

Jan Hus Presbyterian Church & Neighborhood House

A celebration of gospel and social justice.

The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 6, 2011



Communion Sunday - All are welcome at this table.

“But I must confess that I am not afraid of the word "tension."
I have earnestly opposed violent tension, but there is a type of constructive,
nonviolent tension which is necessary for growth.”
The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., *Letter from a Birmingham Jail*, April 16, 1963

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship (cf. Psalm 68:19-20 &32-35)

- One: Shout out! You are the light of the world!
- Many: **We lift up our voices and sing praises to God!**
- One: God of justice and mercy, Christ of light and life, enter our lives and this time of worship with your radiant presence.
- Many: **Bring light to our journey, that we may see your path of righteousness.**
- One: Shine in us and through us, that we may be lights of compassion and justice
- Many: **Let us be bearers of your light and love to a broken world. Amen.**

For the Beauty of the Earth

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Conrad Kocher, 1838

Abr. William Henry Monk, 1861

Harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint, 1864

1. For the beau-ty of the earth, For the glo-ry of the skies,
 2. For the won-der of each hour Of the day and of the night,
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de-light,
 4. For the joy of hu-man love, Broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,

For the love which from our birth O-ver and a-round us lies,
 Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,
 For the mys-tic har-mo-ny Link-ing sense to sound and sight,
 Friends on earth, and friends a-bove, For all gen-tle thoughts and mild,

Refrain
 Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grate-ful praise.

5. For Thy church that evermore Her pure sacrifice of love,
 Lifteth holy hands above, Lord of all, to Thee we raise
 Offering up on every shore This our hymn of grateful praise.

Prayer of Confession

God of Light, you call us to be light in a world filled with shadows. But too often we would rather complain about our world than to try to change it. Too often we forget that you put us on earth to be the change. Give us the courage, O God, to be lights in your world. Give us the faith to act in your name. Give us the wisdom to know that we can be reflections of your light and reveal your goodness in our shadowed world.

A Time For Silent Prayer

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

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

One: Our God became wholly human so we might see the face of grace. Through the light of Christ we are forgiven.

Many: **By God's grace, with God's grace, we are who we are meant to be: forgiven, restored, bearers of God's light.**

***The Passing of the Peace**

Prayer for Illumination

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

First Reading: Psalm 112:1-9

Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear God, who greatly delight in God's commandments. Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches are in their houses and their righteousness endures forever. They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful and righteous. It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice. For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever. They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord. Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures for ever; their horn is exalted in honor.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-20

You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lamp stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to God in heaven.

1 Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Provocation *Salt and Light*

Elder Kerry Flynn

Hymn # 367: Jesu, Jesu Fill Us with Your Love

LIFE IN CHRIST

John 13:1-17

367 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

CHEREPONI Irregular with refrain

Ghanaian folk song
Trans. Tom Colvin, 1969

Ghanaian folk melody
Adapt. Tom Colvin, 1963
Arr. Jane Marshall, 1982

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with Your love, Show

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from You. *Fine*

1. Kneels at the feet of His friends, Si - lent - ly wash - es their
2. Neigh-bors are rich and poor, Var - ied in col - or and
3. These are the ones we should serve, These are the ones we should
4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, Serv - ing as though we are
5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, Si - lent - ly wash - ing their

1 feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 2 race, Neigh-bors are near and far a - way.
 3 love. All are neigh-bors to us and You.
 4 slaves, This is the way we should live with You.
 5 feet, This is the way we should live with You.

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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.**

Prayers of the People: In your prayers, please remember :

Jerry Brody, Mark in Hawaii, Stella Hagidas, the family and friends of Jules Paxton, the PC(USA) and its impending choices and decisions on full inclusion. We are especially mindful of those in Egypt and other parts of the world where people of courage seek justice and God-given rights so often denied. We ask for prayers for our work at Jan Hus and those who bring their talents and gifts here – to this very difficult mission. Pray with us and for us that we extend to others all we can, without the discouragement that so often surprises even the best of those in helping professions. Pray with us also for those considering our work in their mission giving and support. And, course, we remember all the prayers in the hearts of those present and elsewhere. We know they are heard...

Announcements: Please see page 10

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The Lord's Supper: Come to the Table, One and All!

One *All* *One*
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift
 up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give
 thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is right, and it is good, and it is joyful to give thanks to you, God of mystery and miracle. And so we sing your praise, joining our voices to all who sing on earth with the whole company of heaven:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of pow - er and might. Heav - en and
 earth are full of your glo - - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Blest is the
 one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

One: Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, so that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:

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Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a - gain. —

— Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the

high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! —

One: Pour out your Holy Spirit on your children gathered here and on these gifts of bread and wine of the earth given to your holy people, so that we might remember Jesus to your world in all the ways we seek to follow him.

All: By your Spirit make us one with you, one with each other, and one in ministry to all your world, spreading the Good News of Jesus, awaiting the time when with him and you - in all the ways you are known - we feast together at this heavenly table, as never before.

And now, with the confidence of the children and creation 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 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.

Breaking of the Bread

"On the night in which Jesus was betrayed, he took the bread, gave thanks, and broke it, giving it to his disciples and saying, 'Take; eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way, Jesus took the cup after the supper, and giving thanks, he gave it to them saying, 'Take, and drink of this, all of you. This cup is the New Covenant in my blood – in all that I am, a cup which will be given up for you to bring you close to the God who loves you. Whenever you do this, do it remembering these things I have told you.'"

Communion of the People

The gifts of God for the people of God.

We pass the elements to each other, saying: "The bread of life," and "the cup of blessing."

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Prayer after Communion: (In Unison)

Most gracious God, source of all blessing, we give you thanks for inviting us to share this meal as your family. Strengthen with your inner light. Let it shine to one another and to all people, reflecting and glorifying you in everything we do and say. 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.	

Charge to the People:

You are the salt of the earth...
 You are the light of the world..
 No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lamp stand,
 and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others,
 so that they may see your good works and give glory to God in heaven.

Amen.

Hymn: ***This Little Light of Mine*** (Next Page)

Postlude (Closing Music)

Please join us for our fellowship meal following the Postlude.

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This Little Light of Mine

African-American spiritual

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Matt. 5:14-16

1 This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine,

this lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine,

This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine, let it

shine, let it shine, let it shine. (let it shine.)

- 2 Ev-ery-where I go, I'm gon-na let it shine . . .
- 3 All--through the night, I'm gon-na let it shine . . .

Prayers and Announcements

~~~A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE~~~

"A POWERFUL AND AUTHORITATIVE PERFORMER..." ~LA TIMES

"...COURAGE..." ~DENVER POST

"...A JOURNEY TO SAFETY...INSPIRING..." ~STAR TRIBUNE

"...POWERFUL...HARROWING..." ~CITYPAGES

"...INSPIRING...A STORY OF HOPE AND HEALING..." ~DOMESTIC ABUSE PROJECT

## THE MARIA PROJECT

Developed, Written and Performed by **MARCELLA GOHEEN**

Friday & Saturday, FEBRUARY 12, & 13, 2011 8:00 PM (Prompt)

Jan Hus Playhouse Theater, 351 E 74th St, New York, 10021

Please join us for this special performance of THE MARIA PROJECT as we begin our "80 Voices" pilgrimage throughout America. Admission: Free. Donations are welcome to help support the Homeless Outreach and Advocacy Program of Jan Hus Presbyterian Church and Neighborhood House. For more information on The Maria Project - please call 347.595.2083 Visit us at [www.themariaproject.com](http://www.themariaproject.com)



On Sunday, Feb. 13, the **Rev. Dr. Janie Spahr** will be visiting us for worship and conversation. Janie is the founder of That All May Freely Serve. She is a prophetic and powerful voice for full inclusion of the LGBT/Q community in the PC(USA). To read more about Janie, just search her name online. Better yet, join us on Sunday to meet her in person.



On Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M. come listen to a concert inspired by the works of Emily Dickinson. On Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, *Preludio 21* will be presented with composers from Brazil! March's great performances: March 6<sup>th</sup> is our special Women's Month concert. The concert will be the work of all

women composers and performed by women. March 27<sup>th</sup> features Theremin virtuoso Kevin Kissinger and introducing 15-Minutes-of-Fame: pianist Shiau-uen Ding.



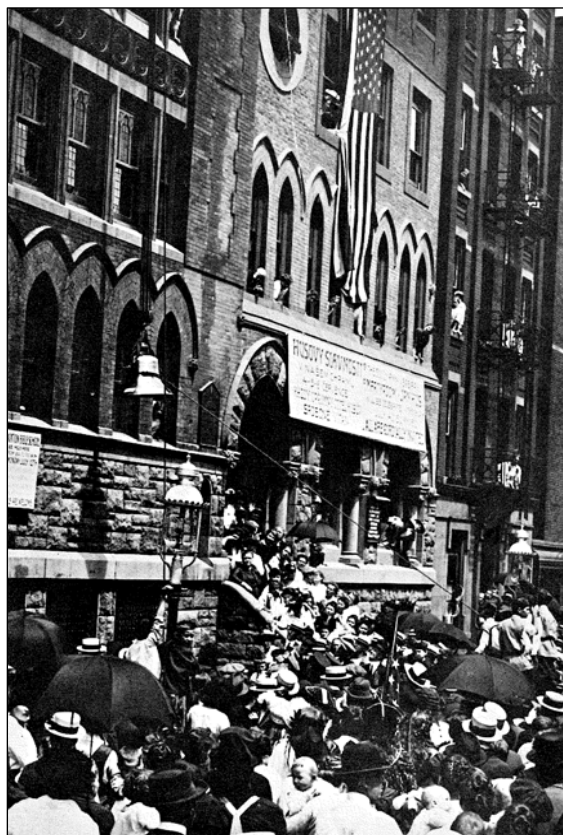
### Open Mic

This is the first of a planned series of Comedy Nights at the Jan Hus Playhouse Theater. Come with or without your jokes and join us for the kick-off at **6:30 P.M. on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> in the Jan Hus Playhouse Theater.**



**Theater of the Oppressed: *It Can Happen to You*:** We are very excited to welcome back to the Jan Hus Playhouse Theater this exceptional show and presentation, written and performed by members of the Jan Hus community, who live through some of the great difficulties and challenges of being marginalized in the City of New York. Presented with heart, powerful sentiment, and great humor – you will be uplifted and just might find yourself on stage! Two performances on **Sat., February 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM & 7:30 PM in the Jan Hus Playhouse Theater.**

## 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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### THE RESIDENT STAFF:

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### HUSSITE PETS:

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