# **HARVARD**

The Memorial Church



# SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE KNAFEL CENTER

The Last Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, November 20, 2016

# Order of Worship

#### **PRELUDE**

A Carol of Thanksgiving: Kremser (1984)

Russell Schulz-Widmar (b. 1944)

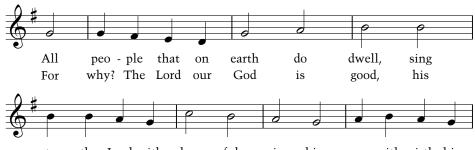
Prelude on a Kentucky Hymn: Middlebury (1982) An American Frontier Hymn: Land of Rest (1980)

#### **HYMN**

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Old Hundredth

The congregation standing



to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his mer - cy is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times



praise forth tell, come ye be-forehim and re-joice. firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure. A - men.

#### INVOCATION

#### **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**

To God Be the Glory (page 10)

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#### **GREETING**

#### THE PEACE

All are invited to join in singing.

Children join their teachers in the Church School at the invitation of the worship leader.



We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless-ing. He chas -tens and



has-tens his will to make known; the wick-edop-press-ing now cease from dis-



tress-ing. Sing prais - es to his name; he for-gets not his own.

#### **OFFERTORY**

The offering collected goes directly to fund the grant recipient organizations and their important work in our local communities. Checks can be written to the Memorial Church with the memo line "Grants Committee." Ushers will begin collection from the back of the hall.

Psalm 119:137–144 Justus es, Domine

chant by Paul Halley (b. 1952)

Sung by the choir

Righteous art thou, O Lord;

and true are thy judgments.

The testimonies that thou hast commanded are exceeding righteous and true.

My zeal hath even consumed me;

because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

Thy word is tried to the uttermost,
and thy servant loveth it.

I am small and of no reputation;
yet do I not forget thy commandments.

Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness,
and thy law is the truth.

Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me;
yet is my delight in thy commandments.

The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

#### **DOXOLOGY**

Sung by the congregation, standing
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

#### ANTHEM

I Have a Soul to Be Saved or Lost (1996)

Traditional Shaker Hymn arr. Daniel Roihl '98 (b. 1975)

I have a soul to be saved or lost, And if I would ever save it, I must be faithful to bear my cross And be true unto God who gave it. Almighty God do hear our prayer, In mercy O draw near; O spare, O spare thy chosen ones From judgments most severe. O holy Mother lend thy hand, Thy wisdom's needed here; O may this little chosen band Learn more true godly fear. Do Holy Savior be our prop, Support us by thine arm; And may we by thy teaching walk, O keep us from all harm. O blessed Mother do not leave Thy needy children here; Help us to keep God's holy way, And all his laws revere.

#### SECOND LESSON

#### Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

#### **HYMN**

The congregation seated



#### 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

#### **ANTHEM**

Simple Gifts

Joseph Brackett (1797–1882) arr. Joshua W. Bean '16 (b. 1994)

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find our selves in the place just right, 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed, To turn, turn will be our delight, 'Til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be true, 'Tis a gift to labor 'til the day is through,

And when we find ourselves in the place so fine, 'Twill be in the cool of the birch and the pine. 'Tis a gift to be joyful, 'tis a gift to be free, 'Tis a gift, 'tis a gift, 'tis a simple gift to be, And when you find yourself in the pure delight, The gift to be simple has led you aright.

#### **SERMON**

Searching for a New Home

#### **HYMN**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (page 9) *The congregation standing* 

Nettleton

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**

Hornpipe, Op. 934 (2011)

Carson P. Cooman '04 (b. 1982)

#### **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.

# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

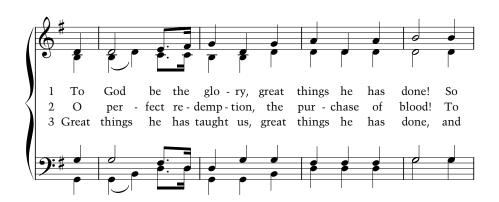
Robert Robinson, 1758

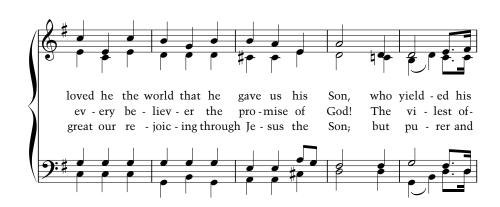
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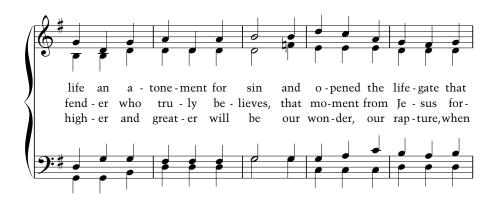


Fanny J. Crosby, 1875

TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11 11 11 11 with Refrain William H. Doane, 1875









# Announcements

Sunday, November 20, 2016

#### WELCOME

Today is the Last Sunday after Pentecost. The preacher is Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church. The service is led by the Reverend Dr. Lucy A. Forster-Smith, Sedgwick Chaplain to the University and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church; and the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church. The first lesson is read by Ozichi Osuoha '19. The second lesson is read by Francesca Noelette '19. The music is provided by the Harvard University Choir, under the direction of Edward E. Jones, Gund University Organist and Choirmaster, and Thomas M. Sheehan, Associate University Organist and Choirmaster. The offering is bid by Alanna C. Sullivan.

#### WELCOME TABLE

Want to learn about the Memorial Church? Stop by the Welcome Table to learn more about our array of events, programs, and ministries. Questions are encouraged!

#### MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: NOVEMBER 21 – 25, 8:45 A.M.

Monday: Kate Brady '19; Tuesday: Brooks Lambert-Sluder; Wednesday–Friday: No Services — Thanksgiving Recess

# CHURCH SCHOOL

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children ages three through twelve. Classes are held in the lower level of the Knafel Center during Sunday services and emphasize biblical themes and scripture. The confirmation class will also meet during this time. At the conclusion of the worship service, parents are asked to promptly pick up their children. To register, please visit the Church School for Children page on our website. Contact Church School Director Westley (Wes) Conn (westley\_conn@harvard.edu) to register for this class, or for more information about Church School programs.

# FALL CONCERT: TODAY

This evening at 8 p.m., the Harvard University Choir and Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra will present George Frideric Handel's oratorio *L'Allegro*, *Il Penseroso ed Il Moderato* in concert in Sanders Theatre in Memorial Hall. The concert will feature guest conductor Nicholas McGegan, and soloists Amanda Forsythe, Sherezade Panthaki, Aaron Sheehan, and Sumner Thompson, and is free and open to the public.

#### **MUSIC NOTES**

To celebrate the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day, this morning's music celebrates the vibrant legacy of contemporary American church music, and features choral arrangements of American Shaker tunes by composers who are both alumni of the Harvard University Choir.

A graduate of Harvard, Yale, and the University of Southern California, Daniel Roihl '98 is a conductor, performer, composer, and educator whose music has been heard in a variety of venues. His arrangement of the Shaker Hymn "I Have a Soul to Be Saved or Lost" was inspired by a visit to the Shaker village at Sabbathday Lake, Maine, where the Harvard University Choir recorded a CD of Shaker music.

Josh Bean '16 wrote his arrangement of the famous shaker tune Simple Gifts for performance at Harvard's 2016 Commencement Exercises where it was premiered in the vast expanse of Tercentenary Theatre.

Today's prelude presents popular hymn tunes in new settings by Russell Schulz-Widmar, an important figure in American liturgical music who chaired the music committee for the Episcopal Hymnal 1982. The postlude is taken from Carson Cooman's "Piccoli fiori musicali," a title which pays homage to Frescobaldi's landmark collection of keyboard music of 1635. "Hornpipe," a jaunty dance making use of quick scalar passage work alternating with staccato chords, is the concluding piece in this collection.

# SEASONS OF LIGHT: A MULTIRELIGIOUS SERVICE

On Tuesday, November 29 from 5:30–7:00 p.m., join the Harvard Divinity School community for this beloved annual service honoring the interplay of holy darkness and sacred light in the world's religious traditions. The service includes choral and instrumental music, readings by HDS students, the ritual kindling of many flames, and communal prayers and songs. The service will be held in Andover Chapel on the second floor of Andover Hall, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge.

# **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 First Sunday of Advent. The preacher will be the Reverend Alanna C. Sullivan, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church.

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