

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant Service of Worship Sunday, September 22nd, 2024 — 11:00 a.m. The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

▶ Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

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 Above all praise and all majesty

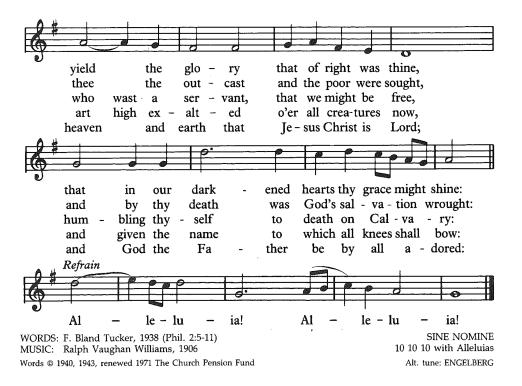
Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

Above all praise and all majesty. Lord, Thou reignest evermore. Hallelujah!

№ Hymn 166 All praise to Thee, for Thou, O King divine

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Collect

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Kyrie Kyrie in A major (for Double Choir) Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

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

Assurance of Pardon

The Dean: 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 James 3:13–4:3, 7–8a

Lector: A lesson from the epistle of James, beginning at chapter 3, verse 13:

Who is wise and understandable among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be arrogant and lie about the truth. This is not wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem When David heard

Thomas Weelkes (c. 1575–1623)

When David heard that Absolon was slain, he went up to his chamber over the gate and wept: And thus he said: O my son, Absolon my son, Would God I had died for thee.

2 Samuel 18:33

Psalm 1

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





Cantor: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

People: but their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and on his law they meditate day and night.

Cantor: They are like trees planted by streams of water,

which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

People: The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Cantor: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

People: for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish. I

▼ Gloria Patri from 'Magnificat in E-flat'

Charles Wood (1866–1926)

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 9:30–37

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

verses 30-37

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it, for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them, and taking it in his arms he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon "A Liberal Faith"

The Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean



WORDS: Washington Gladden, 1879 MUSIC: H. Percy Smith, 1874 MARYTON LM



Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Response

Amen, from Geistliches Lied, Op. 30

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory

Ich bin das Brot des Lebens

Wolfram Buchenberg (b. 1962)

Wer über die Weisung des Herrn nachsinnt bei Tag und Nacht, bringt seine Frucht zur rechten Zeit.

Ich bin das Brot des Lebens; wer zu mir kommt, wird nie mehr hunger, und wer an mich glaubt, wird nie mehr dürsten.

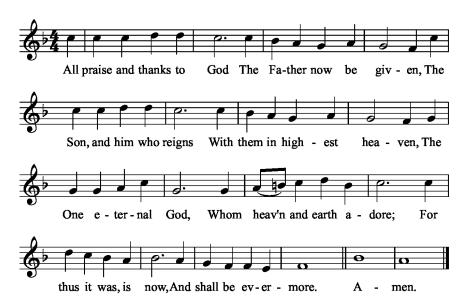
Ich bin das lebendige Brot das vom Himmel herabgekommen ist. Wer von diesem Brot isst, wird leben in Ewigkeig. Whoever meditates on the Law of the Lord by day and night, will bring forth fruit in due season.

I am the bread of life; he who comes to me will never be hungry, and he who believes in me, will never be thirsty.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

▼ Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all)

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



▼ Offertory Prayer



Words: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Charles William Humphreys (1840-1921) Music: St. Keverne, Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

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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

Today's preacher is the Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel. Music at Marsh Chapel is under the direction of Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett. The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell.

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