HARVARD

The Memorial Church



Order of Worship

The Second Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 17, 2019 11 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

The Secret Rose (2002)

Eric Sweeney (b. 1948)

HYMN

No. 146, "Jesus, Who This Our Lententide" *The congregation standing*

Rockingham

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. 47, "New Every Morning Is the Love" *The congregation standing*

Melcombe

GREETING AND THE PEACE

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

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.

Martyrs' Tune (1916)

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

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

Philippians 3:20-4:1

Pew Bible, page 175 (NT)

HYMN

No. 322, "All Who Love and Serve Your City"

Charlestown

The congregation standing

SECOND LESSON

Luke 9:28-36

Pew Bible, page 60 (NT)

PRAYER HYMN

Sung by the congregation, seated



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.

Following the Lord's Prayer, the Prayer Hymn is repeated.

SERMON

Where Is Our Citizenship?

Text: "But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." *Philippians 3:20*

HYMN

No. 216, "O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High" *The congregation standing*

Deus tuorum militum

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in E minor (ca. 1887)

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

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, March 17, 2019

WELCOME

Today is the Second Sunday in Lent. The preacher is the Reverend Dr. David P. Gushee, Distinguished University Professor of Christian Ethics, Director, Center for Theology & Public Life, Mercer University. The worship leaders are the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minster in the Memorial Church; the Reverend Westley P. Conn, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church; and KMarie Tejeda MDiv II, Seminarian in the Memorial Church. The music is provided by 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 this 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 age three through sixteen. All classes and 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.

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 continues next Sunday, March 24 with the Church School Confirmation Class.

Contact Ministry Fellow, Westley (Wes) Conn (westley_conn@harvard.edu) for more information about faith formation at MemChurch.

MORNING PRAYERS

There will be no services of Morning Prayers this week in observance of the university's Spring Recess.

OPPORTUNITIES AT MEMORIAL CHURCH

We are looking for volunteer student ushers to welcome people to worship on Sunday mornings. If you would like to volunteer or learn more, please contact the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister, at alanna_sullivan@harvard.edu

We're also looking for a Federal Work Study eligible student seeking employment. If interested, apply for our Front Desk Attendant (FDA) position for Saturday afternoons. The FDA, reporting to the Student Program Assistant, will be responsible for providing support to the Memorial Church's Student Oasis and Church Offices. For more information about this position please email our Student Program Assistant, Morgan A. McNeill, at morgan_mcneill@harvard.edu

LOCAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Harvard Square Homeless Shelter and Y2Y Harvard Square are short on volunteers for Harvard's Spring Break (March 15–24). During school breaks when students are not on campus, they rely on others in the Harvard community to help provide a warm, welcoming space for individuals experiencing homelessness in the community. Please contact Student Program Fellow Lara Glass (lara_glass@harvard.edu) for information about how to sign up.

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*. Recordings of Sunday Worship Services and Sunday Sermons are available on our website, *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/su

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NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday in Lent. The preacher will be the Reverend Kirstin C. Boswell-Ford, Chaplain to the Institute, MIT.

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