

**MARTYRS' SUNDAY (ALL SAINTS DAY)  
(REMEMBERING SLAIN HEROES AND HEROINES)**

**MUSIC & WORSHIP RESOURCES**

**\*I Remember I Believe**

By Bernice Johnson Reagon

I don't know how my mother walked her trouble down  
I don't know how my father stood his ground  
I don't know how my people survive slavery  
I do remember, that's why I believe

I don't know why the rivers over flow their banks  
I don't know why the snow falls and covers the ground  
I don't know why the hurricane sweeps through the land every now and then  
Standing in a rainstorm, I believe

I don't know why the angels woke me up this morning soon  
I don't know why the blood still runs through my veins  
I don't know how I rate to run another day  
I am here still running, I believe

My God calls to me in the morning dew  
The power of the universe knows my name  
Gave me a song to sing and sent me on my way  
I raise my voice for justice I believe...

**Sunday, November 1, 2009**

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and **W. Patrick Alston, Lectionary Team Liturgist**

**1. Litany**

**Black Martyrs**

“When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slaughtered for the word of God, and for the testimony they had given” (Revelation 6:9).

**With grateful hearts and uplifted voices, we remember those who held to the faith, for they gave their lives in the struggle to be free.**

Thank you, God, for black martyrs. Because of them, we are blessed.

**Blessed are those mighty men and women of strength, who set a path for others to follow.**

Lord, help us, that when our time comes, we too may face persecution and even death, with pride and dignity.

**“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 5:10).**

Nubian queens and great kings foresaw the plight of slavery to be one of oppression and cruelty. They resisted, preferring death.

**Blessed are those who threw off the shackles of powerlessness and looked to a better day.**

Crispus Attucks, Nat Turner, John Brown, the Scottsboro boys, Robert Brown Elliott, Brothers Martin, Malcolm and Medgar, as well as Steve Biko responded to cruel injustice with their lives.

**In the spirit of Denmark Veasey, we long to see the promise of freedom blossom in the land of the living.**

The flowers of freedom are watered with the blood, sweat, and tears of our ancestors who never gave up the fight!

**O Lord, have mercy on our world. It has embarked on a journey that is in great need of your intervention.**

In the spirit of Cynthia Wesley, Addie Mae Collins, Carole Robertson, and Denise McNair, four girls murdered in the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham.

**We will not shrink in the face of duty. We will not meander in the maze of mediocrity.**

Black Martyrdom wears many faces, but the response to the call is the same. God, we know that we will be victorious. We claim victory in your name.

**As martyrdom knocks on our hearts even now, may we be willing to sacrifice everything to insure freedom and deliverance. We give thanks to God, who leads and guides us all.**

## **2. Hymns or Congregational Songs**

(a) For All the Saints. By William W. How. Tune, (Sine Nomine) Ralph Vaughan Williams

(b) A Mighty Fortress Is Our God. By Martin Luther. Tune, Ein’ Feste Burg

(c) Stand Up for Jesus. By Ernest W. Shurtleff. Tune, (Lancashire) Henry T. Smart

## **3. Spirituals or Traditional Songs**

(a) Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho. Traditional. Arr. by Moses Hogan

(b) Lord, I Want to Be a Christian. Traditional. Arr. by Moses Hogan

(c) Soon Ah-Will Be Done. Spiritual. Arr. by William Dawson

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EKh6K8pVfec>

#### **4. Gospel Songs**

(a) Who's On the Lord's Side. By Timothy Wright

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z02V2psiyBM>

(b) He's All Over Me. By Alvin Darling

(c) Take It to the Lord in Prayer. By Rosy Wallace

#### **5. Liturgical Dance Music**

(a) Hold On Old Soldiers. By Walter Hawkins

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zmH-BqK-Gos>

(b) Help Is on the Way. By Wanda Nero Butler

#### **6. Anthems**

(a) Lead On O King Eternal. Arr. by Dianne Bish

YouTube: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ron3Vp\\_NHhw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ron3Vp_NHhw)

(b) Battle Hymn of the Republic. Arr. by Peter J. Wilhousky

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEAEcca9pRk>

(c) Mansions of the Lord. By Benjamin Harlan, Nick Glennie Smith, and Randall Wallace

YouTube: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_WDrbbtaO0E](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_WDrbbtaO0E)

#### **7. Modern Songs**

(a) God Is a Healer. By Kurt Carr

(b) The Struggle Is Over. By Jonathan Nelson and Justin Savage

(c) I'll Make It. By D. J. Rogers and Hezekiah Walker

#### **8. Song or Instrumental for the Offertory Period**

(a) Be Glad. By Carol Cymbala and Oliver Wells

(b) It's Only a Test. By Larry Trotter

(c) Victory. By Tye Tribbett

#### **9. Song or Instrumental for the Period of Prayer**

(a) The Storm Is Passing Over. By Charles A. Tindley. Tune by Donald Vails

- (b) He's Sweet I Know. Traditional. Arr. by Kenneth Louis and Nolan Williams, Jr.
- (c) Somebody Prayed for Me. By Dorothy Norwood and Alvin Darling

### **10. Sermonic Selections**

- (a) Many Are the Afflictions. By Roger Holland II
- (b) We Shall Overcome. Arr. by Uzee Brown
- (c) I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say. Arr. by Robert Wooten, Sr.
- (d) Study War No More. By Michael McElroy and Joseph Joubert

### **11. Invitational Selections**

- (a) How Tedious and Tasteless the Hour. By John Newton. Tune, (De Fleury) German melody
- (b) Leave It There. By Charles A. Tindley
- (c) Come Ye Disconsolate. By Thomas Moore. Tune, (Consolator) Samuel Webbe

### **12. Benediction Songs**

- (a) We Won't Leave Here Like We Came. By Maceo Woods
- (b) He'll Understand and Say "Well Done." By Lucie E. Campbell
- (c) I Am on the Battlefield. By Sylvana Bell and E. V. Banks

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National Baptist Publishing Board. The New National Baptist Hymnal. Nashville, TN: National Baptist Pub. Board, 1981. #424

The United Methodist Hymnal: Book of United Methodist Worship. Nashville, TN: The

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Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #124

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #15

The United Methodist Hymnal. #110

(c) Stand Up for Jesus. By Ernest W. Shurtleff. Tune, (Lancashire) Henry T. Smart

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #476

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #394

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Location:

Hal Leonard Publishing  
Available from J. W. Pepper & Sons Incorporated  
2480 Industrial Boulevard  
Paoli, PA 19301  
Phone: 1-800-345-6296

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(c) Take It to the Lord in Prayer. By Rosy Wallace

Location:

Hayes, Charles G. and The Cosmopolitan Church of Prayer Choir. Chapter One. Chicago, IL: MCG Records, 2008.

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P.O. Box 570567  
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The Struggle Is Over. New York, NY: Word Entertainment, 2006.

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The Essential Hezekiah Walker. North Richland Hills, TX: Legacy, 2007.

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Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #510

(c) Somebody Prayed for Me. By Dorothy Norwood and Alvin Darling

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #505

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7404 South Mason Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60638  
Phone: 1-800-GIA-1358

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(b) We Shall Overcome. Arr. by Uzee Brown

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(c) I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say. Arr. by Robert Wooten, Sr.

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(d) Study War No More. By Michael McElroy and Joseph Joubert

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Location:

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The New National Baptist Hymnal. #416

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