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SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

First-Hour Activity

9 to 10 am (new earlier time)

Discussions via Zoom

All are welcome. Full Zoom invitation in weekly e-news.

First-Hour Zoom Link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85099502775?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85099502775?pwd=VmgxVFFzVkhyUkhRYkpNYmJ6TGZUdz09)

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3 January

Uprooting Racism worship sharing on "What Reparations Mean to our Meeting" (related article on page 6)

10 January

Worship Sharing on excerpts from Rex Ambler's "The Mystic Way of the Quakers" (convened by Ministry & Counsel Committee)

17 January

Meeting for Business (9-10:30 am)

24 January

Adult Ed.: Visiting Friend:

Caroline Wildflower on "Peace & Social Justice Callings" (details on page 1)

31 January

Peace & Social Concerns: Sen Jeff Golden on Fire Update (details: p 5)

Meeting for Worship

11 am to Noon

At Quaker Meeting House (space limited due to social distancing)

Or, join us by Zoom at:

[https://zoom.us/j/99810847118?](https://zoom.us/j/99810847118?pwd=R3poNVQxMFEyWFBMRVZFctJYbDNYZz09)

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SOUTH MOUNTAIN FRIENDS MEETING

THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

(QUAKERS)

Unprogrammed Worship in Ashland, Oregon

First Month 2021

What Are Our Peace and Social Justice Callings?

Caroline Wildflower is looking forward to visiting South Mountain Friends Meeting in Ashland again. She feels blessed to be traveling in the ministry with elder Jay Thatcher under the care of the North Pacific Yearly Meeting Outreach and Visitation Committee. This committee has been sponsoring travel in the ministry to various parts of the yearly meeting on a rotating basis. 2020-21 is the time for Meetings and Churches in Oregon south of Portland. This travel is a bit different—Caroline and Jay are traveling by Zoom:



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First Hour: 9 am Sunday 24 January

The Meeting has asked Caroline to address the topic "Peace and social justice concerns become the heart of a Meeting." This will be an interactive spiritual session, with Caroline presenting about her experience and seeking input about South Mountain Meeting's callings to peace and social justice concerns.

Caroline is passionate about getting in touch with the heart of Quakerism. A theme of her travel is: "Following leadings takes us to amazing places!"

Caroline's Quaker prayer life has led her to be a lifelong nonviolent activist, working against the Vietnam War, to abolish nuclear weapons, for Black Lives Matter and for climate and economic justice. She is active with Friends for Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender and Queer Concerns (FLGBTQC).

Caroline has been an active Quaker most of her life, taking part in the founding of the Kalamazoo Michigan Friends Meeting at age 7. As a teen, Caroline joined the Quaker Youth Pilgrimage to England and a Young Friends Caravan through New York and New England Yearly Meetings. Both involved Quakers from many branches of our Quaker tree. She is now active in the Quaker Women's Theology Conferences, carrying on that tradition. Caroline's studies among Friends include a term at Pendle Hill, and going through the Way of the Spirit Quaker/Christian study and prayer program.

Honoring Aidan Ellison 17 Aug 01 - 23 Nov 20

**A Black Teen Shot and Killed in Ashland
by a White Man Over Disputed Loud Music**

Our racial suffering is deep and wide . . . repeated cycles of bitterness, pain, and fear. It is the undercurrent of a failed paradigm of aggression, ownership of peoples, and enduring institutionalized racism. This failed paradigm of views presents us with a profound opportunity to rebuild the shape of our thinking, speech, and action as we can and must redefine what it means to be a human being.

—Dr. Larry Ward, Zen Buddhist teacher



Elizabeth Hallett suggests
The Rev. Dr. Ward's YouTube:
[Black Lives Matter As A Doorway to
Liberation - YouTube](#)



**Ashland's Mayor-Elect
Julie Akins Speaks Out
on Systemic Racism,
article in *The
Ashland Chronicle*
on 28 November 2020:**

[Ashland's Mayor Elect
Speaks Out on the
Murder of Aidan
Ellison in The Ashland
Chronicle](#)



Bryan Stevenson, founder of the Equal Rights Initiative and author of the book ***Just Mercy*** that became a movie by the same name, giving his acceptance speech at the Right Livelihood Awards, also known as the "Alternative Nobel": [Bryan Stevenson Wins "Alternative Nobel": We Must Overturn This Horrific Era of Mass Incarceration | Democracy Now!](#)

Jackson County Libraries Launch ROGUE READS

"Black women have been everywhere--building the railroads, starting revolutions, writing poetry, [registering voters], and leading slaves to freedom. I want the people who have come before me to be part of the stories that I'm telling, because if it weren't for them, I wouldn't be telling stories." —Jacqueline Woodson

ROGUE READS encourages everyone in Jackson County to read and discuss the same books. The selected titles, written by bestselling author Jacqueline Woodson, allow all participants, regardless of age, to explore the timely themes of race, family dynamics, identity, and religion. To learn more about this Dec 2020 thru Feb 2021 program and browse the list of Woodson's books: <https://jcls.org/roguereads> If Friends want to coordinate reading and discussing the same story, contact Valeria valeriabreiten@gmail.com.

Photos: Aidan Ellison Memorial, Stratford Inn and "Say Their Names" Installation, Railroad Park, Ashland

Quaker-Informed Tax Resistance Letter

November 17, 2020

To Whom It May Concern at the Internal Revenue Service,

I write in response to the notice you sent me, dated November 16, 2020, of your agency's intent to seize my property if I continue to refuse to pay my federal taxes for tax year 2018. The amount of these taxes is \$2413.43, inclusive of penalties and interest.

As I have explained to the IRS many times in the past (I haven't paid taxes since 2000, so we've corresponded with one another quite a bit!) my conscience forbids me from paying these taxes because they would be used to fund, among other deeply immoral things:

- war and preparation for war
- a racist and punishment-based criminal justice system
- unfettered destruction of the natural world

The word "economics" is derived from the Greek *oikos*, which means "home." Economy specifically refers to the tending of the home. The system we presently have in the United States is actually, therefore, anti-economics. Rather than tending to our home we are quite literally destroying it, and the taxation system your organization administers serves to perpetuate this destruction. I am duty-bound to not cooperate with it, and therefore resist taxes as an act of civil disobedience.

I am not opposed to taxation in principle, and I recognize that tax dollars fund many things that are life-serving. However, because I have no way of directing my contribution so as to avoid enriching the US military, the prison-industrial complex, and the US government's compact with Big Oil - to again cite the previous three examples - I have no conscientious choice but to withhold payment entirely.

In order to contribute to the general welfare of our society and the world, I have offered the full amount of my calculated taxes since 2000 to support humane efforts to build a more just and peaceful society and world community. In this way I like to think that my civil disobedience becomes civil initiative. In recent years the majority of the taxes I've redirected have been offered as long overdue reparations to Black and Indigenous-led groups working for their own liberation. If and when our nation transforms its spending priorities to genuinely reflect a commitment to healing, justice, peace, and ecological responsibility, I will be happy to pay taxes to the IRS.

I send this letter with all due respect for the individuals who work at the IRS. My objections to the role your agency plays do not obstruct my care for you as human beings. In fact, my tax resistance is as much on your behalf as it is on my own.



Sincerely,
Chris Moore-Backman

Note from the letter's author to this newsletter's editor:

Bob. Yes, of course, feel free to share the post with your meeting and wherever else you might wish to. My time as a Quaker (I still am a Quaker in my heart!) was very formative for me in terms of my tax resistance. Thanks again for reaching out :) *Chris*

Chris is the author of *The Gandhian Iceberg: A Nonviolence Manifesto for the Age of the Great Turning*, which I reviewed in the March 2020 South Mountain Friends Newsletter in an article titled "Satyagraha." —Ed.

Meeting for Business 20 December 2020

Friends Present: Bill Ashworth, Melody Ashworth, Beth Aspedon, Valeria Breiten, Ken Deveney, K Hering, Andra Hollenbeck, Gizelle Luccio, Bob Morse, Alex Reid, Herb Rothschild, Adam Thompson, Mary Ward

Centering Worship “Peace is not the absence of war but the absence of fear.” —Ursula Franklin, Quaker Physicist and Activist

Minutes

2020.12.1 Friends approved the minutes for the 15 November 2020 Meeting for Business.

Treasurer The only November expenditure was for building and utilities. Revenues are appropriate for year to date.

Equipment All necessary equipment has been purchased within budget and is in place for hybrid Zoom in-person meetings at the Meeting House. Friends expressed gratitude to Mary Ward for shepherding the process.

Zoom Account

2020.12.2 Friends agreed SMFM would adopt the current private Pro Zoom account.

Gizelle Luccio will use her credit card to pay the monthly account charge for 6 months at which time the Meeting will evaluate the process.

Homeless Outreach Committee

Circle of Friends: 2 Circles are operating with a 3rd one starting up and a 4th for Latinx farm workers in formation. Joanie Jimenez, one of the 14 co-facilitators, has created a Spanish translation of the SMFM website, including the Circle of Friends page.

In response to the severity of trauma and grief among Circle members, the format of the gatherings has been changed from worship sharing to one in which participants can acknowledge and validate one another's experience. Christine Hunter-Robinson, local grief program WinterSpring's director of education, has provided valuable training and will be invited to return. After careful discernment, the Homeless Outreach Committee decided the best use of the funds for fire relief graciously contributed by the Boise Meeting would be to pay an honorarium for each of Christine's trainings.

Sharing Space: The Maslow Project was enthusiastic about being offered space at the Meeting House for students who are without internet access elsewhere as well as for counseling sessions with students and their families. The Joint Committee supported the project, but all parties agreed it must be on hold until COVID-19 is no longer an extreme issue.

Ad Hoc Uprooting Racism Action Team presented a draft letter on behalf of the Meeting to the editor of local newspapers addressing the murder of Aidan Ellison. Friends offered edits and highlighted the importance of Quakerly compassion for everyone involved in the incident.

2020.12.3 The Meeting approved the letter in essence, referring it back to the Team for further editing.

Peace & Social Concerns Donations from SMFM will be sent to: Friends Committee on National Legislation, American Friends Service Committee, Friends Peacemaking Teams, Right Sharing of the World's Resources, and Friendly Water for the World. Donations to area organizations will be made in the spring.

Ministry & Counsel recommends setting up a temporary Pastoral Care Subcommittee to work with the Mutual Care Survey results and identify next steps. They will invite participants of the Meeting to serve on this subcommittee and remind everyone to submit a completed copy of the Survey. Caring Friends will now be meeting once a month, during the 4th week. M&C will send flowers to Lanita Witt along with a card from Andra. The Bethesda Friends Meeting, the home meeting for David and Deedie Runkel, wrote a Memorial minute for Deedie and held her Memorial meeting. Becky Hale is providing outreach to David, and Andra has written a note from our Meeting to him.

Friendship & Hospitality continues to make calls to Friends. While some Friends want to stay connected, many do not request follow-up calls, and the number of calls is declining. Members are renewing efforts to reach all who have not yet been contacted and continue to sense that this outreach effort is worthwhile.

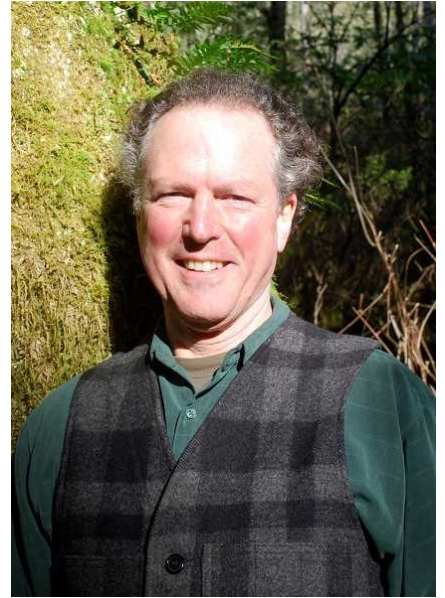
Adult Education met to develop first hour presentations to be offered from the end of December through March.

Respectfully submitted, Andra Hollenbeck, Co-Presiding Clerk, Alex Reid, Recording Clerk

In Fire Season, Rain

The soft smoke of hard rain
drilling down through tree bones.
The hiss and steam of quenched fire —
rain nipping flame's root, gray mud of ash.
Rain tap slapping your hat. Rain gloves.
Rain making your coat heavy, your neck cold.
Rain washing what was seared, culled, fallen, lost.
Where fire fed, rain offering rest, restoration.
Rain turning eye-salt to rivulets, rivulets
to rivers wheresoever many weep as one.
Rain thrust deep in earth, seeking seeds.
Rain taking its own sweet time.
Earth's thirst for first rain —
never to be cursed again.

—Kim Stafford, Oregon's Former Poet Laureate



Friendly Tech Support Available

Would you like to increase your skills in using your computer? Or to learn how to more easily connect with internet? Or to more readily connect with Meeting through Zoom?

As a member of the Friendship and Hospitality committee, I'm available to help guide you through this electronic maze. I am just a newbie myself, and no expert by any means. But with local help I have learned an enormous amount in the last two years. There is great free tech support and free internet connection that you can get to take home, through our library services.

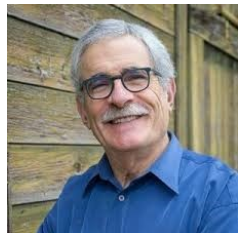
Please email me with the words "Meeting Computer Accessibility" in the subject line.

—Karen Maleski
(karenmaleski2468@gmail.com)



Fire Recovery Update 9-10 am Sunday 31 January 21 Guest Speaker: Senator Jeff Golden

Our state senator, Jeff Golden, along with our state representative, Pam Marsh, serves on the Wildfire Economic Recovery Council. Golden will report via Zoom on the work of the Council at First Hour on fifth Sunday in January.



Governor Kate Brown established the Wildfire Economic Recovery Council in the wake of the devastating 2020 wildfires. Co-chaired by Labor Commissioner Val Hoyle and State Treasurer Tobias Read, it is helping counties implement economic recovery solutions, bringing together federal, state, and local resources to support impacted communities.

The recovery is an opportunity to rebuild more equitably as well as to improve fire resilience. The Council has a mandate to pay special attention to the disproportionate impact the 2020 wildfires have had on communities of color, rural, and low-income Oregonians.

This program is sponsored by the Peace & Social Concerns Committee.

—Herb Rothschild

What Author Ta-Nehisi Coates Told Congress About Reparations

Yesterday (17 June 2019), when I asked about reparations, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell offered a familiar reply. America should not be held liable for something that happened 150 years ago, since none of us currently alive are responsible. This rebuttal proffers a strange theory of governance that American accounts are somehow bound by the lifetime of its generations. But well into the century the United States was still paying out pensions to the heirs of Civil War soldiers. We honor treaties that date back some 200 years despite no one being alive who signed those treaties.

Many of us would love to be taxed for the things we are solely and individually responsible for. But we are American citizens, and thus bound to a collective enterprise that extends beyond our individual and personal reach. It would seem ridiculous to dispute invocations of the founders, or the Greatest Generation, on the basis of a lack of membership in either group. We recognize our lineage as a generational trust, as inheritance and the real dilemma posed by reparations is just that: a dilemma of inheritance. It's impossible to imagine America without the inheritance of slavery.

As historian Ed Baptist has written, enslavement "shaped every crucial aspect of the economy and politics" of America, so that by 1836 more than \$600 million, almost half of the economic activity in the United States, derived directly or indirectly from the cotton produced by the million-odd slaves. By the time the enslaved were emancipated, they comprised the largest single asset in America: \$3 billion in 1860 dollars, more than all the other assets in the country combined.

The method of cultivating this asset was neither gentle cajoling nor persuasion, but torture, rape, and child trafficking. Enslavement reigned for 250 years on these shores. When it ended, this country could have extended its hallowed principles — life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness — to all, regardless of color. But America had other principles in mind. And so, for a century after the Civil War, black people were subjected to a relentless campaign of terror, a campaign that extended well into the lifetime of Majority Leader McConnell.

It is tempting to divorce this modern campaign of terror, of plunder, from enslavement, but the logic of enslavement, of white supremacy, respects no such borders, and the god of bondage was lustful and begat many heirs. Coup d'états and convict leasing. Vagrancy laws and debt peonage. Redlining and racist G.I. bills. Poll taxes and state-sponsored terrorism.

We grant that Mr. McConnell was not alive for Appomattox. But he was alive for the electrocution of George Stinney. He was alive for the blinding of Isaac Woodard. He was alive to witness kleptocracy in his native Alabama and a regime premised on electoral theft. Majority Leader McConnell cited civil rights legislation yesterday, as well he should, because he was alive to witness the harassment, jailing, and betrayal of those responsible for that legislation by a government sworn to protect them. He was alive for the redlining of Chicago and the looting of black homeowners of some \$4 billion. Victims of that plunder are very much alive today. I am sure they'd love a word with the majority leader.

What they know, what this committee must know, is that while emancipation deadbolted the door against the bandits of America, Jim Crow wedged the windows wide open. And that is the thing about Senator McConnell's "something": It was 150 years ago. And it was right now.

The typical black family in this country has one-tenth the wealth of the typical white family. Black women die in childbirth at four times the rate of white women. And there is, of course, the shame of this land of the free boasting the largest prison population on the planet, of which the descendants of the enslaved make up the largest share.

The matter of reparations is one of making amends and direct redress, but it is also a question of citizenship. In H.R. 40, this body has a chance to both make good on its 2009 apology for enslavement, and reject fair-weather patriotism, to say that this nation is both its credits and debits. That if Thomas Jefferson matters, so does Sally Hemings. That if D-Day matters, so does Black Wall Street. That if Valley Forge matters, so does Fort Pillow.

Because the question really is not whether we'll be tied to the somethings of our past, but whether we are courageous enough to be tied to the whole of them. Thank you.

This transcript was reported in *The New York Times* on 19 June 19

Bridging The Divide

"I ask, can I help myself and others heal the wounds of division by first listening deeply to what my neighbors are saying and hear their hopes and dreams for the country we all love no matter our political preferences?
Can I look deeply into my heart and speak and act on my truth with compassion, love, and conviction
answering that of God in everyone?"

—Written by Nancy Nanna and submitted by Marybeth Webster



"Building Bridgers: Moving Beyond Left & Right" is a weekly or semi-weekly insightful short thought for us to ponder, at times in the form of a five-minute video, that addresses the larger umbrella of issues which includes racism. Contact the organizer, Marla Estes, to invite Building Bridgers into your inbox: marla@buildingbridgers.com. Sample: We're pre-wired to sort by in-groups and out-groups. This plays out largely in our hyper-partisanship and explains our Us vs Them mentality. Learn how this works and what you can do about it in neuroscientist Robert Sapolsky's [6-minute clip](#).

—Karen Maleski contributed this resource

Advices & Queries (& Quotes) on Silence

Remember [that] it is a still voice that speaks to us in this day, and that it is not to be heard in the noises and hurries of the mind.

—William Penn, 1691

The discipline of silence and openness must be practiced over and over, day after day, week after week, alone and with others. The Light nurtures a Seed in us but to grow, that Seed must be repeatedly exposed to the Light.

—Robert Griswold, 2010

All of us need to find a way into silence which allows us to deepen our awareness of the Divine and to find the inward source of our strength.

Amid the busyness of daily living, we seek to return to the stillness which grounds us.

We value silence, not as an end but as a means toward the end, which is communication with the Divine and fellowship with one another.

We must not remain silent when something is wrong, or when we

are led to speak out.

Seek to be formed by a practice of silence, as a foundation for a mindful life.

Do we set aside times of quiet for openness to the Spirit?

How do we bring stillness into our daily lives?

Do we seek to be formed by a living silence?

How are our lives shaped by the practice of stillness?

Do our hearts dwell in the silence beneath everyday busyness?



The silence we value is a deep stillness of heart and mind. Friends dwell in silence on many occasions. We provide for silence at weddings and memorials and at meetings for the transaction of business. Committee meetings open with silence, and silent grace quiets the heart before meals. These shared silences foster unity and charity among us.

Donnan Beeson (Deedie) Runkel

In Memoriam

“And this is the comfort of the good, that the grave cannot hold them, and that they live as soon as they die. For death is no more than a turning of us over from time to eternity.”

—William Penn (1644-1718) Quaker



Donnan Beeson (Deedie) Runkel, an Ashland author, raconteur, and innkeeper for nearly two decades, died at home on 28 November of complications from hip replacement surgery. She was 79.

Born in Princeton, W.VA. and raised in Wayne, PA., Deedie had a long career in public relations, non-profit management and government service before moving to Ashland in 2002, when she and her husband David bought and began managing Anne Hathaway's Cottage and Garden Suites on East Main Street.

In 2017, she published *Scone by Scone: Tales of an Innkeepers Life*, a collection of stories about their amusing and sometimes challenging experiences as innkeepers. Playwright Lisa Loomer commented, “the stories about an innkeeper's life are hilarious, the characters unforgettable, and the recipes delicious.”

In writing the book, Deedie returned to the college classroom 50 some years after graduating with an English degree from Penn State. In 2016, she was awarded a master's degree in fine arts from the writing program at the University of California, Riverside. Previously, she wrote an autobiographic book *Boxes: Lifting the Lid on an American Life*.

In Ashland, Deedie was an active member and past president of the Ashland Rotary Club, sang with the Peace Choir, and originated the participation of innkeepers in the Fourth of July Parade for several years under the banner “Innkeepers for Inn-Dependence.” She and a group of friends also enjoyed membership in an informal “Women and Wine” club and with another group of friends in the “Good Books, Bad Girls” book club.

Her public relations career in East Coast cities included a wide variety of activities from promoting the Playboy Club in Baltimore to improving library services throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

After a move to Washington, DC, she helped coordinate the 1971 National Conference on Aging, served as public relations and Congressional relations director for the US Peace Corps, and as executive director of Peace Links, a bi-partisan anti-nuclear war organization. She was an active member of Bethesda Friends Meeting.

From 1990 to 1994, Ms. Runkel served as the Peace Corps' country director in Belize, a program with more than 100 volunteers. Later she oversaw US international economic development aid projects in parts of Africa, the Middle East and Latin America.

A highlight of her life was participating in the Fourth UN World Conference on Women in Beijing, China in 1995.

Throughout her life, she stayed in touch with those with whom she attended school, from elementary to graduate; those who were in play groups with her children; with her bosses and her subordinates; guests at the inn; and those who shared her interests and the neighborhoods in which she lived.

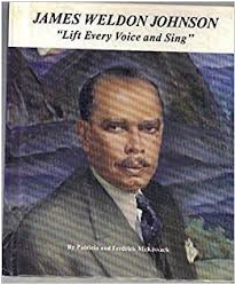
Deedie is survived by her husband of 57 years, a son, two daughters, a daughter-in-law, a son-in-law and two grandchildren, along with a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends too numerous to count.

An international Zoom celebration of her life was held 21 November with some 250 participants. Burial at The Forest on the Willow-Witt Ranch on Shale City road will be private. Contributions in her name can be made to the Ashland Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 511, Ashland, OR 97520 with funds going to purchase clothing for children in rural communities of Guanajuato, Mexico.

Arrangements: Litwiller-Simonsen Funeral Home, Ashland, Oregon. www.litwillersimonsen.com

The Black National Anthem

A group of young men in Jacksonville, Florida, arranged to celebrate Lincoln's birthday in 1900. My brother, J. Rosamond Johnson, and I decided to write a song to be sung at the exercises. I wrote the words and he wrote the music. Our New York publisher, Edward B. Marks, made mimeographed copies for us, and the song was taught to and sung by a chorus of five hundred colored school children.



Shortly afterwards my brother and I moved away from Jacksonville to New York, and the song passed out of our minds. But the school children of Jacksonville kept singing it; they went off to other schools and sang it; they became teachers and taught it to other children. Within twenty years it was being sung over the South and in some other parts of the country. Today the song, popularly known as the Negro National Hymn, is quite generally used.

The lines of this song repay me in an elation, almost of exquisite anguish, whenever I hear them sung by Negro children. —James Weldon Johnson

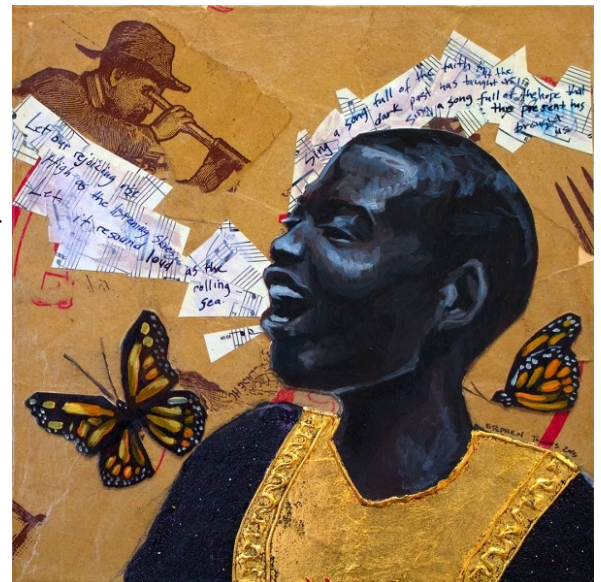
Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought 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.



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