



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY
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**University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Worship**

Sunday, March 9th, 2025 — 11:00 a.m.

The First Sunday in Lent

Series LXXV № 29

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude Chorale Prelude on *Canterbury (Song 13)* *Rebecca Groom Te Velde* (b.1956)
 Meditation on *Pange lingua* *Mary Beth Bennett* (b. 1954)

Call to Worship and Greeting

The Dean: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

The Dean: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: *God's mercy endures forever.*

✠ **Introit** from 'Preces and Responses' *Gabriel Jackson* (b. 1962)

O Lord, open thou our lips. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father...

Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

Book of Common Prayer

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
 2. For us bap - tized, for us he bore
 3. For us he prayed; for us he taught;
 4. For us to e - vil power be - trayed,
 5. For us he rose from death a - gain;
 6. All glo - ry to our Lord and God

it fills the heart with ec - sta - sy,
 his ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore,
 for us his dai - ly works he wrought;
 scourged, mocked, in pur - ple robe ar - rayed,
 for us he went on high to reign;
 for love so deep, so high, so broad:

that God, the Son of God, should take
 for us temp - ta - tion sharp he knew;
 by words and signs and ac - tions thus
 he bore the shame - ful cross and death,
 for us he sent his Spir - it here,
 the Trin - i - ty whom we a - dore,

our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
 for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
 to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
 for - ev - er and for - ev - er more.

WORDS: 15th cent. Latin; trans. by Benjamin Webb, 1854; alt.
 MUSIC: English melody; harm. from *Hymns Ancient and Modern, Revised*, 1950

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✠ Collect (in unison)

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Lesson

Romans 10:8b–13

*Salvation is for all**Lector:*

A lesson from Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 10, verses 8–13:

⁸"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Lector:

The Word of the Lord.

*People:**Thanks be to God.***Psalm 91:1–2, 9–16***Assurance of God's Protection*

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



Grant us sal - va - tion, Lord; in trou - ble be our ref - uge.

Cantor:

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD,

People:

*"My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust."*

Cantor:

Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,

People:

*no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.*

Cantor:

For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

People:

*On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.*

Cantor:

You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

People:

*Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.*

Cantor:

When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.

People:

*With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation. ♪*

1. Lord, who through - out these for - ty days for
 2. As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and
 3. As thou didst hun - ger bear, and thirst, so
 4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, and
 5. A - bid with us, that so, this life of

us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to
 didst the vic - tory win, O give us strength in
 teach us, gra - cious Lord, to die to self, and
 through thy pas - sion - tide, yea, ev - er - more in
 suf - fering o - ver past, an Eas - ter of un -

mourn our sins and close by thee to stay.
 thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
 chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
 life and death, Je - sus, with us a - bid.
 end - ing joy we may at - tain at last.

WORDS: Claudia F. Hernaman, 1873 (Mt. 4:1-11; Mk. 1:12-13; Lk. 4:1-13)

MUSIC: USA folk melody; arr. by Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938;

harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1988

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Call to Prayer

Lead me, Lord (*sung by all*)

LEAD ME, LORD



Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righ - teous-ness; make thy way
plain be - fore my face. For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord,
on - ly, that mak - est me dwell in safe - ty.

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

'Amen', from *Christe, du Lamm Gottes*, BWV 245.ii

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory

Psalm 42 'Wie der Hirsch schreit', Op. 42

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

Wie der Hirsch schreit nach frischem Wasser,
So schreit meine Seele, Gott, zu dir..

*As the hart panteth after the water brooks,
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.*

Psalm 42:1

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

DEO GRACIAS



All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad:
the Trin - i - ty whom we a - dore, for - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

☒ Offertory Prayer

1. In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow - ering
 2. When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
 3. When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
 4. Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
 5. In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow - ering

o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of
 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
 love up - on my way, from the cross the
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that
 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of

sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 cross for - sake me. Lo! it glows with peace and joy.
 ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

WORDS: John Bowring, 1825
 MUSIC: Ithamar Conkey, 1849

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- ✘ **Response** from *Lo, the full, final sacrifice*, Op 26 Gerald Finzi (1901–1956)
- When this dry soul those eyes shall see,
And drink the unseal'd source of thee.
When Glory's sun faith's shades shall chase,
And for thy veil give me thy Face.
Lo, the full, final Sacrifice
On which all figures fix't their eyes. AMEN
- Text: Richard Crashaw (c. 1613–1649)*
- ✘ **Postlude** Postlude on *Aberystwyth* Ashley Grote (b. 1982)
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*The preacher is The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.
The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett and Patrick T. Waters.
Baritone Michael Galvin is the soloist in 'Angelis suis'.
Dr. Jarrett played today's service.*

SPRING RECESS | March 8 – March 16

Weekly programming and activities resume Monday, March 17

The Chapel's schedule of weekly programming and activities is suspended during Boston University's Spring Recess, March 8–16.

The Chapel Office remains open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

“RETURNING TO GOD” — 2025 LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

RETURNING TO GOD | *Daily Devotional Series for Lent, 2025*

Daily devotional reflection emailed each morning beginning March 5 through April 20

With more than 800 subscribers, 47 newly authored reflections sourced from our community, along with 47 Marsh Chapel Choir anthems selected from our recording archive, Marsh Chapel’s Lenten Devotional Series is a unique, daily “creative encounter” for spiritual growth designed by and for our community. Beginning March 5, devotions are emailed early each morning and include (1) a passage of scripture, (2) a unique written reflection by a member of the Marsh Chapel community, and (3) a musical selection from the Marsh Chapel Choir.

Our focus this Lent is *Returning to God*, with scripture passages that invite us, this week, to *REFLECT: How are we, as Christians, using the Lenten season to reflect God’s light into the world?*

Explore your faith and the hope that springs from it.

Subscribe for free at <https://bit.ly/LentDevo2025>

WHEN I SURVEY | *Discovering the Way of the Cross in Bach’s St. John Passion*

Sundays in March, 12:30–2:00 p.m., lunch provided

Join Marsh Chapel Director of Music Scott Allen Jarrett for a lecture-series on one of Bach’s most beloved works, *The Passion According to St. John*. Designed for music-lovers of all experiences, participants will explore Bach’s compositional process, his models and departures, and marvel at the enduring power of such tender and delicate music to connect, heal, inspire, and save.



March 9 “I Lift Mine Eyes to the Hills”

The scope and dimension of the St. John Passion

March 16 “Lift High the Cross”

Bach’s compositional models, designs, and departures

March 23 “Lift Up Your Heart”

Imagery and symbolism in the arias of the St. John Passion

March 30 “Love Lifted Me/Them/Us”

Finding ourselves in the reflection of the St. John Passion

For more information, or to reserve a seat, register at bit.ly/BachLectures or use the QR code.

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*Dean of Marsh Chapel and Chaplain to the University
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