

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

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University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Word and Sacrament

Sunday, November 2nd, 2025 — 11:00 a.m.

All Saints' Sunday

Series LXXVI №. 10

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Fantaisie

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

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

from "Behold, I build an house"⁺

Lukas Foss (1922–2009)

Behold, I build an house. Then the house was filled with a cloud,
For the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God.

✠ Hymn 90

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Unison

1. Ye watch-ers and ye ho-ly ones, bright ser-aphs, cher-u-bim, and
2. O high-er than the cher-u - bim, more glo-rious than the ser-a-
3. Re-spond, ye souls in end-less rest, ye pa-tri-archs and proph-ets
4. O friends, in glad-ness let us sing, su - per-nal an-thems ech-o-

⁺ "Behold, I build an house" was written for the dedication of Marsh Chapel, March 14, 1950.

Harmony *Unison*

thrones, raise the glad strain, Al-le - lu - ia! Cry out, do-min-ions,
 phim, lead their prais - es, Al-le - lu - ia! Thou bear-er of th'e -
 blest, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Ye ho-ly twelve, ye
 ing, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! To God the Fa-ther,

Refrain (Harmony)

prince-doms, powers, vir-tues, arch-an-gels, an-gels' choirs:
 ter-nal Word, most gra-cious, mag-ni-fy the Lord: Al-le - lu - ia!
 mar-tyrs strong, all saints tri-um-phant, raise the song:
 God the Son, and God the Spir-it, Three in One:

Unison

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

WORDS: John Athelstan Laurie Riley, 1906

MUSIC: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

88.44.88 with Refrain

✦ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. 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 551 Awake, O sleeper

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1. A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;
2. Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;
so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.
with kind and gen - tle hearts for - give as God in Christ for - gave.

Lesson

Daniel 7:1–3, 15–18

*The holy ones of the Most High**Lector:*

A lesson from the book of Daniel, chapter 7, verses 1–3 and 15–18:

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

Lector:

The Word of the Lord.

*People:**Thanks be to God.***Anthem**

O quam gloriosum

Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548–1611)

O quam gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti!
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

*O how glorious is the kingdom
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ,
clad in robes of white
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.*

*Antiphon for the Feast of All Saints***Lesson**

Ephesians 1:11–23

*God made Christ head over all**Lector:*

A lesson from the epistle to the Ephesians, chapter 1, verses 11–23:

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far

above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

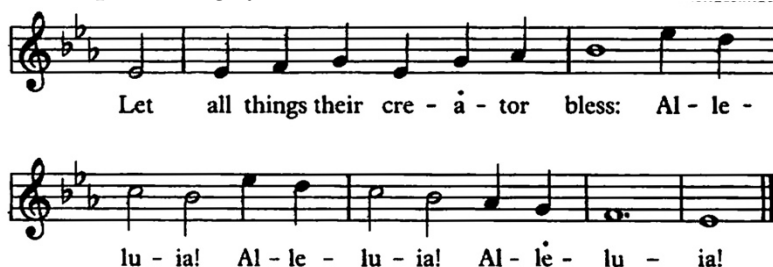
People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalter Psalm 149:1–5, 9b

Sing praise in the congregation

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

Antiphon *(sung by all)*



Cantor: Praise the LORD!
Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

People: Let Israel be glad in its Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Cantor: Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

People: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with victory.

Cantor: Let the faithful exult in glory;
let them sing for joy on their couches.

People: This is glory for all his faithful ones.
Praise the LORD! 

✕ Gloria Patri from 'Benedictus, Op. 34, no. 2'

Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

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 6:20–31

Jesus speaks blessings and woes

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke,
chapter 6, verses 20–31:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon "Communion Meditation for All Saints" The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill
Dean of the Chapel

✦ **Hymn 703** Swing low, sweet chariot

SWING LOW

The image shows the musical score for Hymn 703, "Swing low, sweet chariot". It is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. The score consists of two systems of staves. The first system covers the first line of the hymn: "Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home;". The second system covers the second line: "swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home." The score ends with a double bar line and a "Fine" marking. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home;

swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home.

1. I looked o - ver Jor - dan, and what did I see,
 2. If you get there be - fore I do,
 3. I'm some - times up, I'm some - times down,
 4. The bright - est day that I can say,

com-ing for to car-ry me home? A band of an - gels
 com-ing for to car-ry me home; tell all my friends I'm
 com-ing for to car-ry me home; but still my soul feels
 com-ing for to car-ry me home; when Je - sus washed my

com-ing af - ter me, com-ing for to car-ry me home.
 com-ing too, com-ing for to car-ry me home.
 heav-en - ly bound, com-ing for to car-ry me home.
 sins a - way, com-ing for to car-ry me home.

D.C.

WORDS: Afro-American spiritual (2 Kg. 2:11)

MUSIC: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and arr. by William Farley Smith, 1987

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SWING LOW

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Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory Selig sind die Toten, SWV 391

Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672)

Selig sind die Toten,
 die in dem Herren sterben
 von nun an.
 Ja, der Geist spricht:
 sie ruhen von ihrer Arbeit,
 und ihre Werke folgen ihnen nach.

*"Blessed are the dead
 who die in the Lord
 from now on"
 Yea, the Spirit speaks:
 "they rest from their labor,
 and their works follow after them."*

Revelation 14:13

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

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

All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be giv - en, The

Son, and him who reigns With them in high - est hea - ven, The

One e - ter - nal God, Whom heav'n and earth a - dore; For

thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more. A - men.

✦ **Offertory Prayer**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

✦ **The Great Thanksgiving**

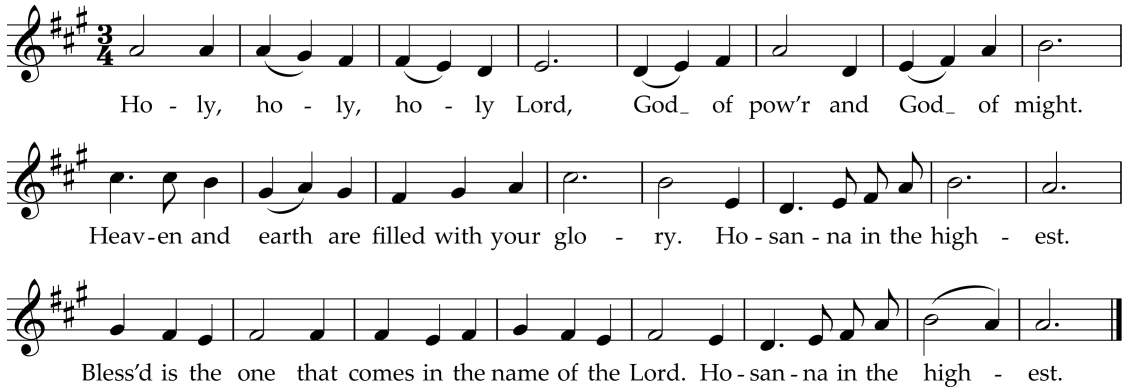
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth,
God of Abraham and Sarah,
God of Miriam and Moses,
God of Joshua and Deborah,
God of Ruth and David,
God of the priests and the prophets,

Celebrant: God of Mary and Joseph,
God of the apostles and the martyrs,
God of our mothers and our fathers,
God of our children to all generations.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

✠ **Sanctus and Benedictus** (*sung by all*)

Patrick T. Waters (b. 1983)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God_ of pow'r and God_ of might.
Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless'd is the one that comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

✠ **Words of Institution**

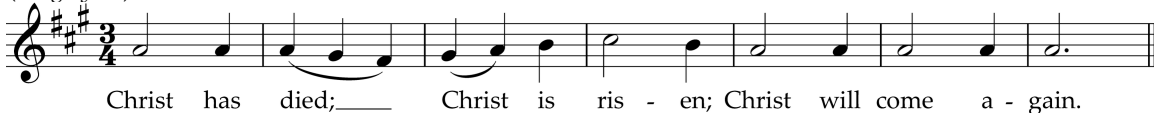
Celebrant: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Celebrant: 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.

(sung by all)



Celebrant: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
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.

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.

By your 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 his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy 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, let us pray:

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.*

✠ Agnus Dei *(sung by the choir)*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Distribution of the Elements

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. We provide both wine (pulpit side) and an alcohol-free grape juice (lectern side). Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

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 your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

✦ Hymn 723

Shall we gather at the river

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1. Shall we gath-er at the riv - er, where bright an-gel feet have
2. On the mar-gin of the riv - er, wash-ing up its sil - ver
3. Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - ery bur-den
4. Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will

trod, with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow-ing
spray, we will walk and wor-ship ev - er, all the
down; grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro -
cease; soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the

Refrain

by the throne of God?
hap - py gold - en day. Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er,
vide a robe and crown.
mel - o - dy of peace.

the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er; gath - er with the
saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

WORDS: Robert Lowry, 1864 (Rev. 22:1-5)
MUSIC: Robert Lowry, 1864

HANSON PLACE
87.87 with Refrain

✦ Benediction

✦ Response from "Behold, I build an house"

Lukas Foss (1922–2009)

For great is our God.

That thine eyes may be open upon this house.

✦ Postlude Präludium in F major, BuxWV 144

Dietrich Buxtehude (c.1637–1707)

The preacher and celebrant 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



The Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill

*Dean of Marsh Chapel and Chaplain to the University
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