

MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Worship

Sunday, September 8th, 2024 — 11:00 a.m.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

✠ *Please rise, as you are able.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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 60** I'll praise my Maker while I've breath OLD 113TH

✠ Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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

Proverbs 22:1–2, 8–9, 22–23

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Proverbs, chapter 22:

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the LORD is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the LORD pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem

Jesus, I Adore Thee

Stephen Caracciolo (b. 1962)

Jesus I adore thee, word of truth and grace,
Who in glory shineth light upon our race.
Christ, to thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed.
Alpha and Omega, thou true Son of God.

Taste and touch and vision to discern thee fail:
Faith that comes by hearing, pierces through the veil.
I believe whate'er the Son of God hath told.
What the truth hath spoken that for truth I hold.

Word of God incarnate, Lord of life and light,
Teach me how to love and worship thee aright.
Holy Spirit, ever bide within my heart,
Speaking thy commandments, telling all thou art.

Wondrous revelation, verity and grace.
Lo, in glory's heav'n I see thee face to face.
Light of endless light whom heav'n and earth adore,
fill me with thy radiance now and evermore.

*Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274)
translation by the composer*

Lesson James 2:1–10, 14–17

Lector: A lesson from the epistle of James, chapter 2, verses 1–10 and 14–17:

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 125

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



- Cantor:* Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever.
- People:* *As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people,
from this time on and forevermore.*
- Cantor:* For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest
on the land allotted to the righteous,
so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.
- People:* *Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,
and to those who are upright in their hearts.*
- Cantor:* But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways
the LORD will lead away with evildoers.
- People:* *Peace be upon Israel!* 🎵

✠ **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 7:24–37

- Lector:* The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, chapter 7, verses 24–37:
People: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech;

and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

Sermon "Say YES to the free T-shirt" Jonathan Byung Hoon Lee, MDiv

✠ **Hymn 400** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory We shall walk through the valley in peace *arr. Moses Hogan (1957–2003)*

We shall walk through the valley in peace.


For Jesus Himself will be our leader. We shall walk through the valley in peace.

We will meet our loved ones there . . .

There will be no trials there . . .

Traditional Spiritual

✠ **Presentation of the Gifts** (*sung by all*) NUN DANKET; *arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)*



All praise and thanks to God The Fa-ther now be giv - en, The

Son, and him who reigns With them in high - est hea - ven, The

One e - ter - nal God, Whom heav'n and earth a - dore; For

thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more. A - men.

✦ Offertory Prayer

✦ Hymn 140 Great is thy faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

✦ 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 Jonathan Byung Hoon Lee, MDiv, Assoc. Chaplain for Student Outreach.

Music at Marsh Chapel is under the direction of Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett.

The service is sung by the Marsh Chapel Choir.

Dr. Jarrett is today's organist and conductor, assisted by Patrick T. Waters.

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Marsh Chapel Choir Auditions will take place this Thursday, September 12, 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.

Community & Congregational Life at Marsh Chapel

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your presence and participation matter. We're glad you're here.

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on the right and follow the prompts.

Thank you for joining us today!



THIS WEEK AT MARSH CHAPEL

The **Fall 2024 Termbook** is the best resource for all Marsh Chapel programs, activities, services, concerts, calendars, and more. Print editions of the Termbook are available in the Narthex and in the Chapel Office. A digital version of the Termbook is available at www.bu.edu/chapel. For other inquiries, contact the Chapel Office at (617) 353-3560 or chapel@bu.edu.

TODAY	9:45AM	STUDY GROUP: <i>THE IRONY OF AMERICAN HISTORY</i> DR. DOUGLAS REEVES, LEADER (THURMAN ROOM)
	11: 00PM	INTERDENOMINATIONAL PROTESTANT WORSHIP (NAVE) JONATHAN BYUNG HOON LEE <i>PREACHING</i>
	12:00PM	WELCOME BACK BBQ (BU BEACH)
MONDAY	12:00 - 1:00PM	TAI CHI (MARSH ROOM)
	5:00PM	COMMUNITY DINNER BBQ (BU BEACH)
TUESDAY	10:30 AM - 1:30 PM	RELIGIOUS LIFE FAIR (MARSH PLAZA)
WEDNESDAY	12:00PM - 1:00 PM	TAI CHI (MARSH ROOM)
THURSDAY	6: 00PM	MARSH CHAPEL CHOIR AUDITIONS (NAVE)
	6:30–9:00PM	MARSH CHAPEL CHOIR REHEARSAL (NAVE)
NEXT SUNDAY	9:45AM	STUDY GROUP: <i>THE IRONY OF AMERICAN HISTORY</i> DR. DOUGLAS REEVES, LEADER (THURMAN ROOM)
	11: 00PM	INTERDENOMINATIONAL PROTESTANT WORSHIP (NAVE) DEAN HILL <i>PREACHING</i>
	7:00PM	INNER STRENGTH GOSPEL CHOIR REHEARSAL (NAVE)

WELCOME TO MARSH CHAPEL

Thank you for joining us this morning for worship. We hope 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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