The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

Please rise, as you are able.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude
Liturgical Improvisation No. 1
George Oldroyd (1886–1951)

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!

Introt Saints bound for heaven
arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

Our bondage it shall end by and by. From Egypt’s yoke set free, hail the glorious Jubilee, and to Canaan we’ll return by and by. Shouting “Glory to our King”, till the vaults of heaven ring, and through all eternity we’ll rejoice!

Hymn 578 God of love and God of power
Unser Herrscher

Collect (in unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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.

Hymn 632 Draw us in the Spirit’s tether (stanza 1 only)
Lesson 1:

Lamentations 1:1–6

Lector: A lesson from the Lamentations of Jeremiah, chapter 1, verses 1–6:

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the LORD has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem:

Prayer to Jesus

George Oldroyd (1887–1956)

Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought,
be Thou my love and all my thought,
and help that I may to Thee be brought,
withouten Thee I may do nought.

Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will,
and nothing is that Thee may let,
with Thy grace my heart fulfil,
my love and my liking in Thee is set.

Jhesu, at Thy will I pray that I might be,
all my heart fulfil, with perfect love to Thee.
That I have done ill, Jhesu, forgive Thou me,
and suffer me never to spill, Jhesu for pity. Amen.

Richard Rolle (1300–1349)

Lesson 2:

2 Timothy 1:1–14

Lector: A lesson from Paul’s second epistle to Timothy, chapter 1, verses 1–14:

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first
in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

Psalm 137

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

Cantor: By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, when we remembered Zion.
People: On the willows there we hung our lyres.
Cantor: For there our captors required of us songs, and our tormentors, mirth, saying, “Sing us one of the songs of Zion!”
People: How shall we sing the Lord’s song in a foreign land?
Cantor: If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!
People: Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you,
if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy!
Cantor: O Lord, remember against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem,
People: How they said, “Raze it, raze it! Down to its foundations!”
Cantor: O daughter of Babylon, you devastator!
People: Happy shall they be who repay you with what you have done to us! 🎵

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 17:5–10
Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, chapter 17, verses 5–10:
People: Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 517 By gracious powers so wonderfully sheltered (st. 1 and 2) INTERCESSION

Sermon “Communion Meditation for World Communion Sunday”
The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

Hymn 517 By gracious powers so wonderfully sheltered (st. 3 and 4) INTERCESSION

Offertory Sentences
At the Offertory  

O God, thou art my God (Psalm 63)  

1 O God, thou art my God: early will I seek thee.  
2 My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee:  
   in a barren and dry land where no water is.  
3 Thus have I looked for thee in holiness: that I might behold thy power and glory.  
4 For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: my lips shall praise thee.  
5 As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner: and lift up my hands in thy Name.  
8 Because thou hast been my helper: therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.  
Hallelujah!

ixel  Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)  

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

ixel  Offertory Prayer

Celebrant:  
Blessed are you, Three in One and One in Three, source of all provision.  
Bless and multiply these our gifts of money—symbol of our time, resources,  
life energy, and faith—that the giving may become receiving, and the  
receiving may become giving.

People:  
Blessed be God, now and forevermore.

Celebrant:  
Blessed are you, Three in One and One in Three, you are the giver of this  
bread: product of earth and air, fire and water, the life energy of plants,  
animals, and humans. Let it become for us the bread of life.

People:  
Blessed be God, now and forevermore.
Celebrant: Blessed are you, Three in One and One in Three, you are the giver of this fruit of the vine: product of earth and air, fire and water, the life energy of plants, animals, and humans. Let it become for us the drink of your eternal realm.

People: Blessed be God, now and forevermore.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

❖ The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord is 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 have made from one every nation and people 
To live on all the face of the earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven 
And giving voice to all creation, 
We praise your name and join the unending hymn:

❖ Sanctus and Benedictus (sung by all)  Patrick T. Waters (b. 1983)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow’r and God of might.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Bless’d is the one that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Words of Institution

Celebrant: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
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.
He commissioned us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth
And to make disciples from all nations,
And today his family in all the world is joining at his holy table.

We remember how, when Jesus sat at supper with his disciples, he took bread.
And when he had given thanks, he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples,
Saying, “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Each time you eat this, remember me.”

Likewise after supper he took a cup, and when he had given thanks,
He gave the cup to his disciples, saying, “Drink this, all of you,
For this is the sign of a new covenant, sealed with my blood,
For you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Each time you drink this, remember 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.

Celebrant: Pour out the Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
And on these gifts of grape and grain.
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 the 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 the heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your servant 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, we are bold to say:

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.

Celebrant: Look! The bread of heaven is given for the life of the world. Look! The cup of salvation is poured out for the life of the world. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Let us keep this feast with joy and thanksgiving.

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

During this season of increased health risks, we are offering Communion “in one kind” (i.e., bread only).

Marsh Chapel at Boston University is an interdenominational faith community and all are welcome and invited to participate in Communion today. If you do not feel comfortable receiving the elements of Communion, you may, if you wish, come forward and receive a blessing instead. Simply let the server know when you approach. If you are unable to come forward, we will come to you with Communion or for a blessing—just raise your hand after the others have finished. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

At Communion  Draw us in the Spirit’s tether  Harold Friedell (1905–1958)

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether; For when humbly, in thy name,
Two or three are met together, Thou are in the midst of them:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment’s hem.

As the brethren used to gather In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living Make as sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving, We may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.  Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)
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 the Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn**

How firm a foundation (st. 1, 2, & 5; see opposite page)  
LYONS

**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**

Präludium in G major, BuxWV 147  
Dietrich Buxtehude (c.1637–1707)

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The preacher is the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.  
The celebrant is the Reverend Dr. Victoria Gaskell, Minister for Visitation.  
The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.  
Mr. Blackwell is also the organist.

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**THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL**

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Hymn

How firm a foundation (st. 1, 2, & 5)

LYONS

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
2 “Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!
3 “When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
4 “When through fier-y trials thy path-way shall lie,
5 “The soul that to Jesus hath fled for re-pose,

1 is laid for your faith in his ex-cel-lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv-ers of woe shall not thee over-flow;
4 my grace, all suffi-cient, shall be thy sup-ply;
5 I will not, I will not de-sert to its foes;

1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
2 I’ll strength-en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou-bles to bless,
4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I only de-sign
5 that soul, though all hell shall en-deavor to shake,

1 to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2 up-held by my right-eous, omnip-o-tent hand.
3 and sanc-ti-fy to thee thy deep-est dis-tress.
4 thy dross to con-sume, and thy gold to re-fine.
5 I’ll nev-er, no, nev-er, no, nev-er for-sake.”

Words: K. in John Rippon’s Selection, 1787, alt.
Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806); desc. Lois Fyfe (b. 1927)
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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