

# HARVARD

The Memorial Church



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 30, 2014

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

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## PRELUDE

Sonata in G Minor:

*Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach (1714–1788)*

Allegro Moderato – Adagio – Allegro

## HYMN

No. 146, “Jesus, Who This Our Lententide”

*Rockingham*

*The congregation standing*

## 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. 13, “Come, O Come, in Pious Lays”

*Salzburg*

*The congregation standing*

## 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.*

## AT THE OFFERTORY

Beata es Virgo Maria  
*Camerata Obscura, directed by Adriana Pobl '14*

*Philippe Verdelot (1475–1552)*

Beata es, Virgo Maria,  
Quae Dominum portasti creatorem mundi:  
Genuisti eum, qui te fecit,  
Et in aeternum permanes virgo.

*Blessed are you, O virgin Mary,  
Who bore the Lord, the Creator of the universe.  
You brought forth him who made you,  
And remain forever a virgin.*

*Here an offering is received for the work of the Church within and beyond the University. Ushers 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.

## PSALTER

Psalms 23  
*To be read responsively; the congregation standing*

*Pew Bible, page 464 (OT)*

## GLORIA PATRI

*See Hymn No. 371*

## LESSON FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

I Samuel 16:1–13

*Pew Bible, pages 240–241 (OT)*

## ANTHEM

Heilig, Wq 217

*Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach*

Heilig, heilig, heilig ist Gott,  
der Herr Zebaoth;  
alle Lande sind seiner Ehre voll.  
Herr Gott, dich loben wir.  
Herr Gott, wir danken dir.

*Holy, holy, holy is God,  
The Lord of Hosts;  
The whole earth is full of His glory.  
Lord God, we praise thee.  
Lord God, we give thee thanks.*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

## LESSON FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

John 9:1–41

*Pew Bible, pages 89–90 (NT)*

## ANTHEM

Locus Iste

*Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)*

Locus iste a Deo factus est, inaestimabile sacramentum, irrehrensibilis est.

*This place was made by God; a priceless holy place, it is without fault.*

## 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. 254, “Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”

*Hesperus (Québec)*

*The congregation standing*

## SERMON

Farsighted Faith

“When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, ‘Go, wash in the pool of Siloam’ (which means Sent).

Then he went and washed and came back able to see.”

*John 9:6–7*

## HYMN

No. 276, “Go Forth for God”

*Magda*

*The congregation standing*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

“Choral” and “Allegro molto” from *Sonata VI in D Minor*, Op. 65

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 30, 2014

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## WELCOME

Today is the Fourth Sunday in Lent. The preacher is Alanna Copenhaver, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church. The service is led by the Reverend Dr. Lucy A. Forster-Smith, Sedgwick Chaplain to the University and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church, Sarah Drummond, Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs & Associate Professor of Ministerial Leadership at Andover Newton Theological School and Memorial Church Seminarians David Hysong and Adam Vander Tuig. The first lesson is read by Qaren Quartey '15, Mather House. The second lesson is read by Loren Oh '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.

## CHURCH SCHOOL ART GALLERY OPENING

It is the season of new beginnings! This month the Church School has been exploring where we see God is at work in our lives. Please join us downstairs in the Buttrick Room following the service for the first Church School Art Gallery. Enjoy art work inspired by the Lenten season and springtime! Light refreshments will be provided.

## MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: MARCH 31 – APRIL 5, 8:45 A.M.

Monday: Adrienne Landau; Tuesday: Nannerl O. Keohane; Wednesday: Martha Minow; Thursday: David Williams '07 JD '12; Friday: Margaret Lowe; Saturday: David Hysong MDiv II

*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!*

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP FOR STUDENTS

Whether you've lost a loved one in the past, or you are in the midst of losing someone now, you are invited to attend a bereavement support group at the Memorial Church. The meetings will take place in the Buttrick Room on Tuesdays, April 1, 8, and 15, from 4:30–5:45 p.m. All students are welcome to share in this safe space of connection, contemplation, and conversation. Space is limited to 10 participants. To register, please contact the Reverend Dr. Lucy Forster-Smith, Sedgwick Chaplain and Senior Minister, at [lucy\\_forster-smith@harvard.edu](mailto:lucy_forster-smith@harvard.edu) or 617-496-3217.

## UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

**Lecture Recital with Paul-André Bempéchat.** Wednesday, April 2, 7:30 p.m., Pusey Room. *Pianist and musicologist Paul-André Bempéchat will present a lecture recital featuring the sublime last three piano sonatas of Franz Schubert. Free admission.*

**Thursday Lunchtime Organ Recital Series.** Thursday, April 3, 12:15–12:45 p.m., University Lutheran Church, 66 Winthrop Street. *These free-admission 30-minute weekly concerts, traditionally held in Adolphus Busch Hall, are instead held this term at University Lutheran Church. Please note the new venue.*

**A Recital of Choir Music.** Saturday, April 5, 8:00 p.m., Memorial Church Sanctuary. *The Chapel Choir of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, UK, will present A Recital of Choir Music, featuring works by J.S. Bach, Pärt, and Whitacre. For more information about the Chapel Choir of Emmanuel College, please visit [www.emma.cam.ac.uk/chapel/choir](http://www.emma.cam.ac.uk/chapel/choir).*

**Tuesday Organ Recital Series: Gough Duo.** Tuesday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Church Sanctuary. *The Tuesday Organ Recital Series continues next week, featuring British violin/organ duo Rupert and Rachel Gough. Free and open to the public.*

## WILLIAM BELDEN NOBLE LECTURE: JOSHUA DUBOIS – APRIL 6 & 7

Joshua DuBois, former Special Assistant to President Obama and Executive Director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships and author of *The President's Devotional*, will deliver the 2014 William Belden Noble Lecture on Monday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Memorial Church Sanctuary. Additionally, on Sunday, April 6 from 9:30–10:15 a.m., please join us for a **special Faith & Life Forum** in the main sanctuary. Professor David Gergen, Director of the Center for Public Leadership at Harvard's Kennedy School, will interview Mr. DuBois. Both events are free and open to the public.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Please join us during Holy Week for the following services: Holy Week Musical Meditation – Buxtehude's *Membra Jesu Nostri*, Tuesday, April 15, 8:00 p.m.; Maundy Thursday, April 17, 8:00 p.m.; Good Friday, April 18, 12:00 p.m. Please note that there will be no Holy Saturday service. Easter is Sunday, April 20. Due to the popularity of our Sunday Easter Service, **we will have two Easter Services** this year — at 8:00 a.m. and at 11:00 a.m. Both services will be the same; however, you may wish to consider attending the 8:00 a.m. service to more easily find seating and parking. Church School will also be available for both services.

## MUSIC NOTES

On Friday evening, the Harvard University Choir celebrated the 300th anniversary of Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach with a performance of his magnificent oratorio, *Die Israeliten in der Wüste*; also featured was the late double-choir *Heilig*, parts of which we reprise this morning. The two choirs — a choir of angels, and a choir of people — begin antiphonally with the angelic choir providing a range of dynamics and unusual harmonic progressions, while the choir of people sing loudly and directly; both groups join for a fugue which incorporates parts of the German *Te Deum* text and *cantus firmus*. The work became very popular, and was admired by composers such as Haydn and Beethoven.

For almost a century, the reputation of the Austrian composer Anton Bruckner rested solely on his epic symphonies, but while the composer didn't tackle symphonic form until he was in his forties, his involvement with church music stems from his childhood. The son of a village schoolmaster and organist, Bruckner was a choirboy in the Augustinian monastery of St. Florian, before assuming the post of cathedral organist in his hometown of Linz. His beloved motet *Locus Iste* was composed in 1869 for the dedication of the Votive Chapel in the newly built Linz cathedral — in the same service the monumental *Mass in E Minor* received its premiere. An elegant, beautiful miniature, it was described by the musicologist Deryck Cooke as Bruckner's "exquisite personal distillation of Mozart's church style." For this morning's offertory, it is a pleasure to welcome the vocal ensemble *Camerata Obscura* — directed by our own senior choir secretary, Adriana Pohl '14 — to perform a beautiful Marian motet, in honor of Refreshment Sunday.

Perhaps surprisingly — given his lineage — organ works do not feature prominently within the oeuvre of C.P.E. Bach, though most of the important genres for the instrument — sonata, fantasia, chorale prelude, and prelude and fugue — are represented. The first organ sonata features a turbulent opening allegro, an exquisite adagio, and an imitative final allegro, which displays many of the characteristics of this composer's unique style.

Felix Mendelssohn's organ works set a new, forward-looking standard for organ composition in the nineteenth century, while simultaneously harking back to the traditions and spirit of the German Baroque — and specifically to the music of Johann Sebastian Bach; the postlude features excerpts from the sixth organ sonata, which incorporates the German chorale "Vater unser im Himmelreich."

## NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the Fifth Sunday in Lent and Holy Communion. The preacher will be Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister, The Memorial Church.

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*For more information on upcoming services and events:*

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