



FROM THE PROFESSOR'S DESK

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Hello, Beautiful Friends:

Where did the summer go? Alas, time does fly when you are having fun!

My summer has indeed been fun and productive. Along with my annual sojourn to North Carolina, I sailed along the Mediterranean with Harvard alums as a lecturer on the *Voyage to the Lands of Gods and Heroes*. What a treat! Spending time with members of the alumni network and their families rivaled the breathtaking views from atop the islands of Santorini and Crete. The summer also allowed me to attend to my own research and writing. I began the month of August in Canterbury at the University of Kent giving the keynote plenary lecture to the International Society for Media, Religion, and Culture. To be sure, having leading scholars in the field engage my current research proved beneficial for my next book project on religious broadcasting. It was time well spent.

Fortunately, the ministry of the Memorial Church ran like a well-oiled machine. Sedgwick Chaplain to the University Reverend Dr. Lucy Forster-Smith, along with our amazing staff, presided over an efficient and effective summer. Worship services provided spiritual nourishment to guests and local residents. Our [new bell](#) was installed atop the church steeple. We owe a debt of gratitude to our property manager, Gail Oliver, for overseeing this massive project. And the church staff continues to finalize plans for the upcoming academic year.

Both new and old friends will grace the MemChurch pulpit this Fall Term. Noted author [Reverend Deb Richardson-Moore](#), Senior Pastor of the Triune Mercy Center in Greenville, South Carolina, and [Reverend Dr. Emilie Townes](#), Dean of the Divinity School at Vanderbilt University, are joining us for the first time. We will also welcome back [Reverend Dr. Alison Boden](#), Dean of Religious Life and the Chapel at Princeton University, and [Reverend John Finley IV](#), Head of the Epiphany School in Boston. If you cannot join us in the sanctuary, be sure to listen to us on Harvard's radio station, [WHRB](#).

Moreover, the Faith & Life Forum extends its commitment to presenting leading scholars and religious intellectuals each week. A few faculty members from Harvard Divinity School are prepared to provide us a glimpse into their sabbatical research. [Theologians-in-Residence](#) Mayra Rivera Rivera, Associate Professor of

Theology and Latina/o Studies, and Charles Stang, Associate Professor of Early Christian Thought, will share their latest book projects. We are also thrilled that local author Florence Ladd is coming to discuss her latest novel [The Spirit of Josephine: A Family Reunion in Paris](#). Be sure to review the full Fall Term schedule so that you do not miss a moment.



Finally, I would like to mention a few staff changes that have taken place since Spring Term. We said goodbye to Associate University Organist and Choirmaster Christian Lane and longtime Church Sexton Richard Campbell. Both served the Memorial Church for many years, and the entire University was enriched by their presence. We wish them God's blessings in their future endeavors.

Yet fond adieus often give way to fresh opportunities. We are thus pleased to welcome [Thomas Sheehan](#), our new Assistant University Organist and Choirmaster. Thomas is an incredible young talent, and great addition to our music department under the supervision of Gund University Organist and Choirmaster Edward E. Jones. You can read more about Thomas on the church website. Mark your calendars for our [Organ Recital Series](#), as well as the [Fall Term UChoir Concert](#). This year the UChoir is celebrating the 300th anniversary of the birth of German composer Christoph Willibald Gluck.

In sum, I look forward to another incredible year at the Memorial Church. We are a central site of human connection on Harvard's campus — a place to share, a place to care, a place to give, and a place to just simply live. We are a space of grace for all of God's children!

Come grow with us.

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FALL TERM 2014 CALENDAR

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday services are broadcast on Harvard's radio station, **WHRB 95.3 FM**. For those outside the Cambridge area, WHRB provides live Internet streaming from its web site www.whrb.org. Services take place at 11:00 a.m. eastern time.

August 31: Freshman Sunday

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton
*Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and
 Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church*
 Anthems: Bernstein — "Urah, hanevel, v'chinor"
 from *Chichester Psalms*
 Byrd — Haec dies

September 7: First Sunday of Fall Term

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Lucy A. Forster-Smith
*Sedgwick Chaplain to the University and
 Senior Minister in the Memorial Church*
 Anthems: Parry — I Was Glad
 Haydn — "The Heavens Are Telling" from *Creation*

September 14

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton
 Anthems: Mathias — Let the People Praise Thee
 Martin — Jubilate

September 21

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton
 Anthems: Byrd — Sing Joyfully
 Weelkes — O Lord Arise

September 28

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Alison L. Boden
*Dean of Religious Life and the Chapel,
 Princeton University, NJ*
 Anthems: Howells — Magnificat (Collegium Regale)
 Bainton — And I Saw a New Heaven

October 5

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton
 Anthems: Schubert — Mass in G Major
 Mozart — Ave verum Corpus

October 12: Institution Service for the New Senior Minister

Preacher: Rabbi Patricia Karlin-Neuman
*Senior Associate Dean for Religious Life,
 Stanford University, CA*
 Anthems: Paulus — Pilgrims' Hymn
 Cooman — New Commission

October 19

Preacher: The Reverend Jedediah Mannis
Founder, The Outdoor Church of Cambridge
 Anthems: Parker — Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal
 Hogan — Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

October 26

Preacher: Deb Richardson-Moore
Pastor, Triune Mercy Center, Greenville, SC
 Anthem: Bach — Komm, Jesu komm

November 2: Commemoration of All Saints & All Souls

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton
 Anthem: Fauré — Requiem (excerpts)

November 9: Commemoration of Benefactors & of The War Dead

Preacher: Colonel Everett Spain
Academy Professor, United States Military Academy at West Point
 Anthems: Vaughan Williams — Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Refuge
 Parry — My Soul, There Is a Country

November 16

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Emilie M. Townes
*Dean of the Divinity School and E. Rhodes and Leona B.
 Carpenter Professor of Womanist Ethics and Society,
 Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN*
 Anthems: Brahms — "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place"
 from *A German Requiem*
 Phillips — The Risen Sun

November 23

Preacher: Alanna Copenhaver
Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church
 Anthem: Britten — Hymn to St. Cecilia

November 30: The First Sunday of Advent

Preacher: The Reverend John H. Finley IV
*Co-Founder and Head of Epiphany School,
 Boston, MA*
 Anthems: Shumway — Schenectady
 Ingalls — The Appletree

December 7: The Second Sunday of Advent

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton
 Anthems: Howells — Communion Service (Collegium Regale)
 Howells — A Spotless Rose

December 14: The Third Sunday of Advent

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Stephanie A. Paulsell
*Houghton Professor of the Practice of Ministry Studies, Harvard
 Divinity School; Affiliated Minister in the Memorial Church*
 Anthems: Pettman — The Angel Gabriel
 Goldschmidt — A Tender Shoot

December 21: The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Preacher: To Be Announced...

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, December 24, 5:00 p.m.

On Christmas Eve a service will be held to celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord with hymns and Holy Communion. Professor Jonathan L. Walton will preach.

December 28: NO SERVICE — WINTER RECESS

January 4

Preacher: To Be Announced...

January 11

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January 18: Commemoration of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Walter Fluker

*Martin Luther King, Jr. Professor of Ethical Leadership,
Boston University School of Theology***January 25: Last Sunday of Fall Term**

Preacher: Professor Jonathan L. Walton

MORNING PRAYERS**IN APPLETON CHAPEL****Monday – Saturday in Term, 8:45 – 9:00 a.m.****Beginning Tuesday, September 2**

Consisting of music, prayer, and a brief address given by a member or friend of the University, this service is a great way to start the day.

The first week's speakers will be:

Monday, September 1

No Service — Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 2

Drew Gilpin Faust

*President of Harvard University***Wednesday, September 3**

Jonathan L. Walton

*Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister
in the Memorial Church***Thursday, September 4**

Lucy A. Forster-Smith

*Sedgwick Chaplain to the University and
Senior Minister in the Memorial Church***Friday, September 5**

Rakesh Khurana

*Dean of Harvard College***Saturday, September 6**

Alanna Copenhaver

*Ministry Fellow, The Memorial Church***COMPLINE****Thursdays, September 4, October 2, November 6,
and December 4 at 10:00 p.m.**

This twenty-minute service is sung in the candlelit space of Appleton Chapel.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM**Sundays, September 14 – December 7, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

The Faith & Life Forum explores matters of faith and public life. Each week we hear from leading thinkers as it pertains to matters of ultimate concern such as love, justice, suffering, and salvation. The presentations take place in the Pusey Room of the Memorial Church and begin at 9:30 a.m. Come for coffee at 9:00 a.m.

September 14

Jonathan L. Walton

*Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister
in the Memorial Church***September 21**

Ali Asani

*Professor of Indo-Muslim and Islamic Religion and Cultures,
Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations,
Harvard University***September 28**

Alison L. Boden

*Dean of Religious Life and the Chapel, Princeton University, NJ***October 5**

Mayra Rivera Rivera

*Associate Professor of Theology and Latina/o Studies,
Harvard Divinity School***October 12**

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Nashville, TN***November 23**

Florence Ladd

*Author***November 30**

John H. Finley IV

*Co-Founder and Head of Epiphany School, Boston, MA***December 7**

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BIBLE STUDY

Professor Jonathan L. Walton will lead these evening discussion sessions aimed at teaching and facilitating a socio-historical reading of the Bible, using the same exegetical method he employs when preparing his Sunday morning sermons.

**Wednesdays, October 1, November 5,
February 11, March 11, and April 15,
7:00-8:30 p.m.***(Continued on next page...)***Bible Study Series****Reading the Bible
in its World
for Your World**

FALL 2014 MUSIC PERFORMANCES

HARVARD UNIVERSITY CHOIR CONCERTS

EVENSONG

Sunday, October 5, 4:00 p.m.

GLUCK'S ORFEO ED EURIDICE

Sunday, October 19, 4:00 p.m.

Concert performance featuring the Harvard University Choir and Grand Harmonie, in celebration of the 300th anniversary of the birth of Christoph Willibald Gluck.

HBCO CONCERT

Sunday, November 16, 7:00 p.m.

Phoebe Carrai, director. Featuring the Choral Fellows of the Harvard University Choir.

105TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICES

Sunday, December 14, 5:00 p.m.

Monday, December 15, 8:00 p.m.

Doors open one hour before the services. Admission is free; an offering for charity is collected.

LOOKING AHEAD! SPRING 2015

HOLY WEEK MUSICAL MEDITATION

Tuesday, March 31, 8:00 p.m.

Featuring the Choral Fellows of the Harvard University Choir and members of HBCO

HARVARD UNIVERSITY CHOIR

ARTS FIRST PERFORMANCE

Friday, May 1, 7:30 p.m.

George Frideric Handel's *Athalia*

Featuring the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra

TUESDAY ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

Admission is free to all recitals.

September 9, 7:30 p.m.

Thomas Sheehan

Assistant Organist and Choirmaster, The Memorial Church

September 23, 7:30 p.m.

John Robinson

Director of Music, The Church of St. Paul and St. Paul's Choir School, Cambridge, MA

October 7, 7:30 p.m.

Stuart Forster

Director of Music and Organist, Christ Church, Cambridge, MA

October 21, 7:30 p.m.

Christopher Marks

Assistant Professor of Organ, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

November 4, 7:30 p.m.

Anthony Hammond

English Concert Organist and Cochereau Biographer
(lecture-recital on the life and music of Pierre Cochereau)

November 18, 7:30 p.m.

Crista Miller

Director of Music and Cathedral Organist,
Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Houston, Texas

HARVARD ORGAN SOCIETY

MIDDAY RECITAL SERIES

Thursdays, October 2 – November 20, 12:15 – 12:45 p.m.

Recitals are performed on the organ in Christ Church, Cambridge (0 Garden St). The series is free and open to the public; audience members are encouraged to bring a lunch.

October 2

Andrew Sheranian

Organist and Master of Choristers, Parish of All Saints, Boston, MA

October 9

To Be Announced...

October 16

Thomas Sheehan

Assistant University Organist and Choirmaster, The Memorial Church

October 23

Steven Young

Professor of Music, Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA

October 30

Members of the Harvard Organ Society

November 6

Mary Fiske

Assistant Organist, St. John's Episcopal Church, Beverly Farms, MA

November 13

Ian Tomesch

Music Director and Organist, Berkeley Divinity School, New Haven, CT; Organ Scholar, Christ Church, New Haven, CT

November 20

Wyatt Smith

Institute of Sacred Music, Yale University, New Haven, CT

HALLOWEEN ORGAN RECITAL

Midnight between Friday, October 31 and Saturday, November 1

The annual Halloween recital will be performed by members of the Harvard Organ Society on the Skinner organ in the Memorial Church. Admission is free and open to the public.



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