

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Installation Service for the
Sedgwick Chaplain to Harvard University
and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 12, 2014

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

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PRELUDE

Cambridge Passacaglia

Carson P. Cooman '04 (b. 1982)

INTROIT

God So Loved the World

Libby Larsen (b. 1950)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son,
That who so believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.
For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world,
But that the world through him might be saved.

John 3: 16–17

HYMN IN PROCESSION

No. 2, "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Lasst uns erfreuen

The congregation standing

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 36:5–9

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;
You save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

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

People: We feast on the abundance of your house,
And you give us drink from the river of your delights.

Minister: For with you is the fountain of life;

People: In your light we see light.

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

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.

GREETINGS

Children now join their teachers in the Church School.

THE PEACE

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

AT THE OFFERTORY

The Call

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Zachary Fletcher '15, baritone

Here an offering is received for the work of the Church within and beyond the University. Users will begin the collection from the back of the Church forward.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PSALTER

Psalms 133

Pew Bible, page 538 (OT)

Read in unison; the congregation standing

GLORIA PATRI

See Hymn No. 371

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 18:1–14

Pew Bible, page 13 (OT)

ANTHEM

Pilgrims' Hymn

Stephen Paulus (b. 1949)

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

SECOND LESSON

Leviticus 19:1–18

Pew Bible, page 98 (OT)

ANTHEM

The Guest House

Carson P. Cooman '04

This being human is a guest house.
Every morning a new arrival.
A joy, a depression, a meanness,
Some momentary awareness comes
As an unexpected visitor.
Be grateful for whoever comes,
For each has been sent
As a guide from beyond.
“For I was a stranger and you invited me in.
Truly, I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers and sisters, you did for me.”

Rumi (1207–1273)

translated by Coleman Barks, and Matthew 25:35c, 40

SERMON

Holy Hospitality: Sharing Knowledge, Sharing Nourishment

Text: “When he saw them, he ran to meet them.”

Genesis 18:2

HYMN

No. 5, “Now Thank We All Our God”

The congregation standing

Nun danket alle Gott

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

Congregation seated

Greetings from the Student Community

Usra Ghazi MTS '14

Charge to the Harvard Community

Professor Jonathan L. Walton

When Professor Walton addresses the congregation and asks if they will support and uphold the Reverend Dr. Lucy Forster-Smith in this new ministry, the congregation should respond: “We will, with God’s help.”

Charge to the Sedgwick Chaplain and Senior Minister

Sharon Kugler

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Alleluia

Calvin Hampton (1938–1934)

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877–1933)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 12, 2014

WELCOME

Today is the Installation Service for the Sedgwick Chaplain to Harvard University and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church, and the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The preacher is Rabbi Patricia Karlin-Neumann, Senior Associate Dean for Religious Life at Stanford University. The first lesson is read by Professor Stephanie Paulsell, Houghton Professor of the Practice of Ministry Studies at Harvard Divinity School. The second lesson is read by the Reverend Father Luther Zeigler, Episcopal Chaplain to Harvard and President of the Harvard Chaplains. The service is led by Professor Jonathan L. Walton, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church; Alanna Copenhaver, Ministry Fellow in the Memorial Church; Usra Ghazi MTS '14, Interfaith Intern in the Memorial Church; Sharon Kugler, University Chaplain at Yale University; and the Reverend Thomas Forster-Smith, Interim Pastor at Payson Park United Church of Christ, Belmont, MA.

Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance. Following the service, the congregation is invited to a reception in the Memorial Room; cake and refreshments will be served.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mason Hammond, Class of 1925, G '32, LLD '94, by his daughters Elizabeth Hammond Llewellyn, Florence Hammond Phillips, and Anstiss Hammond Krueck.

MORNING PRAYERS SPEAKERS: OCTOBER 13 – 18, 8:45 A.M.

Monday: No Service — Columbus Day; Tuesday: Torsten Thiele; Wednesday: Leon Welch; Thursday: Alanna Copenhaver; Friday: Ye Dam Lee '15; Saturday: David Foster

Following each service of Morning Prayers on Wednesdays, free coffee and snacks will be available at MemCafé from 9:00–10:15 a.m. on the steps of the church across from Widener Library. All are welcome!

CHRIST WITHOUT ADAM

On Thursday, October 16 at 4:00 p.m. in the Braun Room of Andover Hall at Harvard Divinity School, Professor Benjamin Dunning of Fordham University will discuss his book *Christ Without Adam: Subjectivity and Sexual Difference in the Philosopher's Paul*. The event is sponsored by the New Testament and Early Christianity Program and Harvard Divinity School.

GLUCK'S ORFEO ED EURIDICE

On Sunday, October 19 at 4:00 p.m., the Harvard University Choir and Grand Harmonie present a concert performance of Christoph Willibald Gluck's 1762 opera *Orfeo ed Euridice*, in celebration of the composer's 300th anniversary year. Soloists are Julia Mintzer, Amanda Forsythe, and Margot Rood; the concert is free and open to the public.

TUESDAY ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

The Memorial Church's biweekly Tuesday organ recital series continues on October 21 at 7:30 p.m. Christopher Marks, Assistant Professor of Organ at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, will perform music of Bach, Jongen, Flagler, Bingham, and Knecht. The concert is free and all are invited.

FAITH & LIFE FORUM

The Faith & Life Forum seeks to deepen our devotional lives by promoting religious literacy and cultural competency concerning communities of faith. Held every Sunday morning during the Term before the 11:00 a.m. worship service, the presentations take place in the Pusey Room

of the Memorial Church from 9:30–10:30 a.m., but you are invited to gather for coffee and conversation at 9:00 a.m. The next Faith & Life Forum will be held on Sunday, October 19. Jedediah Mannis, Founder of The Outdoor Church of Cambridge, will give the presentation.

MUSIC NOTES

To celebrate the official installation of the Reverend Dr. Lucy Forster-Smith as Sedgwick Chaplain to Harvard University and Senior Minister in the Memorial Church, this morning's music features selections which have particular meaning to her and her family.

Libby Larsen is one of the most important figures in American music today. She studied at the University of Minnesota, and in 1973 she co-founded, with the composer Stephen Paulus, the Minnesota Composers Forum (since 1996 the American Composers Forum.) She is a tireless champion of the music and musicians of our time, and her own catalogue of over 200 works spans a wide range of styles and genres from intimate vocal and chamber music to vast orchestral and choral canvases; "God So Loved the World" is a fluid setting of the famous words from the Gospel of John.

Stephen Paulus is one of America's most prolific contemporary composers, especially well-known for his operas and choral music. *Pilgrims' Hymn* forms the poignant conclusion of the one-act church opera, *The Three Hermits*, and has become one of Paulus's most widely-performed choral works. Following a massive stroke in July 2013, Dr. Paulus remains in a critical but stable condition in the hospital: our thoughts and prayers continue to be with him and his family.

Harvard graduate Carson P. Cooman '04 is Composer in Residence at the Memorial Church, which has witnessed the premieres of many of his works. This morning, the Harvard University Choir presents "The Guest House" composed especially for today's service of installation, with texts chosen by Dr. Forster-Smith.

The prelude is Carson Cooman's *Cambridge Passacaglia*, written for the dedication of the Charles B. Fisk and Peter J. Gomes Memorial Organ, and premiered on Easter Sunday, 2012. After an improvisatory introduction, the ground bass is presented and subjected to eight variations, before the introductory material returns as part of a ninth variation to end the work.

The German composer, organist, and theorist, Sigfrid Karg-Elert taught at the Magdeburg Conservatory before the financial support of Grieg enabled him to focus solely on composition. Many of the composer's organ works are based on German chorales (in the tradition of Johann Sebastian Bach); this morning's postlude is the popular triumphal march and trio on Luther's Reformation chorale, "Now Thank We All Our God."

CHURCH SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

The Church School offers Christian education classes for children ages three through twelve. Classes are held in the Buttrick Room during Sunday services, and emphasize biblical themes and scripture. At the conclusion of the worship service, parents are asked to promptly pick their children up in the Buttrick Room. A committed staff of undergraduate teachers work closely with Church School Director Westley Conn. Contact Wes at wpc3@bu.edu for more information.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday is the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The preacher will be the Reverend Jedediah Mannis, Founder of The Outdoor Church of Cambridge.

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