

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 27, 2019

11 am

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES UPON ENTERING
THE SANCTUARY OF THE MEMORIAL CHURCH.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Sonata in E-flat major, K. 67
Sonata in F major, K. 224

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

HYMN

No. 1, st. 1 & 4, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”
The congregation standing

Old Hundredth

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 36 & Isaiah 2

Minister: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

People: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgments are like the great deep.

Minister: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

People: For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

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. 19, “O Praise Ye the Lord! Sing Praise in the Height”
The congregation standing

Laudate Dominum

GREETING AND THE PEACE

All are invited to join in 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. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." Usbers will begin collection from the back of the church.

Psalm 65:1–2, 5–14 *Te decet hymnus*

Chant by Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion; and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

Thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

Thou shalt show us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation;

thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains, and is girded about with power.

Who stilleth the raging of the sea, and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the peoples.

They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens,

thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it; thou makest it very plenteous.

The river of God is full of water: thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

Thou waterest her furrows; thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof;

thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy clouds drop fatness.

They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness; and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

The folds shall be full of sheep; the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn,

that they shall laugh and sing.

DOXOLOGY

Sung by the congregation, standing

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

Joel 2:23–32

Pew Bible, page 801–802 (OT)

ANTHEM

Dixit Dominus from *Vesperae solennes de Confessore*, K. 339

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Dixit Dominus Domino meo;
Sede a dextris meis,
Donec ponam inimicos tuos
Scabellum pedum tuorum.
Virgam virtutis tuae emittet
Dominus ex Sion: dominare
In medio inimicorum tuorum.
Tecum principium in die virtutis tuae,
In splendoribus sanctorum:
Ex utero ante luciferum
Genui te.
Juravit Dominus,
Et non poenitebit eum,
Tu es sacerdos in aeternum
Secundum ordinem Melchisedech.
Dominus a dextris tuis,
Confregit in die irae suae reges.
Judicabit in nationibus,
Implebit ruinas:
Conquasabit capita in terra multorum.
De torrente in via bibet,
Propterea exaltabit caput.
Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper.
Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

*The Lord said to my Lord;
Sit at my right hand,
Until I place your enemies
As a footstool for your feet.
The rod of your power
The Lord will send forth from Zion: rule
In the midst of your enemies.
Sovereignty is with you on the day of your strength,
In the splendor of the Holy Ones:
Out of the womb before the light
I begot you.
The Lord has sworn,
And will not repent of it:
You are priest forever
According to the order of Melchisedech.
The Lord at your right hand
Crushes kings in the day of His wrath.
He will pass judgment on the nations;
He will pile up calamities,
And shatter heads in many lands.
He will drink from the rushing stream on the way;
Therefore He shall lift up His head.
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,
and for generations of generations. Amen.*

Psalm 110

SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18

Pew Bible, page 188–189 (NT)

PRAYER HYMN

The congregation seated

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to
see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,
fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.

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.

Following the Lord's Prayer, the Prayer Hymn is repeated.

ANTHEM

Beatus vir from *Vesperae solennes de Confessore*, K. 339

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Beatus vir qui timet Dominum,
In mandatis ejus volet nimis.
Potens in terra erit semen ejus,
Generatio rectorum benedicetur.
Gloria et divitiae in domo ejus,
Et justitia ejus manet
In saeculum saeculi.
Exortum est in tenebris lumen rectis,
Misericors et miserator et justus.
Jucundus homo,
Qui miseretur et commodat,
Disponet sermones suos in iudicio.
Quia in aeternum non commovebitur.
In memoria aeterna erit justus,
Ab auditione mala non timebit.
Paratum cor ejus sperare in Domino.
Confirmatum est cor ejus;
Non commovebitur
Donec despiciat inimicos suos.
Dispersit, dedit pauperibus,
Justitia ejus manet
In saeculum saeculi.
Cornu ejus exaltabitur in gloria.
Peccator videbit et irascetur,
Dentibus suis fremet et tabescet;
Desiderium peccatorum peribit.
Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper.
Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

*Blessed is the man who fears the Lord,
Who greatly delights in His commandments.
His seed will be potent on the earth,
The generation of the righteous will be blessed.
Glory and wealth will be in his house,
And his righteousness will endure
From generation to generation.
A light has arisen in the dark for the upright;
Merciful, compassionate, and just.
Happy is the man
Who is compassionate and generous,
Who chooses his words with discretion;
For he will never be disturbed.
The just will be eternally remembered,
And will not fear evil tidings.
His heart is ready to trust in the Lord.
His heart is strengthened;
He will not be troubled
Until he looks down upon his enemies.
He disperses and gives to the poor,
His righteousness will endure
From generation to generation.
His horn will be exalted in glory.
The sinner will see and be angered,
Will gnash his teeth and sulk;
The desires of sinners will perish.
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,
and for generations of generations. Amen.*

SERMON

The Lion's Mouth

HYMN

No. 363, "Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor"

The congregation standing

Zeuch mich, zeuch mich

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

André Campra (1660–1744)

OUR MISSION

The Memorial Church of Harvard University is a space of grace in the center of the Yard, rooted in the good news of Jesus Christ. Affectionately known as "MemChurch," we pursue partnerships within and beyond Harvard, empowering community members to serve the world as well-informed, compassionate, moral citizens. Through worship and ministry outreach, MemChurch aims to promote justice and mercy by confronting life's challenges, differences, and our own imperfections with courage, empathy, and an ethic of love. By doing so, the Memorial Church seeks to educate minds, expand hearts, and enrich lives.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 27, 2019

WELCOME

Today is the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. The preacher is the Rev. Kaji Douša, Senior Pastor, Park Avenue Church, New York City. The worship leaders are Professor Stephanie Paulsell, Interim Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church, Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies, Harvard Divinity School, the Rev. Alanna C. Sullivan, Grace Killian MDiv III, Seminarian in the Memorial Church, and Sally Hammel MDiv II, Seminarian in the Memorial Church. The first lesson is read by Nestor Pimienta MDiv '17. The second lesson is read by Elizabeth Propst '22. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir, under the direction of Edward E. Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster, and David von Behren, Assistant University Organist and Choirmaster. They are joined by members of the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra: Sarah Darling and Nivedita Sarnath, violins and Phoebe Carrai, cello.

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 the respite space during worship. Audio from the service streams in the Baby Oasis.

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

MORNING PRAYERS

Monday: Jaime Drucker MDiv '19; Tuesday: Princess Adedoyin Talabi Faniyi; Wednesday: Margaret Rennix PhD '15; Thursday: David von Behren; Friday: Diana Xochitl Munn

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, November 3. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour.

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCES

November 3 marks the observance of the celebration of All Saints and All Souls. It is the tradition of the Memorial Church to remember on this day those who have died in the past year who have been significant in some way in the lives of members of this community. If you wish someone to be remembered, please submit names online by visiting <http://bit.ly/hmcallsaints2019>. The names of those to be remembered will be listed in the November 3 Sunday Service program. All requests must be received no later than Tuesday, October 29 at 5 pm.

THE PILGRIMAGE PROJECT-DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

Please join us this Friday, November 1, for a pilgrimage to the Day of the Day altars in the Peabody Museum, led by Professor David Carrasco, the Neil L. Rudenstine Professor of the Study of Latin America at Harvard Divinity School and in the Department of Anthropology. We will meet at 1:30 pm in the Student Oasis of the Memorial Church, and all are welcome!

THE POLITICS OF THE UNSEEN: EXPLORING THE MORAL IMAGINATION

Harvard Divinity School invites you to a series of Monday film matinees (3–6 pm) in the Carpenter Center for the Visual Arts exploring the role of moral imagination in changing the world. The series begins tomorrow with a screening of “The Great Hack,” a film on the ethics of data collection and the impact on free elections. Executive Producer Geryl Dreyfous will be in conversation following the screening with Guardian journalist Carole Cadwalladr and Ravi Naik, Human and Data Rights Barrister.

WILLIAM BELDEN NOBLE LECTURES

The 2019–2020 William Belden Noble Lecturer in Residence, the Rev. Dr. Raphael G. Warnock, will deliver four lectures over the course of the academic year. The next lecture will take place on Wednesday, November 20 at 7 pm. A national voice on social justice issues such as voting rights and criminal justice, Warnock is Senior Pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, the spiritual home of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. All lectures will take place in the Memorial Church Sanctuary and are free and open to the public.

FALL CONCERT

On Sunday, November 3 at 4 pm, the Harvard University Choir and the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra will present a concert of the music of Joseph Haydn, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, and C. P. E. Bach. Admission is free, and all are welcome.

FAITH FORMATION

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 register and learn more, please visit the Church School for Children page on our website.

For adults in the MemChurch community, the Faith and Life forum seeks to enrich our spirituality by promoting religious literacy and cultural competency. The Forum is held Sunday mornings during the Fall and Spring Terms in the Buttrick Room from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. Speakers include scholars, pastors, and other public figures whose work enhances our awareness of the pivotal role religion plays across space and time.

To learn about upcoming speakers, please visit the Faith & Life Forum page on our website. The Forum will continue next Sunday, November 3 with Vanessa Zoltan. To learn about upcoming speakers, please visit the Faith & Life Forum page on our website.

Contact Ministry Fellow, Westley (Wes) Conn (westley_conn@harvard.edu) for more information about faith formation at MemChurch.

MUSIC NOTES

At age sixteen, Salzburg's most famous son—Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart—was appointed *Konzertmeister* at the city's court under Archbishop Hieronymus von Colloredo, but left at age twenty-one to seek fame and fortune elsewhere. Following unsuccessful tours of Mannheim, Munich, and Paris, however, the composer reluctantly returned to Salzburg as court organist in January 1779, but his discontentment with the city's musical life remained undiminished. Archbishop Colloredo's restrictions concerning the length and substance of liturgical music are well documented by Mozart, and musical settings from this period employ a simple and immediate declamation of the text—with a minimum of repetition—and sparing musical forces. Despite these limitations, Mozart fashions a body of liturgical music for Salzburg Cathedral that includes the beautiful *Vesperae solennes de Confessore* (Solemn Vespers for a Saint's Day), K. 339, which foreshadows the two great unfinished Viennese choral masterpieces, the *Mass in C Minor* and the *Requiem*. The first and third psalms of the collection are presented this morning: the energetic *Dixit Dominus*, and the joyful *Beatus vir*.

Mozart's so-called "Church Sonatas" were also written for Salzburg Cathedral as interlude music between the Epistle and the Gospel. This morning's prelude features the elegiac E-flat major sonata and the spritely F major sonata, led by Phoebe Carrai and Sarah Darling, directors of the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra. French composer André Campra was an important composer of French opera in the period between Lully and Rameau. His most famous opera, *Idomeneé* (whose libretto formed the basis of Mozart's more famous *Idomeneo*) contains the Rigadoun dance, which has become a popular concert piece for organists.

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 First-Year Family Weekend and All Saints' Day. The preacher will be Professor Stephanie Paulsell, Interm Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church, Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies, Harvard Divinity School.

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