

# HARVARD

The Memorial Church



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 28, 2024, 11 am

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### PRELUDE

Sonatina for Organ, Op. 382 (1983)

*Alan Hovhaness (1911–2000)*

Andante — Allegretto pastorale — Adagio con molto espressione

### HYMN

No. 317, "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us"

*Mannheim*

*The congregation stands and sings*

### 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. 14, "God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him"

*Abbot's Leigh*

*The congregation stands and sings*

## THE PEACE & GREETING

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

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Psalm 22:25–32 *Deus, Deus meus*  
*Sung by the choir*

*Matthew Camidge (1758–1844)*

## 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

1 John 4:7–21

*Pew Bible, page 213 (NT)*

## ANTHEM

Most Glorious Lord of Life, Op. 30 (2024)

*Chung Hon Michael Cheng '19, 3L (b. 1997)*

## SECOND LESSON

John 15:9–17

*Pew Bible, page 96 (NT)*

## ANTHEM

As a Lily Among Brambles (2022)

*David Hurd (b. 1950)*

## SERMON

*The Rev. Matthew Ichibashi Potts*

## HYMN

No. 241, “Come Down, O Love Divine”  
*The congregation stands and sings*

*Down Ampney*

## THE EXAMINATION

### THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*The congregation standing.*

*Minister:* Do you believe in God the Father, creator of heaven and earth?

*People:* I believe in God our creator.

*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 children who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

## THE PRAYERS

THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

HYMN

No. 345, "Morning Glory, Starlit Sky"  
*The congregation stands and sings*

*Memorial Church*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fantasy on "Victimae paschali laudes", Op. 1186 (2017)

*Carson Cooman '04 (b. 1982)*

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