

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Easter Day
Holy Communion

Sunday, April 21, 2019

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

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PRELUDE

Prelude for Easter Dawning (1982)

Dominick Argento (1927–2019)

Resurrection (1981)

Larry King (1932–1990)

Lament

The Rising

The Ecstasy

Reflection

Easter Soundings, Op. 1333 (2019)

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

INTROIT

“Set Me As a Seal” from *a new Creation* (1989)

René Clausen (b. 1953)

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

Song of Solomon 8:6a, 7a (ESV), alt.

SALUTATION

The ministers and choir exchange the following greeting:

Minister: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Choir: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

No. 172, “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Easter Hymn

The congregation standing

INVOCATION

The minister and congregation now exchange the Easter greeting:

Minister: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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

GREETING AND THE PEACE

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. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." Ushers will begin collection from the back of the church.

Kyrie

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

from Missa brevis in C major "Spatzenmesse", K. 220 (1775–76)

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

Christe eleison.

Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Isaiah 65:17–25

Pew Bible, pages 655–656 (OT)

GLORIA from Missa brevis in C major “Spatzenmesse”, K. 220 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

Gloria in excelsis Deo	<i>Glory to God in the highest</i>
Et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis.	<i>And peace to his people on earth.</i>
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,	<i>Lord God, heavenly King,</i>
Adoramus te, glorificamus te.	<i>Almighty God and Father,</i>
Gratias agimus tibi	<i>We worship you, we give you thanks,</i>
Propter magnam gloriam tuam.	<i>We praise you for your glory.</i>
Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis,	<i>Lord God, heavenly King,</i>
Deus Pater omnipotens.	<i>God the Father almighty.</i>
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe.	<i>Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,</i>
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.	<i>Lord God, Lamb of God,</i>
Qui tollis peccata mundi,	<i>You take away the sin of the world:</i>
Miserere nobis.	<i>Have mercy on us.</i>
Qui tollis peccata mundi,	<i>You take away the sin of the world,</i>
Suscipe deprecationem nostram.	<i>Receive our prayer.</i>
Quoniam tu solus sanctus,	<i>For you alone are the holy one,</i>
Tu solus Dominus,	<i>You alone are the Lord,</i>
Tu solus altissimus Iesu Christe,	<i>You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,</i>
Cum Sancto Spiritu:	<i>With the Holy Spirit,</i>
In gloria Dei Patris. Amen.	<i>In the glory of God the Father. Amen.</i>

SECOND LESSON

John 20:1–18

Pew Bible, page 100–101 (NT)

HYMN

No. 251, st. 1 & 2, “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Nicaea

The congregation standing

SERMON

Seeing Yet Believing

Text: “Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed...”

John 20:8

HYMN

No. 251, st. 3 & 4, “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

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

The congregation remains standing.

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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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 from Missa brevis in C major "Spatzenmesse", K. 220 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,

Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

God of power and might,

Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

On the main level of the sanctuary, communicants will be instructed by ushers to proceed to one of four stations. Ushers will direct communicants in the balcony and Appleton Chapel to a designated station. 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 communicants respond with "Amen."

AGNUS DEI from Missa brevis in C major "Spatzenmesse", K. 220 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

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.

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

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

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

HYMN

No. 65, "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Let Us Break Bread

The congregation standing

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL ALLELUIA *George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)*

POSTLUDE

Symphony No. 5, Op. 42, No. 1 (1879)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

V. Toccata

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.

