THE OPENING HOLY EUCHARIST
The Glory of the Past

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018
7:00PM

“The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” John 4:14
Welcome to the Union of Black Episcopalians Opening Worship Service. We are delighted that you are here. Please join in the worship by following the liturgy in this bulletin. We also invite you to use the time before worship to pray and invite the presence of the Holy Spirit to keep you centered and focused on what God may be saying to you. After worship, we invite you to pray for God’s strength to help you face and meet the demands of the world from this moment and in the days to come.

During Communion, all who seek God and a deeper relationship with Christ are welcome to receive the bread and wine. To receive communion, come to the altar at the direction of the usher. Open the palm of your hand to receive the bread. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you. You may also hold the bread and one of the ministers will dip the bread into the wine and give it to you.

For Blessings, if you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may come to the altar and place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing.

For Prayers for healing, please inform the clergy or go to the altar following the service.

The sign of the Cross is an expression of Christ’s presence in a moment and place. It also reminds us about loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Making the sign of the cross is solely a matter of personal spiritual preference; one is not a better Christian for choosing or not choosing to use it. The sign of the cross is made with the right hand by touching the forehead, chest, left then right shoulders. For those who wish to make the sign of the Cross, traditional times are noted with the symbol ✪.

Worship Leaders

Celebrant: The Right Reverend Laish Z. Boyd Sr.

Preacher: The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry

The Union of Black Episcopalians [UBE] offers thanks to God with gratitude for Christ Church Cathedral, the Bishop, Dean, clergy and staff for hosting this service. UBE is especially grateful for the ministry of Adrian A. W. Archer, Director of Music, Dr. Sparkman Ferguson, Principal Organist, Dr. Raymond Antonio, Associate Organist, and Mrs. Yvonne Foulkes, Associate Pianist for supporting this worship service, The Right Reverend Laish Z. Boyd Sr., preside, The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, preacher, Canon Annette Buchanan, and The Right Reverend Nathan Baxter for their prayers and support.

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THE LITURGY of the PRESENCE

The Prelude
Choral Prelude
"Dwell In The House"
Gale Jones Murphy
“And He Blessed My Soul”
Anita Stevens Watkins
Drum Prelude
Organ Prelude
“African Drumming”
James C. Kasen

At the Processional

The First Procession
The Church’s One Foundation
Pamela June Anderson

The Church’s One Foundation is Christ, God own true Child
In whom the whole creation is freed and reconciled
To bring the Church together, Christ lived and freely died;
Raised up by God, forever Christ lives to be our Guide.

The world and all the nations, created to be one
Can live in sweet communion with God and God’s own Son
When we, who say we love Him begin to live and BE
A people with great freedom to gain through harmony.

Where are the gifts we’re seeking if not in our own hearts?
To share, to offer others so they may know their parts
In working as the chosen, whose heritage and hopes
Are in the great Creator our Christ, our Lord who knows

Let’s offer all our talents and wants for setting free
The homeless and the hungry, the hurting you and me
Remembering tomorrow, the Son will rise and shine
To give us Light and helpers to serve Him while there’s time.

The Second Procession
“To God be the Glory”
Fanny Crosby

To God be the glory, great things He has done;
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. Refrain

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. Refrain

The Opening Salutation
Presider God is Here.
People And We are God’s People.

The Opening Acclamation
Presider #Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People And Blessed be our Loving, Life-giving, and Liberating God. Amen

The Baptismal Acclamation
Presider There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God’s call to us;
Presider One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Creator of all.
The presider moves to the front and blesses the water.

The Introit

"Take me to the water"  
arr. Horace Boyer

Take me to the water, Take me to the water,  
None but the righteous, None but the righteous
Take me to the water, To be baptized  
None but the righteous, Shall see God

The Blessing over the Water

**Presider**  
The Lord be with you

**People**  
And also with you.

**Presider**  
Let us pray

As water is poured into the font, the presider says,

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we rejoice in his fellowship and come to affirm their faith.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Asperging of the People

"Take Me to the Water"  
Negro Spiritual

Take me to the water, Take me to the water,  
I love Jesus, I love Jesus, I love Jesus,
Take me to the water, To be baptized  
Oh yes I do, He’s my Savior, He’s my Savior, He’s my Savior, Oh yes He is.

The Gloria

"Glory to God"  
Carl Haywood

Refrain:  
Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name,  
Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. [Amen]

Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

Refrain

You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Refrain

THE LITURGY of the WORD

The Collect of the Day

**Presider**  
The Lord be with you

**People**  
And also with you.

**Presider**  
Let us pray

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The Hebrew Scripture

Exodus 14: 21 – 31

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, “Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the
seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Reader  The Word of the Lord.
People  Thanks be to God.

The Psalter  Psalm 126  Roberts and Haywood

Refrain  His Love, His Love, His Love Everlasting.

1. When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion * then were we like those who dream
2. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy. Refrain

3. Then they said among the nations, * “The Lord has done great things for them.”
4. The Lord has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.
5. Restore our fortunes, O Lord * like the watercourse of the Negev Refrain

6. Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.
7. Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves. Refrain

The Epistle  1 Peter 1:3 – 12

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that was to be yours made careful search and inquiry, inquiring about the person or time that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated when it testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the subsequent glory. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look!

Reader  The Word of the Lord.
People  Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn  “Lead Me, Guide Me”  Doris M. Akers

Lead me, guide me along the way
Lord if you lead me I cannot stray
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress
I am putting all of my trust in Thee:
Lead me, oh Lord, lead me. Refrain

I am weak and I need thy strength and power
To help me over my weakest hour
Let me through the darkness Thy face to see,
Lead me, oh Lord, lead me. Refrain

I am lost if you take your hand from me,
I am blind without Thy light to see.
Lord just always let me Thy servant be,
Lead me, oh Lord, lead me. Refrain

The Proclamation of the Gospel

Deacon  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 3:13–17
People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Deacon  The Gospel of the Lord.
People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.
The Sermon

The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate, The Episcopal Church

The Sermon Response

“Glorious is the Name of Jesus”

Robert Fryson

Glorious is the Name of Jesus praises to His Name
Oh glorious and righteous and holy is His Name.
I feel His presence in this place, His Spirit has control
Can’t you feel His warm embrace and all the joy within your soul,
Oh, glorious is His name, Oh, glorious is His name.

The Presiding Bishop moves to the chancel at the front of the nave and begins the Baptism Covenant

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People I will, with God’s help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People I will, with God’s help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People I will, with God’s help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People I will, with God’s help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God’s help.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory: who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

The Prayer Chant

“Wade in the Water”

arr. Carl Haywood

Refrain: Wade in the Water, Wade in the Water, children, Wade in the water, God’s agonna trouble the water.

See that band all dressed in red, God’s agonna trouble the water. Looks like the band that Moses led, God’s agonna trouble the water. Refrain

The Prayers of the People

Presider Let us pray that the Spirit of God will free our bodies and souls from all oppression and hostility that enslave our minds and spirits.

Leader For the hope that strengthens and unites us in peace
People God’s agonna trouble the water

Leader For the courage to proclaim the gospel to every race and nation
People God’s agonna trouble the water

Leader For the strength to love and bear witness to the truth that is in us
People God’s agonna trouble the water

Leader For the healing of the sick and comfort for the dying
People God’s agonna trouble the water
Leader For the revival of the church and renewal of our faith in God
People God’s agonna trouble the water

Leader For the forgiveness of our sins and offenses, and neglect to do justice
People God’s agonna trouble the water

Leader For the grace to love and serve Christ in all persons
People God’s agonna trouble the water

The Concluding Prayer
O God, we pray that you will remember and bless us, your people, whom you have redeemed with the blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Cover, us we pray, with the power and protection of your love and mercy. All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Prayer Chant con’t “Wade in the Water” arr. Carl Haywood
Wade in the water, Wade in the water Children Wade, in the water God’s agonna trouble the water

The Peace
Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.


The right hand of God is writing in our land Writing with power and with love Our conflicts and our fears, our triumphs and our fears Are recorded by the right hand of God.
The right hand of God is pointing in our land Pointing the way we should go So clouded is the way, so easily we stray But we’re guided by the right hand of God.
The right hand of God is healing in our land, Healing broken bodies, minds and souls So wonderous is its touch, with love that means so much When we’re healed by the right hand of God.
The right hand of God is planting in our land, Planting seeds of freedom, hope and love. In these Caribbean lands, let people all join hands And be one with the right hand of God.

The Greetings and Welcome The Right Reverend Laish Z. Boyd Sr.
Canon Annette Buchanan, President, UBE

THE LITURGY of the SACRAMENT

The Offertory Anthem “Guide My Feet” arr. Avia Graves & Adrian Archer

At the Offertory [Stand] Showers of Blessings Daniel Whittle
There shall be showers of blessing: Send them upon us, O Lord; This is the promise of love; Grant to us now a refreshing, There shall be seasons refreshing, Come, and now honor Thy Word. Refrain
Refrain Showers of blessing, Showers of blessing we need: Mercy-drops round us are falling, But for the showers we plead.
There shall be showers of blessing, If we but trust and obey; Precious reviving again; There shall be seasons refreshing, Over the hills and the valleys, If we let God have His way. Refrain
Sound of abundance of rain. Refrain

The Offertory Prayer

The Doxology Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; John Hatton
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
The Great Thanksgiving

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**The Sanctus**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Presider* Continues

All Holy and glorious Father, our Creator God, we give you thanks because in your loving wisdom you brought all things into being, and are truly worthy of praise from every creature you have made.

Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in every place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: “Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me,”

And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

**The Memorial Acclamation**

*Tune: We shall over come*

*Presider* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Jesus Christ has died, Jesus Christ is risen. Jesus Christ will come again

Oh, deep in my heart I do believe, Jesus Christ will come again

*Presider* Continues.

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation: His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory: we offer to you this Bread and this Cup. We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood, of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us. Unite us with all Bishops, all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments, and with the whole people of God, living and departed. whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints. when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you. Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

*People & Presider*

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. AMEN.
And now as our Savior has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, which 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, for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The following is sung as the presider and other ministers receive the sacrament.

The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World: grant us peace.

The Ministration of Holy Communion

All Baptized persons and all who seek a closer relationship with Christ are welcome to receive communion.

The Communion Hymns

“Let us break bread together”

Let us break bread together on our knees, (on our knees)

Let us drink wine together on our knees, (on our knees)

Let us praise God together on our knees, (on our knees)

“Spirit Song”

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love;

Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit, like a dove,

Oh, come and sing the song with gladness As your hearts are filled with joy.

Oh, give him all your tears and sadness, give him all your years of pain,

Oh, let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.

Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Let us praise God together on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Refrain

Breathe on me, breath of God,

Breathe on me, breath of God,

Breathe on me, breath of God,

Breathe on me, breath of God, Blend me with life anew,

That I may love what Thou dost love,

Until my heart is pure,

And do what Thou wouldst do.

Until with Thee I will one will,

To do and to endure.

Blend all my soul with Thine,

Until this earthly part of me

But live with Thee the perfect life

Grows with Thy fire divine.

Of Thine eternity.
“Taste and See”
James E. Moore Jr.

**Taste and see, taste and see**
The goodness of the Lord.
**O taste and see, taste and see**
The goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times.
His Praise shall always be on my lips;
My soul shall glory in the Lord
For God has been so good to me. **Refrain**

**Glorify the Lord with me.**
Together let us all praise God's name.
I called the Lord who answered me;
From all my troubles I was set free. **Refrain**

Worship the Lord, all you people.
You'll want for nothing if you ask.
Taste and see that the Lord is good;
In God we need put all our trust. **Refrain**

**“Hush, hush, Somebody callin’ my name”**
Norris Spiritual

1  Hush. Hush. Somebody’s callin' my name.
    Oh, Hush. Hush. Somebody’s callin' my name.
    Hush. Hush. Somebody’s callin' my name.
    Oh, my Lord, Oh, my Lord, what shall I do? what shall I do?

2  Sounds like Jesus. Somebody’s callin' my name, ...
3  Soon one morning, death come creepin' in my room. ...
4  I'm so glad, got me religion on time. ...
5  I'm so glad trouble don't last always. ...

**Fill My Cup, Lord**
Richard Blanchard

Like the woman at the well I was seeking For things that could not satisfy:
And then I heard my Savior speaking: "Draw from my well that never shall run dry”.

**Refrain**

| Fill my cup Lord, I lift it up, Lord! |
| Come and quench this thirsting of my soul; |
| Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more-- |
| Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole! |

There are millions in this world who are craving
The pleasures earthly things afford; But none can match the wondrous treasure That I find in Jesus Christ my Lord. **Refrain**

So, my friend now, if the things this world gave you
Leave hungers that won’t pass away, My blessed Lord will come and save you, If you kneel to Him and humbly pray: **Refrain**

**The Communion Anthem**
“Deep River”
arr. Moses Hogan

**The Post Communion Prayer**
Let us Pray.
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**The Blessing**

**Bishop** As you leave this place may you never leave the presence of God. **Amen**
**Bishop** As you enter the world may you always go with the love and protection of God. **Amen**

**Bishop** Our help is in the Name of the Lord
**People** The Maker of heaven and earth

**Bishop** Blessed be the Name of the Lord
**People** From this time forth for evermore

**Bishop** The blessing, mercy and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.
Lift every voice and sing, Till earth and heaven ring,
RING WITH THE HARMONIES OF LIBERTY; LET OUR REJOICING RISE
High as the listening skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died; Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past, Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; Thou who hast by Thy might
Led us into the light, Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, May we forever stand.
True to our God, True to our native land.  Amen

The Dismissal
Leader: Alleluia, Alleluia Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

The Recessional "We’re marching to Zion"
Isaac Watts

Come, we that love the Lord,
And let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord,
And thus surround the throne.  Refrain

We’re marching to Zion,
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We’re marching upward to Zion,
The beautiful city of God.

Let those refuse to sing,
Who never knew our God;
But children of the heav’nly King
May speak their joys abroad.  Refrain

The hill of Zion yields
A thousand sacred sweets
Before we reach the heav’nly fields,
Or walk the golden streets.  Refrain

Then let our songs abound,
And every tear be dry;
We’re marching through Immanuel’s ground
To fairer worlds on high.  Refrain

The Postlude
"Gavotte" Samuel Wesley
Back Cover

UBE’S HISTORY