

The Memorial Church



Order of Worship

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, January 12, 2014

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

PRELUDE

Three Settings of "Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam"

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750) Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706) Dieterich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

HYMN

No. 1, verses 1 & 4, "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" *The congregation standing*

Old Hundredth

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister:	Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens.
People:	Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.
Minister:	How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
People:	We feast on the abundance of your house,
Minister:	For with you is the fountain of life;
People:	In your light we see light.

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

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN

No. 41, "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" The congregation standing

GREETINGS

THE PEACE

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

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AT THE OFFERTORY

I Wonder As I Wander

John Jacob Niles (1892–1980)

I wonder as I wander out under the sky How Jesus the Savior did come for to die For poor on'ry people like you and like I; I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all But high from God's heaven, a star's light did fall And the promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing A star in the sky or a bird on the wing Or all of God's Angels in heaven to sing He surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.

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Here an offering is received for the work of the Church within and beyond the University. Ushers will begin the collection from the back of the Church forward.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

PSALTER

Psalm 29 *To be read responsively; the congregation standing*

GLORIA PATRI

See Hymn No. 371

FIRST LESSON

Matthew 3:13–17

ANTHEM

"He Shall Feed His Flock" from Messiah

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; and he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Pew Bible, pages 467-468 (OT)

Pew Bible, page 3 (NT)

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

Isaiah 40:11

Come unto him, all ye that labor, come unto him that are heavy laden, and he will give you rest. Take his yoke upon you, and learn of him, for he is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Matthew 11:28-29

SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

Pew Bible, page 113 (NT)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Minister:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Minister:	Let us pray. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
People:	For we put our trust in you.
Minister:	In you, Lord, is our hope;
People:	And we shall never hope in vain.

Each time the minister says "Lord, in your mercy," the congregation will respond with "Hear our prayer."

THE GRACE

The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

HYMN

No. 247, "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" *The congregation standing*

SERMON

Bring Forth Justice to the Nations Sermon Text: Isaiah 42:1–9

HYMN

No. 285, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" *The congregation standing*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BWV 739

The preacher this morning is the Reverend Dr. Claudia Highbaugh, Dean of Religious and Spiritual Life, Connecticut College, New London, CT. The first lesson is read by Suzanne Hamner. The second lesson is read by Janetta C. Randolph. The service is led by Alanna Copenhaver. The organist is Edward E. Jones. The Soloist is Melinda Biocchi '08, soprano (former choir secretary of the Harvard University Choir).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS Sunday, January 12, 2014

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Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance. Following the service, the congregation is invited to a reception in the Memorial Room.

WINTER RECESS

Morning Prayers services have ended for the Fall Term and will resume at the start of the Spring Term on Monday, January 27, 8:45 a.m. The Faith & Life Forum has ended and will resume on February 2. The Church School for Children is on recess and will resume on January 19.

SERMONS AND MORNING PRAYERS SERVICES ON HARVARD'S ITUNES U AND SOUNDCLOUD

Sunday sermons and weekly Morning Prayers services are available on Harvard's iTunes U and SoundCloud. Search for "Harvard Memorial Church" on Apple's iTunes software or on SoundCloud's website at *https://soundcloud.com*. Additionally, past Sunday sermons from the late Peter J. Gomes can now be heard on Harvard's iTunes U and SoundCloud; search for "Peter J. Gomes."

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the Second Sunday after the Epiphany and the Commemoration of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The preacher will be Professor Richard Lischer, James T. and Alice Mead Cleland Professor of Preaching, Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC. The title of his sermon is "The Weapon of Love"

For more information on upcoming services and events:

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Spring 2014 Music Events — Free Admission

C.P.E. BACH'S *DIE ISRAELITEN IN DER WÜSTE* Friday, March 28, 7:30 p.m. The Harvard University Choir Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra

HOLY WEEK MUSICAL MEDITATION: BUXTEHUDE'S MEMBRA JESU NOSTRI Tuesday, April 15, 8:00 p.m. Featuring the Choral Fellows of the Harvard University Choir and members of Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra

HARVARD UNIVERSITY CHOIR ARTS FIRST PERFORMANCES Saturday, May 3

Performance Fair Recital, time TBA

Sunday, May 4, 4:00 p.m. Festival Evensong, Appleton Chapel

SUNDAY ORGAN RECITAL

March 2, 4:00 p.m. Diane Meredith Belcher American Concert Organist; Director of Music and Organist, St. Mary Star of the Sea, Beverly, MA

TUESDAY ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

All recitals are on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

January 28 Katelyn Emerson Director of Music, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Amherst, Ohio

February 11

Charles Boyd Tompkins Professor of Music and University Organist, Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina

February 25

Jung-A Lee Organist, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Newport Beach, California; Founder and Chairman, Music Mission International

March 11

Members of the Harvard Organ Society

March 25

James D. Hicks Concert Organist and Scandinavian Music Specialist, Morristown, New Jersey

April 8

The Gough Duo Rachel Gough, violin and Rupert Gough, organ

April 22

Murray Forbes Somerville Artistic Director Emeritus, Music City Baroque; Gund University Organist and Choirmaster (1990–2003), The Memorial Church at Harvard University