

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Word and Sacrament
Sunday, September 1st, 2024 — 11:00 a.m.
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
University Matriculation

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✘ *Please rise, as you are able.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Präludium in G minor, BuxWV 149

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

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

Cantate Domino

Giuseppe Pitoni (1657–1743)

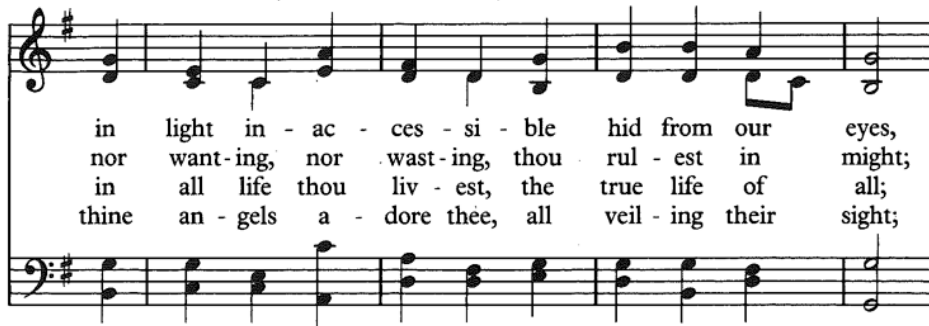
Cantate Domino canticum novum,
laus eius in Ecclesia Sanctorum.
Laetetur Israel in eo, qui fecit eum,
et filii Sion, exultent in rege suo.

*Sing unto the LORD a new song,
and his praise in the congregation of saints.
Let Israel rejoice in him that made him:
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.*

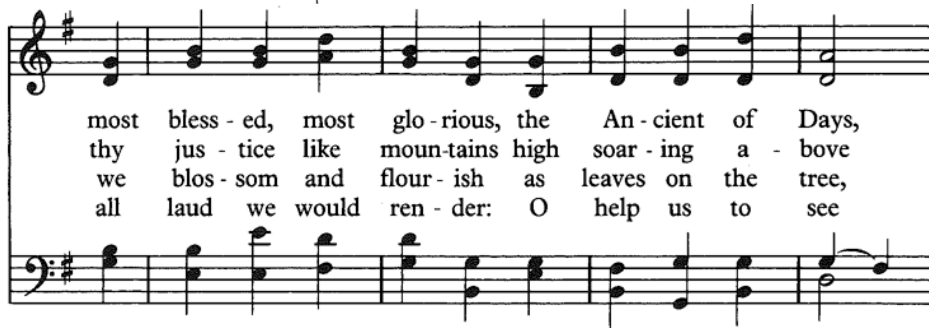
Psalm 149:1–2



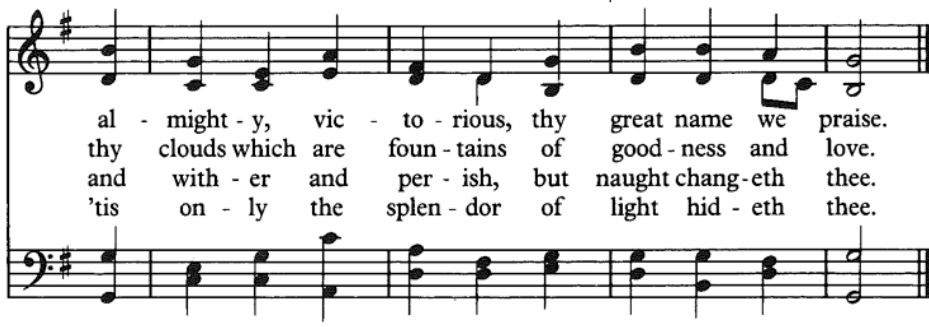
1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

WORDS: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867 (1 Tim. 1:17)

MUSIC: Welsh melody from *Canaidau y Cyssegr*, 1839; adapt. by John Roberts

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✘ **Collect** (*in unison*)

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

✘ **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 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.*

1. Draw us in the Spir-it's te - ther, for when hum - bly
 2. As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of
 3. All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -

in thy name, two or three are met to - geth - er,
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Fa - ther
 ments of thee, that by car - ing, help-ing, giv - ing,

thou art in the midst of them. Al-le - lu - ia!
 break the bread and bless the cup: Al-le - lu - ia!
 we may true dis - ci - ples be. Al-le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now thy gar - ment's hem.
 Al - le - lu - ia! So now bind our friend - ship up.
 Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve thee faith - ful - ly.

Lesson Song of Solomon 2:8–13

Lector: A lesson from the Song of Solomon, chapter 2, verses 8–13:

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away, for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem Os justi meditabitur *Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)*

Os justi meditabitur sapientiam,
et lingua ejus loquetur iudicium.

*The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom,
and his tongue speaks what is just.*

Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius:

The law of God is in his heart,

et non supplantabuntur gressus ejus.

and his feet do not falter.

Psalm 37:30–31

Lesson James 1:17–27

Lector: A lesson from the epistle of James, chapter 1, verses 17–27:

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave birth to us by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved brothers and sisters: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger, for human anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act--they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9

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

De - fend the need - y and the poor;
let jus - tice and peace a - bound.

Cantor: My heart overflows with a goodly theme; I address my verses to the king;
my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

People: *You are the most handsome of men; grace is poured upon your lips;
therefore God has blessed you forever.*

Cantor: Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever.
Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;
you love righteousness and hate wickedness.

People: *Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;*

Cantor: your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.

From ivory palaces stringed instruments make you glad;
People: *daughters of kings are among your ladies of honor;
at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir. ♪*

✠ Gloria Patri from 'Magnificat in G 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 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, chapter 7, verses 1–8, 14–15,
and 21–23:

People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their

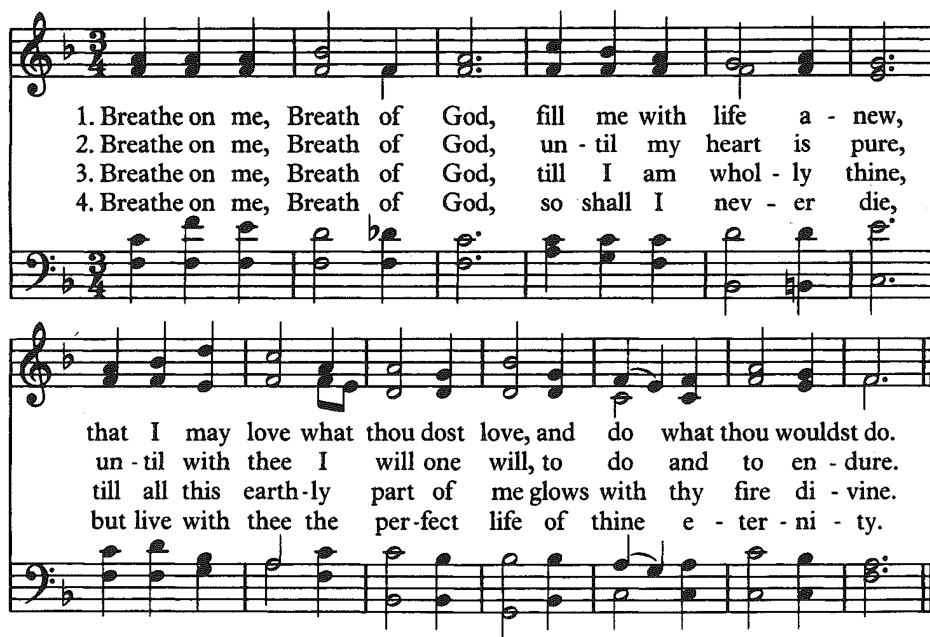
hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash, and there are also many other traditions that they observe: the washing of cups and pots and bronze kettles and beds.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, debauchery, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

✠ Hymn 420 Breathe on me, Breath of God

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1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,
 2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
 3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
 4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,
 that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
 un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
 till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
 but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878 (Jn. 20:22)
 MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

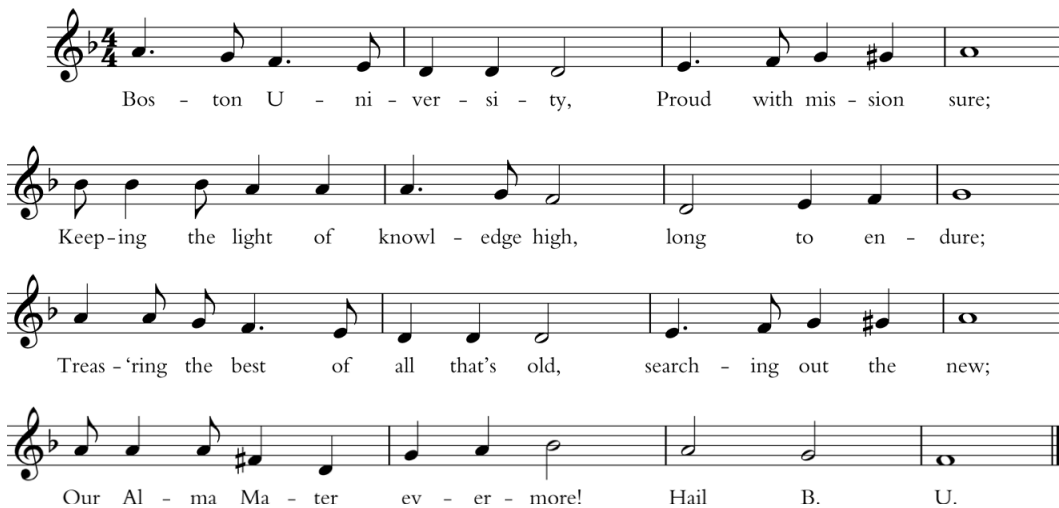
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Sermon

"Communion Meditation"

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill
 Dean of the Chapel

✦ Clarissima



Bos - ton U - ni - ver - si - ty, Proud with mis - sion sure;
Keep - ing the light of knowl - edge high, long to en - dure;
Treas - 'ring the best of all that's old, search - ing out the new;
Our Al - ma Ma - ter ev - er - more! Hail B. U.

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory This little light of mine

arr. Moses Hogan (1957–2003)

This little light of mine, *I'm gonna let it shine.*

This little light of mine, *I'm gonna let it shine.*

This little light of mine, *I'm gonna let it shine,*

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

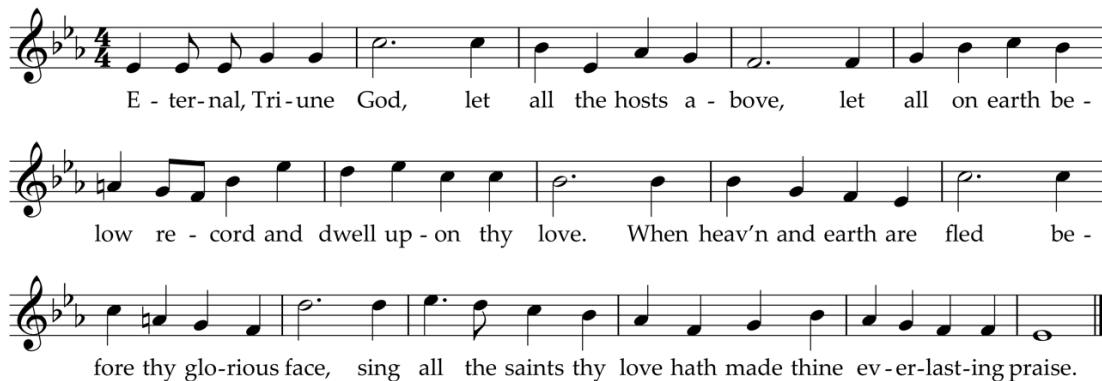
All through the night, *I'm gonna let it shine...*

My God gave it to me, *I'm gonna let it shine...*

Negro Spiritual

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

DIADEMATA; *George J. Elvey (1816–1893)*



E - ter - nal, Tri - une God, let all the hosts a - bove, let all on earth be -
low re - cord and dwell up - on thy love. When heav'n and earth are fled be -
fore thy glo - rious face, sing all the saints thy love hath made thine ev - er - last - ing praise.

☒ Offertory Prayer

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.

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)*

Patrick T. Waters (b. 1983)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God_ of pow'r and God_ of might.



Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless'd is the one that comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

✦ 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.
When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
In the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, 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 over 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.

Celebrant: 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 *(sung by the choir)*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, grant us 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.

Anthem

A New Song

James MacMillan (b. 1959)

O sing unto the Lord a new song,
sing unto the Lord all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord and praise His Name,
be telling of His salvation from day to day.
For He cometh to judge the earth,
and with righteousness to judge the world
and the people with His truth.

Psalms 96:1–2, 13

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 581

Lord, whose love through humble service

BEACH SPRING

1. Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of
2. Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry
3. As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-
4. Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear

hu-man need, who up-on the cross, for-sak-en,
cry for bread; still the cap-tives long for free-dom;
veal-ing light in its height and depth and great-ness
name we go to the child, the youth, the a-ged,

of-fered mer-cy's per-fect deed: we, your ser-vants, bring the
still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com-
dawns up-on our quickened sight, mak-ing known the needs and
love in liv-ing deeds to show; hope and health, good will and

wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing
 pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
 com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
 Spir - it kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire - less striv - ing your a - bun - dant life to share.
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know, and live.

WORDS: Albert F. Bayly, 1961, alt.

MUSIC: Attr. to B. F. White, 1844; harm. by Ronald A. Nelson, 1978

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✘ 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

Rondo in G

John Bull (c. 1562–1628)

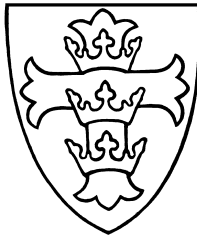
Freely arranged for modern organ by Richard Ellsasser

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

The soprano soloist is Logan Trotter. The tenor soloist is Patrick T. Waters.

The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music.

The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.



THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

We at Marsh Chapel welcome students back to campus today. **A number of activities are planned over the course of the week as students begin classes.** For more information about any of the events listed below, contact the Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman at revkaren@bu.edu or the Rev. Dr. Jessica Chicka at jchicka@bu.edu.

TODAY 11:00 a.m. University Matriculation Service (Nave)
 3:00–5:00 p.m. Comm Ave Fest (along Commonwealth Avenue)

MONDAY **Labor Day – Marsh Chapel Offices Closed**

TUESDAY **Day Instruction Begins – Marsh Chapel Weekly Schedule Begins**
 8:30–11:00 a.m. First Day of Classes Breakfast Handout (Marsh Plaza)

WEDNESDAY 12:00 p.m. Greening of the Dorms (Marsh Plaza)

THURSDAY 4:30–6:00 p.m. Dean’s Garden Party (BU Beach)
 6:00 p.m. Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions (Nave)
 6:30–9:00 p.m. Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)

NEXT SUNDAY 11:00 a.m. Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
 12:00 p.m. Welcome Back Barbecue (BU Beach)

Welcome to Marsh Chapel

Please scan the QR code on the right to complete our online Connection Form. This form allows us to gather new and updated contact information so that we can stay in touch with you. Thank you for joining us today!



Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions will take place this Thursday, September 5, from 6–9 p.m. in the Main Chapel. Those auditioning should plan to stay for the entire rehearsal period. Please email the music staff at musicmar@bu.edu to reserve an audition slot.

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.

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The Chapel Office is open 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays, and on Sunday mornings.

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