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Stanford Memorial Church
University Public Worship
September 23, 2012
10:00 a.m.
17th day after Pentecost

OPENING VOLUNTARY
Sonata No. 5 in C (BWV 529)
Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685 – 1750)

WELCOME
Rev. Joanne Sanders

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*HYMN
Bring, O Past, Your Honor

*OPENING WORDS
(Responses of the people are in italics)

This is the day that God has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY
May God be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray: God of unsearchable mystery and light, your weakness is greater than our strength, your foolishness brings all our cleverness to naught, your gentleness confounds the power we would claim. You call first to be last and last to be first, servant to be leader and ruler to be underling of all. Pour into our hearts the wisdom of your Word and Spirit that we may know your purpose and live to your glory. Amen.

*All who are able, please stand.
The peace of God be with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN  We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky
Dean Scotty McLennan

SERMON

Starting to Walk
Dean Scotty McLennan

*GOSPEL

Mark 9: 30-37

COMPLINE BEGINS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7. The first of this quarter’s peaceful 30-minute contemplative musical services features the Palo Alto High School Choir in the candle-lit ambiance of Memorial Church. Fall Quarter 2012 Compline dates: Sundays, October 7, 14, 21 and 28, November 4, 11 and 18, December 2, 9:00 – 9:30 pm, Memorial Church. All are welcome.

VOTER REGISTRATION is happening all over campus now! Students, staff, faculty, anyone can register to vote at various locations all over campus. Voter registration will continue in the Haas Center, 1st floor Bing Information Resource Center, through Oct. 22nd. Hours are Monday-Friday 11:30am - 5:30 pm. The last day to register to vote in California is October 22nd. For more information, please contact Maria Framboni at mfraboni@stanford.edu.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS – FREE AND OPEN TO ALL

FREE DOCUMENT-LED TOURS OF STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH Come learn more about the history, inscriptions and construction of this beautiful sacred space. Fridays, 2:00 pm, please meet in front of the church. A tour is also offered every last Sunday of the month at 11:15 am, please meet inside the vestibule of the church.

LABYRINTH IN STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH If life has you wandering aimlessly in circles, embark on a personal journey that’s stood the test of time for thousands of years. Enter the labyrinth and discover that walking in circles can actually put direction back in your life - that the rhythm and simplicity of following a clear path can quiet your mind, help you find balance, facilitate meditation, insight and celebration. All are welcome. Fridays from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS are available for those who need them. Please see an usher to obtain this enhanced version of our order of service.

HEARING-ASSISTANCE RECEIVERS If you are unable to hear the spoken word easily, hearing-assistance receivers are available from our ushers. Please return the receivers to an usher.

EVENT INFORMATION AND MORE Please visit http://religiouslife.stanford.edu to learn more about the Office for Religious Life, events, download UPW bulletins before services, read past sermons, join our weekly email newsletter and much more.

KZSU REBROADCAST University Public Worship can be heard on the Internet at http://kzsurlive.stanford.edu and on the radio at 90.1 FM every Sunday at 11:30 am.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE to Sairus Patel (reader and usher) and Elda Chisholm (usher) for donating their time to assist during today’s worship service. Those wishing to assist in our worship service as readers, ushers, Communion helpers, please call 650-723-1762. We are also looking for volunteers to aid in washing and pressing Communion linens.

TALKBACK SESSION Dean Scotty McLennan is hosting a sermon talkback session in the Round Room, behind Memorial Church, after this morning’s post-service reception. Bring your refreshments inside 10-15 minutes after the service for a discussion of whatever issues were raised for you by the sermon. We’ll finish by 12:00 noon at the latest.

OFFERINGS today by cash and check are in support of Kara, and will be received at the side and main doors after today’s service. Please make checks payable to Kara. Kara is a nonprofit organization that provides counseling, education and information to individuals and groups who are living with issues of life-threatening illness, limited life expectancy, death and grief.

PLEASE NOTE Checks written to Stanford University will be considered gifts to Stanford Memorial Church to support the programs and events in this Church. These gifts will not be formally acknowledged in writing, unless your gift check is $250.00 or greater. Thank you for your thoughtfulness in giving.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRE-POST RETIREMENT DISCUSSION GROUP After two meetings this summer, participants have decided to continue meeting once a month this fall, encouraging anyone interested to join them. Facilitated by Dean Scotty McLennan and Rev. Joanne Sanders, group participants are thinking about how to devote themselves in retirement — whether that means encore careers, re-committed lives, giving back, the next spiritual step, or something else. The next meeting will be in the Round Room of Memorial Church from 7-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 20. Feel free to bring a one-page reading (like poetry, an op-ed, religious text, etc.) that you find helpful for discussion. Subsequent meetings will be on October 25 and November 29.

ORGAN RECITAL University Organist, Dr. Robert Huw Morgan, will be performing music based on Marian hymns. Free and open to the public. Friday, September 28, 8:00 pm, Memorial Church.

MULTIFAITH CELEBRATION OF SPIRITUAL LIFE AT STANFORD Experience an inspiring presentation of religious life offerings at Stanford. Enjoy hearing from some of the students involved in a variety of spiritual and religious communities on campus. Featuring extraordinary drumming by Stanford Taiko and the exceptional music of Talisman, the Memorial Church Choir and University Organist, Dr. Robert Huw Morgan. A discussion lunch with student leaders will be held in the Round Room after the service. Sunday, September 30, 10:00 am, Memorial Church.

HARMONY FOR HUMANITY: DANIEL PEARL WORLD MUSIC DAYS CONCERT The Office for Religious Life, Stanford Live and Music at Stanford co-present this 10th annual concert—a tribute
Bring, O Past, Your Honor

1. Bring, O Past, your honor; bring, O Time, your
2. Ring, in glad thanksgiving, bell of grief and
3. Shrine of frontier courage, Sinai of its
dead, company of comrades sworn to
4. Church of pure reformers, pioneers un

harvest, golden sheaves of hallowed lives and
gladness, forth to town and prairie let our
vision, home and hearth of common quest for
minds by Truth made free; come, you faithful
feast of greeting go, voices long de
life's immortal good, stand, in years on
keep the spirit free; long o'er life's swift

Words: Charles H. Lytton, 1884–1980
Music: John Bacchus Dykes, 1823–1876

UNIVERSITY PUBLIC WORSHIP
SERVICE SCHEDULE

September 30
Ross Feehan ’13 & Rasheedat Zakare-Fagbamila ’13
*Multifaith Celebration of Spiritual Life at Stanford*

October 7
Dean Scotty McLennan
*Alumni Weekend*

October 14
Rabbi Patricia Karlin-Neumann

October 21
Dean Scotty McLennan
*Service with Communion*
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Robert Huw Morgan
Friday, September 28, 2012, 8 PM

Margaret Kvamme
Friday, October 26, 2012, 8 PM

Nathan Laube
Wednesday, November 14, 2014, 8 PM

Robert Huw Morgan
Annual Holiday Concert
Sunday, December 9, 2012, 1:30 PM

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We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky

John 10:10

Ruth Duck, 1985; rev. 1989

1. We cannot own the sunlit sky, the moon, the wildflowers
2. When bodies shiver in the night and, wearily, wait for
3. God calls humanity to join as partners in creation,

for we are part of all that is with growing,
when children have no bread but tears, and a ting a future free from want or fear, life’s

in life’s river flowing. With open hands receiving, 
war horns sound their warning. God calls humanity —

goodness celebrating. That new world beckons

grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
grant us courage, for the living of these days,
grant us courage, make thy peace our daily goal,
grant us courage, ears to hear and eyes to see,

for the facing of this hour.
for the living of these days.
make thy peace our daily goal.
ears to hear and eyes to see.

Ruth Duck wrote this text while she was serving as a corporate member of the United Church Board for World Ministries. In it, she wanted to “emphasize humanity’s shared partnership with God in caring for one another and the whole creation.”

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Tune: EROS SONG 8.7.8.7.D.
Arr. by Robert Lowry in Bright Jewels for the Sunday School, New York, 1869

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We cannot own the sunlit sky

can we share the gifts of God's creation, that
ty to wake, to join in common labor, that
from afar, invites our shared endeavor, that

all may have abundant life in every earthly nation,
all may have abundant life in oneness with their neighbor,
all may have abundant life and peace endure forever.
God of Grace
and God of Glory

1. God of grace and God of glory, on thy people
pour thy power; crown thine ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom,

2. Lo, the clouds of evil 'round us hide thy brightness
from our gaze; from the fears that long have bound us,
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom,

3. Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to
we may be bound as one beyond division
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom,

4. Fill us with a living vision, heal our wounds that
in the struggle to be free. Grant us wisdom,