HARVARD

The Memorial Church



Order of Worship

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022 11 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Meditation on "Ubi caritas", Op. 1278 (2018)

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

HYMN IN PROCESSION

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

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. 142, "Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church" *The congregation stands*.

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THE PEACE & GREETING

All are invited to join in the 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. Ushers will begin collection from the front of the church. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." You may also donate online at https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/donate

Psalm 126 In convertendo

Tone I.1

Sung by the choir

When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion, then were we like unto them that dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with joy.

Then said they among the heathen, the Lord hath done great things for them.

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already; whereof we rejoice.

Turn our captivity, O Lord, as the rivers in the south.

They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed, shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

DOXOLOGY

The congregation stands and remains masked while singing.

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 1 Samuel 3:1–10

Pew Bible, page 229 (OT)

ANTHEM

Still with Thee (2019)

Elaine Hagenberg (b. 1979)

Still, still with Thee, when purple morning breaketh, When the bird waketh, and the shadows flee; Fairer than morning, lovelier than daylight, Dawns the sweet consciousness I am with Thee.

When sinks the soul, subdued by toil, to slumber, Its closing eye look up to Thee in prayer; Sweet the repose 'neath the wings o'ershading, But sweeter still, to wake and find Thee there.

Shall it be, when that bright morning breaketh, When the soul waketh, and life's shadows flee; O Fairer than the morning, lovelier than daylight, Shall rise the glorious thought, I am with Thee.

Harriet Beecher Stowe (1811–1896)

SECOND LESSON Luke 4:18

Pew Bible, page 53 (NT)

ANTHEM

Hear My Prayer (2001)

Moses Hogan (1957–2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer; In the morning when I rise. It's your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer. Keep me safe within your arms. It's your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

When my work on earth is done, And you come to take me home. And to hear you say, "Well done!" Done with sin and sorrow. Have mercy. Mercy. Amen.

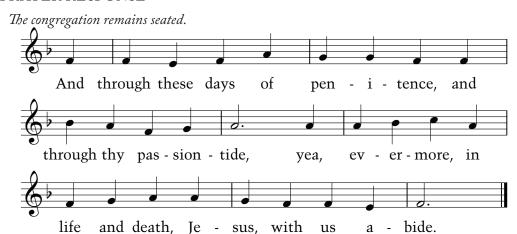
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Young, Inexperienced, and Unemployed

HYMN

No. 285, "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" *The congregation stands*.

Cwm Rhondda

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude (after Psalm 150:6) (1994)

Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

Announcements

Sunday, April 3rd, 2022

WELCOME

Today is the Fifth Sunday in Lent. The preacher is the Rev. Cornell William Brooks, Hauser Professor of the Practice of Nonprofit Organizations; Professor of the Practice of Public Leadership and Social Justice; Director, William Monroe Trotter Collaborative for Social Justice, Harvard Kennedy School. The worship leaders are the Reverend Matthew Ichihashi Potts, Pusey Minster in the Memorial Church and Plummer Professor of Christian Morals, Faculty of Divinity; the Reverend Alanna Sullivan, Associate Minister and Director of Administration in the Memorial Church; and Laurie Sedgwick MDiv III. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir under the direction of Edward Elwyn Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster and David von Behren, Assistant University Organist and Choirmaster.

MUSIC NOTES

Elaine Hagenberg is a composer, conductor, and accompanist based in Des Moines, Iowa. *Still with Thee* sets a text of Harriet Beecher Stowe: a delicate, small-scale opening expands into a section of rich choral sonorities which, in turn, fades back to a comforting and peaceful close.

Moses Hogan was a gifted concert pianist, conductor, and founder of the Moses Hogan Chorale, who died at a young age in 2003. It is for his contemporary settings of spirituals and original compositions, however, that he is most widely remembered. *Hear My Prayer* is a simple and beautiful setting of the composer's own text.

Composer in Residence Carson Cooman's *Meditation on "Ubi caritas"*, Op. 1278 (2008) is based on the familiar plainchant melody for Holy Week, "Where charity and love are, there God is."

A native of Chicago, Illinois, Douglas E. Wagner was a high school music educator for over thirty years before devoting himself to full-time composition. Today's postlude is from a collection of "Psalm Impressions" for organ, each one amplifying a particular psalm verse: in this case, the closing verse of Psalm 150, "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!"

MORNING PRAYERS

Our daily service of Morning Prayers takes place at 8:30 am in Appleton Chapel. Monday: Evelynn Hammonds; Tuesday: Robert Allan Hill; Wednesday: Matthew Ichihashi Potts; Thursday: Patti Bellinger '83; Friday: TBA

SPRING CONCERT

This afternoon at 4 pm, the Harvard University Choir and Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra will present a concert of cantatas by Johann Sebastian Bach: *Himmelskönig, sei*

willkommen, BWV 182 and Laß, Höchster, laß der Hoffnung Strahl, BWV 198 (also known as the Trauerode). Admission is free.

THE OFFICE OF COMPLINE

On Thursday, April 7 at 9 pm, Compline, a twenty-minute candlelit evening service, will be sung by the Harvard University Choir, based upon the traditional evening liturgy of scripture, music, prayers, and silence.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Indoor masking is optional for worship at the Memorial Church. You are most welcome to continue wearing a mask for your own protection or to protect individuals close to you. Please note that masking will be required for Easter Sunday services on April 17.

The University continues to closely monitor the public health conditions in the area regarding COVID-19. Thank you for your cooperation and support of the ministries of the Memorial Church.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM

The Faith & Life Forum of the Memorial Church explores matters of faith and public life. The Forum takes place in the Buttrick Room in the lower level of the Memorial Church from 9:30–10:30 am on Sundays. Each week we explore themes such as love, justice, suffering, and salvation in relation to the world in which we live. We learn from scholars and practitioners of religion, religious intellectuals, writers, activists, and artists whose work captures conceptions of the sacred and wrestles with the mysterious dimensions of life. All are welcome to join. Please visit our website to learn more.

CHURCH SCHOOL

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children of age three through sixteen. All classes are held during Sunday Services in the Fall and Spring Terms. To participate in the Church School program, parents or guardians need to register their children, and to attest to the state of their children's health weekly.

Please visit our website to learn more or email Assistant Minister, Calvon Jones (calvon_jones@ harvard.edu), with any questions. The Rev. Jones and the Church School team are excited to announce the launch of our newly designed MemChurch School digital platform. Our children and families will have access to fun, exciting, and educational episodes, steeped in stories of love and humanity. Take a virtual journey to a digital place where the Bible comes to life. You can find episodes at: https://bit.ly/3iUtEWV

BABY OASIS

During Sunday services, our 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, complete with an audio broadcast of the service.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Our weekly student programming opportunities are in full swing! Join us on Tuesdays from 5–6 pm for our Queer-Affirming Bible study for students downstairs in the Oasis. Whether you are brand new to the Bible or looking to experience it in a new way, you are welcome! On Wednesday evenings at 8 pm, we gather for a candlelit communion service for students (colloquially known as "Milkshake Mass"), followed by milkshakes down in the kitchen. If you want to learn more, feel free to reach out to our Student Program Coordinator, Anna Burnham, at *anna_burnham@harvard.edu*, or find her in the narthex after service.

AFTER-SCHOOL SNACK

Looking for a space to relax, connect with other students, and grab some good food towards the end of your week? Join Professor Potts, his family, and their dog Suki for weekly After-School Snack at Sparks House, 21 Kirkland St., Thursdays from 4–5:30 pm. Feel free to drop in and out as you need. Bring a friend!

STUDENT OASIS

The Student Oasis in the lower level of the Memorial Church is a tranquil and relaxing space for study, for meeting friends and fellow students, and even cooking a favorite meal in the full-service kitchen. Located in the heart of Harvard Yard, the Oasis is open daily to Harvard students during the academic term. For more information and the hours of operation, visit https://memorialchurch.harvard.edu/studentoasis

LOVE UNITED BLACK FELLOWSHIP

The LUBF is hosting a Fire Revival on Saturday, April 30 at 7 pm, in the Sanctuary of the Memorial Church. Come and experience powerful music from the African tradition, a dynamic word, fellowship, and food. All are welcome! For more information, please email Assistant Minister, the Rev. Calvon T. Jones at *calvon_jones@harvard.edu*

BAPTISM

We are blessed to announce that the Sacrament of Holy Baptism will take place on Children's Sunday, May 1. If you would like to have your child baptized or are interested in learning more about baptisms in general please email the Rev. Calvon Jones (calvon_jones@harvard.edu).

JOYS AND CONCERNS

The psalmist writes, "Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely." Prayer reminds us of our relationship to God and one another; it emphasizes our oneness as the Body of Christ. What weighs on your heart? How can we join you in prayer? We invite you to share your joys and concerns so that we may communally uplift them to God in the Prayers of the People during Sunday Services. Please send your prayer requests to the Rev. Alanna Sullivan (alanna_sullivan@harvard.edu).

PASTORAL CARE LINE

The clergy at the Memorial Church have established a pastoral care line if you would like spiritual or pastoral care during a difficult time. Please call or text 617-595-9044 and a clergyperson will follow up with you shortly.

EASTER FLOWERS REMEMBRANCES

It is an ancient custom to remember the faithful departed by memorials of flowers at Easter. Those who wish to do so are invited to complete the form below. The names of those to be remembered in prayer will be listed with the Announcements of the Sunday Service program on Easter Day.

We are delighted to help you recognize your loved one(s) this special way. At the Memorial Church we believe there should not be a price on the ability to honor your loved one(s) in this way. Anyone at the Memorial Church may dedicate flowers without charge. Please go to our website to submit a name. All requests must be received no later than Sunday, April 10 at 5 pm.

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/morningprayers respectively, and on iTunes—search "Harvard Memorial Church" from your iTunes app.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the Sixth Sunday in Lent. The preacher is the Rev. Calvon Tijuan Jones, Assistant Minister in the Memorial Church.

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