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OPENING VOLUNTARY
Ich ruf zu Dir
(BWV 639)
Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685 - 1750)

WELCOME
Rev. Joanne Sanders

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*HYMN
Come, O Thankful People, Come

*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 the living, with all your creatures great and small we sing your bounty and your goodness, for in the harvest of land and ocean, in the cycles of the seasons, and the wonders of each creature, you reveal your generosity. Teach us the gratitude that dispels envy, that we may honor each gift as you cherish your creation and give thanks in all times and places. Amen.

*All who are able, please stand.
(Childcare is provided for preschool aged children; exit through the door to the right of the chancel.)

READING  Genesis 18:1-12  Diane Boxill ‘13

VOLUNTARY  Prélude Modale  Jean Langlais  
(1907 - 1991)

READING  Exodus: 23:1-14; Malachi 3:23-24

SERMON  Holidays, Hospitality and Heart  
Rabbi Patricia Karlin-Neumann

*HYMN  We Gather Together

FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS The Memorial Church Choir, directed by Robert Huw Morgan, and the Stanford Chamber Chorale, directed by Stephen M. Sano, present a seasonal program based on the service at King’s College, Cambridge. Free, all are welcome. Friday, December 7 and Saturday, December 8, 8:00 pm, Memorial Church

ORGAN RECITAL A perennial favorite to launch the holidays in high style – seasonal music played by University Organist, Robert Huw Morgan. Sunday, December 9, 1:30 pm, Memorial Church. Free.

COMMUNITY SERVICE Ecumenical Hunger Program (EHP) is in need of supplies and volunteers. There are a number of ways that you help EHP - one time volunteers and regular volunteers – from participating in food and clothing drives to packing emergency food bags for the homeless. For more information, contact Marissa Danney, 650-323-7781 ext. 19.

WEAKLY PROGRAMS – FREE AND OPEN TO ALL

FREE DOCENT-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, enter the labyrinth and discover that walking in circles can actually put direction back in your life. All are welcome. Fridays from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm. (Closed Friday, November 23)

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.

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

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WE EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE to Diane Boxill (reader and usher) and Eva Marie Schiefer (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.

THANK YOU to today's guest organist, Albert Tomasso, a junior organ student of Robert Huw Morgan. Before coming to Stanford he trained with John Rose of Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, where he was widely active as an accompanist for school and church choirs. He also plays piano and organ for the Catholic Community at Stanford and holds a position as Artist-in-Residence at his home parish of St. Justin Church in Hartford, Connecticut. Albert is majoring in the Program in Science, Technology & Society with minors in Music and Classics.

OFFERINGS today by cash and check are in support of the American Red Cross and will be received at the main and side doors after today's service to help those affected by Hurricane Sandy. Please make checks payable to the American Red Cross.

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

COMPLINE NEXT SUNDAY Join us for a peaceful 30-minute contemplative musical service featuring the Threshold Choir in the candle-lit ambiance of Memorial Church. Sunday, December 2, 9:00 pm, Memorial Church. This will be the last Compline service of Fall quarter. All are welcome.

EVENING LABYRINTH As twilight deepens into evening, experience the serenity of walking the labyrinth in the candle-lit, sacred ambiance of Memorial Church. Enjoy peaceful and meditative music as you walk solo or with others on the labyrinth. It may be just the path you need to follow after a day of work, classes or the rhythm of daily life. A trained labyrinth facilitator will be available to assist and enhance your labyrinth experience. Thursday, November 29, 5:30-7:00 pm, Memorial Church.

PRE/POST RETIREMENT DISCUSSION GROUP New members are encouraged to attend this discussion group, 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. Thursday, November 29, 7:00-8:30 pm, Memorial Church Round Room.

*THE PEACE
The peace of God be with you.
And also with you.

*HYMN
Great is Your Faithfulness

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Toccata in C Bach (BWV 564)

(You are invited to remain seated during the closing voluntary.)
Come, O Thankful People, Come

Exod. 23:16

St. 1, Henry Alford, 1844; alt.
St. 2, Anna Laetitia Aiken Barbauld, 1772; alt.
St. 3, composite of Alford and Barbauld; alt.

Descant

3 These to you, our God, we owe, source from whom all blessings flow;

and for these our songs we raise, grateful vows and solemn praise.

all is safely gathered in, us the winter storms begin;

Tune: ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR 7.7.7.D.
George J. Elvey, 1858
Descant: H. A. Chambers, 1931

4 Come, O thankful people, come, raise the song of the harvest home;

all the fruits in full supply, raised ‘neath the sun-mer sky;

This hymn represents the joining of two Thanksgiving hymns by nineteenth-century poet Henry Alford and eighteenth-century poet Anna Laetitia Aiken Barbauld. The creator of this combined form, which appeared early in the twentieth century, is not known.

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UNIVERSITY PUBLIC WORSHIP
SERVICE SCHEDULE

December 2*
Dean Scotty McLennan
First Sunday of Advent

December 9*
Rev. Joanne Sanders
Second Sunday of Advent

December 16
Dean Scotty McLennan
Third Sunday of Advent

December 23
Rev. Joanne Sanders
Christmas Carol-Sing

December 30
Rev. Dr. C. George Fitzgerald

* Service with Communion
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We Gather Together

1. We gather together in joyful Thanksgiving, according claim ing creation, whose bounty we share, both sor row and gladness we find now in our living, we true affirmation, in joy and tribulation, when sing a hymn of praise to the life that we bear. bound to human care and hope—then we are free.

2. We gather together to join in the journey, committing our passage to be a sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, your own dear presence to cheer and to guide. You do not change, your compassions they fail not; Join with all nature in manifold witness; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

Great Is Your Faithfulness

1 Great is your faithfulness, O God, Creator.*
2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
3 Pardon for sin and a peace so enduring,

with you no shadow of turning we see. Your own dear presence to cheer and to guide.

*Originally "my Father"

This hymn was one of a number sent by poet Thomas O. Chi sholm to composer William M. Read for musical settings. It became a favorite of Will Houghton, president of Moody Bible Institute, whose enthusiasm helped establish its popularity.

Tune: FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10, with refrain

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Robert E. Senghas, 1928–. © 1992 Unitarian Universalist Association
Music: Adrian Valerius's Nederlandsche Gedenschaliel, 1626,
arr. by Edward Kremer, 1836–1914

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