

A Celebration of 250 Years of American Music

July 19, 2026

All of the music and song texts for July and August will be from American sources.

Each week we will publish notes about their history, usage and popularity.

Did you know: Most hymns have a tune name, written in italics at the bottom of the hymn.

Organ Prelude: “This Little Light o’ Mine”

From inventions to hymns! In the world of African-American spirituals, this is “the other tune” for a set of words familiar to congregations. Because the text gives examples of overcoming darkness with light, the tune name *Lattimer* was a tribute to the collaborative efforts of inventors Thomas Edison and Louis Lattimer in developing the incandescent light bulb.

Processional Hymn: “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

A visit leads to a permanent memory: Writer and musician Kathleen Thomerson, 1934-2025, was an internationally trained organist and choir director who loved writing hymns. The first time she heard this hymn of hers sung was during a visit to Church of the Redeemer in Houston, TX. She was deeply moved and immediately decided to assign *Houston* as the hymn tune name.

Gradual Song: “Heleluyan” (*Alleluia*)

The oral tradition of teaching music is the reason there is no conclusive evidence of a particular composer for “Heleluyan,” although it is believed to have originated during the *Trial of Tears*, a forced displacement of 60,000 Native Americans between 1830 and 1850.

Sequence Hymn: “We All Are One in Mission”

Family piano teacher: For those of you who have a special memory of someone who was your first teacher – at anything – the simple story of the tune name for this hymn was that the Texas-born melody writer Hal Hopson’s first piano teacher was his sister, Merle. Hal was the composer of over 3,000 sacred musical works and died at the age of 92 exactly 1 year ago tomorrow.

Offertory Choir Anthem: “What Gift Can We Bring”

Texas again: In more recent centuries it has become common for the writer of a hymn text to also write a tune. Dallas-born Jane Marshall wrote both words and music for this hymn, which has been arranged for choir. The tune, named *Anniversary Song* because it was written for the 25th anniversary of Northaven United Methodist Church in Dallas, was carefully crafted to help emphasize the text’s focus on how the vision of those before us has made our ministry possible; thus, we are now doing the same for future generations.

Song of Thanks: “Give Thanks”

Our services on the 4th Sunday of every month have been including “Give Thanks,” written by North Carolina-born Henry Smith, who has written over 300 songs for worship, all biblically inspired. The structure of the melody and the progression of harmonies have a way that seems to make singers want to add power as the song progresses.

Communion Responses: Sanctus, Memorial Acclamations and Great Amen

For many years our summer worship has included these musical arrangements of the familiar Communion texts, written by Mark Miller, a graduate of Yale and The Julliard, who is now professor of church music and composer-in-residence at Drew Seminary in Madison, NJ.

The Lord's Prayer

A strong tradition of our monthly liturgy structure includes the singing of "The Lord's Prayer" on the 3rd Sunday of each month as well as other special Sundays. Albert Hay Malotte's musical setting is beloved for its dramatic emotional arc. It perfectly blends the intimate, conversational nature of personal prayer with a majestic, operatic climax that expresses the universal awe and grandeur of faith. Singing the prayer sets a pace and feeling of being unhurried in uttering words that are so commonly known and can be spoken in a rote way.

Fraction Anthem: "In Christ Alone"

"In Christ Alone" is a modern Christian hymn written in 2001 by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend. The song traces the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and what it means for believers. Verse 1 establishes Christ as the foundation and source of peace. Verse 2 focuses on the incarnation and the substitutionary atonement on the cross. Verse 3 details the resurrection and victory over sin's curse. Verse 4 expresses confidence in Christ's power to guide a believer's destiny until return or death. Although we won't be able to sing it all today, the words are wonderful for meditating upon during Communion.

Communion Hymn: "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"

This spiritual personalizes the account of the ascension of Elijah in 2 Kings – a chariot of fire and horses ascending in a whirlwind up to heaven. This is one of a family of songs in which a great golden vehicle, powered and directed by God, manned by angels, comes down from heaven through the skies to pick up and elevate particular individuals.

Communion Hymn: "The Old Rugged Cross"

There are just a handful of hymns that are so loved yet demonstrate musical and theological shortcomings. In the end, the compelling witness for the gospel not only wins out, but the deep and personal connection some people have with the text and music is very moving. The song was popularized during Billy Sunday's evangelistic campaigns in the 1910s.

Recessional Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

The final hymn for our service today pairs well with "The Old Rugged Cross" with its central theme of something that is unchanging – in this case, God – in a world that's always changing. Unlike some hymns that are born out of tragedy, writer Thomas Chisholm, 1923, reflects more on the way God is present in our lives on a daily basis by providing what we need.

Organ Postlude: "O Magnify the Lord"

Texas meets Ohio: Melodie Tunney grew up in Texas but met her Ohio husband, Dick, when they joined a traveling gospel choir named *Truth*. They love sharing the story about how they each had specific life plans, but felt God bringing them together for the soul purpose of worship ministry. They became engaged 2 weeks later!

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Proper 11

July 19, 2026

THE HOLY EUCHARIST -- RITE II – 9:30 A.M.

The Organ Prelude “This Little Light o’ Mine” (tune: *Lattimer*) arr. Charles Callahan

*Please help maintain an atmosphere of silence during The Prelude,
for prayer, reflection and preparation.*

The Processional Hymn “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

1. I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
2. I want to see the bright - ness of God. I want to
3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness,
be with Je - sus. When we have run with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The night and the
day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the
cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

***People:* One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

silence is kept

***ALL:* O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The First Lesson

Genesis 28:10-19a

Reader: A reading from Genesis, chapter 28, verses 10 through 19a:

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23

Leader: Let us read Psalm 139 verses 1 through 11 responsively by half verse,

- 1 God, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O God, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 even there your hand will lead me *
and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, *
and the light around me turn to night,"
- 11 darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.

- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; *
try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me *
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

The Second Lesson

Romans 8:12-25

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter 8, verses 12 through 25:

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn

"We All Are One in Mission"

Unison

1. We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2. We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
 3. Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.

our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - frent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.

A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

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The Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds

appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

***People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Mother Kimberly Still, Priest-in-Residence

Moments for Meditation *seated*

Holy Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents:

I present Oliver Knight Bond to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents:

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents:

I will, with God's help.

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

***Answer:* I renounce them.**

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

***Answer:* I renounce them.**

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

***Answer:* I renounce them.**

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

***Answer:* I do.**

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

***Answer:* I do.**

Question: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

***Answer:* I do.**

*After the candidate has been presented,
the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying:*

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

***People:* We will.**

Celebrant: Let us join with Oliver who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?

***People:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***People:* 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.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

***People:* 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.**

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

***People:* I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

***People:* I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

***People:* I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

***People:* I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

***People:* I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate

Celebrant: Let us now pray for Oliver who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver Oliver, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Open Oliver's heart to your grace and truth.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Fill Oliver with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Keep Oliver in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Teach Oliver to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Send Oliver into the world in witness to your love.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bring Oliver to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***People:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

***ALL:* Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.
Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage
in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus
received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy
Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death
and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.
We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are
buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his
resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his
fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in
the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Celebrant: Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your
Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and
born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus
Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and
glory, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

The Baptism

Celebrant: Name this child.

Parents and Godparents: Oliver Knight.

Celebrant: Oliver Knight, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of
the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

ALL: Amen.

Celebrant: Oliver, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

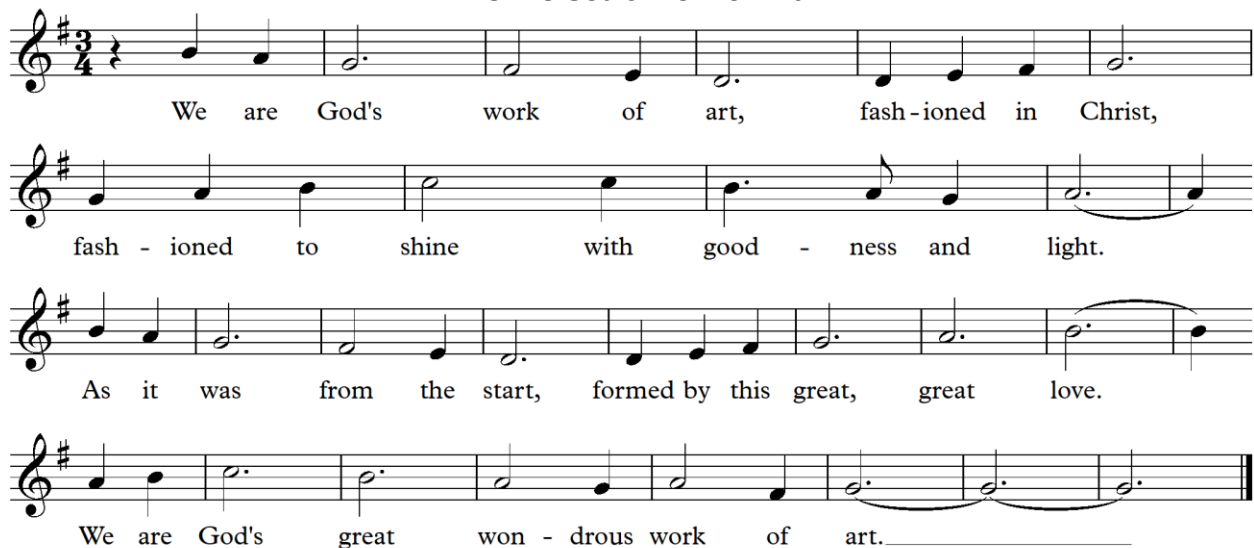
ALL: Amen.

Presentation of the Baptismal Candle

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

ALL: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

"We Are God's Work of Art "



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The Peace

The Welcome and Announcements

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Offertory

The food brought forward at the Offertory is donated to our outreach at Holy Redeemer Episcopal Church. Please place non-perishable food items in the baskets behind the last pew each Sunday.

The Offertory Anthem

"What Gift Can We Bring"

Jane Marshall

Parish Choir

Song of Thanks "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One, give thanks__ be-cause God's
giv-en Je - sus Christ, the__ Son. Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give
thanks to the ho - ly One, give thanks__ be-cause God's giv-en Je - sus Christ, the__
Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am
rich__ be-cause of what our God has done for__ us." And now let the weak say, "I am
strong." Let the poor say, "I am rich____ be-cause of what our God has
done for__ us." Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks.

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The Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant The__ Lord be__ with__ you. *People* And__ al - so with you.
Celebrant Lift__ up your__ hearts.__ *People* We lift__ them to__ the Lord.__
Celebrant Let us give thanks__ to the Lord__ our God. It is right__ to give him thanks and praise.

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Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of pow - er and might.____
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - - - ry.____
Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est!____ Blest is the one who comes____ in the
name of the Lord.____ Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!____

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The congregation may sit, stand or kneel.

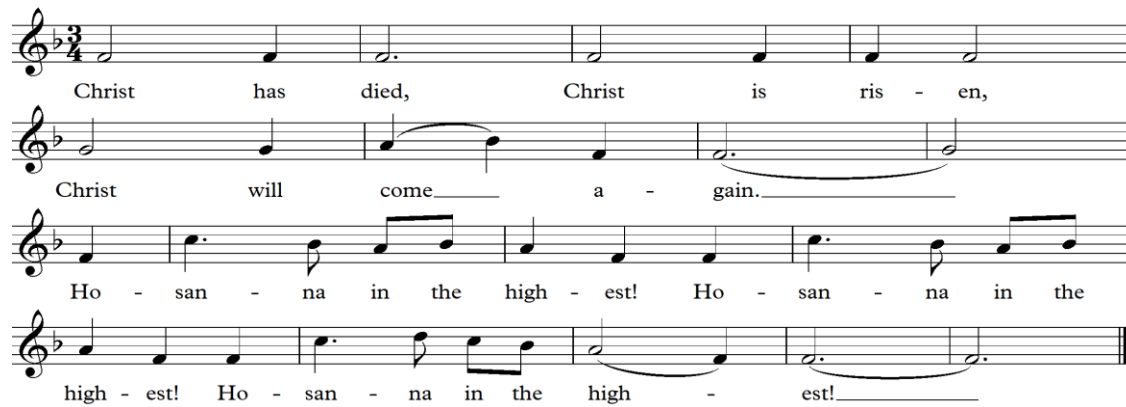
Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



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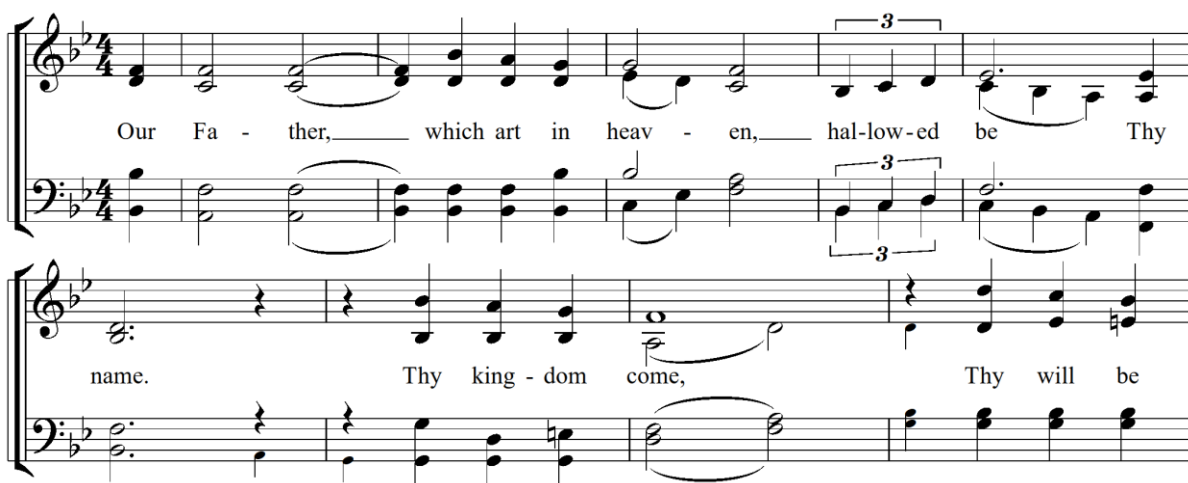
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



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Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,



done on earth as it is in heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for -

give us our debts as we for-give our debt - ors. And lead us not in - to temp

ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil; for Thine is the king - dom, and the

pow - er, and the Glo - ry for - ev - er.

A - men.

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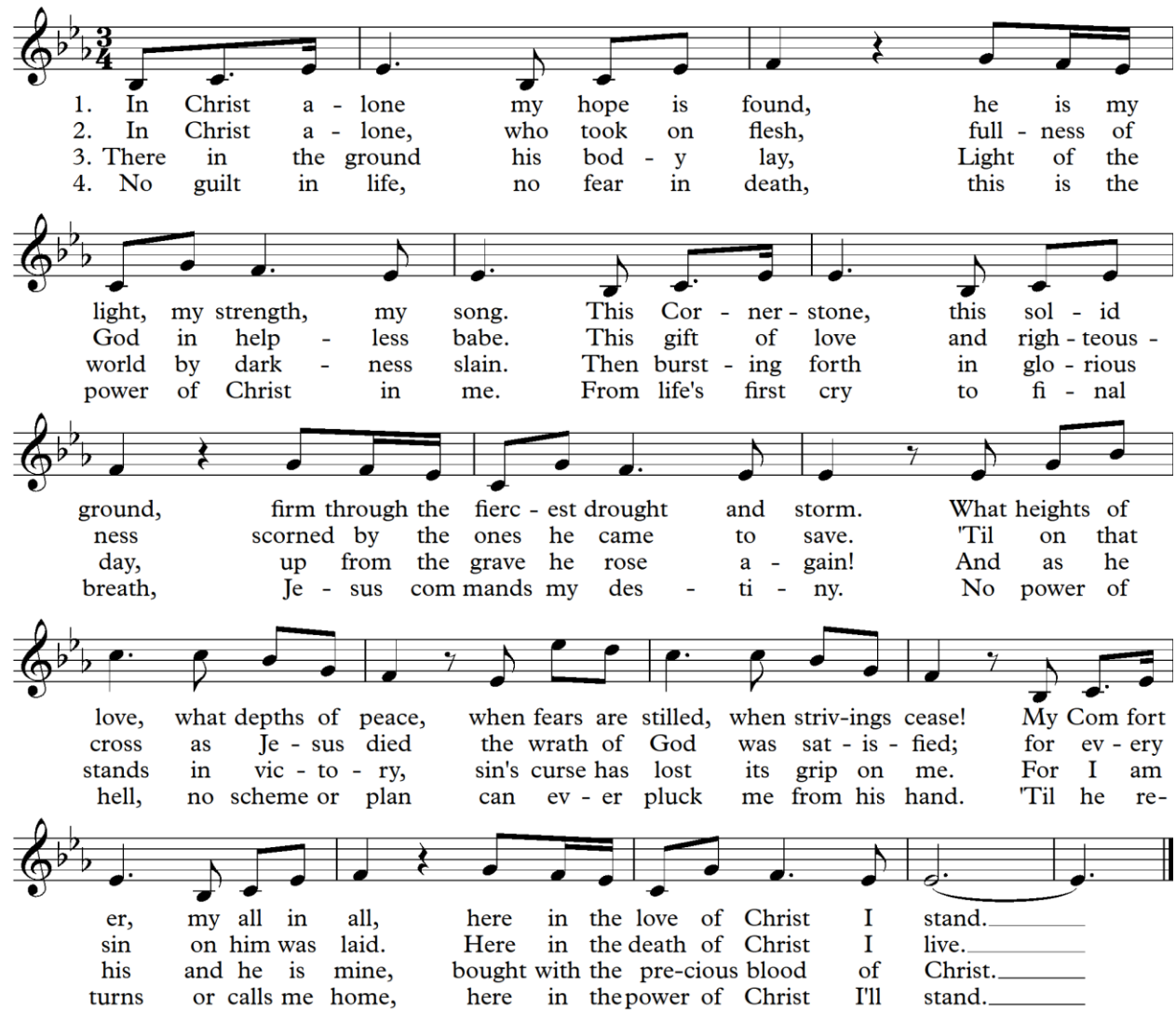
The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Fraction

"In Christ Alone"



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of
 3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, Light of the
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

light, my strength, my song. This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babe. This gift of love and righ - teous -
 world by dark - ness slain. Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious
 power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to fi - nal

ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness scorned by the ones he came to save. 'Til on that
 day, up from the grave he rose a - gain! And as he
 breath, Je - sus com mands my des - ti - ny. No power of

love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease! My Com fort
 cross as Je - sus died the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; for ev - ery
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am
 hell, no scheme or plan can ev - er pluck me from his hand. 'Til he re -

er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand. _____
 sin on him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live. _____
 his and he is mine, bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ. _____
 turns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand. _____

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Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

- **All baptized persons are welcome at the Lord's table to receive His Body and Blood in the form of the consecrated bread and wine.**
- *If you are unable to come to the altar rail for communion, please tell an usher when he or she reaches your pew that you would like Communion brought to you. The appropriate response after receiving the bread and the wine is "Amen."*
- *The host may be received on the tongue or in your hands. Please extend your open palms, one hand over the other, to receive in your hands.*

- *If you prefer to have the host intincted in the wine chalice rather than drinking from the cup, please receive the host into your hands and let it remain there. The chalice bearer will dip the host into the wine for you.*
- **All baptized children are welcome to receive Communion.** *If you desire that your child or children do not receive communion, please ask them to cross their hands over their hearts to receive a blessing.*
- *If you prefer to not receive Communion, and wish to receive a blessing instead, hands crossed over your heart will indicate this to the clergy or Altar server.*

Would you like prayers for your special intention?

See the “Daughters of the King,” an official prayer ministry within our church, in the Lady Chapel. After receiving communion, go to the Lady Chapel (to the left facing the front of the church), where members of the Daughters are ready to offer confidential prayer for any of your needs – illness, healing, support, safe travel, or thanksgiving.

The St. Margaret Portable Prayer Wall

Next to the piano is The St. Margaret Prayer Wall. Sit for a few moments behind it and, when you’re ready, write down a prayer and seal it in one of the envelopes. Your prayer will not be seen by others – it is between you and God. When an envelope has been sealed, a new empty envelope will be pasted on top of it, allowing the wall to grow over days, months, and even years.

The Communion Hymns

“Swing Low, Seet Chariot”

Refrain

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home;

swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com-ing for to car-ry me home.

1. I looked o-ver Jor-dan, and what did I see, com-ing for to car-ry me home? A
 2. If you get there be-fore I do, com-ing for to car-ry me home; tell
 3. I'm some-times up, I'm some-times down, com-ing for to car-ry me home; but

to Refrain

band of an - gels com-ing af-ter me, com-ing for to car-ry me home.
 all my friends I'm com-ing too, com-ing for to car-ry me home.
 still my soul feels heav-en - ly bound, com-ing for to car-ry me home.

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"The Old Rugged Cross"

1. On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross, the
 2. O that old rug - ged cross, so de - spised by the world, has a
 3. In that old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine, a
 4. To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true, its

em - blem of suf - fring and shame; and I love that old cross where the
 won - drous at - trac - tion for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his
 won - drous beau - ty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Je - sus
 shame and re - proach glad - ly bear; then he'll call me some day to my

dear - est and best for a world of lost sin - ners was slain.
 glo - ry a - bove to bear it to dark Cal - va - ry.
 suf - fer'd and died, to par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.
 home far a - way, where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

Refrain

So I'll cher-ish the old rug-ged cross, till my tro-phies at last I lay down; cross, the old rug-ged cross, I will cling to the old rug-ged cross, and ex-change it some day for a crown.

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*When the Sacraments are to be taken to the ill or infirmed  
following the service, the commendation follows:*

**Celebrant:** In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People:** **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

### The Post-Communion Prayer

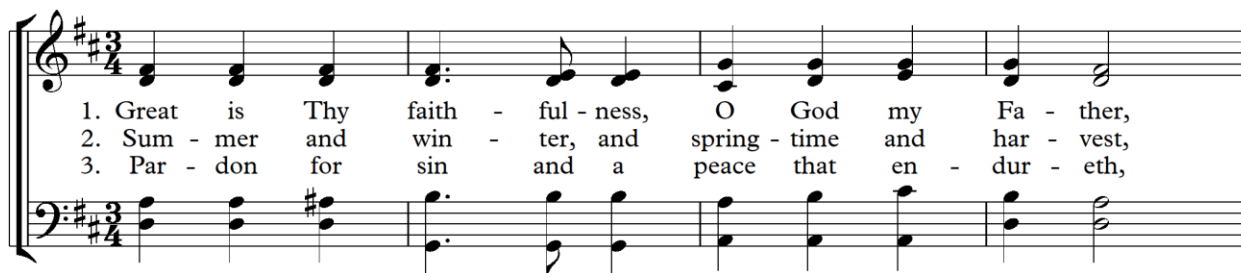
**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**ALL:** Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

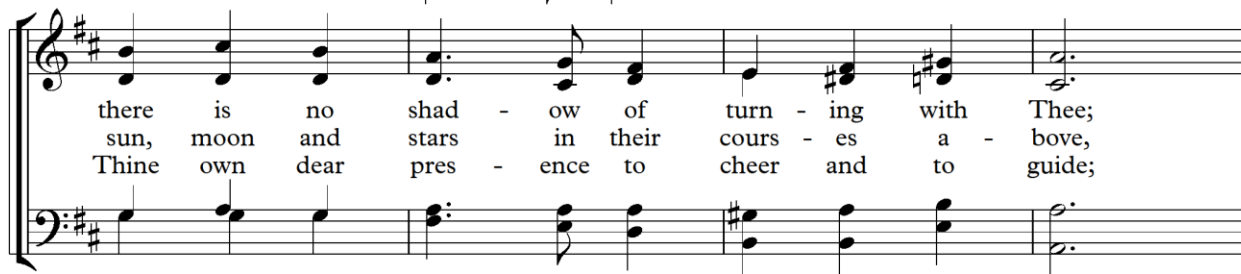
### The Blessing

# The Recessional Hymn

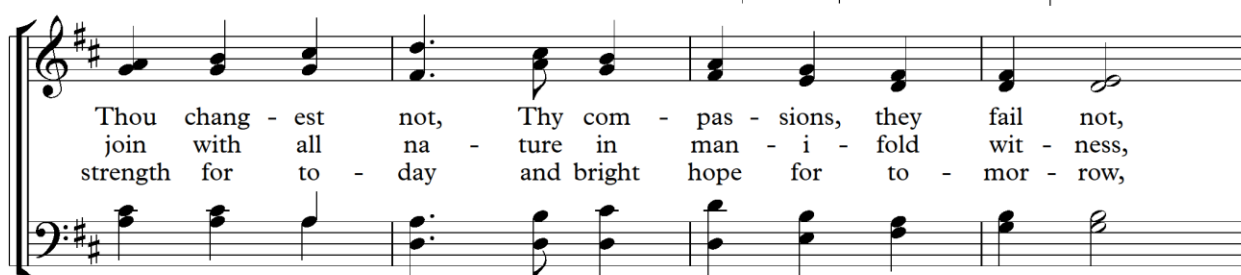
## "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"



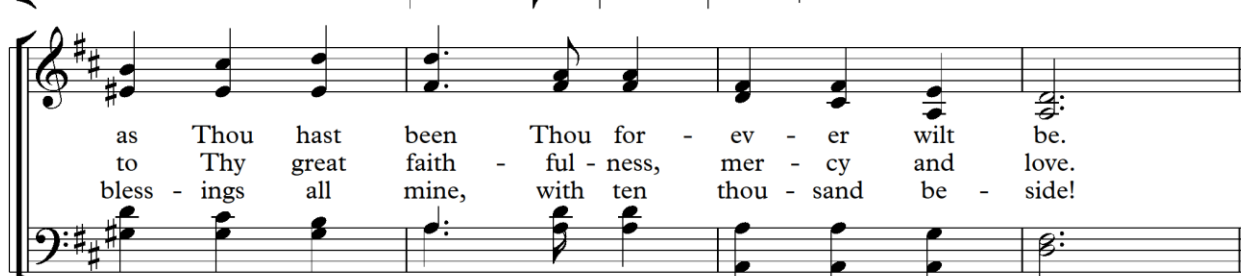
1. Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,  
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;  
 sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,  
 Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

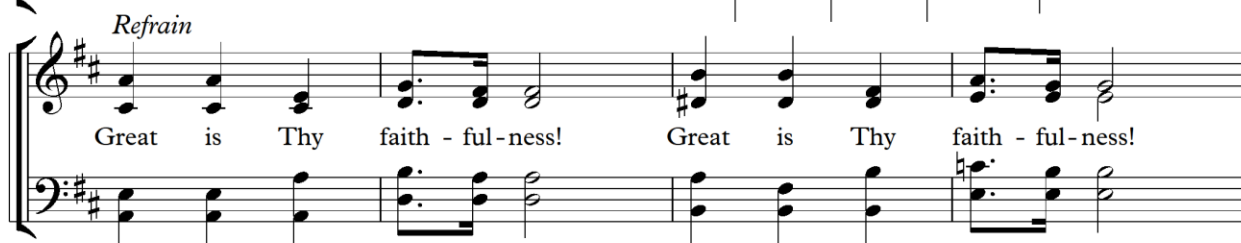


Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,  
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,  
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



as Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 to Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.  
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

all I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;

great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

*rallentando*

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## The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

***People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*Please maintain very quiet conversation until the conclusion of The Organ Postlude.*

## The Organ Postlude

## "O Magnify"

Melody and Dick Tunny