HARVARD
The Memorial Church

Order of Worship

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 23, 2014
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PRELUDE
We Shall Overcome, Spiritual, arr. Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)
Deep River, Spiritual, arr. David Hurd (b. 1950)
Amazing Grace, Traditional American, arr. George Shearing (1919–2011)

HYMN
No. 1, verses 1 & 4, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”
The congregation standing

Old Hundredth

CALL TO WORSHIP
Minister: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens.
People: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.
Minister: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
People: We feast on the abundance of your house,
Minister: For with you is the fountain of life;
People: In your light we see light.

INVOCATION

CONFESSION
In unison:
Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sin, and whose mercy we forget: Cleanse us from all offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that humbly we may draw near to thee, confessing our faults, confiding in thy grace, and finding in thee our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE LORD’S PRAYER
In unison:
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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN
No. 262, “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”
The congregation standing

Westminster Abbey

GREETINGS
Children now join their teachers in the Church School.
THE PEACE
All are invited to join in the singing of Hymn No. 27, verse 1.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY
Kyussa from Witness Uganda
Performed by Witness Uganda cast members
Matt Gould & Griffin Matthews

PSALTER
Psalm 119:33–40
To be read responsively; the congregation standing

GLORIA PATRI
See Hymn No. 371

FIRST LESSON
1 Corinthians 3:10–11, 16–23
Pew Bible, pages 146–147 (NT)

ANTHEM
The Lily of the Valley
Traditional Spiritual
arr. Wendell Whalum (1931–1987)

SECOND LESSON
Matthew 5:38–48
Pew Bible, pages 4–5 (NT)

ANTHEM
We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace
Traditional Spiritual

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

There will be no more trials there. For Jesus himself will be our leader. We shall walk through the valley in peace.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Let us pray.
Lord, show us your love and mercy;
People: For we put our trust in you.
Minister: In you, Lord, is our hope;
People: And we shall never hope in vain.

Each time the minister says “Lord, in your mercy,” the congregation will respond with “Hear our prayer.”

THE GRACE

The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

HYMN

No. 299, “Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound”  
New Britain
The congregation standing

SERMON

Foundation and Aspiration

Text: “For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.”  
1 Corinthians 3:11

HYMN

No. 282, “How Firm a Foundation”  
Foundation
The congregation standing

BENEDICTION

CLOSING PERFORMANCE BY WITNESS UGANDA

Be the Light from Witness Uganda  
Matt Gould & Griffin Matthews
Performed by Witness Uganda cast members

At the conclusion of the service, Ushers will be stationed at the doors to receive offerings for the good work of the Uganda Project (ugandaproyect.com).

The preacher this morning is the Reverend Dr. Lucy A. Forster-Smith, Sedgwick Chaplain to the University and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church.

The first lesson is read by Roland Yang ’14, Kirkland House. The second lesson is read by Olumakinde Ogunnaike ’17, Canaday. The service is led by Professor Jonathan L. Walton and Seminarians David Hysong, Jorden Sharick, and Adam Vander Tuig.

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Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance. Following the service, the congregation is invited to a reception in the Memorial Room.

MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 1, 8:45 A.M.
Monday: Shelley Brown; Tuesday: Lucas Mix; Wednesday: Ben Lamont ’14; Thursday: Richard Thomas; Friday: Usra Ghazi; Saturday: Emily Garcia

Following each service of Morning Prayers on Wednesdays, free coffee and snacks will be available at MemCafé from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m. on the steps of the Memorial Church across from Widener Library. All are welcome!

TUESDAY ORGAN RECITAL SERIES
The Tuesday Organ Recital Series continues this week, welcoming Jung-A Lee, Founder and Chairman of Music Mission International, a non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting the appreciation of organ music and providing for music education. Dr. Lee will perform works of Wammes, Mootz, Dupré, and Albright, and is assisted by narrator Alissa deJonge. The concert, on Tuesday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Church, is free and open to the public.

SUNDAY ORGAN RECITAL
Our Spring Term Sunday Organ Recital features international concert artist Diane Meredith Belcher performing works of Buxtehude, Russell, De Grigny, Bolcom, Hancock, Gigout, Vierne, and Reger on both Skinner and Fisk organs in the Memorial Church. Please join us on Sunday, March 2, at 4:00 p.m. for this special event.

C.P.E. BACH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS
To commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach, the Memorial Church will present two performances in March devoted to this influential composer. Please join us on Saturday, March 8 at 8:00 p.m. for an hour-long recital of C.P.E Bach’s chamber music, and on Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. for a performance of his magnificent oratorio Die Israeliten in der Wüste, featuring the Harvard University Choir and the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra. Both concerts will be held in the Sanctuary and are free and open to the public.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM
The Faith & Life Forum seeks to deepen our devotional lives by promoting religious literacy and cultural competency concerning communities of faith. Held every Sunday morning during the Term before the 11:00 a.m. worship service, the presentations take place in the Pusey Room of the Memorial Church from 9:30–10:30 a.m., but you are invited to gather for coffee and conversation at 9:00 a.m. The next Faith & Life Forum, “Singing the Faith,” will be held on Sunday, March 2; Noah Van Niel ’08, MDiv II will give the presentation.
MUSIC NOTES

This morning we celebrate the rich diversity of American music, with striking new compositions from the creators of Witness Uganda, and a range of powerful spiritual settings. A graduate of Morehouse College, the composer and organist Wendell Whalum was for thirty-four years Director of the Morehouse College Glee Club, which achieved national and international acclaim under his leadership. Moses Hogan was a gifted concert pianist, conductor, and founder of the Moses Hogan Chorale, but it is for his contemporary settings of spirituals and original compositions that he is most widely remembered.

WITNESS UGANDA

It is a pleasure to welcome members of the cast of the ART’s musical Witness Uganda, led by co-creators Matt Gould and Griffin Matthews. The proceeds of this morning’s offering will go towards their charity, UgandaProject – a grass-roots organization that provides free education, housing, mentoring, and basic needs to students in order to empower, ignite, and impact global change. There are 2.5 million orphans in Uganda who have lost parents to AIDS: school in Uganda is not free so when a child has no parents, they cannot get educated. UgandaProject supports ten students; more information can be found at www.ugandaproject.com

CHURCH SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children ages three through twelve. Classes are held in the Buttrick Room during Sunday services, and emphasize biblical themes and scripture. At the conclusion of the worship service, parents are asked to promptly pick their children up in the Buttrick Room. A committed staff of undergraduate teachers work closely with the Church School Coordinator, Brianna Goodlin. Contact Brianna at briannagoodlin@college.harvard.edu for more information.

SUNDAY SERMONS AND MORNING PRAYERS SERVICES ON HARVARD’S ITUNES U

Sunday sermons and weekly Morning Prayers services are available on Harvard’s iTunes U in the “Religion & Spirituality” channel. From your iTunes software, search “Harvard Memorial Church” to listen on your iPod, iPhone, iPad, Mac, or PC.

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NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE

Next Sunday is Junior Parents Weekend, the Last Sunday after the Epiphany, and Holy Communion. The preacher will be Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church.

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