

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022
11 am

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Choral varié sur le Veni Creator, Op. 4 (1926/30)

Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

HYMN

No. 1, st. 1 & 4, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

The congregation stands and sings.

Old Hundredth

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

Minister: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

People: This is the Lord’s doing; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Minister: The Lord is God and has given us light. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

CONFSSION

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"

Llanfair

The congregation stands and sings.

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 147:1–7, 12 *Laudate Dominum*

Chant by George Thalben-Bell (1896–1987)

Sung by the choir

Praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God;
yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

The Lord doth build up Jerusalem, and gather together the outcasts of Israel.
He healeth those that are broken in heart, and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.
He telleth the number of the stars, and calleth them all by their names.
Great is our Lord, and great is his power; yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
The Lord setteth up the meek, and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; sing praises upon the harp unto our God:
Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Sion.

DOXOLOGY

The congregation stands and sings.

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

Revelation 1:4–8

Pew Bible, page 217 (NT)

ANTHEM

Leaf from Leaf Christ Knows (2016)

Judith Weir (b. 1954)

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)

SECOND LESSON

John 20:19–31

Pew Bible, page 101 (NT)

ANTHEM

The Call

Gail Randall (b. 1955)

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife:
Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a Light, as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part:
Such a Heart, as joys in love.

George Herbert (1593–1633)

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.

Lives a - gain our glo-rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
dy - ing once, he all doth save; where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?

SERMON

HYMN

No. 217, "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Diademata

The congregation stands and sings.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata sur le Veni Creator, Op. 4 (1926/30)

Maurice Duruflé

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 24th, 2022

WELCOME

Today is the Second Sunday of Easter. The preacher is the Reverend Matthew Ichihashi Potts, Pusey Minster in the Memorial Church and Plummer Professor of Christian Morals, Faculty of Divinity. The worship leaders are the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister and Director of Administration in the Memorial Church; the Reverend Calvon T. Jones, Assistant Minister in the Memorial Church; Laurie Sedgwick MDiv III; and Cheyenne Boon MDiv II. 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. The flowers are dedicated in loving memory of the Reverend John Buchanan, longtime friend of the Memorial Church, who passed away on May 19.

MUSIC NOTES

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. Gail Randall worked as a secondary school music teacher and flutist in Manchester, England before devoting herself primarily to composition in retirement. *The Call* is a setting of a beloved text by George Herbert and throughout features a soprano solo floating over the choir.

Today's organ music is by the renowned French organist Maurice Duruflé: appointed organist of St. Etienne-du-Mont, Paris, in 1930, he would occupy the post until 1975, when a serious car accident ended his professional career. Duruflé won the composition prize of the Amis de l'Orgue for his *Prélude, Adagio et Choral varié sur le thème du Veni Creator*, which takes as its basis the ninth-century hymn, *Veni Creator Spiritus*. Our prelude presents the chorale and its initial variations; the postlude is the fourth and final variation, a brilliant toccata. This final movement seamlessly modulates a tritone away and back again in a few short measures; in the final bars, the pedal plays the theme for the "Amen," adding punctuation to the culmination of the work

MORNING PRAYERS

Our daily service of Morning Prayers takes place at 8:30 am in Appleton Chapel. The last day of Morning Prayers for the term will be May 4.

ORGAN RECITAL

Today at 4 pm, Carson Cooman will present an organ recital including music by Macchia, Dunphy, Pumfrey, Williams, Ferrari, Mohr, Bräuer, and Firlinger. Admission is free.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Indoor masking is optional for worship at the Memorial Church. 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. Thank you for your cooperation and support of the ministries of the Memorial Church.

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. 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.

Today is the last day of Church School programming for the 2021–22 academic year. We hope that you and your families join us for worship Children's Sunday, May 1. This is also the day that we will recognize our graduating Church School teachers.

Please visit our website to learn more or email Assistant Minister, Calvon 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 LUBF is hosting a Fire Revival on Saturday, April 30 at 7 pm, 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. Calvon 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. Calvon Jones (*calvon_jones@harvard.edu*)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

"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 clergyperson 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 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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NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of Easter and Children’s Sunday. The preacher is the Rev. Calvon Tijuan Jones, Assistant Minister in the Memorial Church.

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