

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Easter Sunday
April 9, 2023, 11 am

PRELUDE

Introduction and Toccata on “Weisse flaggen” from *Triptych for Organ*
Évocation II (2017)

Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953)
George Baker (b. 1951)

INTROIT

Alleluia! Now Is the Hour of Darkness Past (1973)
Sung by the choir

Daniel Pinkham '44 (1923–2006)

EASTER PROCLAMATION

HYMN

No. 172, “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
The congregation stands and sings

Easter Hymn

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

GLORIA

from *Mass of Blessed John Henry Newman* (2010)
Sung by the choir

James MacMillan (b. 1959)

THE PEACE & GREETING

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

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:1–6

Pew Bible, page 692 (OT)

ANTHEM

Spring Bursts Today (2012)

Alfred V. Fedak

Sung by the choir

SECOND LESSON

John 20:1–18

Pew Bible, page 100 (NT)

HYMN

No. 171, “Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

Lux eoi

The congregation stands and sings

SERMON

The Rev. Matthew Ichihashi Potts

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Minister: Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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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Awake! Arise! (2001)

Howard Helvey (b. 1968)

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The congregation remains standing

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

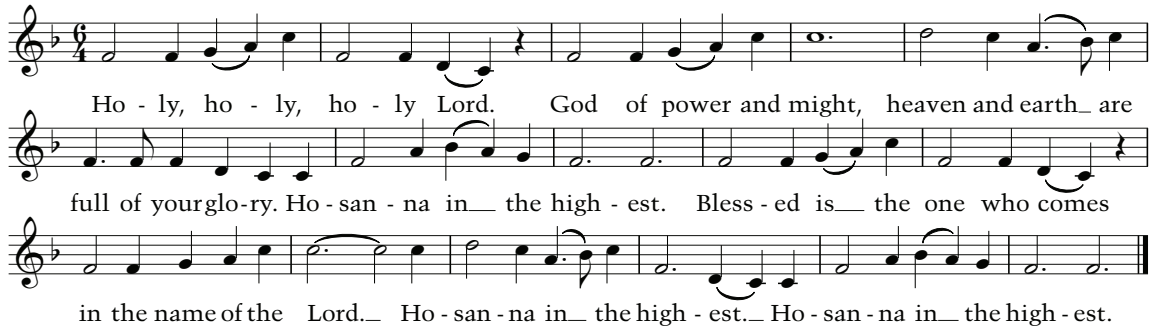
People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The congregation remains standing

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

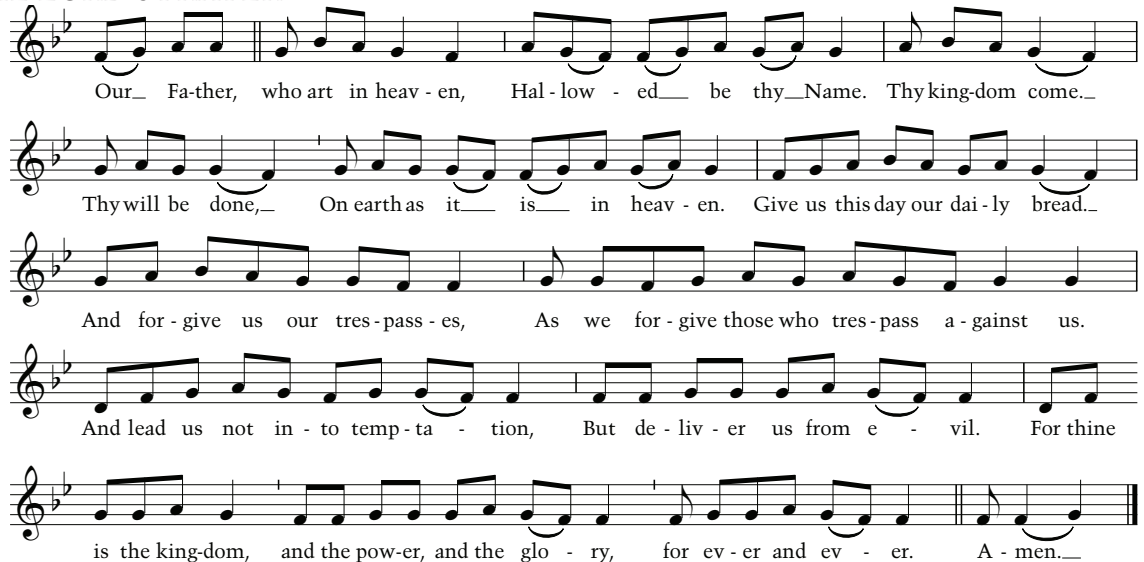
People: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

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 LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav - en, Hal - low - ed be thy Name. Thy king - dom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pass - es, As we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, But de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Minister: When the centurion standing there saw how Jesus died, he said:

People: Truly, this is the Son of God.

The congregation sits

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI

from *Mass of Blessed John Henry Newman* (2010)

James MacMillan

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”

Maccabeus

The congregation stands and sings

DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

CHORAL ALLELUIA

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

POSTLUDE

“Toccatà” from Symphony No. 5, Op. 42, No. 1 (1879)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

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.



*The Easter flowers are placed to the Glory of God,
in loving memory of the faithful departed,
and in honor of family and friends,
here remembered by name and in prayer.*

Tharwat Abaskharoun

Phillis Ackerman

Maria Teresa Alarcón

William Temple Withers Ashbrook II

Carol Becker

Fred Becker

Kathe Becker

Carol von Behren

Erich von Behren

Nicki Bibbo

Howard Brandston

John Nyren Buchanan

Shaun Calcari

Tracy Challies

Alfred Chandler

Fay Chandler

Linghua Chen

Joyce Choiniere

Michael Choiniere

Robert Choiniere

Mary Chorpita

Kevin Conroy

Monique Corvisy

William Crout

Kenneth Dahlstrom

Bernadette Dalrymple

Nhu Dan

Satish Dhingra

Thelma Douglas

Michael Downing

William Vickfoy Evans

Dorothy Follis

Frederick D. Foote, Jr.

William J. Fuchs, Jr.

William J. Fuchs, Sr.

Joan Klink Gallo

Robert Richard Gallo

Henry Louis Gates, Sr.

Pauline Augusta Coleman Gates

Miriam Gibbon

Isabelle Hamner

Sally Hansen

June Harless

William Harless

Hannah Heyard

Jenna Hoenig

Robert R. Howard

Bunni Hurlong

Edmond Hurlong
Helen Jackson
Trevor Llewelyn Jones
Leslie Allen Jordan
Mary Pitcairn Keating
Jenny Kehrer
Stephen Kramar
Rosemary Kreder
Lois Leath
Roland Leath
William Farnsworth Loomis
Stephen Lungu
Tripp Manuel
Barbara Meyers
David Gordon Mitten
Olga Morales
Mark Müller-Kahle
Roselín Pabón
Helen Patton
Peter Peltz
Antonia Pérez
Jean Potter
Miyoko Ichihashi Potts
Eva Rampone
Thomas Rampone
Anna Ramsdell

Janetta C. Randolph
Lynne Reid
Kathe Reidl
Nick Reidl
David Remsen
Nancy Louise Reynold
Harriet Rice
Spencer M. Rice
Braulio Rico
Raymond Robinson
Ned Rorem
Theresa Sakala
Elizabeth Lee Saxe
John Brooke Saxe
Ellen Stirling
Ildiko Szabo
Robert (Ted) Turano
Hong Van Vu
Bill Whitehurst
Frances Evans Wise
Wong Po Yan
Ng Lai Ying

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