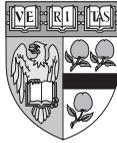


HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 20, 2022

11 am

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

So Fades the Lovely Blooming Flower (1977)
Once More, My Soul (1977)

George Shearing (1919–2011)

HYMN IN PROCESSION

No. 146, “Jesus, Who This Our Lententide”
The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

Rockingham

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 130 & Isaiah 2

Minister: Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.
God, hear our voice!

People: Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of our supplications!

Minister: If you should mark iniquities, O God,
who of us could stand?

People: But there is forgiveness with you;
and plenteous redemption.

Minister: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in God’s word I hope.

People: My soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

Minister: Come, let us set out in the light of the Lord.

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

HYMN

No. 141, "The Glory of These Forty Days"

Erhalt uns, Herr

The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

THE PEACE & GREETING

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

OFFERTORY

The offering collected goes directly to fund the Memorial Church Grants Committee's recipient organizations and their important work in our local communities. Ushers will begin collection from the front of the church. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." You may also donate online at <https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/donate>

Psalm 63:1–9 *Deus, Deus meus*

Tone II.1

Sung by the choir

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee.

My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee,
in a barren and dry land where no water is.

Thus have I looked for thee in the sanctuary,
that I might behold thy power and glory.

For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: my lips shall praise thee.

As long as I live will I magnify thee in this manner,
and lift up my hands in thy Name.

My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness,
when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

Have I not remembered thee in my bed,
and thought upon thee when I was waking?

Because thou hast been my helper;
therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

My soul hangeth upon thee; thy right hand hath upholden me.

DOXOLOGY

The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all people here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 6:12–19

Pew Bible, page 551 (OT)

ANTHEM

“Come, Ye Disconsolate” from *Melodious Accord* (1974)

Alice Parker (b. 1925)

Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish,
Come, at the shrine of God fervently kneel;
Here bring your wounded hearts; here tell your anguish;
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
Hope when all others die, fadeless and pure;
Here speaks the Comforter, in God's name saying,
“Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot cure.”

Here see the Bread of Life, see waters flowing
Forth from the throne of God, pure from above.
Come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing
Earth has no sorrow but heaven can remove.

St. 1 & 2: Thomas Moore (1779–1852), St. 3: Thomas Hastings (1784–1872)

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:21–33

Pew Bible, page 172 (NT)

ANTHEM

Wondrous Love

Traditional American folk hymn

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing his love for me,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

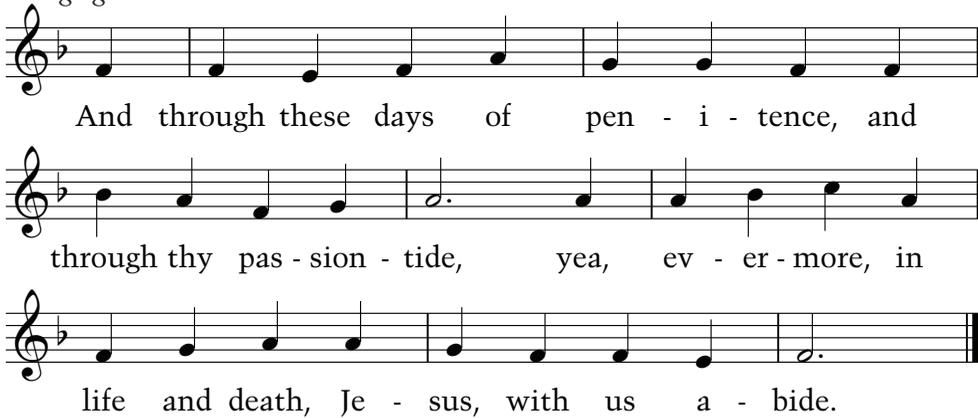
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

The congregation remains seated.



And through these days of pen - i - tence, and
through thy pas - sion - tide, yea, ev - er - more, in
life and death, Je - sus, with us a - bide.

SERMON

HYMN

No. 144, “Now Let Us All with One Accord”

The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

Gonfalon Royal

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“In Your Presence Is Fullness of Joy”

from *Pastoral Suite* (2006–07)

Patricia Van Ness (b. 1951)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 20th, 2022

WELCOME

Today is the Third Sunday in Lent. The preacher is the Reverend Kevin P. Bryant, Affiliated Minister in the Memorial Church, Harvard Chaplain. The worship leaders are the Reverend Matthew Ichihashi Potts, Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church and Plummer Professor of Christian Morals, Faculty of Divinity; Cheyenne Boon MDiv II; and Laurie Sedgwick MDiv III. The first lesson is read by David Foster and the second lesson by Hanna Carney. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir under the direction of Edward Elwyn Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster and David von Behren, Assistant University Organist and Choirmaster.

MUSIC NOTES

One of the great figures of American music, Boston-born composer Alice Parker is the foremost arranger of American hymns and folk-tunes, many of which were prepared during her long association with the Robert Shaw Chorale. Parker's cantata *Melodious Accord* is based upon hymn tunes and texts found in the first five editions of the shape-note hymnal *Genuine Church Music*, which first appeared in 1832, edited by the Mennonite farmer, schoolmaster, and musician, Joseph Funk. "Come, Ye Disconsolate" is based on the famous hymn by Samuel Webbe, setting a text of the Irish poet and translator Thomas Moore.

Wondrous Love is a folk hymn whose text was first published in 1811 during the Second Great Awakening, and whose melody derives from a popular English ballad; the text and melody were first published together in the appendix to the 1840 edition of William Walker's shape-note hymnal, *The Southern Harmony*.

British jazz pianist George Shearing composed over 300 works, including the jazz standard, *Lullaby of Birdland*. His organ works came about at the suggestion of Dale Wood, then editor of Sacred Music Press. Blind from birth, Shearing composed the pieces directly onto a recording from which they were transcribed; Wood and Shearing then edited the music and worked out the organ realizations and sounds together at an organ console. The pieces are based on traditional American folk hymns and display both classical and jazz influences.

Patricia Van Ness is Staff Composer at First Church in Cambridge. Her musical style is influenced by the sounds and spirit of Medieval and Renaissance music, and she has received many awards and recognitions for her compositions. Today's postlude is the grand opening movement of her *Pastoral Suite (Seven Prayers)*, written in honor of First Church's longtime music director, Peter Sykes.

MORNING PRAYERS

Our daily service of Morning Prayers takes place at 8:30 am and has returned to Appleton Chapel. Monday: Yaseen Hashmi MDiv III; Tuesday: Jenny Hoffman '99; Wednesday: Matthew Ichihashi Potts; Thursday: Liam Simmons '22; Friday: Jasper Schoff '22:

ORGAN RECITAL

On Sunday, March 20 at 4 pm, David von Behren an organ recital including music by Bach, Dupré, Trenney, Cooman, Bruhns, and Reube. Admission is free.

SPRING CONCERT

On Sunday, April 3 at 4 pm, the Harvard University Choir and Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra will present a concert of cantatas by Johann Sebastian Bach: *Himmelskönig, sei willkommen*, BWV 182 and *Laß, Höchster, laß der Hoffnung Strahl*, BWV 198 (also known as the *Trauerode*). Admission is free.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

On March 7, Harvard University leadership announced that: “In conjunction with the updated masking guidance from the Cities of Cambridge and Boston, and the CDC, the University will update its indoor masking guidance...effective March 14, with limited exceptions, face coverings on campus will be optional in all indoor spaces on Harvard’s campuses.”

Indoor masking will be optional for worship at the Memorial Church beginning Sunday, March 20. We recognize that some community members may have concerns about this update. You are most welcome to continue wearing a mask for your own protection, or to protect individuals close to you.

The University continues to closely monitor the public health conditions in the area regarding COVID-19.

We appreciate your assistance and patience this academic year in helping us to take extra precautionary measures to prevent the spread of infection and to prioritize the wellbeing of our community. Thank you for your cooperation and support of the ministries of the Memorial Church.

As we say each Sunday, no matter who you are, no matter where you are, no matter what you believe, no matter who you love, you are welcome here and we are here for you.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM

The Faith & Life Forum of the Memorial Church explores matters of faith and public life. The Forum takes place in the Buttrick Room in the lower level of the Memorial Church from 9:30–10:30 am on Sundays. Each week we explore themes such as love, justice, suffering, and salvation in relation to the world in which we live. We learn from scholars and practitioners of religion, religious intellectuals, writers, activists, and artists whose work captures conceptions of the sacred and wrestles with the mysterious dimensions of life. In addition to masking, participants will need to register and attest to their health in order to participate in the weekly forum gatherings.

All are welcome to join. Please visit our website to learn more.

CHURCH SCHOOL

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children of age three through sixteen. All classes are held during Sunday Services in the Fall and Spring Terms. To participate in the Church School program, parents or guardians need to register their children, and to attest to the state of their children's health weekly.

Please visit our website to learn more or email Assistant Minister, Calvin Jones (*calvon_jones@harvard.edu*), with any questions. The Rev. Jones and the Church School team are excited to announce the launch of our newly designed MemChurch School digital platform. Our children and families will have access to fun, exciting, and educational episodes, steeped in stories of love and humanity. Take a virtual journey to a digital place where the Bible comes to life. You can find episodes at: <https://bit.ly/3iUtEWV>

BABY OASIS

During Sunday services, our Baby Oasis is available for young children and infants in the lower level of the church. Parents and their children are welcome to use this respite space during worship, complete with an audio broadcast of the service.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Our weekly student programming opportunities are in full swing! Join us on Tuesdays from 5–6 pm for our Queer-Affirming Bible study for students downstairs in the Oasis. Whether you are brand new to the Bible or looking to experience it in a new way, you are welcome! On Wednesday evenings at 8 pm, we gather for a candlelit communion service for students (colloquially known as “Milkshake Mass”), followed by milkshakes down in the kitchen. If you want to learn more, feel free to reach out to our Student Program Coordinator, Anna Burnham, at *anna_burnham@harvard.edu*, or find her in the narthex after service.

AFTER-SCHOOL SNACK

Looking for a space to relax, connect with other students, and grab some good food towards the end of your week? Join Professor Potts, his family, and their dog Suki for weekly After-School Snack at Sparks House, 21 Kirkland St., Thursdays from 4–5:30 pm. Feel free to drop in and out as you need. Bring a friend!

STUDENT OASIS

The Student Oasis in the lower level of the Memorial Church is a tranquil and relaxing space for study, for meeting friends and fellow students, and even cooking a favorite meal in the full-service kitchen. Located in the heart of Harvard Yard, the Oasis is open daily to Harvard students during the academic term. For more information and the hours of operation, visit <https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/studentoasis>

LOVE UNITED BLACK FELLOWSHIP

The Memorial Church is happy to announce the launch of the Love United Black Fellowship

(LUBF), a new ministry that seeks to curate a welcoming space for persons of color in the Harvard community. The fellowship will draw on the traditions and customs of Africa and the African Diaspora to foster theological conversations, engaging activities, spoken word and musical moments, opportunities of fellowship, and worship services that present a sense of “home” on the Harvard campus. The LUBF will launch this new ministry at 3 pm, March 27, in the Sanctuary of the Memorial Church. Come and experience powerful music from the African tradition, a dynamic word, fellowship and food. All are welcome! For more information, please email Assistant Minister, the Rev. Calvin T. Jones at calvon_jones@harvard.edu

BAPTISM

We are blessed to announce that the Sacrament of Holy Baptism will take place on Children’s Sunday, May 1. If you would like to have your child baptized or are interested in learning more about baptisms in general please email the Rev. Calvin Jones (calvon_jones@harvard.edu).

JOYS AND CONCERNS

The psalmist writes, “Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.” Prayer reminds us of our relationship to God and one another; it emphasizes our oneness as the Body of Christ. What weighs on your heart? How can we join you in prayer? We invite you to share your joys and concerns so that we may communally uplift them to God in the Prayers of the People during Sunday Services. Please send your prayer requests to the Rev. Alanna Sullivan (alanna_sullivan@harvard.edu).

PASTORAL CARE LINE

The clergy at the Memorial Church have established a pastoral care line if you would like spiritual or pastoral care during a difficult time. Please call or text 617-595-9044 and a clergy person will follow up with you shortly.

LISTEN TO SUNDAY WORSHIP AND MORNING PRAYERS

Sunday services are broadcast on Harvard’s radio station, WHRB 95.3 FM in term; a live stream of the service is available at wrb.org. Recordings of Sunday Worship Services and Sunday Sermons are available on our website, memorialchurch.harvard.edu, during the week following the service. Sunday Sermons and Morning Prayers are also available on SoundCloud at <http://bit.ly/sundaysermons> and <http://bit.ly/morningprayers> respectively, and on iTunes—search “Harvard Memorial Church” from your iTunes app.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

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