

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship for the Lord's Day January 24, 2021

PRELUDES

It is Well With My Soul

Burns and Jon
Jeraldine Embry
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2020 Annual Report and a Draft Budget for 2021 are available

They were sent out last night in a mass email.
If you did not get them, reach out to Burns at bstanfield@hds.harvard.edu.

TODAY is the Annual Meeting of the Congregation

We will receive the annual report and 2021 budget,
VOTE on revised terms of call for our Senior Pastor and Associate Pastor, and
ELECT officers.

The Annual Report and budget were sent out by email last weekend
(and again last night)
Revised Terms of Call were emailed yesterday (and will be shared on screen)

Nominees from the Nominating Committee:

For Session (3 year terms): Christine Keller, Chuck Ferrell, Laura Blanton
For Deacon (3 year): Alyce Lee, Dave Courage, Barry Monteiro, Alexa Jackson
(1 year): Sharon Matthews
For Youth Deacon (1 year): Luis Martinez
For At Large Nominating Committee: Katie Stansifer (3 yr), Betsy Pabon (2 yr)

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 - We ordain & install those officers we elect today!

NEXT SUNDAY: Tom Reid (former intern and current friend of 4th) will be Ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament at 3pm (at Church of the Covenant) Attend by Zoom ; and please note that you need to register ahead of time to attend: [click here](#).

- This Week: Prayer Service Every Night at 6pm (Zoom)
- Meals every day, Monday thru WEDNESDAY, 11am-1pm
- Learning Pod is hoping to open in a week. See Katie for more information.
- Wednesday – . Book Study on WEDNESDAY, 6:40pm
(Glory Happening; read through p. 137. Pick a favorite essay!)
Choir at 8pm
- Mindful of day-to-day changes in COVID numbers, Session has voted to continue with NO IN-PERSON participation in Sunday worship at least through February 14.
- COMING SOON:
 - SESSION retreat (zoom) January 30, 9:30-11:45
 - Ordination of New Elders and Deacons - JANUARY 31
 - DEACONS retreat (zoom) Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:30-12
 - ASH WEDNESDAY and the beginning of LENT - FEB. 17
- LENTEN DEVOTION BOOK - Laura Blanton is assembling it. She needs 40 people to write short devotional reflections on Bible verses. Please volunteer with her and say YES if she asks you! The book will be available FEBRUARY 14

Please write announcements & prayer requests in the Zoom Chat Section.

DO YOU WANT A CALL? Tell Deb Duval or Katie Cole in the chat and we will call you today.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How sweet to have this time with God.
People: How wonderful to have this place and this body.
L: God, we are your people;
P: And we seek to follow you, to serve you.
L: To dwell with you
All: AND TO HEAR YOU.
L: Open our eyes and ears,
P: Speak to us, and bless these songs and prayers of your people.
Anoint, we pray, this gathering of the Body of Christ.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT, PSALM
PRAYER

(Owyn Jacobs)
(Katie Cole)

*HYMN #721 "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" (sanctuary)

Lord, You have come to the lakeshore
Looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones
You only asked me to follow humbly

CHORUS

O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me
And while smiling have spoken my name
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me
By Your side I will seek other seas

{Option: Chorus in Spanish:}

Señor, me has mirado a los ojos
Et sonriendo has dicho mi nombre
En la arena he dejado mi barca:
Junto a Ti buscaré otro mar

You know so well my possessions
My boat carries no gold and no weapons
You will find there, my nets and labor

CHORUS..... (English or Spanish)

You need my hands full of caring
Through my labors to give others rest
And constant love that keeps on loving

CHORUS.....

You, who have fished other oceans
Ever longed for by souls who are waiting
My loving friend, as thus You call me

CHORUS....

LITURGY OF CONFESSION

(The Freeborn Family)

Unison Prayer. Gracious and merciful God, Your light makes the world possible.
Even in the darkness of these winter days, Your light shines from a hidden place. So many times,
we forget to look for You, God. We rush ahead, unconscious of how we hurt ourselves and others.
Remind us to look for You. Forgive us for our distracted minds, our anxieties, our pride and the
seeds of our greed. Open our eyes to Your light. Wash us with Your love. Help us to receive You in
our daily lives. Amen

Time for Silent Confession

Sung Response: (#740)

Lead me, Guide me, along the way. For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord (3x), Lead me.

*LITURGY OF PARDON

(The Freeborns)

Leader: Beloved, let us proclaim the good news:

People: **God is merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love**

Leader: Claimed as God's own, let us bear witness to the Gospel:

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Alleluia, Amen!**

SING: *This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3x) Let it shine (3x)*

TIME FOR CHILDREN -

(Katie Cole Shadow Play Productions)

CELEBRATIONS, CONCERNS & PRAYER

THANKSGIVING for officers finishing their terms:

Elder Tim Sanchez

Deacons John Caputo, Julianna Cogswell, Erin Riddle

PRAYER REQUESTS – From Those in the Sanctuary

From Those Gathered on Zoom

Deb will share prayer requests written in the "Zoom Chat Section"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Burns

* HYMN (415) *Come Ye Sinners / I Will Arise* (Tim and Michelle Sanchez)

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy

Weak and wounded, sick and sore

Jesus ready, stands to save you

Full of pity, love and power

CHORUS I will arise and go to Jesus

He will embrace me in His arms

In the arms of my dear Savior

Oh, there are ten thousand charms

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome

God's free bounty glorify

True belief and true repentance

Every grace that brings you nigh

CHORUS I will arise..

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden

Lost and ruined by the fall

If you tarry 'til you're better

You will never come at all

CHORUS I will arise ...

Let not conscience make you linger,

Nor of fitness fondly dream.

All the fitness he requireth

Is to feel your need of him.

CHORUS I will arise...

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

(Sanctuary)

SPECIAL MUSIC

God Has Done Great Things

(virtual choir video)

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1: 14-20

(Becca Tweedie)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Could We Start Again (from Jesus Christ Superstar)

(Lizzie and Willie)

MESSAGE

"Not Broken, Simply Unfinished"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Becca Tweedie)

We are not alone. We live in God's World.

We believe in God, who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the

Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church, to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve

others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our Judge and our Hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

OFFERING

(Sanctuary)

We can give online at www.fourthboston.org OR send a check to

Fourth Presbyterian Church, 340 Dorchester Street, South Boston, MA 02127

DOXOLOGY

Tim, Michelle, Abe Sanchez & Grandma Jenny (in Somerville)

With a recording from a past worship service

SENDING SONG *I've Got a Feeling* *(sanctuary)*

1. I've got a feeling - everything's gonna be alright (3x) Be alright, be alright, be alright.
2. The Holy Ghost done told me – everything's gonna be alright....
3. Keep Prayin' to the Saviour – everything's gonna be alright....
4. Keep Servin' and Lovin' – everything's gonna be alright....
5. I've got a feeling...

*BENEDICTION

Spoken Response: Alleluia, Amen!

Sung Response God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again

THE 2021 ANNUAL MEETING WILL BEGIN RIGHT AFTER THE SUNG RESPONSE

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ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

Moderated by Burns Stanfield

Prayer and Approval of Minutes

2020 Annual Report (including 2020 Finance Report)

2021 Budget

Election of Officers (Andy Ward, Chair of Nominating Committee)
Nominees are listed on page one of this Bulletin

Vote on Terms of Call for Senior Pastor and Associate Pastor
Frame (Sharon Matthews from the 2016/2017 Working Group to
Transition Katie Cole's position to an ordained, called position)
Discussion and Vote
Moderated by Rev. Ken Grant

New Business

Adjournment and Closing Prayer