



# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 22, 2023

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 27:1

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**Sunday, January 22, 2023**  
The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Tolling of the Bell

Prelude *Though I May Speak* Wood

Call to Worship *Isaiah 9:1-2*

Opening Hymn *Jerusalem, My Happy Home (verses 1-4)*

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Prayer of Invocation

One: God is the stronghold of our lives; of whom or what shall we fear?

**All: One thing we ask of you, O God, that we will pursue diligently:  
to live in your house all our days,  
to behold your beauty, and to inquire in your temple.**

One: God will shelter us in the day of trouble under the cover of the tent.

**All: Teach us your ways, O Holy One, and lead us on a level path.  
We believe that we shall see your goodness in the land of the living.**

One: Wait for the Lord; be strong,  
and let your heart take courage.

*-Psalm 27*

Passing of the Peace

Social Action Moment *Todd Witherow* *Board Member, Resiliency for Life*

Matthew 4:12-23

Blessing

Children's Time

Sermon *"Missionaries"*

Choir Anthem *In The Bleak Midwinter* *Holst, arr. Moore*

Prayers of the People

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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.*

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Prelude in C*

*Bach*

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

*Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult*

Benediction

Postlude

*Make the Sounds of Praise*

*Hughes*

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

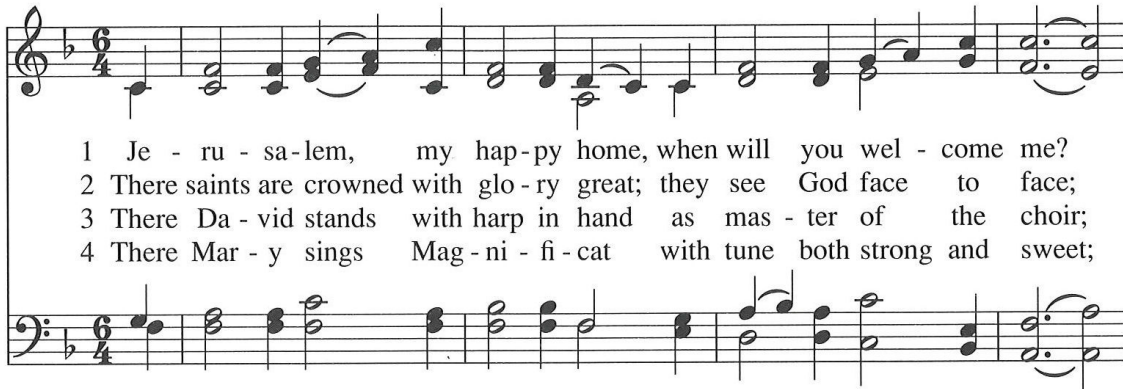
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# Jerusalem, My Happy Home

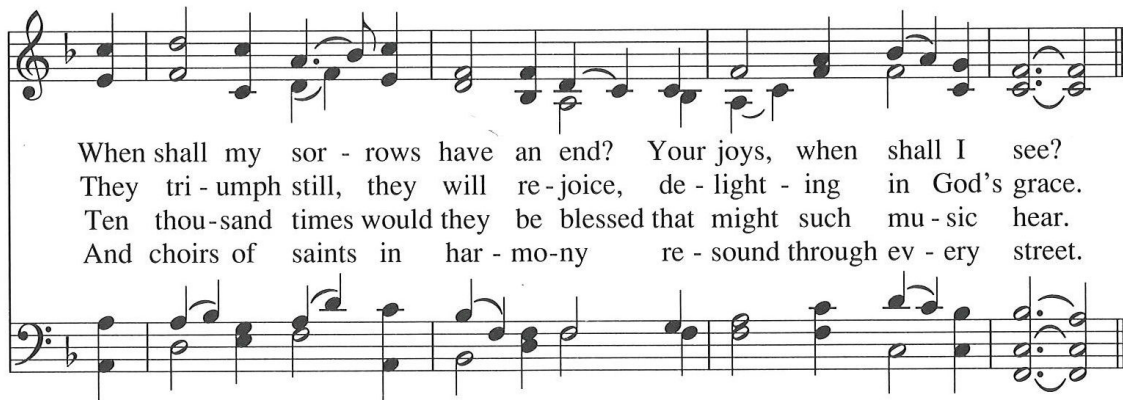
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F. B. P., c. 16th century; alt.

Ps. 144:9-10; 1 Cor. 13:12; Luke 1:46-55



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when will you wel - come me?  
2 There saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they see God face to face;  
3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as mas - ter of the choir;  
4 There Mar - y sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with tune both strong and sweet;



When shall my sor - rows have an end? Your joys, when shall I see?  
They tri - umph still, they will re - joice, de - light - ing in God's grace.  
Ten thou - sand times would they be blessed that might such mu - sic hear.  
And choirs of saints in har - mo - ny re - sound through ev - ery street.

5 There Mag - da - len no more la - ments  
but joins the ris - ing sound;  
What tongue can tell or heart con - ceive  
the joys that there are found!

6 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem,  
God grant that I may see  
your end - less joy, and of the same  
par - tak - er ev - er be!

*The earliest known version of this hymn (1585) is forty-four stanzas long. A later and shorter version, found in the British Museum, credits "F. B. P.," about whom nothing is known. The American tune was often sung with the words "O Land of rest, for thee I sigh."*

Tune: LAND OF REST C.M.  
The Christian Harp, 1832

Adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938

# Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult

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Cecil F. Alexander, 1852; alt.

Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; John 21:15



1 Je-sus calls us, o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild, rest-less sea;  
2 As of old, Saint An-drew heard it by the Gal - i - le - an lake,  
3 Je-sus calls us from the wor-ship of the trea - sures we a - dore,  
4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of toil and hours of ease,  
5 Je-sus calls us! By your mer - cies, Sav - ior, may we hear your call,



Day by day that voice still calls us, say - ing, "Chris-tian, fol - low me."  
Turned from home and toil and kin-dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
From each i - dol that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris-tian, love me more."  
Je - sus calls, in cares and plea-sures, "Chris-tian, love me more than these."  
Give our hearts to your o - be-dience, serve and love you best of all.



*Cecil Alexander, who in Ireland wrote sacred verse to teach children the meaning of the catechism and liturgy, designated this poem for St. Andrew's Day. Many years later Galilee was composed for this text by an English organist, William Jude.*

Tune: GALILEE 8.7.8.7.  
William H. Jude, 1887  
Alternate setting: ST. ANDREW

# Bulletin Reminders for January 22, 2023

## RESILIENCY FOR LIFE

TODAY, Todd Witherow, a longtime member of Plymouth Church, will speak to us about a non-profit called *Resiliency for Life* during worship and will make himself available for a Q&A at Coffee Hour.

## "CORNUCOPIA" RETURNS

Cornucopia will resume its weekly meetings on Thursday, **January 26**, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., in the Youth Room. Cornucopia welcomes all women of the church. Our agenda is varied and usually set up from week to week. We hold interesting discussions on many topics, read books, or occasionally invite a guest speaker. We are a low key group and we enjoy our time together.

## ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK TO HONOR WILL SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

Save the date, dream up your favorite dish, and please join us for a Potluck to celebrate and to honor our beloved Will Tanner. Goodbyes are hard, but what better way to show Will how much he means to all of us than a Plymouth Church potluck! We will gather on Sunday, **January 29**, immediately after worship. Bring your best kept secret, your all-time favorite, or your go-to comfort dish. We need a few folks to help with setup, at 9:00 a.m., and cleanup after the potluck. If you can help, or if you have questions, please contact Sydney Turner, at [sydneysturner@aol.com](mailto:sydneysturner@aol.com).

## HOMEMADE SOUP SALE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Donate your favorite soups so others can enjoy. Containers can be picked up in the Parish Hall after worship. Bring your soup donations before worship on **February 5**. Leona Dalton can answer any questions you may have when you pick up your containers. All proceeds will benefit the church.

## SPECIAL CHURCH CONFERENCE

Transformation Team is encouraging you to sign up for a special church Conference, taking place on **March 3-4**. *Level Up* is presented by Faith Community Church and is designed to equip you for leadership in church and in life. Please let Greg know if you're interested. Deadline to Register as a team is **February 10**. Cost is \$30 (and assistance is available). *Check your Wednesday Email for full details.*

## MAIL TIME

The Chancel Flowers last Sunday were donated in celebration of **Liz Milam**. Help us wish her a very happy **91st birthday** by sending her a card!

During the *Prayers of the People*, we shared that **Betty Jost** is in rehab. Let's send her cards and hold her in our prayers. Betty is staying at:

JML Care Center, Room #134, 184 Ter Heun Drive, Falmouth, MA 02540



*Thank you!*

Led by **Carole Blackman** and joined by **Susan Bliss, Kathy Copson, Dawn, Steven and Kelsey Geiser, Ruth Griffin, and Sue and John Tonkiss**, the church was un-decorated last week and put back together in short order.

# Symbols as Beliefs

Greetings from the Transformation Team! As you recall, we are working through a process of discernment to better understand what God has in store for us in this season in the life of Plymouth Church. So far, we have established a list of Core Values that articulate our expectations of each other and guide our actions.

Currently, we are sharing and clarifying our Bedrock Beliefs: the principles and symbols of our faith we affirm, proclaim, and spontaneously return to during times of confusion and stress. Considered together, these values and beliefs will guide us to a clearer vision of our future and ultimately help to define our mission - our purpose in bringing God's healing into the world.

Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring the symbols which express our beliefs. One of our symbols is the **BAPTISMAL FONT**. What does this symbol mean to you?



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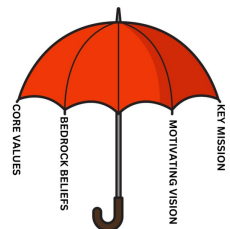
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Thank you for your thoughts!  
Your thoughtful participation in our process matters very much.

**Please drop your response in the collection plate  
or hand to one of our Deacons.**



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