

July 1, 2018Rev. Julie Williams Presiding
Sun 10:30am

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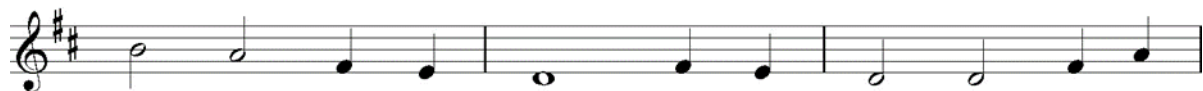
The people stand as they are able.

The Processional Hymn

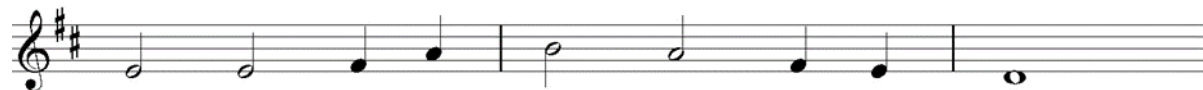
The Hymnal 1982 #686



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: *Blessed be the one, holy, and ever living God.*

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant *Let us pray.*

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of God

First Reading

A reading from The Book of Deuteronomy (10:17-21)

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.

Lector: *Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:1-9

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my **King**,*
and bless your Name for ever and **ever**.
- 2 Every day will I **bless you***
and praise your Name for ever and **ever**.
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be **praised**;*
there is no end to his **greatness**.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to **another***
and shall declare your **power**.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your **majesty***
and all your marvelous **works**.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous **acts**,*
and I will tell of your **greatness**.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great **goodness**.*

they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,*
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone*
and his compassion is over all his works.

Second Reading

A reading from The Letter to the Hebrews (11:8-16).

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.” All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

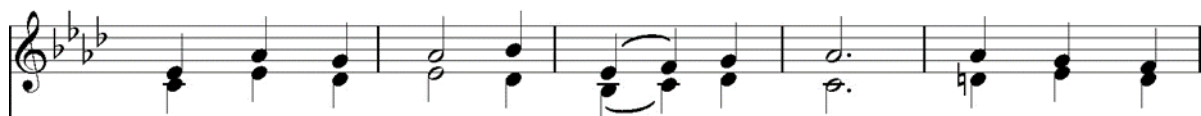
Lector: *Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #609



1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on sha - dowed
3 The cup of wa - ter given for thee still holds the
4 O Mas - ter, from the moun - tain side, make haste to
5 till all the world shall learn thy love, and fol - low



1 cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
2 thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the
3 fresh - ness of thy grace; yet long these mul - ti -
4 heal these hearts of pain; a - mong these rest - less
5 where thy feet have trod; till glo - rious from thy



1 self - ish strife, we hear thy voice, O Son of Man.
2 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of thy tears.
3 tudes to see the true com - pas - sion of thy face.
4 throngs a - bid, O tread the ci - ty's streets a - gain;
5 heaven a - bove, shall come the ci - ty of our God.



Words: Frank Mason North (1850-1935), alt. Music: Gardiner, from *Sacred Melodies*, 1815; arr. William Gardiner (1770-1853)

Celebrant: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*
People: **Glory to You Lord Christ.**

Gospel

Matthew 5:43-48

Jesus said, “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Celebrant: *The Gospel of the Lord.*
People: **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Sermon

All say together

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in

glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: *We gather as those who have been given liberty by our mighty God to live and worship in freedom and peace. Let us give thanks and pray, saying: O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.*

Lord, we stand today as our ancestors stood before you in ages past. We thank you for all the blessings of this life, in this generation and in generations to come. We pray: **O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.**

We thank you for all those who loved liberty more than life and selflessly gave their lives in the defense of freedom and justice. We pray:
O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.

May we care for the orphan and the widow, welcome the stranger, love our enemies, and see all those upon whom the sun rises as children of God in heaven. We pray: **O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.**

Make us a generous people, a holy nation, a people set aside to love you forever. For the sake of this land and all the peoples and nations of this world, we pray:
O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.

Teach us your way of justice and truth. May righteousness flow like a mighty river, until the whole of our country is covered with your glory, as the waters cover the sea. We pray: **O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.**

For those who have died, especially those we name now (pause for names), we pray: **O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.**

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Church of North India, we pray:
O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, for St Paul's Church in Payson, we pray:
O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.

For our Armed Forces, those who are far from home, for their safety and the well-

being of their families and loved ones left behind, we pray: **O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.**

We acknowledge and pay respect to the first peoples of this land and their role as custodians of the earth given to them by our one and only Creator God. We commit ourselves to work actively alongside indigenous people for reconciliation and justice as we live into our Baptismal Covenant and respect the dignity of every person. We pray: **O God, hear our praise and receive our prayer.**

Leader: *Let us pray together:*

Teach us, Good Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to work and not to seek to rest; to labor and not to ask for any reward, except that by knowing we do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Holy God, make us holy. Revealing God, make us see. Sending God, make us move. Loving God, make us love.

Celebrant: *Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is our life and our hope. Amen.*

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: *Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

The people kneel as they are able.

All say together

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen

Absolution

Celebrant

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

The Peace

Celebrant *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Celebrant says

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. Psalm 96:8

Offertory Hymn

THIS IS MY SONG

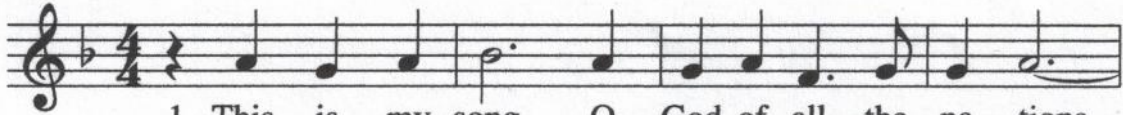
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Verses 1 and 2: Lloyd Stone, 1912–1993

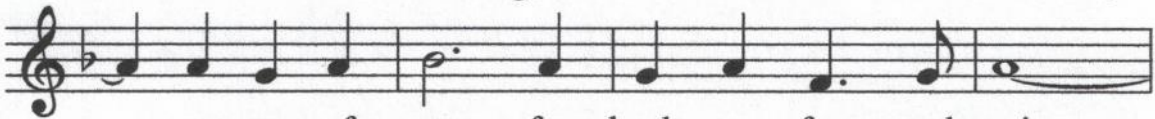
Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957

Verse 3: Susan Briehl

Arr. by Marty Haugen



1. This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
2. My coun-try's skies are blu-er than the o - cean,
3. Teach us to sing, O God of all cre - a - tion,



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun-light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine;
a song of hope for o - cean, sky, and pine.



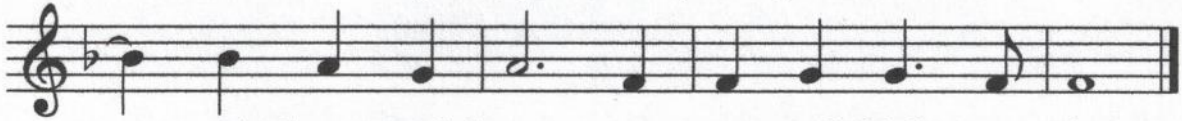
This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
but oth - er lands have sun-light, too, and clo - ver,
Teach us to walk the way that ends di - vi - sion,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine.
and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
till ev - 'ry land and na - tion love en - twines.



But oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
Then will all peo - ples see your glo - rious vi - sion:



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
the world at peace, be - lov - ed and di - vine.

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The Doxology

Verse 3 only

The Hymnal 1982 #380 v3

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

The first system of musical notation for 'The Doxology'. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with three numbered lines of text corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with three lines of text.

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The third and final system of musical notation. It concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with three lines of text.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant *The Lord be with you.*

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant *Lift up your hearts.*

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

Then the Celebrant continues

*God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. **Glory to you for ever and ever.***

*At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. **By your will they were created and have their being.***

*From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.***

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Celebrant

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
 as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of our Mothers, Sarah, Rebecca, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN

Lord's Prayer

Celebrant : *As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,*

264 The Lord's Prayer

Unison

Our Fa - ther, _____ which art in heav - en, _____ hal - low - ed

be _____ thy name, _____ Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

This system shows the beginning of the anthem. The vocal line starts with a rest followed by the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -'. The piano accompaniment consists of a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the bass and chords in the treble.

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - ov - er is

This system continues the anthem. The vocal line has the lyrics 'lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - ov - er is'. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern, providing harmonic support for the vocal melody.

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

This system contains the lyrics 'sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.'. The piano accompaniment features a prominent chord in the treble clef at the end of the system, marked with a circled sharp sign (#).

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This system concludes the anthem with the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.'. The piano accompaniment provides a final harmonic setting for the text.

The Celebrant invites the people to Communion

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.

Communion Hymn

Now the Feast and Celebration #470

The people stand as they are able.

LAMB OF GOD



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace:
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:



have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The Celebrant says

*The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.***

Recessional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #717

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from
 4 Our fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing; land where my
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song; let mor - tal
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing; long may our

fa - thers died, land of the pil - grim's pride,
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;
 tongues a - wake, let all that breathe par - take,
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let freed - om ring.
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

Words: Samuel Francis Smith (1808-1895) Music: *America*, from *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1745

Dismissal

Celebrant: *Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia*

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, (*Alleluia!*)**



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