

**JAN HUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE
A CELEBRATION OF GOSPEL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JUNE 26, 2011**



Exercise

**The Same Spirit, Acting Up Again!
Thank God!**

God has created the peoples of the earth to be one universal family. With reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between brothers and sisters and breaks down every form of discrimination based on racial or ethnic difference, real or imaginary. The church is called to bring all people to receive and uphold one another as persons in all relationships of life: in employment, housing, education, leisure, marriage, family, church, and the exercise of political rights. Therefore, the church labors for the abolition of all racial discrimination and ministers to those injured by it. Congregations, individuals, or groups of Christians who exclude, dominate, or patronize others, however subtly, resist the Spirit of God and bring contempt on the faith which they profess.

~ From The Confession of 1967 from the Constitution of the PC(USA)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus said: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you should love one another."

Many: **By this everyone will know that we are disciples of Jesus, if we have love for one another.**

All: **For in one Great Spirit we are all baptized into one body. Come, now, let us worship together the God we know in many diverse ways. Let us worship with peace in our hearts, hope in our lives, and unity in our vision. Let us celebrate the diversity and love we share, here, in this place, with one another.**

HYMN #229: FROM ALL THAT DWELL BENEATH THE SKIES

229 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

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Isaac Watts, 1719

Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623; alt.
Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Unison

1. From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's praise a -
2. In ev - ery land be - gin the song, To ev - ery land the strains be -
3. E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at - tends Thy

Harmony *Unison*

rise: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Let the Re - deem - er's
long: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! In cheer - ful sound all
word: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thy praise shall sound from

Harmony

name be sung Through ev - ery land, in ev - ery tongue.
voic - es raise And fill the world with joy - ful praise. Al - le - lu - ia!
shore to shore, Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Unison

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, through Jesus you teach us to love our neighbors,
but we build dividing walls of hostility.
You show us how to love one another as sisters and brothers
but we sometimes hide ourselves from our own human family.
You ask us to seek out the stranger and welcome the guest,
but we too often separate ourselves from one another with fear.
You want us to share your abundant gifts with the poor,
but we fear that in doing so we will lose our possessions and privileges.
You call us to proclaim good news to all people,
but we sometimes have trouble witnessing to others.

Have mercy on us, loving God.
Forgive our transgressions, open our hearts, and change our lives.
By your Spirit, make us holy and whole—one people, united in faith,
hope, promise, and love; □
through remembering Jesus, our teacher and ever present friend.

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

RESPONSE HYMN # 322 SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE & FORGIVENESS

We know that by asking for forgiveness, knocking at the door, seeking your help
in honest and heartfelt ways, as imperfect as they may be, that you answer,
forgive, and love us – even more. Friends, we are forgiven.

Amen.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us through the presence and teachings of Jesus, let us
forgive one another. The peace of our God, in all the ways you know God, be
with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, open our hearts and minds, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the
scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you
have to say to us today.

Amen.

THE FIRST READING: GENESIS 22: 1-14

Now it came about after these things, that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." We are told that God said, "Take now your son, your only son, whom you love, Isaac, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I will tell you." So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and Isaac his son; and he split wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham raised his eyes and saw the place from a distance. Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey, and I and the lad will go over there; and we will worship and return to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son, and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." And he said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

Then they came to the place of which God had told him; and Abraham built the altar there and arranged the wood, and bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But an angel of God called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind *him* a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son. Abraham called the name of that place *God Will Provide*, as it is said to this day, "In the mountain of God it will be provided."

Then the angel of God called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, "By myself I have sworn that because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son, indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies. In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

THE GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 10:40-42

"Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."

HOMILY "HERE I AM"

RAY BAGNUOLO

HYMN: GATHER US IN

Gather Us In

Unison D A C G Gm/Bb Dm

1. Here in this place, the new light is stream-ing, sha-dows of doubt are
 2. We are the young—our lives are a mys-tery; we are the old, who
 3. Here we re-ceive new life in the wa-ters; here we re-ceive the
 4. Not just in build-ings, small and con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,

C G D A C G

van-ished a-way. See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth; here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way, here in this place the new light is shin-ing;

Gm/Bb Dm C Am7 D

brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is God pres-ent, and now is the day.

A C/G D/F# G A C/G

Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en; gath-er us in; our
 Gath-er us in— the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in— the
 Give us to drink the wine of com- pass- ion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er; gath-er us in and

D/F# G A D A C G

spir - its in- flame. Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so low - ly;
 bread that is you; nour- ish us well, and teach us to fash- ion
 make us your own; gath- er us in, all peo- ples to- geth - er,

Gm/Bb Dm C Am7 D C/D Gm/D D

we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour- age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

PREPARING FOR THE OFFERING

- One: In this world, someone has too much.
Many: **Someone has barely enough, someone has nothing at all.**
- One: When we share our commitment and financial support, we act on the imagination of Jesus.
Many: **Jesus, who sees enough bread to go around, enough courage to speak the truth, and enough love to overcome all things.**
- One: O God, to those of us who have hunger, give bread.
 And to those of us who have bread, give the hunger for justice.
- Many:** **When the 5,000 were hungry, the disciples came to Jesus and said: "Send the people away, so they may get something to eat."**
- One: Jesus answered: "You give them something to eat."

OFFERTORY MUSIC

BLESSING THE OFFERING

- One: And the people reached in their pockets and pulled out the bread and the fishes and shared them, and there was abundance for all, and even more. **Many: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: PLEASE VISIT WWW.JANHUS.ORG REGULARLY FOR UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Composer's Voice Concert – today at 1:00 P.M. Free. Donations accepted.
- Heritage of Pride March: Gather with Presbyterian Welcome at 12:30 P.M. on 38th Street between Madison and Park Avenues. The group is in Section 10, Group 31.
- National HIV Testing Day, Monday, June 27 at Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House in collaboration with Harlem United Hospital. There will be a van out front from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. Free confidential HIV testing; test results obtained in 20 minutes; counselors will assist in explaining test results; free literature and other information. We encourage everyone to be tested.
- Child's Play Summer Programs at Jan Hus Presbyterian Church & Neighborhood House
 - **Toddler Summer Playgroups:** Monday and Thursday from 9:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. June 13 – July 28th. \$25/Drop-in. More info: Holly Nedelka, Director at 212-879-2019, childsplayNYNY@aol.com
- Child's Play Fall Program at Jan Hus Presbyterian Church & Neighborhood House, September 12, 2011 – January 19, 2012:
 - **Mommy & Me Playgroups,** Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 11:00 A.M.– 1:00 P.M. 2 – 4 year olds. Fee for 16 week term: Once a week \$350/family \$25/Drop-in.
 - **On My Own Drop-off Playgroup,** Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:30 – 11:00 A.M. for Toddlers/Babies. Fee for 16 week term: Once a week \$560, Twice a week \$1000, Three times a week \$1500.
 - **Mandarin Language Class:** Monday 3:00 – 4:00 P.M, 4:00 – 5:00 P.M. Fee for 16 weeks \$450/child.
 More info: Holly Nedelka, Director at 212-879-2019, childsplayNYNY@aol.com
- Other Announcements

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

How do we pray for all those in need, suffering through spiritual, personal, political, natural upheavals and more? We pray always imperfectly, knowing that God makes up the difference. So pray. Lift up the voices of your own name and others you care about this morning. Lift up your prayers and petitions to God, whatever they may be. And as we do pray, let us keep in mind the many we know who are in the process of healing, recovery, or preparation for the transition that awaits us all.

We pray, as well, for the advancement of healing and justice in all ways, celebrating with our sisters and brothers who are Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender on the passage of the NYS Marriage Equality Act. We pray for the church to catch up with what we already know, that each of us is created by God, that the diversity of our being reflects the mystery and wonder of God. To do anything other than embrace each other – is to reject God. So we believe...

Your prayers...whether spoken or in silence, whether in word or murmur, or even yet to be known are all heard. The God who created you knows your prayers, still we need to ask for help. We need to hear our voices or quietest of thoughts ask God for help. Please, do so now for all you bring with you...

And now, with the confidence that God has heard us and as the loved children of God, let us pray:

THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT US (IN UNISON)

Our Mother/Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE

SUNG BLESSING (IN ENGLISH OR CZECH)

Christians rise and act your creed,
Let your prayer be in your deed;
Seek the right, perform the true,
Raise your work and life anew.
Come then law divine and reign,
Frees faith assailed in vain.
Perfect love, bereft of fear,
born in heaven and radiant here. Amen.

Amen to pozehnani prjdz na nas vsecky,
Abychom po skonani vesli v raj nebesky,
A tam s angelskou risi, boha take ctilli,
Dejz nam to; o Jezisi, spasitely mily.
Amen.

POSTLUDE (CLOSING MUSIC)

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

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JAN HUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE



Since 1888, the doors of this church have been open to those who seek a new way to engage with the Spirit and share at the table Jesus has set for us all. In those early years, Jan Hus served the needs of the Czech immigrants who founded the church and named it after Czech reformer and martyr Jan Hus.

Today, our mission has expanded to include people from many different walks in life; people who want to share this stage of their journey with others in a God centered community. We continue to honor our Czech founders, as well, by singing our closing hymn in the Czech language each Sunday.

Worship at Jan Hus is a time for the Body of Christ to affirm God's vision for the world and witness the

Gospel of Hope. We believe that God is greater than human language or experience, and to more fully experience the wonder of God, we embrace language that acknowledges God the Mother and God the Father.

We hold fast to the tenets of the Reformation that call for the priesthood of all believers, therefore ours is a shared pulpit. This is a place in which we hear the Scriptures interpreted by clergy and laity, alike, reflecting our congregation and community as a diverse expression of the presence of God in each believer. We strive for sermons that are conversations which give us an opportunity to hear how God's voice speaks to each of us. Often, we are invited into new ways of seeing and hearing God, deepening and affirming those beliefs we hold most true.

It is possible that Jan Hus may seem different than what you expect in church, for surely God loves to challenge us all with the unexpected!

However you may find us, please know that you are most welcome here as one who carries within you the Spirit of God who loves us all. *Namasthe!*



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THE RESIDENT STAFF:

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HUSSITE PETS:

Philpot, Madge, Sam, Bisou, Rocket Man, Spark Man, Lincoln, Besse Mae Mucho, Cadeau,
Allie, & Marvin's Reptile Friends

12,1,2,11,10,3,4,9,8,5,6,7



**WE ARE A WELCOMING AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION
AND NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE.
ALL ARE WELCOME
AND WELCOME TO FULLY WORSHIP AND SERVE IN THIS PLACE.
ALL.**

*For more information on any of these announcements or
if you have an announcement to share, please call Carol at 212-288-6743 or
Email church@janhus.org*