

## Jan Hus Presbyterian Church & Neighborhood House

A place of gospel and social justice.

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in *Ordinary Time*”

November 14, 2010



***Thunder:*** Perfect Mind

“I was sent out from the power  
and have come to you who study me  
and am found by you who seek me.  
Look at me, you who study me,  
and you who hear, hear me.  
You waiting for me, take me into yourselves.  
Don’t banish me from your vision.”

Thunder: Nag Hammadi Codex

\*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship (From the Round Dance of the Cross and the Acts of John. According to this Gnostic Gospel, Jesus is said to have taught this to his students shortly before his crucifixion. Acts of John was composed in the second half of the second century, perhaps later. It was likely composed, at least in part, in Greek, though some portions may derive from Syriac. Syria is the probably place of composition.)<sup>1</sup>

One: So he began by singing a hymn and declaring, "Glory be to you God." And we circled around and responded to him,

Many: "Amen."

One: "Glory to you, word. Glory to you grace."

Many: "Amen."

One: "Glory to you, spirit. Glory to you, holy one. Glory to your glory."

Many: "Amen."

All: "We praise you, God. We give thanks to you, light, in whom no darkness is." [Come. Let us worship God together.] "Amen."

\* Hymn #483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above (Next Page)

Call to Confession in Unison:

Wouldst thou love God alone? God cannot be beloved." Thomas Trahern

"...and the human capacity to love – the capacity that grounds both the possibility of union with God and the possibility of union with another human being – this capacity is not multiple. There is not love directed toward God and another towards the beloved. In the same way, the love directed toward God and the love directed toward the beloved do not mean that our capacity to love is divided. God must be loved in all the ways with an unlimited love..."<sup>2</sup>

Forgive us when we love you and others in our limited ways. Help us, please to reach for better...

<sup>1</sup> Barnstone & Meyer. *The Gnostic Bible: Gnostic Texts of Mystical Wisdom from the Ancient and Medieval Worlds*. Shambhala, Boston & London. 2009. p. 372.

<sup>2</sup> Guest, et al. *The Queer Bible Commentary*. SCM Press 2006. p.560

483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART 8.7.8.7.8.8.7

Johann Jacob Schütz, 1675; alt.

Trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox, 1864; alt.

Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesang*, 1566

Harm. Maurice F. Bell, 1906

Musical notation for the first system of the hymn, including a treble and bass staff with lyrics: 1. Sing praise to God, who reigns a - bove, The God of all cre - 2. What God's al-might - y power hath made, God's gra - cious mer - cy 3. The Lord is nev - er far a - way, But through all grief dis - 4. Thus all my glad-some way a - long, I sing a - loud Thy

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn, including a treble and bass staff with lyrics: a - tion, The God of power, the God of love, The God of keep - eth; By morn-ing glow or eve-ning shade God's watch - ful tress - ing, An ev - er pres - ent help and stay, Our peace, and prais - es That all may hear the grate-ful song My voice un -

Musical notation for the third system of the hymn, including a treble and bass staff with lyrics: our sal - va - tion; With heal-ing balm my soul is filled, And eye ne'er sleep - eth; With - in the king-dom of God's might, Lo! joy, and bless - ing; As with a moth-er's ten - der hand, God wea - ried rais - es. Be joy - ful in the Lord, my heart, Both

Musical notation for the fourth system of the hymn, including a treble and bass staff with lyrics: ev - ery faith-less mur-mur stilled: all is just and all is right: gent - ly leads the cho - sen band: To God all praise and glo - ry! soul and bod - y take your part:

## Silent Prayer for Reconciliation

### Hymn #324: Open My Eyes That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see; Glimpses of truth thou hast for me  
Place in my hand the wonderful key; That shall unclasp and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for thee, Ready my God thy will to see.  
Open my eyes illumine me. Spirit divine.

### Assurance of God's Love & Forgiveness

One: Friends, the unlimited love of God is all forgiving, all for the asking.  
Many: Thank God, for God.

### \*The Passing of the Peace

Let us offer one another a sign of inclusive and unlimited peace!

One: God's great peace be with you!

All: And also with you.

### Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God,  
by your Word and Spirit,  
that in your light we may see light,  
in your truth find freedom,  
and in your will discover your peace. Amen.

### First Reading:

**Isaiah 65:17-25:** *The Glorious New Creation*

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.  
But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.  
I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.  
No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;  
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.  
They shall build houses and inhabit them;  
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.  
They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,  
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.  
They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity;  
for they shall be offspring blessed by God—and their descendants as well.  
Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.  
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox;  
but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my  
holy mountain, says God.

### Gospel Reading: Luke 21: 5 - 19

**The Destruction of the Temple Foretold:** When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

**Signs and Persecutions:** They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

**Provocation:** *Up-sign Down* Ray Bagnuolo

\* Hymn #314 **Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song**

# Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song 314

BRIDEGROOM 8.7.8.7.6

Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1982

Peter Cutts, 1969

1. Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, Like the chal - lenge of her  
 2. To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, To the branch - es of the  
 3. With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, With the cease - less voice of

flight, Like the vig - or of the wind's rush, Like the  
 Vine, To the church in faith as - sem - bled, To her  
 prayer, With the power to love and wit - ness, With the

new flame's ea - ger might:  
 midst as gift and sign: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.  
 peace be - yond com - pare:

## 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 (See pp. 10 ff.)

### 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, for ever and ever. 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 pozeznani 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: # 323 Loving Spirit (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**

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Please join us for fellowship meal following worship  
and stay for The Composer's Voice concert at 1:00 PM  
All are welcome!

**Comfort, Comfort You My People**

PSALM 42 8.7.8.7.7.8.8

Johannes Olearius, 1671

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Genevan Psalter, 1551

1. Com - fort, com - fort you my peo - ple, Tell of peace, thus says our God;  
2. For the her - ald's voice is call - ing In the des - ert far and near,  
3. Make you straight what long was crook - ed, Make the rough - er plac - es plain;

Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness Bowed be - neath op - pres - sion's load.  
Bid - ding us to make re - pent - ance Since the king - dom now is here.  
Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be - fits God's ho - ly reign.

Speak you to Je - ru - sa - lem Of the peace that waits for them;  
O that warn - ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;  
For the glo - ry of the Lord Now o'er earth is shed a - broad;

Tell them that their sins I cov - er, And their war - fare now is o - ver.  
Let the val - leys rise in meet - ing And the hills bow down in greet - ing.  
And all flesh shall see the to - ken That God's word is nev - er bro - ken.

## Prayers...

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

- For Jerry Broudy, recovering from open-heart surgery at Mount Sinai Hospital
- For Juan's father recovering from cancer surgery
- For Ralph, receiving treatment for cancer
- Ray's mom, Betty, recovering from Knee surgery
- For the continued recovery of the people of Haiti
- Members and friends of Jan Hus, recovering from pain and the uncertainty that pain creates in our lives.
- Those seeking peace and serenity that they might know it takes time...but it does come
- For those looking for healing...healing for themselves, those they love, the people and pets they care for...
- For all who form the community of Ronald McDonald House and the amazing care they offer to families whose children are fighting cancer
- For the nation of Haiti, which continues to experience illness and struggles arising from recent natural disasters
- For those working for peace and an end to war
- For all those working to re-enter society in all the ways that might be
- For those struggling with addiction and denial, that they ask for help
- Available
- Friends, praying for relief from depression and despair
- For families preparing to say "Good-bye"
- For an end to bullying, bigotry, marginalization, homophobia
- Loved ones coming near the end of this time...
- For those with the benefit of years who know rely on us for help...
- Anyone not ready for help, yet...
- And all the other prayers you hold close in your heart...

## Announcements:

Please thank Essie, Lily, Stan, and Brian for preparing the sanctuary and this morning's light refreshments. Also, please thank Del for the care of the flowers that fill our chancel and around the rest of our building.

Sunday, November 14:

## *Queer Elder Spirit*

*Today! We welcome members of the Metropolitan Community Church* to join us next Sunday to speak briefly about a program called "Queer Elder Spirit." The outreach is organized to help provide seniors and others who are LGBT and are experiencing difficulty in mobility, being shut-ins, and all that comes with it. Please spread the word so that we can provide a good audience and opportunity to expand our outreach and hospitality in this way.

Thursday, November 25: Thanksgiving Day and Friday November 26<sup>th</sup>:  
Church and Outreach Offices Closed

Friday, Saturday Dec. 10, 11: **Christmas Variety Show – Spotlight On**

Join us for this Fund-raising event with one of our theater partners, Spotlight On. Do you have an act or performance you would like to have considered to be part of the fun- and fund-raising? Let us know. There will also be an auction and other cool stuff. Watch for more information in the next couple of weeks. See Ray if you have any questions. We are hoping this will help raise some of the \$6500 needed to pay for the new windows that are going into the gymnasium! Yay!



## *Advent and Christmas Schedule*

Sunday, Nov. 28:	First Sunday in Advent 1:00 P.M. Composer's Voice Concert (Free)
Sunday, Dec. 5:	Second Sunday in Advent; Communion Sunday
Sunday, Dec. 12:	Third Sunday in Advent
Saturday, Dec. 18:	Amal and the Night Visitors (See next page)
Sunday, Dec. 19:	Fourth Sunday in Advent
Friday, Dec. 24:	6:30 P.M. Christmas Eve Service
Christmas Day	10:30 A.M. Morning Christmas Service
Sunday, Dec. 26	11:00 A.M. Worship



**Saturday, December 18th**  
**Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House**

**Produced and Directed and Performed by**  
**Christian McLeer and the**  
**Remarkable Theatre Brigade**  
**7:00 P.M.**

## **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.  
*Namasthe!*



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Ministers	All the People
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Amy Conley	Volunteer Coordinator, HOAP Outreach
Drew Paton	Pastoral Assistant, HOAP Outreach
David Kelley	Social Worker
Stanley M. Kusz	Hospitality (Sunday Lunch Preparation)
Edmund Leary	HOAP Outreach
Christian McLeer	Music Director
Karl Kaminski, Jeremiah Frederick	Musicians
Holly Nedelka, Director	Child's Play; www.childsplaynyc.com
Carol Schachter	Church Administrator
Gerard D. Shaw	Hospitality Guru

THE RESIDENT STAFF: Lily Grecco, Albert Linares, Marvin Ramirez, Essie Rance,  
Annie Rawlings, Sara Renstron, Juan Reyes, Frank Rocco, Gerard D. Shaw

HUSSITE PETS: Philpot, Madge, Rocket & Bizou + 3, Allie, & Marvin's  
Reptile Friends

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