



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Word and Sacrament

Sunday, June 7th, 2009 - 11:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude Fugue in E-flat major ("St. Anne") J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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!

✠ **Hymn 64** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! NICAEA

✠ Opening Prayer (in unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesson Isaiah 6, 1-8

Lector: A lesson from the book of the prophet Isaiah, chapter 6, verses 1-8:

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a

people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Sing joyfully

William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

Sing joyfully to God our strength; sing loud unto the God of Jacob!

Take the song, bring forth the timbrel, the pleasant harp, and the viol.

Blow the trumpet in the new moon, even in the time appointed, and at our feast day.

For this is a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob.

—Psalm 81, 1-4

Psalm 29

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

♪ **Antiphon** (sung by all)



Cantor: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;
worship the LORD in holy splendor.

Cantor: The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

People: The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Cantor: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

People: He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

Cantor: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

People: *The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl,
and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"*

Cantor: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

People: *May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!* ♪

✘ **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** Luke 15, 1-10

The Dean: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke,
chapter 15, verses 1-10:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

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

Sermon 'A Common Prayer' The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✘ **Hymn 189** Fairest Lord Jesus

ST. ELIZABETH

Invitation to Community Life and Offertory

At the Offertory The Road Home

arr. Stephen Paulus (b. 1949)

Tell me, where is the road
I can call my own,
That I left, that I lost
So long ago?
All these years I have wandered,
Oh when will I know
There's a way, there's a road
That will lead me home?

After wind, after rain,
When the dark is done,
As I wake from a dream
In the gold of day,
Through the air there's a calling
From far away,
There's a voice I can hear
That will lead me home.

Rise up, follow me,
Come away, is the call,
With the love in your heart
As the only song;
There is no such beauty
As where you belong;
Rise up, follow me,
I will lead you home.

—Michael Dennis Brown

✘ **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**

✦ **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 the risen Christ, you are forgiven!

People: *In the name of the risen 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.*

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.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.
You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,
and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day
when justice shall roll down like waters
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream,
when nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.

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*)

Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might
Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho -
sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!

The image shows three staves of musical notation in 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might'. The second staff continues with: 'Heav'n and earth are full of your Glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff concludes with: 'sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!'. The notation includes various note values, rests, and bar lines.

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Bless - ed is He who_ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na!

✘ **Words of Institution**

Celebrant: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
 Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
 to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
 to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
 and to announce that the time had come
 when you would save your people.
 He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

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.
 At his ascension you exalted him
 to sit and reign with you at your right hand.

On the night in which he was betrayed, 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 ended, 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."

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:

(over)

(Sung by all):

Christ has died, Christ is ri - sen, Christ will come a - gain.

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.

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** (responsive)

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
People: Have mercy on us.
Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
People: Have mercy on us.
Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
People: Grant us your 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 and an alcohol-free grape juice. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

Communion Motet Ubi caritas

Imant Raminsh (b. 1943)

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| Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. | <i>Where there is charity and love, God is there.</i> |
| Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. | <i>The love of Christ has gathered us together.</i> |
| Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. | <i>Let us rejoice and be glad in it.</i> |
| Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. | <i>Let us revere and love the living God.</i> |
| Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. | <i>And from a sincere heart let us love one another.</i> |
| Amen. | <i>Amen.</i> |

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 79** Holy God, we praise thy name (verses 1-4 only) GROSSER GOTT

✦ Benediction

Please remain standing until the procession has left the nave.

Postlude Allegro maestoso e vivace (from Sonata No. 2) *Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)*

DEAN ROBERT ALLAN HILL: SPEAKING EVENTS, 2009

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| February 4 | Boston University | Christian Unity Event |
| February 10 | Boston University | Chi Alpha |
| March 15 | New Haven, CT | Yale University Divinity School New Haven Theological Discussion Group |
| March 18 | Marsh Chapel | Lecture Respondent <i>Violence in the Hebrew Bible</i> |
| April 2 | Boston University | Boston University Academy |
| April 18 | Cambridge, MA | Harvard Memorial Church Overseers' Committee |
| May 15 | Evanston, IL | Commencement Address Northwestern University Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary |
| June 4 | Baltimore, MD | Conference Speaker Baltimore/Washington Annual Conference, UMC |
| June 5 | Scranton, PA | Luncheon Speaker Wyoming Annual Conference, UMC |
| June 12 | Saratoga Springs, NY | Troy Annual Conference, UMC |
| June 16-19 | Buffalo, NY | Western New York Annual Conference, UMC |
| July 26 | Hampton, NH | Union Chapel |
| August 2 | Hamilton, NY | Summer Marsh Friends Gathering |

The preacher is Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.

The celebrant is Victoria Hart Gaskell.

The choir is In Choro Novo under the direction of Thérèse Provenzano.

The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell.

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 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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