



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship

Sunday, August 17th, 2008 - 11:00 a.m.
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude O Gott, du frommer Gott, op. 65, no. 50 Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Call to Worship and Greeting

The Chaplain: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Chaplain: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

✠ **Introit** Lobe den Herren Hugo Distler (1908-1942)

Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren! *Praise to the Lord, the mighty king of glory!*

Meine geliebete Seele, das ist mein Begehren! *My beloved soul, that is my desire*

Kommet zu Hauf! Psalter und Harfe, wacht auf! *Come together! Psaltery and harp, awake!*

Lasset den Lobgesang hören! *Let the song of praise be heard!*

—Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

✠ **Hymn 101** From all that dwell below the skies DUKE STREET

✠ **Opening Prayer** (*in unison*)

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin,
and also an example of godly life:

Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of this redeeming work,
and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Kyrie from *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena* Healey Willan (1880-1968)

All are invited to enter into a time of silent confession during the singing of the Kyrie.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist: 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 56: 1, 6-8

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Isaiah, chapter 56, verse 1, and verses 6-8::

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Caput eius aurum optimum G. P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

Caput eius aurum optimum,
comae eius sicut elatae palmarum,
nigrae quasi corvus.

*His head is as the finest gold:
his locks as branches of palm trees,
black as a raven.*

Oculi eius sicut columbae
super rivulos aquarum
quae lacte sunt lotae
et resident iuxta fluentia plenissima.

*His eyes as doves upon brooks of waters,
which are washed with milk,
and sit beside the plentiful streams.*

—Song of Solomon 5: 11-12

Psalm 67

♪ Response (sung by all)

Cantor: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
People: that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

Cantor: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

Cantor: Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
People: The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.

Cantor: May God continue to bless us;
People: let all the ends of the earth revere him. ♪

✠ Gloria Patri (sung by all)

The music to this hymn may be found on page 559 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 4.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.

✠ Gospel Lesson Matthew 15: 10-28

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 15, verses 10-28:
People: Glory to you, O Lord. (over)

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

✠ Hymn 147 All things bright and beautiful ROYAL OAK

Sermon "Secular Faith" Br. Lawrence A. Whitney, LC+
University Chaplain for Community Life

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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Throughout the summer months, the **Marsh Chapel Choir** will be exploring Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina's motet collection *The Song of Songs (1584)*. These 29 motets based on texts from the Song of Solomon will be an integral part of worship throughout the summer.

We are pleased to offer **child care during our Sunday service**. Inquiries can be made in the main Chapel office on the lower level of the building.

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How to Communicate at Marsh:

1. To note your weekly presence in worship, please sign the Ritual of Friendship, passed down the pew during the prelude or during the offering.
2. To receive our e-newsletter, COMMON GROUND, please sign up on our website at www.bu.edu/chapel.
3. To receive print mailings, please contact Ray Bouchard at 617.358.3390.
4. To identify yourself as a member of the congregation at Marsh Chapel (the 'Chapter'), please sign the red visitor book in the narthex and mark after your name, CHAPTER MEMBER. Provide all and only contact information you are willing to have used and shared. A current Chapter Roster is available in the book. Please help yourself to a copy. The roster is updated quarterly.
5. To speak with the Dean, please call 617.358.3394 or email rahill@bu.edu.
6. To obtain offering envelopes, for weekly tithes and gifts, please call Ray Bouchard at 617.358.3390.
7. To express interest in endowing the future of Marsh Chapel through planned giving, please call Bob Hill at 617.358.3394.
8. To learn about current ministry at Marsh, please visit our newly renovated website at bu.edu/chapel.
9. To get to know the current Marsh membership, please visit the coffee hour downstairs following worship. A full meal is served each first Sunday.
10. To help us improve our communication, please provide suggestions to Justin Blackwell at justintb@bu.edu.

SUMMER SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The events listed here will take place weekly throughout the summer. Additional events for the week will be listed under the community announcements as it becomes necessary.

SUNDAYS 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Main Chapel)
6:00 p.m. Roman Catholic Mass (Main 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.

Please join us downstairs following the service for refreshments and fellowship.

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

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The Chapel Office is open 9 am – 5 pm weekdays, and on Sunday Mornings.

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