HARVARD
The Memorial Church

Order of Worship

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 22, 2018

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY OF THE MEMORIAL CHURCH.
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PRELUDE
Herzlich tut mich erfreuen, Op. 122, No. 4 (1896) Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

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

HYMN
No. 291, “Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of My Heart” Slane
The congregation standing

GREETING AND THE PEACE
All are invited to join in 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.
“As with Rosy Steps the Morn”                                    George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)
from Theodora, HWV 68 (1750)

Theodora Mautz ’19, mezzo-soprano

As with rosy steps the morn,
Advancing, drives the shades of night,
So from virtuous toil well-borne,
Raise thou our hopes of endless light.
Triumphant savior, Lord of day,
Thou art the life, the light, the way!

Thomas Morell (1703–1784)

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;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

FIRST LESSON
Proverbs 4:10–27                                          Pew Bible, page 550 (OT)

ANTHEM

Theodora Mautz ’19, mezzo-soprano

God is my shepherd, I want for nothing.
My rest is in the pleasant meadows,
He leadeth me where quiet waters flow!
My fainting soul doth he restore,
And guideth me in the ways of peace, to glorify his name.
And though in death’s dark valley my steps must wander,
My spirit shall not fear, for thou art by me still;
Thy rod and staff are with me, and they shall comfort me.

after Psalm 23:1–4

SECOND LESSON
Matthew 14:22–31                                          Pew Bible, page 14 (NT)
PRAYER HYMN
*Sung by the congregation, seated*

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, 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.*

HYMN
No. 243, “Send Down Thy Truth, O God”
*Nova vita*
The congregation standing

SERMON
Get Out of the Boat!
Text: “And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea.”
*Matthew 14:25*
HYMN
No. 226, “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”  Hyfrydol
The congregation standing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Fugue in D major, BWV 532b  Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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.
Welcome

Today is the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost. The preacher is Minister Kevin Bryant; Affiliated Minister in the Memorial Church; Security Services Coordinator & Diversity/Community Liaison, Harvard University Police Department. The service is led by the Reverend Katherine Schofield, Interim Minister in the Memorial Church; and the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister in the Memorial Church. The organist is Thomas Sheehan, Associate Organist and Choirmaster in the Memorial Church. The soloist is Theodora Mautz ’19.

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

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 this summer, please add your name and e-mail to the sign-up sheet in the narthex. We would love to have you join us!

Confirmation Class

Confirmation will be offered next year for students in seventh and eighth grades. This class will meet regularly on Sunday mornings in the 2018–19 academic year. To register or learn more, contact Wes Conn (westley_conn@harvard.edu), Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church.
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NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost. The preacher will be the Reverend Dr. Stephanie Paulsell, Affiliated Minister in the Memorial Church and Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies, Harvard Divinity School.

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