

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Junior Parents Weekend
Holy Communion & Holy Baptism
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, March 2, 2014

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES UPON ENTERING
THE SANCTUARY OF THE MEMORIAL CHURCH.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Prelude in E-flat Major, BWV 552

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

HYMN

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

Old Hundredth

The congregation standing

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.
There is one body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God’s call to us.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Gracious God, by our baptism, you welcome us into the household of faith and open the way to new life; in this world and the next; receive these precious children and strengthen us all to be your people in the world, and a blessing to the Earth. Amen.

The congregation seated

THE BAPTISM

Minister: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents respond:

We present *George Emerson Vander Tuig* to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Minister: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Godparents: I will with God’s help.

Minister: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the life of God’s grace and love?

Parents & Godparents: I will with God’s help.

Minister: Will you continue to honor your own spiritual journey, as a role model for the child you present?

Parents & Godparents: I will with God’s help.

Minister: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being?

Parents & Godparents: I will with God’s help.

To the congregation:

Minister: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Minister: Let us pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth:

Leader: Open his heart, O God, to your grace and truth.
People: Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader: Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People: Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader: Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People: Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader: Send him into the world in witness to your love.
People: Lord, hear our prayer.

BLESSING OF THE WATER

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, O God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the power of God's love, compassion and mercy.

THE BAPTISM

George Emerson Vander Tuig, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit. You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED

Minister: Let us Pray:
All: Eternal and loving God, give this precious child an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.
Minister: Let us welcome the newly baptized:
All: We receive you, with joy, into the household of God, and into the priesthood of all believers.

THE PEACE

All are invited to join in the singing of Hymn No. 27, verse 1.

GREETINGS

Children now join their teachers in the Church School.

AT THE OFFERTORY

The Lord Is My Light

Frances Allitsen (1848–1912)

Noah Van Niel '08 MDiv II, tenor

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom, then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom then shall I be afraid?
Though a host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid;
And tho' there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in Him.
For in the time of trouble, He shall hide me in His tabernacle.
Yea, in the secret places of His dwelling shall He hide me,
And set me up upon a rock of stone.

Here an offering is received for the work of the Church within and beyond the University. Users will begin the collection from the back of the Church forward.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

LESSON FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 24:12–18

Pew Bible, pages 65–66 (OT)

GLORIA from *Missa Sancti Nicolai*

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732–1809)

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
Adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
Propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
Miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
Suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
Miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
Tu solus Dominus,
Tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe,
Cum Sancto Spiritu:
In gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory to God in the highest
And peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks,
We praise you for your glory.*

*Lord God, Heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
Receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

LESSON FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 17:1–9

Pew Bible, page 16 (NT)

HYMN

No. 139, “Jesus, on the Mountain Peak”
The congregation standing

Mowsley

SERMON

A Conversation Worth Having

Text: “And he was transfigured before them; and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.”

Matthew 17:2–3

HYMN

No. 63, "Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord"

Edington

The congregation standing

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to share in the Lord's Supper without regard to denomination.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The minister continues:

It is truly right, good and joyful, to give you thanks, all holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit, you replenish us and call us to the fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, we lift our voices as we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Organ	Congregation
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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, -

7
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

12
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The congregation may be seated.

The minister continues with the Eucharistic prayer:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Albert H. Malotte (1895-1964)

Sung by the choir

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The minister says:

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Holy food for the journey of life.

AT THE COMMUNION

Communicants will proceed to the foot of the chancel steps at the direction of the ushers and will return to their seats by the side aisles. At the giving of the bread and the cup, the people respond with "Amen."

AGNUS DEI from *Missa Sancti Nicolai*

Franz Joseph Haydn

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

HYMN

No. 65, "Let Us Break Bread Together"
The congregation standing

Let Us Break Bread

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C Major, BWV 545

Johann Sebastian Bach

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 2, 2014

WELCOME

Today is Junior Parents Weekend, Holy Communion & Holy Baptism, and the Last Sunday after the Epiphany. The preacher is Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister, The Memorial Church, Harvard University. The service is led by the Reverend Dr. Lucy A. Forster-Smith, Sedgwick Chaplain to the University and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church, Ministry Fellow Alanna Copenhaver, and Seminarians David Hysong, Jordan Sharick, and Adam Vander Tuig. Receiving the sacrament of baptism is George Emerson Vander Tuig. The first lesson is read by Madeline Hung '16, Pforzheimer House. The second lesson is read by Andrew Sudler '14, Kirkland House.

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: MARCH 3 – MARCH 8, 8:45 A.M.

Monday: Benjamin Friedman; Tuesday: Matthew Wilson; Wednesday: David Hysong MDiv II; Thursday: Duncan Gardner MDiv III; Friday: Sarah Gibb Millspaugh; Saturday: Jose Bengochea

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!

SUNDAY ORGAN RECITAL: TODAY

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 Memorial Church. Please join us this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. for this special event.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

The staff of the Memorial Church will host a pancake supper in the Buttrick Room on Shrove Tuesday, March 4, beginning at 6:00 p.m. This event is free and all are welcome.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

On Wednesday, March 5, Lent begins with the Liturgy of the Day and the Imposition of Ashes, from 12:10 to 12:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church. All are invited.

THURSDAY LUNCHTIME RECITAL SERIES: MARCH 6

The Thursday Lunchtime Organ Recital Series begins its spring term concerts this week on March 6 at 12:15 p.m. These 30-minute weekly concerts, traditionally held in Adolphus Busch Hall, are instead held this term at University Lutheran Church, 66 Winthrop Street. Please note the new venue. Carson Cooman, Composer-in-Residence here at Memorial Church opens the series this week. All are invited.

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.

TUESDAY ORGAN RECITAL SERIES: MARCH 11

The Tuesday Organ Recital Series continues next week, featuring Harvard organ students and members of the Harvard Organ Society. The concert, on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Church, is free and open to the public.

MUSIC NOTES

Joseph Haydn, the “father of the symphony,” is primarily remembered for his instrumental music, and the two magnificent late oratorios, *The Creation* and *The Seasons*. His twelve complete and authenticated Mass settings, however, were very popular during his lifetime; Haydn’s formative musical experiences were as a chorister in St. Stephen’s Cathedral, Vienna, and his first and last compositions were Mass settings. The *Missa Sancti Nicolai* dates from 1772, and was probably written for the Feast of St. Nicholas on December 6, which was also the nameday of Prince Nicolaus Esterhazy, Haydn’s employer. This morning we hear the brilliant Gloria, which closes with an exuberant Amen fughetto, and the Agnus Dei, whose *Dona Nobis Pacem* — written in a lilting time signature — evokes the pastoral imagery long associated with shepherds and rustics.

The prelude is Johann Sebastian Bach’s majestic *Prelude in E-flat Major*, BWV 552, the opening work of the third part of his monumental *Clavierübung* (Keyboard Study). The prelude derives stylistically from both French and Italian models: its dotted rhythms and flamboyant style are reminiscent of the French overture, while the form of the piece is taken from the Italian concerto; it is built around three themes, which share the same pulse, but are stylistically very different. Our postlude, Bach’s *Prelude and Fugue in C Major*, BWV 545, comprises a brief prelude that features cascading musical gestures, and a substantial fugue that develops a simple subject amid a flurry of counterpoint.

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, “Prayers from Chautauqua,” will be held on Sunday, March 9. The Reverend Dr. Joan Brown Campbell, Former Director of Religion of Chautauqua Institution, will give the presentation.

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.

NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the First Sunday in Lent. The preacher will be the Reverend Dr. Joan Brown Campbell.

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