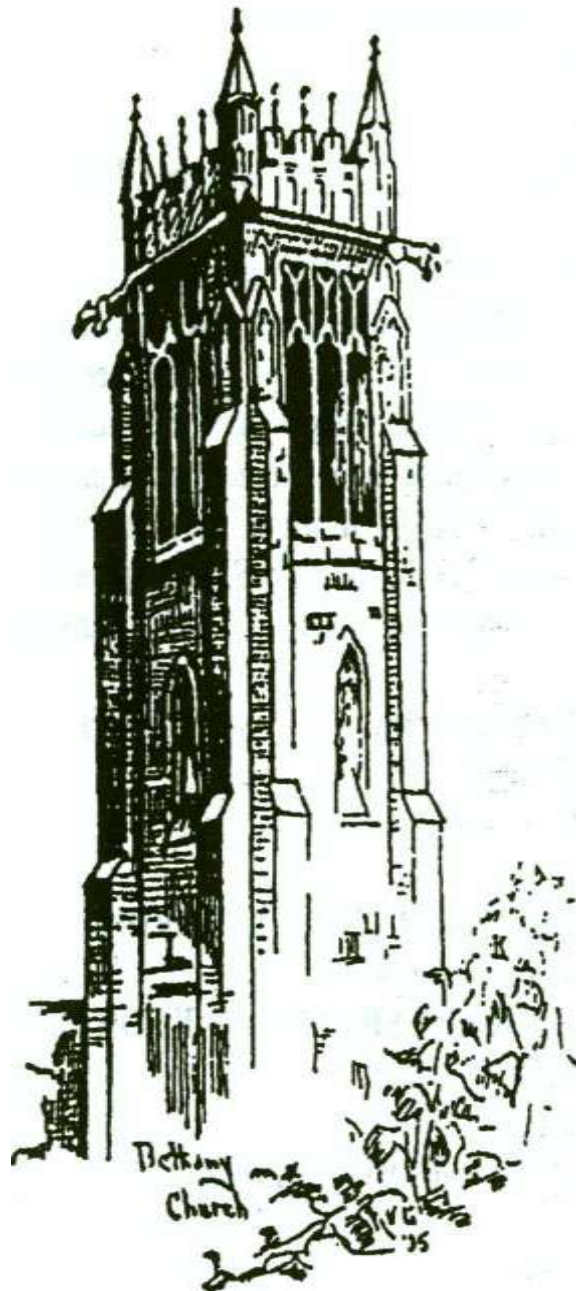


BETHANY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Quincy, Massachusetts

Founded

1832



**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 25, 2021**

THE LORD’S DAY – A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
July 25, 2021

Prelude: “Awesome God”

Mullins, arr. Wolave

Announcements:

Solo: “Children of the Heavenly Father”

(Swedish Melody) 1874

Paul Frazer

Call to Worship (Responsively):

The foolish say, “There is no God!

We are alone, on our own.”

We gather to declare

the glory of God in our lives.

The foolish say, “It is your life;

you are accountable to no one.”

We gather, strengthened by the Spirit,

trusting that Christ dwells in our hearts.

The foolish say, “Everything I have is mine;

I owe nothing to anyone.”

We gather to praise the One

who calls us to serve others in love.

Prayer of Invocation (Unison):

On my own what I have to give doesn’t amount to much in the light of all you have given to me and in the face of so much need. Put together as a congregation, what we offer you here in love becomes more, not simply added together, but somehow multiplied in its usefulness.

We ask you to bless our gifts

and with the addition of your blessing, just as it was with the loaves and fishes,

there is enough for all in Christ’s name, even as we pray...

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts)

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SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN: "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"

Pilgrim Hymnal 16

(See Insert)

SCRIPTURE READING

Scripture: 2 Samuel 11:1-15 & Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

(See Insert)

MUSICAL RESPONSE

SERMON

"The Power of Love"

Rev. Patrick S. McCorkle

HYMN: "Joyful Joyful! We Adore Thee"

Pilgrim Hymnal 8

(See Insert)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Great is the Lord"

Smith

*****The Worship is over. The service begins.*****

Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Sylvia Sanchez for her Birthday by her family.

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2 SAMUEL 11:1-15

The story of David's double sins of adultery and calculated murder form the introduction to a new and troubled phase of the monarch's reign. His adultery with Bathsheba and his plan to cover it up by causing the death of her husband, Uriah, remains to this day the symbol of a very human failure: through pride great leaders often bring about their own demise.

David Commits Adultery with Bathsheba

11 In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

² It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. ³ David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." ⁴ So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. ⁵ The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

⁶ So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. ⁷ When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. ⁸ Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. ⁹ But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. ¹⁰ When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" ¹¹ Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." ¹² Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, ¹³ David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

MARK 6:30-34, 53-56

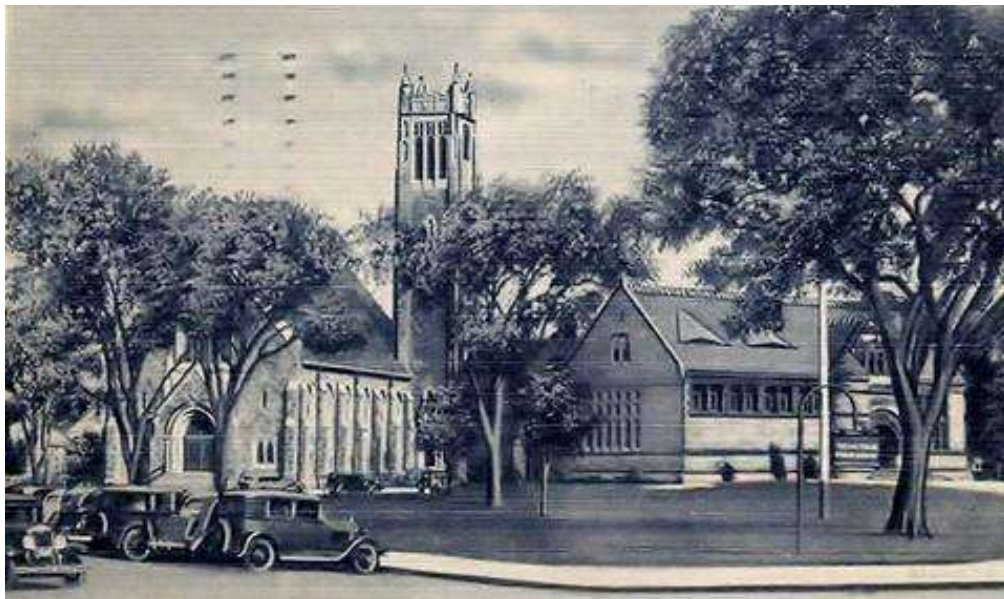
No matter where Jesus and his disciples went, they could not escape the multitudes that ran after them. That only gave Jesus more opportunities to teach the people and be compassionate toward those in need.

Feeding the Five Thousand

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Healing the Sick in Gennesaret

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.



Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

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Based on Psalm 103
Henry F. Lytle, 1793-1847

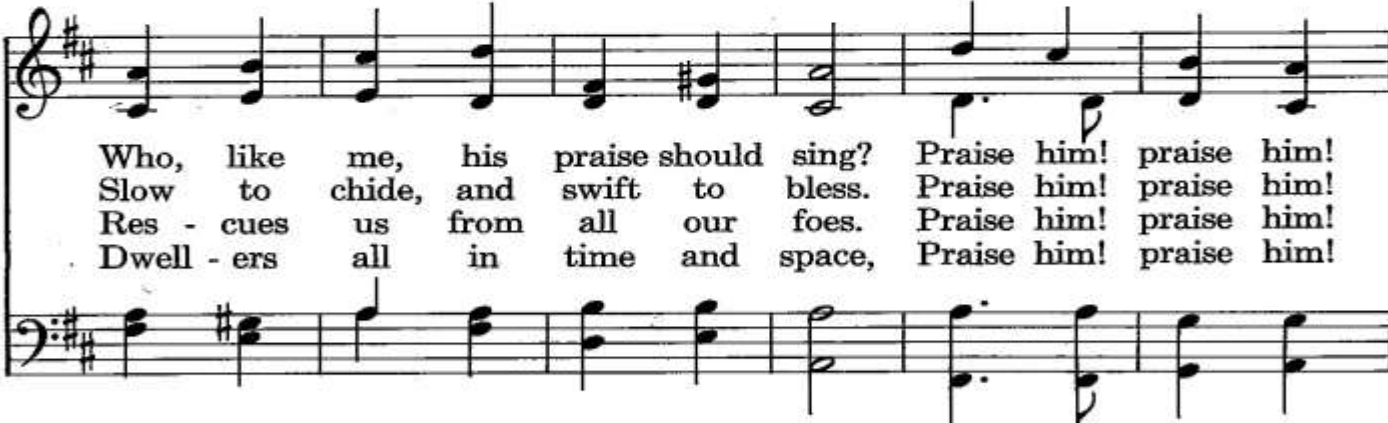
PRAISE MY SOUL 8.7.8.7.8.7.
John Goss, 1800-1880



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, To his feet thy
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor To our fa - thers
3 Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him, Ye be - hold him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress; Praise him, still the same for - ev - er,
frame he knows; In his hands he gen - tly bears us,
face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore him;



Who, like me, his praise should sing? Praise him! praise him!
Slow to chide, and swift to bless. Praise him! praise him!
Res - cues us from all our foes. Praise him! praise him!
Dwell - ers all in time and space, Praise him! praise him!



Praise him! praise him! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King!
Praise him! praise him! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness!
Praise him! praise him! Wide - ly as his mer - cy flows!
Praise him! praise him! Praise with us the God of grace! A - men.

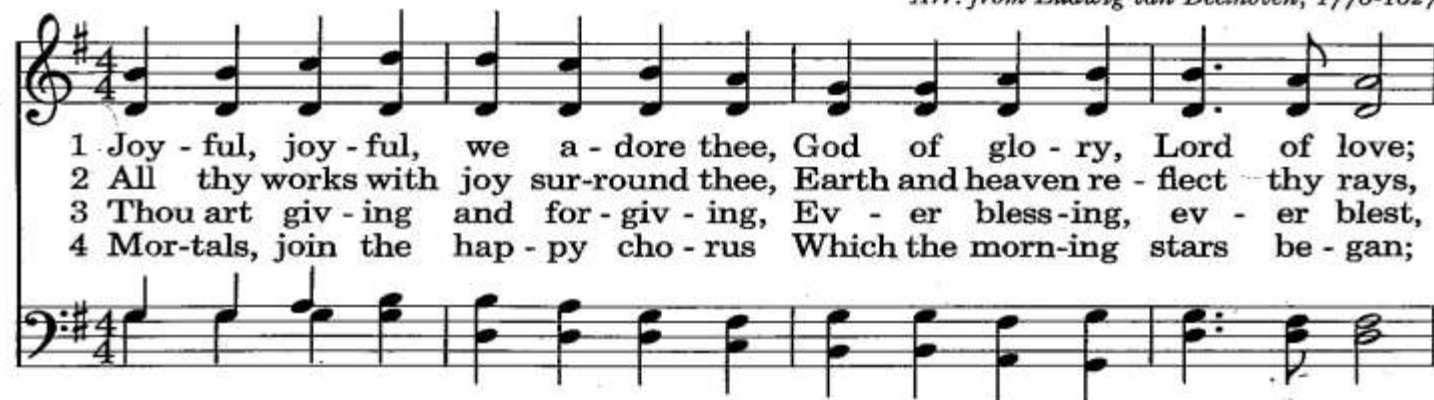
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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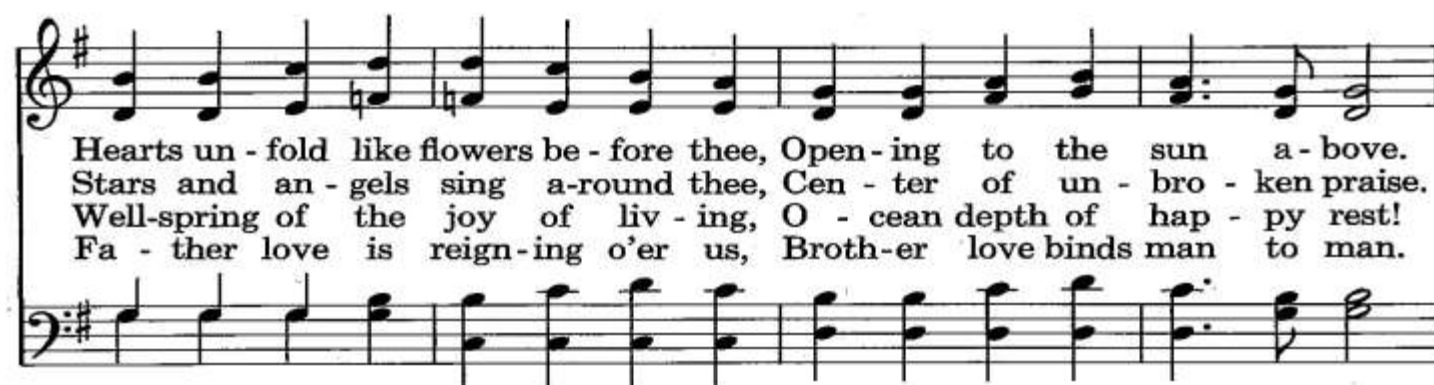
Henry van Dyke, 1852-1933

HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7.D.

Arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, Earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
 4 Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean depth of hap - py rest!
 Fa - ther love is reign - ing o'er us, Broth - er love binds man to man.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er, All who live in love are thine;
 Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
 Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in thee.
 Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine.
 Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life. A - men.

ADORATION AND PRAISE



JULY	25 th	Sunday	Sunday Service in the Church and online (Bethany Web Page)	9:30 AM
JULY	25 th	Sunday	Fellowship in Allen Parlor	10:30 AM
AUG.	9 th	Monday	Administrative Council Meeting	7:00 PM



Thank you to Tom Boyer, Paul Frazer and Marsha Sherman
For providing this morning's music.

FILL THE PEW!

SUNDAY AUGUST 1, 2021

Donations of non-perishable food items will be collected in the Narthex. Items help to feed the needy in our local Community. All Donations will help stock the Interfaith Social Services food Pantry in Quincy.



Please Keep the following people in your prayers.

Don't forget to reach out with a card or a call.

Kimberly Beers-Powers	Tom Boyer	Kevin Douglas
Pam and John Egan	Bill Ericson	Family of Barbara Johnson
Judi McAuliffe & Fam.	Dorothy Mersereau	Frieda Matthews
Harry Massey	Bob Goodnow	Bill & Carol Harding
Family of Dominic Paulo	Ava Piazza	Estelle Weinberger
Loraine Walsh	David and Jingjing Wang	Peter & Grace Wang

And all of our at risk members during the COVID-19 crisis

Please send prayer requests and any church news to

Bethanyconchurch.prayers@yahoo.com

All prayer requests will go directly to the Minister's email.

Mission Moment:

“Worship is the proper response of all moral, sentient beings to God, ascribing all honor and worth to their Creator-God precisely because he is worthy, delightfully so.”—D.A. Carson

Children's Worship Bulletin

SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD

Mark 6:30-34

Word Search Puzzle

P F T I W P C J S E I I L W R
L L H E P E R E G H I C V P P
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Z M G U T E D N H N P V M S U
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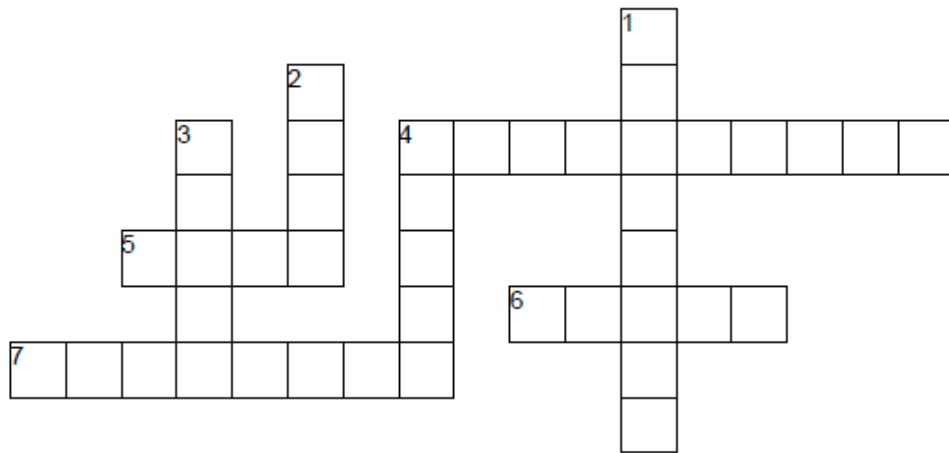
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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

4. To understand the suffering of others and want to do something about it
5. To take a break from activity
6. Free from noise or activity
7. A person who takes care of sheep

DOWN

1. Giving knowledge and skills to others
2. A small vessel for travel on water
3. A small, usually white, wooly animal
4. A large group of people

SHEPHERD

SHEEP

COMPASSION

TEACHING

QUIET

CROWD

BOAT

REST



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Decoder Puzzle

The words below have been written in code. Use the hints in the decoder at the top of the page to help break the code (the letters on top are the correct answers, the letters on the bottom are the code). Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.

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Coloring Page

Connect the dots to complete the picture,
then color the completed picture.

