



# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Word and Sacrament  
Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 — 11:00 a.m.  
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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✘ Please rise, as you are able.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

**Prelude**                      Les cloches de Hinckley, op. 55, no. 6                      *Louis Vierne (1870–1937)*

### 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*

✘ **Hymn 60**                      I'll praise my Maker while I've breath                      OLD 113<sup>TH</sup>

### ✘ Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## ✘ Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Celebrant:* Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,  
who earnestly repent of their sin  
and seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

## ✘ Confession of Sin

*All:* *Merciful God*  
*we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.*  
*We have failed to be an obedient church.*  
*We have not done your will,*  
*we have broken your law,*  
*we have rebelled against your love,*  
*we have not loved our neighbors,*  
*and we have not heard the cry of the needy.*  
*Forgive us, we pray.*  
*Free us for joyful obedience,*  
*through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Celebrant:* Hear the good news:  
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love towards us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

*People:* *In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!*

*All:* *Glory to God. Amen.*

## ✘ Exchange of Peace

*Celebrant:* The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!  
*People:* *And also with you.*

*All may exchange signs and words of God's peace. For reasons of health and safety, a non-physical greeting is best.*

✘ **Hymn 632** Draw us in the Spirit's tether (stanza 1 only)

UNION SEMINARY

**Lesson** Proverbs 22:1–2, 8–9, 22–23

*Lector:* A lesson from the Book of Proverbs, chapter 22:

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the LORD is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the LORD pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

**Anthem** Love bade me welcome (from *Five Mystical Songs*)

*Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

Love bade me welcome: yet my soul drew back,  
Guilty of dust and sin.

But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack  
From my first entrance in,  
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning,  
If I lack'd any thing.

A guest, I answer'd, worthy to be here:  
Love said, You shall be he.

I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah, my dear,  
I cannot look on thee.

Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,  
Who made the eyes but I?

Truth, Lord, but I have marr'd them: let my shame  
Go where it doth deserve.

And know you not, says Love, who bore the blame?  
My dear, then I will serve.

You must sit down, says Love, and taste my meat:  
So I did sit and eat.

from *Love (III)*

*George Herbert (1593-1633)*

**Lesson** James 2:1–10, 14–17

*Lector:* A lesson from the epistle of James, chapter 2, verses 1–10 and 14–17:

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes

and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 125

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



**Do just - ly, love mer - cy, walk hum - bly with your God.**

*Cantor:* Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion,  
which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

*People:* *As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people,  
from this time on and forevermore.*

*Cantor:* For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest  
on the land allotted to the righteous,  
so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.

*People:* *Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,  
and to those who are upright in their hearts.*

*Cantor:* But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways  
the LORD will lead away with evildoers.

*People:* *Peace be upon Israel!* 🎵

✘ **Gloria Patri**            from 'Magnificat: Collegium Regale'

*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 7:24–37

*Lector:*                    The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, chapter 7, verses 24–37:

*People:*                    *Glory to you, O Lord.*

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

*Lector:*                    The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:*                    *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**Sermon**                    "A Balm in Gilead"

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✘ **Hymn 618**            Let us break bread together (stanzas 1, 2, and 4)

LET US BREAK BREAD

**Offertory Sentences**

**At the Offertory**      There is a balm in Gilead

*arr. William L. Dawson (1899–1990)*

*There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole,  
There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.*

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,  
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus, and say "He died for all."

*African-American Spiritual*

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

NUN DANKET; *arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)*



All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be giv - en, The



Son, and him who reigns With them in high - est hea - ven, The



One e - ter - nal God, Whom heav'n and earth a - dore; For



thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more. A - men.

✦ **Offertory Prayer**

# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## ✦ The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* *And also with you.*

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* *We lift them up to the Lord.*

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.  
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.  
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.  
You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,  
and spoke to us through your prophets.  
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## ✦ Sanctus and Benedictus *(sung by all)*

*Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)*

The musical score is written on four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might". The second staff continues with the lyrics: "Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho -". The third staff continues with the lyrics: "sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!". The fourth staff continues with the lyrics: "Bless - ed is He who\_ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -". The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might

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Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho -

6  
sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!

9  
Bless - ed is He who\_ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!

## ✦ Words of Institution

*Celebrant:*

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
and to announce that the time had come  
when you would save your people.  
He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,  
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,  
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Christ has died, Christ is ri - sen, Christ will come a - gain.



*Celebrant:* Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

*All:* Amen.

### ✠ The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant:* And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

*All:* *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.*

### ✠ Agnus Dei *(sung by the choir)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

### Distribution of the Elements

*Marsh Chapel at Boston University is an interdenominational faith community and all are welcome and invited to participate in Communion today. During this time of increased health risks, communion is distributed in individual pre-packaged containers upon entrance to the chapel. At the appropriate point in the service, the celebrant will direct the congregation when to partake of the communion elements.*

*Please dispose of the communion packaging in the trash receptacles in the narthex following the service.*

**Motet** I sat down under his shadow *Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)*

I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.  
He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

*Song of Solomon 2:3–4*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving *(in unison)*

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✘ **Hymn 140**                      Great is thy faithfulness    FAITHFULNESS

### ✘ **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**                      Carillon, op. 31, no. 21    *Louis Vierne (1870–1937)*

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*The preacher and celebrant is the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.*

*The soprano soloist is MaryRuth Lown. The tenor soloist is Patrick T. Waters.*

*The baritone soloist is Craig Juricka.*

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

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

## COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

### MASKING REQUIRED — VACCINATION EXPECTED

- Boston University requires that **masks be worn by everyone** while inside University buildings, regardless of vaccination status. Your mask must cover both your mouth and your nose.
- All members of the Marsh Chapel clergy, staff, and choir have been vaccinated against COVID-19. **We urge you to be vaccinated as well.** For information on the vaccine or how to be vaccinated, go to [mass.gov/covid-19-vaccine](https://mass.gov/covid-19-vaccine).
- We urge you to continue to **observe physical distancing** between households, particularly if you or a member of your household is unvaccinated.
- **Hand sanitizer** is available in the narthex.
- Singing is **permitted while wearing a mask**.

## THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

**We welcome our visitors today.**

Please sign the narthex guest book to indicate your presence and contact Heidi Freimanis-Cordts (hrf@bu.edu) to receive our monthly newsletter, *Common Ground*.

We at Marsh Chapel welcome students back to campus today. **A number of activities are planned for this week as students begin classes.** For more information about any of the events listed below, contact the Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman at revkaren@bu.edu or Dr. Jessica Chicka at jchicka@bu.edu.

<b>TODAY</b>	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Labor Day – Marsh Chapel Offices Closed</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	1:00–2:00 p.m.	Greening of the Dorms (Marsh Plaza)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	11am–1pm	Spiritual Sampling (Marsh Plaza)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	4:30–6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30–9:00 p.m.	Dean’s Garden Party (BU Beach) Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions (Nave) Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	10am–2pm	Religious Life Fair (Marsh Plaza)
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave) Welcome Back Barbeque Lunch (BU Beach) Ordination Service for The Rev. Dr. Jessica Chicka (Nave)

Marsh Chapel **child care is currently suspended** due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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).

**Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions** will take place this Thursday, September 9, from 6–9 p.m. in the Main Chapel. Those auditioning should plan to stay for the entire rehearsal period. Please email the music staff at musicmar@bu.edu to reserve an audition slot.

# 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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*The Chapel Office is open 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays, and on Sunday mornings.*

*Marsh Chapel Sunday morning services are broadcast on WBUR 90.9 FM.*

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