

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

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University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship

Sunday, July 13th, 2025 — 11:00 a.m.

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Series LXXV № 46

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Sursum corda

John Ireland (1879–1962)

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

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 116

The God of Abraham praise

LEONI

1. The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
2. The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath de - pend.
3. The heaven-ly land I see, with peace and plen-ty blest;
4. The God who reigns on high the great arch-an-gels sing,

An - cient of Ev - er - last - ing Days, and God of love;
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, to heaven as - cend.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty, and end - less rest.
 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!" cry, "Al - might - y King!

Je - ho - vah, great I AM! by earth and heaven con - fessed;
 I shall be - hold God's face; I shall God's power a - dore,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:

I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of God's grace for - ev - er - more.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
 Je - ho - vah, Lord, the great I AM, we wor - ship thee!"

WORDS: From *The Yigdal* of Daniel ben Judah, ca. 1400;
 para. by Thomas Olivers, 1760; alt.

MUSIC: Hebrew melody, *Sacred Harmony*, 1780; harm. from *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

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✠ **Collect** (in unison)

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 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

Deuteronomy 30:9–14

God delights in your fruitfulness

Lector: A lesson from the book of Deuteronomy, chapter 30, verses 9–14:

"[A]nd the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem

Hoc est praeceptum meum

Francisco Guerrero (1528–1599)

Hoc est praeceptum meum,
ut diligatis invicem,
sicut ego dilexi vos.

Maiorem hac dilectionem nemo habet
ut animam suam ponat quis pro amicis suis.

*This is my commandment,
that you love one another,
as I have loved you.*

*Greater love than this no man hath,
that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:12–13*

Lesson

Colossians 1:1–14

The gospel is bearing fruit

Lector: A lesson from Paul's epistle to the Colossians, chapter 1, verses 1–14:

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing

in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalter Psalm 25:1–10

Your paths are love and faithfulness

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

♪ Antiphon *(sung by all)*



Cantor: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.

Cantor: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

People: Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.

Cantor: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

People: Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

Cantor: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

People: Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

Cantor: He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

People: *All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.* 🎵

✠ **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** Luke 10:25–37

The parable of the merciful Samaritan

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke,
chapter 10, verses 25–37:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

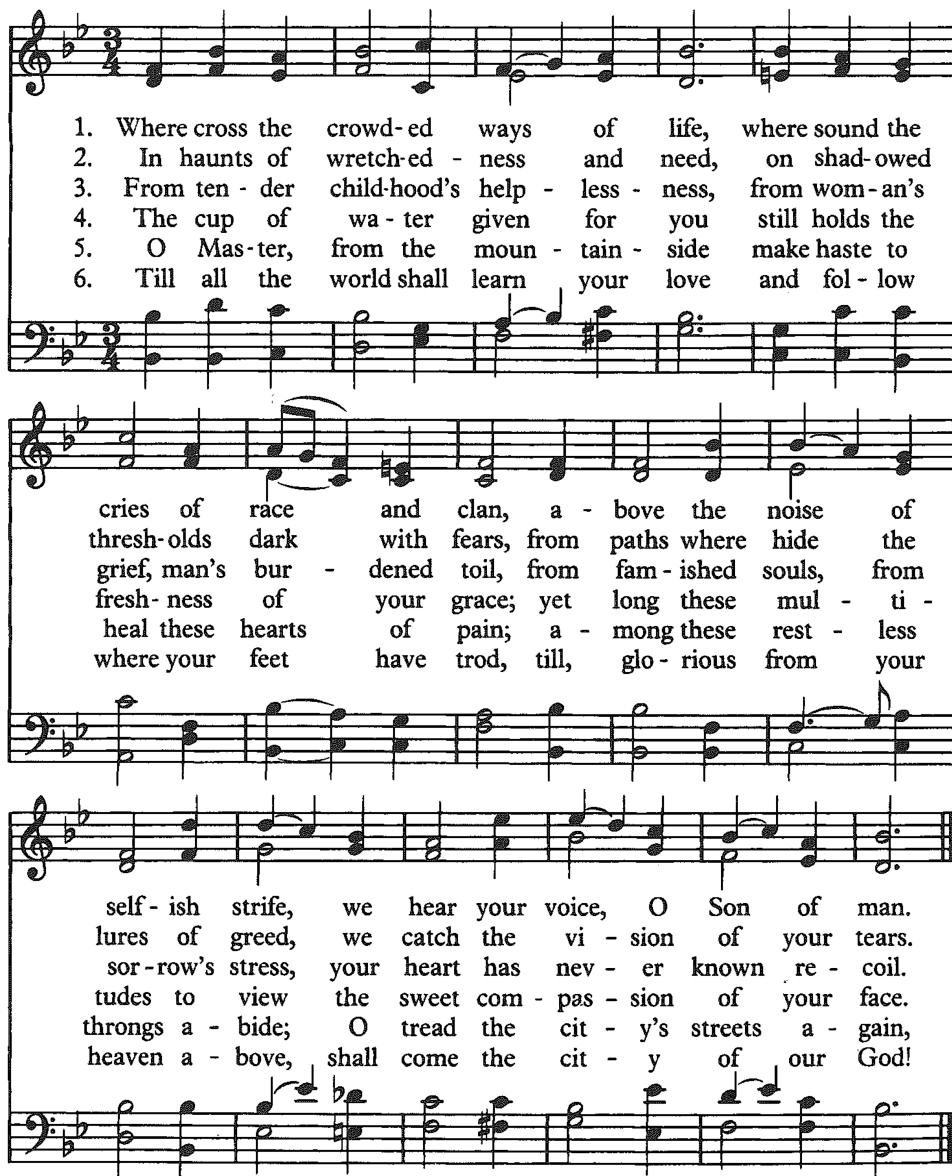
An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon "Beyond the Headlines"

The Rev. David Romanik
Rector, Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest
Abilene, Texas



1. Where cross the crowd-ed ways of life, where sound the
 2. In haunts of wretch-ed - ness and need, on shad-owed
 3. From ten - der child-hood's help - less - ness, from wom-an's
 4. The cup of wa - ter given for you still holds the
 5. O Mas-ter, from the moun - tain - side make haste to
 6. Till all the world shall learn your love and fol - low

cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
 thresh-olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the
 grief, man's bur - dened toil, from fam - ished souls, from
 fresh- ness of your grace; yet long these mul - ti -
 heal these hearts of pain; a - mong these rest - less
 where your feet have trod, till, glo - rious from your

self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of man.
 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
 sor-row's stress, your heart has nev - er known re - coil.
 tudes to view the sweet com - pas - sion of your face.
 throngs a - bide; O tread the cit - y's streets a - gain,
 heaven a - bove, shall come the cit - y of our God!

WORDS: Frank Mason North, 1903 (Mt. 22:9)
 MUSIC: William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

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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

Greater love hath no man

John Ireland (1879–1962)

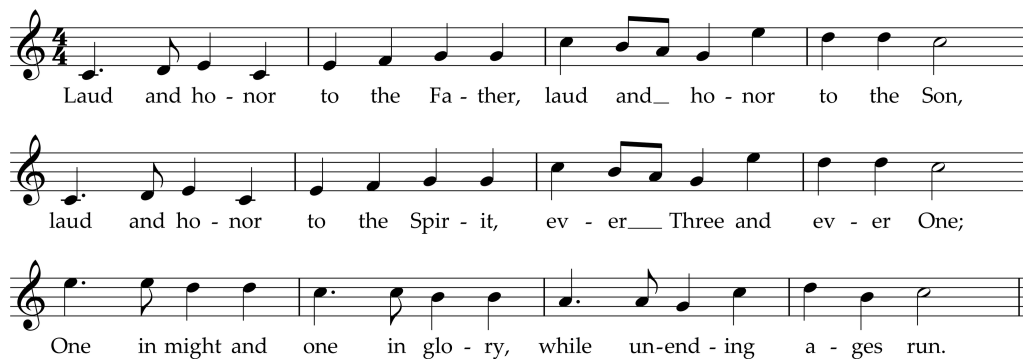
Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. (Song of Solomon 8:7) Love is strong as death. (Song of Solomon 8:6) Greater Love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. (John 15:13)

Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. (1 Peter 2:24) Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus; (1 Corinthians 6:11) Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, That ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (Romans 12:1)

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

NEANDER




Laud and ho - nor to the Fa - ther, laud and ho - nor to the Son,
 laud and ho - nor to the Spir - it, ev - er Three and ev - er One;
 One in might and one in glo - ry, while un - end - ing a - ges run.

✦ Offertory Prayer

✦ Hymn 549

Where charity and love prevail

ST. PETER



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there
 2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear true
 3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults as
 4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let
 5. Let us re - call that in our midst dwells
 6. Love can ex - clude no race or creed if

God is ev - er found; brought here to - geth - er
 char - i - ty we learn; let us with heart and
 we our faults con - fess; and let us love each
 all con - ten - tion cease; be Christ the glo - ry
 God's be - got - ten Son; as mem - bers of his
 hon - ored be God's name; our com - mon life em -

by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.
 mind and strength now love Christ in re - turn.
 oth - er well in Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
 that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.
 bod - y joined, we are in him made one.
 brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.

WORDS: 9th cent. Latin; trans. by Omer Westendorf, 1961 (1 Jn. 4:16)
 MUSIC: Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836; harm. from *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861
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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

Fugue in G major ("Jig"), BWV 577

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

*The preacher is the Reverend David Romanik, Rector, Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest, Abilene, TX.
 The vocal soloists are Janet Ross, soprano, and Louis Shriber, baritone.
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