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The Episcopal Diocese Of New York Apologizes For The Endurance of Slavery

Saturday, 25 March 2023

Noon
The Holy Eucharist



The Cathedral
Church of **Saint John**
the Divine

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche, *Celebrant & Preacher*
XVI Bishop of New York

PRELUDE

City Called Heaven

Noreen Crayton, Bim Strasberg, Mary Wooten, *Instrumentalists*
Tonika Custalow, *Liturgical Dance*

PROCESSION

All stand, as able.

The People are seated.

VIDEO ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDING BISHOP

The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry
The 27th Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church

THE WORD OF GOD

Bishop Blessed be the God of our salvation:
People Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.
Bishop If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8, 9)

NAMING THE SIN – Lament**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF
THE PROPHET ISAIAH**

Read by Cynthia Copeland

Lector A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

SHOUT out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. (58:1-12)

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People Thanks be to God.

MUSIC*Take This Hammer**Huddie Ledbetter, Lyricist**Jeannine Otis, Soloist*

TAKE this hammer, carry it to the captain
 Take this hammer, carry it to the captain
 Take this hammer, carry it to the captain
 Tell him I'm gone,
 Tell him I'm gone.

If he asks you, tell him I'm running
 If he asks you, tell him I'm running
 If he asks you, tell him I'm running
 Tell him I'm gone,
 Tell him I'm gone.

Take this hammer, carry it to the captain
 Take this hammer, carry it to the captain
 Take this hammer, carry it to the captain
 Tell him I'm gone,
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PSALM 130*Said by All.*

Out of the depths have I called to you; O God, hear my voice;
 let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
 If you were to note what is done amiss,
 O God, who could stand?
 For there is forgiveness with you,
 therefore you shall be feared.
 I wait for you, O God; my soul waits for you;
 in your word is my hope.
 My soul waits for you, more than sentries for the morning,
 more than sentries for the morning.
 O Israel, wait upon God,
 for with God there is mercy.
 With God there is plenteous redemption;
 God shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

*Order of St. Helena Psalter***MUSIC***Motherless Child* Traditional African-American Spiritual*Dorian Lake, Soloist**Mary Wooten, Bim Strasberg, Joshua Coyne, Instrumentalists*

SOMETIMES I feel like a motherless child,
 Sometimes I feel like a motherless child,
 Sometimes I feel like a motherless child,
 A long way from home, a long way from home.
 Sometimes I feel like I'm almost done,
 Sometimes I feel like I'm almost done,
 Sometimes I feel like I'm almost done,
 And a long, long way from home, a long way from home.
 True believer,
 True believer,
 A long, long way from home,
 A long, long way from home.

A READING

Read by Larry Marshall

Lector An excerpt from “To My Old Master, Colonel
P.H. Anderson, Big Spring, Tennessee”
by Jourdan Anderson

I GOT your letter, and was glad to find that you had not forgotten Jourdon, and that you wanted me to come back and live with you again, promising to do better for me than anybody else can...

As to my freedom, which you say I can have, there is nothing to be gained on that score, as I got my free papers in 1864 from the Provost-Marshall-General of the Department of Nashville. Mandy says she would be afraid to go back without some proof that you were disposed to treat us justly and kindly; and we have concluded to test your sincerity by asking you to send us our wages for the time we served you. This will make us forget and forgive old scores, and rely on your justice and friendship in the future. I served you faithfully for thirty-two years, and Mandy twenty years. At twenty-five dollars a month for me, and two dollars a week for Mandy, our earnings would amount to eleven thousand six hundred and eighty dollars. Add to this the interest for the time our wages have been kept back, and deduct what you paid for our clothing, and three doctor's visits to me, and pulling a tooth for Mandy, and the balance will show what we are in justice entitled to. Please send the money by Adams's Express, in care of V. Winters, Esq., Dayton, Ohio. If you fail to pay us for faithful labors in the past, we can have little faith in your promises in the future. We trust the good Maker has opened your eyes to the wrongs which you and your fathers have done to me and my fathers, in making us toil for you for generations without recompense. Here I draw my wages every Saturday night; but in Tennessee there was never any pay-day for the negroes any more than for the horses and cows. Surely there will be a day of reckoning for those who defraud the laborer of his hire.

In answering this letter, please state if there would be any safety for my Milly and Jane, who are now grown up, and both good-looking girls. You know how it was with poor Matilda and Catherine. I would rather stay here and starve – and die, if it come to that – than have my girls brought to shame by the violence and wickedness of their young masters. You will also please state if there has been any schools opened for the colored children in your neighborhood, The great desire of my life now is to give my children an education, and have them form virtuous habits.

Say howdy to George Carter, and thank him for taking the pistol from you when you were shooting at me.

From your old servant,
Jourdan Anderson

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Justin Dehnert, organist

1 Come, ye dis - con - so - late, wher - e'er ye lan - guish,
 2 Joy of the des - o - late, light of the stray - ing,
 3 Here see the bread of life; see wa - ters flow - ing

Come to the mer - cy seat, fer - vent - ly kneel:
 Hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure!
 Forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove:

Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish;
 Here speaks the com - fort - er, ten - der - ly say - ing,
 Come to the feast of love; come, ev - er know - ing

Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not heal.
 "Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not cure."
 Earth has no sor - row but heav'n can re - move.

Words: Thomas Moore (1816, rev. 1824); (st. 3): Thomas Hastings (1832)
 Music: Samuel Webbe (1790)

All stand, as able.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The ✠ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

YOU have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

(5:21-26)

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated.

THE SERMON

The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche
XVI Bishop of New York

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Reverend Richard Witt, Intercessor

GRACIOUS and Eternal God, on this day when we presume to ask forgiveness for the sin of slavery and its lasting effects, we bring before your Almighty throne our prayers, trusting in your love and mercy for all your children.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

Spanish

We pray for the Universal Church, that Beloved Community you desire us to become. Grant that we may love all your people and as you love us. Grant that we may serve you, each other, and the world as agents of your love, peace, justice, truth, integrity and transformation.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

French

We pray for all who are in pain and trouble and all who suffer from injustice and oppression of any kind. On this day of remembrance and apology, we pray especially for the pain and suffering of enslaved people and their descendants, abolitionists and their descendants, and for the indifference experienced by the enslavers. We ask that we, their descendants, may continue to work for compassion, justice, truth and love in your holy name.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

Dutch

We pray for our nation and those in authority, that we may truly appreciate the abundance and power you have given us. Turn our hearts from greed and selfishness, Oh God. Help us to use our power and wealth to fulfill our founding principles, that all are created equal, and deserve life, liberty and the ability to pursue happiness. Keep us ever vigilant, so that we do not construct new forms of slavery with different victims whom we consider to be less than ourselves.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

Korean

Gracious and Eternal God, we bring before your Almighty throne those stripped of dignity and humanity in our world through poverty, homelessness, hunger, nakedness, and every insensitivity. Help us in all our actions, intentioned by the movement and power of The Holy Spirit to see in all human beings, especially the marginalized, your image, and enable us to repair our global neglect. We pray this in the name of your Son, Jesus – The Christ, and our Sovereign Lord.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

Creole

We pray that you lead us all to do justice and embrace kindness and compassion in our communities. We cannot make peace with any forms of oppression. Therefore we ask you to deliver us from our fears and willful ignorance to do the right thing. When we choose to ignore egregious incidents that plague our communities, urge us to ask ourselves why. Free us from our own paralysis to find our internal daring determination to take action, to listen intently, speak out responsibly, and get involved in the concerns and needs of those beyond ourselves. Let us live to build and strengthen our communities so that we may live together with care, equity and justice.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

Japanese

We pray for those who have died. We pray especially for those who have suffered injustice, oppression, fear, horror, loneliness and angst, and who never had a chance in their torment to realize a moment of peace, let alone justice. May their souls have found the peace of God which passes all understanding.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

English

We pray for congregations in the Diocese. Inspire us, O God, to discern the next step and the next and the next, and then give us grace to implement them, so that we may walk with you. Opportunity for people to offer specific petitions for their congregations' work towards reparations and healing, silently or aloud.

Leader Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer,
People And let our cry come unto you.

GOD of Love, Power and Justice, who wills the freedom and fulfillment of all your children, we thank you for the constancy of your loving kindness and tender mercies toward us. Strengthen us to face reality with compassion and the spirit of sacrifice, and to withstand the rigor of tough times in the anticipation of a bright side beyond the struggle. Inspire, empower, and sustain us until we reach the mountaintop and see that future for which our hearts yearn; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

CONFESSING THE SIN – Apology**APOLOGY ON BEHALF OF THE DIOCESE**

The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche
XVI Bishop of New York

General Confession

<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for rushing to the language of healing, before understanding the fullness of the injury and the depth of the wound.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us mourn Black and Brown men and women and children, those killed extrajudicially in the US every 28 hours.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for rushing to offer a bandage, when gaping wounds require surgery and complete reconstruction.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us lament the loss of a teenager, dead at the hands of a police officer who described him as a demon.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for offering false equivalencies, thereby diminishing the particular pain being felt in a particular circumstance in a particular historical moment.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us weep at a criminal justice system, which is neither blind nor just.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for speaking of reconciliation without speaking of reparations and restoration, or how we can repair the breach and how we can restore the loss.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us call for the mourning men and the wailing women, those willing to rend their garments of privilege and ease, and sit in the ashes of this nation's original sin.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for rushing past the loss of this mother's child, this father's child...someone's beloved son, someone's beloved daughter.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us be silent when we don't know what to say.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for valuing property over people; let us not protect material objects while human lives hang in the balance.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us be humble and listen to the pain, rage, and grief pouring from the lips of neighbors and friends.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for valuing a false peace over a righteous justice.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let those of us who hold power over others decrease, so that our brothers and sisters who live on the underside of history may increase.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for being afraid to sit with the ugliness, messiness, and the pain that is life in community together.	<i>Bishop</i>	Let us listen to the shattering glass & let us smell the purifying fires, for it is the language of the unheard.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.	<i>People</i>	Accept our repentance, Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Forgive us for offering clichés to the grieving, those whose hearts are being torn asunder.	<i>People</i>	G OD, in your mercy, show us our own complicity in injustice. Convict us for our indifference. Forgive us when we have remained silent. Equip us with a zeal for righteousness. Never let us grow accustomed or acclimated to unrighteousness.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord.		

ABSOLUTION

Bishop

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, has given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

MUSIC

Family Sweet

Ayodele Maakheru, Instrumentalist

The song is a prayer that I wrote for my family in March of 1996. I used the ancient Nubian language Medu Neter as a vehicle for connecting with my ancestors while seeking God's blessing. The basic translation is:

“Sweet are the triumphant... Beautiful Mother and the children... Father, Father mighty you are... Faith and Radiance a sibling pair..

The Creator dwells within us as the Sun shines in our faces... Wo, wo, wo.”

COMMITTING OURSELVES TO THE ONGOING WORK OF REPARATIONS

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

<i>Bishop</i>	Do you believe in God the Father?	<i>Bishop</i>	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
<i>People</i>	I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.	<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Bishop</i>	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?	<i>Bishop</i>	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
<i>People</i>	I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.	<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
	He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.	<i>Bishop</i>	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
	He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.	<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
	He descended to the dead.	<i>Bishop</i>	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
	On the third day he rose again.	<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
	He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.	<i>Bishop</i>	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
	He will come again to judge the living and the dead.	<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Bishop</i>	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?	<i>Bishop</i>	
<i>People</i>	I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.	<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.

MUSIC*Led by Noel Whippler**Wade in the Water*

Traditional

THE PEACE*Bishop* The peace of Christ be always with you.*People* And also with you.*After exchanging a greeting in the name of the Lord, the People are seated.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:2)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Redemption Song

Bob Marley, composer

Jeannine Otis, soloist

HYMN

Guide My Feet Traditional African-American Spiritual

Bobby Harden, Dorian Lake, Larry Marshall supporting the congregation

- 1 Guide my feet while I run this race,
guide my feet while I run this race,
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!
- 2 Hold my hand while I run this race,
hold my hand while I run this race,
hold my hand while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!
- 3 Stand by me while I run this race,
stand by me while I run this race,
stand by me while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!
- 4 I'm your child while I run this race,
I'm your child while I run this race,
I'm your child while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!
- 5 Search my heart while I run this race,
search my heart while I run this race,
search my heart while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!
- 6 Guide my feet while I run this race,
guide my feet while I run this race,
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!

The offering today will go towards the Reparations Fund of the Episcopal Diocese of New York.

THE HOLY COMMUNION**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Bishop continues

WE praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious
God, source of life abundant. From before time you
made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into
being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and
every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your
ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet,
as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your
love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus
of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to
magnify you as we sing (say):

SANCTUS

*Sung by the Choir.**Welcome Table Mass*Arr. Dr Kim Harris and
Rodger Holland

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Bishop continues

GLORY and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Blessed Mary the Godbearer, Blessed Absalom Jones, Blessed John the Evangelist, Blessed Philip, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Bishop continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say

Bishop and People

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us,
we now pray,

Bishop and People

OUR Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bishop breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Bishop Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Bishop invites the People to Communion saying

THE Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

THE COMMUNION

The Holy Communion is distributed under the forms of both Bread and Wine. In the interest of public health, the Cathedral does not practice intinction, that is, the dipping of the Bread into the Wine. It is the faith of the Church that Jesus gives himself in the Sacrament whether it is received in only one kind or both. Gluten-free Wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister.

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Festival Choir

Agnus Dei

Arr. Kim Harris and Rodger Holland

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. world, grant us peace.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



Give me a clean heart so I may serve Thee. Lord, fix my heart— so that
 I _____ may be used _____ by thee. For I'm not wor - thy of all these
 bless - ings. Give me a clean heart— and I'll fol-low thee. _____
 1. I'm not ask-ing for the rich - es of the land. _____ I'm not ask-ing for the
 2. Some-times I am up and some-times I am down. _____ Some-times I am al-most
 proud to know my name. _____ Please give me, Lord, a clean heart, that I may fol-low
 lev - el to the ground. _____
 thee. Give me a clean heart, a clean heart and I will fol-low thee. _____

Words: Bobby Harden

Music: Margaret Douroux, composer



Down to the River to Pray Led by Ana Hernandez, Allison Moore,
 and Cynthia Copeland

Refrain:

As I went down in the river to pray
 Studying about that good old way
 And who shall wear the robe and crown
 Good Lord, show me the way!

Verses:

O brothers, let's go down
 Let's go down, come on down
 Come on brothers let's go down
 Down in the river to pray. Refrain

O Sisters, mothers, fathers,

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Bishop Let us pray.

All stand, as able, and join in saying

LOVING God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. You call us all your children, inviting us to be renewed in your love season after season and in every age and time. We gratefully accept your love and blessing, acknowledging the abuse and rejection we as a church have willfully handed out. We seek your healing streams of life, aching to honor those whom we have hurt and repair the broken places. Abide with us, Creator God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, loving, living and true. Send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Led by Larry Marshall and Bobby Harden

Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around Traditional Civil Rights Song

AIN'T gonna let nobody turn me around
Turn me around, turn me around
Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin', keep on a-talkin'
Marchin' down to freedom land

Ain't gonna let racism turn me around
Turn me around, turn me around
Ain't gonna let racism turn me around
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin', keep on a-talkin'
Marchin' up to freedom's land

Ain't gonna let no hatred turn me around
Turn me around, turn me around
Ain't gonna let no hatred turn me around
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin', keep on a-talkin'
Marchin' up to freedom's land

Ain't gonna let injustice turn me around
Turn me around, turn me around
Ain't gonna let injustice turn me around
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin', keep on a-talkin'
Marchin' up to freedom's land

Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around
Turn me around, turn me around
Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin', keep on a-talkin'
Marchin' up to freedom's land

POSTLUDE

We shall overcome

arr. Carl Haywood

Malik Jardine, organ



Please leave the church in silence, praying about what steps you will take to “repair the breach” and move into the work of reparations.

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