



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Worship

Sunday, April 5th, 2009 - 11:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Palms – The Liturgy of the Passion

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

☒ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude Pièce Héroïque César Franck (1822-1890)

In the final bars of the prelude, The Dean will signal to the congregation to stand.

☒ Call to Worship

The Dean: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Dean: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna in the Highest!

☒ Gospel Lesson Mark 11, 1-11

The Dean: Hear from the Gospel according to St. Mark how our Lord Jesus entered Jerusalem:

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.

☒ Greeting

The Dean: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

☒ Hymn 280 All glory, laud, and honor

ST. THEODULPH

☒ Opening Prayer (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

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 Paul's letter 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 31, 9-16

♪ Response *(sung by all)*



Cantor: Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;
my eye is wasted from grief,
my soul and body also.

People: *For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my misery,
and my bones waste away.*

Cantor: I am the scorn of all my adversaries,
a horror to my neighbors,
an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.

People: *I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.*

Cantor: For I hear the whispering of many—
terror all around!—
as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.

People: *But I trust in you, O Lord,
I say, "You are my God."*

Cantor: My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

People: *Let your face shine on your servant;
save me through your steadfast love! ♪*

✦ **Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat: Vespers of 1610' *Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)*

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. *Glory to the Father and Son and Holy Spirit.*
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, *As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,*
et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. *world without end. Amen.*

✦ **Hymn 295** In the cross of Christ I glory (stanzas 1 and 2)

RATHBUN

Introduction of the Passion Gospel

The Passion Gospel Mark 14, 1 – 15, 47

In keeping with ancient church custom, today's reading of the Passion Gospel will be done chorally, with members of the chapel community giving voice to the various characters in the lesson. The congregation is asked to read the words assigned to "The Crowd" as marked below.

Reader: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter 14, verse 1 through chapter 15, verse 47:

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people." While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her." Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born." While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to

them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

The congregation remains seated.

Hymn 614 For the bread which you have broken (stanzas 1 and 2) FOR THE BREAD

The lesson continues –

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand." Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." All of them deserted him and fled.

The congregation remains seated.

Hymn 290 Go to dark Gethsemane (stanza 1) REDHEAD 76

The lesson continues –

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" Jesus said, "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'" Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophecy!" The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." But he denied it, saying, "I do not know or understand what you are talking about." And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know this man you are talking about." At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

The congregation remains seated.

Hymn 289 Ah, holy Jesus (stanzas 1 and 2) HERZLIEBSTER JESU

The lesson continues –

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he

realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back,

The Crowd: "Crucify him!"

Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more,

The Crowd: "Crucify him!"

So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

The Crowd: "Hail, King of the Jews!"

They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him.

The congregation remains seated.

Hymn 292 What wondrous love is this (stanzas 1 and 2) WONDROUS LOVE

The lesson continues –

After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!" In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and

gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

The congregation remains seated.

Hymn 288 Were you there? (stanzas 1 and 4) WERE YOU THERE

The lesson continues –

And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!" There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

A Meditation upon the Passion Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

The congregation will please stand for the singing of this hymn.

✠ **Hymn 299** When I survey the wondrous cross ROCKINGHAM

Call to Prayer Lead Me, Lord (*sung by all*) LEAD ME, LORD

The music to this hymn may be found on page 473 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
That makest me dwell in safety.

Prayers of the People

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)

Community Life and Offering

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

The music to this hymn may be found on page 296 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 5.

Unto God be praise and glory: to the Father and the Son,
To th' eternal Spirit honor now and evermore be done;
Praise and glory in the highest, while unending ages run!

✠ Offertory Prayer

✠ Hymn 286 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

✠ 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*

Please remain standing until the procession has left the nave.

Postlude Fugue in G minor (excerpt from BuxWV 149) Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

Following the service, all are invited to attend a luncheon downstairs in the Marsh Room.

The service is read by Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.

The choir is the Marsh Chapel Choir, conducted by Scott Allen Jarrett and Aram Demirjian.

The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell.

THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

Listed below are the various meetings taking place at Marsh Chapel during Holy Week.

All Holy Week services are listed on the following page.

PALM SUNDAY – TODAY	9:30 a.m.	Small Group Meetings
	12:00 noon	“Speaking of Faith” Discussion Group
	12:00 noon	Community Luncheon
	1:00 p.m.	Baptism/Confirmation Class (Dean Hill’s Office)
MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK	12:00 noon	Leadership Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	12:00 p.m.	Community Lunch (Marsh Room)
	5:30 p.m.	Chaplain’s Study I (Thurman Room)
	7:00 p.m.	Film Screening: <i>Trouble the Water</i>
MAUNDY THURSDAY	5:00 p.m.	Chaplains Study II (Thurman Room)
EASTER SUNDAY		Small Group Meetings Cancelled
	12:00 noon	“Speaking of Faith” Discussion Group
	12:00 noon	Community Luncheon

✠ **HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2009** ✠

All Holy Week services take place in the nave of Marsh Chapel unless otherwise noted.

PALM SUNDAY – TODAY	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship
	12:30 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass
	6:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass
	7:00 p.m.	Episcopal Worship (Robinson Chapel)
	10:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass
TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	7:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Reconciliation Service
WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	8:30 a.m.	Ecumenical Morning Prayer
	9:00 a.m.	The Way of the Cross (open until 5:00 p.m.) <i>A rite of guided meditation and personal reflection.</i>
	11:15 a.m.	School of Theology Worship
	5:00 p.m.	Ecumenical Evening Prayer with Eucharist
	7:00 p.m.	Taizé Prayer around the Cross
MAUNDY THURSDAY	6:00 p.m.	Protestant Maundy Thursday Service with Eucharist
	8:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Holy Thursday Mass
GOOD FRIDAY	12 – 3 p.m.	University Ecumenical Good Friday Service: <i>Meditations on the Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross with movements from Fauré's Requiem.</i>
	3:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Stations of the Cross Marsh Plaza)
	6:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Good Friday Service
HOLY SATURDAY	7:30 p.m.	Protestant Easter Vigil (Robinson Chapel)
	8:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Easter Vigil
EASTER SUNDAY	7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service (BU Beach)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship
	12:30 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass
	6:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass
	7:00 p.m.	Episcopal Worship (Robinson Chapel)

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.

⏪ *Hearing Assist System available –please ask an usher. 79.200 MHz*

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