HARVARD
The Memorial Church

Order of Worship

All Saints’ Day
November 7, 2021
11 am

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

PRELUDE
Prelude and Fugue in E major, BWV 566

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

HYMN
No. 83, “For All the Saints”
The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

CALL TO WORSHIP
Minister: Blessed be God, our maker, our savior, and our aid
People: And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
Minister: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People: There is one hope in God’s call to us;
Minister: One Christ, one Faith, one Baptism;
People: One God and maker of all.
Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

FIRST LESSON
Isaiah 25:6–9

Pew Bible, page 612 (OT)
ANTHEM

O quam gloriosum

O quam gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti!
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

O how glorious is the kingdom
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ,
clad in robes of white
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

Antiphon to the Magnificat, Second Vespers of All Saints

SECOND LESSON

John 11:32–44

Pew Bible, page 92 (NT)

ANTHEM

Justorum animae

Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt,
et non tanget illos tormentum mortis.
Visi sunt oculis insipientium mori,
illi autem sunt in pace.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and the torment of death shall not touch them.
In the sight of the foolish they seemed to die;
but they are in peace.

Offertory, Feast of All Saints, after Wisdom 3:1–2a, 3b

SERMON

HYMN

No. 241, “Come Down, O Love Divine”

The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

Down Ampney
The Baptism

Minister: The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents: I present Caroline Bebe Heffernan.

Parents: I present Josephine Rose Means.

Parents: I present Nial Om Sharma.

Parents: I present Olivia Haeun Wu.

Minister: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: I will with God’s help.

Minister: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents: I will with God’s help.

Minister: Do you renounce all sinful powers that draw you from the love of God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Minister: Do you put your whole trust in God’s grace and love?

Parents: I do.

To the congregation:

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

People: We will.

Minister: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE COVENANT

Minister: Do you believe in God, the maker of heaven and earth?

People: I believe in God our maker.

Minister: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who healed the sick, welcomed the outcast, and preached good news to the poor; who suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried; who descended to the dead;
and on the third day rose again?

*People:* I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son.

*Minister:* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit, the Church universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

*People:* I believe in the Holy Spirit.

*Minister:* Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People:* I will, with God’s help.

*Minister:* Will you persevere in resisting all that draws you from God’s love, and whenever you fail, repent and make amends?

*People:* I will, with God’s help.

*Minister:* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People:* I will, with God’s help.

*Minister:* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People:* I will, with God’s help.

*Minister:* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People:* I will, with God’s help.

*Minister:* Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

**PRAYERS FOR THE BAPTISANDS**

*Intercessor:* Open their hearts, O God, to your grace and truth.

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor:* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor:* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor: Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People: Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor: Bring them into the fullness of your peace and glory.
People: Lord, hear our prayer.
Minister: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory, who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Minister: We thank you, Loving Creator, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.
THE BAPTISM

Minister: —, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us pray. Gracious Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them 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.

—, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ’s own forever. Amen.

Minister: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

THE PEACE & GREETING

All are invited to join in the singing of Hymn No. 27, stanza 1.

OFFERTORY

The offering collected today goes directly to fund Project Manna, an outreach ministry of Massachusetts Avenue Baptist Church in Cambridge. Project Manna offers nutritional assistance to enhance the quality of life and decrease the incidence of hunger for low-income families and individuals. Ushers will begin collection from the front of the church. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line “Project Manna.” You may also donate online at https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/donate

Psalm 24 Domini est terra Chant by Joseph Barnby (1838–1896)

Sung by the choir

The earth is the Lord’s, and all that therein is; the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall rise up in his holy place?

Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart;
and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbor.
He shall receive the blessing from the Lord,
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
This is the generation of them that seek him;
even of them that seek thy face, O God of Jacob.
Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
Who is this King of glory? * It is the Lord strong and mighty,
even the Lord mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
Who is this King of glory? Even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

DOXOLOGY

*The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.*
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.

**The Rite of Eucharistic Fasting**

**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 children, 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

The congregation remains masked while singing.

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 minister continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.
THE LORD'S PRAYER

The congregation remains masked while singing.

BENEDICTION

HYMN
No. 65, “Let Us Break Bread Together”

Let Us Break Bread

The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**
Sunday, November 7, 2021

**WELCOME**

Today is All Saints’ Day. The preacher is the Reverend Matthew Ichihashi Potts, Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church and Plummer Professor of Christian Morals, Faculty of Divinity, Harvard University. The worship leaders are the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister and Director of Administration in the Memorial Church; the Reverend Emmanuel K. Akyeampong, Minister for Worship and Formation in the Memorial Church, Ellen Gurney Professor of History and Professor of African and African American Studies, and Oppenheimer Faculty Director of the Harvard University Center for African Studies; Laurie Sedgwick MDiv III; and Cheyenne Boon MDiv II. The first lesson is read by Kale Catchings ’22. The second lesson is read by Tommy O’Neil ’23. 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. We welcome today the Harvard Men’s Basketball team.

**MUSIC NOTES**

Tomás Luis de Victoria is widely regarded as the greatest Spanish Renaissance composer. His musical education began at Avila cathedral, where he was a choirboy, before moving to Rome to study at the Jesuit College. He was ordained a priest in 1575 and later took chaplaincies at two Roman churches. He returned to Spain in 1587 to become chaplain to Philip II’s sister, the Dowager Empress Maria, at the convent of Descalzas Reales in Madrid, where he remained as organist and choirmaster for the remainder of his life. The beautiful All Saints’ Day motet *O quam gloriosum* was published in 1572 and remains one of the composer’s most famous works, full of picturesque word painting and exquisite arching melodies.

The prolific Flemish composer Orlande de Lassus was a truly cosmopolitan composer: he spent his early life in Italy and Belgium, followed by an appointment as *Maestro di cappella* to the Duke of Bavaria in Munich. After his death, his two sons published much of his music in a massive collection that includes over sixty settings of the Mass Ordinary and over five hundred motets. *Justorum animae*—the Offertory for All Saints’ Day—begins with imitation between the voice parts before a more homophonic texture emerges; a brief triple-time section leads to a calm, static ending which portrays the peaceful repose of the souls.

In 1705, Johann Sebastian Bach visited the city of Lübeck to learn from the composer Dieterich Buxtehude. Written during his four-month stay there, the *Prelude and Fugue in E major*, BWV 566 closely resembles the sectional North German praeludium genre that Buxtehude had perfected. Comprising multiple manual and pedal cadenzas, the prelude is improvisatory in nature, full of suspended harmonies. The fugue is cast in four
sections: the first section is largely traditional; the second section consists of “stylus phantasticus” flourishes and a pedal cadenza; the third section in 3/4 is reminiscent of the first fugue; and the final section features virtuosic manual passages and an energetic pedal cadenza.

MORNING PRAYERS
Our daily service of Morning Prayers takes place at 8:30 am. Monday: Susie Hayward MDiv ’07; Tuesday: Lauren Church ’21; Wednesday: Matthew Ichihashi Potts; Thursday: Everett Spain DBA ’14; Friday: TBA

HARVARD BAROQUE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT
On Sunday, November 7 at 4 pm, the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra will present a concert of works that represent G. F. Handel’s time in Italy. Countertenor Benjamin Perry Wenzelberg and cellist Phoebe Carrai will be featured soloists. Harvard ID or proof of vaccination required.

CHRISTOPH WOLFF MASTERCLASS PERFORMANCE
On Sunday, November 14 at 4 pm, noted Bach scholar and Adams University Professor Emeritus Christoph Wolff will lead the Harvard University Choir, the Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum, and the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra in a masterclass performance featuring cantatas by Johann Sebastian Bach. Harvard ID or proof of vaccination required.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES
The wellbeing of our visitors, students, and staff remains our top commitment at the Memorial Church. Harvard University continues to closely monitor the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and it is an ever-changing situation.

We are taking important steps to protect against COVID-19. We grateful for your assistance helping us to take these precautionary measures to prevent the spread of infection and to prioritize the wellbeing of our community, especially the most vulnerable in our midst.

We ask that all visitors, students, and staff abide by the following:

• All individuals will be masked indoors.
• All individuals/households will attest to the state of their health upon arrival. Individuals will be asked to leave if they have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and/or exhibiting symptoms with COVID-19.
• All individuals will refrain from public consumption of food and beverage indoors.

Please review the latest guidance for on-campus activity before attending services or other events on campus. Seating with physical distancing is available.

Guidance may be subject to additions and changes based upon the distribution of the disease and local disease dynamics. We appreciate your understanding and patience during this time.
Things are a bit different. Some of the details of our worship life have been altered to accommodate pandemic restrictions. Some of our programming has been adjusted to keep everyone safe. But what we hope you find entirely familiar is the love and openness and welcome with which we hope to fill our church each day.

**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. Participants will need to register and attest to their health in order to participate in the weekly forum gatherings. There is both a virtual and in-person component. 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. 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](https://bit.ly/3iUtEWV)

**STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Looking for a way to get more involved with the Memorial Church? Student Deacons might be the answer! Student Deacons is a volunteer, ecumenical Christian program involving both undergraduate and graduate students. Their service involves a ministry of hospitality and welcome during Sunday services and in the wider MemChurch community. If you’re looking for a new opportunity for spiritual growth, please contact Student Program Coordinator, Anna Burnham (anna_burnham@harvard.edu), for more information!

**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!

**SUPPER AT SPARKS HOUSE**

Colette and Matt Potts would like to invite vaccinated members of the congregation to join them for small group, casual suppers at Sparks House over the coming months. If you would
like to gather with Colette, Matt, and a few other Memorial Churchgoers for conversation and followship, please contact Elizabeth Montgomery (elizabeth_montgomery@harvard.edu). As Elizabeth gathers names, we will begin scheduling suppers to match the Pottses’ and others’ schedules over the coming months.

**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, 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

**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 Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost and the Commemoration of the War Dead. The preacher is the Reverend Matthew Ichihashi Potts, Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church and Plummer Professor of Christian Morals, Faculty of Divinity, Harvard University.

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