



MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship

Sunday, November 9th, 2008 - 11:00 a.m.

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

☒ Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude Offertoire sur les grands jeux (from *Messe pour les Convents*)
François Couperin (1668-1733)

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 Rejoice in the Lord always *Anonymous*

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice. (Philippians 4: 4)

☒ **Hymn 702** Sing with all the saints in glory *HYMN TO JOY*

☒ **Opening Prayer** (in unison)

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world
that he might destroy the works of the devil
and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life:
Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure;
that, when he comes again with power and great glory,
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Kyrie from Requiem, Op. 9 *Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

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 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Lector: A lesson from Paul's first epistle to the Thessalonians, chapter 4, verses 13-18:

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Iste Confessor *Alessandro Scarlatti (1660-1725)*

The text to this anthem may be found in an insert to today's bulletin.

Psalm 78: 1-7

♪ **Response** (sung by all)

We shall lis - ten, Lord, to your teach-ing,
and heed the words of your mouth.

Cantor: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

People: *I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,*

Cantor: things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.

People: *We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.*

Cantor: He established a decree in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;

People: *that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments. ♪*

✘ **Gloria Patri** from *Magnificat in D major* George Dyson (1883-1964)

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 25: 1-13

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew,
chapter 25, verses 1-13:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the

door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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

✘ **Hymn 720** Wake, awake, for night is flying (verses 1 and 3 only) WACHET AUF

Sermon "Material Grace" The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedo'nia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving except you only. – Philippians 4: 15

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 after "Abendlied" *adapted from Joseph Rheinberger (1839-1901)*

Stay with us in your mercy; May we live the song you teach us;
Stay with us Lord, O stay with us; Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

— Scott Allen Jarrett

Community Life and Offering

Please take time to sign the "Ritual of Friendship" register (red books) located at the end of each pew.

At the Offertory Te Deum à 8 *Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)*

The text to this anthem may be found in an insert to today's bulletin.

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

NUN DANKET; *arr. John Rutter* (b. 1945)

The music to this hymn may be found on page 102 of the United Methodist Hymnal, verse 3

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God, whom heav'n and earth adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.

✘ **Offertory Prayer**

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

✘ **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 Lobe den Herren *Johann Gottfried Walther* (1684-1748)
Lobe den Herren, op. 67/24 *Max Reger* (1873-1916)

Please remain seated for the postlude.

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

This month's **Taizé service**, held this **Wednesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m.**, will feature a special guest. **Brother John of Taizé** will be participating in the service and offering the homily. All are warmly invited to attend this special service.

Currently Marsh Chapel offers the following **Sunday morning opportunities for fellowship and growth**: 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).

RIM (Refugee Immigration Ministry) is an opportunity to engage with the refugee immigrant community of Greater Boston. They are currently **seeking donations for a young man from Iraq** who has recently moved to Boston and is seeking asylum in this country. If you are interested in donating items, or wish to discuss other ways that you could help RIM, **please contact Rhoda Serafim** at 617.771.7440 or email her at serafimr@bu.edu.

The second cantata in the **2008/2009 Bach Cantata Series** will be offered **Sunday, November 23**. *Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben*, BWV 147, will be heard in its original liturgical context during the 11 a.m. service. A complete listing of all **Music at Marsh Chapel** events, including the details of the entire Bach Cantata Series, may be found in the Fall Termbook.

The Marsh Chapel Fall Termbook is still available in the narthex. This book is guide to all of the Sunday services, special services, special events, educational and fellowship opportunities, and musical events that Marsh Chapel will sponsor throughout the fall term. If you have not yet received a copy, you may collect one in the narthex at any time. We hope you will find this book a useful and handy guide to the life and ministry of Marsh Chapel.

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 is Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.

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

The soprano soloist is Teresa Wakim.

The theorbist is Victor A. Coelho, Associate Provost of Undergraduate Education.

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)
	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	Veterans' Day – Chapel Offices Closed	
WEDNESDAY	11:00 a.m.	School of Theology Worship (Nave)
	5:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer with Holy Communion (Nave)
	7:00 p.m.	Taizé Prayer Service with Br. John of Taizé (Nave)
THURSDAY	5:00 p.m.	Chaplain's Study: Politics and Religion (Thurman Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
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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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