

Children & Youth Sunday

May 21, 2023



Let the children come to me, and do not stop them,
for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven
belongs.

Matthew 19:14

Sunday, May 21, 2023
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Children & Youth Sunday

Tolling of the Bell

Prelude *I Am a Child of God* arr. Terri Hutchings

Call to Worship Maddie Gorham

*Opening Hymn *Bring Many Names (verses 1,5,6)*

Welcome and Announcements Mackenzie Myers-Comley

Responsive Prayer of Invocation Ashlyn Myers-Comley

One: Make a joyful noise to God all the earth.

All: HALLELUJAH!

One: Worship with gladness. We are God's people, and the sheep of his pasture.

All: HALLELUJAH!

One: Enter the gates with thanksgiving, and these courts with praise. Give thanks to God, bless her holy name.

All: HALLELUJAH!

One: God is good. God's steadfast love endures forever!

All: HALLELUJAH!

One: And AMEN!

Psalm 100

*The Peace of Christ Darcie Coache

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

All: And also with you!

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

Junior Choir Anthem *The Good Samaritan* LeDoux

Sermon

Daniel Romero
Ashlyn Myers-Comley
Cristina Romero
Mackenzie Myers-Comley

Junior Choir Anthem *The Good Samaritan* Bailey & Mayo

Recognitions Rev. Morisse

Hymn *I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me*

* As the Spirit guides you, we encourage you to rise in body or spirit.

Prayers of the People

(written by Children's Faith Workshop class)

The Lord's Prayer

Mackenzie Myers-Comley

*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.

The Lord's Prayer (Song)

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Jesus Loves Me

arr. Faye Lopez

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.

Announcements

*Closing Hymn

I Thank You, Jesus

*Benediction

Daniel Romero

Postlude

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Messiter



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.

*We are especially grateful for today's guest organist, **Donna Chaff**, who is filling in for Elissa Putukian today, as well as filling in last Sunday, May 14.*

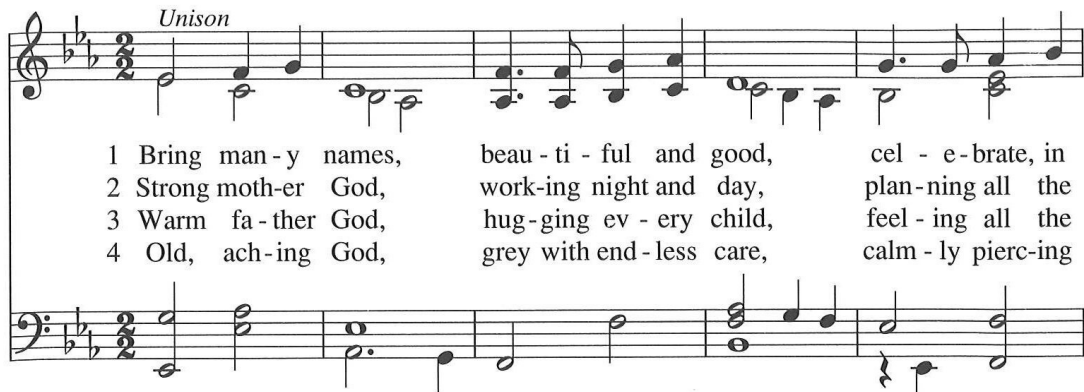
Bring Many Names

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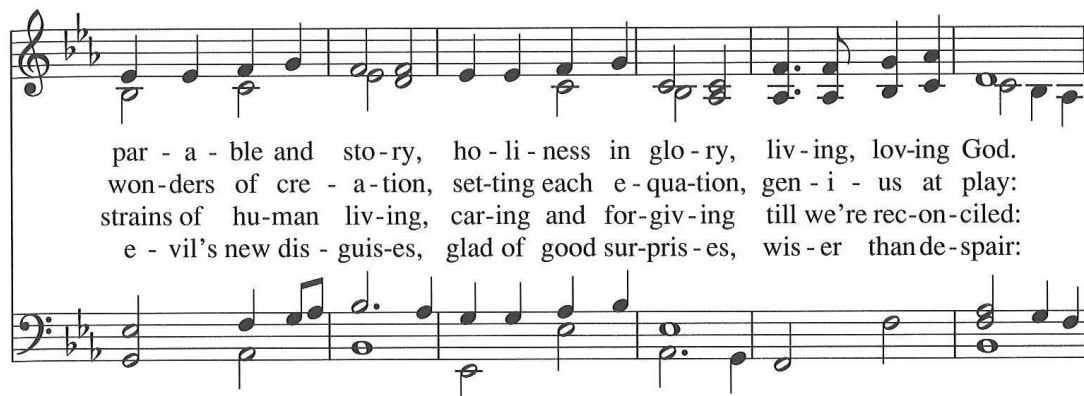
Brian Wren, 1989

Gen. 1:27

Unison



1 Bring man - y names, beau - ti - ful and good, cel - e - brate, in
2 Strong moth - er God, work - ing night and day, plan - ning all the
3 Warm fa - ther God, hug - ging ev - ery child, feel - ing all the
4 Old, ach - ing God, grey with end - less care, calm - ly pierc - ing



par - a - ble and sto - ry, ho - li - ness in glo - ry, liv - ing, lov - ing God.
won - ders of cre - a - tion, set - ting each e - qua - tion, gen - i - us at play:
strains of hu - man liv - ing, car - ing and for - giv - ing till we're rec - on - ciled:
e - vil's new dis - guis - es, glad of good sur - pris - es, wis - er than de - spair:



Hail and Ho - san - na! bring man - y names! great, liv - ing God!
Hail and Ho - san - na, strong moth - er God!
Hail and Ho - san - na, warm fa - ther God!
Hail and Ho - san - na, old, ach - ing God!

5 Young, grow - ing God, ea - ger,
on the move,
say - ing no to false - hood and
un - kind - ness,
cry - ing out for jus - tice,
giv - ing all you have:
Hail and Ho - san - na,
young, grow - ing God!

6 Great, liv - ing God, nev - er ful - ly known,
joy - ful dark - ness far be - yond our see - ing,
clos - er yet than breath - ing,
ev - er - last - ing home:
Hail and Ho - san - na,
great, liv - ing God!

The author states that aspects of the divine are revealed in our maleness, femaleness, youth, and age in a moving, growing matrix of life in God. The tune Westchase was composed especially for this text.

Tune: WESTCHASE 9.10.11.9.
Carlton Young, 1989

I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me

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African-American spiritual

1 I'm so glad, Je-sus lift-ed me, I'm so glad,
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me, Sa - tan had me bound,
3 When I was in trou - ble, Je-sus lift-ed me, when I was in trou - ble,

Je - sus lift - ed me, I'm so glad,
Je - sus lift - ed me, Sa - tan had me bound,
Je - sus lift - ed me, when I was in trou - ble,

Je-sus lift-ed me, sing-ing glo-ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Je-sus lift-ed me.

Just as the spirituals were adapted to be sung in a folk-song style during the 1960s music festivals and civil rights marches, so have they been adapted in a gospel style. This is a spiritual that especially lends itself to gospel rendering.

Tune: I'M SO GLAD Irr.
African-American spiritual

I Thank You, Jesus

Kenneth Morris, 1948

1 I thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
 2 You've been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,

1 Thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
 2 Been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,

thank you, Je - sus, my Sav - ior God, for you brought me, yes, you
 been my sis-ter, my broth-er, too, for you brought me, yes, you

brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long
 brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long

I thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
 You've been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,

way. Thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
 way. Been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,

thank you, Je-sus, my Sav - ior God, for you brought me, yes, you
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Bulletin Reminders for May 21, 2023

ANNUAL PERENNIAL PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 20, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Plymouth Church Annual Perennial Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, May 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in front of the church. We will need volunteers for set-up (May 18-19) and staffing the sale. We also need extra empty pots (at least 6 inches in diameter) which may be left next to the shed as soon as possible. Donated perennial plants are to be left by the shed or in the courtyard starting Wednesday, May 17. All gardeners and anyone willing to help, please join the fun by signing up as a volunteer.

Ellen, evrivoire@gmail.com, 508.877.8482

Leona, lldorlmd@verizon.net, 508.481.5770

SPRING CLOTHING SALE

Friday, June 2 and Saturday, June 3

The Rummage Sale is now: "Pre-Loved/Used Clothing Sale for the whole family" Proceeds will support two PMC participants raising funds for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. We are encouraging donations of nicer quality items to provide our shelters and schools with the head start they need for success! Please sort and label your donations of men's, women's, teens, babies, boy's and girl's items. We can receive donations beginning Sunday, **May 28** and the following week. As always, we will look for your help and fun participation in the execution of this community service. Details will follow as our plans unfold!

Contact Mattie, 774.217.3477

MEMORIAL DAY SPECIAL COLLECTION

Donation Drop-off Began May 14

As part of our Memorial weekend worship service, hosted by Plymouth Church, we will collect items for the *Soldier Care Package Outreach*, coordinated by First Baptist Church, in Hingham. They will take our donations, along with the cards our young people will make, and send them in care packages to people serving overseas. Right now, they need: **Slim Jims, Twizzlers, small canned fruit, ground coffee, eye drops, Tylenol, puzzle books, sleeping masks, small individual Kleenex, or nuts.** Please bring your donations to worship on Sunday, May 28, or drop them by the Parish Hall, starting Sunday, **May 14.**

SPECIAL MEMORIAL DAY WORSHIP

Sunday, May 28

Next Sunday, May 28, we will host a special worship service, with Edwards Church, honoring Memorial Day. Open Spirit Intern, Deanne Joy, Harvard Divinity School student, will preach. Deanne has created a series of six quilts, entitled *Sacrifice: The Heart of the Military*, each honoring service people during one of six conflicts. The quilts were hung at our Veterans Appreciation Dinner last fall, and they will be featured at the City of Framingham's Memorial Day Ceremony on May 29. In the service, Deanne will reflect on the first quilt, *In Flanders Field*, which honors veterans of World War I.

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.

