

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship Sunday, February 13th, 2022 –11:00 a.m. The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

■ Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude	Adagio, from Symphonie No. 5	Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)	
	Andante sostenuto, from Symphonie gothique		

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!		
	from "Arise, shine, for thy light has come"	Kenneth Jennings (1925–2015)	
Arise, shine, for thy light has come,And the glory of the LORD has risen upon thee.Isaiah 60:		Isaiah 60:1	
₩ Hymn 421	Make me a captive, Lord	Diademata	

■ Collect (in unison)

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,

Lord, have mercy.

T. Tertius Noble (1867–1953)

Kyrie

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

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	Jeremiah 17:5–10
Lector:	A lesson from the book of the prophet Jeremiah, chapter 17, verses 5–10:

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

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

Anthem

O God, thou art my God

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

¹O God, thou art my God: early will I seek thee.

²My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee:

in a barren and dry land where no water is.

³Thus have I looked for thee in holiness: that I might behold thy power and glory.

⁴For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: my lips shall praise thee.

⁵As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner: and lift up my hands in thy Name.

⁸Because thou hast been my helper: therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. Hallelujah!

Psalm 63:1–5, 8

Lesson Romans 12:1–13

Lector:

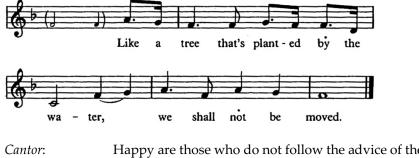
A lesson from Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 12, verses 1–13:

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

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

Psalm 1

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



Cantor:	Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
	or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;
People:	but their delight is in the law of the LORD,
	and on his law they meditate day and night.
Cantor:	They are like trees planted by streams of water,
	which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.
	In all that they do, they prosper.

People:	The wicked are not so,
	but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
Cantor:	Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
	nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
People:	for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
	but the way of the wicked will perish. 🎜

■ Gloria Patri from 'Magnificat in F major' Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875–1912)

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	Luke 6:17–26
Lector:	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, chapter 6, verses 17–26:
People:	Glory to you, O Lord.

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Lector:	The Gospel of the Lord.	
People:	Praise to you, Lord Christ.	
≇ Hymn 378	Amazing grace! How sweet the sound (st. 1–3 only)	Amazing Grace
Sermon	"An Invitation to Faith" The Rev.	Dr. Robert Allan Hill Dean of the Chapel
坐 Hymn 378	Amazing grace! How sweet the sound (st. 4–6 only)	Amazing Grace



Prayers of the People and 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.

Response

arr. Scott Allen Jarrett (b. 1975)

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;

Take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;

Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,

O still, small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872

Offertory Sentences

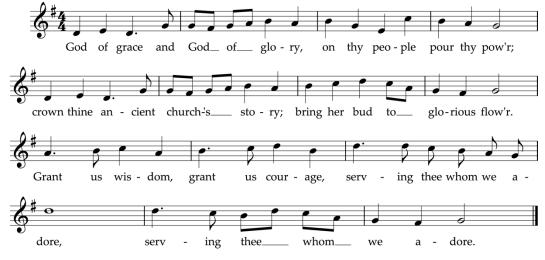
At the Offertory Balm in Gilead

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 in vain, But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

O never feel discouraged, O never be forlorn Recall that it was to save us that Jesus Christ was born

▶ Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)



♥ Offertory Prayer

■ Hymn 732 Come, we that love the Lord ST. THOMAS

Benediction

★ ResponseGod be in my headarr. 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	Grand Choeur	Théodore Salomé (1834–1896)	

The preacher is the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel. The conductor and organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.

African-American Spiritual

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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.
- We urge you to continue to **observe physical distancing** between households, particularly if you or a member of your household is unvaccinated.

▼ 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*.

ΤΟΖΑΥ	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Morning Book Study Group (Thurman Room) Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
Monday	12:00 p.m.	Tai Chi (advanced course) (Marsh Room)
Tuesday	3:30–5:30 p.m.	Create Space (Marsh Room)
WEDNESDAY	12:00 p.m.	Tai Chi (all levels) (Marsh Room)
Thursday	5:15–6:30 p.m.	Mind, Body, Spirit Yoga (via Zoom; register at bu.edu/chapel)
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Morning Book Study Group (Thurman Room) Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)

A QR code parking pass for the CAS lot is available on our website. To obtain a printed copy, please speak with a Marsh Chapel staff member. Parking passes are only for Sundays, 8:30am–1:30pm.

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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