

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



EVENSONG IN APPLETON CHAPEL

Sunday, October 20, 2019
6 pm

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES UPON ENTERING APPLETON CHAPEL.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

INTROIT

“Pilgrims’ Hymn” from *The Three Hermits* (1997)

Stephen Paulus (1949–2014)

Even before we call on your name
To ask you, O God,
When we seek for the words to glorify you,
You hear our prayer;
Unceasing love, O unceasing love,
Surpassing all we know.

Glory to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit.

Even with darkness sealing us in,
We breathe your name,
And through all the days that follow so fast,
We trust in you;
Endless your grace, O endless your grace,
Beyond all mortal dream.

Both now and for ever,
And unto ages and ages,
Amen.

Michael Dennis Browne (b. 1940)

OPENING SENTENCES

A GENERAL CONFESSION

In unison

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders; spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES (1994)

Barry Rose (b. 1934)

PSALTER

The congregation seated

Psalm 99 *Dominus regnavit*
Sung by the Harvard University Choir

Chant by Eric Ware (1908–1972)

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 32:1–4

Pew Bible, page 175 (OT)

MAGNIFICAT from *The Gloucester Service* (1946)

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

The congregation seated

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SECOND READING

Matthew 13:54–58

Pew Bible, page 13 (NT)

NUNC DIMITTIS from *The Gloucester Service* (1946)

Herbert Howells

The congregation seated

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
According to thy word:
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
And to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever, shall be, world without end. Amen.

The congregation stands at the conclusion of the canticle.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES (1961)

Bernard Rose (1916–1996)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE LESSER LITANY AND COLLECTS

The congregation is seated after the choir sings the third "Amen."

ANTHEM

And I Saw a New Heaven (1928)

Edgar Bainton (1880–1956)

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Revelation 21:1–4 (KJV)

THE CLOSING PRAYERS

HYMN

No. 55, “The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, is Ended”

St. Clement

The congregation standing

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Te Deum, Op. 11 (1957–58)

Jeanne Demessieux (1921–1968)

The service is led by KMarie Tejada MDiv II, Seminarian in the Memorial Church. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir under the direction of Barry Rose, formerly of Guildford Cathedral; St. Paul's Cathedral, London; and St. Albans Cathedral. The organist is David von Behren, Assistant University Organist and Choirmaster in the Memorial Church.