

MARQUAND READER

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A newsletter furthering the educational mission of Ecumenical Daily Worship at YDS.

THIS WEEK IN MARQUAND

Services begin at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome!

Monday, September 27: *A Service of the Word*, graduating student Dane Boston preaching

Tuesday, September 28: *Alternatum Praxis: Organ and Voices in Dialogue*, led by the Marquand Chapel Musicians

Wednesday, September 29: *Sung Morning Prayer*, Traditional Texts, New Settings

Thursday, September 30: *Stirrings of the Spirit*, led by Yale Black Seminarians

Friday, October 1: *Community Eucharist*, West meets East: a blended Eucharist with prayers and music from the Syrian Orthodox and Maronite traditions, Professor Bryan Spinks, preaching and presiding

Alternatum Praxis

On Tuesday of this week we will be led by the Marquand Chapel Musicians in an Organ Alternatum. Alternatum may be translated from Latin as "alternately." Alternatum praxis, therefore, is a term used to describe a practice (praxis) in which various sections of a given liturgical item (for example, verses of a psalm) are performed by distinct and dissimilar forces. While alternatum praxis has its roots in the cappella, antiphonal psalmody of the early Western monastic church, the practice in later centuries began to also employ instrumental forces, such as the pipe organ, and envelop other liturgical repertoire, such as congregational singing. Today's service has been crafted with hopes that we might continue to broaden the scope of this time-honored practice by introducing new, imaginative possibilities for realizing alternatum praxis.

Reminder: The Prayer Board at Marquand Chapel

Marquand Chapel is a place in which all are welcome to pray and give praise to God. One opportunity for us to share our prayers with the community and with God is through the Prayer Board, located just to the right of the chapel doors. Here, we are invited to post prayers and thanksgivings so that they can be remembered by the YDS community and by the Marquand Chapel Team specifically. Please feel free to utilize the paper and pens provided in the basket.

The Marquand Reader is edited by the chapel staff and issued every Monday when classes are in session. It highlights the week's services and other special opportunities and events. Additional articles by the Chapel Staff and the faculty in Liturgical Studies will explore historical, liturgical, and denominational topics, in order to further the educational goals of Marquand Chapel. Contact one of the chapel staff if you have any suggestions, comments, or questions.

The Marquand Chapel Team:

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Kyle Brooks, Christian Brost, James deBoer, Liane Marquise, Alex Peterson, *Chapel Ministers*
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