

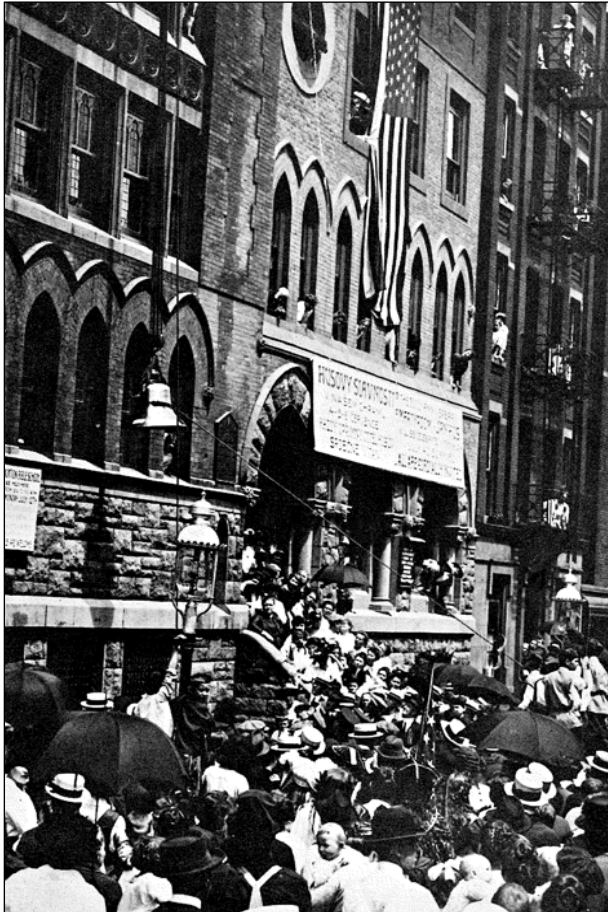
Jan Hus Presbyterian Church & Neighborhood House

Welcome to this place of Gospel & Justice!

The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Times

October 24, 2010

Welcoming Homecoming to All!



“Yet, bleak as the scene appears in some areas, many churches are not only surviving but again thriving. These are the churches whose congregations and leaders have firmly and often courageously accepted that they must strive to make their own “good old days,” and not constantly look back to so-called halcyon days. They are consciously seeking to incorporate treasured customs and traditions wherever possible into new and forward looking ministries, glancing back at what has been successful, but ever looking ahead – moving out to meet current needs with up-to-date workable answers. Perhaps panaceas are not yet within reach, but many hands are reaching out toward them.”

– Rev. Brent Fisher, Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House, 1977.



“For fifty years, a troupe of antique marionettes was confined to a dusty closet at Jan Hus Church in the heart of New York City's Czechoslovak neighborhood. In 1990, they came back to life, when director Vít Horejs brought these century-old puppets back to the stage. Since then, the *Czechoslovak-American Marionette Theatre* has played to great acclaim for audiences of all ages on tours to Europe, Asia, and 27 states.”¹ Today, we are pleased to begin our welcome gathering and homecoming with a performance by this renowned artist and the marionettes that have long been a part of the shared history of the people and their heritage, congregations and community of Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House!

Thank you, Vit! Enjoy the show!

¹ www.czechmarionettes.org

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: While we believe we live *in time and space*,

All: **We live, really, in God.**

One: We count days and years, events and history,

All: **Yet this moment is all there is. We live, really, in God.**

One: We learn through the long procession and efforts of others,

All: **Because they have learned and taught us what they know about living in the moment, in God, really.**

One: We come here today to remember but to continue to live

All: **Really in God.**

* Hymn 294 **Wherever I May Wander** (p. 4-5 of bulletin)

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Wherever I May Wander

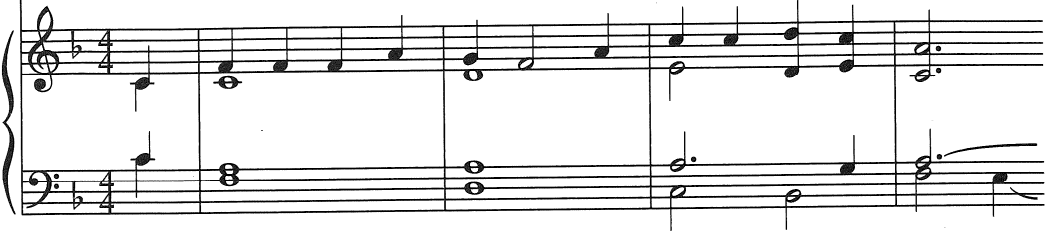
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Ann B. Snow, 1959

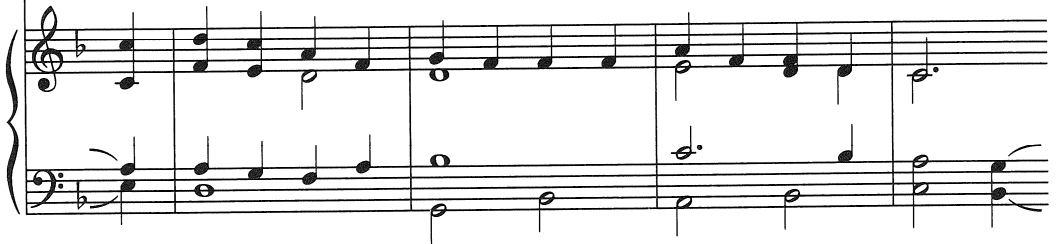
New England folk melody



1. Wher - ev - er I may wan - der, Wher - ev - er I may be,
2. Through - out the whole cre - a - tion I see God's lov - ing care



I'm cer - tain of my Mak - er's love; God's care is o - ver me.
For ev - ery - one in ev - ery land, God's chil - dren ev - ery - where.



God made the great high moun - tains, And made the wide blue sea;
Wher - ev - er I may wan - der, Wher - ev - er I may be,

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God made the sky where air-planes fly; God made the world, and me.
I'm cer-tain of my Mak-er's love; God's care is o-ver me.

Call to Confession in Unison

God beyond history,
wherever we may wander as we live into you,
let us always be certain of your love.
Let us always be certain that even in the darkest of moments
or the most difficult of times, you are with us.
That you forgive the sharp words of impatience,
the forgetful actions of selfishness, and more.
Instill us with the truth that there is no arc toward fullness
without your help. Grant us humility to acknowledge our humanity.
Enthuse us with gratitude for your grace,
grace that makes up the difference between where we are
and who it is you have created us to be.

Silent Prayer for Reconciliation

Sung Response: Hymn #322

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.

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

Assurance of God's Love & Forgiveness

Hear the good news! The steadfast love of the God never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning, as we live into God each and every moment. Friends, believe the good news! We are forgiven and set free to share God's love and peace.

The Passing of the Peace

Let us offer one another a sign of peace!

Prayer for Illumination

God, our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds, that as this reading is read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of all those you send to us seeking your love and presence in their lives. We pray these things and more in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and in all the ways we know you. Amen.

Gospel Reading: *John 14: 1-4*

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God. In God's house there are many rooms, if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And, if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you may also be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.

Stories of Grace, Welcoming, and Home All

At this time, you are invited to share the way in which you find Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House a place of welcoming. We ask that your comments reflect what it is that makes you find "home/welcoming" here and what you may be seeking, so that we may find our common interests, as well as learn about the journey of others we have yet to know. Since this will be a short time, we ask you to limit your expression to two minutes and continue the conversations in the fellowship and days ahead that will follow this morning's worship. We also ask that you stand when you speak, if you are able, and speak in a voice that all can hear. You are welcome to come to the front and use the microphone.

* Hymn 358 Help Us Accept Each Other

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

358 Help Us Accept Each Other

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Fred Kaan, 1975

Doreen Potter, 1975



1. Help us ac - cept each oth - er As Christ ac - cept-ed us;
2. Teach us, O Lord, Your les - sons, As in our dai - ly life
3. Let Your ac - cep - tance change us, So that we may be moved
4. Lord, for to - day's en - coun - ters With all who are in need,



Teach us as sis - ter, broth - er, Each per - son to em - brace.
 We strug - gle to be hu - man And search for hope and faith.
 In liv - ing sit - u - a - tions To do the truth in love;
 Who hun - ger for ac - cep - tance, For righ - teous - ness and bread,



Be pres - ent, Lord, a - mong us And bring us to be - lieve
 Teach us to care for peo - ple, For all, not just for some,
 To prac - tice Your ac - cep - tance Un - til we know by heart
 We need new eyes for see - ing, New hands for hold - ing on:



We are our - selves ac - cept - ed And meant to love and live.
 To love them as we find them Or as they may be - come.
 The ta - ble of for - give - ness And laugh - ter's heal - ing art.
 Re - new us with Your Spir - it; Lord, free us, make us one!

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 & Prayers of the People

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.

Benediction

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 pozebnani prijdiz 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.

Charge to the People

As God's own,
clothe yourselves with compassion,
kindness and patience,
forgiving each other
as God has forgiven all of us,
and crown all these things with love,
which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

***Closing Hymn # 535** **Go with Us, Lord** (next page)

Blessing

May the God of hope
fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

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CLOSING HYMNS

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Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON LM

Mary Jackson Cathey, 1986

Thomas Tallis
Adapt. Parker's *Whole Psalter*, c. 1561

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and

ev - ery com - ing day, That in Your Spir - it

strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

**May be sung as a canon.*

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*Please join us for fellowship meal following the Postlude.
Music & Festivities Follow until 2.*

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

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Prayers...

Please remember our families, friends, and concerns in your prayers:

- For the families of Flo Fletcher and Ann McGill, experiencing loss
- For Del and the passing of QT
- For those struggling with addiction
- For those struggling with depression
- Members and friends of Jan Hus, recovering from pain and the uncertainty that pain creates in our lives.
- For healing...especially for the children at Ronald McDonald House
- Those feeling excluded and marginalized...that they may find this place or others like it.
- For those who are exhausted
- All who are reeling from the effects of natural and human disasters
- Friends, praying for relief from depression and despair
- Loved ones coming near the end of this time...
- Everyone who may be caring for elderly members of their families...
- Anyone not ready for help, yet...
- And all the other prayers you hold close in your heart...

Announcements:

Please thank the Homecoming Team: Essie, Stan, Lily, Brian, Annie, and Kerry for preparing the sanctuary for this morning's agape meal and light refreshments that follow. Thanks to Del for the pies and for the care of the flowers that fill our chancel and around the rest of our building.

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| Sunday, October 31: | Drew Paton, Preaching
Composer's Voice Workshop (See p. 13) |
| Sunday, November 6 | Communion Sunday |
| Sunday, November 13 | Queer Elder Spirit Presentation,
Metropolitan Community Church |

Again, our Special thanks to
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HALLOWEEN CONCERT

Sunday, October 31, 2010 1:00 PM

Jan Hus Church, 351 East 74th St. NYC

Music and performances by:

Roger Blanc Douglas DaSilva

Randall Eng Rebekah Driscoll

Kenji Haba Jerry Hui Laura Jordan

Laura Mitchell James D. Sasser

Angela Scherrah Faye-Ellen Silverman

Leaha Villarreal Lindsey Warford

Sunday, October 31st at 1:00 P.M.

Admission always free. Clothes donations welcome!

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Jan Hus Presbyterian Church & Neighborhood House

"Where you were welcome, long before you arrived."

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 the 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.
Namaste!

We are pleased to have you join us on this day of celebration and thank God for bringing us together in this community. What a day, indeed...this day that God has made!



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Agape Meal

"A simple, ritual meal in the context of which hymns are sung, Scripture is read, and testimonies and stories of faith are shared. John Wesley instituted this after the Moravian pattern. All such meals derive from Jewish and early church meals such as are referred to by Paul, and they symbolize the unity of fellowship in the love of Christ which the saints at rest will share. Signs of the agape are the loving cup and bread."

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Drew Paton	Pastoral Assistant, HOAP Outreach
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Stanley M. Kusz	Hospitality (Sunday Lunch Preparation)
Edmund Leary	HOAP Outreach
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Karl Kaminski, Jeremiah Frederick	Musicians
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Reptile Friends

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