

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

Sunday, July 19th, 2026 — 11:00 a.m.
The Eighty Sunday after Pentecost
Series LXXVI №. 49

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

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** Northfield *Jeremiah Ingalls (1764–1828)*

How long, dear Saviour, O how long
Shall this bright hour delay,
Fly swifter 'round the wheel of time,
And bring the welcome day. *from The Christian Harmony (1805)*

✠ **Hymn XXX** XXXXX XXXXX

✠ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Kyrie

from Missa in F

Claudio Monteverdi (1567–1643)

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

Genesis 28:10–19a

Jacob’s dream of the ladder

Lector:

A lesson from the book of Genesis, chapter 28, verses 10–19:

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

Lector:

The Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

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Lesson

Romans 8:12–25

*The revealing of the children of God**Lector:*

A lesson from the epistle to the Romans, chapter 8, verses 12–25:

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God, for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Lector:

The Word of the Lord.

*People:**Thanks be to God.***The Psalter**

Psalm 139:1–12, 23–24

*You have searched me and known me**The antiphon is sung twice, first by choir alone, and then by choir and congregation.***♪ Antiphon** (*sung by all*)*Cantor:*O LORD, you have searched me
and known me.*People:**You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.*

Cantor: You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

People: *Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD,
you know it completely.*

Cantor: You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

People: *Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.*

Cantor: Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?

People: *If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.*

Cantor: If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

People: *even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.*

Cantor: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,"

People: *even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.*

Cantor: Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.

People: *See if there is any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting. ♪*

✠ **Gloria Patri** *from Magnificat in B-flat major* *Charles Villiers 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** *Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43* *The parable of the weeds*

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 13, verses 24–30, 36–43:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not

sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman
University Chaplain for Episcopal Ministry

Hymn

All my hope on God is founded

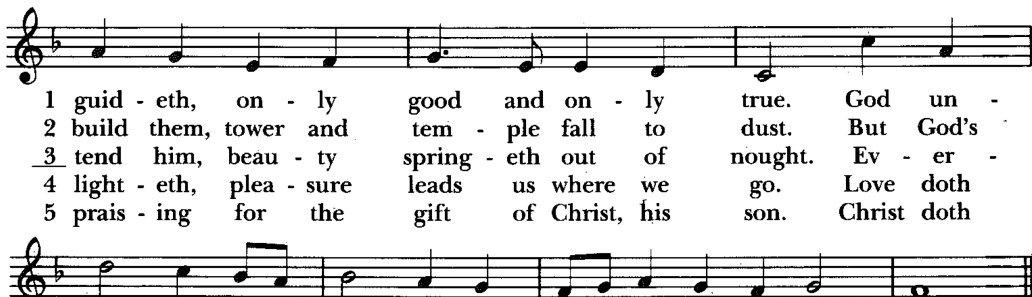
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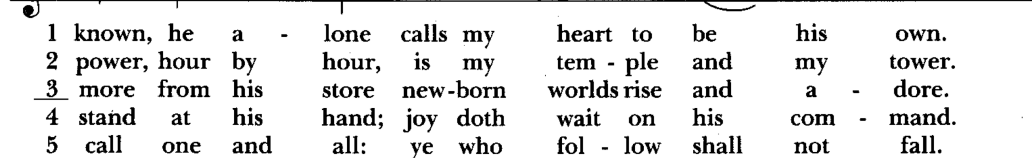
1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
3 God's great good-ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom
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5 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he
2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we
3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -
4 us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de -
5 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es



1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -
 2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's
 3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er -
 4 light - eth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth
 5 prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his son. Christ doth



1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.
 2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.
 3 more from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.
 4 stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.
 5 call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt., after Joachim Neander (1650-1680)
 Music: *Michael*, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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Call to Prayer Lead me, Lord (*sung by all*)

LEAD ME, LORD

The music to this hymn is found on page 473 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
 Make thy way plain before my face.
 For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
 That makest me dwell in safety.

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 Cast thy burden upon the Lord (from *Elijah*) *Felix Mendelssohn* (1809-1847)

Cast thy burden upon the Lord; and He shall sustain thee.
 He will never suffer the righteous to fall; for He is at thy right hand.
 Thy mercy, Lord, is great and far above the heavens.
 Let none be put to shame that wait upon Thee.

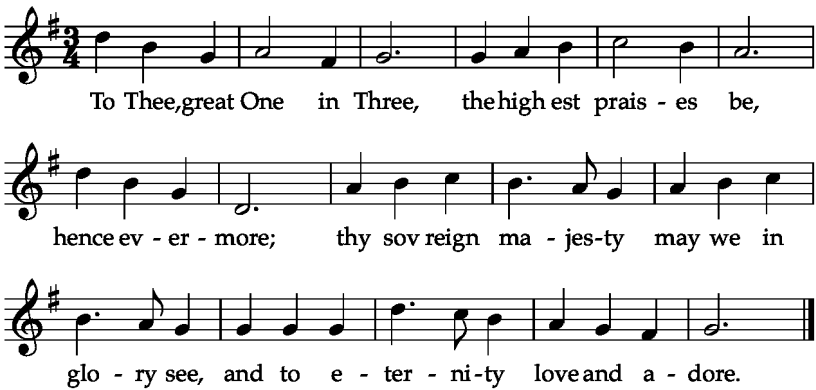
Psalms 16:8 and 108:4

Offertory Sentences

At the OffertoryXXXXXXXXXXXX (xxxxx-xxxxx)

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✦ Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)Moscow



To Thee, great One in Three, the highest praises be,
hence evermore; thy sovereign majesty may we in
glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

✦ Offertory Prayer

✦ Hymn XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

✦ Benediction

✦ Responsefrom “Peace I leave with you”Walter L. Pelz (b. 1926)

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth give I unto you.

John 14:27

✦ Postlude

A memorial service for Loren Hoekzema (June 7, 1947–April 23, 2026) will be held at Marsh Chapel on Monday, July 27, at 11:00 a.m. A reception will follow in the lower level of Marsh Chapel.



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Professor of New Testament and Pastoral Theology

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