



## **MARTYR'S SUNDAY/ALL SAINTS DAY**

### **MUSIC & WORSHIP RESOURCES**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2011**

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#### **Worship Planning Notes**

Martyr's Sunday/All Saints Day is a day on which the body of Christ celebrates and acknowledges that it has been edified by the lives and sacrifices of the saints of old. It also encourages us to think about the people who have made a difference to our faith journey (mothers, fathers, grandparents, Bible teachers, youth counselors, mentors or whoever introduced us to Jesus Christ, etc). Finally, on this day God is glorified for the faithfulness of the saints, but most of all for his faithfulness to the Christian community.

Be sure to use pictures and images that represent martyrdom for your church members. This Sunday is a great teaching moment for children and adults. Use this opportunity to introduce them to well-known and little known martyrs from your church, state and beyond. Your church bulletin/order of worship can become a mini-history pamphlet for this Sunday. Teach African American history throughout the year not just during Black History Month.

Use this occasion to have children and youth prepare stories (written and via use of videos) about African American martyrs, especially women, and have them tell why these martyrs are

important to them and to the world. There may be video offerings from your youth that you want to post on YouTube and Facebook.

## **1. Litany, Responsive Reading, Invocation, or Call to Worship**

### (a) Invocation

Creator God, we have gathered today in worship to say thank you. Thank you for your mercy, grace, patience, and love that covers us and keeps us while we live for you daily. Today we especially say thank you for the ministry of the saints who have gone before us. We thank you for all martyred saints. We count it a privilege that you shared their lives with us. Merciful God, accept up our worship we pray, as we join with the great cloud of witnesses in declaring that you are King of Kings and Lord of Lords. You are Yahweh, the ever-existing one, and we give you all the praise honor and glory. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

### (b) Call to Worship

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to His name;  
Worship the LORD in holy array.  
Preserve me, O God, for I take refuge in You.  
I said to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no God besides You."  
As for the saints who are in the earth,  
They are the majestic ones in whom is all my delight.  
O fear the LORD, you His saints;  
for to those who fear Him there is no want.  
Ascribe to the LORD, O saints of the mighty,  
Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength,  
for the saints of the Highest One will receive the kingdom and  
possess the kingdom forever,  
for all ages to come.

### (c) Responsive Reading

Reader: Eternal God, make us this day to remember the unseen  
cloud of witnesses who compass us about:  
Those who in every age and generation  
witnessed to their faith in life and in death;

**People: Those who by their courage and their sacrifice  
won for us the freedom and the liberty we enjoy;  
Those who served their fellow men at the cost of  
pain, of persecution, and of death;**

Reader: Those for whom all the trumpets sounded  
as they passed over to the other side;  
Those whom we have loved and who have gone to be  
with you, and whose names are written on our hearts.

**People:**       **Help us to walk worthily of those in whose unseen presence  
life is lived.**

**Help us to have in our lives  
Their courage in danger;  
Their steadfastness in trial;**

Reader:        Their perseverance in difficulty;  
Their loyalty when loyalty is costly;  
Their love which nothing can change;  
Their joy which nothing can take away.

**People:**       **So grant to us in your good time to share with them the  
blessedness of your nearer presence, that we also may come  
to that life,  
where all the questions are answered;  
where ail the tears are wiped away:**

Reader:        Where we shall meet again, never to be separated from  
them, those whom we have loved and lost awhile'.  
Where we shall be forever with our Lord.

**People:**       **So grant to us in this life never to forget those who have  
gone before, so that in the life to come we may share their  
blessedness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All:            Amen.

## **2. Hymns and Congregational Songs**

(a) We've Gathered to Pay Homage. By E.M. Gordon

(b) Rise Up O Men of God. By William P. Merrill Gordon

(c) To Worship, Work and Witness. By Henry Lyle Lambdin and George J. Webb

(d) God of Our Fathers. By Daniel C. Roberts

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

(a) Walk Together Children. Arr. by Evelyn Simpson Curenton

(b) Ain't That Good News. By Robert J. Fryson

(c) In That Great Getting Up Morning. By Joseph Joubert

(d) Keep Your Lamps. Arr. by Andre Thomas

## **4. Gospel Songs for Choirs, Ensembles, or Praise Teams**

(a) One Pure and Holy Passion. By Mark Altrogge

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7oW8cNDaioc>

(b) Soon and Very Soon. By Andraé Crouch

(c) Absent from the Body/In the Presence of the King. By Donald Lawrence

(d) O How Wondrous. By John P. Kee

### **5. Liturgical Dance or Mime Ministry Music**

(a) When the Saints Go to Worship. By Donald Lawrence

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WP34Ruj6Z6o>

(b) To Live Is Christ. By Kirk Franklin

(c) What Do I Know. By Sara Groves

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ZSg5oLBv7A>

(d) Well Done. By Deitrick Haddon

YouTube: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-abFh8\\_kICg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-abFh8_kICg)

### **6. Anthems**

(a) Lift Every Voice and Sing. By James W. Johnson

(b) We've Come This Far by Faith. By Albert A. Goodson

YouTube: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqP0\\_wtfKmQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqP0_wtfKmQ)

(c) Pleasant Are the Courts Above. By Henry F. Lyte

(d) We Are One. By Timothy Wright

### **7. Modern Songs (Written between 2000–2010)**

(a) Let It Be Said of Us. By Steven Fry

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYq1co8Ij6I>

(b) Stand Up. By Milton Carroll

(c) We Are Called to Be Saints. By Michael Lehr

(d) We Have Overcome. By Israel Houghton

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLrV6arvpyM>

### **8. Offertory Song or Instrumental**

(a) When the Saints Go Marching In. Arr. by Stephen Key

(b) Walking Up the King's Highway. By Mary Gardner and Thomas A. Dorsey

(c) We Are Marching in the Light of God (Si Ahamba). Arr. by Anders Nyberg

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BQ0PZSXpY&feature=related>

(d) We'll Understand It Better By and By. By Charles Albert Tindley

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

(a) The Prayer of the Saints. By Matt Redman

YouTube: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g\\_rp-sCTUmI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g_rp-sCTUmI)

(b) Lord Make Me More Holy. By Roland M. Carter

(c) Precious Memories. By Roberta Martin and Mrs. Georgia Jones. Arr. by Joseph Joubert

### **10. Sermonic Selection**

(a) Find Us Faithful. By Steve Green

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRK2Y1cZaME>

(b) Take My Life and Let It Be. By Francis Havergal

(c) Beautiful Feet. By Donald Lawrence

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2gnwLh9fOg>

### **11. Invitational Song or Instrumental**

(a) Can the World See Jesus in Me? By Leila N. Morris

(b) Lord I Want to Be a Christian in My Heart. By John W. Work and Fredrick J. Work

(c) I Give Myself Away. By William McDowell

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4v5IXbEauM>

(d) Called to Be. By Jonathan Nelson

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JvnDJguLuG0>

### **12. Benediction Song or Instrumental**

(a) Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus. By George Duffield Jr.

(b) For All the Saints. By William W. How

(c) As You Go, Tell the World. Arr. by Valeria Foster

(d) God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again. By Charlene Moore-Cooper

## **Cites and Additional Information for Music and Music Listed**

### **1. Litany, Responsive Reading, Invocation or Call to Worship**

(a) Invocation. By Dilys Brooks

(b) Call to Worship

Location:

Barclay, William. Prayers for the Christian Year. New York, NY: Harper Chapelbooks, 1965.

(c) Responsive Reading based on Psalm 16:1-3, Psalm 34:9, Psalm 29:1 and 1 Chronicles 16:29

## **2. Hymns and Congregational Songs**

(a) We've Gathered to Pay Homage. By E.M. Gordon

Location:

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. Nashville, TN: African Methodist Episcopal Church, 1984. #584

(b) Rise Up O Men of God. By William P. Merrill

Location:

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. #559

The New National Baptist Hymnal. Nashville, TN: National Baptist Publishing Board, 1977. #406

(c) To Worship, Work and Witness. By Henry Lyle Lambdin and George J. Webb

Location:

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #423

(d) God of Our Fathers. By Daniel C. Roberts

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. Chicago, IL: GIA Publications, Inc., 1989. #509

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. #568

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #479

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

(a) Walk Together Children. Arr. by Evelyn Simpson Curenton

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #541

(b) Ain't That Good News. By Robert J. Fryson

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #592

(c) In That Great Getting Up Morning. By Joseph Joubert

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #585

(d) Keep Your Lamps. Arr. by Andre Thomas

Location:

Thomas, Andre. Keep Your Lamps! Chapel Hill, NC: Hinshaw Music Inc., 2003.

Hinshaw Music Inc.  
4540 Manns Chapel Road  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516-9575

Online location: <http://www.sheetmusicplus.com/title/Keep-Your-Lamps/518140>

#### **4. Gospel Songs for Choirs, Ensembles, or Praise Teams**

(a) One Pure and Holy Passion. By Mark Altrogge

Location:

Murphy, William III. The William Murphy Project All Day. New York, NY: Sony Music Distribution, 2005.

(b) Soon and Very Soon. By Andraé Crouch

Location:

History Makers Collection. Brentwood, TN: Sparrow-EMI CMG, 2003.

(c) Absent from the Body/In the Presence of the King. By Donald Lawrence

Location:

Lawrence, Donald and The Tri-City Singers. Pure Gospel: Top 10 Choirs. Detroit, MI: Crystal Rose Records, 1998.

(d) O How Wondrous. By John P. Kee

Location:

Kee, John P. and the New Life Community Choir. Blessed by Association. New York, NY: Verity Records, 2002.

#### **5. Liturgical Dance or Mime Ministry Music**

(a) When the Saints Go to Worship. By Donald Lawrence

Location:

Lawrence, Donald and The Tri-City Singers. Restoring the Years. Brentwood, TN: EMI Gospel, 2003.

(b) To Live Is Christ. By Kirk Franklin

Location:

Coley, Daryl. The Collection: Daryl Coley 12 Best Loved Songs. Brentwood, TN: Sparrow Records, 1995.

(c) What Do I Know. By Sara Groves

Location:

Conversations. Nashville, TN: Integrity, 2001.

(d) Well Done. By Deitrick Haddon

Location:

Church on the Moon. New York, NY: Verity Gospel Music Group, 2011.

## **6. Anthems**

(a) Lift Every Voice and Sing. By James W. Johnson

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #540

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #477

(b) We've Come This Far by Faith. By Albert A. Goodson

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #412

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #222

(c) Pleasant Are the Courts Above. By Henry F. Lyte

Location:

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. #523

(d) We Are One. By Timothy Wright

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #323

## **7. Modern Songs (Written between 2000–2010)**

(a) Let It Be Said of Us. By Steven Fry

Location:

Maranatha! Music Praise Hymns and Choruses. Nashville, TN: Hal Leonard Publishing Corporation—Maranatha! Music, 1994. #217

(b) Stand Up. By Milton Carroll

Location:

Maranatha! Music Praise Hymns and Choruses. #240

(c) We Are Called to Be Saints. By Michael Lehr

Location:

Wellingborough, England: Reflection Music 1998.

Online Location: <http://www.users.zetnet.co.uk/mlehr/reflec/saints/saints.htm>

(d) We Have Overcome. By Israel Houghton

Location:

Houghton, Israel & New Breed. Deeper Level Live. Mobile, AL: Integrity Media Inc., 2007.

## **8. Offertory Song or Instrumental**

(a) When the Saints Go Marching In. Arr. by Stephen Key

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #595

(b) Walking Up the King's Highway. By Mary Gardner and Thomas A. Dorsey



Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #402

(c) We Are Marching in the Light of God (Si Ahamba). Arr. by Anders Nyberg

Location:

Gather Comprehensive. Chicago, IL: GIA Publications, 1994.

(d) We'll Understand It Better By and By. By Charles Albert Tindley

Location:

The United Methodist Hymnal. Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 1989. #525

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

(a) The Prayer of the Saints. By Matt Redman

Location:

The Heart of Worship. Brentwood, TN: Worship Together/EMI Records, 1999.

(b) Lord Make Me More Holy. By Roland M. Carter

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #632

(c) Precious Memories. By Roberta Martin and Mrs. Georgia Jones. Arr. by Joseph Joubert

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #517

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #285

### **10. Sermonic Selection**

(a) Find Us Faithful. By Steve Green

Location:

Mohr, John. Find Us Faithful. Brentwood, TN: Birdwing Music/Jonathan Mark Music, 1998.

(b) Take My Life and Let It Be. By Francis Havergal

Location:

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. #292

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #338

The United Methodist Hymnal. #399

(c) Beautiful Feet. By Donald Lawrence

Location:

I Speak Life. New York, NY: Zomba Recording LLC, 2004.

### **11. Invitational Song or Instrumental**

(a) Can the World See Jesus in Me? By Leila N. Morris

Online Location:

Lyrics & Music: <http://www.cyberhymnal.org/htm/c/a/canworld.htm>

(b) Lord, I Want to Be a Christian in My Heart. By John W. Work and Fredrick J. Work

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #463

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #490

The United Methodist Hymnal. #402

(c) I Give Myself Away. By William McDowell

Location:

We Worship You Live. New York, NY: Koch Records, 2009.

(d) Called to Be. By Jonathan Nelson

Location:

Better Days. New York, NY: Integrity Music Inc, 2010.

## **12. Benediction Song or Instrumental**

(a) Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus. By George Duffield and George Webb

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #476

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #394

(b) For All the Saints. By William W. How

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #339

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. #476

The Presbyterian Hymnal. Knoxville, TN: Westminster John Knox Press, 1997. #526

The United Methodist Hymnal. #711

(c) As You Go, Tell the World. Arr. by Valeria Foster

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #633

(d) God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again. By Charlene Moore-Cooper

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #634

African Methodist Episcopal Church Bicentennial Hymnal. #45

The Presbyterian Hymnal. #540-04

The United Methodist Hymnal. #672