

# HARVARD

The Memorial Church



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 29, 2024, 11 am

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### PRELUDE

Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot, BWV 678  
Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731

*Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)*

### HYMN,

No. 1, "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"  
*The congregation stands and sings*

*Old Hundredth*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalms 71, 143, 16, and 34*

*Minister:* You are our hope, O Lord our God.

*People:* We have been sustained by you ever since we were born.

*Minister:* Let us hear of your loving-kindness this morning,  
For we put our trust in you.

*People:* Show us the road that we must walk,  
For we lift up our souls to you.

*Minister:* You will show us the path of life,  
In your presence there is fulness of joy.

*People:* The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous,  
And his ears are open to their cry.

### 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. 33, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"  
*The congregation stands and sings*

*Lobe den Herren*

## THE PEACE AND GREETINGS

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

*People:* And also with you.

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

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Psalm 124 *Nisi quia Dominus*

*Thomas Attwood (1765–1838)*

*Sung by the choir*

## 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

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

*Pew Bible, page 413 (OT)*

## ANTHEM

Ich lasse dich nicht, du segnest mich denn, BWV 1164 (Anh. 159)

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

Ich lasse dich nicht,  
du segnest mich denn,  
mein Jesu, ich lasse dich nicht.

*I will not let go of you,  
that you might bless me,  
my Jesus, I will not let go of you.*

Weil du mein Gott und Vater bist,  
dein Kind wirst du verlassen nicht,  
du väterliches Herz.

*As you are my God and Father,  
you will not forsake your child,  
you fatherly heart.*

Ich bin ein armer Erdenkloß,  
auf Erden weiß ich keinen Trost.

*I am a poor clod of dirt,  
on earth I know no solace.*

*Genesis 32:26 and Anonymous (3rd stanza of “Warum betrübst du dich, mein Herz”)*

## SECOND LESSON

Mark 9:38–50

*Pew Bible, page 39 (NT)*

## ANTHEM

Laudate Dominum

*Giovanni Croce (ca. 1558–1609)*

Laudate Dominum in sanctis ejus; laudate eum in firmamento virtutis ejus.  
Laudate eum in virtutibus ejus  
Laudate eum in sono tubae; laudate eum in psalterio et cithara.  
Laudate eum in tympano et choro; laudate eum in chordis et organo.  
Laudate eum in cymbalis bene sonantibus; laudate eum in cymbalis jubilationis.  
Omnis spiritus laudet Dominum!

*Praise ye the Lord in his holy places: praise ye him in the firmament of his power.*

*Praise ye him for his mighty acts.*

*Praise him with the sound of trumpet: praise him with psaltery and harp.*

*Praise him with timbrel and choir: praise him with strings and organs.*

*Praise him on high sounding cymbals: praise him on cymbals of joy:*

*let every spirit praise the Lord.*

*from Psalm 150*

## 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*



Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life a - new,



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

## SERMON

*The Rev. Calvon T. Jones*

## HYMN

No. 280, "O God, Thou Faithful God"

*O Gott, du frommer Gott*

*The congregation stands and sings*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Sinfonia from Cantata BWV 29 (1731)

*Johann Sebastian Bach*  
*trans. Harvey Grace (1874–1944)*

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