

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Festival Service of Word and Sacrament
Sunday, April 7th, 2024 — 11:00 a.m.
The Second Sunday of Easter

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Easter Acclamation and Greeting

The Dean: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*
The Dean: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People: *Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

✠ **Introit** Cry out and shout

Knut Nystedt (1915–2014)

Cry out and shout, ye people of God!
The Lord is strength and song!
Cry out and shout, ye people of God!
Cry out and shout, Alleluia!

Isaiah 12, adapted

✦ Hymn

1. Come, ye faith-ful, raise the strain of tri-um-phiant glad-ness;
 2. 'Tis the spring of souls to-day; Christ hath burst his pri-son,
 3. Now the queen of sea-sons, bright with the day of splen-dor,
 4. Neith-er might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por-tal,
 5. "Al-le-lu-ia!" now we cry to our King im-mor-tal,

God hath brought forth Is-ra-el in-to joy from sad-ness;
 and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris-en;
 with the roy-al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren-der;
 nor the watch-ers, nor the seal hold thee as a mor-tal;
 who, tri-um-phant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark por-tal;

loosed from Phar-ah's bit-ter yoke Ja-cob's sons and daugh-ters,
 all the win-ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly-ing
 comes to glad Je-ru-sa-lem, who with true af-fec-tion
 but to-day a-midst the twelve thou didst stand, be-stow-ing
 "Al-le-lu-ia!" with the Son, God the Fa-ther prais-ing,

led them with un-moist-ened foot through the Red Sea wa-ters.
 from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un-dy-ing.
 wel-comes in un-wear-ied strains Je-sus' res-ur-rec-tion.
 that thy peace which ev-er-more pass-esth hu-man know-ing.
 "Al-le-lu-ia!" yet a-gain to the Spir-it rais-ing.

Text: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Tune: ST. KEVIN, Arthur S. Sullivan (1842-1900)

✦ Collect (*in unison*)

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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

The Dean: 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 broken your law,
We have not done your will, 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.

The Dean: 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. Alleluia!

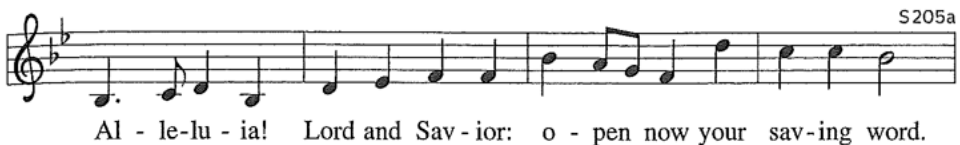
✦ Exchange of Peace

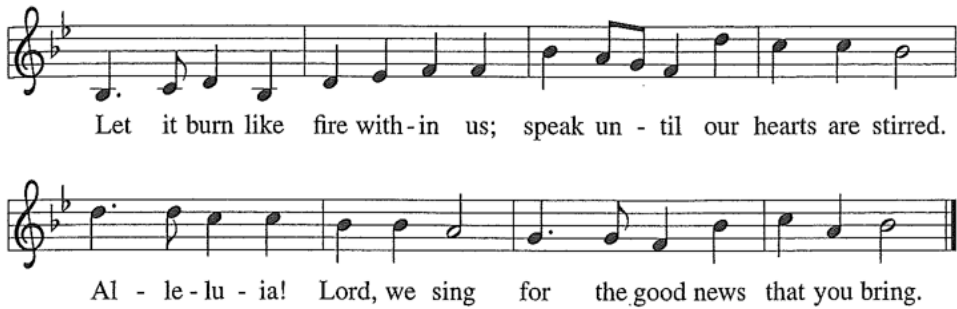
The Dean: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!

People: And also with you.

All may exchange signs and words of God's peace.

✦ Hymn





Lesson Acts 4:32–35

Lector: A lesson from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 4, verses 32–35:

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem I sat down under his shadow *Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)*

I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.
He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

Song of Solomon 2:3–4

Lesson 1 John 1:1–2:2

Lector: A lesson from the first epistle of John, chapter 1, verse 1,
through chapter 2, verse 2:

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not

do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133

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

♪ **Antiphon** (*sung by all*)



Cantor: How very good and pleasant it is
when kindred live together in unity!

People: *It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down upon the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down over the collar of his robes.*

Cantor: It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion.

People: *For there the LORD ordained his blessing,
life forevermore. ♪*

✠ **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 John 20:19–31

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, chapter 20, verses 19–31:

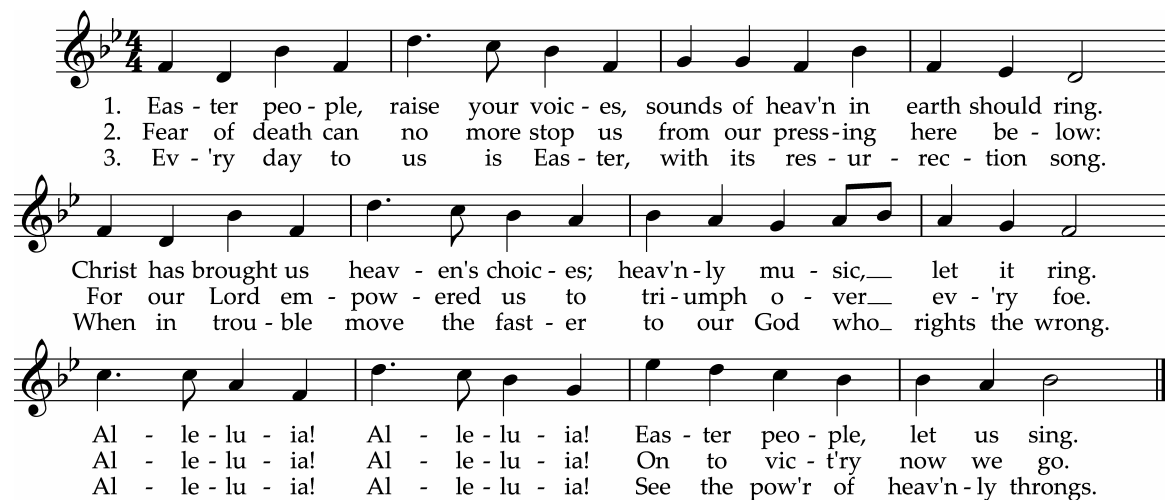
People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

✠ Hymn



1. Eas - ter peo - ple, raise your voic - es, sounds of heav'n in earth should ring.
2. Fear of death can no more stop us from our press-ing here be - low:
3. Ev - 'ry day to us is Eas - ter, with its res - ur - rec - tion song.

Christ has brought us heav - en's choic - es; heav'n - ly mu - sic, — let it ring.
For our Lord em - pow - ered us to tri - umph o - ver — ev - 'ry foe.
When in trou - ble move the fast - er to our God who — rights the wrong.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! On to vic - t'ry now we go.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! See the pow'r of heav'n - ly throngs.

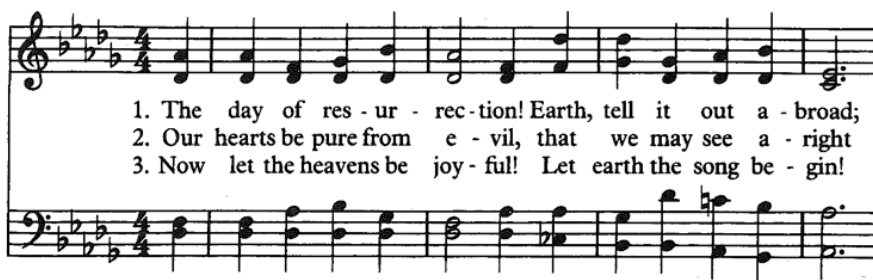
Text: William M. James (1915–2014)

Tune: REGENT SQUARE, Henry T. Smart (1813–1879)

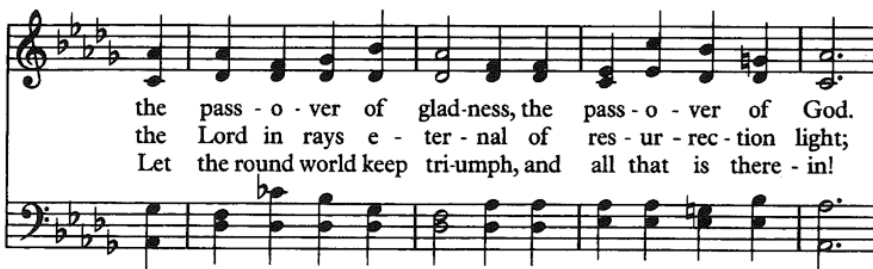
Sermon

“Communion Meditation”

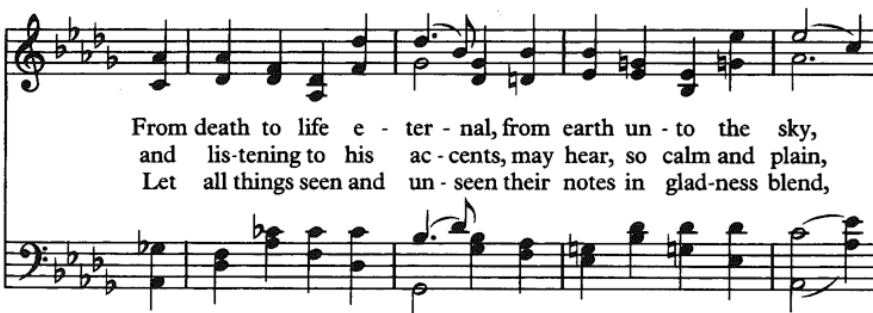
The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill
Dean of the Chapel



1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
 2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
 3. Now let the heavens be joy - ful! Let earth the song be - gin!



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light;
 Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is there - in!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes in glad - ness blend,



our Christ hath brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord hath ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory Greater love hath no man

John Ireland (1879–1962)

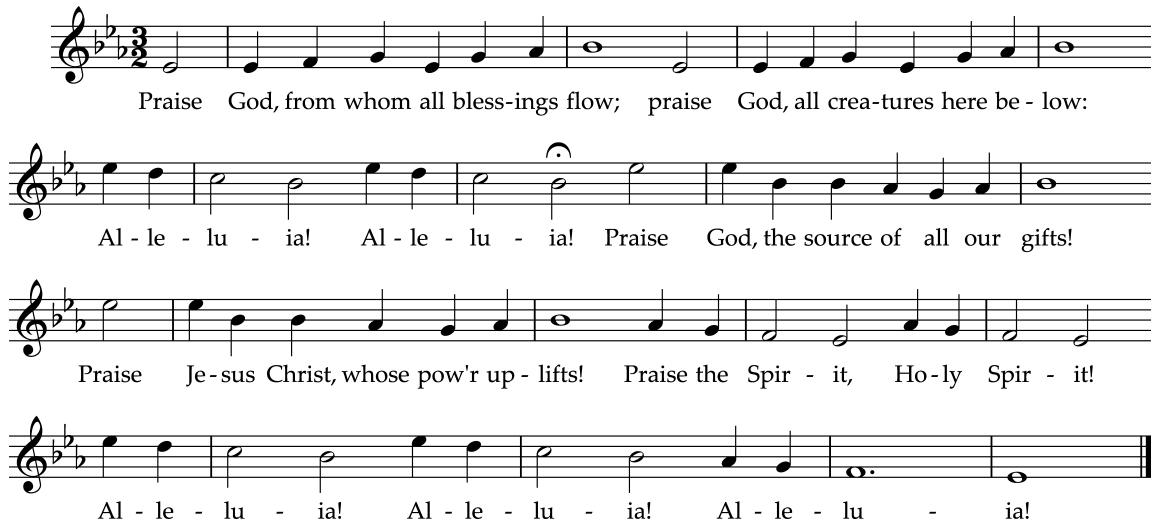
Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. (Song of Solomon 8:7)
Love is strong as death. (Song of Solomon 8:6) Greater Love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. (John 15:13)

Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. (1 Peter 2:24) Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus; (1 Corinthians 6:11) Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, That ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (Romans 12:1)

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

LASST UNS ERFREUEN; *arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)*



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be - low:

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Je - sus Christ, whose pow'r up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

✠ Offertory Prayer

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

✦ 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.

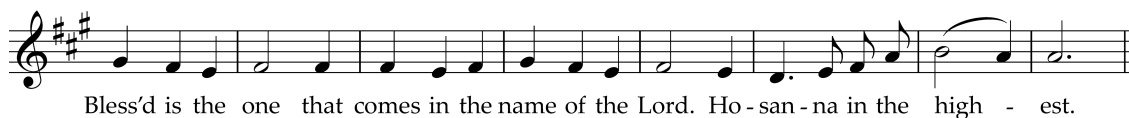
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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,
brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey,
and set before us the way of life.

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)



✦ Words of Institution

Celebrant: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection

Celebrant:

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.
By your great mercy we have been born anew
to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead
and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

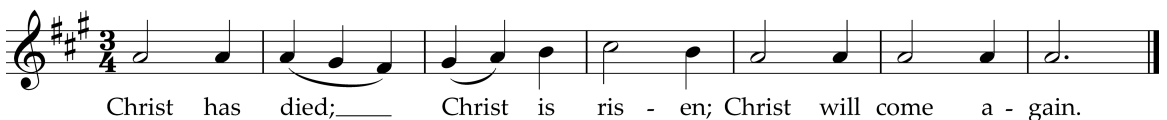
Once we were no people, but now we are your people,
declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ,
who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.
When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.
On the night in which he gave himself up for 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."

On the day you raised him from the dead
he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread,
and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued
in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

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:



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 you 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.

Motet

Ego sum panis vivus

Juan Esquivel (c. 1560–c. 1625)

Ego sum panis vivus,
qui de caelo descendi.
Si quis manducaverit ex hoc pane,
vivet in aeternum. Alleluia.

*I am the living bread
which came down from heaven.
Whosoever shall eat of this bread
shall live forever. Alleluia.*

John 6:58

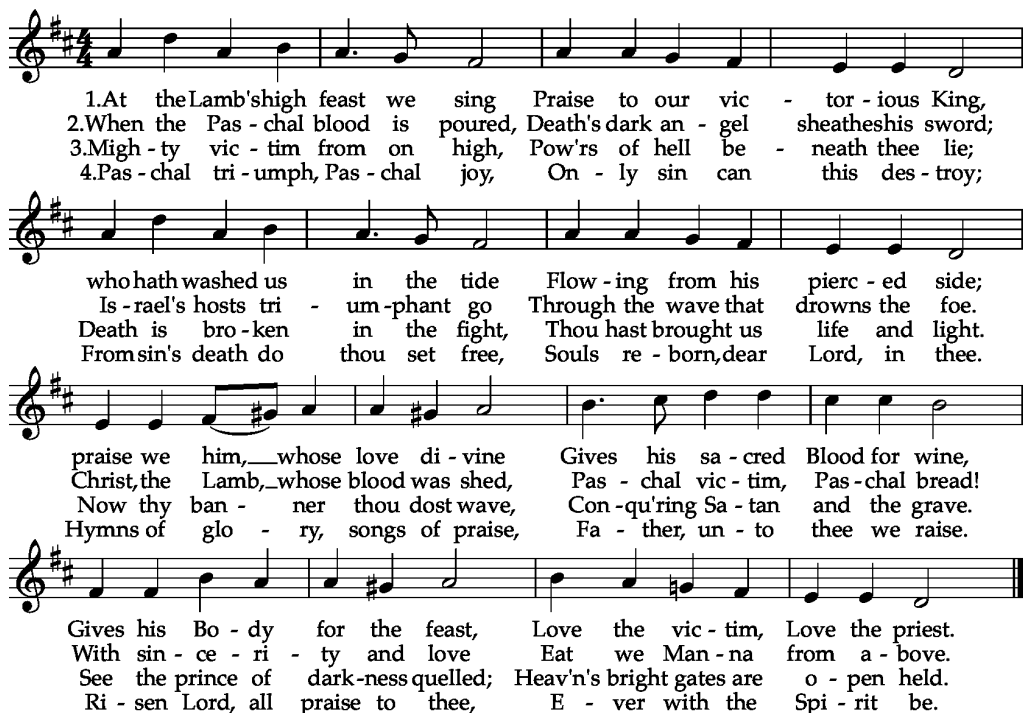
Prayer of Thanksgiving *(in unison)*

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

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

SALZBURG



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our vic - tor - ious King,
2. When the Pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
3. Might - y vic - tim from on high, Pow'rs of hell be - neath thee lie;
4. Pas - chal tri - umph, Pas - chal joy, On - ly sin can this des - troy;

who hath washed us in the tide Flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
Is - rael's hosts tri - umphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Death is bro - ken in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light.
From sin's death do thou set free, Souls re - born, dear Lord, in thee.

praise we him, whose love di - vine Gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
Christ, the Lamb, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread!
Now thy ban - ner thou dost wave, Con - qu'ring Sa - tan and the grave.
Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise.

Gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Love the vic - tim, Love the priest.
With sin - ce - ri - ty and love Eat we Man - na from a - bove.
See the prince of dark - ness quelled; Heav'n's bright gates are o - pen held.
Ri - sen Lord, all praise to thee, E - ver with the Spi - rit be.

✦ 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

*The preacher and celebrant is the Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel.
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 ✠

TODAY	9:45 a.m.	Morning Book Group (Thurman Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
MONDAY	12:00–1:00 p.m.	Tai Chi: Advanced Course (Marsh Room)
	5:00 p.m.	Community Dinner (Marsh Room)
TUESDAY	12:00–2:00 p.m.	Create Space (Thurman Room)
WEDNESDAY	12:00–1:00 p.m.	Tai Chi: All Levels (Marsh Room)
	1:00 p.m.	Mind, Body, and Spirit Yoga (Robinson Chapel)
	5:15 p.m.	Ecumenical Service with Eucharist (Robinson Chapel)
THURSDAY	6:30 p.m.	Marsh Chapel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45 a.m.	Morning Book Group (Thurman Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)

Morning Book Group

Sundays in Easter (Apr. 7/14/21) — 9:45 a.m. — Thurman Room

This spring, the Morning Book Group will study *Thunder in the Soul: To Be Known By God* by Abraham Joshua Heschel. "This little book, which brings together Heschel's key insights on a range of topics, will reinvigorate readers of any faith who hunger for wonder and thirst for justice." Copies of the book are available, free of charge, in the Marsh Chapel Office. Book Group is led by Ray Bouchard, an STH graduate and beloved Marsh Chapel alumnus.
(Contact: Ray Bouchard, dymphna@bu.edu)

A QR code parking pass for the CAS lot is available on our website. To obtain a printed copy, please speak with a Marsh Chapel staff member. Parking passes are only for Sundays, 8:30am–1:30pm.

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!



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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