Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

arr. Scott Allen Jarrett (b. 1975)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Joachim Neander

Hymn 559

Christ is made the sure foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Collect (in unison)

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Kyrie

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

Assurance of Pardon

The Chaplain:  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 1 Kings 19:15–16, 19–21

Lector:  A lesson from the first book of Kings, chapter 19, verses 15–16 and 19–21:

Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

Anthem The eyes of all wait upon thee

Jean Berger (1909–2002)

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.  Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.  Psalm 145:15–16

Lesson Galatians 5:1, 13–25

Lector:  A lesson from Paul’s epistle to the Galatians, chapter 5, verses 1 and 13–25:

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the
Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16

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

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge!

Cantor: Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge!

People: I say to the Lord,

“You are my Lord, I have no good apart from you.”

Cantor: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.

People: The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
I have a glorious heritage.

Cantor: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
even at night my heart instructs me.

People: I have set the Lord always before me;
the Lord is at my right hand;
I shall not be moved.

Cantor: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;
my body also dwells secure.

People: For you do not give me up to Sheol,
or let your faithful ones see the pit.
**Cantor:** You show me the path of life;  
**People:** in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

**Gloria Patri (sung by all)**

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.


**Lector:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke,  
chapter 9, verses 51–62:

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

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

**Lector:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

"...But First,"

The Rev. Dr. Jessica Chicka
University Chaplain for International Students

Hymn

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
3. Will you let the blind see if I but call your name?
4. Will you love the you you hide if I but call my name?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call your name?

Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you quell the fear in side and never be the same?
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be tract or scare?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life at this unseen, and admit to what I world a round, through my sight and touch and foot steps show. Thus I’ll move and live and
Call to Prayer

Lead me, Lord (sung by all)

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 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

from “Peace I leave with you” Walter L. Pelz (b. 1926)

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth give I unto you.

John 14:27

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory Sicut in holocaustis G. P. da Palestrina (1525–1594)

Sicut in holocaustis arietum et taurorum,
et sicut in millibus agnorum pinguium,
sic fiat sacrificium nostrum
in conspectu tuo hodie ut placeat tibi,
quia non est confusio
confidentibus in te, Domine.

As with burnt offerings of rams and of bulls,
And as with fatted lambs by the thousands,
So may our sacrifice
be made today in your sight that it be pleasing to you,
For there is no confounding of those
who trust in you, Lord.

Offertory for the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
**Presentation of the Gifts** *(sung by all)*

To Thee, great One in Three, the highest praises be,

hence ever more; thy sovereign majesty may we in

glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn 581**  
Lord, whose love through humble service  
*BEACH SPRING*

**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**  
Toccata-Prelude on “Wachet auf”  
*Francis Jackson* (1917–2022)

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