



# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Worship

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.

The Second Sunday in Lent

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The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The congregation is invited into silent prayer prior to the service.*

### Prelude

### Call to Worship and Greeting

*The Dean:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* *And also with you.*

*The Dean:* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People:* *God's mercy endures forever.*

✠ **Introit** Lamb of God

*F. Melius Christiansen (1871-1955)*

Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross didst suffer,  
Patient still and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer;  
Our sins by thee were taken, Or hope had us forsaken:  
Have mercy on us, O Jesu!

*Nicolaus Decius; tr. Arthur T. Russell*

✠ **Hymn 159** Lift high the cross

CRUCIFER

✠ **Collect** (*in unison*)

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Kyrie**

Kyrie in D minor, K. 90

W. A. Mozart (1756-1791)

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

Genesis 12:1-4a

*Lector:*                         A lesson from the Book of Genesis, chapter 12, verses 1-4a:

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

*Lector:*                         The Word of the Lord.

*People:*                         *Thanks be to God.*

**Anthem**

I will lift mine eyes (Psalm 121)

*Jake Runestad (b. 1986)*

I will lift mine eyes unto the hills. From whence comes my help?  
My help comes from the Lord the maker of the heaven and earth.  
He will not let your foot be moved. He who keeps you will not slumber nor sleep.  
The Lord is thy keeper: The Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.  
The sun shall not harm you by day nor the moon by night.  
The Lord will keep you from all evil. He will keep your soul.  
The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this day forth forever more.

## Psalm 121

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

♪ **Antiphon** (*sung by all*)



**In the shad-ow of your wings I sing for joy.**

- Cantor:* I lift up my eyes to the hills.  
From whence does my help come?
- People:* *My help comes from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.*
- Cantor:* The Lord will not let your foot be moved,  
the Lord who keeps you will not slumber.
- People:* *Behold, the One who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.*
- Cantor:* The Lord is your keeper;  
the Lord is your shade on your right hand.
- People:* *The sun shall not smite you by day,  
nor the moon by night.*
- Cantor:* The Lord will keep you from all evil,  
and will keep your life.
- People:* *The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and for evermore. ♪*

✘ **Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat: St. Paul Morning 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** John 3:1-17

- Lector:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John,  
chapter 3, verses 1-17:
- People:* *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell

you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

**Sermon** "Reaching Out *ad interim*" Br. Lawrence A. Whitney, LC†  
University Chaplain for Community Life

✠ **Hymn 463** Lord, speak to me CANONBURY

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

*The music to this hymn is 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**

## The Lord's Prayer *(in unison)*

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

from the "St. Matthew Passion, BWV 244"

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Erkenne mich, mein Hüter,  
Mein Hirte, nimm mich an!  
Von dir, Quell aller Güter,  
Ist mir viel Guts getan.  
Dein Mund hat mich gelabet  
Mit Milch und süßer Kost,  
Dein Geist hat mich begabet  
Mit mancher Himmelslust.

*Acknowledge me, my Guardian,  
my Shepherd, take me in!  
From You, source of all goodness,  
has much good come to me.  
Your mouth has nourished me  
with milk and sweet sustenance,  
Your spirit has lavished upon me  
much heavenly joy.*

## Community Life and Offering

### At the Offertory

God so loved the world (from *The Crucifixion*)

John Stainer (1840-1901)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

*John 3:16-17*

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

PICARDY

Un - to God be praise and glo - ry: to the Fa - ther and the Son,  
to th'e - ter - nal Spir - it hon - or now and ev - er - more be done;  
praise and glo - ry in the high - est, while un - end - ing a - ges run.

## ☒ Offertory Prayer

☒ **Hymn 549**            Where charity and love prevail

ST. PETER

## ☒ 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 is Br. Lawrence A. Whitney, LCT, University Chaplain for Community Life.*

*The Marsh Chapel Choir and Thurman Choir are conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music.*

*The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.*

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **HANDEL *Israel in Egypt* ~ Saturday, March 18 ~ 8:00 p.m. ~ Nave**

This Saturday evening, the Marsh Chapel Choir performs one of the great choral masterworks: Handel's *Israel in Egypt*. The oratorio takes the form of a giant choral showpiece, and tells the story of the Israelite's departure from Egypt and the song of praise they sing in response. You won't want to miss this performance! Tickets are \$10 at the door (free for students) and the performance will last about two hours. We hope to see you all there!

### **Global Meditation Retreat ~ Saturday, March 18 ~ 10am – 3pm ~ Marsh Chapel, Lower Level**

Give yourself a chance to relax and recharge at the midpoint of the semester by learning different meditation techniques from around the globe and a variety of faith traditions. Guided meditation, embodied meditation, and artistic meditation are just some of the practices we explore together. Lunch is provided. To register, contact Jessica Chicka, [jchicka@bu.edu](mailto:jchicka@bu.edu).

### **Women's Forum ~ Sunday, March 19 ~ 12:30 p.m. ~ Sloane House (135 Ivy Street)**

All women in the Marsh Chapel Community are invited to this semester's Women's Forum, hosted by Dr. Beverly Brown at Sloane House, the home of the President of the University. Lunch will be provided, and Dr. Brown will give a short talk on a book that she recently wrote on her family's genealogy. Come and share some of your own family history! Please RSVP to [hfr@bu.edu](mailto:hfr@bu.edu).

## THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

<b>TODAY</b>	10:35 a.m.	Take Note (Robinson Chapel)
	10:40 a.m.	Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
<b>MONDAY</b>	12:15 p.m.	Monday Meditation (Robinson Chapel)
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	3:00 p.m.	Create Space (Marsh Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Global Dinner Club (Thurman Room)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Nave)
	5:30 p.m.	BU United Methodist Fellowship (Thurman Room)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	12:00 p.m.	Silence Practice (Nave)
	12:20 p.m.	Common Ground Communion (Marsh Plaza)
	5:00 p.m.	Spiritual Life Yoga (Robinson Chapel)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>10am – 3pm</b>	<b>Global Meditation Retreat (Marsh Chapel, Lower Level)</b>
	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Dean’s Choice: Marsh Chapel Choir Concert (Nave)</b> <b>HANDEL <i>Israel in Egypt</i></b>
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	9:45 a.m.	Morning Study Group (Thurman Room)
	10:35 a.m.	Take Note (Robinson Chapel)
	10:40 a.m.	Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
	11:50 a.m.	Children’s Education (Thurman Room)
	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
	<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Women’s Forum (Sloane House, 135 Ivy Street)</b>
12:30 p.m.	Thurman Choir Rehearsal (Robinson Chapel)	

Marsh Chapel is pleased to offer **childcare** during our Sunday morning services. Inquiries can be made at the main office on the lower level of the building.

Our **children’s education** is available every Sunday during the school semester excluding the first Sunday of the month. Those interested are invited to leave the service during the last hymn for a time of lessons, crafts, and fun.

We are happy to provide **free parking for the Sunday morning service** (11:00 a.m.) in the lot behind the College of Arts and Sciences (accessible via Bay State Road).

## 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.

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