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All Church Worship — Old South Church *in Boston*

June 7th, 2020 ❖ 10:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday

Warning! To enter into the life of this people of God is to encounter God's soul-challenging, life-changing, radicalizing love. Will you join us? Do you dare?

GATHER

PRELUDE

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 662
See note about the postlude on page 5

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

<http://tinyurl.com/osconnect>

Nancy S. Taylor

Welcome to worship! Introduce yourself and connect with us by signing our Virtual Fellowship Pad.

Holy, holy, holy! God the Almighty!
Early in the morning we praise your majesty.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Saints adore you truly,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim bow before you only,
From the beginning, God eternally.

Holy, holy, holy! God the Almighty!
All your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
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CONFESSION

MESSAGE FROM THE CHILDREN

Better Times Will Come
 A gift to Old South Church community from
 the children of Old South Church & Kate Nintcheu
 Jeff Kile, *guitar*

Janis Ian

Better times, better times will come.
 Better times, better times will come.
 When this world learns to live as one,
 Oh, better times will come.

When we greet each dawn without fear,
 Knowing loved ones soon will be near,
 When the winds of war cannot blow anymore,
 Oh, better times will come.

Though we live each day as our last,
 We know someday soon it will pass.
 We will dance, we will sing, in that never-ending spring.
 Oh, better times will come.

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 13:11-14

Adilia E. E. James

Adilia E.E. James is an Assistant Professor of Sociology at Endicott College and the wife of Katherine A. Schofield. Born and raised in South Boston, Adilia is glad to be part of the Old South Community.

REFLECTION

Better Together

Katherine A. Schofield

Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;
 here would I touch and handle things unseen;
 here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,
 and all my weariness upon you lean.

This is the hour of banquet and of song;
 this is the heavenly table spread anew;
 here let me feast, and, feasting, still prolong
 the brief, bright hour together here with you.

We have no help but yours, nor do we need
 another strength than yours to lean upon.
 It is enough, O Lord, enough indeed;
 our faith is in your might, your might alone.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Amo Ngoepe

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, and 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

RESPOND

CALL TO THE OFFERING

<http://tinyurl.com/osc-online-giving>

Nancy S. Taylor

OFFERTORY

Te Deum in B Flat, Op10

Charles Villiers Stanford

Erika Rajković, Ann Fogler, James Giessler, Matthew Wight, *soloists*
Recorded Trinity Sunday, May 27th, 2018

We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
 All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting.
 To Thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.
 To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:
 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
 Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee.
 The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee.
 The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee.
 The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee;
 The Father of an infinite Majesty;
 Thine honorable, true and only Son;
 Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man,
Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants,
Whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine heritage.
Govern them, and lift them up forever.

Day by day, we magnify Thee;
And we worship Thy Name, ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in Thee.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Shawn M. Fiedler

Invitation and Words of Institution
Sharing the Bread and Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table

BEACHSPRING

**As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
Help us know, O God, your presence: let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
Teach us through this holy banquet how to make love's victory known.**

**Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
Send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
May we still behold your image in the world you died to save.**

**Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast
Where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,
As we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.**

BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Katherine A. Schofield

POSTLUDE



A Note on Today's Prelude from
George Sargeant, *Associate Organist and Choirmaster:*

Towards the end of his life, J.S. Bach set himself the task of revising and expanding a number of chorale preludes which he had written in earlier years. The completed project came to be known as the "18 Great" or "Leipzig" Chorales. Three of them are settings of the chorale (hymn) *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr* (*All Glory be to God on High*), sometimes sung in Lutheran churches on Trinity Sunday. Today's prelude is the first of the three and treats the chorale melody in an elaborately ornamented fashion after the style of Bach's mentor Dietrich Buxtehude. The text is a paraphrase of the *Gloria* of the Roman Catholic Mass. Though it invokes each person of the Trinity, it curiously does not mention them *as* the Trinity.

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A NOTE ON THE INCLUSIVE DIMENSIONS OF GOD'S GRACE

Old South Church in Boston, in the name of its host, Jesus Christ, and in the spirit of Christ's invitation carved into the stone of this church's portico, "Behold I Set Before You an Open Door," welcomes all who seek to know God. Following the One who we believe is Sovereign and Savior, we affirm that each individual is a child of God, and recognize that we are called to be like one body with many members, seeking with others of every race, ethnicity, creed, class, age, gender, marital status, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression to journey together toward the promised realm of God. We invite everyone to join in the common life and mission of our reconciling community through participation and leadership in this congregation, and by fully sharing in the worship, rites and sacraments of this church. As we all move forward with the work of this church, we commit ourselves to making justice and inclusivity a reality in this congregation and in the world. On the threshold of Christ's open door, we rely upon the healing, unconditional nature of God's love and grace to be our help and guide.



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