

Wednesdays in Lent 2023

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

March 8, 2023 7:00 pm

Perseverance with Endurance

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Week 2: Perseverance with Endurance

Perpetua and Felicity; Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth

Perpetua and Felicity were early Christian martyrs who chose to die rather than forsake their faith in Jesus and their commitment to each other. Harriet Tubman was Moses to her people, leading many enslaved people to freedom during the horror of American slavery. She was deeply religious and believed her work was a direct call from God despite her own personal challenges. As an enslaved woman in New York, Sojourner Truth sued for her freedom, then spent the rest of her life working for abolition and women's suffrage. Throughout history Christians have been called to lives of service and sacrifice. In our own lives of faith, we draw courage from the examples of the saints, and most of all we find strength from God, who is with us always.

Welcome

GREETING

The love of God poured into our hearts,
the saving grace of Jesus Christ,
and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

OPENING SONG—ACS 1033

Nothing can trouble

Please sing three times.

Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te.
Noth - ing can trou - ble, noth - ing can fright - en.

Quien a Dios tie - ne na - da le fal - ta. Na - da te tur - be,
Those who seek God shall nev - er go want - ing. Noth - ing can trou - ble,

na - da te es - pan - te. So - lo Dios bas - ta.
noth - ing can fright - en. God a - lone fills us.

Text: Teresa of Avila, 1515–1582; adapt. Taizé Community

Music: NADA TE TURBE, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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PRAYER

Let us pray.

You are gracious and merciful, O God, slow to anger, rich in love. Receive our prayers as you have promised and uphold us by your Spirit, until all things, mended by your mercy, are made whole and well in you, through Jesus Christ, our healer and our hope.

Amen.

ORACIÓN

Oremos

Clemente y misericordioso eres tú, oh Dios, lento para la ira, rico en amor. Recibe nuestras oraciones como lo has prometido y sostennos con tu Espíritu, hasta que todas las cosas, reparadas por tu misericordia, sean sanadas y sanas en ti, por Jesucristo, nuestro sanador y nuestra esperanza.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Perseverance with Endurance

Hebrews 12:1-2, 12-13

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hebreos 12:1-2, 12-13

Por eso, nosotros, teniendo a nuestro alrededor tantas personas que han demostrado su fe, dejemos a un lado todo lo que nos estorba y el pecado que nos enreda, y corramos con fortaleza la carrera que tenemos por delante. Fijemos nuestra mirada en Jesús, pues de él procede nuestra fe y él es quien la perfecciona. Jesús soportó la cruz, sin hacer caso de lo vergonzoso de esa muerte, porque sabía que después del sufrimiento tendría gozo y alegría; y se sentó a la derecha del trono de Dios. Así pues, renueven las fuerzas de sus manos cansadas y de sus rodillas debilitadas, y busquen el camino derecho, para que sane el pie que está cojo y no se tuerza más.

Palabra de Dios

Demos gracias a Dios

HYMN-ELW 661

I Love to Tell the Story

Please sing verse 1 only.



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; I'll sing this theme in glo - ry



and tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911

Music: HANKEY, William G. Fischer, 1835–1912

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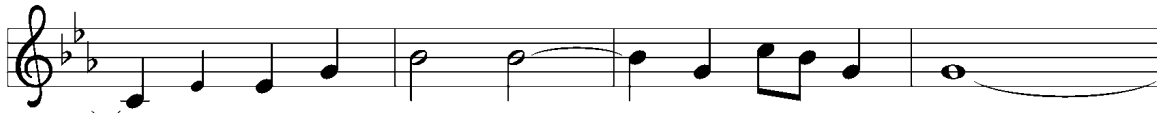
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Lighting of the Perseverance Candle

HYMN-ELW 325

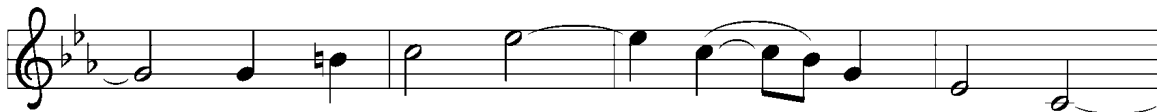
I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

PRAYERS

Please respond after each portion of the prayers.

God of all saints....

Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER



Gathered into one by the Ho-ly Spir - it, let us pray as Je-sus taught us.



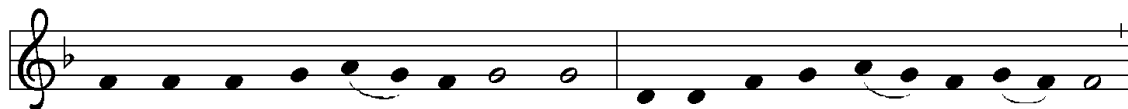
Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,



your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we



for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al



and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,



and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

BLESSING

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. May the God who makes sinners into saints bless us, keep us, and give us peace, now and always.

Amen.

BENDICION

Teniendo en derredor nuestro tan grande nube de testigos, despojémonos también de todo peso y del pecado que nos asedia, y corramos con perseverancia la carrera que tenemos por delante, puestos los ojos en Jesús, el iniciador y consumador de nuestra fe. Que el Dios que hace santos a los pecadores nos bendiga, nos guarde y nos dé la paz, ahora y siempre.

Amen.

HYMN—ELW 426

Sing with All the Saints in Glory



- 1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, sing the res - ur - rec - tion song!
- 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing all that eye has yet per - ceived!
- 3 Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who once was dead.



Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry, to the for - mer days be - long.
Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing nev - er that full joy con - ceived.
Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es! Child of God, lift up your head!



All a - round the clouds are break - ing, soon the storms of time shall cease;
God has prom - ised, Christ pre - pares it, there on high our wel - come waits.
Life e - ter - nal! Oh, what won - ders crowd on faith; what joy un - known,



in God's like - ness we a - wak - en, know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.
Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it, Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.
when, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders, saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

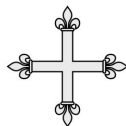
Dismissal

Go in peace, surrounded by the saints in light.

Thanks be to God.

Vayan en paz, rodeados de los santos en la luz

Gracias a Dios.



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