sung by all)

**PICARDY** 



#### **▼** Offertory Prayer



#### **№** 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 Pro

Old English Prayer from Sarum Primer

**№** Postlude

Fugue in G minor (from BuxWV 149)

*Dieterich Buxtehude* (c. 1637–1707)

## **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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