

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Holy Baptism
Holy Communion
The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, April 2, 2017

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig, BWV 656 (ca. 1748) *Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)*

HYMN

No. 146 “Jesus, Who This Our Lententide” *Rockingham*
The congregation standing

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 BAPTISM

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 children who are baptized today, and strengthen us all to be your people in the world and a blessing to the Earth.

The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents: We present *Lily Ellen Lennox* to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

Parents & Godparents: We present *William Shivaji Casey* to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

Minister: Will you, as the parents and godparents of these children, be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Godparents: We will with God's help.

Minister: Will you by your prayers and witness help these children grow into the life of God's grace and love?

Parents & Godparents: We will with God's help.

Minister: Will you continue to honor your own spiritual journeys, as role models for the children you present?

Parents & Godparents: We 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: We will with God's help.

To the congregation:

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

People: We will.

Minister: Let us pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Litanist: Open their hearts, O God, to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Litanist: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Litanist: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Litanist: Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

BLESSING OF THE WATER

Minister: Bless by your Holy Spirit, gracious God, this water. By the same Holy Spirit save them who confess the name of Jesus Christ, that sin may have no power over them. Create new life in all who are baptized that they may rise in Christ. Glory to you, eternal God, the one who was, and is, and shall always be, world without end.

People: Amen.

THE BAPTISM

Minister: 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.

PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED

Minister: Let us pray.

People: Eternal and loving God, give to these children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism 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.

People: 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 singing of Hymn No. 27, stanza 1.

GREETING

TESTIMONY

This term community members reflect upon what the Memorial Church means to them.

OFFERTORY

The offering collected goes directly to fund the Memorial Church Grants Committee's recipient organizations and their important work in our local communities. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." Ushers will begin collection from the back of the church.

Psalm 130

De profundis

Plainsong Tone III

Sung by the choir

Antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord;

Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well

the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss,

O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee;

therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him;
in his word is my trust.
My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch;
I say, before the morning watch.
O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy,
and with him is plenteous redemption.
And he shall redeem Israel
from all his sins.

DOXOLOGY

Sung by the congregation, standing

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

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1–14

Pew Bible, page 762 (OT)

KYRIE from *Missa Brevis* (“Trottier”), Op. 558 (2004)

Carson P. Cooman '04 (b. 1982)

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

SECOND LESSON

John 11:17–45

Pew Bible, pages 91–92 (NT)

HYMN

The congregation standing

No. 67, st. 1–3, “Just As I Am, without One Plea”

Woodworth

SERMON

Miracles in the Minutiae

HYMN

No. 67, st. 4–6, “Just As I Am, without One Plea”

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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, all holy God, creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san-na in the high-est. 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. Come now, for all things are ready.

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. Grape juice is in the outer cup and wine is in the inner cup. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. At the giving of the bread and the cup, the people respond with "Amen."

AGNUS DEI from *Missa Brevis* ("Trottier"), Op. 558

Carson P. Cooman '04

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

ANTHEM

Ave, verum corpus, K. 618 (1791)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

Ave, verum corpus natum

Hail the true body, born

De Maria Virgine:

Of the Virgin Mary:

Vere passum, immolatum

You who truly suffered and were sacrificed

In cruce pro homine:

On the cross for the sake of man.

Cuius latus perforatum

From whose pierced flank

Unda fluxit et sanguine:

Flowed water and blood:

Esto nobis prægustatum,

Be a foretaste for us

In mortis examine.

In the trial of death.

HYMN

No. 65, "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Let Us Break Bread

The congregation standing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Aus tiefer Not' schrei' ich zu dir, BWV 686 (ca. 1735)

Johann Sebastian Bach

OUR MISSION

The Memorial Church of Harvard University is a space of grace in the center of the Yard, rooted in the good news of Jesus Christ. Affectionately known as "MemChurch," we pursue partnerships within and beyond Harvard, empowering community members to serve the world as well-informed, compassionate, moral citizens. Through worship and ministry outreach, MemChurch aims to promote justice and mercy by confronting life's challenges, differences, and our own imperfections with courage, empathy, and an ethic of love. By doing so, the Memorial Church seeks to educate minds, expand hearts, and enrich lives.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 2, 2017

WELCOME

Today is the Fifth Sunday in Lent. The preacher is Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church. The service is led by the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister in the Memorial Church; Jane Moran MDiv II and David Price MDiv III, seminarians in the Memorial Church; Karen-Alexandra Nogues '18; and Benjamin Schafer '19. The first lesson is read by Benjamin Schafer '19. The second lesson is read by Brittany Wang '17. The testimony is given by Olivia Castor '17. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir, under the direction of Edward E. Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster; and Thomas M. Sheehan, Associate University Organist and Choirmaster. Today we especially welcome the Lennox and Casey families, whose children receive the sacrament of Baptism.

Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance.

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION AND CHORAL PRELUDE

Next Sunday's service will begin with a choral prelude sung by the Cape Town Youth Choir at 10:30 a.m. on the south steps of the Memorial Church facing Widener Library (weather permitting). We invite you to then join us for a festal procession around Tercentenary Theatre before entering the sanctuary.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Tuesday 4/11: Musical Meditation, 7:00 p.m., works of Carson P. Cooman '04 and Douglas E. Wagner, performed by the University Choir

Wednesday 4/12: Organ Recital, 7:00 p.m., works of Jean Langlais and Charles Tournemire, performed by Thomas Sheehan, Associate University Organist and Choirmaster

Maundy Thursday 4/13: Service of Holy Communion, 7:00 p.m. with choral prelude at 6:45 p.m., performed by the University Choral Fellows

Good Friday 4/14: 12:00 p.m., Meditations upon the Seven Words from the Cross

Easter Day 4/16: Two identical services of Holy Communion at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT

We invite the children and families of the Memorial Church to join us for an Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday. Attendees are invited to gather in the Memorial Room following the first worship service with the egg hunt to begin at 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH SCHOOL

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children of ages three through twelve. Classes are held in the ground level of the Memorial Church during Sunday services and emphasize biblical themes and scripture. The confirmation class will also meet during this time. At the conclusion of the worship service, parents are asked to promptly pick up their children in the Buttrick Room. To register, please visit the Church School for Children page on our website. Contact Church School Director Westley (Wes) Conn (westley_conn@harvard.edu) to register for this class, or for more information about Church School programs.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM

The Faith and Life Forum meets at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Pusey Room, with coffee service at 9 a.m. The Forum explores matters of faith and public life. This term, we will explore the theme of “Faith & Uncertainty.” For the full list of readings and speakers, please visit memorialchurch.harvard.edu/faith-life-forum

MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: APRIL 3 – 7, 8:45 A.M.

Monday: Patricia Fazzone; Tuesday: William Greenlaw '17

Wednesday: Cecilia Laguarda '17; Thursday: Thayer Wade '17; Friday: Kamara Swaby '17

THE OFFICE OF COMPLINE

A service of Compline, which combines candlelight, plainsong, polyphony, prayer, scripture, and silence, will be held this Thursday evening, April 6, at 10:00 p.m. in Appleton Chapel. Music is provided by the Harvard University Choir. All are welcome.

DIVINITY SCHOOL EVENT

What are the spiritual dimensions of our current crisis? What kind of moral, religious and spiritual leadership does this moment require? Come join a conversation with Ruby Sales, icon of the Civil Rights movement and public theologian, on Monday, April 10, at 4:00 p.m. in the Sperry Room of Harvard Divinity School. Stephanie Paulsell, affiliated minister in the Memorial Church, and Karlene Griffiths Sekou MDiv III will moderate.

MUSIC NOTES

Harvard graduate Carson P. Cooman '04 is Composer-in-Residence at the Memorial Church, which has witnessed the premieres of many of his works. The *Missa Brevis* (“Trottier”) was written in celebration of the Reverend François Trottier’s installation as rector of St. Peter’s Church, Central Square, where the composer served as assistant organist during his undergraduate days.

This morning’s organ music comes from the pen of Johann Sebastian Bach. The prelude is from the collection of large-scale chorale preludes known as the *Great Eighteen*, or *Leipzig*

Chorales. “O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig” is a tripartite setting of the original German Lutheran *Agnus Dei*, in which the *cantus firmus* moves from the soprano in verse 1, through the alto in verse 2, to the pedal in the final verse. The postlude is Bach’s setting of the penitential hymn “Aus tiefer Not’ schrei’ ich zu dir,” which is the German translation of Psalm 130. In six voices, the work has a sense of enormity to it, with the hymn tune presented in the upper of two pedal voices.

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 whrb.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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USHERING AND READING SIGN-UP

Ushers and lesson readers play a vital role in worship services for the Memorial Church. If you are interested in ushering or reading, please add your name and e-mail to the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table. We would love to have you join us!

NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. The preacher and presenter at the Faith & Life Forum will be the Reverend Ruby Nell Sales, Founder and Director, The SpiritHouse Project, Atlanta, GA.

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