



The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
January 23, 2022
9:00am & 10:45am

Prelude *Let Us Break Bread Together on our Knees** Charles Callahan

Welcome

Opening Hymn *Lift Every Voice and Sing** Hymn 599

Lift every voice and sing
till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise
high as the listening skies;
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith
that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope
that the present has brought us;
facing the rising sun
of our new day begun,
let us march on, till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had
died;
yet, with a steady beat,
have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our parents
sighed?

We have come over a way

that with tears has been watered;
we have come, treading our path
through the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past,
till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is
cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the
way;
thou who hast by thy might
led us into the light;
keep us for ever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places,
our God, where we met thee;
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the
world,
we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand
may we for ever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.

Opening Acclamation

Clergy Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Clergy The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Clergy Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the hand of your servant Moses you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last; Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gospel Hymn

*It Is Well with my Soul**

Lift Every Voice and Sing #188

(vs. 1 & 2)

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my
2. Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should
3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous
4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be

1. way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;
2. come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,
3. thought— My sin— not in part, but the whole—
4. sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

1. What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
2. That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
3. Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no
4. The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -

1. say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
2. tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.
3. more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
4. scend, "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, It is well with my
soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Holy Gospel

Luke 4:14-21

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Terrance A. King, Pastor
 St. James A.M.E. Zion Church, Ithaca, NY

Prayers of the People

Adapted from Virginia Theological Seminary *Feast of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. April 12, 2018*

Leader

Sisters and brothers, God commands us through Jesus Christ to love one another. In baptism, we promise to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves, and to strive for justice and peace, and to respect the dignity of every human being. As we remember the life of our brother, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, let us honor those vows and pray for the needs of others throughout our country and the world.

We pray for continued blessings on all peacemakers, on leaders who value peace, and on everyone who promotes nonviolent solutions to conflict. We pray for a speedy end to all violence and warfare around the world.

God of peace and gentleness, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the strength of heart and mind to look beyond ourselves and address the needs of our sisters and brothers throughout the world; for the rural and urban poor, for the rebuilding of our communities; and for an end to the cycles of violence that threaten our future.

God of generosity and compassion, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the reconciliation of all people, and for the Church throughout the world, that it may be an instrument of your healing love.

God of outreach and restoration, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all nations, that they may live in unity, peace, and concord; and that all people may know justice and enjoy the perfect freedom that only God can give.

God of liberty and freedom, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that the Holy Spirit may embrace the most vulnerable members of our society; we pray also for an end to the growing disparity between the rich and poor; and for the grace and courage to strive for economic justice.

God of justice and equity, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for an end to prejudice throughout our country and the world; that we will respect all people as precious children of God; and that racism and all forms of discrimination will be forever banished from our hearts, our society, and our laws.

God of fellowship and equality, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the sick and for those in any kind of distress; that God's loving embrace may be felt by all who suffer. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, especially those we name silently or aloud ____.

God of comfort and healing, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died. We call to mind those who have perished as a result of violence, war, disease or famine, especially those who died because of human blindness, neglect, or hardness of heart.

We remember especially this day, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and those we name silently or aloud ____.

God of eternal life and resurrecting love, **Hear our prayer.**

Clergy

Almighty God, who created us in your image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Clergy The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year.

Adapted from Patrick, c.389 - c.46

Offertory

As We Gather at Your Table

Carl P. Daw

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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Sanctus

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

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The Communion

Music at Communion

*In the Garden**

Charles Callahan

The Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling

Hymn 539
(vs. 1-3)

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that he who made all nations is not willing
one soul should fail to know his love and might.

Publish glad tidings:
tidings of peace,
tidings of Jesus,
redemption and release.

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love:
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,
and died on earth that all might live above.

Publish glad tidings:
tidings of peace,
tidings of Jesus,
redemption and release.

Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious;
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious
till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day.

Publish glad tidings:
tidings of peace,
tidings of Jesus,
redemption and release.

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude

Improvisation on 'Every Time I Feel the Spirit'

Rector	The Rev. Dr. Becky Coerper
Deacon	The Rev. Dr. Charles N. Stewart
Organist/Choirmaster	Kip Coerper
Director of Contemporary Music & Technology	Michael Larkin
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Prayers of the People	Larry Webster (9:00am)
	Rick Burton (10:45am)
Ushers	Earl, Connie, and Amy Tuttle (9:00am)
	Chris and Brian Davis (10:45am)

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**Music Notes*

Today, St. James' Racial Justice and Reconciliation Commission continues a yearlong series with the theme of "Open and Curious" inviting us to consider anew the history of racism in America. Through the arts and various study opportunities we are invited to listen to the stories of those who have experienced racism in their own lives. African-American music has provided a rich and profound impact on the American experience. During the times of slavery, 1620 - 1865, blacks were only allowed 1 day off from work - Sunday. Song singing became integral to the African-American worship experience on that 1 day a week of freedom. The next couple of weeks will feature music from the rich heritage of African-American culture. The opening hymn today was written for the 91st birthday of Abraham Lincoln in 1900 by James Weldon Johnson and set to music by his brother, J. Rosamund. In 1919, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) dubbed it "the Negro national anthem" for its power in voicing a cry for liberation and affirmation for African-American people.



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