



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant

Service of Word and Sacrament

Sunday, October 5th, 2008 - 11:00 a.m.

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ Please rise, as you are able.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude Le Banquet Céleste (1928) *Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)*

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 "All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord" *René Clausen (b. 1953)*

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, shout to the Lord, Alleluia!
Praise the Lord with joyful song: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, Alleluia!
Praise Him! Laud Him! Alleluia!

—from Psalm 96; adapted by the composer

✠ **Hymn 732** Come, we that love the Lord *ST. THOMAS*

✠ **Opening Prayer** (*in unison*)

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray,
and to give more than we either desire or deserve:
Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid,
and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask,
except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesson Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Lector: A lesson from the book of Exodus, chapter 20, beginning at verse 1:

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

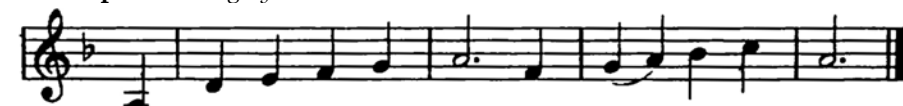
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Psalm 23 (from *Requiem*) *Herbert Howells (1892-1983)*

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
But thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Psalm 19: 1-6

♪ **Response** (*sung by all*)



The law of God is just, re - viv - ing the soul.

Cantor: The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

People: *Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.*

Cantor: There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;

People: *yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.*

Cantor: In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

People: *Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat. ♪*

✠ **Gloria Patri** from *Deus in Adjutorium Meum. . . (Psalm 70)* Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. *Glory to the Father and Son and Holy Spirit.*
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, *As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,*
et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. *world without end. Amen.*

✠ **Gospel Lesson** Matthew 22: 15-22

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 22, verses 15-22:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

Sermon "A Communion Meditation" The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ **Hymn 618** Let us break bread together (verses 1-3 only) LET US BREAK BREAD

Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory Lord, Thou hast been our refuge *Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

¹Lord, Thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another.
²Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made,
Thou art God from everlasting and world without end.
³Thou turnest man to destruction; again Thou sayest; Come again ye children of men
⁴For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday,
seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

*O God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.* (Isaac Watts)

⁵As soon as Thou scatterest them,
they are even as asleep and fade away suddenly like the grass.
⁶In the morning it is green and groweth up,
but in the evening it is cut down, dried up and withered.
⁷For we consume away in Thy displeasure, and are afraid at Thy wrathful indignation.
⁹For when Thou art angry all our days are gone;
we bring our years to an end as a tale that is told.
¹⁰The years of our age are three score years and ten,
and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years,
yet is their strength but labour and sorrow.
So passeth it away and we are gone.
¹³Turn Thee again O Lord at the last. Be gracious unto Thy servants.
¹⁴O satisfy us with Thy mercy and that soon.
So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
¹⁷And the glorious Majesty of the Lord be upon us.
Prosper Thou, O prosper Thou the work of our hands,
O prosper Thou our handy work.

—Psalm 90

✠ **Presentation of the Gifts** (*sung by all*) OLD 100TH; *adapted by Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)*

The music to this hymn may be found on page 95 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✘ Offertory Prayer

✘ Invitation and Confession

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.

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.*

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 have made from one every nation and people
to live on all the face of the earth.

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)

The musical score is written for a single voice part in 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: 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!
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
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.
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.
He commissioned us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth
and to make disciples of all nations,
and today his family in all the world is joining at his holy table.

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:

(Sung by all):



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.

Renew our communion with your Church throughout the world,
and strengthen it in every nation and among every people
to witness faithfully in your name.

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.

(over)

✠ 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, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, 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 (pulpit side) and an alcohol-free grape juice (lectern side). Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

Communion Motet Lamb of God

F. Melius Christiansen (1871-1955)

Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross didst suffer,
Patient still and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer;

Our sins by thee were taken,
Or hope had us forsaken:
Have mercy on us, O Jesu!

—Nicolaus Decius; tr. Arthur T. Russell

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 529** How firm a foundation (verses 1, 2, and 5 only) FOUNDATION

✘ **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 Alle breve in D major, BWV 589 *J. S. Bach* (1685-1750)

Please remain seated for the postlude.

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Currently Marsh Chapel offers several **Sunday morning opportunities for fellowship and growth**: the Chapel Choir (Nave, 9:00, Dr. Jarrett, directing); the Adult Study Group (Thurman Room, 9:45, Chapel Associate Susan Forshey leading); the Associates Study (Marsh Room, 9:30) Undergraduate Study of Paul and the Roman Empire (Robinson Chapel, 9:45, Ministry Associate Ross Ponder leading); breakfast at 10:30 for all; and Child Care at 11:00 (with Karen Smith). To these offerings we add beginning next week, **the Marsh Forum**, at 9:45, in Dean Hill's office. For October 12 and 19, **our speaker will be Mr. Daryl Healea**, on the subject of President Daniel Marsh. If you would like to consider attending this two week initial session of the Forum, please call Elizabeth Fomby, 617.353.3560, to reserve a place (participation is necessarily limited in number).

Marsh Chapel's second annual **CROP Hunger Walk** will take place on **next Sunday, October 12**. Walkers from throughout Boston will be gathering at Marsh after the service to register and then set out on a five mile walk along the Charles River Esplanade. We are hoping to raise \$5000 this year with 75% of the funds raised going to Church World Service's mission to combat hunger and poverty around the world, and 25% going to support the BU Habitat For Humanity build project. Please see www.cropwalkonline.org for more information about how to participate as a donor or a walker.

The **Marsh Chapel Fall Termbook** is now available in the narthex of the chapel. This book is guide to all of the Sunday services and special events that Marsh Chapel will sponsor throughout the Fall term. If you do not yet have a copy, be sure to collect one as you leave the chapel today.

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.

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

The choir is the Marsh Chapel Choir, conducted by Scott Allen Jarrett.

The baritone soloist is Joshua Taylor.

The solo quartet is Teresa Wakim, Emily Marvosh, Stefan Reed, and Graham Wright.

The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell.

THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

TODAY	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)
	2:00 p.m.	The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Kendall Brown (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)
MONDAY	12:00 noon	Leadership Staff Meeting (Thurman Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
TUESDAY	12:00 noon	Chapel Luncheon (Marsh Room)
	5:00 p.m.	Chaplain's Study I: Sex and the Spirit (Thurman Room)
	7:00 p.m.	Interfaith Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY	11:00 a.m.	School of Theology Worship (Nave)
	5:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer with Holy Communion (Nave)
THURSDAY	5:00 p.m.	Chaplain's Study II: Politics and Religion (Thurman Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
SATURDAY	10:00 a.m.	Plymouth Plantation Trip
TODAY	9:30 a.m.	Small Group Meetings (Thurman Room)
	9:45 a.m.	The Marsh Forum (Dean Hill's office)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
	12:00 noon	Community Luncheon (Marsh Room)
	12:00 noon	CROP Walk Registration and Gathering
	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)

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.

Please join us downstairs following the service for refreshments and fellowship.

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

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