

JAN HUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE
A CELEBRATION OF GOSPEL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JULY 3, 2011



“The important thing is this: to be able, at any moment,
to sacrifice what we are for what we could become.”
~Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come here to see things, *really* see the things we have forgotten.
Many: **There are great clouds on the horizon from time to time, wars and more, but the Light is always there to guide us – guide us from a place no clouds can obscure.**

All: **We enter that place now. We rise in the Light of God that knows our hearts beyond the darkest shadows of our minds.**
Come, let us worship God in this glorious radiance together! Amen!

HYMN #411: ARISE, YOUR LIGHT IS COME

Ruth Duck, 1974

William H. Walter, 1894

1. A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2. A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3. A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
4. A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song!

Show forth the glo - ry of your God, Which shines on you to - day.
Pro - claim the cap-tives' lib - er - ty, Good ti - dings to the poor.
Bind up the bro-ken - heart-ed ones And com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea-gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Brightly radiant God,
who shines in ways that exceed that which science will ever know,
what is it that moves between us and you?**

**What is it that shades us from all that is revealed by you?
Shields us so much that we sometimes forget
the promise you made that you are with us always?**

Why we are made in such a way to be so forgetful -- is *your* mystery.

**Still we are also made to remember,
perhaps recalling enough to really know you are always there:
the Shekinah, the glittering presence of God.**

**Forgive us for the times we forget.
Shorten the times before we remember, please.
And guide us always in the bright ways of your will for us. Amen.**

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

Just as light always follows darkness, so too does forgiveness follow the petition.
"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." So Jesus has taught us. So we are forgiven. Believe it. It is so.
Amen.

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

With the light of God's glittering presence and the promise of the teachings of Jesus, let us now share the peace of our God from our own inner light, in all the ways we know God. May this Great Peace and Assurance be with you all!
And also with you.

Let us now offer one another a sign of peace.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, open our hearts and minds, remove the shadows of doubt and confusion by the light of your Holy Spirit, so that as these scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with your teachings for us today. **Amen.**

ZECHARIAH 9:9-12: A HUMBLE KING RIDING A DONKEY

"Shout and cheer, Daughter Zion!
Raise the roof, Daughter Jerusalem!
Your king is coming!
a good king who makes all things right,
a humble king riding a donkey,
a mere colt of a donkey.
I've had it with war—no more chariots in Ephraim,
no more war horses in Jerusalem,
no more swords and spears, bows and arrows.
He will offer peace to the nations,
a peaceful rule worldwide,
from the four winds to the seven seas.

"And you, because of my blood covenant with you,
I'll release your prisoners from their hopeless cells.
Come home, hope-filled prisoners!
This very day I'm declaring a double bonus—
everything you lost returned twice-over!
Judah is now my weapon, the bow I'll pull,
setting Ephraim as an arrow to the string.
I'll wake up your sons, O Zion,
to counter your sons, O Greece.
From now on people are my swords."

THE GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 11

"How can I account for this generation? The people have been like spoiled children whining to their parents, 'We wanted to skip rope, and you were always too tired; we wanted to talk, but you were always too busy.' John came fasting and they called him crazy. I came feasting and they called me a lush, a friend of the riffraff. Opinion polls don't count for much, do they? The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."

HOMILY "SEEING THROUGH"

RAY BAGNUOLO

MEDITATION

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

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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.
- Fresh Fruit All Out Arts Music Festival at Jan Hus Playhouse – www.freshfruitfestival.com
The All Out Arts mission is to "Fight discrimination through the arts." To that end, Fresh Fruit is presented by All Out Arts to celebrate the LGBT community's unique perspective, creativity and diversity and to build links between the LGBT artistic communities, be they local or international.

Tickets are \$18 for each show. A portion of the proceeds go to Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House. Please join us in support of our mission and community.

- Friday, July 8 – 8 PM: *La Contessa's Wigamania 2011*: This new annual celebration of Drag Queen and King performers promises to become the finest celebration of impersonation and performance artists in the world!
- Saturday, July 9 – 5 PM: *After the Ball*: A musical telling of the love affair between Eleanor Roosevelt and Lorena Hitchcock
- Saturday, July 9 – 7 PM: *Age of Miracles*: Teresa Fischer with songs encouraging harmony and a world without divides arranged by Drew Sotomayor with guest Frank Calo.
- Saturday, July 9 – 9 PM: *Musical revue showcasing the talents from the village*. Martin St. Lawrence on piano.
- Sunday, July 10 – 6 PM: *David Brooks'* coming of age story about lessons learned along the way and how James Baldwin contributed to his growth.
- Sunday, July 10 – 8:30 PM: *The Kevin Yee Show*. The Kevin Yee Show incorporates his comedy pop songs into storytelling which touches on his twenty plus years in the entertainment business.

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- National HIV Testing Day, Monday, June 27 at Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House in collaboration with Harlem United Hospital. Thank you to our own Rev. Frank Rocco who organized a very successful day of this program to encourage folks to be tested for and better informed of HIV. More information available. Please contact Frank at frank@janhus.org

CHILD'S PLAY ANNOUNCES PROGRAMS:

- 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. Bring all into the Light! And as we pray, let us keep in mind all we know in the process of healing, recovery, or preparing 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 us knows our 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 kindom 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 kindom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

COME TO THE TABLE WHERE ALL, AND WE MEAN ALL, ARE WELCOME!



HYMN #508: FOR THE BREAD WHICH YOU HAVE BROKEN

Louis FitzGerald Benson, 1924; alt.

Vicar Earle Copes, 1959

1. For the bread which You have bro - ken, For the wine which You have poured,
 2. By this prom - ise that You love us, By Your gift of peace re - stored,
 3. With the saints who now a - dore You Seat-ed at the heav-en-ly board,
 4. In Your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; In our hearts keep watch and ward;

For the words which You have spo-ken, Now we give You thanks, O Lord.
 By Your call to heav-en a - bove us, Hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
 May the church still wait - ing for You Keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
 In the world to which You send us Let Your king-dom come, O Lord.

One: Let us gather around the table with the offering of bread and drink upon it and the promise of the Living Jesus among us. This is the welcome table of God where all who seek to be at peace with their neighbor and all who seek the mercy of God in Christ are embraced. Come, for we are invited in to this holy mystery. Come.

People: We are ready!

One: Jesus said: "I am the bread of life. All who come to me shall not hunger, and all who believe in me shall never be thirsty.

People: We are hungry and thirsty. We come to this table.

One: We remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, Jesus took his authority and offered the bread in thanksgiving and said . . .

People: "Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

One: In the same way, and by the same authority,
Jesus offered the cup in thanksgiving and said,
People: **“Take, drink. This is my blood of the new covenant which is poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.”**

One: Come, Holy Spirit. Come. Open our eyes to the mystery of Christ’s presence in these ordinary things in these our everyday lives. May they be for us the very essence of the living Christ in our midst. Through the broken bread . . .

People: **We participate in the Body of Christ.**

One: Through the cup of blessing . . .

People: **We participate in the new life Christ gives.**

One: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all things are ready!

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Thank you for feeding our hunger and relieving our thirst. Now send us into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to find the lost and lonely, to heal broken souls, to free prisoners, and make the powerful care. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do your good news. Give us your Light to illumine the path. Amen.

HYMN #537: SHALOM, CHAVERIM! FAREWELL, GOOD FRIENDS

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Chords: Dm, Gm, C7, Dm, Dm, Gm, A7, Dm

Sha - lom, cha - ve-rim! Sha - lom, cha - ve-rot! Sha - lom, sha - lom!
Fare - well, good friends, Fare - well, good friends, Sha - lom, sha - lom!

Le - hit - ra - ot, le - hit - ra - ot, Sha - lom, sha - lom.
Till we meet a - gain, till we meet a - gain, Sha - lom, sha - lom.

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, Freest 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 cilli, Dejz nam to; o Jezisi, spasitely mily. Amen.
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POSTLUDE (CLOSING MUSIC)

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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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**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
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