

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023, 11 am

PRELUDE

“Shout for joy...” from *Psalm Sonata No. 1* (2021)

Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

HYMN

No. 1, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”
The congregation stands and sings

Old Hundredth

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 *Missa brevis* (2009)
Sung by the choir

Jonathan Dove (b. 1959)

THE PEACE

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

FIRST LESSON

Acts 7:55–60

Pew Bible, page 109 (NT)

PSALM

Psalm 31:1–6, 17–18, 26–27 *In te, Domine, speravi*
Sung by the choir

Chant by Walford Davies (1869–1941)

SECOND LESSON

John 6:1–14

Pew Bible, page 84 (NT)

HYMN

No. 40, “Morning Has Broken”
The congregation stands and sings

Bunessan

SERMON

The Rev. Calvin T. Jones

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GREETINGS & OFFERTORY

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Listen, Sweet Dove
Sung by the choir

Katherine Webb (b. 1990)

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: Almighty God, gracious creator of us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

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:

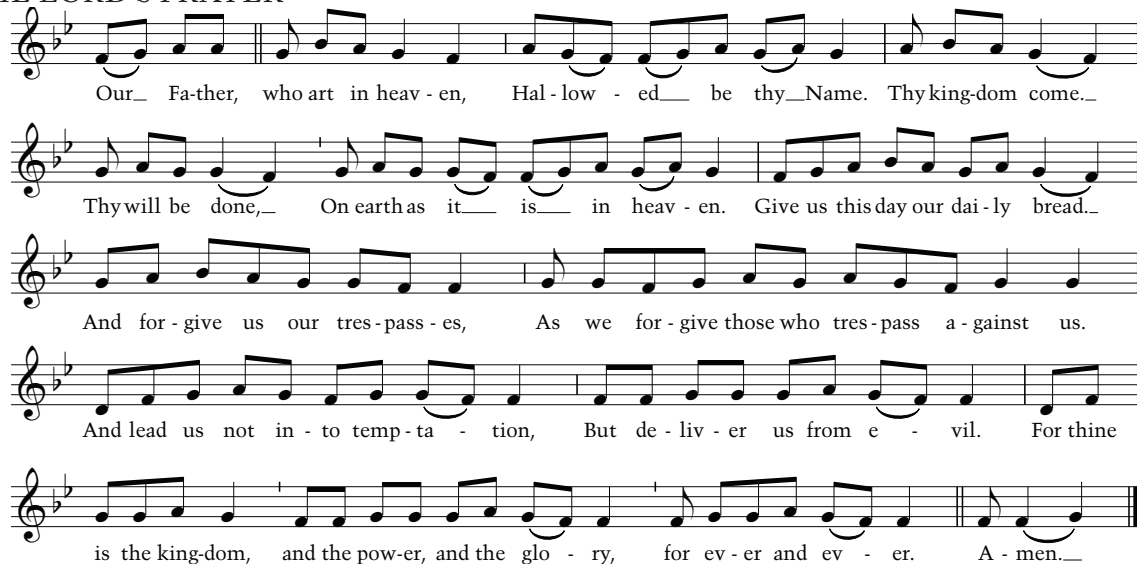
People: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The minister continues

Minister: ... All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom we offer you thanks and praise, forever 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 *Missa brevis* (2009)

Jonathan Dove

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. 87, "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

Grand Isle

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!

POSTLUDE

Sortie in E-flat

Louis-James Alfred Lefébure-Wély (1817–1869)

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.

