

# HARVARD

The Memorial Church



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 22, 2020

11 am

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

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## PRELUDE

"Kyrie" from *Messe pour les Couvents* (1690)

*François Couperin (1668–1733)*

## HYMN

No. 146, "Jesus, Who This Our Lententide"

*Rockingham*

*See end of worship bulletin. The congregation stands and sings.*

## 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. 303, "As Pants the Hart for Cooling Streams"

*Martyrdom*

*See end of worship bulletin. The congregation stands and sings.*

## 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." Give online at <https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/donate>.*

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

*Tone VIII.1*

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul, and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me;

thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

## 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

Song of Songs 2:8–14

*from the New Revised Standard Version (OT)*

## ANTHEM

Laetare Jerusalem

*Plainchant, Mode V*

Rejoice, O Jerusalem; and gather round, all you who love her; rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be replenished with the consolation flowing from her motherly bosom. I rejoiced when it was said unto me: "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

*(sung in Latin)*

## SECOND LESSON

Mark 1:40–45

*from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)*

## PRAYER HYMN

*The congregation remains seated.*

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to  
see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,  
fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.

## 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.*

## ANTHEM

Laudate Dominum

*Plainchant, Mode II*

Praise the Lord, for he is loving; sing in honor of his name, for he is gracious. He has accomplished whatever he resolved to do in heaven and on earth.

*(sung in Latin)*

## SERMON

I Do Choose

## HYMN

No. 196, "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

*St. Columba*

*See end of worship bulletin. The congregation stands and sings.*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

"Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux" from *Messe pour les Couvents* (1690)

*François Couperin*

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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, March 22, 2020

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## WELCOME

Today is the Second Sunday in Lent. The preacher is the Professor Stephanie Paulsell, Intern Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church, Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies, Harvard Divinity School. The worship leader is the Reverend Westley P. Conn, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church. In effort to follow best practices outlined by the University and federal guidelines, the Memorial Church will be limiting the number of worship leaders for services to come. The music is provided by members of the Harvard University Choir and Edward Elwyn Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster.

## A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our seminarians-- KMarie Tejada, Sally Hammel, and Grace Killian. We are so grateful for their faithful service and pastoring to our community this academic year.

## MUSIC NOTES

For the Fourth Sunday of Lent—Refreshment Sunday—two pieces of Gregorian Chant are presented from the Propers of the day. The prescribed Introit, *Laetare Jerusalem*, gives the Sunday its familiar name, Laetare Sunday; the Offertory is *Laudate Dominum*.

Today's organ music comes from the pen of François Couperin, nicknamed *le Grand*—the most famous son of the Couperin musical dynasty. Couperin served at both the church of Saint Gervais, Paris, and also the court of Louis XIV. Only one collection of organ music survives, consisting of two Masses for organ, written around 1690. The smaller-scale *Mass for the Convents* presents a five-movement Kyrie, heard as this morning's prelude, and an expanded Offertory, for our postlude. .

## 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 in Lent. The preacher will be the Professor Stephanie Paulsell, Interm Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church, Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies, Harvard Divinity School.

Jesu quadragenariæ

Latin, 10th cent.

trans. Walter Howard Frere, 1932

ROCKINGHAM LM

Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, c. 1780

adapt. Edward Miller, 1790

1 Je - sus, who this our Len - ten - tide, of ab - sti -  
 2 And as thou dost, for - give the past, thy shel - tering  
 3 Make, Lord, this Lent - en dis - ci - pline an ex - pi -

nence, hast sanc - ti - fied, be with thy Church in  
 arms ar - ound us cast that we may in thy  
 a - tion for our sin; and through these days our -

sav - ing power, in this her pen - i - ten - tial hour.  
 grace re - main, and fall not back to sins a - gain.  
 selves pre - pare the joys of Eas - ter - tide to share.



*para. of Psalm 42**A New Version of Psalms, 1696, alt.*

MARTYRDOM CM

*Hugh Wilson, 1800**adapt. Robert Smith, 1825*

1 As pants the hart for cool - ing streams when  
2 For thee, my God, the liv - ing God, my  
3 Why rest - less, why cast down, my soul? Hope

heat - ed in the chase, so longs my soul, O  
thirst - y soul doth pine. O when shall I be -  
still, and thou shalt sing the praise of him who

God, for thee, and thy re - fresh - ing grace.  
hold thy face, thou ma - jes - ty di - vine?  
is thy God, thy health's e - ter - nal spring.

# The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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para. of Psalm 23  
Henry W. Baker, 1868

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Irish melody

harm. Charles Villiers Stanford, 1905

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er, I noth - ing lack if  
soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant  
love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
Lord, be - side me: thy rod and staff my

I am his, and he is mine for - ev - er.  
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
gen - tly laid, and home re - joic - ing brought me.  
com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreads't a table in my sight,  
thy unction grace bestoweth,  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house forever.