

# HARVARD

The Memorial Church



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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The Second Sunday of Easter  
Holy Baptism

Sunday, April 8, 2018  
11 a.m.

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

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## PRELUDE

The Tree of Peace (2016)  
Voluntary: Et cognaverunt eum (2003)

*Judith Weir (b. 1954)*  
*Judith Bingham (b. 1952)*

## HYMN

No. 1, st. 1 & 4, "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"  
*The congregation standing*

*Old Hundredth*

## 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

## HYMN

No. 165, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Again"  
*The congregation standing*

*Llanfair*

## 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 this person who is baptized today, and strengthen us all to be your people in the world and a blessing to the Earth.

*The congregation seated*

*Minister:* I now invite the candidate for Holy Baptism to come forward.

*Minister:* *Yukako Otori*, do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate:* I do.

*Minister:* Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, will you turn from the ways of sin and trust in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, being his faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

*Candidate:* I will with God's help.

*Minister:* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior?

*Candidate:* I do.

*Minister:* Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love, to your life's end?

*Candidate:* I will.

*To the congregation:*

*Minister:* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

*People:* We will.

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

*Litanist:* Open her heart, O God, to your grace and truth.

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

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

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

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

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist:* Send her 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 this person 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

## 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 front of the church.*

Psalm 146                      *Lauda, anima mea*                      *Chant by Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)*

Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live, will I praise the Lord;  
yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man;  
for there is no help in them.

For when the breath of man goeth forth, he shall turn again to his earth,  
and then all his thoughts perish.

Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help,  
and whose hope is in the Lord his God:

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is;  
who keepeth his promise for ever;

Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong;  
who feedeth the hungry.

The Lord looseth men out of prison;  
the Lord giveth sight to the blind.  
The Lord helpeth them that are fallen;  
the Lord careth for the righteous.  
The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless and widow:  
as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.  
The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore,  
and throughout all generations.

## DOXOLOGY

*Sung by the congregation, standing*

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

## FIRST LESSON

Micah 6:6-8

*Pew Bible, page 819 (OT)*

## ANTHEM

I Have Seen the Lord: a Mary Magdalene Sequence, Op. 688 (2006) *Carson Cooman '04 (b. 1982)*  
Jake Tilton '19, *alto saxophone*

Mary came to the tomb, weeping. At the tomb, she saw two angels.  
Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?

*Where is my Lord?*

*Mary!*

*Teacher!*

*Come! I am ascending to my Father, and your Father, to my God, and to your God.*

Mary went to the disciples and said, "I have seen the Lord!" Alleluia!

*Adapted from the Bible*

## SECOND LESSON

Luke 10:25-37

*Pew Bible, page 62 (NT)*

## PRAYER HYMN

*Sung by the congregation, seated*



Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to  
see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,  
fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.

## 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.

*Following the Lord's Prayer, the Prayer Hymn is repeated.*

### ANTHEM

Leaf from Leaf Christ Knows (2016)

*Judith Weir*

Leaf from leaf Christ knows;  
Himself the Lily and the Rose:  
Sheep from sheep Christ tells;  
Himself the Shepherd, no one else:  
Star from star he names,  
Himself outblazing all their flames:  
Dove by dove, he calls  
To set each on the golden walls:

Drop by drop, he counts  
The flood of ocean as it mounts:  
Grain by grain, his hand  
Numbers the innumerable sand.  
Lord, I lift to thee  
In peace what is and what shall be:  
Lord, in peace I trust  
To thee all spirits and all dust.

*Christina Rossetti (1830–1894)*

## SERMON

Micah's Message for Our Time

Text: "He has shown you, O Mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?"

## HYMN

No. 340, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

*Gardiner*

*The congregation standing*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Dawning, Op. 396 (2002)

*Carson Cooman '04*

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### 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 8, 2018

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## WELCOME

Today is the Second Sunday of Easter. The preacher is the Honorable Ted Strickland, Richard L. and Ronay A. Menschel Senior Leadership Fellow, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, and former Governor of Ohio. The service is led by Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church; the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister in the Memorial Church; and Jane Moran MDiv III and Michael Robinson MDiv III, Seminarians in the Memorial Church. The first lesson is read by Alden Fossett '21. The second lesson is read by Eric Wang '19. The music is provided by members of 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.

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.

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

## FAITH FORMATION

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children of ages three through fifteen. New this year is our Teen Class. All classes are held during Sunday services in the Fall and Spring Terms. To register or learn more, please visit the Church School for Children page on our website. All families are kindly asked to register their children.

For adults in the MemChurch community, the Faith and Life forum seeks to enrich our spirituality by promoting religious literacy and cultural competency. These programs are held Sunday mornings during the Fall and Spring Terms in the Buttrick Room from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Speakers include scholars, pastors, and other public figures whose work enhances our awareness of the pivotal role religion plays across space and time. The Forum will continue next Sunday, April 15 with Sophie Iosue '18, Church School Teacher in the Memorial Church.

## MORNING PRAYERS

Monday: Jane Moran MDiv III; Tuesday: Randolph Wentworth;  
Wednesday: Alanna C. Sullivan; Thursday: Ciarra Jones MDiv I  
Friday: Kahunui Foster '18



## MUSIC NOTES

Harvard College graduate Carson Cooman '04 is Composer in Residence in the Memorial Church, which has witnessed the premieres of many of his works. *I Have Seen the Lord: a Mary Magdalene Sequence* was commissioned by the Episcopal Diocese of California for the installation of the Right Reverend Marc Handley Andrus as the eighth Bishop of California. It was premiered in July 2006 at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, and features a virtuosic part for alto saxophone.

British composer Judith Weir is Master of the Queen's Music, and was appointed CBE in 2005 for services to music. She studied with Sir John Tavener and Robin Holloway, and is particularly known for her operas and choral music. *Leaf from Leaf Christ Knows* sets a text by Christina Rossetti and was premiered in Wells Cathedral, UK, during its 2016 festival of new music.

Weir also composed the first of today's organ preludes, *The Tree of Peace*. The title comes from a line of Simon Armitage (b. 1963) after Virgil's *Georgics*: "Cultivate the olive, therefore, the tree of Peace." Judith Bingham's *Voluntary: Et cognoverunt eum* forms the conclusion of her *Missa Brevis: The Road to Emmaus*, composed for Westminster Cathedral in 2003. *Dawning* is a radiant, joyful work, in which two fast outer sections surround a slower, more lyrical one; it was written for the birthday of composer Sandra Gay.

## ARTS FIRST CONCERT

The Harvard University Choir and Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra will present Monteverdi's *Vespers* (1610) as part of Harvard's ARTS FIRST festival on Saturday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Church. Admission is free and all are welcome.

## 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 [wbrb.org](http://wbrb.org). Recordings of Sunday Worship Services and Sunday Sermons are available on our website, [memorialchurch.harvard.edu](http://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.

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## NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

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

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