



Lord's Day Service

At Church of the King on August 23rd, 2026

The 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." John 14:15

Call to Worship: Where God Calls Us Into His Presence

*"Give to Jehovah the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him.
Oh, worship Jehovah in the beauty of holiness!" I Chronicles 16:29*

Hear Today's Call to Worship from God's Word: [congregation standing]

Sing, O heavens, for Jehovah has done it! Shout, you lower parts of the earth; Break forth into singing, you mountains, O forest, and every tree in it! For Jehovah has redeemed Jacob, and glorified Himself in Israel. Thus says Jehovah, your Redeemer, and He who formed you from the womb: "I am Jehovah, who makes all things, Who stretches out the heavens all alone, Who spreads abroad the earth by Myself; Isaiah 44:23-24

Come, Worship Jehovah in Spirit and in Truth

God's People Respond With a Hymn of Adoration: (based on Psalm 145:10)

O worship the King all glorious above,	O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
O gratefully sing his power and His love.	Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,	His chariot of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.	And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Salutation and Response: [based on Matthew 28:19, Ruth 2:4 and Psalm 29:4,11]

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Amen!

Jehovah be with you!

And also with you!

The voice of Jehovah is strong

The voice of Jehovah is majestic!

Jehovah sits enthroned as king forever,

[men]

Jehovah gives strength to his people!

[women]

Jehovah blesses His people with peace!

Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

The Call For Confession From God's Word:

"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up." James 4:8-10

God's People sing our Hymn of Confession:

Chide Me, O LORD, No Longer

NE VEUILLES PAS, Ô SIRE (7 7 6. 7 7 6)

Psalm 6

W. W. J. VanOene, 1972; rev.

Genevan Psalter, 1542

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

1. Chide me, O LORD, no long - er, Nor chas - ten
2. My soul is trou - bled great - ly. O has - ten
3. How can the dead a - dore Thee Or bring their
4. All night, in - stead of sleep - ing, I drench my
5. De - part from me, trans - gres - sors. Flee now, all
6. The LORD heard when I plead - ed And my ap -

me in an - ger. In mer - cy hear my groans;
Thou to aid me. Why dost Thou tar - ry, LORD?
thanks be - fore Thee, Or praise Thy ho - ly Name?
couch with weep - ing. With grief my eyes grow weak,
you op - pres - sors: The LORD did heed my cry!
peals He heed - ed. My foes shall be a - shamed,

O LORD, see how I lan - guish. Heal Thou
Turn back and show Thy fa - vor; Me in
I'm wea - ry with my moan - ing, Worn out
Since foes with bate sur - round me And with -
He heard my sup - pli - ca - tion, My plea -
For sud - den fear shall shake them, And pan -

my bit - ter an - guish, For trou - bled are my bones.
Thy love de - liv - er, Ac - cord - ing to Thy word!
with con - stant groan - ing And o - ver - come with shame.
out ceas - ing bound me; My ru - in they all seek.
for con - so - la - tion, And with His help is nigh.
ic o - ver - take them. Their doom has He pro - claimed.

Silent Confession: *"This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." 1 Timothy 1:15*

Those who are willing and able are invited to kneel for our time of confession.

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Lord God our Savior, who has performed the mercy promised to our fathers, and remembered your holy covenant made in ages past, we ask you to forgive our sins and deliver us from our enemies. Through your tender mercies, with which the Dayspring from on high has visited us, even we who have sat in darkness and the shadow of death, give us your light to guide our feet into the way of peace. Grant that we might serve Christ our Lord without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our lives. For we pray in the name of our only Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN!

Arise and Receive the Assurance of Pardon & Forgiveness:

"Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And Jehovah has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment, and who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken." Isaiah 53:4-8

Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ: As an officer in Christ's Church, ministering in His name, I now proclaim to us the forgiveness of sins, and declare, according to the Scriptures, that having truly trusted in Jesus, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, that our sins are not only forgiven on earth, but also in heaven throughout eternity.

I must also state to any here, who are not truly confessing sin and have no desire to live in obedience to Jesus Christ: Your sins are held against you in the Holy Judgement of God. You cannot be forgiven, unless you repent and seek forgiveness through the sacrifice and obedience of Jesus Christ. This I declare in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen. **Come, Let us worship the Lord!**

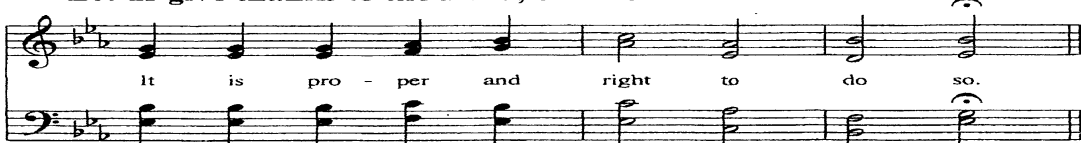
Come Bless the Father:



Lift up your hearts!



Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!



Truly it is proper and right that we should at all times and in all places give praise to you O LORD. And so, with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church, as she gathers throughout the world this day, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you & singing:

God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks:

2 pages

(Congregation standing)

"Stand up and bless Jehovah your God Forever and ever!" "Blessed be Your glorious name, Which is exalted above all blessing and praise!" Nehemiah 9:5b

Rejoice Ye in the LORD, O Righteous

Psalm 33

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Genevan Psalter, 1543

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

W. van der Kamp, 1972
and William Helder, 1980

1. Re - joice ye in the LORD, O right - eous,
2. He by His word has made the heav - ens;
3. God brings to naught the na - tions' coun - sel;
4. The LORD looks from His heaven - ly dwell - ing
5. No king is saved by his great ar - my;
6. Our soul a - waits the great Re - deem - er;

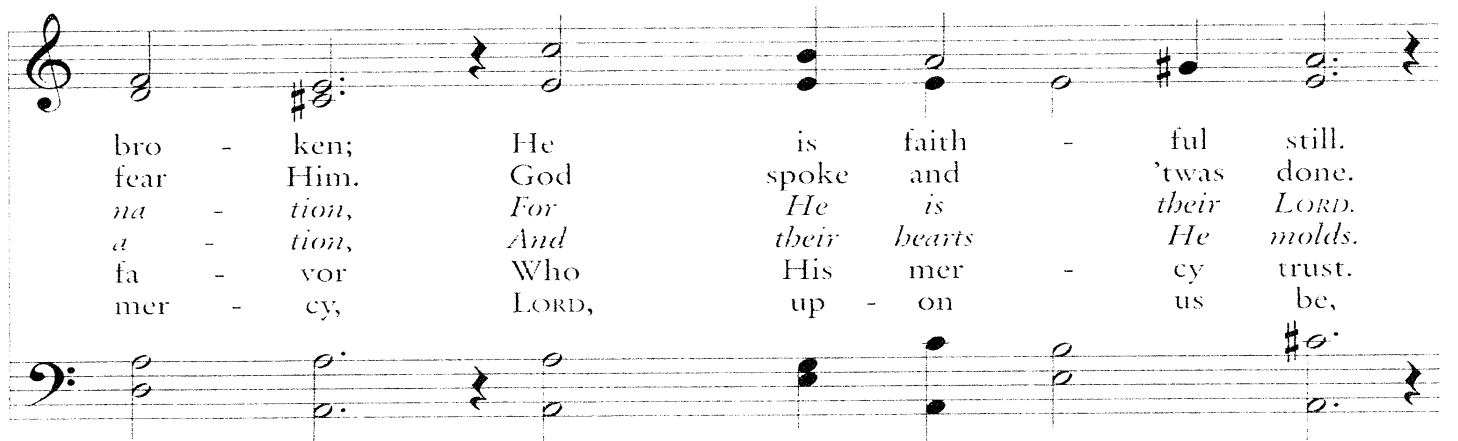
And let a new song fill the air.
Their host ap - peared by His de - cree.
He fin - ishes all the peo - ples' plans.
And He be - holds the hu - man race;
By strength the might - y are not freed.
Our help and shield, Him we ac - claim.

Praise is be - com - ing to the up - right;
He gath - ered in His store - house cham - bers
The LORD is stead - fast in His pur - pose;
The earth and all its pop - u - la - tion
A horse of war will bring no vic - t'ry;
Our hearts re - joice in Him and glo - ry,

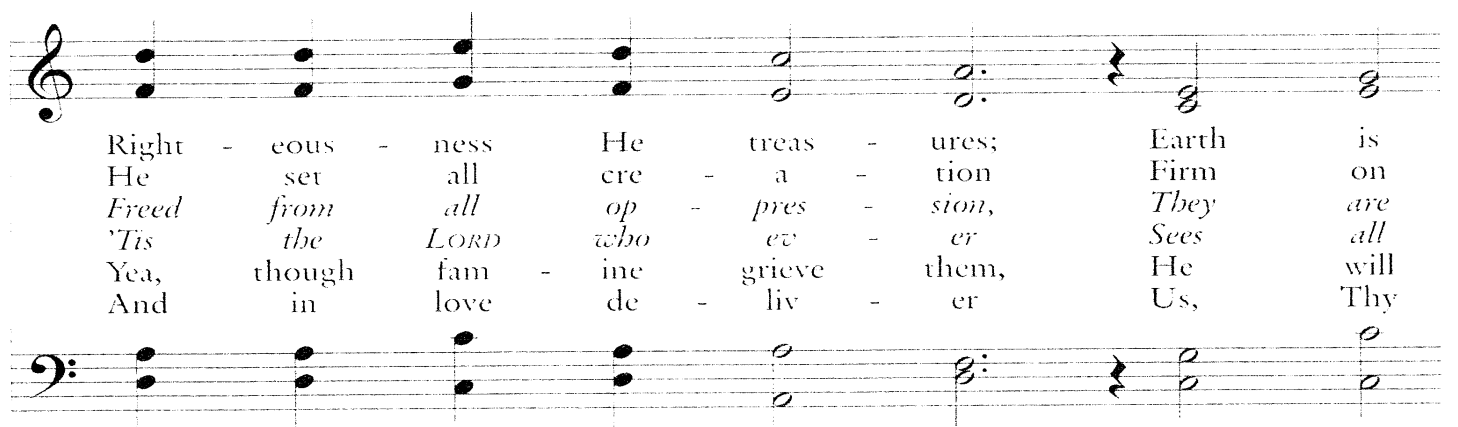
With harp and lyre His fame de - clare.
The wa - ters of the deep - est sea.
For ev - er - more His coun - sel stands.
He sees from that ex - alt - ed place.
In vain the war - rior trusts his steed.
For we trust in His ho - ly Name.



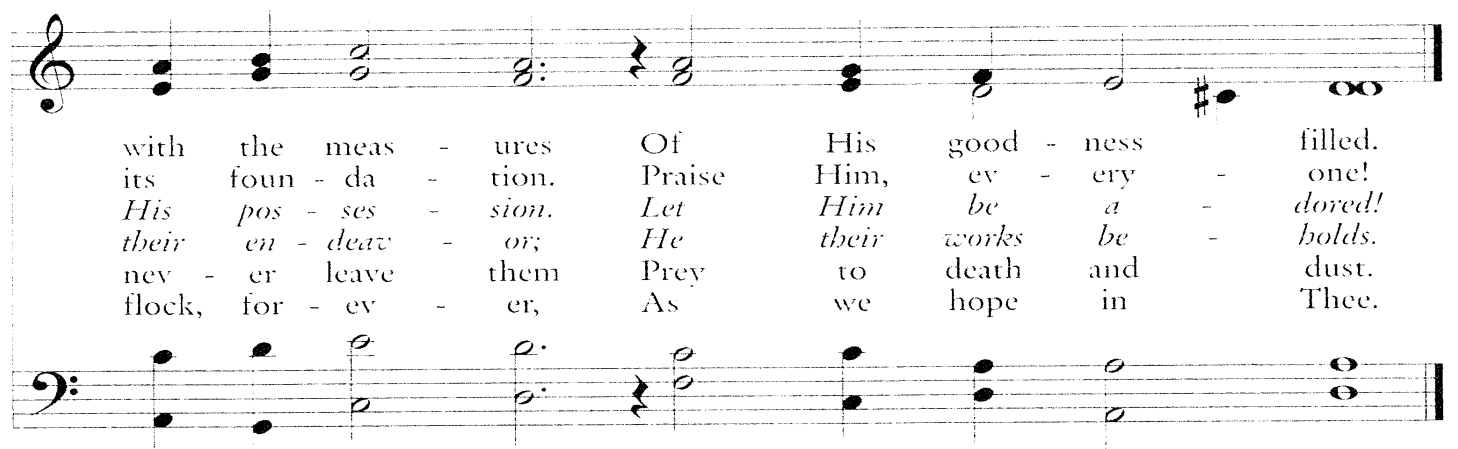
For the LORD has spo - ken Words of truth un -
 Let the earth re - vere Him And its peo - ples
Blessed with His sal - va - tion Is His cho - sen
He knows ev - ery na - tion; All are His cre -
 But the LORD our Sav - ior Looks on those with
 So we hum - bly pray Thee, Let Thy stead - fast



bro - ken; He is faith - ful still.
 fear Him. God spoke and 'twas done.
na - tion, For He is their LORD.
a - tion, And their hearts He molds.
 fa - vor Who His mer - cy trust.
 mer - cy, LORD, up - on us be,



Right - eous - ness He treas - ures; Earth is
 He set all cre - a - tion Firm on
Freed from all op - pres - sion, They are
'Tis the LORD who ev - er Sees all
 Yea, though fam - ine grieve them, He will
 And in love de - liv - er Us, Thy



with the meas - ures Of His good - ness filled.
 its foun - da - tion. Praise Him, ev - ery - one!
His pos - ses - sion. Let Him be a - dored!
their en - deav - or; He their works be - holds.
 nev - er leave them Prey to death and dust.
 flock, for - ev - er, As we hope in Thee.

The Sacrament of Baptism:

The Kendrick Household presents **Salem Elani;**
For Baptism into the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

"Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. "Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." Luke 18:15-17

"Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." Acts 2:38, 39

Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. I Corinthians 10:1-4

Hymn of Thanks: *Beneath the Blood-Stained Doorpost*

Based on Exodus 12, words attributed to Harry Ironside, sung to the tune of O Sacred Head Now Wounded

***Beneath the blood-stained doorpost I with my children stand;
A messenger of evil is passing through the land.
There is no other refuge from the destroyer's face;
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost shall be our hiding place.***

***My Savior, for my dear ones I claim Thy promise true.
The Lamb is "for the household"—the children's Savior too.
On earth the little children once felt Thy touch divine;
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost Thy blessing give to mine.***

***O Thou who gave them, guard them, those wayward little feet,
The wilderness before them, the ills of life to meet.
My mother love is helpless, I trust them to Thy care!
Beneath the blood-stained doorpost, oh, keep me ever there!***

Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People

"You are My witnesses," says Jehovah, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me. I, even I, am Jehovah, And besides Me there is no savior. Isaiah 43:10-11

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD: Genesis 1:1 – 2:2

2 pages

The Creation of the Heavens and the Earth

[1] In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness.

God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

Then God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so.

And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day.

Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so.

And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth"; and it was so.

And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. So the evening and the morning were the third day.

Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.

Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." So the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so.

And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

And God said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food"; and it was so.

Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

[2:1] Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.

God's People Respond With The Singing Of:

Psalm 19

2 pages [congregation standing]

*"Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!
Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works!" Psalm 105:1,2*

New King James Version

Psalm 19

David R. Erb, 2007

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

1 The heav - ens de - clare the glo - ry of God; And the firm - a - ment shows His hand - i - work.

5 Day un - to day ut - ters speech, And night un - to night re - veals know - ledge.

7 There is no speech nor lan - guage Where their voice is not heard.

9 Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world.

13 In them He has set a ta - ber - na - cle for the sun,

17 Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his cham - ber, And rejoices like a strong man to run its race.

19 Its ris - ing is from one end of heav'n, And its cir - cuit to the oth - er end;

23 And there is no - thing hid - den from its heat.

27 A5

7 The law of the LORD is perfect, con - vert - ing the soul;
 8 The statutes of the LORD are right, re - joic - ing the heart;
 9 The fear of the LORD is clean, endur - ing for - ev - er;

28 C- D5 E

The testimony of the LORD is sure, mak - ing wise the simple;
 The commandment of the LORD is pure, en - light - en - ing the eyes;
 The judgments of the LORD are true and right - eous al - to - gether.

29 Am G F Dm E Am G B C

10 More to be de - sired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold;

32 E5 Am G F Dm E

Sweet - er al - so than hon - ey and the hon - ey - comb.

35 Am G Am F G Asus9 Am

11 More - o - ver by them Your ser - vant is warned,

39 C G F B7 F E

And in keep - ing them there is great re - ward.

43 A5

12 Who can under - stand his er - rors?
 13 Keep back Your servant also from pre - sump - tuous sins;
 Then I shall be blame - less,

44 C- D5 E

Cleanse me from sec - ret faults.
 Let them not have do - min - ion o - ver me.
 And I shall be inno - cent of great trans - gression.

45 Am G Am F G Asus9 Am

14 Let the words of my mouth and the med - i - ta - tion of my heart

49 C G F B7 F E

Be ac - cept - a - ble in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Re - deem - er.

God Speaks to Us Through His Word: Scripture, Prayer for Illumination, and Sermon

"Blessed is the man whom You instruct, O Jehovah, and teach out of Your law." Psalm 94:12

"Jesus Replaces the Temple"

From **Pastor Zak Graves**

Based on **John 2:18-22**

God's People Sing a Hymn of Response:

[congregation standing]

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High" Psalm 92:1

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

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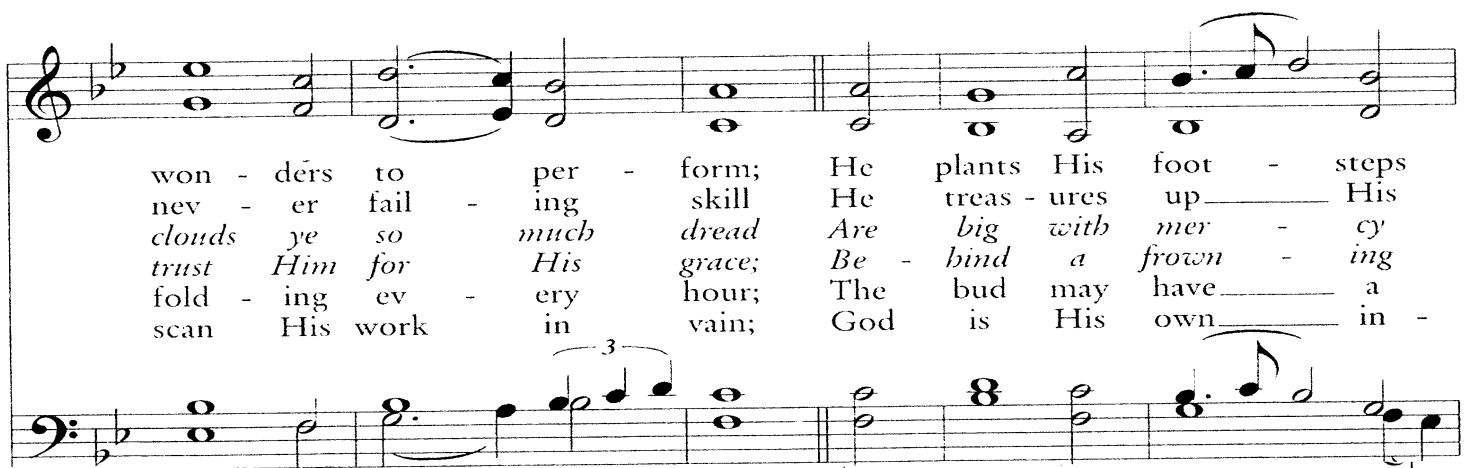
Alexander Gillet, *Harmonia Sacra*, 1867

William Cowper, 1774

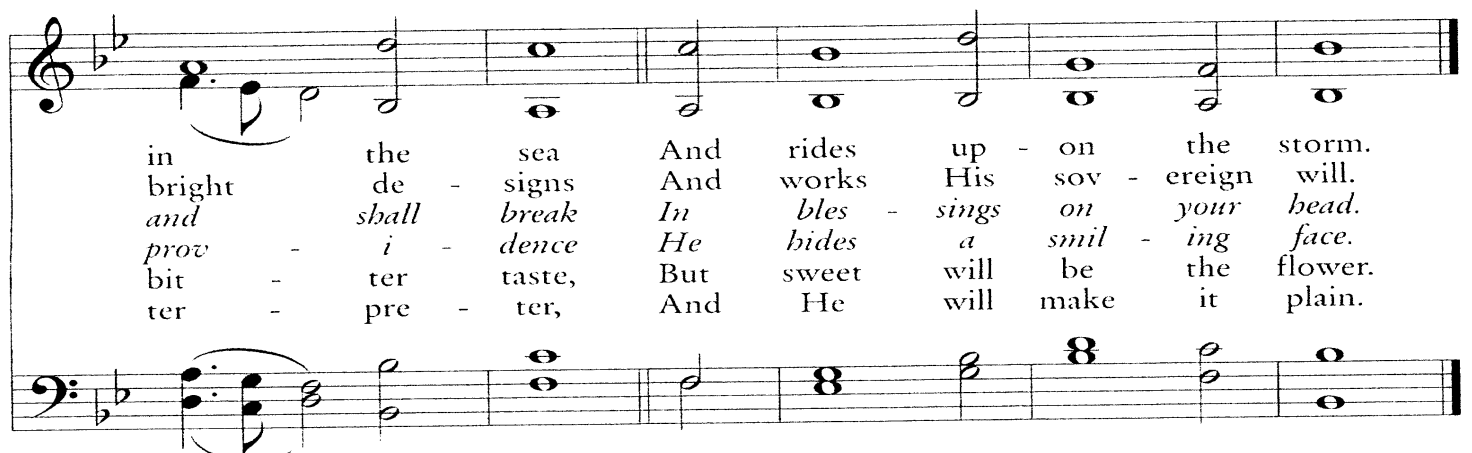


1. God moves in a mys - te - rious way His
2. Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines Of
3. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The
4. Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But
5. His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, Un -
6. Blind un - be - lief is sure to err And

Melody



won - ders to per - form; He plants His foot - steps
nev - er fail - ing skill He treas - ures up His
clouds ye so much dread Are big with mer - cy
trust Him for His grace; Be - hind a frown - ing
fold - ing ev - ery hour; The bud may have a
scan His work in vain; God is His own in -



in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
bright de - signs And works His sov - ereign will.
and shall break In bles - sings on your head.
prov - i - dence He hides a smil - ing face.
bit - ter taste, But sweet will be the flower.
ter - pre - ter, And He will make it plain.

God Receives our Tithes and Gifts as a Tribute Offering: *[read in unison]*

Then everyone came whose heart was stirred, and everyone whose spirit was willing, *and* they brought Jehovah's offering for the work of the tabernacle of meeting, for all its service, and for the holy garments. They came, both men and women, as many as had a willing heart, *and* brought earrings and nose rings, rings and necklaces, all jewelry of gold, that is, every man who *made* an offering of gold to Jehovah.

Exodus 35:21-22

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings:

With the Singing of Psalm 24:1-4 & the Doxology

Words composed by Brenda Fisher

1: Earth is the Lord's, all it contains.	2: Who may stand in God's Holy place?
The world and those on its terrains.	Who may ascend before His face?
For on the seas He founded it,	He has a pure heart and clean hands.
And on the waters stablished it.	He worships God, keeps His commands.

**3: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Prayer, Concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

Kris Folz

**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 the evil one,
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever: AMEN**

[Matthew 6:9-13]

Communion: Where God Communes With His People

Preparation for Communion:

Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and are not under discipline from Christ's Church are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord, our God will call.

Our Confession of Faith - The Apostle's Creed [sung with music by Amber Bartels]

Piano

The musical score is written for piano in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of nine systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes measure numbers 8, 16, 25, 35, 43, 52, 60, and 70. The lyrics are: 'I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth; And in Je-sus Christ, His on-ly be-got-ten Son, our Lord; Who was con-ceived by the Ho-ly Spi-rit, born of the vir-gin Ma-ry, Suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, was cru-ci-fied, dead and bur-ied; He de-scend-ed In-to hell, the thir-d day He rose a-gain from the dead; He as-cend-ed In-to heav-en, and sit-teth at the right hand of God the Fath-er Al-migh-ty; From thence He shall come to judge the liv-ing and the dead. I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit, I be-lieve a ho-ly cath-olic Church, the com-mun-ion of saints, the for-give-ness of sins; the re-sur-rec-tion of the bo-dy, and the life ev-er-last-ing. A-men.'

I be-lieve in God the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth;

And in Je-sus Christ, His on-ly be-got-ten Son, our Lord; Who was con-ceived by the

Ho-ly Spi-rit, born of the vir-gin Ma-ry, Suf-fered un-der Pon-tius

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re-sur-rec-tion of the bo-dy, and the life ev-er-last-ing. A-men.

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE: (Peace Offering, Gift of Life)

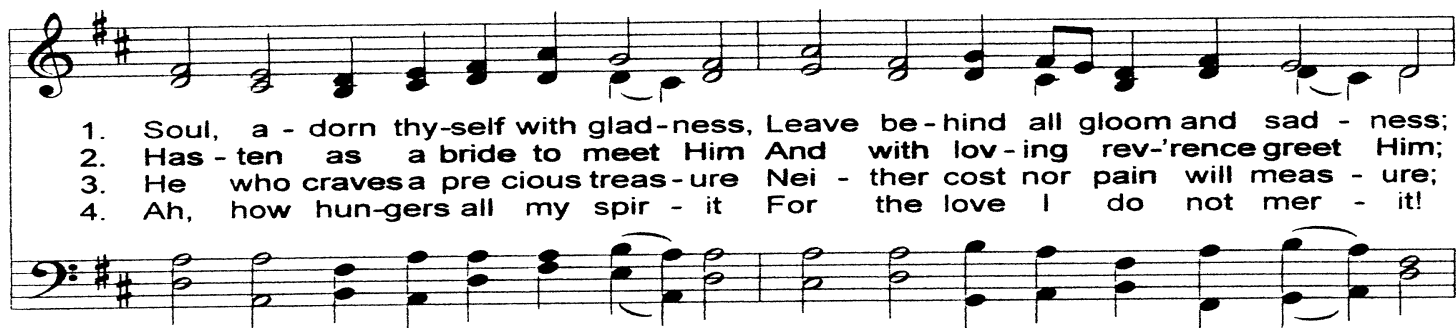
A Word of Encouragement -- Giving of Thanks -- Breaking of the Bread **God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks and Celebration:**

(Sung as a representative of each family comes forward to receive their bread and wine)

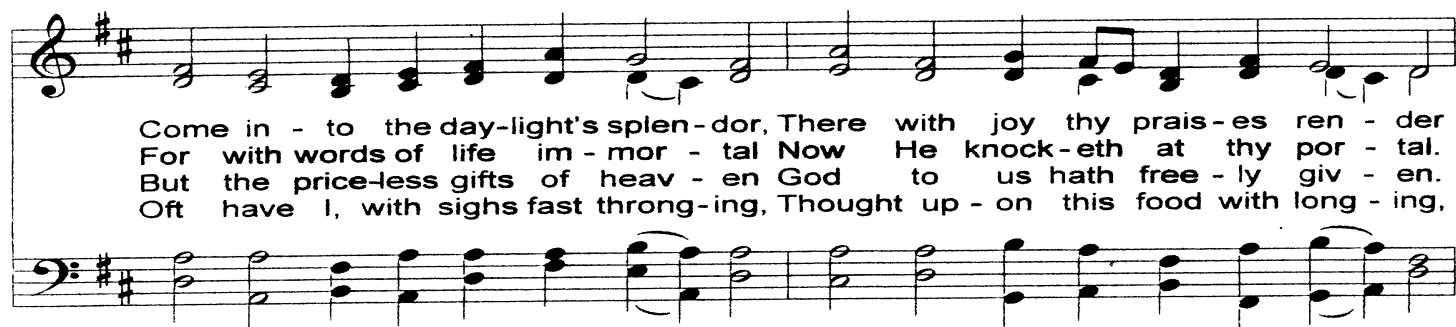
Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness

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Johann Crüger, 1649

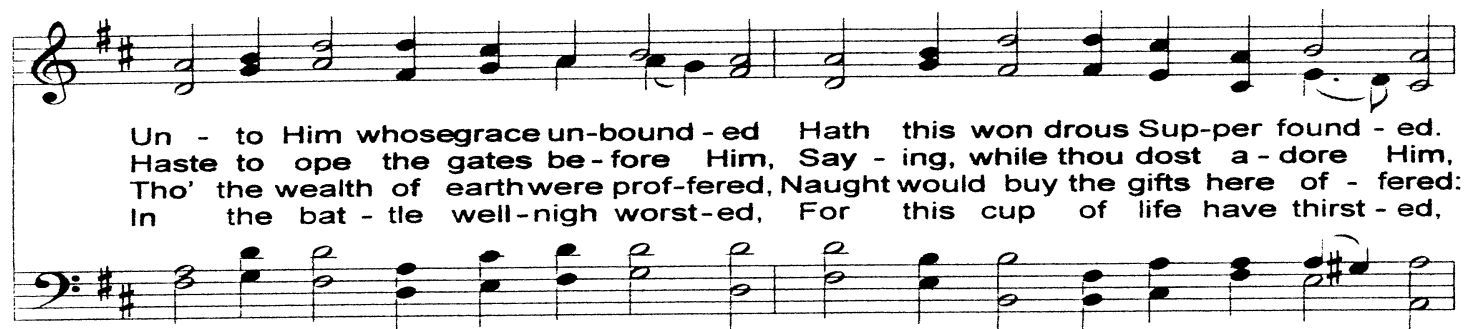
Johann Franck, 1649
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.



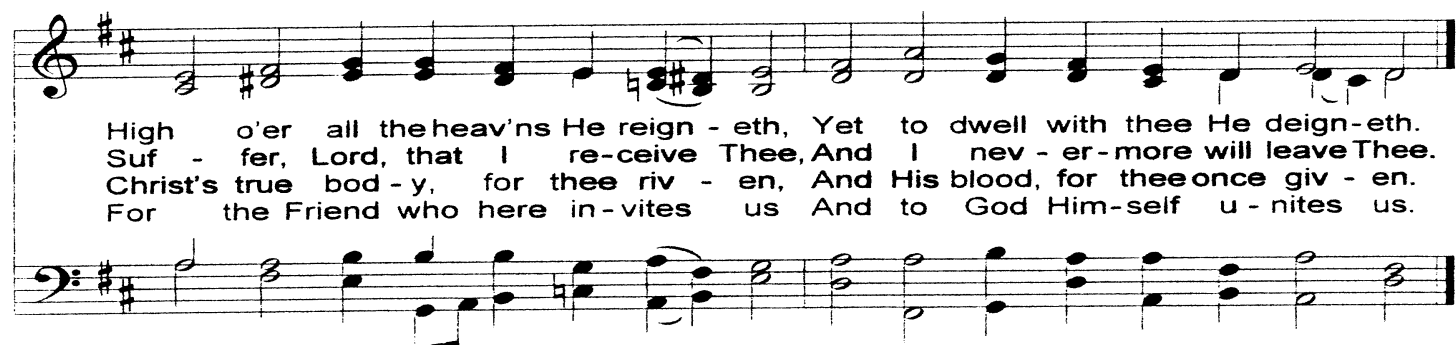
1. Soul, a - dorn thy-self with glad-ness, Leave be - hind all gloom and sad - ness;
2. Has - ten as a bride to meet Him And with lov - ing rev'-rence greet Him;
3. He who craves a pre cious treas - ure Nei - ther cost nor pain will meas - ure;
4. Ah, how hun-gers all my spir - it For the love I do not mer - it!



Come in - to the day-light's splen - dor, There with joy thy prais - es ren - der
For with words of life im - mor - tal Now He knock - eth at thy por - tal.
But the price-less gifts of heav - en God to us hath free - ly giv - en.
Oft have I, with sighs fast throng-ing, Thought up - on this food with long - ing,



Un - to Him whose grace un-bound - ed Hath this won drous Sup - per found - ed.
Haste to ope the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, while thou dost a - dore Him,
Tho' the wealth of earth were prof - er'd, Naught would buy the gifts here of - fer'd:
In the bat - tle well-nigh worst-ed, For this cup of life have thirst - ed,



High o'er all the heav'ns He reign - eth, Yet to dwell with thee He deign - eth.
Suf - fer, Lord, that I re - ceive Thee, And I nev - er - more will leave Thee.
Christ's true bod - y, for thee riv - en, And His blood, for thee once giv - en.
For the Friend who here in - vites us And to God Him - self u - nites us.

Feasting at the Lord's Table: A simple act of obedience on the 1st day of a new week.
Partaking of the Bread Together -- Giving Thanks -- Partaking of the Wine

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26

Commissioning: Where God Sends Out His People

"All Your works shall praise You, O Jehovah, and Your saints shall bless You. They shall speak of the Glory of Your Kingdom, and talk of Your Power, to make known to the sons of men His Mighty Acts, And the Glorious Majesty of His Kingdom. Your Kingdom is an Everlasting Kingdom, And Your Dominion endures throughout all generations." Psalm 145:10-13

God's People Prepare To Be Sent Forth:

A Mighty Fortress

Martin Luther, 1529

Tr. by Frederick H. Hedge, 1853

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Martin Luther, 1529



1. A might-y For-tress is our God, A Bul-wark nev-er fail-ing;
2. Did we in our own strength con-fide, Our striv-ing would be los-ing;
3. And though this world; with dev-ils filled, Should threat-en to un-do us,
4. That Word a-bove all earth-ly powers, No thanks to them, a-bid-eth;



Our Help-er he a-mid the flood Of mor-tal ills pre-vail-ing.
Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choos-ing.
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to tri-umph through us.
The Spir-it and the gifts are ours Through him who with us sid-eth;



For still our an-cient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow'r are
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je-sus, it is he, Lord Sab-a-oth his
The prince of dark-ness grim, We trem-ble not for him; His rage we can en-
Let goods and kin-dred go, This mor-tal life al-so; The bod-y they may



great; And, armed with cru-el hate, On earth is not his e-qual.
Name, From age to age the same, And he must win the bat-tle.
dure, For lo! his doom is sure; One lit-tle word shall fell him.
kill: God's truth a-bid-eth still; His king-dom is for ev-er.



God Blesses His People – The Benediction:

[congregation standing]

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit *be* with you all. Amen.” 2 Cor 13:14

God’s People Depart to Serve the Risen & Reigning Savior by Singing:

Simeon’s Prayer & the Gloria Patri

Lord, now let-est Thou Thy ser- vant de- part in peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word:

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal-va- tion, Which Thou hast pre- pared be- fore the face of all peo-ple;

A light to high- ten the Gen- tiles, and the glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - ra - el.

With Lifted Hands: **Glory Be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,**
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

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93. How are these Ten Commandments divided?

Into two tables:[1] the first of which teaches, in four commandments, what duties we owe to God; the second, in six, what duties we owe to our neighbor.[2]

[1] Ex. 34:28; Deut. 4:13. [2] Matt. 22:37–40.

94. What does God require in the first commandment?

That, on peril of my soul’s salvation, I avoid and flee all idolatry,[1] sorcery, enchantments,[2] invocation of saints or of other creatures,[3] and that I rightly acknowledge the only true God,[4] trust in Him alone,[5] with all humility [6] and patience [7] expect all good from Him only,[8] and love,[9] fear,[10] and honor [11] Him with my whole heart; so as rather to renounce all creatures than to do the least thing against His will.[12]

[1] 1

Cor. 10:7, 14. [2] Lev. 19:31; Deut. 18:10–12. [3] Matt. 4:10; Rev. 19:10; 22:8–9. [4] Jn. 17:3. [5] Jer. 17:5.

[6] 1 Pet.

5:5–6. [7] Heb. 10:36; Col. 1:10b–11; Rom. 5:3–4; 1 Cor. 10:10. [8] Ps. 104:27–30; Isa. 45:6b–7; Jas. 1:17. [9] Deut. 6:5.

[9] Deut. 6:5.

[10] Deut. 6:2; Ps. 111:10; Prov. 9:10; Matt. 10:28. [11] Deut. 10:20. [12] Matt. 5:29–30; 10:37; Acts 5:29.

95. What is idolatry?

Idolatry is to conceive or have something else in which to place our trust instead of, or besides, the one true God who has revealed Himself in His Word.[1]

[1] Eph. 5:5; Phil. 3:19; Eph. 2:12; Jn. 2:23; 2 Jn. 1:9; Jn. 5:23; *Ps. 81:8–9; *Matt. 6:24; Ps. 62:5–7 *Ps. 73:25–26.