

**JAN HUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE**  
**A PLACE OF GOSPEL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.**



Artifact of cladding from the rubble of the World Trade Center  
on display here at last night's performance of *Performing Tribute 9/11*

*Thank you to all who made this amazing evening of witness and healing  
a reality. Truly, this is a spiritual place in the real world.  
And that is not always easy.  
And that difficulty does not deter us.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (VARIATION ON PSALM 139)**

God, you know us.  
**You discern our thoughts as if they were yours.**

Even before a word is on our tongue, you know it completely.  
**You are all around us, and lay your loving hands upon us.**

For, we are yours; it was you who formed and made us.  
**You read our hearts in the times when we know it even less.  
You are always with us**

**Let us worship God in all the ways we know God - and God knows us.**

**\* HYMN #456 AWAKE, MY SOUL, AND WITH THE SUN**

# Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun 456

MORNING HYMN LM

François Hippolyte Barthélemon, 1785  
As in *The Church Hymnal*  
for the *Christian Year*, 1917

Thomas Ken, 1695; alt.

1. A - wake, my soul, and with the sun your  
2. Lord, I my vows to You re - new. Dis -  
3. Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, All

dai - ly stage of du - ty run; Shake off dull sloth, and  
perse my sins as morn - ing dew; Guard my first springs of  
I de - sign or do or say; That all my powers, with

joy - ful rise To pay your morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
thought and will, And with Your - self my spir - it fill.  
all their might, In Your sole glo - ry may u - nite.

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## CALL TO CONFESSION Unison Prayer of Confession (Cornelius Presbyterian Church, NC)

Let us confess to God whatever has wounded us or brought injury to others, that we may receive mercy and become for each other ministers of God's grace. Let us pray...

**Merciful God, we humble ourselves before you today to confess the ways in which we have erred. We have fallen short of your call to welcome all your children, to include enemies and even those different than we are. You have called us to give the cup of cold water to even the least, but we sometimes look the other way. You know our hesitations God. You know our fears. Forgive us and give us courage to serve you in all our actions. Amen.**

## SILENT PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION:

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE & FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news:  
Nothing in all creation,  
neither what we do nor what has been done to us,  
can separate us from the love of God made known in Jesus Christ  
and poured out on the church through the Spirit.  
Thanks be to God!

## \*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us greet each other, loved and forgiven! May the peace of Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you. Amen**

## \*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let the peace of God in all the ways God is known - erupt in your hearts, so that all may know you are loved by God. And let us share this wonder with each other, one and all!

God's great peace of God be with you!  
**And also with you.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mystery that you are, we do not always understand your words. In Jesus, we see a man who works miracles, yet who had no home of his own; a brother who inspires us to love our families, yet who calls us to greater commitments and allegiances. His ministry calls disciples to find a new kind of security in homelessness, a new kind of family outside of blood kin. As we pray these words, increase our understanding, so that we might follow you more nearly, please.

**FIRST READING: PHILIPPIANS 1: 20-30**

So how am I to respond? I've decided that I really don't care about their motives, whether mixed, bad, or indifferent. Every time one of them opens his mouth, Christ is proclaimed, so I just cheer them on!

And I'm going to keep that celebration going because I know how it's going to turn out. Through your faithful prayers and the generous response of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, everything he wants to do in and through me will be done. I can hardly wait to continue on my course. I don't expect to be embarrassed in the least. On the contrary, everything happening to me in this jail only serves to make Christ more accurately known, regardless of whether I live or die. They didn't shut me up; they gave me a pulpit! Alive, I'm Christ's messenger; dead, I'm his bounty. Life versus even more life! I can't lose.

As long as I'm alive in this body, there is good work for me to do. If I had to choose right now, I hardly know which I'd choose. Hard choice! The desire to break camp here and be with Christ is powerful. Some days I can think of nothing better. But most days, because of what you are going through, I am sure that it's better for me to stick it out here. So I plan to be around awhile, companion to you as your growth and joy in this life of trusting God continues. You can start looking forward to a great reunion when I come visit you again. We'll be praising Christ, enjoying each other.

Meanwhile, live in such a way that you are a credit to the Message of Christ. Let nothing in your conduct hang on whether I come or not. Your conduct must be the same whether I show up to see things for myself or hear of it from a distance. Stand united, singular in vision, contending for people's trust in the Message, the good news, not flinching or dodging in the slightest before the opposition. Your courage and unity will show them what they're up against: defeat for them, victory for you—and both because of God. There's far more to this life than trusting in Christ. There's also suffering for him. And the suffering is as much a gift as the trusting. You're involved in the same kind of struggle you saw me go through, on which you are now getting an updated report in this letter.

**GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 20: 1-16**

"God's kingdom is like an estate manager who went out early in the morning to hire workers for the vineyard. They agreed on a wage of a dollar a day, and went to work. "Later, about nine o'clock, the manager saw some other workers hanging around the town square unemployed. The manager told them to go to work in his vineyard and they would be paid a fair wage. They went.

"The manager did the same thing at noon, and again at three o'clock. At five o'clock the manager went back and found still others standing around. 'Why are you standing around all day doing nothing?'

"They said, 'Because no one hired us.'

"The manager told them to go to work in the vineyard, as well.

"When the day's work was over, the owner of the vineyard instructed the foreman, 'Call the workers in and pay them their wages. Start with the last hired and go on to the first.'

"Those hired at five o'clock came up and were each given a dollar. When those who were hired first saw that, they assumed they would get far more. But they got the same, each of them one dollar. Taking the dollar, they groused angrily to the manager, 'These last workers put in only one easy hour, and you just made them equal to us, who slaved all day under a scorching sun.'

"The manager replied to the one speaking for the rest, 'Friend, I haven't been unfair. We agreed on the wage of a dollar, didn't we? So take it and go. I decided to give to the one who came last the same as you. Can't I do what I want with my own money? Are you going to get stingy because I am generous?'

"Here it is again, the Great Reversal: many of the first ending up last, and the last first."

**PROVOCATION: GREAT REVERSALS...**

**\* HYMN #286 GIVE TO THE WINDS THY FEARS**



1. Give to the winds thy fears; Hope and be un - dis - mayed:  
 2. Through waves and clouds and storms God gent - ly clears thy way;  
 3. Leave to God's sov - ereign sway To choose and to com - mand;  
 4. On God the Lord re - ly, And safe shalt thou go on;



God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears, God shall lift up thy head.  
 Wait pa - tient - ly; so shall this night Soon end in joy - ous day.  
 So shalt thou, won - dering, own God's way, How wise, how strong God's hand!  
 Fix on God's work thy stead - fast eye, So shall thy work be done.



**PREPARING FOR THE OFFERING**

In this world, someone has too much.  
**Someone has barely enough, someone has nothing at all.**

When we share our commitment and financial support, we act on the imagination of Jesus.  
**Jesus, who sees enough bread to go around, enough courage to speak the truth, and enough love to overcome all things.**

O God, to those of us who have hunger, give bread. And to those of us who have bread, give the hunger for justice.  
**When the 5,000 were hungry, the disciples came to Jesus and said: "Send the people away, so they may get something to eat."**

Jesus answered: "You give them something to eat."

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**BLESSING THE OFFERING**

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.  
**Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT US (IN UNISON)**

Creator God, 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.

**BENEDICTION**

Sung Blessing (in English or Czech)

Christians rise and act your creed,	Amen to pozehnani prijdiz na nas vsecky,
Let your prayer be in your deed;	Abychom po skonani vesli v raj nebesky,
Seek the right, perform the true,	A tam s angelskou risi, boha take ctilli,
Raise your work and life anew.	Dejz nam to; o Jezisi, spasitely mily.
Come then law divine and reign,	Amen.
Freest faith assailed in vain.	
Perfect love, bereft of fear,	
born in heaven and radiant here.	Amen.

**BLESSING:**

Go out into the world, love one another.  
 Cherish all the members of God's family.  
 To love and serve God.  
 Go, in God's great Shalom!  
**Thanks be to God!**

\* **HYMN #456 BE THOU MY VISION**

**POSTLUDE (CLOSING MUSIC)**

# 298 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE 8.7.8.7 D

Frederick William Faber, 1854; alt.

Dutch melody  
Arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)

1. There's a wide-ness in God'smer - cy, Like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2. For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sures of the mind;

There's a kind-ness in God'sjus-tice, Which is more than lib - er - ty.  
And the heart of the E - ter-nal Is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is no place where earth's sor-rows Are more felt than up in heaven;  
If our love were but more faith-ful, We would glad-ly trust God's Word;

There is no place where earth's fail-ings Have such kind-ly judg - ment given.  
And our lives re - flect thanks-giv-ing For the good-ness of our Lord.

## JAN HUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

"WHERE YOU ARE WELCOME, LONG BEFORE YOU ARRIVE."



Since 1888, the doors of this church have been open to those who seek a new way to engage with the Spirit and eat at the welcome table. In those early years, Jan Hus served the needs of the Czech immigrants who founded the church and named it after the martyr Jan Hus. Today, our mission has expanded to include people from many different walks in life who want to share this stage of their journey with

others in a God centered community. We continue to honor our Czech founders, however, by singing our closing hymn in the Czech language (it is printed in the bulletin in English as well, so don't be afraid to sing out in English if your Czech is a little rusty).

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 our 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 community pulpit, one in which we hear the Scriptures interpreted by both clergy and laity and that allows for a greater reflection of the community as a whole – a diverse expression of the presence of God in each believer and at the core of our collective experience. Sermons are conversations that give us an opportunity to hear how God's voice speaks to each of us. Sermons may invite us into new ways of seeing and hearing God or deepen and affirm those beliefs we hold most true.

It is possible that Jan Hus may seem different than what you expect in church. That's fine – our God loves to challenge us with the unexpected! Please know that you are most welcome here as one who carries within you a piece of the God who loves us all. We are happy to have you with us and thank God for bringing us together on this, the day that God has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: COMPOSER'S VOICE CONCERT 1:00 PM

NEW!

Contemplative Reflection Group at 9:15 – 10:00 A.M. in the front of the sanctuary, led by Frank. Please join us.

Spiritual Discussion Group each Wednesday from 2:15 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. This group will be led by Ray.

MANY THANKS...

Our thanks to Essie, Lillie, Gloria, and Ian for the preparation of our sanctuary and light lunch following today's worship. Our thanks to Del for the care of plants and trees that surround us in their own special grace. Thanks, also, to Jacquie and Frank for the care of the altar and worship linens. And many thanks to Mark for always making sure the sanctuary is prepared for our worship on Sunday.

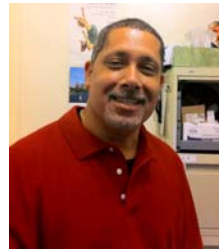
FELLOWSHIP MEAL...THE GREAT OUTDOORS...!

Please join us indoors & outdoors for a light meal following worship. And, just a reminder: as you arrive at the fellowship table, please fill your plate and allow all guests to move through the table before returning for seconds or packing up left-overs to go. We want to make sure that everyone has their fill at the table.

HOSPITALITY AND WELCOME...

We also invite you to speak with someone you have yet to meet or don't know too well. The fellowship table is a time to come together in celebration of the grace and love that fills this sanctuary.

WELCOME TO FELIX ROJAS AND KATIE BRADLEY!



Welcome to **Felix Rojas** who joined us on September 6, 2011 in our Outreach Program.

Welcome also to **Kathryn "Katie" Bradley** who has arrived from Scotland as part of a research group called The Institute of Theology, Imagination and the Arts at the University of St Andrews, in Scotland. Katie is originally from Northern Ireland. Katie comes to us through the Presbyterian Office at the UN and the PC(USA) Offices in Louisville, KY.



CALL-OUT TO CUB SCOUT PACK 414 AND THEIR LEADERS, INCLUDING



Thanks to Cub Scout Pack 414 and their inimitable leaders, including our own Gary Ireland, for their food drive and fundraising on for our Outreach Mission on Saturday, September 17, at the Associated Grocers on 14<sup>th</sup> St and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, successfully raising \$114 in cash and bags of groceries to be used in our outreach. Everyone certainly lived up to the motto of the Cub Scouts of America – "Do your best!" Many thanks to all!

WEBSITE:

Please be sure to visit our website at [www.janhus.org](http://www.janhus.org) Also, copies of bulletins, newsletters, sermons (audio, as well), and more are all online at [www.janhus.org](http://www.janhus.org).

OUTREACH NEEDS YOUR HELP!

If you have any of these things or have contacts with others who can run clothing drives or make donations – please let us know. We will help you to set it up. Clothing can be dropped off Monday through Saturday from 7 A.M. to 8:30 P.M. Tax forms available. We can use: men's clothing, toiletries, undergarments – men's and women's, white Socks

GRANTS!

Do you know of anyone who would consider a grant request to help support our Homeless Outreach and Advocacy Program? We serve nearly 80-people a day, five days a week, with food, clothing, referrals, support in our outreach offices, and weekly dinner meals from September through June. All funds are raised through donations and grants. Please let Ray know at 212-288-6743 or [ray@janhus.org](mailto:ray@janhus.org). Thanks! We really need your help.

CAR NEEDED FOR PICK-UPS NOW AND THEN:

If you have a car, van, or truck, and can be available now and then to help us with pick-ups of clothing and food – please let us know. It would be a big help!

SEND ANY ANNOUNCEMENT OR NEWS TO [RAY@JANHUS.ORG](mailto:RAY@JANHUS.ORG)

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