Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, the Twenty-first of June,
Two Thousand Twenty
“Lift Every Voice and Sing” - often called “The Black National Anthem” - was first written as a poem by NAACP leader James Weldon Johnson in 1899. The poem was then set to music by his brother John Rosamond Johnson and first performed by 500 Black school children in celebration of Lincoln’s birthday on February 12, 1900. “Lift Every Voice and Sing” was written while Jim Crow was replacing slavery and soon became a rallying cry for Black communities. As activist and scholar Shana Redmond writes, “[The song] allows us to acknowledge all of the brutalities and inhumanities and dispossession that came with enslavement, that came with Jim Crow, that comes still today with disenfranchisement, police brutality, dispossession of education and resources...It continues to announce that we see this brighter future, that we believe that something will change.”

THE ORDER FOR MORNING WORSHIP

PRELUDE

PRE-SERVICE WELCOME
Faith of our fathers, living still, In spite of
dungeon, fire and sword, O how our hearts beat high with joy,

When'er we hear that glorious word! Faith of our fathers,

holy faith, We will be true to thee till death.

4 Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life;
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.
GENERAL CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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 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.

* VERSICLES

Minister O Lord, open thou our lips;
People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

All shall stand.

Minister Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God;
People Be honor and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. Amen.
Minister Praise ye the Lord.
People The Lord’s name be praised.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 21: 14-20
MOTET He that Keepeth Thee (Isaiah 41:10, Psalm 121:1-7)
Daniel E. Gawthrop (born 1949)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 10: 26-31

SERMON David Waters

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

GENERAL THANKSGIVING Prayerbook, p. 17

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all people. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; in whose name we ascribe unto thee all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

CONCLUDING PRAYER Prayerbook, pp. 17-18

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing, till earth and heav-en ring, ring with the
har-mo-nies of lib-er-ty; Let our re-joic-ing
rise, high as the lis-tening skies, let it re-sound loud as the
roll-ing sea. Sing a song full of the
2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit-ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the
days when hope un-born had died; Yet with a stead-y
beat, have not our wea-ry feet, come to the place for which our
people sighed? We have come o-ver a
3 God of our wea-ry years, God of our si-lent tears, God who has
brought us thus far on the way; God, who by your
path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the
faith that the harsh past has taught us, Sing a song full of the way that with tears has been wa- tered, We have come, treading our plac-es, our God, where we met you, Lest our hearts, drunk with the

hope that the pres- ent has brought us; Fac- ing the path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, Out from the wine of the world, for - get you; Shad- owed be-

ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun, let us march gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white neath your hand, may we for - ev - er stand, true to our

on till vic - to - ry is won. gleam of our bright star is cast. God, true to our na- tive land.
*Benediction*

**Postlude**

**Service Participants**
The Rev. Joy Fallon, Senior Minister  
David Waters, Minister for Education and Membership  
Heinrich Christensen, Music Director  
Michael and Caroline Bergeron, Will, Halie and Allen Speight, the Korb-Wellingtons, Readers  
Alison LaRosa, Brian Church, Daniel Perry, Soloists

**Lift Every Voice**
James Weldon Johnson
KING’S CHAPEL COVENANT

In the love of truth, and in the spirit of Jesus Christ,
we unite for the worship of God and the service of all.

WHOEVER you are, and wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here!

TO OUR VISITORS
Welcome to King’s Chapel! We are happy to have you with us this morning. Please join us for refreshments and conversation after the service. Also, a volunteer guide will be at the Chancel Rail after worship to tell you something of our history and present activity and answer any questions you may have. If you are new to King’s Chapel, please sign our Fellowship Pads found in your pew, and give your sheet to a Minister.

ACCESSIBILITY ASSISTS
Our beautiful Georgian sanctuary was designed by Peter Harrison and completed in 1754. One of the box pews has been made wheelchair accessible. Ushers are available to assist those who are wheelchair users to that pew. There is also an accessible bathroom in the vestry. A sound system has been installed in the sanctuary of the Chapel to amplify the sound during worship services. Hearing assistance devices are available for your use. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHURCH SCHOOL - NURSERY
Our church school program for pre-kindergarten to high school students is offered each Sunday at 10 AM after our Morning Light service at 64 Beacon Street. We also offer Nursery Care for infants and toddlers from 9 AM - 12:30 PM each Sunday at the same location. E-mail david.waters@kings-chapel.org with any questions.

MEMBERSHIP
The Membership Committee works to welcome newcomers into the life of the King’s Chapel community. Those interested please contact Minister for Education and Membership David Waters at david.waters@kings-chapel.org, or Membership Chair Christopher Allen, at comradechris@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

BEBE LIST
In Morning Prayer on Sundays, we offer prayers to God for those who are in special need in any way. If you wish to add any names to our List, or remove any at this time, please speak with our Ministers, or leave a message with our Parish Administrator (617-227-2155 x 108).

PARTNER CHURCH
King’s Chapel is affiliated as partner church with the First Unitarian Church of Kolozsvár in Transylvania (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), a relationship inaugurated in 1922 celebrating the historic roles of both churches in the birth of Unitarian theology.

TWO REDUCED-RATE PARKING TICKETS
We have reduced rate parking for weekends for both One Beacon Street Garage and the Boston Common Garage. One Beacon Street Garage: When you enter the garage turn immediately left, take a ticket and then park. Bring your ticket to church and ask the Verger or Lead Usher to stamp your ticket. When returning to the parking garage, present your ticket to the attendant in the kiosk and pay, then leave. With the ticket validation you receive a reduced rate of $10 for parking ($2.00 off). Boston Common Garage: You can receive a reduced rate ticket for $9.00 for weekend parking. Tickets are available for purchase in advance by contacting our office at 617-227-2155 or in person at our Parish House office at 64 Beacon Street, Monday - Friday 9 AM - 4PM.