



The Heart of Harvard Yard

WORSHIP SERVICES

A multi-denominational Protestant worship service open to all regardless of faith, serving the Harvard University community and beyond. Services are in the Memorial Church Sanctuary, are live-streamed on YouTube, and are broadcast live on Harvard’s radio station, WHRB 95.3 FM, and online at whrb.org.

Sept. 1, 11 a.m.
FIRST-YEAR SUNDAY

Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts, Ph.D. ’13, Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church of Harvard University, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals in the Faculty of Divinity. Anthems: Thomas Tallis: Mass for Four Voices; William Byrd: Ave verum corpus.

Sept. 8, 11 a.m.
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF FALL TERM
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts. Anthems: Felix Mendelssohn: “And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth” from Elijah; Amy Beach: Peace I Leave With You.

Sept. 15, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Rev. Stephanie Paulsell, Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies, Harvard Divinity School. Anthems: Kola Owolabi: Weave for Us a Garment of Brightness; Andrea Ramsey: That Which Remains.

Sept. 22, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts. Anthems: Gustav Holst: Psalm 148; Imogen Holst: A Hymne to Christ.

Sept. 29, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Calvin Jones, Assistant Minister/Director, the Memorial Church of Harvard University. Anthem: J. S. Bach: Komm, Jesu, komm, BWV 229; Giovanni Croce: Laudate Dominum.

Oct. 6, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts. Anthems: Charles Villiers: Stanford: Gloria in B-flat, Op. 128; Charles Villiers Stanford: Agnus Dei in F; W. A. Mozart: Ave verum corpus.

Oct. 13, 11 a.m.
Preacher: Charrise Barron, Assistant Professor of Music, Ethnomusicology, Harvard University Department of Music. Anthems: Melissa Dunphy: If I Can Stop One Heart from Breaking; Christopher H. Harris: Bring Me All Your Dreams.

Oct. 20, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Rev. Emmanuel Akyeampong, Ellen Gurney Professor of History and Professor of African and African American Studies, Oppenheimer Faculty Director of the Harvard University Center for African Studies. Anthems: Carson Cooman: Ocean of Light; Patricia Van Ness: In oculis Dei.

Oct. 27, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Carolyn J. Sharp, Professor of Homiletics at Yale Divinity School. Anthems: Anton Bruckner: Locus iste; Johannes Brahms: Geistliches Lied.

Nov. 3, 11 a.m.
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts. Anthems: Gabriel Fauré: Requiem (excerpts).

Nov. 10, 11 a.m.
COMMEMORATION OF THE WAR DEAD
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts. Anthem: C. Hubert H.; Parry: My Soul, There Is a Country; William H. Harris: Faire Is the Heaven; Edgar Bainton: And I Saw a New Heaven.

Nov. 17, 11 a.m.
Preacher: Elizabeth Propst ’23, MDiv II, Seminarian in the Memorial Church of Harvard University. Anthems: Moses Hogan: Lord, Hear My Prayer; Daniel E. Gawthrop: Sing Me to Heaven.

Nov. 24, 11 a.m.
THANKSGIVING WEEKEND
Preacher: The Rev. Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister and Director of Administration, Memorial Church of Harvard University. Anthems: James Whitbourn: Pure River of Water of Life; Grayston Ives: There Is a Land of Pure Delight.

Dec. 1, 11 a.m.
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts. Anthems: Plainchant: Mass XVII; Edward Elgar: Ave verum corpus.

Dec. 8, 11 a.m.
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Calvin Jones. Anthems: Lance J. Phillip: Communion Service (“Fiat lux”); Stephanie Martin: Ave verum corpus.

Dec. 15, 11 a.m.
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts.

Dec. 22, 11 a.m.
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Preacher: The Rev. Alanna C. Sullivan.

Dec. 25, 5 p.m.
CHRISTMAS EVE
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Calvin Jones.

MORNING PRAYERS

Monday – Friday, 8:30 – 8:45 a.m.
Begins Sept. 3 • Appleton Chapel
Consisting of music, prayer, and a brief address given by a member or friend of the University, this service is a great way to start the day. Speaker schedule: memorialchurch.harvard.edu/morningprayers.

HOLY COMMUNION
Fourth Wednesday each month during term, 5:15 p.m. Holy Communion followed by fellowship and milkshakes!

BLACK FELLOWSHIP

Sept. 29 and Nov. 10, 3 p.m.
The Love United Black Fellowship is a program of conversations, music, fellowship and worship. The ministry seeks to curate a welcoming space for persons of color in the Harvard community.

CHURCH SCHOOL
Sundays during term 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
The Church School offers Christian education classes for children ages three through sixteen. All classes are held during Sunday services in the Fall and Spring Terms. Learn more: memorialchurch.harvard.edu/churchschool.

MUSIC
Music in the Memorial Church is led by the Harvard University Choir. The choir provides the music for weekly and daily services, as well as special concerts throughout the year. Concerts are held in the Memorial Church Sanctuary unless otherwise noted and are free and open to the public.

Oct. 10, 8 p.m.
HBCO FALL CONCERT
The Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra performs its fall concert “Prelude,” featuring the work of Johann Sebastian Bach.

Oct. 27, 4 p.m.
THE MUSIC OF GUSTAV HOLST
The Harvard University Choir celebrates the 150th birthday of the English composer Gustav Holst with a concert featuring his music, and music of his daughter, Imogen Holst.

Nov. 17, 4 p.m.
JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH
The Harvard University Choir, the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra, and the Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum perform a concert in celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the 1724 Chorale-Cantata Cycle.

Dec. 8, 5 p.m. and Dec. 10, 8 p.m.
115TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE
The annual carol service is the oldest carol service in America, and long-honored tradition in the Memorial Church.

LUNCHTIME RECITALS
RECITALS
Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Oct. 30, Nov. 13, and Dec. 4 at 12:15 p.m.
Recitals featuring organists David von Behren, Carson Cooman, and Jackson Borges. For information: <https://bit.ly/3zzzg8AE>

CHORAL SERVICES
COMPLINE
Sept. 5, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, Dec. 5 at 9 p.m. • Appleton Chapel
This twenty-minute candlelit evening service is sung by the Harvard University Choir, based upon the traditional evening liturgy of scripture, music, prayers, and silence.

EVENSONG
Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21, at 5:45 p.m. • Appleton Chapel
Directed by Edward Elwyn Jones, Gund Organist and Choirmaster, Memorial Church.

STUDENT PROGRAMS
The Memorial Church is a unique and welcoming community in the heart of Harvard Yard. We offer a robust menu of programs for all Harvard students. For more information about our thriving student community: memorialchurch.harvard.edu/student-programs

HARVARD UNIVERSITY CHOIR
For over 180 years the Harvard University Choir has provided a unique opportunity for student singers to perform great choral literature at the highest level, both in concert and during the services of the Memorial Church.

STUDENT OASIS
Cool off, Relax, Study, Cook, and Connect with friends in the lower level of the church. Hours: Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–11 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.–9 p.m.; Sunday, 1 p.m.–9 p.m. The entrance to the Student Oasis is directly across from Canaday Hall.

AFTER SCHOOL SNACK
Take a study break for fellowship and snacks with the Rev. Matthew Potts, his family, their dog Suki, and other members of the MemChurch community at Sparks House. Dates and times to be announced.

QUEER-AFFIRMING/FEMINIST BIBLE STUDY
Whether you are brand new to the Bible or looking to understand this ancient text in a new way, this weekly inclusive Bible study is for you. Dates and times to be announced.