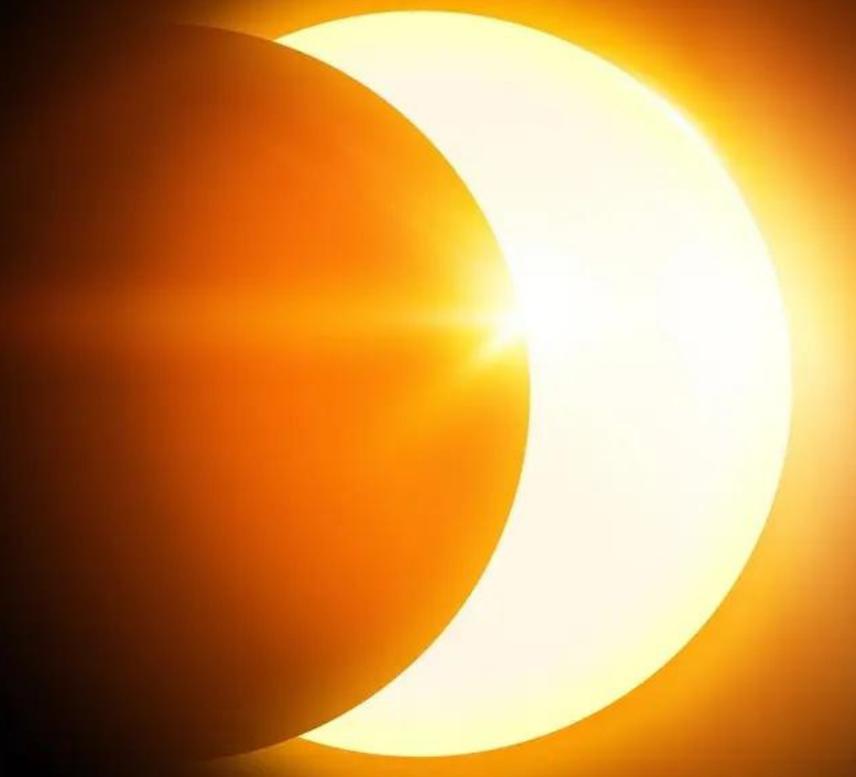


Trinity Sunday

June 11, 2023



By the word of the Lord
the heavens and all their host were made,
for God spoke, and it came to be.
The Lord commanded, and it stood firm.
Psalm 33:6-9

Sunday, June 11, 2023

Trinity Sunday

Tolling of the Bell

Prelude

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn *Glorious Things of You Are Spoken*

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Psalm of Invocation

One: Rejoice in the Holy One, O you righteous.
Praise the Lord with the lyre and a new song;
play skilfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

**All: For the word of God is good,
and the work of our Creator is done in faithfulness.
The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Most High.**

One: God brings the counsel of the nations to nothing,
frustrating the plans of the peoples.

**All: A king is not saved by a great army;
a warrior is not delivered by great strength.**

One: Our hope is in God's steadfast love,
to deliver our souls from the time of trial.

**All: Our soul waits for the Lord, our help and shield.
Let your steadfast love, O Holy One, be upon us. Amen.**

(Psalm 33)

*The Peace of Christ

One: "The Peace of Christ be with you."

All: And also with you!

John 1:1-13

Blessing

Sermon

"The Stoicism of John"

Hymn

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

*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.*

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Doxology

Each week, we sing and sign an inclusive Doxology (ASL).

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God for all that Love has done.

Creator, Christ, & Spirit one. Amen.

*Closing Hymn

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Benediction

Postlude



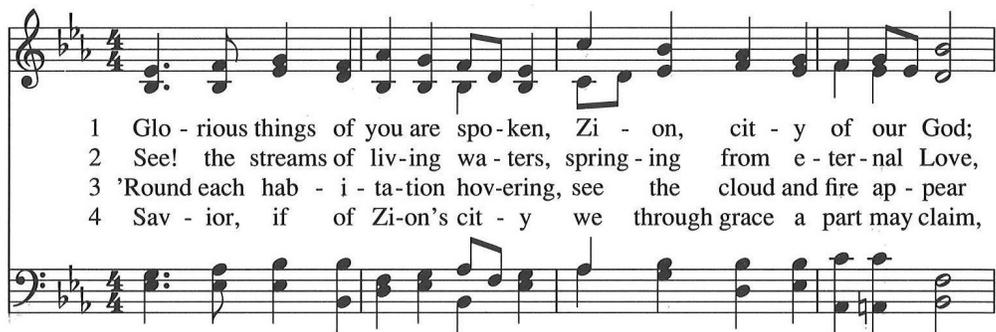
Following the Closing Hymn, we encourage the congregation to remain risen, in body or spirit, to receive the Benediction, which is both blessing and commission. You may sit for the Postlude in quiet contemplation.

All are invited to the Parish Hall for coffee, tea, and snacks. We understand it can be difficult to step into a room of strangers. We hope, with every cup and cookie, we can deepen our connections and learn a little more about each other each week.

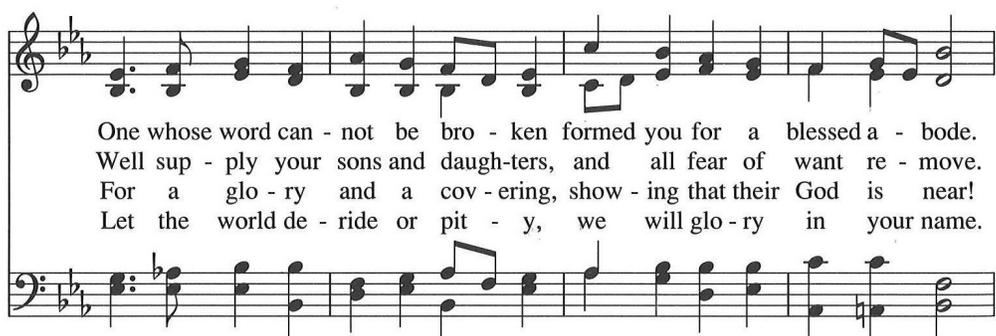
Glorious Things of You Are Spoken

Ps. 87:3; Isa. 33:20-21; 60:18; 26:4; Exod. 13:22

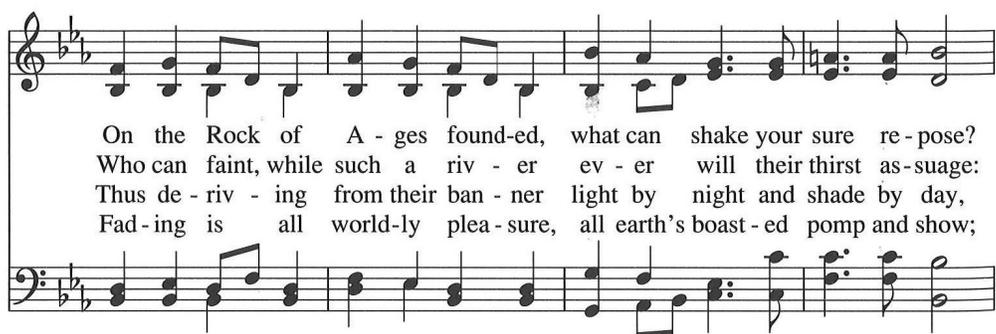
John Newton, 1779; alt.



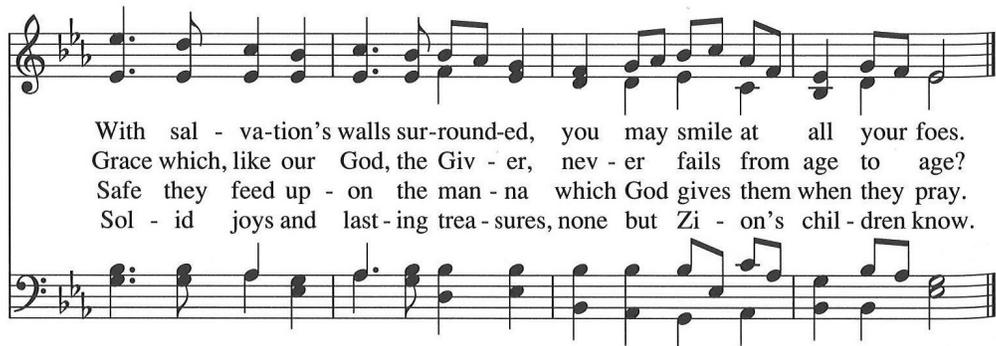
1 Glo - rious things of you are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal Love,
 3 'Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4 Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y we through grace a part may claim,



One whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for a blessed a - bode.
 Well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.
 For a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that their God is near!
 Let the world de - ride or pit - y, we will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
 Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage:
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Fad - ing is all world - ly plea - sure, all earth's boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
 Grace which, like our God, the Giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age?
 Safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.
 Sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures, none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Filled with Old Testament scriptural allusions, this was one of few hymns of praise included among the many subjective, sometimes brooding, hymns in Newton and Cowper's Olney Hymns. It has enjoyed great popularity in many English-speaking countries.

Tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7.D.
 Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797
 Alternate tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

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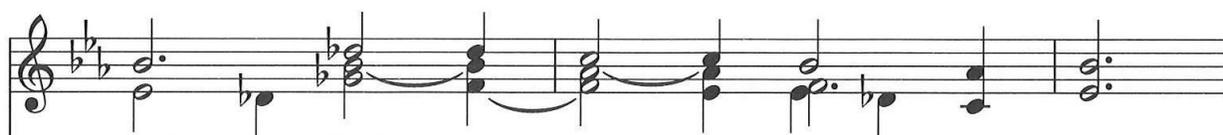
George Herbert, 1633; alt.

John 8:12; 14:1-7; 15:11

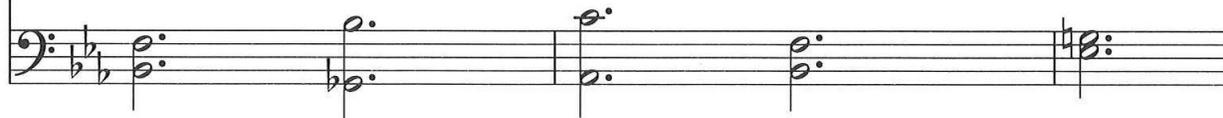
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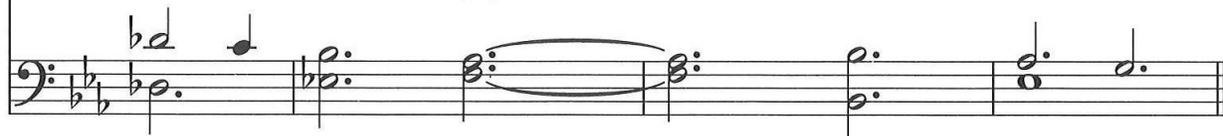
1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us
2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a
3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can



breath; Such a truth as ends all strife;
feast; Such a feast as mends in length;
move; Such a love as none can part;



such a life as con - - - quers death.
such a strength as makes a guest.
such a heart as joys in love.



Shortly before his death, the poet George Herbert entrusted his manuscript of The Temple (including this hymn) to a friend for publication. The musical setting by English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams is from Five Mystical Songs from George Herbert.

Tune: THE CALL 7.7.7.7.
Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1911

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Eph. 2:20–22; 1 Pet. 2:4–7

Latin, 6th–8th century

Transl. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt.

St. 3 adapt. Thomas H. Troeger, 1992

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner - stone,
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O God of Hosts, to - day!
 3 Here re - new your ser - vants' vis - ion, that by faith they may at - tain

chos - en of our God and pre - cious, bind - ing all the Church in one;
 With your con - stant, lov - ing kind - ness hear your peo - ple as they pray.
 peace and hope, re - newed com - pas - sion, strength to com - fort those in pain,

Ho - ly Zi - on's help for - ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Give your full - est ben - e - dic - tion: grace to fol - low Christ the Way.
 Tears and grief trans - formed to glad - ness in your ev - er - last - ing reign.

The hymn has its origins in an early Latin poem, *Urbs beata Jerusalem*, based on passages from *Ephesians*, *1 Peter*, and *Revelation*. "Holy Zion" refers to the church transcendent, built of "living stones"—the saints of God.

Tune: REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7.

Henry T. Smart, 1867

Alternate tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY

AFRICA EXCHANGE PROJECT **THE TANZANIA LEGACY OF BOB AHEARN**

In 1999, Bob Ahearn traveled as a Global Volunteer to the village of Pomerini, Tanzania on a life changing journey. His love for the people of Pomerini brought him back year after year and with each visit he found new ways to help the community. In 2005, he was joined by the minister from Plymouth Church in Framingham, MA, who quickly shared Bob's enthusiasm for Pomerini.

These trips were the genesis for an endeavor that remains alive to this day, first as a Plymouth Church project and later in 2018, in the form of Africa Exchange Project, a non profit whose mission is to provide access to clean water, quality education and reliable healthcare in Pomerini.

Bob identified needs in the community and began supporting an orphanage in the nearby town of Iringa and providing for the children of Pomerini in various ways. Through Bob's leadership and generosity, a kindergarten was built and later a vocational center.



In 2007, Bob led a group of seventeen adults and youths to Pomerini to dedicate the newly built kindergarten, help work on the vocational school, and help repair pipes that supplied water from a nearby river.

In 2008, Bob helped to coordinate a choir of 13 men and women from Pomerini to travel to the US. Their month-long visit was packed with 32 concerts throughout Eastern Massachusetts. Through these concerts funds were raised and used to install freshwater wells in the community, raising the health and quality of life for thousands and reducing infant mortality from waterborne disease.

Bob had an especially deep love and enduring concern for the children of Pomerini, and we at Africa Exchange Project carry on his legacy by continuing to support the operation of the kindergarten he built in 2007, among our many other projects. Currently, the kindergarten staff includes 2 teachers and serves 100 children, setting them on a path of education and preparing them for Primary School. Although we were all saddened by Bob's passing in 2022, his impact on Pomerini will live on. **To honor Bob's legacy, we are seeking funds for a modern, safe playground for the kindergarten.**

Donations for this project can be made to the Africa Exchange Project online at africaexchangeproject.org/donate or by check payable to Africa Exchange Project, PO Box 345, Ashland, MA 01701. Please indicate "Bob Ahearn Kindergarten Fund" in your online donation or in the memo.



Bulletin Reminders for June 11, 2023

FALL FAIR INFO/PLANNING SESSION

Sunday, June 11

Fall Fair is September 30. How would you like to contribute? Our beloved annual Fair means many things to our Church and to the entire Framingham Community, with fun and work to share for all ages. We need a committed crew for all the booths. Think about awesome food or crafts items you can make. If you have questions, we have answers and resources. Please mark your calendar for the last week of September, and come to the Parish Hall on June 11, after worship. See or email Sandy Clarke with any questions. Sandy.clarke33@yahoo.com.

BE A "CITIZEN SCIENTIST" FOR ONE DAY!

Participate in FSU's Heat Watch Campaign

The McAuliffe Center for Integrated Science Learning at Framingham State University invites members of the Framingham, Ashland, Holliston and Natick communities to participate in this 2023 Heat Watch Campaign. Family, friends, neighbors and church communities are encouraged to participate this summer in mid-July, and collect heat data for one day. Sign up via the link in your Wednesday Email.

PRE-LOVED/USED CLOTHING SALE A BIG SUCCESS!

Well, if you haven't heard by now, I wanted to let you all know that the *Pre-loved Used Clothing Sale* was a roaring success! Hope you all saw the picture of Al in *Realm* (at right), and I added a few, too. Social Action extends a HUGE thank-you to all who helped with the sale, including Nancy and John in the Office and our muscle men sextons, John and Philip, for setting up all those tables! it was a lot of fun trying something new by pricing most items for only \$2.00 each. We brought in over **\$1,600** to be donated to Dana Farber via the two riders in the PMC. -Mattie Schadt



Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help make a difference in the lives of children in our community! We are dedicated to helping our younger resident develop skills and strengthen their love for learning. If you are interested in helping out, please let us know!

We need help with:

- Wednesday Reading Club
- Monday Fun Club
- School Vacations
- Reading/Writing Coaches
- General Mentor Activities

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