HARVARD

The Memorial Church



Order of Worship

The First Sunday in Lent February 26, 2023, 11 am

PRELUDE

Adoration (1951) Prelude on "Deep River" (1998) Florence B. Price (1887–1953) Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)

HYMN

No. 146, "Jesus, Who This Our Lententide" *The congregation stands and sings*

Rockingham

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 130 & Isaiah 2

Minister: Out of the depths we cry to you, O God. God, hear our voice!

People: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of our supplications!

Minister: If you should mark iniquities, O God, who of us could stand? People: But there is forgiveness with you; and plenteous redemption.

Minister: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God's word I hope.

People: My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,

more than those who watch for the morning.

Minister: Come, let us set out in the light of the Lord.

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. 76, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *The congregation stands and sings*

Faithfulness

THE PEACE & GREETING

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

OFFERTORY

Your offering supports the work of the Memorial Church, especially our ministries to students and to our neighbors in need through the Grants Committee. Ushers will begin collection from the front of the church. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church. You may also donate online at https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/donate

Psalm 32:1–2, 5–12 Beati quorum Sung by the choir

Tone III.4

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

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Pew Bible, page 2 (OT)

ANTHEM

Listen to the Lambs (publ. 1914)

African American Spiritual, arr. R. Nathaniel Dett (1882–1943) ed. Marques L. A. Garrett (b. 1984)

Listen to the lambs! All a-crying!

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd and carry the young lambs in his bosom.

African American Spiritual, after Isaiah 40:11

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 4:1–11

Pew Bible, page 3 (NT)

ANTHEM

I'm Going Home (publ. 1978)

African American Spiritual, arr. Undine Smith Moore (1904–1989)

I'm going home, my Lord, I'm going home when I die.

I'll meet my Savior, Lord, when I die.

African American Spiritual

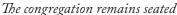
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

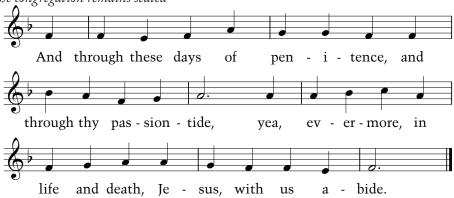
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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





SERMON

The Rev. Calvon T. Jones

HYMN

No. 143, "Forty Days and Forty Nights" *The congregation stands and sings*

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "We Shall Overcome" (2011)

Carl Haywood (b. 1949)

TODAY'S SERVICE

Additional information about today's service and music notes are available from our website at *memorialchurch.harvard.edu/service-and-music-notes* or by scanning the following QR code.



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