



# MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Worship

Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 – 11:00 a.m.

The Transfiguration of the Lord

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Prelude** Chorale Prelude on “Down Ampney” *Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)*

### 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** Introit for the Season of Epiphany *Julian J. Wachner (b. 1969)*

O Lord, open thou our lips, and our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

The Lord hath manifested forth his glory: O come let us adore him.

The earth is the Lord's and he made it: O come let us adore.

—adapted by the composer from scripture

✠ **Hymn 173** Christ, whose glory fills the skies *RATISBON*

✠ **Opening Prayer** (*in unison*)

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son  
revealed his glory upon the holy mountain:

Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance,  
may be strengthened to bear our cross,

and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Kyrie** from ‘Mass in E-flat major’ *Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)*

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

Kyrie eleison, *Lord, have mercy,*  
Christe eleison, *Christ, have mercy,*  
Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*

### Assurance of Pardon

*Liturgist:* 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** 2 Kings 4: 1-7

*Lector:* A lesson from the second book of Kings, chapter 4, verses 1-7:

Now the wife of a member of the company of prophets cried to Elisha, ‘Your servant my husband is dead; and you know that your servant feared the LORD, but a creditor has come to take my two children as slaves.’ Elisha said to her, ‘What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?’ She answered, ‘Your servant has nothing in the house, except a jar of oil.’ He said, ‘Go outside, borrow vessels from all your neighbors, empty vessels and not just a few. Then go in, and shut the door behind you and your children, and start pouring into all these vessels; when each is full, set it aside.’ So she left him and shut the door behind her and her children; they kept bringing vessels to her, and she kept pouring. When the vessels were full, she said to her son, ‘Bring me another vessel.’ But he said to her, ‘There are no more.’ Then the oil stopped flowing. She came and told the man of God, and he said, ‘Go, sell the oil and pay your debts, and you and your children can live on the rest.’

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

**Anthem** O nata lux *Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943)*

O nata lux de lumine,  
Jesu redemptor saeculi,  
Dignare clemens supplicum  
Laudes precesque sumere.

*O Light born of Light,  
Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
with loving-kindness deign to receive  
suppliant praise and prayer.*

Qui carne quondam contegi  
Dignatus es pro perditis,  
Nos membra confer effici  
Tui beati corporis.

*Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh  
for the sake of the lost,  
grant us to be members  
of thy blessed body.*

—Hymn at Lauds on the Feast of the Transfiguration

## Psalm 50: 1-6

♪ **Response** (*sung by all*)



Be ex - alt - ed, O God, a - bove the heavens!



Let your glo - ry o - ver all the earth be found.

*Cantor:* The mighty one, God the LORD,  
speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

*People:* *Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
God shines forth.*

*Cantor:* Our God comes and does not keep silence,  
before whom is a devouring fire,  
round about whom is a mighty tempest.

*People:* *God calls to the heavens above and to the earth,  
that the people may be judged:*

*Cantor:* "Gather to me my faithful ones,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

*People:* *The heavens declare God's righteousness,  
for God himself is judge. ♪*

✘ **Gloria Patri** from 'Magnificat in B-flat major' 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** Mark 9: 2-9

*Lector:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter 9,  
verses 2-9:

*People:* *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to

say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

*Lector:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

✘ **Hymn 397** I need thee every hour NEED

**Sermon** "But a Creditor has Come" Elizabeth Siwo-Okundi, MDiv, ThD

**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

**Choral Response** Precious Lord, take my hand *arr. Roy Ringwald (1910-1995)*

Precious Lord, take my hand, take my child unto Thee,  
With my dream of a world that is free,  
For that day when all flesh joins the glory Thou hast planned,  
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.

—Joyce Merman

## Community Life and Offering

**At the Offertory** O thou, the central orb *Charles Wood (1866-1926)*

O Thou, the central orb of righteous love,  
Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light  
Of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright  
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,  
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are pleased to offer **child care** during our Sunday morning services. Inquiries can be made at the main office on the lower level of the building.

**Tonight, February 22**, Marsh Chapel will sponsor its **second annual Oscars Party**. The party will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in the Marsh Room, located on the lower level of Marsh Chapel. Light refreshments will be provided.

This **Wednesday, February 25**, marks the beginning of the penitential season of Lent. Marsh Chapel will hold **several Ash Wednesday services** on that day, all of which include the imposition of ashes. The schedule of services is listed on the next page under 'This Week at Marsh Chapel.'

This year **BU Habitat for Humanity** is working to raise \$50,000 to sponsor a house. You can come support this cause by attending 'Raise the Roof for Habitat' on **February 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Morse Auditorium**. Come hear performances by student groups including BU On Broadway, Treblemakers, Dear Abbeys, Speak for Yourself, Step About Boston, BU Ballroom, and more. You can vote for your favorite group by donating money to Habitat in the name of your choice. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door. To purchase tickets, e-mail BU Habitat for Humanity at [habitat@bu.edu](mailto:habitat@bu.edu).

On Saturday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m., the **Marsh Chapel Collegium will present a concert** of orchestral works conducted by Scott Allen Jarrett and featuring violinist Klaudia Szlachta and violist Emily Rideout. The concert program will include Mozart's *Sinfonia Concertante in E-flat major, K. 364* and Schoenberg's *Chamber Symphony No. 1*. Admission to this concert is free of charge.

There are several **special events** planned for next **Sunday, March 1**:

- During the 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship Service, the **Marsh Chapel Choir** will present Haydn's *Missa Brevis in F major, Hob. XXII:1*, featuring soprano soloists Teresa Wakim and Brenna Wells.
- At 1:00 p.m., members of the Marsh Chapel community will travel to the **Isabella Stewart Gardner Muesum** to **view the exhibits** and hear a **piano recital** by Alexander Ghindin, the first prize winner of the 2007 Cleveland International Piano Competition. Those wishing to attend the concert and museum visit should RSVP to the Servant Team ([servants@bu.edu](mailto:servants@bu.edu)) by this Wednesday, February 25.
- Also at 1:00 p.m., the first of the **Marsh Chapel Baptism and Confirmation Classes** will be held. The class lasts for 90 minutes. Please contact Dean Hill ([rahill@bu.edu](mailto:rahill@bu.edu)) for more information.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,  
As stars about thy throne, set in the height  
Of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight  
Gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,  
Our nature all shall feel eternal day  
In fellowship with thee, transforming day  
To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

—Henry Ramsden Bramley (1833-1917)

✦ **Presentation of the Gifts** (*sung by all*)                      LASST UNS ERFREUEN; *arr. John Rutter* (b. 1945)

*The music to this hymn is found on page 94 of the United Methodist Hymnal.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts,  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

✦ **Offertory Prayer**

✦ **Hymn 258**                      O wondrous sight! O vision fair                      WAREHAM

✦ **Benediction**

✦ **Response**                      God be in my head                      *arr. John Rutter* (b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking.  
God be at mine end and at my departing.

—Old English Prayer from *Sarum Primer*

**Postlude**                      Concert Piece, Op. 52a                      *Flor Peeters* (1903-1986)

*Please remain seated for the postlude.*

*Following the service, all are invited to attend a luncheon downstairs in the Marsh Room.*

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*The preacher is Elizabeth Siwo-Okundi, Chapel Associate.*

*The choir is the Marsh Chapel Choir, under the direction of Scott Allen Jarrett.*

*The soprano soloist is Teresa Wakim.*

*The organists are Hyunji Kim and Justin Thomas Blackwell.*

## THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

<b>TODAY</b>	9:30 a.m.	Small Group Meetings (Thurman Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
	12:00 noon	Community Luncheon (Marsh Room)
	12:30 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass (Nave)
	6:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass (Nave)
	7:00 p.m.	Episcopal Worship (Robinson Chapel)
	10:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass (Nave)
<b>MONDAY</b>	12:00 p.m.	Leadership Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	12:00 p.m.	Community Lunch (Marsh Room)
	5:30 p.m.	Chaplain's Study I (Thurman Room)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday – All services this day offer the Imposition of Ashes</b>	
	8:30 a.m.	Ecumenical Morning Prayer (Nave)
	11:15 a.m.	School of Theology Worship (Nave)
	5:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer with Holy Communion (Nave)
	6:00 p.m.	Interdenominational Ash Wednesday Service (Nave)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	5:30 p.m.	Chaplain's Study II (Thurman Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	7:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Collegium Concert (Nave)
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	9:30 a.m.	Small Group Meetings (Thurman Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
	12:00 noon	Community Luncheon (Marsh Room)
	*12:00 noon	"Speaking of Faith" Listening and Discussion Group (Dean Hill's Office)
	12:30 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass (Nave)
	1:00 p.m.	Visit to Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
	1:00 p.m.	Baptism and Confirmation Class
	6:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass (Nave)
	7:00 p.m.	Episcopal Worship (Robinson Chapel)
10:00 p.m.	Roman Catholic Mass (Nave)	

\*"Speaking of Faith" is a weekly radio program airing on Sundays at noon on WBUR 90.9 AM. It follows the weekly Marsh Chapel broadcast.

## 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.

◀ Hearing Assist System available –please ask an usher. 79.200 MHz

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*The Chapel Office is open 9 am – 10 pm weekdays, and on Sunday Mornings.*

### Chapel Staff

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