

**9:45 AM**

MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

Sunday, September 13

*The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*



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Wednesdays, 5:45 pm, **on Zoom**

The beloved Trinity Choristers will lead and sing weekly Evensong on Wednesdays at

5:45 pm, as they have on Wednesdays during the program year since 2009.

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Join us via **Zoom** (video optional) or you can dial in with 1-646-558-8656 and enter Meeting ID 854 5177 3311.



## FORMATION

### The Yellow House Parish Discussion Forum and Small-Group Signups

#### Next Week: Q&A with author Sarah Broom

*Intergenerational Discussion:*  
7 pm, Sun, Sept. 13, **via Zoom**

*Small-group Discussions:*  
Mon, Sept. 14 - Fri., Sept. 18

*Q&A with author Sarah Broom:*  
6:30 pm, Sun, Sept. 20, **via Zoom**

Trinity is honored to host *The Yellow House* author Sarah Broom for a Zoom reading and follow-up Q&A next Sun., Sept. 20, at 6:30 pm.

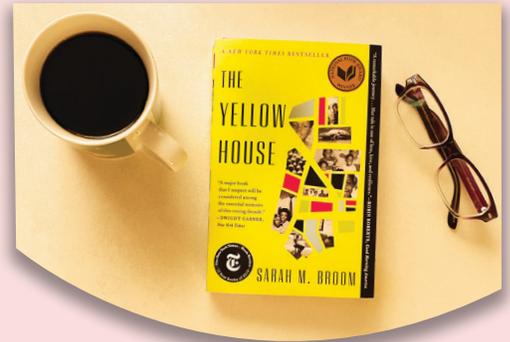
To ready for that event, we will host an intergenerational discussion of the text tonight, Sun., Sept. 13, at 7 pm, via Zoom.

Additionally, all are encouraged to read the book and participate in small group discussions taking place this week, Sep 14-18 on Zoom. Each group is dedicated to either an open discussion, or a particular lens, such as race, class, environment, faith, geography and place, etc.

**Sign up for a small group discussion here**

For more on Trinity Church Boston's exploration of *The Yellow House*, see the *Trinity Voices* section in the last pages of this document.

**Purchase *The Yellow House* here via Bookshop.**



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# GATHERING

Welcome

Prelude 'Reverie'

William Grant Still (1895-1978)

Hymn 690 'Guide me, O thou great Jehovah'

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar  
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,  
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,  
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -  
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and  
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.  
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

Today we continue with our "Favorite Hymns of Trinity Church" initiative. Each summer Sunday during Worship from Home, the hymns we sing have been submitted by parishioners as their "favorites." To paraphrase John Wesley: "Sing with good courage and beware of singing as if you were half dead or half asleep – instead lift up your voice with strength! Have an eye to God in every word you sing, aiming at pleasing the Lord more than yourself or any other creature."

## Worship at Trinity

When the text of this worship booklet is in **bold**, it is spoken or sung by all.

Leaders of the service will also lead these **bold responses** for the benefit of those worshipping from home.

On today's Prelude: Mr. Still was the first American composer to have an opera produced by the New York City Opera. His First Symphony was, until 1950, the most widely performed orchestral work by an American. Along with Black literary and cultural figures of the 1920s, he was part of the "Harlem Renaissance" movement.

Sentences of Scripture

## Confession & Absolution

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of the Almighty, to set forth God's praise, to hear God's holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves for this worship in heart and mind and body, let us now open ourselves with one minute of silence, making space and holding this quiet before the Living Christ, our Savior and ever-present Companion ...

*Silence*

... meeting God in this stillness, let us pray with a faithful heart and confess our sins, that we may know God's goodness, mercy, and forgiveness:

**Almighty and most merciful God,  
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,  
we have offended against your 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 you, O Lord, have mercy upon us:  
spare those who confess their faults,  
restore those who are penitent,  
all according to your promises declared in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of your holy Name.  
Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen us in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit  
keep us in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

## THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

### Invitatory

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Canticle 'Venite'

Jack Noble White (b. 1938)

Sung by all.

1. Come, let us sing to the  
Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -  
va - tion. 2. Let us come be-fore his pres-ence with thanks - giv - ing  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. 3. For the  
Lord is a great God, and a great King a - bove all  
gods. 4. In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth,  
and the heights of the hills are his al - so. 5. The  
sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have  
mold - ed the dry land. 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the  
knee, and kneel be-fore the Lord our Ma - ker. 7. For  
he is our God, and we are the peo-ple of his  
pas - ture and the sheep of his hand.  
Oh, that to - day you would heark-en to his voice!

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, \*  
**the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,**  
**Judah became God's sanctuary \***  
**and Israel his dominion.**  
**The sea beheld it and fled; \***  
**Jordan turned and went back.**  
**The mountains skipped like rams, \***  
**and the little hills like young sheep.**  
**What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \***  
**O Jordan, that you turned back?**  
**You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \***  
**you little hills like young sheep?**  
**Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \***  
**at the presence of the God of Jacob,**  
**Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \***  
**and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

## THE LESSONS

Reading Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

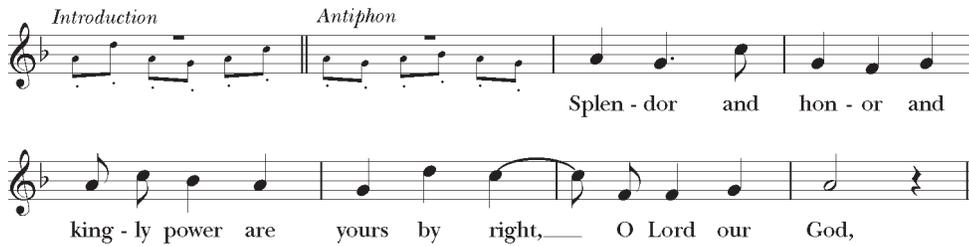
Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



*Antiphon*

Splendor and honor and kingly power are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is,  
and by your will they were created and have their being.

*Antiphon*

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,  
From every family, language, people, and nation,  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.

*Antiphon*

And so, to him who sits upon the throne,  
and to Christ the Lamb,  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor,  
for ever and for evermore.

*Antiphon*

Reading Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 537 'Christ for the world we sing!'

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and  
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward  
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the  
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,  
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,  
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,  
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
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.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

### 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.**

### Prayers of the People

Holy and Gracious God, we pray for your Church throughout the world;  
**that we all may be one.**  
Grant that every member of your Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**that your Name may be glorified by all people.**  
We pray for the ministry of all the baptized;  
**that we would be faithful servants of your Good News.**  
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**that there would be justice and peace on the earth.**  
In this election year, we pray for goodwill among all people;  
**that your wisdom and Grace would prevail.**  
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

## Intercessions

Remembering especially ... have compassion on all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, remembering especially ...

We hold before you all those expecting the birth of a child, remembering especially ...

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Remembering especially ... give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for all your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

## Collect of the Day

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Collects are prayers that "collect" our intentions for any given occasion. In addition to the "Collect of the Day," the Officiant will pray additional collects appropriate for this Sunday.*

## A Prayer for Mission

O Loving God, you sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Announcements

Hymn 529 'In Christ there is no East or West'

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in  
2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -  
e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther  
him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
as his child is sure - ly kin to me.  
one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

The image shows a musical score for three parts (1, 2, and 3) of Hymn 529. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final three lines. The music is in a common time signature and features a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

Sermon The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector*

Offertory Anthem 'I was glad'

C. Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

I was glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord.  
Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem,  
Jerusalem is builded as a city: That is at unity in itself.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
They shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls: And plenteousness within thy palaces.

TEXT: PSALM 122:1-3, 6-7

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## Presentation Hymn

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
 him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## Blessing

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Hymn 473 'Lift high the cross'

*Descant*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

*Refrain*



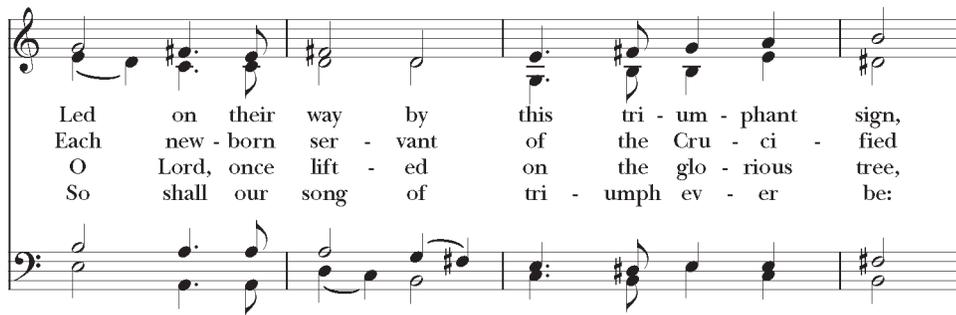
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied  
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Repeat Refrain*



The Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Postlude 'Carillon de Westminster'

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)





# Trinity Voices

## INSIDE 'THE YELLOW HOUSE'

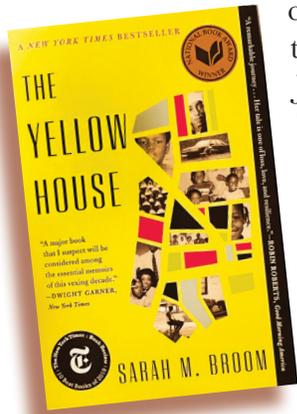
Dear friends,

Here's a question for you: what does it mean to be “a people” when the only home you have known together – the structure that has convened and sheltered – is

closed or no more? I thought about that when visiting the Western Wall in Jerusalem a few years ago as part of a Trinity pilgrimage. While our current exile from Copley Square is temporary, a kindred and nonetheless painful absence is at the heart of our common life right now. “Houses provide a frame that bears us up,” writes Sarah M. Broom in her memoir *The Yellow House* (p. 232). Who are we without them? For the Webb/Broom family we

meet in these pages, the answer is not unlike that of the Jews after the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE: “When the house fell down,” Broom realizes, “something in me opened up...We are the house that bears itself up” (Ibid).

*The Yellow House*, which we are reading and discussing together in the next three weeks, has at its center what Broom and her New Orleans community call “The Water”: Hurricane Katrina and its catastrophic aftermath (particularly for Black people) exactly fifteen years ago this month. I don't shelve it mentally with other memoirs, though, because in telling her own story Broom illuminates so much else: the rapacious development that created and then abandoned her neighborhood, New Orleans East; her “braided and contradictory” (p. 320) feelings about her native city and its tourist-focused mythologies which marginalize so many, primarily people who are not white; the manner in which “official history” showcases some and erases others. I can't name a recent writer who manages appealing reticence while presenting a self so deeply attached, nerve and capillary, to so much beyond that self: her mother and eleven siblings, her city and its charms, horrors, inefficiencies, and systemic injustices.



### At A Glance

**Read Along with Trinity.** Purchase a copy of *The Yellow House* via [this link](#) from Bookshop.org. If purchasing the book is a challenge for you, email [pward@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:pward@trinitychurchboston.org)

#### Parish Discussion on 9/13

Join in our first Forum of the program year [via Zoom](#), at 7 pm on 9/13, where we will discuss *The Yellow House*.

#### Join a Small Group.

From 9/14 through 9/18, small groups will meet to talk about *The Yellow House* through open or various lenses. [Sign up here.](#)

#### Ask Questions About the Book.

Send your questions about *The Yellow House* to [pward@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:pward@trinitychurchboston.org)

#### Reading and Q&A with Author Sarah Broom on 9/20

At 6:30 pm next Sun., 9/20, Ms. Broom will join us [on Zoom](#) for a reading, insight, and Q&A.

In seminary I was taught that one of the biggest hurdles we encounter when reading scripture as 21st-century people is that we absorb it all so personally. A passage such as the Beatitudes, for example, withers to wisdom addressed to the hearer alone, to a private benchmark instead of guidance for common life in community.

Scripture was a written, though, (and Jesus most often speaks) to communities. And it is Brooms' generous voice, the lack of a "rind" between her own story and the stories of her family, neighborhood and city – that make *The Yellow House* a kind of scripture for the moment we are in as a church and as a nation. A "frame" for the next several weeks as we begin a new program year together. We hope you can join us in *The Yellow House*.

A few details:

Grove Press has provided a link [here](#) so that we may purchase *The Yellow House* (just out in paperback) from independent booksellers. If you would like to read the book but purchasing it is a challenge for you right now for any reason, please email me at [pward@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:pward@trinitychurchboston.org).

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Join us on three coming Sunday evenings (September 13, 20, and 27) via Zoom for parish-wide conversation about *The Yellow House*. See our schedule, with Zoom links, in the September 10 "This Week at Trinity" e-blast. Sarah Broom herself will join us on September 20 to read, offer some additional insight, and answer questions. If you have a question you'd like to ask Ms. Broom, direct that to me in writing by emailing me at [pward@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:pward@trinitychurchboston.org).

Finally, join a small group to explore *The Yellow House* in community! We will host numerous sessions from September 14-19. While many are already in process by ministry team, we also have a number of open groups and groups organized by topic. Learn more and sign up here. Find questions to help start your conversations here.

We're looking forward to being with you in these coming weeks. See you in church!

Rev. Patrick C. Ward  
*Senior Associate for Program*

