HARVARD

The Memorial Church



Easter Sunday March 31, 2023, 11 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Sonata No. 9 in G major, K. 241 (1776)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

Sonata No. 13 in C major, K. 328 (1779)

Sarah Darling and Jennifer Hsiao, violins; Itzel Orellana Sierra, cello

INTROIT

The Lily of the Valley (arr. 1981)

African American spiritual, arr. Wendell Whalum (1931–1987)

Sung by the choir

EASTER PROCLAMATION

HYMN

No. 172, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Easter Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Minister: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

People: This is the Lord's doing; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. God's steadfast love endures for ever.

People: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Minister: O taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed are those who take refuge in God.

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

KYRIE AND GLORIA

from Mass in C, K. 317 (1779) Sung by the choir Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

THE PEACE & GREETING

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

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

Pew Bible, page 612 (OT)

PSALM

Psalm 118:14–24 Confitemini Domino Sung by the choir

Edward Elwyn Jones (b. 1977) after O filii et filiæ

SECOND LESSON

Mark 16:1-8

Pew Bible, page 47 (NT)

The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts

HYMN

No. 171, "Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" The congregation stands and sings

Lux eoi

SERMON

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ. Minister:

People:

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul and all your mind and all your strength. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love

your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

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The Easter Song of Praise (1988)

Richard Shephard (1949–2021)

DOXOLOGY

People:

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The congregation remains standing

Minister: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise. Minister:

God of life and love, we give you thanks and praise [...] And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS



The congregation remains standing

Minister: ... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen.

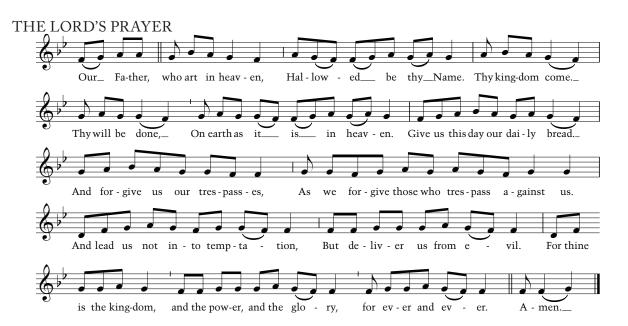
Christ will come again.

The minister continues

Minister: ... Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all

honor and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

People: AMEN.



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Minister: Alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The congregation sits

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI

from Mass in C, K. 317 (1779)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Sung by the choir

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The congregation stands

Minister: Let us pray.

People:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of

Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN

No. 174, "Thine Be the Glory, Risen Conquering Son"

Maccaheus

The congregation stands and sings

DISMISSAL

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! People:

CHORAL ALLELUIA

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

POSTLUDE

"Toccata" from Symphony No. 5, Op. 42, No. 1 (1879)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

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...The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God... (The Wisdom of Solomon 3:1)