

# HARVARD

The Memorial Church



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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The First Sunday of Spring Term  
Holy Baptism  
Holy Communion

Sunday, February 3, 2019  
11 a.m.

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

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## PRELUDE

Elegiac Romance (1903, rev. 1958)

*John Ireland (1879–1962)*

## HYMN

No. 1, st. 1 & 4, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”  
*The congregation standing*

*Old Hundredth*

## 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

## HYMN

No. 140, “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”  
*The congregation standing*

*Salzburg*

## THE BAPTISM

*Minister:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Minister:* Let us pray.

Gracious God, by our Baptism, you welcome us into the household of faith and open the way to new life in this world and the next. Envelop these children with your love as they are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses on Earth and in Heaven, including A. Bronson Thayer and Louise Lykes Ferguson, as they receive the sacrament of Baptism. Receive these children who are baptized today, and strengthen us all to be your people in the world and a blessing to the Earth.

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

*Parents:* We present *Alexei Kopman Thayer* to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

*Parents:* We present *Caroline Kopman Thayer* to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

*Minister:* Will you, as the parents of these children, be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents:* We will with God's help.

*Minister:* Will you by your prayers and witness help these children grow into the life of God's grace and love?

*Parents:* We will with God's help.

*Minister:* Will you continue to honor your own spiritual journeys, as role models for the children you present?

*Parents:* We will with God's help.

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

*Parents:* We will with God's help.

*To the congregation:*

*Minister:* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their lives in Christ?

*People:* We will.

*Minister:* Let us pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

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

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

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

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

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

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist:* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

## BLESSING OF THE WATER

*Minister:* Bless by your Holy Spirit, gracious God, this water. By the same Holy Spirit save them who confess the name of Jesus Christ, that sin may have no power over them. Create new life in all who are baptized that they may rise in Christ. Glory to you, eternal God, the one who was, and is, and shall always be, world without end.

*People:* Amen.

## THE BAPTISM

*Minister:* *Alexei Kopman Thayer*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

*Minister:* *Caroline Kopman Thayer*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

## PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED

*Minister:* Let us pray.

*People:* Eternal and loving God, give to these children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism 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.

*Minister:* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*People:* We receive you, with joy, into the household of God, and into the priesthood of all believers.

## THE PEACE

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

## GREETING

## OFFERTORY

*The offering collected goes directly to fund the Memorial Church Grants Committee's recipient organizations and their important work in our local communities. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." Ushers will begin collection from the back of the church.*

Psalm 71:1–5                    *In te, Domine, speravi*      *Anglican Chant by Ivor Atkins (1869–1953)*

In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion,  
    but rid me and deliver me in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.  
Be thou my stronghold, whereunto I may always resort:  
    thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my house of defense, and my castle.  
Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly,  
    out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.  
For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for:  
    thou art my hope, even from my youth.  
Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born:  
    thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb: my praise shall be alway of thee.

## DOXOLOGY

*Sung by the congregation, standing*

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

## FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4–10

*Pew Bible, pages 657–658 (OT)*

## ANTHEM

Gloria from Communion Service in C (1913)

*John Ireland*

Glory be to God on high	Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
And in earth peace, goodwill towards men,	Have mercy upon us.
We praise thee, we bless thee,	Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
We worship thee, we glorify thee,	Receive our prayer.
We give thanks to thee, for thy great glory	Thou that sittest at the right hand
O Lord God, heavenly King,	Of God the Father,
God the Father Almighty.	Have mercy upon us.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;	For thou only art holy;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,	Thou only art the Lord;
Son of the Father,	Thou only, O Christ,
That takest away the sins of the world,	With the Holy Ghost, art most high
Have mercy upon us.	In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## SECOND LESSON

Luke 4:21–30

*Pew Bible, page 53 (NT)*

## HYMN

No. 64, st. 1–2, “All for Jesus, All for Jesus”

*All for Jesus*

*The congregation standing*

## SERMON

Compassion + Candor = Critique

Text: “All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, ‘Is not this Joseph’s son?’”

*Luke 4:22*

## HYMN

No. 64, st. 3–5, “All for Jesus, All for Jesus”

*The congregation standing*

# ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome to share in the Lord’s Supper without regard to denomination.*

## 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.

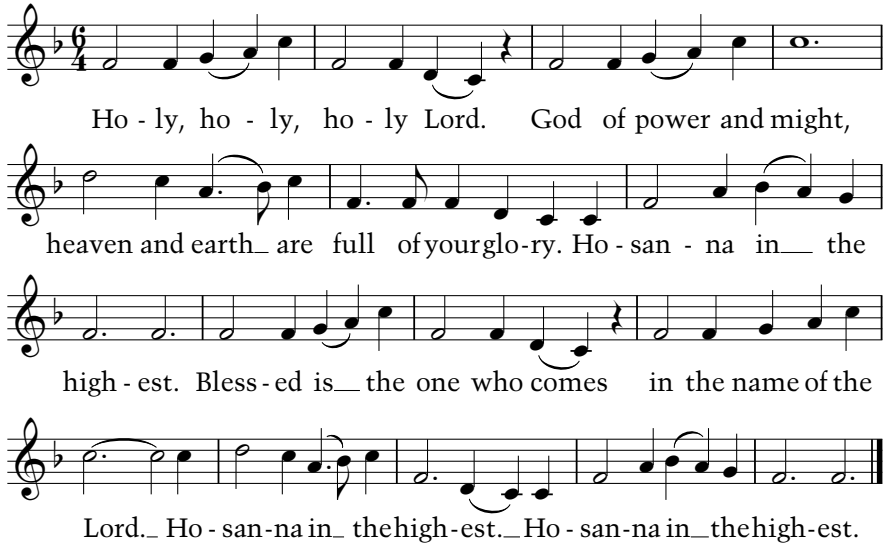
*Minister:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*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 sons and daughters, 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The congregation may be seated.*

*The minister continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Albert H. Malotte (1895–1964)*

*Sung by the choir*

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The minister says:*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy food for the journey of life. Come now, for all things are ready.

## AT THE COMMUNION

*Communicants will proceed to the foot of the chancel steps at the direction of the ushers and will return to their seats by the side aisles. Grape juice is in the outer cup and wine is in the inner cup. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. At the giving of the bread and the cup, the people respond with "Amen."*

AGNUS DEI from Communion Service in C

*John Ireland*

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

ANTHEM

Ave, verum corpus (1978)

*Colin Mawby (b. 1936)*

Ave, verum corpus, natum  
De Maria Virgine:  
Vere passum, immolatum  
In cruce pro homine:  
Cuius latus perforatum  
Fluxit aqua et sanguine:  
Esto nobis prægustatum,  
Mortis in examine.  
O Iesu dulcis!  
O Iesu pie!  
O Iesu, Fili Mariæ.

*Hail the true body, born  
Of the Virgin Mary:  
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed  
On the cross for the sake of man.  
From whose pierced flank  
Flowed water and blood:  
Be a foretaste for us  
In the trial of death.  
O sweet Jesus!  
O pious Jesus!  
O Jesus, Son of Mary.*

HYMN

No. 65, “Let Us Break Bread Together”

*Let Us Break Bread*

*The congregation standing*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude in D minor, Op. 105, No. 6 (1908)

*Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)*

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OUR MISSION

*The Memorial Church of Harvard University is a space of grace in the center of the Yard, rooted in the good news of Jesus Christ. Affectionately known as “MemChurch,” we pursue partnerships within and beyond Harvard, empowering community members to serve the world as well-informed, compassionate, moral citizens. Through worship and ministry outreach, MemChurch aims to promote justice and mercy by confronting life’s challenges, differences, and our own imperfections with courage, empathy, and an ethic of love. By doing so, the Memorial Church seeks to educate minds, expand hearts, and enrich lives.*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 3, 2019

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## WELCOME

Today is the First Sunday of Spring Term. The preacher is Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church. The service is led by the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister in the Memorial Church; the Reverend Westley P. Conn, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church; and Aric B. Flemming Jr. MDiv III, Seminarian in the Memorial Church. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir, under the direction of Edward E. Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster; and Thomas M. Sheehan, Associate University Organist and Choirmaster.

A Baby Oasis is available for young children and infants in the lower level of the church. Parents and their children are welcome to use the respite space during worship.

Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance.

## FAITH FORMATION

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children of ages three through sixteen. All classes are held during Sunday services in the Fall and Spring Terms. To register and learn more, please visit the Church School for Children page on our website. Church School will resume for its Spring Term next Sunday, February 10.

For adults in the MemChurch community, the Faith & Life Forum seeks to enrich our spirituality by promoting religious literacy and cultural competency. This program is held Sunday mornings during the fall and spring terms in the Buttrick Room from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. To learn about upcoming speakers, please visit the Faith & Life Forum page on our website. Faith and Life Forum resumes next Sunday, February 10 with Easley Hamner.

Contact Ministry Fellow, Westley (Wes) Conn ([westley\\_conn@harvard.edu](mailto:westley_conn@harvard.edu)) for more information about faith formation at MemChurch.

## MORNING PRAYERS

Monday: Krista Anderson '19; Tuesday: Robert Shapiro '72, JD '78

Wednesday: Maggie Beazer '20; Thursday: Roberto Kolter; Friday: Todne Thomas

## CHORAL EVENSONG

There will be a service of Choral Evensong next Sunday, February 10, at 3 p.m. in Appleton Chapel, featuring music of Carson Cooman '04.

## MUSIC NOTES

The English composer John Ireland studied with Sir Charles Villiers Stanford at the Royal College of Music, where he later taught. From 1904 until 1926 he was organist and choirmaster at St. Luke's Church, Chelsea (London), where the Harvard University Choir sang last Sunday as the final chapter of its UK tour. Ireland composed the Communion Service in C during his time at St. Luke's at the request of George Martin, organist of St. Paul's Cathedral. The Gloria is written in a simple ternary structure (two fast sections enclosing a slower central one) with modal harmonies and mainly homophonic textures; the Agnus Dei contains ethereal solos for soprano and baritone with simple choral and organ interjections.

Colin Mawby was a chorister—and later Master of the Music—at Westminster Cathedral; his setting of *Ave verum corpus* is for eight-part choir and utilizes a luscious harmonic language.

John Ireland's *Elegiac Romance* was written quite early on in his career and was revised much later. The revisions are mostly simplifications of the quite complex earlier piece. Constructed using a very beautiful lyrical main theme, the piece explores a large number of different key areas throughout its length.

Sir Charles Villiers Stanford studied at Cambridge University, and also in Leipzig and Berlin, where he was a pupil of Carl Reinecke: while in Germany, he became an ardent devotee of the music of Johannes Brahms, whose influence is strongly heard throughout Stanford's oeuvre. Stanford was later the organist of Trinity College, Cambridge, before moving to London as the first professor of composition at the new Royal College of Music. Stanford's organ works have long been overshadowed by his choral oeuvre despite the quality of the five sonatas; this morning's postlude comes from the collection of Six Short Preludes and Postludes.

## 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](http://whrb.org). Recordings of Sunday Worship Services and Sunday Sermons are available on our website, [memorialchurch.harvard.edu](http://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 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany. The preacher will be Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church.

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