

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13, 2022



Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.
2 Thessalonians 3:13

Sunday, November 13, 2022
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Tolling of the Bell

Prelude

Adagietto

Rawshorne

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Prayer of Invocation

Kathy Copson, Lay Reader

One: We give thanks to you, O Holy One, for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away, and you comforted me.

**All: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid,
for you are my strength and my might.**

One: With joy we draw water from the wells of salvation.

And so we will make known your deeds among the peoples.

**All: Give praises to the God, for you have done gloriously;
let it be known in all the earth.**

Shout and sing, dance and feast for joy,

for great in your midst is the God of Creation.

Isaiah 12

Passing of the Peace

Luke 21:5-19

Blessing

Children's Time

Sermon

The Courage of Faith

Choir Anthem

Be Still My Soul

Courtney

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

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

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

Transformation Moment

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Improvisation on Crimond

Nixon

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, and Spirit, One.

Closing Hymn

For the Healing of the Nations

Benediction

Postlude

Scherzetto

Tambling

Following the Benediction, the congregation is encouraged to enjoy the entire Postlude.



Today's Chancel Flowers are given by Nancy Lawson and Beth Marascio,
in loving memory of Robert Lawson.



For the Healing of the Nations

Fred Kaan, 1965

1 For the heal - ing of the na - tions, God, we pray with
 2 Lead us for - ward in - to free - dom; from de - spair your
 3 All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing, let it from the
 4 You, Cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten your great name on

one ac - cord; for a just and e - qual shar - ing
 world re - lease, that, re - deemed from war and ha - tred,
 earth be banned; pride of sta - tus, race, or school - ing,
 hu - man - kind; for our grow - ing in your like - ness

of the things that earth af - fords; to a life of
 all may come and go in peace. Show us how through
 dog - mas that ob - scure your plan. In our com - mon
 bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our re -

love in ac - tion help us rise and pledge our word.
 care and good - ness fear will die and hope in - crease.
 quest for jus - tice may we hal - low life's brief span.
 sponse and ser - vice earth its des - ti - ny may find.

Fred Kaan's most widely published text was first sung at Pilgrim Church in Plymouth, England, at a service of worship marking Human Rights Day in 1965. It has been used for many subsequent occasions, including the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations.

Tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY 8.7.8.7.8.7.

*Henry Purcell, c. 1680
 Arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1842*

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Henry H. Tweedy, 1868-1953

HALIFAX C.M.D.

Melody by Georg F. Handel, 1685-1759
Harm. by C. Winfred Douglas, 1867-1944

1 E - ter - nal God, whose power up-holds Both flower and flam - ing star,
2 O God of love, whose spir - it wakes In ev - ery hu - man breast,
3 O God of right - eous - ness and grace, Seen in the Christ, thy Son,

To whom there is no here nor there, No time, no near nor far,
Whom love, and love a - lone can know, In whom all hearts find rest,
Whose life and death re - veal thy face, By whom thy will was done,

No a - lien race, no for - eign shore, No child un-sought, un - known,
Help us to spread thy gra - cious reign Till greed and hate shall cease,
In - spire thy her - als of good news To live thy life di - vine,

In unison

O send us forth, thy proph-ets true, To make all lands thine own!
And kind-ness dwell in hu-man hearts, And all the earth find peace!
Till Christ is formed in all man-kind And ev - ery land is thine! A-men.

Bulletin Reminders for November 13, 2022

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY

The Church Office will be closed Monday, **November 14**, in observance of Veterans Day.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2022

This year's Christmas Pageant will be an intergenerational play, presented in worship on Sunday, **December 18**, followed by Coffee Hour with cookies and snacks. If you or the young people in your life would like to take part in this year's pageant, please sign up by Sunday, **November 20**. After November 20, we can't promise you a role with lines.

ANNUAL FALL FOOD DRIVE

November 1 thru 20

Our Annual Fall Food Drive will take place from November 1 to November 20, to benefit *A Place to Turn*, who would especially appreciate coffee, juice, sugar, oil, spices, and canned fruit. Drop off your donations in the lower vestibule by the Parish Hall.

CAMPAIGN FOR KINDNESS

Social Action is looking for 2-3 volunteers to help coordinate a *Kindness Campaign* at church. This **November 12-18**, *Spark Kindness* is holding their *5th Annual Kindness Campaign* in Natick. Contact Al Rapoza (alrapoza@yahoo.com) or Elaine Lowell (elaine.r.lowell@gmail.com) if you want to help make this happen.

FALL LEAF RAKING FOR SENIORS

November 19, 20

Be part of a caring community and help older residents in need of your services. Organized by the Framingham Council on Aging, The Callahan Center. Sam Swisher will take sign-ups at Coffee Hour and via email over the next several weeks at ccvolrec@gmail.com. Meet at The Plymouth Church on: Saturday (8:45 a.m./12:45 p.m.) and on Sunday (12:45 p.m.)

PLYMOUTH CHURCH ONLINE AUCTION 2022

December 4 - December 10

The Plymouth Church Online Auction is fast approaching! The auction begins Sunday, December 4, and will be online through Saturday, December 10. Since the auction is online, people can bid from virtually anywhere, anytime during the week, 24 hours a day! You still have an opportunity to donate. Please submit your donation information by Sunday, **November 27**. Contact Sydney Turner (sydneyturner@aol.com) or Sue Tonkiss (suedtonk@aol.com).

NEXT BREAKFAST CHURCH

Sunday, November 20

It was so fun the first time, we're doing it again! Breakfast Church will return on Sunday, November 20, and that means we need more helpers! If you want to get in on the action or volunteer again, sign up with the link in your *Wednesday Email*.

TIME TO DECK THE HALLS

Tuesday, November 22

Carole Blackman seeks volunteers to help decorate the church on Tuesday, **November 22**, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Also on Saturday, **December 3**, she will need a couple of men to put up the big tree and someone to help check the lights. Email blackmancarole@gmail.com or see her after Sunday worship.

DOT KING TURNS 100!

Dot King turns 100 years old next Sunday, **November 20!** Help us to send her all our love! We are asking everyone in the congregation to send Dot cards. And we will dedicate the Chancel Flowers on November 20 in celebration of her centennial!

Dot King
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