



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Worship

Sunday, June 28th, 2009 - 11:00 a.m.

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

☒ *Please rise, as you are able.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude	Sicilienne Gymnopedie	Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) Erik Satie (1866-1925)
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Call to Worship and Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts!
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

☒ **Introit** Rejoice in the Lord always *Anonymous*
 Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice.
 —Philippians 4, 4

☒ **Hymn 116** The God of Abraham Praise LEONI

☒ **Opening Prayer** (*in unison*)

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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 de Sancta Maria Magdalena* Healey Willan (1880-1968)

All are invited to enter into a time of silent confession during the singing of the Kyrie.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: 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 Job 1, 6-22

Lector: A lesson from the book of Job, chapter 1, verses 6-22:

One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. The Lord said to Satan, 'Where have you come from?' Satan answered the Lord, 'From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil.' Then Satan answered the Lord, 'Does Job fear God for nothing? Have you not put a fence around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. But stretch out your hand now, and touch all that he has, and he will curse you to your face.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Very well, all that he has is in your power; only do not stretch out your hand against him!' So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord. One day when his sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in the eldest brother's house, a messenger came to Job and said, 'The oxen were ploughing and the donkeys were feeding beside them, and the Sabeans fell on them and carried them off, and killed the servants with the edge of the sword; I alone have escaped to tell you.' While he was still speaking, another came and said, 'The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants, and consumed them; I alone have escaped to tell you.' While he was still speaking, another came and said, 'The Chaldeans formed three columns, made a raid on the camels and carried them off, and killed the servants with the edge of the sword; I alone have escaped to tell you.' While he was still speaking, another came and said, 'Your sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house, and suddenly a great wind came across the desert, struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people, and they are dead; I alone have escaped to tell you.' Then Job arose, tore his robe, shaved his head, and fell on the ground and worshipped. He said, 'Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.' In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrongdoing.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Sicut cervus desiderat

G. P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

Sicut cervus desiderat *As the hart yearns*
ad fontes aquarum: *for the water springs:*
ita desiderat anima mea *so longs my soul*
ad te, Deus. *for thee, O God!*

—Psalm 42: 1

Psalm 130

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

Antiphon (sung by all)



Cantor: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
Lord, hear my voice!

People: Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!

Cantor: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

People: But there is forgiveness with you,
that you may be worshiped.

Cantor: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
in the Lord's word I hope;

People: my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

Cantor: O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
with the Lord is plenteous redemption.

People: And the Lord will redeem Israel
from all iniquities. ♪

✠ **Gloria Patri** (sung by all)

The music to this hymn may be found on page 559 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 4.

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.

✠ **Gospel Lesson** John 4, 19-24

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John, chapter 4,
verses 19-24:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

✠ **Hymn 152** I sing the almighty power of God FOREST GREEN

Sermon 'Popular Religion in the Day of Darwin' Rev. Dr. Robert C. Neville
Professor of Philosophy, Religion, and Theology
Dean of the Chapel, 2003-2006

Call to Prayer Lead Me, Lord (sung by all) LEAD ME, LORD

The music to this hymn may be 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

Choral Response

adapted from Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

There for me the Savior stands, shows his wounds and spreads his hands. God is Love! I know, and feel; Jesus weeps and loves me still.
Now incline me to repent, let me now my sins lament, now my foul revolt deplore, weep, believe, and sin no more.

— Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory

Geistliches Lied, Op. 30

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren,
sei stille, wie Gott es fügt,
so sei vergnügt mein Wille!

*Do not be sorrowful or regretful;
Be calm, as God has ordained,
and thus my will shall be content.*

Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen?
Der Eine steht allem für,
der gibt auch dir das Deine.

*What do you want to worry about from day to day?
There is One who stands above all
who gives you, too, what is yours.*

Sei nur in allem Handel ohn Wandel,
steh feste, was Gott beschleußt,
das ist und heißt das Beste.
Amen.

*Only be steadfast in all you do,
stand firm; what God has decided,
that is and must be the best.
Amen.*

— Paul Flemming (1609-1640)

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

CWM RHONDDA

The music to this hymn may be found on page 577 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

✠ Offertory Prayer

✠ Hymn 529

How firm a foundation

FOUNDATION

✠ Benediction

✠ Response

Grow us, God, in Jesus' image

Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)

Grow us, God, in Jesus' image, Icon of Your loveliness:
Radiant in his fetching visage, Rousing us to holy lust.
Stimulate our loving ardour; Change our greed to love's firehue.
Feed us passion's excess, for we're loveliest when loving You.

— Robert C. Neville (b. 1939)

Please remain standing until the procession has left the nave.

Postlude

Festive Toccata

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

The preacher is Robert C. Neville.

The service is read by Lawrence A. Whitney and Victoria Hart Gaskell.

The organist and conductor is Brian Jones.

DEAN ROBERT CUMMINGS NEVILLE

Today we welcome back to the pulpit the tenth Dean of Marsh Chapel, **Rev. Dr. Robert Cummings Neville**. Dean Neville is Professor of Philosophy, Religion, and Theology at the Boston University School of Theology. In addition to his teaching duties, he also serves as the Director of the Danielsen Institute. He holds degrees from Yale University and Lehigh University.

Robert Cummings Neville writes in the fields of philosophy, religion and theology. Before his appointment to the deanship in 1988, Dean Neville was the Director of the Boston University Division of Religious and Theological Studies and chair of the Religion Department. He was Dean of Humanities and Fine Arts at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and has also taught at Yale, Fordham, and SUNY Purchase. An ordained elder in the Missouri East Conference of the United Methodist Church, Dean Neville has pastored in Missouri and New York. Dean Neville is the past president of the American Academy of Religion, the International Society for Chinese Philosophy, the Metaphysical Society of America, and the Association of United Methodist Theological Schools. He has served as a member of the Accrediting Commission of the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada and of the Commission on Theological Education of the United Methodist Church. He is a member of the editorial boards of *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, *Soundings*, and *Quarterly Review*, as well as the Associate Editor for Behavioral and Neurological Articles, *The Encyclopedia of Bioethics*.

DARWIN AND FAITH: 2009 SUMMER PREACHER SERIES

The third annual **Marsh Chapel National Summer Preacher Series** brings some of the finest preaching in the country to the pulpit of Howard Thurman. In recognition of the bicentennial of the birth of Charles Darwin and the sesquicentennial of the publication of his *On the Origin of Species*, this summer we offer **eleven weeks of sermonic considerations of Darwin**, his thought, and the implications of his thought for the life of faith. It is no secret that the so-called wars of science and religion have become entrenched especially in fundamentalist Christian theology and the contemporary movement known as the New Atheism. At Marsh Chapel, in a spirit of responsible Christian liberalism, we long for a way forward toward a faith that appeals to culture and a culture that is attractive to faith, acknowledging that all truth is God's truth.

This summer's series includes voices from around the country, from Boston University's School of Theology, and from the Marsh community itself. The second edition of Marsh Chapel's new on-line magazine, *motives*, will present the printed texts of these summer sermons. In addition, Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett and the Marsh Chapel Choir (who last summer presented to much appreciation Palestrina's motets on the Song of Songs), will be offering choral music related to the theme of creation. As was done previously, two summer luncheons on the theme of Darwin and Faith will be offered July 15 and July 29, 12--1:30PM in the Thurman Room of the Chapel. For more information call 617.353.3560 or email chapel@bu.edu.

June 21: Rev. Dr. Wesley J. Wildman

June 28: Rev. Dr. Robert C. Neville

July 5: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

July 12 and July 19: Rev. Dr. Dean Snyder

July 26 and August 2: Rev. Dr. Charlie Yoost

August 9: Dr. Kirk Wegter-McNelly

August 16: Rev. Dr. Rodney Petersen

August 23: Br. Lawrence Whitney, LC+

August 30: Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

WELCOME TO MARSH CHAPEL!

We thank you for joining us this morning for worship, and hope that you have found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Marsh Chapel, or have other questions, please feel free to contact any of the Chaplains or Associates listed below.

Although Boston University is in summer session, and many of our faculty, staff, administrators and students are away for summer break, we continue at Marsh Chapel to offer Sunday services of ordered worship, every week of the year, including the summer months. Each year we offer a special National Preacher Series for the summer (see the information printed elsewhere in the bulletin). We are happy that you have joined us for our summer worship. We look forward to the regathering of our full worshipping community in early September, and invite you also to join us in the autumn.

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