

WORSHIP NOTES

The text of the processional hymn, *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*, was written by Henry van Dyke in 1907 while he was guest preacher at Williams College. Tertius van Dyke told the story that his father “came down to breakfast one morning and placed the manuscript on the table before President James Garfield, saying: ‘Here is a hymn for you. Your mountains were my inspiration. It must be sung to the music of Beethoven’s *Hymn to Joy*.’”

Henry van Dyke (1852-1933) was born in Germantown, Pennsylvania. He was educated at Princeton University (A.B. 1873; A.M. 1876) and Princeton Theological Seminary (B.D. 1877). He also studied at the University of Berlin for a year prior to being ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. (1879). He served as pastor of The Brick Presbyterian Church in the City of New York (1883-1900), after which he became professor of English literature at Princeton University. There he became good friends with Woodrow Wilson, president of the university.

In 1913, U.S. President Wilson appointed van Dyke as minister to the Netherlands and Luxembourg, a position he held until 1917. After the United States entered World War I, van Dyke volunteered for active duty, becoming a lieutenant commander in the Naval Chaplain Corps.

From 1923 on, he lived in his beloved home “Avalon” in Princeton, New Jersey, devoting himself to literary endeavors. Van Dyke served as editor of *The Book of Common Worship* (1905), and it was his motion at the General Assembly of 1928 that led to its revision in 1931. Throughout his life, van Dyke received many honors, including a Doctor of Civil Law degree from Oxford University.

Sir John Milford Rutter CBE (born London, September 24, 1945) is an English composer, choral conductor, editor, arranger, and record producer. Educated at Highgate School and Clare College, Cambridge, he was Director of Music at Clare College from 1975-1979. In 1981 he founded his own choir, The Cambridge Singers, that is known worldwide for its many award-winning recordings. Rutter’s choral compositions are beloved and widely performed. In 1996 the Archbishop of Canterbury conferred a Lambeth Doctorate of Music upon Rutter in recognition of his contributions to church music.

THE FLOWERS in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Andrew H. Pickering by Clare and Caroline Pickering.



NEXT SUNDAY’S PREACHER will be the Rev. Dr. Kimberly L. Clayton.

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ORDER OF ST. PAUL

Michael J. Appleby, Nathan P. Appleby, Leah C. Lee, Holly Miller, Caroline C. Pickering, Alexander N. Rahman, Christopher L. Allen, *Beadle*.

CHANCEL CHOIR

Soprano: Alina Lee, Isabella Livorni, Tonna L. Miller-Vallés, Artemisz Polonyi.
Alto: Sónia Batten, Agueda Fernández-Abad, Melissa Raymond, Elizabeth Van Os.
Tenor: Sean Clark, Johnny Maldonado, Jeffrey Taveras. *Bass:* Buddy Crutchfield, Daniel Hoy, Ryan Stoudt, Nathaniel Sullivan

SESSION

Sallie J. Abelow, Raj J. Alva, David M. Blais, Colette O. Bryce, Susan P. Crary, William S. Crutchfield, Paul J. Elmlinger, R. Scott Froehlich, Scripture Z. Gonzalez, Harold P. Hope III, Anne R. Huneke, Stefan Kruger, Michael F. Magsig, Robert D. McCrie, Oliver T. Moses, Helen B. Pennoyer, Clare C. Pickering, Alexander N. Rahman (Youth Elder), Richard H. Stowe, Conor S. Tochilin, Margaret H. Tranbaugh, Katherine G. Vosters, Ryan E. Widener, Suzanne W. Wilson, Victor L. Wu, Mario J. Verdolini Jr., *Clerk of Session*, Debra N. Seraphim, *On-Call Clerk of Session*.

DEACONS

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— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR —
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

— ELEVEN O’CLOCK —

THE ALL-CHURCH NOMINATING COMMITTEE (ACNC) is seeking your suggestions for Brick Church leaders. The ACNC is identifying candidates for Deacons, Ruling Elders, Trustees, and ACNC members. Please prayerfully consider recommending members of The Brick Church as candidates for these positions. You can find forms in the Narthex and at the reception desk, or download the form online. The deadline for submissions is **March 6, 2020**. Forms can be left at the Reception Desk in the Garden Room and marked “ACNC – Linda Thompson.”

WELCOME The moments before worship are a transition from “getting here” to “being here.” Since it usually takes a few minutes to quiet one’s mind, and to become open to the Spirit, it is most appropriate to give one’s friends a silent wave of the hand, a nod of the head, or a friendly smile in lieu of initiating a conversation.

AFTER THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, in order not to disrupt the worship service, latecomers will be seated by the ushers only at times when the congregation is standing, either during the Congregational Response following the assurance of forgiveness or during the second hymn.

VISITORS, please know how welcome you are. Please sign the Friendship Book when it passes you during the service of worship and identify yourself with a name tag to be found in the book. You are also cordially invited to attend Coffee Hour following worship. Women’s Association Hospitality Committee member Sara Lib Brown will assist with coffee hour.

IN THE ORDER OF WORSHIP that follows, an asterisk (*) invites all to stand; items in bold type face indicate that the congregation participates in word or song.

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY
Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12) Psalm 112:1-9 (10)
1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16) Matthew 5:13-20

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)
“Sicilienne”(Suite pour orgue, Op. 5)
Meg Cutting, organist

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL INTROIT

George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)
“Seek Ye the Lord”

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found: call ye upon Him while He is near.

* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalms 20 and 121)

Leader: Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses,

People: but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills — from where will my help come?

People: My help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.

All: Let us worship God.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 464

Hymn to Joy
“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND 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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, so wonderfully You have made us, so generously You have blessed us. Yet, we are tempted to look away from You and focus solely upon ourselves, to persuade ourselves of our power and wisdom, our honesty and good judgment, to believe we can stand alone without Your presence. Forgive us our failures of hubris and give us Your Spirit to resist this temptation. Show us ourselves, our problems, our powers, and our possibilities in perspective. May Your Spirit lead us that we may reflect Your perfect love throughout this world. Amen.

KYRIE 574

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 487, verse 3)

Laudes Domini

Let earth’s wide circle round in joyful notes resound:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let air and sea and sky from depth to height reply:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

HYMN 498

Kingdom
“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”
(Verse 1)
Please remain seated.

The children being baptized today are:

Stiles Harper Breen
son of Virginia Lawton Harper Breen and Sean Preston Breen

Courtland Case Worth
son of Andree Jill Finkle Worth and Carter Braxton Worth

Elders Helen B. Pennoyer, Clare C. Pickering, and Suzanne W. Wilson will assist with today’s baptisms.

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS AND PRAYER

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise...

BAPTISM

BLESSING AND WELCOME

HYMN 498

Kingdom
“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”
(Verses 2-4)
Please remain seated.

THE WORD

Children will be dismissed for Sunday Church School classes after the baptisms.

* HYMN 369

I’m Gonna Live
“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:13-16 (*Pew Bible, page 4 N.T.*)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Douglas T. King
“A Question of Identity”

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

America

Not for this land alone,

But be God’s mercies shown from shore to shore;

And may the nations see that we must loving be,

And form one family the wide world o’er. Amen.

* INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

John Rutter (b. 1945)

“A Clare Benediction”

May the Lord show His mercy upon you; May the light of His presence be your guide: May He guard you and uphold you; May His spirit be ever by your side. When you sleep may His angels watch over you; When you wake may He fill you with His grace: May you love Him and serve Him all your days then in heaven may you see His face. May the Lord’s loving kindness surround you; Keep you safe as you journey on your way: May He lead you and inspire you as He grants you the gift of each new day. May He bless all your loved ones and cherish them; Every friend, every stranger at your door: In the name of His Son our Saviour Christ may God bless you now and evermore. —*John Rutter*

* DOXOLOGY 592

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 391

Hendon

“Take My Life”

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

“Alla marcia”

Meg Cutting, organist

If you would like someone to pray with you or wish to learn more about the Christian faith and The Brick Church, you may meet with members of our Sunday Prayer Team after the service near the pulpit at the front of the Sanctuary.