HARVARD
The Memorial Church

Order of Worship

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Baptism
World Communion Sunday

Sunday, October 1, 2017
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PRELUDE

“Introitus” and “Kyrie” from Missa brevis (1944) Zoltán Kodály (1882–1967)

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

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. 241, “Come Down, O Love Divine” Down Ampney

The congregation standing
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 Winifred Watt Devlin to receive the sacrament of Baptism.
Parents & Godparents: We present Theodore Emery Devlin 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 each of 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
OFFERTORY

A portion of today's offering will go towards supporting hurricane relief efforts in Puerto Rico. If you'd like your contribution to go directly to hurricane relief, please indicate on your offering envelope or write "Hurricane Relief" in the memo line of your check.

Psalm 78:1–4, 13–17  Attendite, popule  Chant by John Stafford Smith (1750–1836)
Sung by the choir

Hear my law, O my people;
incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will declare hard sentences of old;
Which we have heard and known,
and such as our fathers have told us;

That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come;
but to show the honor of the Lord,
his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt,
even in the field of Zoan.

He divided the sea, and let them go through;
he made the waters to stand on an heap.

In the day-time also he led them with a cloud,
and all the night through with a light of fire.

He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness,
and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.

He brought waters out of the stony rock,
so that it gushed out like the rivers.

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

Exodus 17:1–7  Pew Bible, pages 59–60 (OT)
GLORIA from Missa brevis

Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
Adoramus te, glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi  
Propter magnam gloriam tuam.  
Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe.  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
Miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
Suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
Miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus sanctus,  
Tu solus Dominus,  
Tu solus altissimus Iesu Christe,  
Cum Sancto Spiritu:  
In gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest  
And peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy on us.  
You take away the sin of the world,  
Receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
Have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 21:23–32

Pew Bible, page 20 (NT)

HYMN

The congregation standing

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

SERMON

Love before Leadership, Part I

Text: “The people quarreled with Moses, and said ‘Give us water to drink.’ Moses said to them, ‘Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?’”  
Exodus 17:2

HYMN

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The congregation may be seated.
The minister continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung by the choir

Albert H. Malotte (1895–1964)

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

Zoltán Kodály

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 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
De Maria Virgine:
Vere passum, immolatum
In cruce pro homine:
Cuius latus perforatum
Unda fluxit et sanguine:
Esto nobis prægustatum,
In mortis examine.

Hail the true body, born
Of the Virgin Mary:
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
On the cross for the sake of man.
From whose pierced flank
Flowed water and blood:
Be a foretaste for us
In the trial of death.
HYMN
No. 65, “Let Us Break Bread Together”

The congregation standing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Ite, missa est” from Missa brevis

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. 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; Michael Robinson MDiv III and Jane Moran MDiv III, seminarians in the Memorial Church; Karen-Alexandra Nogues ’18; and Kenny Lim G2. The first lesson is read by Francesca Noelette ’19. The second lesson is read by Abigail Ory ’21. 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 Devlin family, whose children receive the sacrament of Baptism.

A crying room is available in the lower level of the church for young children and infants. Parents and their children are welcome to use the 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, October 8, with the Reverend Westley Conn, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church.

Contact Ministry Fellow, Westley (Wes) Conn (westley_conn@harvard.edu) for more information about faith formation at MemChurch.
MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: OCTOBER 2 – 6, 8:45 A.M.
Monday: Robert Wilkinson; Tuesday: Aric Flemming MDiv II
Wednesday: Jing Leung ’18; Thursday: Sophia Iosue ’18; Friday: Jordan Harris

CHORAL EVENSONG
This afternoon at 4:00 p.m., the Harvard University Choir will present a service of choral evensong in Appleton Chapel, featuring works of René Clausen, Carson Cooman ’04, and Charles Callahan. All are welcome.

PEACEFUL PIPES ORGAN MUSIC SERIES
This Wednesday, October 4, Thomas Sheehan will present a program of contemplative and meditative organ music in Appleton Chapel at 12:15 p.m.

THE OFFICE OF COMPLINE
This Thursday, compline, a twenty-minute candlelit evening service, will be sung by the Harvard University Choir, based upon the traditional evening liturgy of scripture, music, prayers, and silence. The service will be held in Appleton Chapel at 9 p.m.

MUSIC NOTES
Unlike his compatriot and friend Béla Bartók (who emigrated to the USA), the Hungarian composer Zoltán Kodály remained in his homeland during the Nazi occupation, and after the war he became one of the key figures in the development of music education in Europe. He is primarily remembered today for his masterful orchestral works—the Dances of Galánta, the Peacock Variations, and the suite from the opera Harý János; however, Kodály himself considered human song the basis of all music, and the larger part of his output is choral. Of these works, many are substantial liturgical pieces, or ones based on religious texts, including the Psalmus hungaricus, Te Deum, and Laudes organi. The Missa brevis was written originally as an organ mass, and it is in that guise that the music of the prelude and postlude is heard today. Its genesis, as explained by the composer in a 1944 interview, was as an accompaniment to a spoken “low mass” on the harmonium, with the music reflecting closely the inflections of the mass text. He later arranged his improvisations into a work for organ and mixed choir, and gave it the subtitle “tempore belli” (“in the time of war”—adapted from the nickname of Haydn’s famous C-major mass of 1796) due to the unfortunate circumstances of its premiere, which took place in the basement cloakroom of the Budapest Opera House during the Siege of Budapest. The usual six movements of the mass are framed by an opening Introitus and a closing Ite, missa est, and throughout the work a wide variety of influences is on display, from Gregorian Chant to traditional Hungarian folk music; the haunting trio for high sopranos at the “Christe eleison” is one of the work’s most distinctive and memorable moments.
COFFEE HOUR
Please join us downstairs for coffee and conversation following the service. We look forward to getting to know you!

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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Ushers and lesson readers play a vital role in worship services for the Memorial Church. If you are interested in ushering or reading, please contact Alanna Sullivan (alanna_sullivan@harvard.edu). We would love to have you join us!

NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE
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