

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY  
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University Interdenominational Protestant  
Service of Worship

Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 — 11:00 a.m.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Series LXXV № 40

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The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

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✦ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Prelude**

Aus meines Herzens Grunde  
Gott des Himmels und der Erden

*Johann Gottfried Walther (1684–1748)*  
*Walther*

**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!

✦ **Introit**

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

Praise ye the Lord all the earth!  
Serve ye the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with singing.

*Psalms 100:1–2*

✦ **Hymn**

O praise ye the Lord!

LAUDATE DOMINUM

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth;  
\* 3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;  
in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;  
each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;  
to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,  
praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,  
loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,  
For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.  
and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.  
for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150  
Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

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✠ **Collect** (*in unison*)

*O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 in G*, K 140

W. A. Mozart (1756–1791)

Kyrie eleison,  
Christe eleison,  
Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy.*

## 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

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

*The Lamb is the light of God's city*

*Lector:* A lesson from the Revelation to St. John:

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

## Anthem

My soul, there is a country

*C. Hubert H. Parry (1848–1918)*

My soul, there is a country far beyond the stars,  
Where stands a winged sentry, all skillful in the wars.  
There, above noise and danger, sweet Peace sits crowned with smiles,  
And One, born in a manger, commands the beauteous files.  
He is thy gracious friend, and (O my soul, awake!)  
Did in pure love descend, to die here for thy sake.  
If thou canst get but thither, there grows the flower of peace,  
The Rose that cannot wither, thy fortress, and thy ease.  
Leave, then, thy foolish ranges, for none can thee secure  
But one who never changes, thy God, thy life, thy cure.

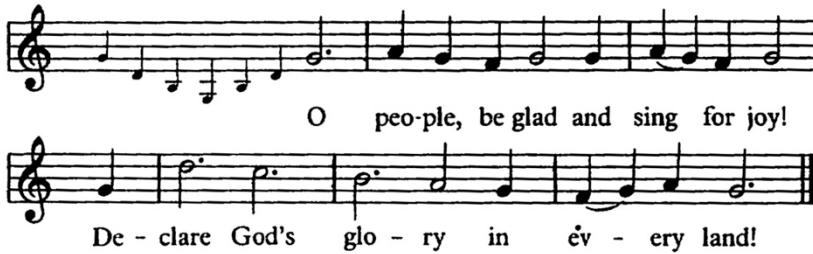
*Henry Vaughan (1622–1695)*

## The Psalter

Psalm 67

*Let all the peoples praise God*

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



*Cantor:* May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
*People:* that your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among all nations.  
*Cantor:* Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
*People:* Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.  
*Cantor:* Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
*People:* The earth has yielded its increase;  
God, our God, has blessed us.  
*Cantor:* May God continue to bless us;  
*People:* let all the ends of the earth revere him. 🎵

## ✠ Gloria Patri

from *Magnificat in G*

C. V. Stanford (1852–1924)

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

John 14:23–29

*The Father will send the Holy Spirit*

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel according to St. John, chapter 14, verses 23–29:  
*People:* Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy

Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

*Lector:* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon** "In Loving Memory" The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill  
Dean of the Chapel

✠ Hymn 697 My country, 'tis of thee AMERICA

1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of  
2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the  
3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from  
4. Our fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing; land where my  
no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy  
all the trees sweet free - dom's song; let mor - tal  
lib - er - ty, to thee we sing; long may our

fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,  
rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;  
tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;  
land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring!  
my heart with rap - ture thrills, like that a - bove.  
let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.  
pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

WORDS: Samuel F. Smith, 1832  
MUSIC: *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1744

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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

### 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 Requiem, Op. 48

*Gabriel Fauré* (1845–1924)

## Offertory Sentences

## At the Offertory

O for a closer walk with God

C. V. Stanford (1852–1924)

O for a closer walk with God,  
A calm and heavenly frame,  
A light to shine upon the road  
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return,  
Sweet messenger of rest!  
I hate the sins that made Thee mourn  
And drove Thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,  
Calm and serene my frame;  
So purer light shall mark the road  
That leads me to the Lamb.

William Cowper (1731–1800)

## ✦ Presentation of the Gifts *(sung by all)*

NEANDER

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.

## ✦ Offertory Prayer

## ✦ Hymn 475

Come down, O Love divine

DOWN AMPNEY

1. Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,  
2. O let it free - ly burn, till earth-ly pas - sions turn  
3. And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com-fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,  
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

WORDS: Bianco of Siena, 15th cent.; trans. by Richard F. Littledale, 1867, alt.  
MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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## ✦ Benediction

## ✦ Response

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

Lord, now lettest Thou servant depart in peace,  
according to thy word. Amen.

*Luke 2:29*

## ✦ Postlude

Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir  
[Postlude on the Doxology]

*Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)*

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





# MARSH CHAPEL & RELIGIOUS LIFE

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## The Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill

*Dean of Marsh Chapel and Chaplain to the University*  
*Professor of New Testament and Pastoral Theology*

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