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Methodist Beliefs: Grace

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Today's Lay Reader: Naamah Leary

Welcome

Prelude

O Love, How Deep

Paul Manz

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Come from our sanctuary or from your home. Come at 11 AM on Sunday or any time during the week. Come whenever and wherever you are. Come! Worship is called in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

People: **We come, ready to experience God's grace!**

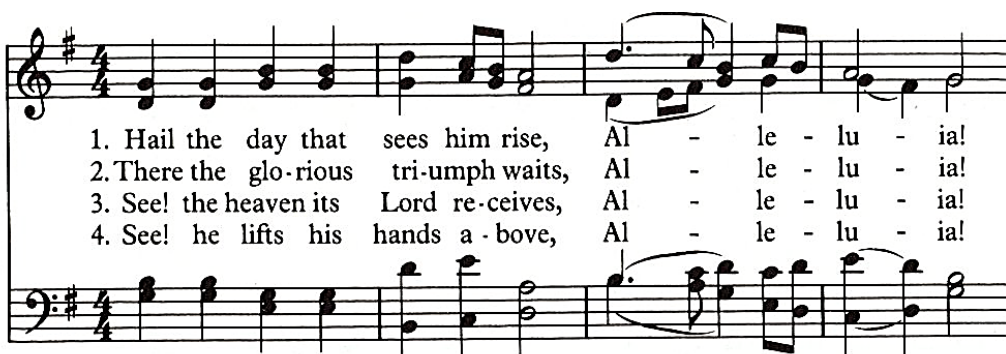
Leader: When we experience God's grace, our lives are transformed!

People: **What do we do with our transformed lives? We transform others in Jesus' name!**

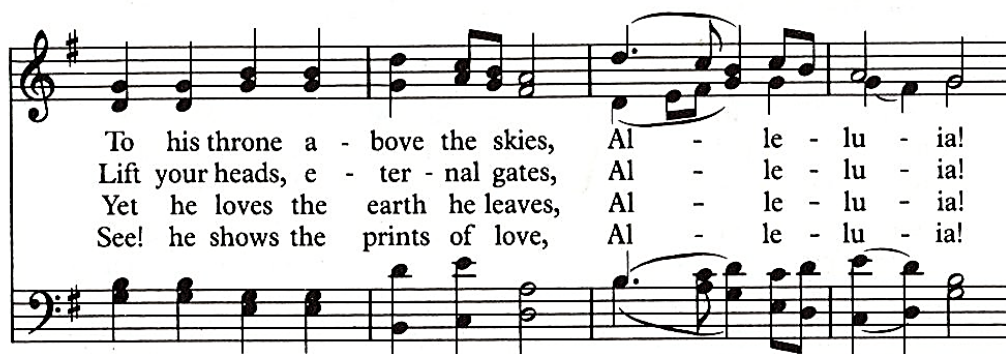
Hymn

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise

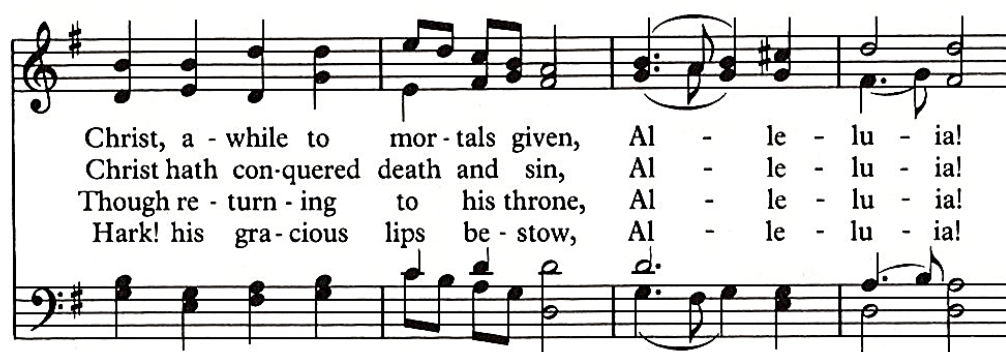
(verses 1, 2, and 4)



1. Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. There the glo-rious tri-umph waits, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. See! the heaven its Lord re-ceives, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. See! he lifts his hands a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



To his throne a - bove the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Yet he loves the earth he leaves, Al - le - lu - ia!
 See! he shows the prints of love, Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor-tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ hath con-quired death and sin, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Hark! his gra-cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!



Re - as - cends his na - tive heaven, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Take the King of glo - ry in, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Still he calls the world his own, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Bless-ings on his church be - low, Al - le - lu - ia!

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for your grace; your undeserved love gifted to us. Your grace is amazing! Through the Holy Spirit, you bring love into the human experience. Through grace you act first. Through grace we are able to respond to your love. Your grace prepares us, redeems us and continually shapes us into the people you created us to be. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn

Freely, Freely



1. God for - gave my sin in Je - sus' name, I've been
2. All power is given in Je - sus' name, in

born a - gain in Je - sus' name, and in Je - sus' name I
earth and heaven in Je - sus' name, and in Je - sus' name I

come to you, to share his love as he told me to.
come to you, to share his power as he told me to.

Refrain

He said, "Free - ly, free - ly you have re - ceived,
free - ly, free - ly give. Go in my name, and be -
cause you be - lieve, oth - ers will know that I live."

Men's Chorus

Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

Scripture Lesson

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Message

Methodist Beliefs: Grace

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

In Paradisum

Henri Mulet

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn

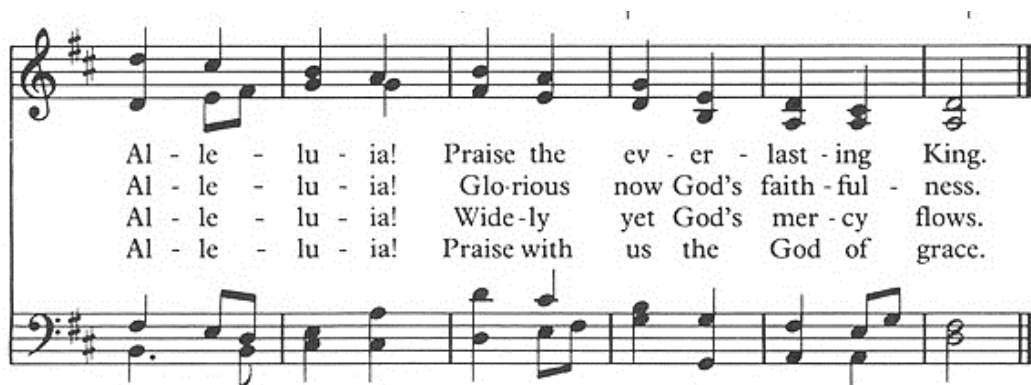
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

(verses 1, 3, and 4)

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to the throne thy
 2. Praise the Lord for grace and fa - vor to all peo - ple
 3. Fa - ther - like, God tends and spares us; well our fee - ble
 4. An - gels in the heights, a - dor - ing, you be - hold God

trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; praise God, still the same as ev - er,
 frame God knows; moth - er - like, God gent - ly bears us,
 face to face; saints tri - um - phant, now a - dor - ing,

ev - er - more God's prais - es sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 slow to chide, and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!
 res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
 gath - ered in from ev - ery race. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious now God's faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet God's mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Benediction

Postlude

To God Be the Glory

William Doane