Announcements

Sunday, April 16, 2017

WELCOME

Today is Easter Day. The preacher is Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church. The worship leader is the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Associate Minister in the Memorial Church. We also extend special thanks to our communion servers and ushers at both services today. At the 8:00 service, the first lesson will be read by David Price MDiv III and the second lesson will be read by Jane Moran MDiv II. At the 11:00 service, the first lesson will be read by Ben Schafer '19 and the second lesson will be read by Karen-Alexandra Nogues '18.

Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance.

FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT TODAY

We invite the children and families of the Memorial Church to join us for an Easter egg hunt in Tercentenary Lawn this morning. Attendees are invited to gather in the Memorial Room following the first worship service with the egg hunt to begin at 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

Church School offers Christian education classes for children of ages three through twelve. Classes are held in the ground level of the Memorial Church during Sunday services and emphasize biblical themes and scripture. Prior to the start of today's 11 a.m. service, please register your children with the Church School staff. At the conclusion of the worship services, please pick up your children in the Buttrick Room.

Next Sunday, April 23, we kindly ask parents to promptly pick up their children in the Buttrick Room at the start of the closing hymn.

REOPENING CELEBRATION

Next Sunday, April 23, will be a day of celebration to mark of the reopening of the Memorial Church, including the unveiling of a newly commissioned work by artist Janet McKenzie. The Faith & Life Forum will also feature the architects who led the design of the renovation.

Also, on Friday, April 21, the original Memorial Church bell, now located outside the church's main entrance, will be dedicated after Morning Prayers. Light refreshments will follow.

MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: APRIL 17 – 21, 8:45 A.M.

Monday: Hajar El Fatihi '17; Tuesday: Joy Jing '17; Wednesday: Emma Woo '17

Thursday: Karl Aspelund '17; Friday: Jonathan L. Walton

SPRING CONCERT: HAYDN'S CREATION

On Saturday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m., the Harvard University Choir and Grand Harmonie will perform Joseph Haydn's *The Creation*. Admission is free and all are welcome.

MUSIC NOTES

A graduate of Morehouse College, the composer and organist Wendell Whalum was for thirty-four years Director of the Morehouse College Glee Club, which achieved international acclaim under his leadership. Our service begins in the Memorial Room with his powerful arrangement of the beautiful spiritual, *The Lily of the Valley*.

Though nicknamed "Coronation Mass," because of its use in the coronation of Leopold II in 1791, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Mass in C major, K. 317, was infact written in early 1779 for the Easter services in Salzburg Cathedral. Mozart had reluctantly returned home to that city in January 1779—following unsuccessful tours of Mannheim, Munich, and Paris—to an appointment as court organist to Prince-Archbishop Colloredo. Colloredo's restrictions concerning the length and substance of the sung mass are well documented by Mozart during his earlier employment in Salzburg, and K. 317 adheres to certain of these limitations: a mainly homophonic setting, it utilizes a minimum of text repetition. Nevertheless, Mozart fashions a work full of beautiful tunes and elegant phrasing: particularly worthy of note is the sublime "Agnus Dei," an extended, lyrical solo which contains pre-echoes of both *Le nozze di Figaro* and *Così fan tutte*.

Today's organ music showcases the versatility of Fisk, Op. 139, with its rich tonal palette and wealth of coloristic possibilities. The prelude begins with the first movement of Charles-Marie Widor's fifth organ symphony, a whimsical theme and variations; Resurrection is an evocative sonic portrayal of the Easter story by one of the most original voices in twentieth-century American church music, Larry King, who was for over twenty years Director of Music at Trinity Church, Wall Street. Finishing the prelude is an early work by the French virtuoso Marcel Dupré, his Prelude and Fugue in B major, a tour de force of manual and pedal technique. The postlude is Widor's most famous composition, the "Toccata" from the fifth organ symphony: written in 1879, this thrilling work has become a staple Easter offering in many churches around the world.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM

The Faith and Life Forum meets at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Pusey Room, with coffee service at 9 a.m. The Forum explores matters of faith and public life. This term, we will explore the theme of "Faith & Uncertainty." For the full list of readings and speakers, please visit memorialchurch.harvard.edu/faith-life-forum

USHERING AND READING SIGN-UP

Ushers and lesson readers play a vital role in worship services for the Memorial Church. If you are interested in ushering or reading, please add your name and e-mail to the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table. We would love to have you join us!

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 the Second Sunday of Easter. The preacher will be the Reverend John H. Finley IV, Co-Founder and Head of Epiphany School, Dorchester, MA.

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