MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY INTERDENOMINATIONAL PROTESTANT SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2023
THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE REV. DR. ROBERT ALLAN HILL, DEAN
The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude  Benedictus in D-flat major, Op. 59/9  
Max Reger (1873–1916)

Call to Worship and Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Introit  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!  
Traditional

Hymn 101  From all that dwell below the skies  
Duke Street

Collect (in unison)

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Kyrie from Missa Brevis No. 1

Healey Willan (1880–1968)

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

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: 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 21:8–21

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Genesis, chapter 21, verses 8–21:
The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem  Sicut in holocaustis  

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

Lesson  Romans 6:1b–11

Lector:  A lesson from St. Paul’s epistle to the Romans, chapter 6, verses 1–11:

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17

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

Lord, make me to know your ways. Lead me in your truth, and teach me.

Cantor:  Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me,  
for I am poor and needy.
People:  Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you;  
save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God;
Cantor: be gracious to me, O Lord,
    for to you do I cry all day long.
People: Gladden the soul of your servant,
    for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
Cantor: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
    abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.
People: Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;
    listen to my cry of supplication.
Cantor: In the day of my trouble I call on you,
    for you will answer me.
People: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
    nor are there any works like yours.
Cantor: All the nations you have made
    shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,
    and shall glorify your name.
People: For you are great and do wondrous things;
    you alone are God.
Cantor: Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant;
    save the child of your serving girl.
People: Show me a sign of your favor,
    so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame,
    because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

◆ Gloria Patri (sung by all)

Westminster Abbey
Gospel Lesson  

Matthew 10:24–39

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, chapter 10, verses 24–39

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon "Making Sense with Matthew" 

The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Quigley 
Assistant Professor of New Testament 
Vanderbilt Divinity School

The Rev. Dr. Soren M. Hessler 
Director of Recruitment and Admissions 
Vanderbilt Divinity School

Hymn 117 O God, our help in ages past 

ST. ANNE
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

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth’s kingdoms: Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done. Let Christ be lifted up 'til all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one. O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations; myself I give thee—let thy will be done.

Offertory Sentences

Finlandia, Jean Sibelius (1865–1957)

Georgia Harkness (1891–1974)
At the Offertory  Herr, auf dich traue ich, SWV 377  Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672)

Herr, auf dich traue ich, 
lass mich nimmermehr zuschanden werden;
errette mich nach deiner Barmherzigkeit
und hilf mir aus!
Neige deine Ohren zu mir und hilf mir!
Sei mir ein starker Hort,
Ein Hort, dahin ich immer fliehen möge,
der du hast zugesaget mir zu helfen.

Lord, I trust in You,  
Let me never be ashamed;
Deliver me in Your mercy  
And assist me.
Incline Your ear to me and help me;
Be a strong refuge for me,
A refuge to which I may always flee,
Which You have promised to me for my aid.

Psalm 71:1–3

✿ Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)  adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav’n-ly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  Amen.

✿ Offertory Prayer
Christ for the world we sing!

Christ we bring with loving zeal; the poor, and
Christ we bring with fervent prayer; the wayward
Christ we bring with one accord; with us the
Christ we bring with joyful song; the newborn

them that mourn, the faint and overborne,
and the lost, by restless passions tossed,
work to share, with us reproach to dare,
souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,

sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.
redeemed at countless cost from dark despair.
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.
**Benediction**

**Response**

God be in my head

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**

Allegro moderato maestoso in C major

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

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The preachers are the Rev. Dr. Jennifer Quigley and the Rev. Dr. Soren M. Hessler.

The conductor is Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music.

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

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service will continue to be held every Sunday throughout the summer.

Our preachers in this year’s Summer Preaching Series, on the theme “Matthew and Costs of Discipleship,” include: the Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman (May 28, August 20); the Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill (June 4 & 18; July 9; August 27); the Rev. Dr. Regina L. Walton (June 11, August 13); the Rev. Dr. Jennifer Quigley and the Rev. Dr. Soren Hessler (June 25); the Rev. Dr. Jessica Chicka (July 2, August 6); the Rev. David Romanik (July 16); Mr. William Cordts (July 23); and the Rev. Dr. Stephen Cady (July 30). For more details on the Summer Preaching Series, visit our website at bu.edu/chapel.

Dean Hill’s guest speaking and preaching schedule this summer includes the Marsh Chapel dates above, and: June 1–3, United Methodist Upper New York Annual Conference; July 6, Lemoyne College Retreat; and July 23, Union Chapel, New Hampshire.

The Sunday morning Interdenominational Protestant worship service is livestreamed each week over the Internet at wbur.org and at bu.edu/chapel. A podcast of past services is available on iTunes.

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Please scan the QR code on the right to complete our online Connection Form. This form allows us to gather new and updated contact information so that we can stay in touch with you. Thank you for joining us today!
**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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