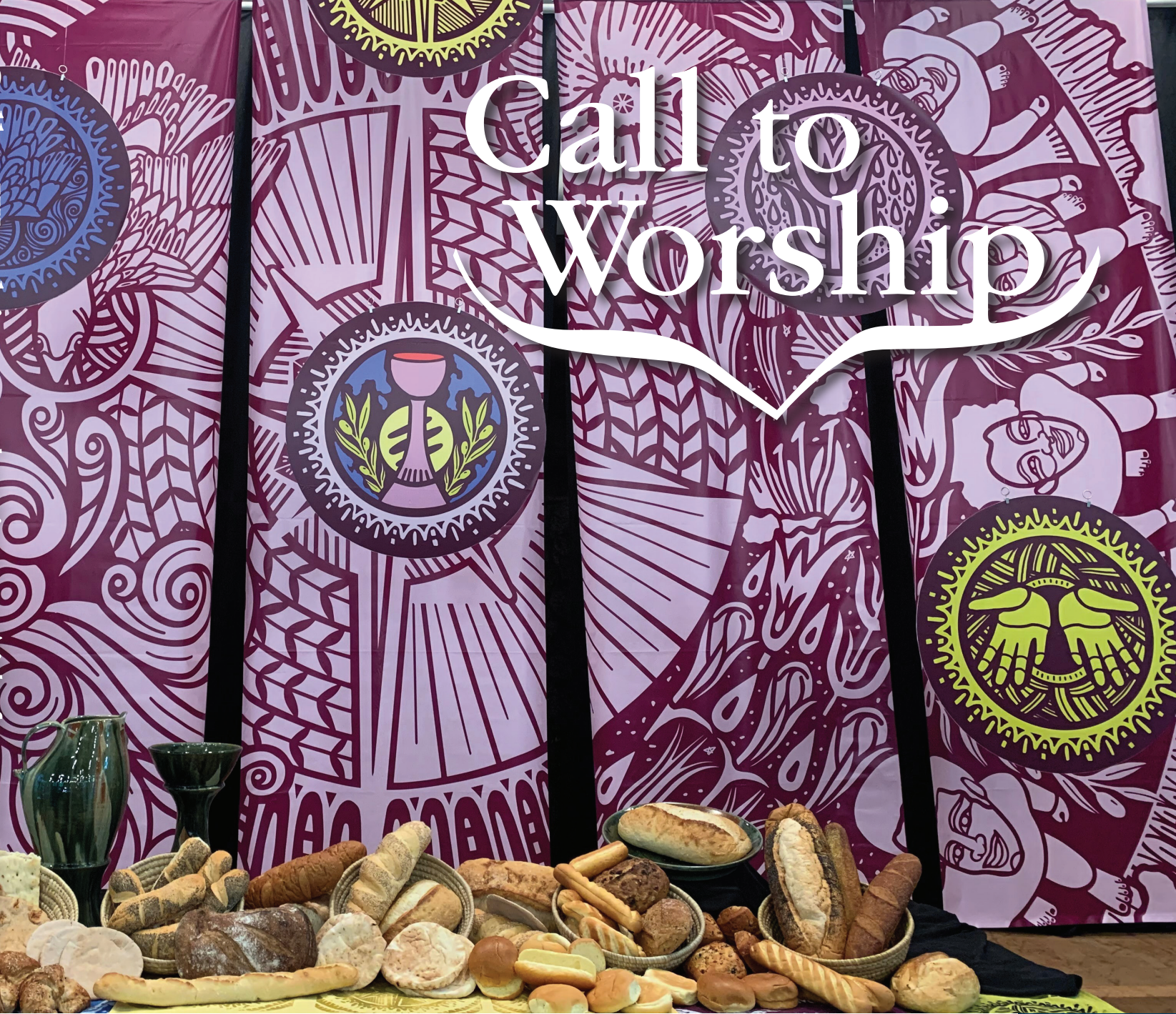


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*While Shepherds Watched*  
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# **Worship Aids for the Revised Common Lectionary**

Advent 2022 through Reign of Christ 2023

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## **Errata**

The previous issue of *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching, and the Arts* (55.4)—“Reconciliation”—includes an article about Tawnya Denise Anderson’s striking work *Pietà: “Woman, Behold Your Son; Behold Your Mother.”* The images of the artwork, as well as the accompanying artist’s statement, appear on Anderson’s webpage, [www.tdandersonart.com](http://www.tdandersonart.com).

Unfortunately, we did not present the artwork in the form of a diptych, as the artist intended. We express our sincere apologies to the artist and appreciate her graciousness regarding our error.



# Introduction to Lectionary Aids

Year A (2022–2023)

*Kimberly Bracken Long*

Once again, we are pleased to bring you another rich resource for worship planning, thanks to the generosity of contributors from all around the country who have provided suggestions for liturgy, congregational song, psalms and canticles, organ music, anthems for adult choirs, handbell music, and visual art. In addition to these weekly offerings, there are seasonal suggestions for children's choirs, youth choirs, piano music, and vocal solos, as well as guidelines for choosing instrumental music in your context. Please be sure to read the helpful introductions provided by each contributor.

This issue is the final one for which I will serve as editor for *Call to Worship*. I have thoroughly enjoyed shepherding the journal through the last five years and am grateful for the collegial relationships this work encourages. I am thankful to my colleagues in Theology and Worship, the Presbyterian Association of Musicians, and the Presbyterian Publishing Company for all of their help. It takes many dedicated people to produce this publication! Special thanks to Catherine Reuning for her administrative support, Leann Gritton for her financial acumen, and David Gambrell for always being ready to brainstorm ideas and solutions. I'm grateful to Kelly Abraham, Andrew Perkins, Katherine Kubar, and members of the PAM Executive Board, especially those on the Educational Resources Committee, for their support and collaboration. Sarah Foreman at PPC is the genius behind our subscriptions and mailings, and Jeanne Williams, also at PPC, has worked for years on cover designs and, with David Gambrell, the nitty-gritty of getting the journal to press. Nancy Goodhue and Tina Noll have been crackerjack

copyeditors, and Michelle Vissing provides her excellent skills in layout and design. Paul Seebeck has kept our email notifications going and has supported our mission. And last, but certainly not least, Phillip Morgan has given invaluable editorial assistance, particularly with the Lectionary Aids issue. Thank you one and all.

With every ending comes a new beginning, and I am delighted to introduce the new editor of *Call to Worship*, Sally Ann McKinsey. A Presbyterian minister and professional artist, she brings deep liturgical sensibilities, preaching expertise, pastoral experience, and artistic vision to the position. Sally Ann received a Bachelor of Arts in Art at Furman University in 2010, a Master of Divinity at Columbia Theological Seminary in 2013, and a Master of Fine Arts in Studio Art at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2020. She is currently Campus Minister of UKirk and an adjunct faculty member in the School of Art, Craft, and Design at Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville, Tennessee.

Under Sally Ann's leadership, the journal will continue to explore the role of worship in dismantling systemic racism, eradicating poverty, and enhancing congregational vitality. *Call to Worship* will also remain committed to deepening our understanding of what we do in worship and why we do it, attending to ecumenical voices while continuing to be rooted in the Reformed tradition.

I hope that this Lectionary Aids issue will be a valuable resource for your church in the coming year and thank you for being faithful subscribers!

Grace and peace,  
Kimberly Bracken Long

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## Key to Abbreviations

### Psalms and Canticles

CP1	<i>Celtic Psalms</i> , vol. 1 [GIA]
CP2	<i>Celtic Psalms</i> , vol. 2 [GIA]
G3	<i>Gather</i> , 3rd ed. [GIA]
GTG	<i>Glory to God</i> [Westminster John Knox Press]
H82	<i>Hymnal 1982</i> [Church Hymnal Corporation, Episcopal Church]
HTP1	<i>A Hymn Tune Psalter, Book 1</i> [Church Publishing]
HTP2	<i>A Hymn Tune Psalter, Book 2</i> [Church Publishing]
HWB	<i>Hymnal: A Worship Book</i> [Mennonite Publishing House]
KU	<i>Known Unknowns: 100 Contemporary Texts to Common Tunes</i> [GIA]
LOML	<i>Lord, Open My Lips</i> [Oregon Catholic Press]
LP	<i>The Lyric Psalter: Solemnities, Feasts and Other Occasions</i> [GIA]
LUYH	<i>Lift Up Your Hearts</i> [Faith Alive]
MPCY	<i>Metrical Psalms for the Church Year</i> [Hope Publishing]
MPS	<i>The Psalms: 150 Metrical Psalms for Singing</i> (Martin Leckebusch) [Mayhew]
NCH	<i>New Century Hymnal</i> [Pilgrim Press]
NMP	<i>New Metrical Psalter</i> [Church Hymnal Corporation, Episcopal Church]
OC	<i>Oramos Cantando / We Pray in Song</i> [GIA]
OLOF	<i>One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism</i> [GIA]
PAS	<i>Psalms for All Seasons</i> [Faith Alive]
PCW	<i>Psalter for Christian Worship</i> , rev. ed. (Michael Morgan) [Witherspoon Press]
PFTS1	<i>Psalms from the Soul</i> , vol. 1 [Oregon Catholic Press]
PFTS2	<i>Psalms from the Soul</i> , vol. 2 [Oregon Catholic Press]
PH	<i>The Presbyterian Hymnal</i> (1990) [Westminster John Knox Press]
PLP1	<i>Praise, Lament, and Prayer: A Psalter for Singing</i> , vol. 1 (Carl Daw) [Hope Publishing]
PND	<i>Psalms of the Notre Dame Folk Choir</i> (Steve Warner) [World Library Publications]



PP	<i>The People's Psalter</i> [Morningstar]
PSA	<i>The Psalter: Psalms and Canticles for Singing</i> [Westminster John Knox Press]
PSH	<i>Psalter Hymnal</i> (1987) [CRC Publications]
SGP	<i>Singing God's Psalms</i> (Fred R. Anderson) [Eerdmans]
SNC	<i>Sing! A New Creation</i> [Faith Alive]
SP	<i>The Selah Psalter</i> [Selah Publishing]
SSS	<i>Santo, Santo, Santo / Holy, Holy, Holy</i> [GIA]
TTSF	<i>The Truth That Sets Us Free: Biblical Songs for Worship</i> [GIA]
UMH	<i>The United Methodist Hymnal</i> (1989) [United Methodist Publishing House]
WR	<i>Worship and Rejoice</i> [Hope Publishing]

## Hymnals

AAHH	<i>African American Heritage Hymnal</i> (GIA Publications, 2001)
CCLI	Christian Copyright Licensing International, <a href="http://us.ccli.com">us.ccli.com</a>
CH4	<i>Church Hymnary</i> , 4th ed. (Canterbury Press, Norwich, UK, 2005)
EH	<i>The Hymnal 1982</i> [Episcopal] (Church Publishing, 1982)
ELW	<i>Evangelical Lutheran Worship</i> (Augsburg Fortress Press, 2006)
FYC	<i>Flor Y Canto</i> (Oregon Catholic Press, 1989)
G3	<i>Gather</i> , 3rd ed. (GIA, 2011)
GTG	<i>Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal</i> (Westminster John Knox Press, 2013)
IHLC	<i>Inclusive Hymns for Liberating Christians</i> (Eakin Press, 2006)
LUYH	<i>Lift Up Your Hearts</i> (Faith Alive Christian Resources, 2013)
NCH	<i>The New Century Hymnal</i> (Pilgrim Press, 1995)
OLOF	<i>One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism</i> (GIA, 2018)
PH	<i>The Presbyterian Hymnal</i> (Westminster John Knox Press, 1990)
SON	<i>Songs of Faith and Praise</i> (Howard Books, 1994)
SSS	<i>Santo, Santo, Santo</i> (GIA, 2019)
STB	<i>Sound the Bamboo</i> (Christian Conference of Asia, 2000; now GIA)
STF	<i>Sing the Faith</i> (Geneva Press, 2003)
UMH	<i>The United Methodist Hymnal</i> (Abingdon Press, 1989)
WAS	<i>Worship &amp; Song</i> (Abingdon Press, 2011)

## Handbell Music

The American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (AGEHR) rating method uses a scale of 1 to 6, with 6 being most difficult.

### Key to Difficulty

(E)	Easy
(M)	Moderate
(ME)	Moderately Easy
(MA)	Moderately Advanced
(A)	Advanced

### Lectionary References for Hymns

[O]	Old Testament
[Os]	Old Testament: Semicontinuous
[Oc]	Old Testament: Complementary
[A]	Acts
[E]	Epistle
[R]	Revelation
[G]	Gospel

### Art

AK	Anneke Kaai ( <a href="http://annekekaai.nl/en/">annekekaai.nl/en/</a> )
EYE	Eyecons ( <a href="http://eyecons.com">eyecons.com</a> )
JR	Jan Richardson Images ( <a href="http://www.janrichardsonimages.com">www.janrichardsonimages.com</a> )
JST	Joel Schoon-Tanis ( <a href="http://www.joelschoontanisgallery.com">www.joelschoontanisgallery.com</a> )
VDL	Vanderbilt Divinity Library ( <a href="https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/">https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/</a> )

## Publishers

ABP	Abingdon Press ( <a href="http://abingdonpress.com">abingdonpress.com</a> )
AF	Augsburg Fortress ( <a href="http://augzburgfortress.org">augzburgfortress.org</a> )
AGEHR	Music ( <a href="http://handbellmusicians.org">handbellmusicians.org</a> )
AL	Alphonse Leduc ( <a href="http://alphonseleduc.com">alphonseleduc.com</a> )
ALF	Alfred Publishing Company ( <a href="http://alfred.com">alfred.com</a> )
AMP	Alliance Music Publications ( <a href="http://alliancemusic.com">alliancemusic.com</a> )
AMSI	Art Masters Studios Inc.
AP	Allegis Publications (available through <a href="http://sheetmusicplus.com">sheetmusicplus.com</a> )
AUR	Aureole Editions ( <a href="http://morningstarmusic.com">morningstarmusic.com</a> )
BFP	Brookfield Press (available through <a href="http://sheetmusicplus.com">sheetmusicplus.com</a> )
BH	Boosey & Hawkes ( <a href="http://boosey.com">boosey.com</a> )
BKH	Breitkopf and Hartel
BMP	Belwyn Mills Publishing (c/o Alfred Publishing, <a href="http://alfred.com">alfred.com</a> )
BP	Beckenhorst Press ( <a href="http://beckenhorstpress.com">beckenhorstpress.com</a> )
BRI	BriLee Music ( <a href="http://brileemusic.com">brileemusic.com</a> )
CF	Carl Fischer ( <a href="http://carlfischer.com">carlfischer.com</a> )
CFP	CF Peters ( <a href="http://edition-peters.com">edition-peters.com</a> )
CGA	Choristers Guild ( <a href="http://choristersguild.org">choristersguild.org</a> )
CMP	Composers Music Company (available from Handbell World; <a href="http://handbellworld.com">handbellworld.com</a> )
CON	Concordia Publishing House ( <a href="http://cph.org">cph.org</a> )
CPDL	Choral Public Domain Library
CPP	Columbia Pictures Publications
CV	Colla Voce ( <a href="http://collavoce.com">collavoce.com</a> )
DSE	Éditions Durand, Salibert, and Eschig
EC	Editions Combrel, Paris
ECS	E. C. Schirmer ( <a href="http://ecspublishing.com">ecspublishing.com</a> )
EHP	Epiphany House Publishing ( <a href="http://epiphanyhappens.com">epiphanyhappens.com</a> )
FB	Fred Bock ( <a href="http://fredbock.com">fredbock.com</a> )
FJH	FJH Music
FTM	From the Top Music ( <a href="http://fromthetop.org">fromthetop.org</a> )
GIA	GIA Publications, Inc. ( <a href="http://giamusic.com">giamusic.com</a> )
GMC	Galaxy Music Corporation ( <a href="https://ecspublishing.com">https://ecspublishing.com</a> )
GSH	G. Schirmer (available through Sheet Music Plus; <a href="http://sheetmusicplus.com">sheetmusicplus.com</a> )
GSP	GlorySound Press (c/o Shawnee Press, <a href="http://shawneepress.com">shawneepress.com</a> )
HAL	Hal Leonard Corporation ( <a href="http://halleonard.com">halleonard.com</a> )
HF	Harold Flammer, Inc. (available through Shawnee Press; <a href="http://shawneepress.com">shawneepress.com</a> )
HMP	Heritage Music Press ( <a href="http://heritagemusicpress.com">heritagemusicpress.com</a> )
HIN	Hinshaw Music, Inc. ( <a href="http://hinshawmusic.com">hinshawmusic.com</a> )
HOPE	Hope Publishing Company ( <a href="http://hopepublishing.com">hopepublishing.com</a> )
HWG	H. W. Gray (available through Alfred Publishing; <a href="http://alfred.com">alfred.com</a> )
JH	Jubal House ( <a href="http://brehmcenter.com/initiatives/fredbock/jubal-house">brehmcenter.com/initiatives/fredbock/jubal-house</a> )
JHS	Jeffers Handbell Supply ( <a href="http://handbellworld.com">handbellworld.com</a> )
JM	Jubilate Music ( <a href="https://jubilatemusic.com">https://jubilatemusic.com</a> )
JWP	JW Pepper & Son ( <a href="http://jwpepper.com">jwpepper.com</a> )
KAL	Kalmus ( <a href="http://kalmus.com">kalmus.com</a> )
KJO	Neil Kjos Music Company ( <a href="http://kjos.com">kjos.com</a> )
LOR	Lorenz Corporation ( <a href="http://lorenz.com">lorenz.com</a> )
MMP	Masters Music Publications
MSM	MorningStar Music Publishers ( <a href="http://morningstarmusic.com">morningstarmusic.com</a> )
NOV	Novello & Company Limited ( <a href="http://musicsalesclassical.com">musicsalesclassical.com</a> )



OCP	Oregon Catholic Press ( <a href="http://ocp.org">ocp.org</a> )
OMD	Organ Music Downloads ( <a href="http://organmusicdownloads.com">organmusicdownloads.com</a> )
OUP	Oxford University Press ( <a href="http://ukcatalogue.oup.com/category/music.do">ukcatalogue.oup.com/category/music.do</a> )
PAR	Paraclete Press ( <a href="http://paracletepress.com">paracletepress.com</a> )
ROP	Ring Out Press ( <a href="http://ringoutpress.com">ringoutpress.com</a> )
RRM	Red River Music (available through Handbell World; <a href="http://handbellworld.com">handbellworld.com</a> )
RW	Ringling Word Publications ( <a href="http://ringingword.com">ringingword.com</a> )
SAC	Sacred Music Press (available through Lorenz Corporation; <a href="http://lorenz.com">lorenz.com</a> )
SBMP	Santa Barbara Music Publishing ( <a href="http://sbmp.com">sbmp.com</a> )
SEL	Selah Publishing Company ( <a href="http://selahpub.com">selahpub.com</a> )
SFP	Sound Forth Publishers ( <a href="http://soundforth.com">soundforth.com</a> )
SHAW	Shawnee Press ( <a href="http://shawneepress.com">shawneepress.com</a> )
SJMP	St. James Music Press ( <a href="http://sjmp.com">sjmp.com</a> )
SM	Shaw Music ( <a href="http://shawmusic.org">shawmusic.org</a> )
SMP	Sheet Music Plus ( <a href="http://sheetmusicplus.com">sheetmusicplus.com</a> )
TPR	Theodore Presser Company ( <a href="http://presser.com">presser.com</a> )
WAL	Walton Music
WLE	Wayne Leupold Editions ( <a href="http://wayneleupold.com">wayneleupold.com</a> )
WORD	Word Music ( <a href="http://wordmusic.com">wordmusic.com</a> )

## Musical Terms

acap	a cappella	org	organ
bari	baritone	perc	percussion
bng	bongo	pno	piano
bsn	bassoon	qrt	quartet
cga	congas	quin	quintet
cl	clarinet	rain	rainstick
cong	congregation	rec	recorder
cont	continuo	SA	soprano, alto
ct	chime tree	SAB	soprano, alto, baritone
cym	cymbal	SATB	soprano, alto, tenor, bass
desc	descant	sax	saxophone
div	divisi	sb	string bass
fc	finger cymbals	sop	soprano (vocal solo)
fl	flute	stngs	strings
glock	glockenspiel	str qrt	string quartet
gtr	guitar	sus cym	suspended cymbal
hb	handbells	synth	synthesizer
hc	handchimes	tamb	tambourine
hd	hand drum	timp	timpani
hn	horn	tpt	trumpet
hp	harp	trb	trombone
inst	instrument	tri	triangle
keybd	keyboard	tub	tuba
mx	mixed	2 pt	two-part
narr	narrator	3 pt	three-part
ob	oboe	uni	unison
oct	octave(s)	vc	cello
opt	optional	vln	violin
orch	orchestration	xyl	xylophone

# About Anthems for Children's Choirs

The children's choir suggestions may be used at various points in a worship service. Songs of praise and thanks are suitable for choral intros and anthems. Sung prayers may augment spoken petitions, and settings of Scripture may serve as proclamation of the Word. These selections reflect a variety of musical styles. They offer opportunities to teach and reinforce key elements of musicality and vocal production along with skill-building steps for independent singing.

Difficulty levels vary, with care taken to offer choices for every choir regardless of age and experience. Anthems marked E may be sung by all groups, particularly those with less-experienced

singers. The same is true for anthems marked ME, which contain slightly more challenging vocal requirements or harmonic demands. An M or an MA indicates increasing challenge in harmonic structure, vocal line, or rhythmic complexity. Anthems marked A require the most skill in these same areas. Children's music is often written as "Unison/optional 2-part." Adding the second part can change significantly the difficulty of the piece. For these pieces, a hybrid rating indicates the difficulty of the piece as a unison line followed by the difficulty level if the second part is incorporated. These levels are separated by an asterisk (e.g., E\*MA).

*Heather Potter*

# About Anthems for Youth Choirs

When seeking repertoire for youth choirs, I look for the following criteria (generally in order of priority):

- Faith formation application / worship application
- Musical interest (for conductor, singers, and congregation)
- Accessibility

Pedagogical application

Overall, there are a variety of levels and styles in this list that will hopefully achieve your goals for this year. For the Sundays after Pentecost, I chose mainly easier anthems that could be done by smaller ensembles. Best wishes on service planning.

*Kenney Potter*

# About Piano Music

The piano is an amazingly versatile instrument. It can be both lyrical and percussive, offering strength and sensitivity, covering a wide range of tone and timbre. In churches where the organ is the primary leading instrument, musicians might consider programming an occasional piano piece. The church organist could switch-hit at the piano,

or perhaps there are pianists in the community who would like to offer their talents in worship. The repertoire suggestions provided here cover a wide range of difficulty levels, from easy to advanced, with many falling in the moderate category.

*Anne Krentz Organ*

# About Psalms and Canticles

The setting of Hebrew poetry into English metrical verse allows for theological and cultural (re-)interpretation. The recommended metrical settings of psalms represent a breadth of traditions and approaches to psalm interpretation, but each instance purposes to track the assigned lectionary verses. Though responsorial psalmody hews closer to the Hebrew, even here the selection of a refrain can powerfully shape the way the congregation will appropriate the psalm. Such power demands discernment and care. Over time, the psalms should be presented in ways that help us to associate them with both the Old Testament and New Testament lections, with both the original singers of the psalms, as well with contemporary worshippers.

The 2018 *Book of Common Worship* provides a complete Psalter with eight transferrable refrains

that can be used for responsorial singing of all the assigned lectionary psalms and canticles. This Psalter, prepared by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, provides beautiful and natural contemporary language that is inclusive and expansive for both divine and human referents. Particularly with regard to responsorial resources, we are glad to point to Roman Catholic resources. Note that the most recent official Roman Catholic responsorial psalmody draws from *The Revised Grail Psalms*. Some of these verses use exclusive language (man, men, he) in reference to humanity. In such instances it is possible to substitute the original *Grail Psalms* translation or to use verses from other sources, such as the Psalter in the *Book of Common Worship*.

*Martin Tel*

# About Anthems for Adult Choirs

For my submissions this year, I have done my best to provide options that remain faithful to the assigned texts while also introducing as many new composers, publishers, and selections as possible. As you would expect, I have chosen to highlight some of our “choral chestnuts,” but in this offering you also find an array of composers, arrangers, and selections amplifying the Black and Latinx choral experience. I hope to encourage each of us to faithfully share a wide array of diverse voices and compositional styles with our singers, parishioners, and communities. I believe God is glorified when we make our musical circle wide. For suggestions from the gospel tradition, I encourage use of an instrumental combo, even when notated

parts are not available, in the hopes that you will seek out and connect with musicians in your area who are skilled in these presentation practices. As you consider my assessment of difficulty levels, know that I used the amount of preparation time needed to bring the piece into worship/public presentation as the primary criteria. And I’ve found that most pieces lean toward the middle, which is why most of my selections are designated as Medium Easy–Medium.

I do hope these selections are of benefit to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if I can assist you in any way. In the belief that the best is yet to come.

*G. Phillip Shoultz III*



# About Art

There are many ways to bring visual art into worship. Art can be physically present in your worship space; print images can be a part of your worship bulletin; and digital images can be projected during spoken or musical elements of the liturgy or incorporated into streamed worship services. However it is used, art should be chosen to help bring the worshipers into the presence of God, to enhance the proclamation of the Word, and/or to broaden and deepen the worship experience. The art suggestions provided here are the work of a wide variety of painters, sculptors, quilters, calligraphers, and others. Some works are from centuries ago, and some were created as recently as the current decade. All are chosen to support the lectionary texts for the given week.

Excellent liturgical art is available directly from artists, from artist's representatives, and from collections such as the Vanderbilt Divinity Library (<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>). You will see that the Vanderbilt collection is the most cited source below for three reasons: first, the collection is very large and organized by the Revised Common Lectionary. Second, there is no charge for use of

the Vanderbilt images, and third, copyright is taken care of by Vanderbilt, and clear directions for citations are provided. A few artists in the Vanderbilt collection require direct contact in order to use their images. This is noted and directions given on the Vanderbilt website.

EyeKons (<https://eyekons.com>), which represents a large group of liturgical artists, has a fee of either \$9.99 or \$14.99 depending on the required resolution (online or projected images vs. printed images). Direct arrangements with artists vary; for example, the fee for Jan Richardson's art (<https://www.janrichardsonimages.com/>) is \$15.00 per image or an annual subscription of \$165. The fees charged by other artists range from nothing to more than \$100, but many do not charge for church use. Most churches, even very small ones, have artists or art collectors among their members and this can be a great resource, but if a member is sharing something from their art collection, copyright approval is still required.

*Sandra Kurtze McDonald*

# About Vocal Solos

Cultivating solo singers in your congregation can be a wonderful addition to your weekly musical offerings in worship, especially in weeks when the choir is not scheduled to sing. Voices of different ages and abilities can bring such beauty to a text or theme for the day. Asking children, youth, and adult soloists to participate in worship will bring a unique and personal experience to the congregation. I chose the pieces for the Vocal Solos sections to include a range of styles, difficulty, and themes based on the lectionary for the year. They are in order of themes by week, but in many cases certain songs would work for several Sundays.

I have suggested songs from collections that contain multiple offerings that are excellent for worship. You will find songs from various genres,

including spirituals, art songs, oratorio, and hymn arrangements. I included one hymn from *Glory to God* and encourage you to use hymns for soloists whenever it fits the day. There is such a richness in hymnody, and settings of hymns for solo singers are abundant and easy to find.

Many of the songs listed are included in collections that are available in various vocal ranges. In addition to this option, many songs are also available for digital download in several keys. During the pandemic there was a surge in need for solo worship music as churches were limiting singing. Many recent publications provide some wonderful new resources for soloists that are affordable and readily available.

I have used the following system to rate difficulty:

E = Easy (simple melodies with supportive accompaniment, limited range, straightforward rhythm, easy for a young singer or singer with limited music reading background)

ME = Moderately easy (tuneful melodies with supportive accompaniment, broader range, rhythmically a bit more adventurous, good for a singer with some solo experience)

M = Moderate (vocal line has more autonomy from the accompaniment, rhythm is more complex, vocal range is expanded, arrangement has unexpected

development, longer pieces requiring good vocal endurance and technique)

MA = Moderately advanced (broad range, difficult technique including wide intervals, melismas or sustained high notes, complex rhythms, longer phrases requiring excellent technique and breath support)

A = Advanced (suitable for a professional singer or soloist with a depth of experience, difficult range, difficult rhythm, vocally demanding)

## About Instrumental Music in Worship: A Reflection and Some Planning Resources

### Instrumental Music Opportunities, Practices, and Resources

There are as many models, budgets, and local traditions for musical leadership as there are churches. And while every congregation and every musician knows or feels their limits (of ability, training, people, time, budget, etc.), it is inspiring to recognize the variety and depth of resources that congregations have within their care. I hope these practices encourage you to broaden the vision and stewardship of these resources by expanding instrumental color and the number of people invested in supporting the music of your congregation.

### Developing and Expanding Opportunities

1. Ask! I have often been surprised by the hidden abilities of members as dedicated amateurs who never really knew they might contribute to worship directly. Include this request in different places and cohorts in the congregation to be sure young students, adult amateurs, and trained professionals all know you would like to include their gifts.
2. Be sure musicians of varied abilities have a way to be included and to experience inclusion as a blessing of giftedness and a musical success. This requires careful planning and getting to know players and abilities, as well as working

far ahead, but yields valuable experiences. Here are some ways our congregation welcomes and supports musicians in varied contexts which can lead to direct worship leadership over time. So plan knowing this development takes time but will be worth it. These are roughly in order of increasing challenge level:

- a. music during serving-line time at a congregational meal
- b. preludes for special children/family/youth services (e.g., Christmas Eve student preludes, youth-led service preludes)
- c. youth talent show
- d. anthem obbligato
- e. summer Sundays when the choir is off
- f. solos (usually accompanied) in worship
- g. introductions and accompaniments for congregational hymns (solo or ensemble)
- h. ensemble pieces
- i. accompaniments for choral anthems or hymns on festive days

### Planning and Practices

Once players are identified (an ongoing process), including their musical gifts in worship requires planning. Depending on a congregation's size and resources of people or budget, there are different ways to plan regular and varied instrumental additions in worship that work well.

1. I find it helpful to vary or balance the types of additions because of the added planning time and the attention they require as well as a desire to develop a changing color palette in worship. If the luxury of options is available, I try to match the character of the instrument to the needs of the season and day as well (e.g., brass group at Easter, strings group at Christmas, few instrumental “extras” during Advent and Lent, solos or student groups in the fall and summer when time and attention allow).
2. During general seasonal hymn and choir planning, I often look specifically for anthems, hymn resources, or solo publications (see the following resource lists) that work for the players. Then I approach final planning with the players to enliven worship but not overwhelm them with material or rehearsal time. I like to request some solo literature of their choosing for one or several spots in the service if they want, and I’m comfortable to write or transpose hymnal parts to allow them to join on congregational singing or introductions as well. This is a skill that can be learned and doesn’t require special “creativity” or composition. Depending on the skill level and challenge of the day, rehearsal might require between a few times weeks ahead to thirty minutes for a run-through before the service.

### General Resources

A huge benefit to current publishing trends is the ability to search publisher websites by instrument, keyword, season, and more. This allows a rather specific search for instrumental resources even by hymn tune or title, once planning has taken place, to find pieces that could serve as a prelude, extended hymn introduction, voluntary or communion music, or postlude.

### Publishers with Searchable Instrumental Catalogs for Worship

Morningstar Music ([www.morningstarmusic.com](http://www.morningstarmusic.com)) includes a very large “Instrumental” section which is searchable by instrument type and can be narrowed by specific instrument, season, and congregational accompaniment; can even be sorted by those available to download (for a too-late-to-ship addition to worship).

Concordia Publishing House ([www.cph.org](http://www.cph.org)) is less intuitive to search than Morningstar but has a deep catalog of settings for organ and instruments, including good performing collections of Baroque masterworks and many collections of hymn settings. Look especially at adding just one or two of the large collections of hymn settings that could serve as a major resource for many different general hymns or seasons, including especially *Hymnal Supplement '98: Instrumental Descants Edition*, and the series of four seasonal volumes of *Hymnal Companion for Woodwinds, Brass and Percussion*.

Hope Publishing ([www.hopepublishing.com](http://www.hopepublishing.com)) includes a very elegant search feature and a variety of hymn-inspired works for various solo and ensemble arrangements with and without keyboard. I have Hal Hopson’s *Creative Use of Instruments in Worship* in my library, but the format of this series is focused on some ready-to-use material that can serve as a teaching model and inspiration for further creations of your own.

Augsburg Fortress ([www.augsburgfortress.org](http://www.augsburgfortress.org)) has a very small catalog of instrumental pieces with organ or piano; however, searching for items related to the ELW hymnal is also useful. The *Hymns for Ensembles* collections (vol. 1 and vol. 2) are designed with over fifty hymn settings each, with parts for multiple instruments/transpositions, and in keys that are friendly to the young wind player.

Shaw Music ([www.shawmusic.org](http://www.shawmusic.org)) is a newer small publishing venture with several instrument-specific collections that are mostly based on hymn tunes. These would be an excellent addition to the library of a player who would like to add some worship-specific pieces to repertoire that could serve the congregation.

Lucks Music Library ([www.lucksmusic.com](http://www.lucksmusic.com)) is a resource for more general pieces if you have string players. It is possible to search the “Solo and Ensemble” library by instrument and to look at Christmas pieces for a variety of sacred and secular works.

*John Sall*



## WORSHIP NOTES

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# The Season of Advent

*These liturgical texts are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Advent and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Call to Confession

*At the baptismal font:*

We have all sinned, not one of us is clean;  
but there is mercy for those  
who call on the name of the Lord.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.  
*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

Every valley is lifted up; every mountain, made low.  
Now the glory of the Lord is revealed,  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Call to Confession

*At the baptismal font:*

Our rightness before God  
depends not on us  
but on the work and pleasure  
of the Lord of Hosts.  
Through Christ  
we are refined and purified  
like silver.

Before our redeeming God  
we offer our lives  
and confess our sin.

*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

Emmanuel is coming,  
God-with-us.  
In Jesus  
God reclaims, redeems, and restores  
all of creation.  
Through this grace  
our sins are forgiven.

**Sung Response** (GTG #100, "My Soul Cries Out  
with a Joyful Shout" refrain)

**"My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears,  
for the dawn draws near,  
and the world is about to turn."**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Lord our God, we give you thanks  
for the hope and longing you instill in us  
through the promise of our baptism—  
a voice crying out in the wilderness,  
a messenger to prepare the way,  
the day of redemption drawing near.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
poured out upon us in baptism,  
keep us awake and make us ready  
for the coming of your glorious realm  
of righteousness, justice, and peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

Incarnate One,  
who claims us as your own  
and comes into our lives yet again,  
we give you thanks.  
Through the waters of baptism  
your Spirit prepares the way  
within us,  
reshaping our lives.  
Make us ready for the day  
when you will scatter those  
who take pride in their power,  
and bring down from their thrones  
those who rule with oppression and injustice,  
when you raise up the lowly  
and send away empty-handed  
those with more than enough.  
Open our eyes to see  
the joy you are bringing,  
that we may sing your praise.

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

Holy God, our hope and strength,  
by the power of your Spirit  
prepare the way in our hearts  
for the coming of your Word,  
so that we may see the glorious signs  
of your promise fulfilled;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

God of hope,  
who never lets us go,  
draw near to us  
in these ancient words.  
By your Holy Spirit  
may we be filled,  
lifted up,  
and leveled  
as you prepare in our hearts  
the path of your coming. **Amen.**

*Before the readings:*

A voice is crying in the wilderness:  
Listen to the word of the Lord.  
Mark 1:3; John 1:23

*After the readings:*

Heaven and earth will pass away  
but the word of the Lord stands forever.

**Thanks be to God.**

Isaiah 40:8; Mark 13:31

## Ascription of Praise

*After the sermon:*

Now to the God of all wisdom,  
who strengthens us according to the gospel,  
through Jesus Christ be all glory forever. **Amen.**  
Romans 16:25–27

## Affirmation of Faith

Season of Advent (and Christmas)

**Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus.  
His faith and obedience were the response  
of the perfect child of God.  
He was the fulfillment  
of God's promise to Israel,  
the beginning of the new creation,  
and the pioneer of the new humanity.  
He gave history its meaning and direction  
and called the church to be his servant  
for the reconciliation of the world.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.19*

Season of Advent (and Christmas)

**The one sufficient revelation of God  
is Jesus Christ,  
the Word of God incarnate,  
to whom the Holy Spirit  
bears unique and authoritative witness  
through the Holy Scriptures,  
which are received and obeyed  
as the word of God written.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.27*



Season of Advent (and Christmas)

**God expressed love for all humankind  
through Israel, whom God chose  
to be a covenant people  
to serve him in love and faithfulness.  
When Israel was unfaithful,  
God disciplined the nation with judgment  
and maintained the covenant  
through prophets, priests, teachers,  
and true believers.  
These witnesses called all Israelites  
to a destiny  
in which they would serve God faithfully  
and become a light to the nations.  
The same witnesses proclaimed  
the coming of a new age,  
and a true servant of God  
in whom God's purpose would be realized.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.18*

### **Invitation to Offering**

*At the communion table:*

All things in heaven and earth belong to God,  
who is coming in glory to reveal a new creation.  
Let us offer our lives to the Lord.  
2 Peter 3:8-15

### **Invitation to Offering**

*At the communion table:*

Rejoicing in the Lord always,  
we give thanks for the Word made flesh.  
With grateful hearts  
let us offer  
our whole selves to God.

### **Prayer after Communion**

*At the communion table:*

God our hope, we give you thanks  
that you have given us this foretaste  
of the justice, righteousness, and peace  
of your promised new creation.  
Strengthen us with this heavenly food

as we seek to serve your holy realm.  
Lead us to live in joyful expectation  
of the coming again in glory  
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

*At the communion table:*

God, our Provision,  
we rejoice that you satisfy our needs.  
By your presence in this meal  
you have fed us and strengthened us,  
as a mother nourishes her baby.  
In this waiting season  
fill us with hopeful expectation  
that we may see the signs of your kingdom  
all around us  
and rejoice  
in your coming salvation and glory. **Amen.**

### **Blessing and Charge**

*At the doors of the church:*

May the God of peace make you holy  
and the power of the Spirit sustain you  
until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia!**  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Prepare the way of the Lord! **Amen.**

Isaiah 40:3; Mark 1:3

### **Blessing and Charge**

*At the doors of the church:*

By the tender mercy of our God,  
the dawn from on high will break upon us,  
to give light to those  
who sit in darkness  
and in the shadow of death,  
to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Go now,  
sharing the light of Christ with others  
as you walk on the path of peace.  
Luke 1:78-79

# The Season of Advent

*These music suggestions are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Advent and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Candle Litanies

These candle litanies work well after the Declaration of Forgiveness or Passing of the Peace. After each litany, you may choose to sing one stanza of GTG 103, “Come Now, O Prince of Peace.”

### Advent 1

The world says, “All is lost.”  
God says, “All is loved.”  
The darkness says, “The light is dying.”  
The light says, “The fire is catching.”  
Fear says, “Cover your eyes and your ears.”  
Hope says, “Wait, watch, and listen.”

As we light our first Advent candle,  
**we pray for holy hope of God.**

Come now, O Child of Mary.  
**Come now, O Prince of Hope.**

### Advent 2

A voice cries out in the wilderness:  
“Prepare the way of the Lord.”  
A choir sings in the silence,  
“Come, Emmanuel.”  
Every valley shall be filled.  
Every heart shall be made whole,  
for peace is stronger than turmoil,  
and love is louder than hate.

As we light our second Advent candle,  
**we pray for the holy peace of God.**

Come now, O Child of Mary.  
**Come now, O Prince of Peace.**

### Advent 3

“Rejoice in the Lord always;  
again I will say, Rejoice.”  
The world says, “Worry,”  
and we say, “Rejoice.”  
The news says, “Fear,”  
and we say, “Rejoice.”  
The world says, “Be happy,”  
and the church says, “Be faithful.”

As we light our third Advent candle,  
**We pray for hope, peace, and joy.**

Come now, O child of Mary.  
**Come now, O Prince of Joy.**

### Advent 4

Isaiah spoke to a people called chosen,  
to a tribe called Israel, with a light of hope.  
Gabriel came to a town called Nazareth,  
to a girl called Mary, with a light of joy.  
Mary went to a place called Bethlehem,  
to a stable called a nursery,  
with a light of love.

As we light our fourth Advent candle,  
**we rejoice with Mary, for Love has flesh.**

Come now, O Child of Mary.  
**Come now, O Prince of Love.**

**Christmas Eve**

“Good news of great joy,”  
the angel said,  
“for to you a savior is born.”  
“Peace on earth,”  
the choir sang,  
“for God reigns in the highest.”  
“Follow me,”

the star beckoned,  
“For Hope was born in Bethlehem.”

As we light the Christ candle,  
**we watch for the Christmas story around us.**  
Emmanuel has come and is coming.  
**Come, all ye faithful, and worship God.**

**Congregational Song in Advent**

A change in liturgical seasons creates opportunities for congregational responses unique to the season as well as experiences of ongoing liturgical moments and responses set to new and different music. Following are suggestions for use during the season of Advent.

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

Come, Come Emmanuel	GTG 91
Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah	GTG 85
For You, O Lord, My Soul in Stillness Waits (ref.)	GTG 89
Wait for the Lord (refrain)	GTG 90
Prepare the Way of the Lord	GTG 95

**Alternate to the Gloria Patri**

Glory to God (Gloria, gloria)	GTG 583	PH 576
Glory, Glory, Glory	GTG 584	
Angels We Have Heard on High (refrain)	GTG 113	PH 23

**Sung Call to Confession**

Come Now, O Prince of Peace (verse 3)	GTG 103	
Comfort, Comfort Now My People (verse 1)	GTG 87	PH 3
For You, O Lord, My Soul in Stillness Waits (v. 1)	GTG 89	
On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry (verse 2)	GTG 96	PH 10

**Sung Response to Forgiveness**

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn (v. 4)	GTG 107
We Are Forgiven	GTG 447



## Anthems for Children's Choirs in Advent

Anthems for Children's Choirs in Advent

- "A Little Child Shall Lead Them," Marilyn Biery, AF, uni, org, vln or ob (ME)
- "Carol of Prophecy," Shirley McRae, CGA, uni, hb (E)
- "Dance and Sing for the Lord Will Be with Us," Hal Hopson, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno, tamb (E\*MA)
- "Emmanuel," Peter Johns, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno or gtr (E\*M)
- "Prepare the Way of the Lord," Michael Bedford, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno, fl (E\*M)
- "Let Us Go to the House of the Lord," Ellen McClune and Stephen Taranto, CGA, uni, pno (E)
- "There Was Love," Mark Burrows, CGA, uni, pno, fl (E)
- "Walk in the Light," André Thomas, CGA, uni, pno (E)
- "We Wait for a Little Child," Kathy Lowe Hart, AF, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*A)
- "Will You Be Ready," Mark Patterson, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*ME)
- "With the Help of the Spirit of the Lord," Jayne Southwick Cool, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*ME)

## Anthems for Youth Choirs in Advent

- "The Wexford Carol," Victor Johnson, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (ME)
- "Huron Carol," Mark Burrows, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (M)
- "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus," Mark Miller, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (ME)
- "Call to Advent," J. Jerome Williams, HOPE, 2 pt mx, acap (E)

## Piano Music in Advent

- "Awake, Awake and Greet the New Morn," REJOICE, REJOICE, *Greet the New Morn: Piano Music for Advent and Christmas*, Rachel Chapin, CON (ME)
- "Blest Be the God of Israel," FOREST GREEN, *Twelve Hymn Contemplations for Piano, Set 4*, Keith Kolander, Marquee Publishing (ME)
- "Comfort, Comfort Now My People," FREU DICH SEHR, *Piano Reflections on Advent Tunes*, Anne Krentz Organ, AF (ME)
- "Emmanuel," VENI EMMANUEL, *Colours 2: Music for Solo Piano*, Chris de Silva, GIA (M)
- "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," PICARDY, *Merrily on High: A Christmas Piano Collection*, John Carter, AF (ME)
- "My Lord, What a Morning," BURLEIGH, *Fairest Lord Jesus*, Michael Larkin, MSM (ME)
- "Prepare the Royal Highway," BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN, *Nativity Scenes: 12 Carols for Piano*, Timothy Shaw, MSM (ME)
- "Soon and Very Soon," VERY SOON, *Piano Impressions II for Worship*, Marianne Kim, HOPE (MA)
- "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came," GABRIEL'S MESSAGE, *The Essential Collection for Christmas*, Larry Shackley, HOPE (M)
- "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns," MORNING SONG, MOTHERLESS CHILD, *The Quiet Center: Piano Music for Advent and Christmas*, Thomas Keesecker, MSM (ME)

## Vocal Solos in Advent

- "The Lamb," *First Book of Mezzo-Soprano/Alto Solos*, Theodore Chanler, HAL (ME)
- "Magnificat," *The Nativity according to St. Luke*, Randall Thompson, ECS (MA)
- "A Simple Song," MASS, Leonard Bernstein, BH (A)
- "A Stable Lamp is Lighted," David Hurd, GIA (E)
- "For behold darkness shall cover the earth . . . The people that walked in darkness," *Messiah*, G. F. Handel (A)
- "My Lord, What a Morning," *The Spirituals of Harry T. Burleigh*, Harry T. Burleigh, HAL (M)
- "Every Valley," *Sacred Songs of John Ness Beck*, John Ness Beck, BP (E)

# November 27, 2022

## First Sunday of Advent

Color: Purple or Blue

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 2:1–5	Turn swords into plowshares; walk in the light of the Lord.
Psalm 122	I was glad when they said, “Let us go to the house of the Lord!”
Romans 13:11–14	Salvation is near: wake up; live honorably; put on Jesus Christ.
Matthew 24:36–44	The Lord is coming; keep awake; no one knows the day or hour.

### Opening Sentences

Let us go into the house of the Lord!

**Let us meet God with joy!**

God builds us up like a great city.

**May peace be within our walls.**

Let us seek the goodness of God;

**let us go into the house of the Lord!**

### Call to Confession

This is the time for us to wake from sleep;  
salvation is near to us.

Let us then lay aside the tatters of sin,  
and put on the armor of righteousness,  
asking our Savior for forgiveness.

### Prayer of Confession

**O God,  
we are steeped in a world of violence.  
War is one of the first things we learn,  
and we let it work its way into our lives.  
Your promises of peace sound like impossible  
dreams,  
and we become accustomed to cruelty.  
Forgive us. Wrest our weapons from our hands,  
and show us how beautiful life can be  
when you forge them into instruments  
of peace.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, know this:

the God of Presence,

the God of Transformation,

the God of Peace,

hears our prayers

and gives us power to love.

**Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks  
be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn (OEG)  
REJOICE, REJOICE GTG 107

Sing a New Song unto the Lord (E) SING A NEW  
SONG GTG 276

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright (OEG) PUER  
NOBIS NASCITUR GTG 666, PH 474

Darkness Cannot Drive Out Darkness (O) PICARDY  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

#### WORD

Wait for the Lord (G) WAIT FOR THE LORD GTG 90

Watchman, Tell us of the Night (EG) ABERYSTWYTH  
GTG 97, PH 20

Healer of Our Every Ill (O) HEALER OF OUR EVERY  
ILL GTG 795

Lost in the Night (OG) LOST IN THE NIGHT ELW 243

#### EUCCHARIST

In the Singing (O) BREAD OF PEACE GTG 533

We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom (O) MERLE'S TUNE  
GTG 378

Golden Breaks the Dawn (EG) LE P'ING GTG 668

Come Now, O Prince of Peace / Príncipe de Paz,  
ven (E) O-SO-SO GTG 103, SSS 235

## SENDING

- I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (O)  
HOUSTON GTG 377
- O God of Every Nation (OG) LLANGLOFFAN  
GTG 756, PH 289
- Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies (OEG) RATISBON  
GTG 662, PH 462
- Lead Us to Your Light (OEG) Carol E. Browning,  
*Gather Comprehensive* 326

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

- With Joy I Heard My Friends Exclaim [SUSSEX  
CAROL, GONFALON ROYAL]; PAS 122F, LUYH 66,  
PP 246, PH 235
- I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say [ENGLAND];  
GTG 400, PAS 122B, LUYH 508

### Responsorial

- I Was Glad When They Said to Me; PAS 122D
- I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say [Gelineau];  
PSA 126
- Let Us Go Rejoicing; PFTS1 56
- I Was Glad When They Said to Me [Helmsley];  
HTP1 1
- Me alegré con los que me decían / I Was Glad  
When They Said to Me; SSS 397 (refrain only)
- Yo me alegré / My Heart Was Glad; SSS 402  
(refrain only)

## Organ Music

- “Fanfare on ‘Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying,’”  
*5 Advent Hymn Improvisations, Set 1*, Michael  
Burkhardt, MSM (ME)
- “Come Now, O Prince of Peace,” O-SO-SO, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Advent II*, Roberta Rowland-  
Raybold, AF (E)
- “Wie soll ich dich empfangen,” *Vorspiel I, Grosses  
Orgelbuch I*, Ernst Pepping, Schott (M)
- “Wie soll ich dich empfangen,” *Vorspiel II, Grosses  
Orgelbuch I*, Ernst Pepping, Schott (MA)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

- “Keep Your Lamps,” arr. André Thomas, HIN, SATB,  
perc (M)
- “The Lord Will Soon Appear,” J. S. Bach, arr.  
Hopson, AF, SATB, org (M)
- “A Vision of Peace,” Ronald A. Nelson, GIA, SAB,  
pno (M)
- “The Dream Isaiah Saw,” Glenn Rudolph, OUP,  
SATB, pno, org (E)
- “Soon and Very Soon,” Andraé Crouch, arr.  
Schrader, HOPE, SAB, pno (E)
- “I Was Glad,” Bradley Ellingboe, KJO, SATB,  
pno (E)
- “I Was Glad,” Craig Phillips, SAC, SATB, acap (M)

## Handbell Music

- “Wake, Awake!,” Jeffrey Honoré, 3 or 5 oct, opt 3–4  
oct hc, opt perc, CON, 97-7060, Level 3
- “Advent Meditation,” Douglas Wagner, 3–5 oct,  
LOR, 20/1308L, Level 2
- “Lost in the Night,” Cathy Moglebust, 3–5 oct, opt 3  
oct hc, opt vln, CGA, CGB1014, Level 2

## Art

- Let Us Beat Our Swords into Plowshares*, Evgeniy  
Viktorovich Vuchetich, 1959 (VDL)
- Swords Into Plowshares*, Peter Koenig, twentieth  
century (VDL)
- Cardboard Cathedral*, Shigeru Ban, 2013 (VDL)
- Where Advent Begins*, Jan Richardson (JR)

# December 4, 2022

## Second Sunday of Advent

Color: Purple or Blue

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 11:1–10	From Jesse's root, a child will come with the spirit of the Lord.
Psalms 72:1–7, 18–19	May the king rule with righteousness and defend the poor.
Romans 15:4–13	Trust God's promises in Scripture; rejoice and live in hope.
Matthew 3:1–12	John calls for repentance: prepare the way of the Lord.

### Opening Sentences

God's vision of peace is  
a realm where all live together in harmony:  
**enemies become friends,  
fear gives way to understanding.**  
God calls us to be this community;  
**let us gather together to worship.**

### Call to Confession

John the Baptist's cry echoes through the ages:  
Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near!  
Here and now, we go to God in humility and faith,  
confessing our sins.

### Prayer of Confession

**God of all creation,  
your vision of peace is beyond our knowing.  
We have been hurt  
and we have seen destruction,  
so we turn around and hurt others,  
destroying what you have called good.  
Forgive us,  
and fill us with your knowledge,  
so we may help bring forth your peaceful  
kin-dom.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ comes into our world—  
Christ comes into our lives—  
to purify us and give us another chance.  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
**We rejoice in the hope Christ offers us!  
Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Now the Heavens Start to Whisper (O) JEFFERSON  
GTG 94  
Prepare the Way of the Lord (G) PREPARE THE WAY  
GTG 95  
Lord of All Hopefulness (OE) COURTNEY GTG 683  
Long God's Faithful People Waited (E) BRENT  
*Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

#### WORD

Lo, how a Rose E'er Blooming (O) ES IST EIN' ROS'  
GTG 129, PH 48  
Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice (G)  
ABERYSTWYTH GTG 163, PH 409  
Ho, All Who Thirst (Come Now to the Water) (OG)  
JACOB'S WELL GTG 479  
Until Jesus Comes (EG) PAROUSIA WAS 3050

#### EUCCHARIST

Seed, Scattered and Sown (OEG) SEED SCATTERED  
GTG 531  
Sheaves of Wheat (E) UNA ESPIGA GTG 532  
Sometimes a Light Surprises (E) SALLEY GARDENS  
GTG 800  
Satúranos, Señor / Lord, Fill Us (OG) SATÚRAME  
SSS 266

#### SENDING

Sing of God Made Manifest (G) SALZBURG GTG 156  
Dream On, Dream On (O) DREAM ON GTG 383  
O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High (G)  
DEO GRACIAS GTG 618, PH 83  
Holy Spirit (E) Richard Smallwood, AAHH 319



## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

All Hail to God's Anointed / Hail to the Lord's  
Anointed [ROCKPORT, ES FLOG EIN KLEINS  
WALDVÖGELEIN, KELVINGROVE]; GTG 149, PH 205,  
PAS 72A, LUYH 109, PP 134 (with refrain),  
SSS 112

Give Justice to Your King, O Lord [CMD]; SGP 104  
Están en tu mano / In Your Hand Alone; SSS 243

### Responsorial

In His Days Justice Will Flourish; PAS 72C  
Come, Lord, Come Soon [KELVINGROVE]; PP 133  
Justice Shall Flourish in the Time of the Lord;  
PND 23

## Organ Music

"Prepare the Royal Highway," BEREDEN VAG FOR  
HERRAN, *A Voice Is Sounding*, Benjamin Culli,  
CON (M)

"Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming," ES IST EIN' ROS',  
*Eleven Chorale Preludes*, Johannes Brahms,  
Edition Peters (E)

"Comfort, Comfort Now My People," FREU DICH  
SEHR, *People Look East*, William Ringham (E)

"Comfort, Comfort Now My People," FREU DICH  
SEHR, Georg Bohm (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

"Hope Lingers On," Lissa Schneckenburger, arr.  
Andrea Ramsey, MusicSpoke, SATB, acap (M)

"Lo, How a Rose / The Rose," arr. Craig Hella  
Johnson, GSH, SATB, solo, pno (E)

"Prepare the Royal Highway," James Laster, CON,  
SATB, org (M)

"There's a Voice in the Wilderness," Anne Krentz  
Organ, AF, 2 pt mx, ob, pno (E)

"I Want God's Heaven to Be Mine," Betty Jackson  
King, OUP, SATB, acap, solo (D)

"Consolámini," B. E. Boykin, Klavia Press, SATB,  
acap (D)

## Handbell Music

"Savior of the Nations, Come' with 'O Come, O  
Come, Emmanuel,'" Brenda Austin, 3–6 oct, opt  
3–5 oct hc, HOPE, 2844, Level 2+

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming," Ron Mallory, 3–5  
oct, LOR, 20/1733L, Level 2

"O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High,"  
Phillip Roberts, 3–5 oct, MSM, 30-844, Level 2+

## Art

*Tree of Jesse*, Absolon Stumme, 1499 (VDL)

*Saint John the Baptist Preaching to the Masses in  
the Wilderness*, Pieter Bruegel (VDL)

*Prepare the Way*, Jan Richardson (JR)

*The Desert in Advent*, Jan Richardson (JR)

# December 11, 2022

## Third Sunday of Advent

Color: Purple or Blue

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 35:1–10	The desert will blossom; God's people will return with joy.
Psalm 146:5–10 or Luke 1:46–55	The maker of heaven and earth gives justice and reigns forever. Mary rejoices in God, who helps the poor and lifts up the lowly.
James 5:7–10	Be patient; have courage; the coming of the Lord is near.
Matthew 11:2–11	Jesus praises John, the messenger who has prepared the way.

### Opening Sentences

Into the dry and desolate places of our lives,  
God brings salvation.

**The desert rejoices and blossoms,  
the wilderness teems with life.**

Sorrow and sighing will flee:

**let us come into God's presence with singing!**

### Call to Confession

The life of faith is not only about being faithful  
to God.

It is knowing that God is faithful to us.

Trusting that God will never turn away from us,  
let us tell the truth about our lives.

### Prayer of Confession

**Magnificent God,  
it is easy to rejoice at  
the wilderness bursting into bloom  
and the hungry being filled with good things.**

**We may not want  
the powerful to be brought down  
or the rich to be sent away empty.**

**We know that sometimes, we are the  
powerful.**

**Sometimes, we are the rich.**

**Sometimes we are the ones with privilege,  
ignoring and harming those you would lift up.  
Forgive us, humble us, and refocus us,  
that we may follow your way of life and truth.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

There is nothing and no one  
that is too far gone for God to redeem.

There is no land too parched  
that God cannot make streams of living water flow.

Beloved, we are forgiven!

**Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Prepare the Way, O Zion (OG) BEREDAN VÄG FÖR  
HERRAN GTG 106, PH 13

Here in This Place (G) GATHER US IN GTG 401

Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior, Thee (OE)  
ADORO TE DEVOTE GTG 495, PH 519

Tú eres todopoderoso / Because You're Holy  
(OEG) Juan Salinas, Adam Tice SSS 460

#### WORD

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (E) TRURO  
GTG 93, PH 8

No Wind at the Window (OEG) COLUMCILLE  
GTG 101

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness (OE) SCHMÜCKE  
DICH GTG 514

Toda la tierra / All Earth Is Waiting (EG) TODA LA  
TIERRA LUYH 57, v. 1

#### EUCCHARIST

When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace (G)  
O WALY, WALY GTG 302

You Are My Strength When I Am Weak (O)  
JERNIGAN GTG 519

You Are Holy / Eres santo (OE) DU ÄR HELIG  
GTG 596  
The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came (OEG)  
GABRIEL'S MESSAGE ELW 265

### SENDING

Be Thou My Vision (OG) SLANE GTG 450, PH 339  
Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace (O) LAND OF  
REST GTG 545  
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (OE) HYMN TO JOY  
GTG 611, PH 464  
Zion, at Thy Shining Gate (EG) COVENANT CHURCH  
*Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

### Psalms and Canticles

#### Psalm 146:5–10

##### Metrical

I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath [OLD 113TH];  
GTG 806, PH 253, PAS 146A  
I Will Sing Your Praise, O God [SHOUT THE PRAISE];  
SP 61

##### Responsorial

Come, O Lord, and Save Us; PSA 152  
Come, O Lord, and Save Us [NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN  
HEILAND]; HTP1 3

#### Luke 1:46–55

##### Metrical

My Soul Gives Glory [MORNING SONG /  
CONSOLATION]; GTG 99, PAS 1042  
My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout [STAR OF  
COUNTY DOWN]; GTG 100, LUYH 69, PAS 75B  
Holy Is Your Name [WILD MOUNTAIN THYME];  
PAS 1020  
Tell Out, My Soul [WOODLANDS]; LUYH 364

##### Responsorial

My Soul Rejoices in the Lord; PAS 1022  
My Soul Proclaims; PFTS1 66

### Organ Music

“Introit: Gaudete/Rejoice, ‘Rejoice in the Lord  
always; again, I say, rejoice,’” *Five Liturgical  
Pieces for Organ*, Lynn Trapp, MSM (E)  
“Schmucke dich o liebe Seele,” BWV 654, J. S.  
Bach, public domain (M)  
“Reprise,” Paul Manz, MSM (ME)

### Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Praise Ye the Lord,” Emma Lou Diemer, HF, SATB,  
2 pno or pno, org (M)  
“Go and Tell John,” Lloyd Pfautsch, HOPE, SATB,  
acap (M)  
“Magnificat,” Samuel Coleridge Taylor, NOV, SATB,  
org (MA)  
“Lost in the Night,” arr. Michael Burkhardt, MSM,  
SATB, org (ME)  
“Gospel Magnificat,” Robert Ray, HAL, SATB, solo,  
pno, bass gtr, perc (MA)  
“Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain,”  
Carolyn Jennings, KJO, SATB, children,  
keybd (ME)  
“Lost in the Night,” arr. Kyle Haugen, AF, SAB,  
pno (ME)

### Handbell Music

“Prepare the Way O Zion,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct  
hb, BP, HB428, Level 3  
“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates,” Brenda  
Austin, 3–6 oct hb, HOPE, 2890, Level 2  
“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came,” Fred  
Gramann, 3–7 oct hb, opt 3–7 oct hc, CGA,  
CGB902, Level 3

### Art

*Wheat Field in Rain*, Vincent van Gogh (VDL)  
*Annunciation to the Virgin Mary*, Jacopo da  
Pontormo, 1527 (VDL)  
*Annunciation*, Henry Ossawa Tanner (VDL)  
*Annunciation*, John August Swanson (EYE)  
*Shall Overshadow You*, Jan Richardson (JR)

# December 18, 2022

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

Color: Purple or Blue

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 7:10–16	The young woman will bear a child and name him Immanuel.
Psalm 80:1–7, 17–19	Restore us, O God; let your face shine, and save us.
Romans 1:1–7	Paul greets the saints in Rome; Jesus is the promised Son of God.
Matthew 1:18–25	Mary is with child; an angel visits Joseph; Jesus is “God with us.”

### Opening Sentences

We stand on the cusp:  
**the promise is almost fulfilled.**  
We wait with bated breath:  
**the child is almost here.**  
We trust the well-loved story:  
**God is truly with us.**

### Call to Confession

God comes to us just as we are,  
with all our triumphs, our worries,  
our gratitude, and our failures.  
We deepen our relationship with God now  
by drawing close and confessing our sins.

### Prayer of Confession

**Shepherd of our souls,  
we anticipate your coming but do not feel  
ready.  
We have done too much, and not done  
enough.  
We have focused too much on ourselves,  
and not enough on others.  
Restore us, O God;  
let your face shine, that we might be saved.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Emmanuel did not come into this world  
to condemn, but to save.  
**God does not come to imprison us,  
but to set us free.**  
Through this abundant love, we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You (OG) VALET WILL ICH  
DIR GEBEN GTG 104, PH 11  
God Is Here! (G) ABBOT'S LEIGH GTG 409, PH 461  
Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending (EG)  
HELMSLEY GTG 348, PH 6  
Make Way, Make Way (EG) MAKE A WAY WAS 3044

#### WORD

For You, O Lord, My Soul in Stillness Waits (OEG)  
MY SOUL IN STILLNESS WAITS GTG 89  
Savior of the Nations, Come (OEG) NUN KOMM, DER  
HEIDEN HEILAND GTG 102, PH 14  
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (OEG) PICARDY  
GTG 347, PH 5  
O Joseph, Awaken (G) GARCEAU *Sing No Empty  
Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

#### EUCCHARIST

Creator of the Stars of Night (OG) CONDITOR ALME  
SIDERUM GTG 84, PH 4  
While We Are Waiting, Come (OEG) WAITING  
(Cason) GTG 92  
People, Look East (E) BESANÇON GTG 105, PH 12  
Unexpected and Mysterious (OEG) ST. HELENA  
ELW 258

#### SENDING

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (E) HYFRYDOL,  
STUTTGART GTG 82, 83; PH 1, 2  
My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout (G) STAR OF  
COUNTY DOWN GTG 100  
A Stable Lamp Is Lighted (OG) ANDUJAR GTG 160  
La bendición del Dios de Sara / The God of Sarah  
(OG) Pablo D. Sosa SSS 711



## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

- Shepherd, Hear and Lead Your Flock [ST. LOUIS];  
PAS 80C, LUYH 64
- Hear Our Cry, O Lord [VINEYARD HAVEN];  
GTG 355, PH 206, PAS 80B
- Restáuranos, oh Dios / Restore Us, O God; SSS 72

### Responsorial

- Restore Us Again; PAS 80A
- Lord, Come Soon; PP 145

## Organ Music

- “Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland,” BWV 599,  
J. S. Bach, *Orgelbuchlein*, public domain (ME)
- “People, Look East,” BESANÇON, *Three Advent  
Preludes*, Robert A. Hobby, MSM (ME)
- “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel,” VENI EMMANUEL,  
*The Promised Coming*, Burton Bumgarner,  
Warner Bros. Publications (E)
- “Canticle of the Turning,” STAR OF COUNTY DOWN,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Advent Series II*,  
Barbara Harbach, AF (MA)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

- “O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion,”  
*Messiah*, G. F. Handel, CPDL, SATB, solo, pno,  
str qrt (MA)
- “The Angel Gabriel,” arr. David Schelat, OUP, SATB,  
org (M)

- “He Comes to Us as One Unknown,” John  
Ferguson, AF, SATB, org (M)
- “Angel Gabriel,” Stephen Paulus, Stephen Paulus  
Music, SATB, hp (MA)
- “Maria Walks amid the Thorn,” Hugo Distler, CON,  
SAB, acap (E)
- “O Magnum Mysterium,” César Alejandro Carrillo,  
Earthsongs, SATB div, acap (MA)
- “Maria Walks amid the Thorns,” Fred Gramann,  
ECS, SATB, acap, sop (M)
- “O Magnum Mysterium,” Hyo-Won Woo, WAL,  
SATB div, acap (A)

## Handbell Music

- “Abbot’s Leigh,” Lee Afdahl, 3–5 oct hb, HOPE,  
2103, Level 2+
- “Creator of the Stars of Night,” Joe Gaylon, 3–5 oct  
hb, opt 3 oct hc, JHS, JHS9594, Level 3-
- “People Look East, the Time Is Near,” Tammy  
Waldrop, 3–5 oct hb, opt 3–5 oct hc, CGA,  
CGB410, Level 3-

## Art

- Immanuel—Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive . . .*,  
Joseph Nuttgens, 1952 (VDL)
- Isaiah 7:14*, Timothy Botts (EYE)
- Longest Night*, Jan Richardson (JR)
- Waiting for the Revealing*, Jan Richardson (JR)
- Matthew 1:20–21*, Timothy Botts (EYE)

# The Season of Christmas

*These liturgical texts are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Christmas and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Confession and Pardon

*At the baptismal font:*

Season of Christmas

Like a great light in a land of deep darkness,  
the mercy of the Lord shines upon us.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

*The prayer of confession is included here.*

Season of Christmas

The light of Christ  
shines in the shadows.

The Prince of Peace  
breaks the yoke  
of our burden.

With joy

we turn to our mighty God,  
whose justice and righteousness  
never fail,

and gladly confess our sin.

*The prayer of confession is included here.*

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

With humility before God,

let us confess the ways

we have clenched our hearts

and refused God's gift of grace.

*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

Season of Christmas

Hear the promise of the Lord:

See, your salvation has come!

You are a holy people, redeemed by God,  
sought out, not forsaken.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

Season of Christmas

Lift up your voices!

Sing for joy!

Good news of salvation

comes in Jesus Christ—

God's redemption,

born in a manger.

Tell the world!

The message is clear!

We are forgiven!

**Sung Response** (GTG #136, "Go, Tell in on the  
Mountain" refrain)

**"Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and  
everywhere;**

**go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is  
born!"**

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

Arise!

Shine!

Your light has come!

The radiance of God's glory beams brightly.

Open your eyes and see

the mercy of the Lord.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

Season of Christmas

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Lord our God, we give you thanks  
for the wonder and love you offer us  
through the gift of our baptism—  
your Word made flesh among us,  
a child and Savior born to us,  
good news of great joy for all.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
poured out upon us in baptism,  
let us be born anew from above  
so that we may give glory to you  
and live as your beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas

Everlasting God,  
your mercy  
rains down on us  
in Jesus Christ.

We thank you  
for our new life  
through baptism.

We are renewed  
like watered gardens  
and our lives

bloom with your incarnate love.  
Through Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

God of glory,  
you give us life.  
Through the waters of baptism,  
you have gathered us together  
as sons and daughters.

We thank you  
for the mystery of your grace  
revealed in Jesus Christ,  
who offered your deep love  
to all creation;  
in the name of the One  
who claims us as children.

**Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

Season of Christmas

Gracious God, by the gift of your Holy Spirit  
show us the Word made flesh—  
good news of great joy for all—  
so that we may sing with the angels:  
glory in the highest and peace on earth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas

O God,  
through your mighty acts  
we receive grace upon grace.  
From your fullness,  
feed us with your life-giving Word,  
that our lives,  
like bread,  
may feed a hungry world. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

Holy One, giver of all light,  
lift up our hearts and minds to Christ,  
the morning star that never fades.  
By the light of your Holy Spirit  
reveal to us your saving Word  
and lead us to offer our lives to you  
in service and in love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

God of light,  
whose wisdom shines like stars  
in the midnight sky,  
make these holy words  
clear to us  
so that our eyes  
will see your salvation  
and our lives  
will be radiant  
before you.  
We pray expectantly.  
**Amen.**

*Before the readings:*

Treasure these words  
and ponder them in your heart.  
Luke 2:19

*After the readings:*

And the Word became flesh and lived among us.  
**Thanks be to God.**

John 1:14

## Ascription of Praise

*After the sermon:*

Glory to God in the highest  
and peace to God's people on earth! **Amen.**

Luke 2:14

## Affirmation of Faith

Season of (Advent and) Christmas

**Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus.  
His faith and obedience were the response  
of the perfect child of God.  
He was the fulfillment  
of God's promise to Israel,  
the beginning of the new creation,  
and the pioneer of the new humanity.  
He gave history its meaning and direction  
and called the church to be his servant  
for the reconciliation of the world.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.19*

Season of (Advent and) Christmas

**The one sufficient revelation of God  
is Jesus Christ,  
the Word of God incarnate,  
to whom the Holy Spirit  
bears unique and authoritative witness  
through the Holy Scriptures,  
which are received and obeyed  
as the word of God written.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.27*

Season of (Advent and) Christmas

**God expressed love for all humankind  
through Israel, whom God chose  
to be a covenant people  
to serve him in love and faithfulness.  
When Israel was unfaithful,**

**God disciplined the nation with judgment  
and maintained the covenant  
through prophets, priests, teachers,  
and true believers.**

**These witnesses called all Israelites  
to a destiny**

**in which they would serve God faithfully  
and become a light to the nations.**

**The same witnesses proclaimed**

**the coming of a new age,  
and a true servant of God**

**in whom God's purpose would be realized.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.18*

## Invitation to Offering

*At the communion table:*

Season of Christmas

From the fullness of God  
we have all received grace upon grace.  
Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

John 1:16

Season of Christmas

Rejoicing in the birth  
of Christ our Savior,  
we give to God  
what we first received from God,  
the gifts of our lives.

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

With joyful and radiant hearts,  
we gratefully give who we are  
and what we have to God.

## Prayer after Communion

*At the communion table:*

Season of Christmas

God of shepherds and sheep,  
we give you thanks  
that you have gathered us here,  
revealed to us your glory,  
and fed us with your mercy.

Now send us out

with good news for all—

for us a child is born:

Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**



Season of Christmas

We sing a new song to you, Lord.  
Through this bread and wine  
we receive your joy.  
All of creation  
praises you,  
joining with glad voices  
to share the good news  
of Christ's saving birth.  
We give thanks  
for the Word you first sang,  
Jesus, our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

We give you thanks, O God,  
for the gifts of this table—  
precious, prayerful, and poignant—  
like gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
Lead us forth by your light  
to share the gifts of your grace  
with all people everywhere,  
giving glory, honor, and praise  
to Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

Giving God,  
as kings offered their gifts  
to the boy Jesus,  
you have offered  
yourself to the world  
through the body and blood of Christ.  
Thank you for this foretaste of the heavenly  
banquet  
and let our lives embody  
your justice and righteousness  
to all people.  
With thankful hearts,  
**Amen.**

**Blessing and Charge**

*At the doors of the church:*

Season of Christmas

The loving kindness of the Lord our God,  
the grace of Jesus Christ our Savior,  
and the renewing power of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all. **Alleluia!**

Titus 3:4–7

Go and tell this good news of great joy:  
to us a Savior is born. **Amen.**

Luke 2:10–11

Season of Christmas

The Light of light  
illuminates our lives  
like the dawn's first rays.  
The light shines and will not be overcome.  
In the name of God, creation's spark;  
Christ, the bright morning star;  
and the Spirit of fire, **Amen.**

Clothe yourselves with love.

Let the peace of Christ  
rule in your hearts.

And be thankful. . . .

Do everything in the name  
of the Lord Jesus,  
giving thanks to God  
through him. **Amen.**

Colossians 3:12–17

Season of Christmas, Epiphany of the Lord

Kingdoms and nations  
fall before God  
whose glory outshines the sun.  
No longer distanced,  
we will be gathered together  
in the light of God's reign.  
This is the promise given to us  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the mystery of God's love  
revealed to the world.

Arise!

Shine!

For your light has come.  
Let your life be the light  
of Christ  
so that all people  
may know that they, too,  
share in the promises of God.

# The Season of Christmas

*These music suggestions are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Christmas and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Song for the Christmas Season

A change in liturgical seasons creates opportunities for congregational responses unique to the season as well as experiences of ongoing liturgical moments and responses set to new and different music. Following are suggestions for use during the Season of Christmas:

### Lighting the Christ Candle on the Advent Wreath (Christmas Eve)

- Love Has Come (verse 1) GTG 110
- On Christmas Night All Christians Sing (verse 4) GTG 112
- Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (verse 4 and refrain) GTG 127; PH 31

### Gloria

- Glory to God (Gloria, Gloria) GTG 583; PH 576
- Glory to God (Gloria a Dios) GTG 585; STF 2033
- Angels We Have Heard on High (refrain) GTG 113; PH 23
- While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks (verse 6) GTG 118; PH 59

### Alternate to the *Doxology*

- What Child Is This (verse 3) GTG 145; PH 53
- In the Bleak Midwinter (verse 4) GTG 144; PH 36
- That Boy-Child of Mary (verse 6, refrain) GTG 139; PH 55
- Raise a Song of Gladness GTG 155; STF 2017

## Anthems for Children's Choirs for Christmas and Epiphany

- "Bethlehem," J. Edmund Hughes and Mary Ellen Loose, SBMP, 2 pt, pno, vln, vc (A)
- "Bethlehem Night," Terry Taylor, CGA, uni, pno, hb (E)
- "Glory to God," Giovanni Pergolesi, MSM, 2 pt, pno, fl or vln (ME)
- "How Beautiful Are the Feet of Them," Doreen Rao, BH, uni, pno (M)
- "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly," Ken Berg, Walton Music, uni, hc, fl (E)
- "Let Every Heart Prepare a Throne," Mark Patterson, CGA, uni, pno (MA)
- "O Come, All You Children," Kevin Riehle, OUP, 2 pt, pno (A)
- "On Christmas Night," Jody Lindh, CGA, uni, pno, hb (E)
- "Sing We Now of Christmas," Mark Patterson, SHAW, 2 pt, pno, fc (M)
- "The Whole World Sings Alleluia," Wayne Wold, CGA, uni, pno (E)

### Epiphany

- “Arise and Shine,” John Paradowski, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno, hb (E\*MA)
- “See the Glowing Star,” Helen Kemp, CGA, uni, pno, perc (E)
- “Set the Sun Dancing,” Helen Kemp, CGA, uni, pno, hb (ME)

### **Anthems for Youth Choirs for Christmas and Epiphany**

- “Angels We Have Heard on High,” arr. Trevor Manor, CGA, SATB, pno (M)
- “Glory Be to God on High,” arr. Mark Hahn, CGA, SAB, pno (M)
- “Jazz Gloria,” Natalie Sleeth, CF, SATB, bass (ME)
- “Jesus, What a Wonderful Child,” Rollo Dilworth, HAL, SATB, pno (M)

### **Piano Music for Christmas and Epiphany**

- “Coventry Carol,” COVENTRY CAROL, *Gospel Greats 2: Piano Solos*, Joel Raney, HOPE (ME)
- “Epiphany Suite,” CRANHAM, KINGS OF ORIENT, THE FIRST NOWELL, *Seasons of Grace*, vol. 7, Paul A. Tate, GIA (M)
- “Go Tell It on the Mountain,” GO TELL IT, *Merrily on High: A Christmas Piano Collection*, John Carter, AF (ME)
- “Joy to the World,” ANTIOCH, Christmas Reflections, Larry Shackley, HOPE (M)
- “Of the Father’s Love Begotten,” DIVINUM MYSTERIUM, *Celtic Hymns for Christmas*, Larry Shackley, HOPE (M)
- “Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow,” RISE UP, SHEPHERD, *The Essential Collection for Christmas*, Jack Schrader, HOPE (MA)
- “See Amid the Winter’s Snow,” HUMILITY, *Christmas Illuminations*, Dan Forrest, BP (MA)
- “Sing We Now of Christmas,” NOËL NOUVELET, *Nativity Scenes: 12 Carols for Piano*, Timothy Shaw, MSM (ME)
- “Song of the Manger,” AWAY IN A MANGER, W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY, *Carols for Christmas for 4-Hand Piano*, Arnold B. Sherman, HOPE (ME)
- “’Twas in the Moon of Wintertime,” UNE JEUNE PUCELLE, *The Quiet Night*, Thomas Keesecker, MSM (M)
- “We Three Kings,” KINGS OF ORIENT, *The Holly and the Ivy: Seven Carol Arrangements for Piano*, Gwyneth Walker, MSM (M)

### **Vocal Solos for Christmas and Epiphany**

- “What Songs Were Sung,” *The Songs of John Jacob Niles*, John Jacob Niles, HAL (M)
- “Noël, Nouvelet,” *Carols for Solo Singers*, arr. Vicki Turner Courtney, ALF, solo, keybd, 2 fl, tri, hd (ME)
- “A Lute Carol,” Mary Caldwell, HWG (M)
- “The Oxen,” *Christmas Song Album*, vol. 2, C. Armstrong Gibbs, BH (A)

### Epiphany

- “The Kings,” *Christmas Solos for All Ages*, Peter Cornelius, HAL (M)

# December 24, 2022 Nativity of the Lord / Christmas Eve

Colors: White and Gold

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 9:2–7	Light shines on people in darkness; a child has been born for us.
Psalm 96	Sing a new song to the Lord, all the earth; declare God's glory.
Titus 2:11–14	The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.
Luke 2:1–14 (15–20)	Jesus is born in Bethlehem; angels tell shepherds the good news.

## Opening Sentences

In the holy darkness of this night,  
**amid labor pains and newborn cries,**  
angel songs and tremors of fear,  
**tears of relief and looks of amazement,**  
our Savior takes his first breath.  
**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel has come to us.**

## Call to Confession

God came into a broken world,  
and we know all too well  
the ways it is still broken and hurting.  
Let us confess the ways we have done harm,  
that we may be part of the healing.

## Prayer of Confession

**Emmanuel,**  
**you have given us a gift that we can never**  
**deserve.**  
**You do not ask us to be worthy.**  
**You do not ask us to earn your love.**  
**Yet the ways we have fallen short**  
**threaten to overtake us.**  
**But we know we can come to you,**  
**even on this holiest of nights,**  
**to seek the forgiveness you offer so freely,**  
**grateful for your mercy.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

The grace of God has appeared,  
bringing salvation to us all!  
With Christ's birth comes forgiveness and  
redemption.  
**Glory to God in the highest heaven,**  
**and on earth peace among those whom God**  
**favors!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

O Come, All Ye Faithful (OEG) ADESTE FIDELES  
GTG 133, PH 41/42  
Once in Royal David's City (G) IRBY GTG 140, PH 49  
Angels, from the Realms of Glory (G) REGENT  
SQUARE GTG 143, PH 22  
Chinese Lantern Carol (OEG) LANTERN STAR  
WAS 3054

### WORD

The People Who Walked in Darkness (O) ISAIAH 9  
GTG 86  
Before the Marvel of This Night (EG) MARVEL  
GTG 125  
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (OEG) WE'LL WALK IN  
THE LIGHT GTG 127  
Christmas Candle (OE) CANDLE CAROL *Rejoice in*  
*God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

### EUCCHARIST

Still, Still, Still (OE) STILL, STILL, STILL GTG 124, PH 47  
He Came Down (EG) HE CAME DOWN GTG 137  
Raise a Song of Gladness (G) JUBILATE DEO GTG 155  
Hunger Carol (OEG) SMOKEY MOUNTAIN STB 144



## SENDING

Love Has Come (EG) BRING A TORCH GTG 110  
 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing (EG)  
 SUSSEX CAROL GTG 112  
 Silent Night, Holy Night! (OEG) STILLE NACHT  
 GTG 122, PH 60  
 O Holy Night (OEG) CANTIQUE DE NOEL AAHH 201

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Sing to the Lord a New Song [ES IST EIN' ROS'  
 ENTSRUNGEN]; PAS 96F  
 O Sing a New Song to the Lord [GONFALON ROYAL];  
 GTG 304, PH 216  
 Sing a Song to God (Ay, Ay, Salidummay)  
 [SALIDUMMAY]; PAS 96E

### Responsorial

O Sing a New Song; GTG 639, PH 217, PAS 96H  
 Today Is Born Our Savior; G3 68  
 Today Is Born Our Savior [VOM HIMMEL HOCH];  
 HTP1 98  
 Sing to the Lord; PP 174  
 God, We Honor You / Dios, te honramos;  
 SSS 647–648

## Organ Music

“Noels,” *Christmas Music for the Organ*, Claude  
 Balbastre, Kalmus (M)  
 “The Cradle Song,” *Three Taiwanese Folksongs*,  
 Chelsea Chen, WLE (ME)  
 “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child,” *Bethlehem's Light*,  
 Benjamin M. Culli, CON (ME)  
 “Toccat: Angels We Have Heard on High,” *Suite*  
*Noel*, Matthew H. Corl, HWG (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Fill the Sky,” Nancy Gifford Humphreys,  
 VocalEssence Music Press, SATB, acap (M)  
 “Mary Had a Baby,” William Dawson, KJO, SATB,  
 acap, solo (M)  
 “Xicochi,” Gaspar Fernandes, BorderCrossSing,  
 SATB, keybd, perc (M)  
 “The Angels and the Shepherds,” Stephen Paulus,  
 Stephen Paulus Music, SATB, acap, hb or pno, fl  
 (ME)  
 “I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve,” Peder  
 Knudsen, arr. John Ferguson, AF, SATB, org (M)  
 “Sussex Carol,” arr. Elaine Hagenberg, BP, SATB,  
 pno, opt orch (M)  
 “Christmas Night,” Kim Andre Arnesen, BH, SATB,  
 pno, C inst (ME)  
 “Psallite,” Michael Praetorius, CPDL, SATB, acap  
 (ME)  
 “Still, Still, Still,” arr. Mack Wilberg, OUP, 2 pt mx,  
 pno 4 hand (E)

## Handbell Music

“Love Came Down at Christmas,” Jason Krug, 3–6  
 oct. hb, opt 3–6 oct hc, BP, HB522, Level 2+  
 “O Come, All Ye Faithful,” Karen Buckwalter, 3–7  
 oct hb, BP, HB645, Level 3  
 “Still, Still, Still,” Jason Krug, 3–6 oct hb, opt 3–6  
 oct hc, opt C inst, LOR, 20/1987L, Level 2

## Art

*Joy to the World*, Republic of Congo (VDL)  
*On the Eve of the Birth of Christ*, Michael Reiser,  
 1869 (VDL)  
*Annunciation to the Shepherds*, Heinrich Vogeler,  
 1902 (VDL)  
*The Census at Bethlehem*, Pieter Brueghel the Elder  
 (VDL)  
*Mary and Joseph*, Scott Laumann (EYE)

# December 25, 2022

## Nativity of the Lord / Christmas Day (Dawn)

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 62:6–12	Salvation comes; Jerusalem is restored; the people are redeemed.
Psalm 97	The Lord reigns over all the earth; light dawns for the righteous.
Titus 3:4–7	We are justified by the grace of Christ, reborn in the Holy Spirit.
Luke 2:(1–7) 8–20	To you is born this day a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.

### Opening Sentences

Glory to God in the highest!

**A child has been born for us!**

See, our salvation comes!

**We rejoice in what God has made known to us!**

Let us journey to the manger together.

### Call to Confession

It is tempting to stay in the joy of Christmas morning,  
to ignore all that makes us uncomfortable.  
But it is right for us to greet this day  
by acknowledging how much we need salvation to  
be born.

### Prayer of Confession

**We confess, Holy Creator,  
that we care more for ourselves  
than this world you made.  
We confess, Newborn Savior,  
that we focus on our own wants  
at the expense of the needs of others.  
We confess, Abundant Spirit,  
that we push you aside,  
scoffing at the idea that you are actually  
at work.  
Forgive us and guide us  
as we celebrate your birth,  
and shape us to be more like you.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ, God saves us,  
not because of any works of righteousness  
we have done,  
but according to God's mercy.

**Gloria in excelsis deo!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn (G)

REJOICE, REJOICE GTG 107

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light (G)

ERMUNTRE DICH GTG 130, PH 26

Heaven Is Singing for Joy / El cielo canta alegría

(G) ALGERÍA GTG 382

This Is the Day of Joy and Peace (OG) NAAMPHAI

STB 303

#### WORD

Blest Be the God of Israel (G) MERLE'S TUNE  
GTG 109

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (G) CAROL  
GTG 123, PH 38

Who Would Think That What Was Needed (OEG)  
WHITE ROSETTES GTG 138

Weary Travelers, Cease Your Roaming (OEG)  
INNKEEPER *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton,  
GIA

## EUCCHARIST

Of the Father's Love Begotten (OEG) DIVINUM  
MYSTERIUM GTG 108, PH 309  
O Little Town of Bethlehem (G) ST. LOUIS, FOREST  
GREEN GTG 121, PH 44, 43  
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (G) W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY GTG  
128, PH 37  
God's Love Is for Everybody (OE) Kathy Wonson  
Eddy CH4 765

## SENDING

Joy to the World (OG) ANTIOCH GTG 134, PH 40  
There's a Star in the East (G) FOLLOW GTG 135  
O Day of Peace (E) JERUSALEM GTG 373, PH 450  
Messiah Now Has Come (OG) MESSIAH AAHH 203

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

God Reigns! Let Earth Rejoice! [MARION, NOËL  
NOUVELET]; GTG 365, PAS 97A, LUYH 91  
God Reigns: Let Earth Rejoice! [GENEVAN 97];  
PAS 97B

### Responsorial

Light Dawns for the Righteous [George A. Black];  
PAS 97C, or with A Christmas Prayer of Praise,  
97D  
The Lord Reigns; UMH 816

## Organ Music

"Divinum mysterium, 'Of the Father's Love  
Begotten,'" *Five Liturgical Pieces for Organ*,  
Lynn Trapp, MSM (E)  
"Chorale Prelude on 'Joy to the World,'" ANTIOCH,  
*Christmas Presents*, John S. Dixon, LOR (E)  
"Let Our Gladness Have No End," *Bethlehem's  
Light*, Benjamin M. Culli, CON (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

"Glory to God," *Messiah*, G. F. Handel, CPDL,  
SATB, keybd, orch (opt) (M)  
"All on a Christmas Morning," Alfred Burt, SHAW,  
SATB, keybd (E)  
"Choral Fanfare for Christmas," Ronald A. Nelson,  
BH, SATB, org or brass (MA)  
"A Child is Born," Leo Nester, ECS, SATB, org (M)  
"Xicochi," Gaspar Fernandes, BorderCrossSing,  
SATB, keybd, perc (M)  
"Gaudete," arr. Robert J. Batastini, GIA, SATB, hb,  
fc, perc (ME)  
"Ogo Ni Fun Oluwa," Rosephanye Powell, HAL,  
SATB, div, acap, perc (M)

## Handbell Music

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light," Linda  
R. Lamb, 3–5 octave hb, opt 3 oct hc, opt C inst,  
CON, 97-7283, Level 3  
"O Little Town of Bethlehem," Michael Helman,  
3–5 oct hb, opt 3–4 oct hc, LOR, 20/1400L,  
Level 3  
"Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow," Michael  
Mazzatenta, 3–5 oct hb, SFP, 20/1922SF, Level 2+

## Art

*Shepherds*, John August Swanson (VDL)  
*Go Tell It on the Mountain*, Timothy Botts (EYE)  
*Birth of Christ*, Chinese painting (VDL)  
*Madonna and Child 1*, Laura James (EYE)  
*The Lord Is My Light*, Mike Moyers (VDL)

# December 25, 2022 Nativity of the Lord / Christmas Day

Color: White and Gold

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 52:7–10	How beautiful is the messenger who brings good news and peace.
Psalms 98	Make a joyful noise to the Lord; give thanks for God's victory.
Hebrews 1:1–4 (5–12)	Now God has spoken to us by a Son, the reflection of God's glory.
John 1:1–14	The Word of God became flesh and lived among us.

## Opening Sentences

O sing to the Lord a new song,  
**For the true light has come into the world!**  
 Break forth into singing,  
**For in Christ is life!**  
 The Word has become flesh and lives among us,  
**And we have seen God's glory,**  
**full of grace and truth!**

## Call to Confession

God has come to us,  
 but too often we do not accept God.  
 We do not allow ourselves to be changed by God's  
 presence,  
 continuing in our old ways.  
 Let us pray for our transformation.

## Prayer of Confession

**O Christ, reflection of God's glory,**  
**let this be a day that changes us.**  
**Let this be a day that challenges us**  
**to live as those you have blessed.**  
**Let this be a day that we find not only**  
**forgiveness,**  
**but a new way forward.**  
**Renew your call to us.**  
**Save us, forgive us, and inspire us**  
**to allow our lives to be imbued with your**  
**presence.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

We celebrate God's steadfast love this day.  
 No matter what we do,  
 no matter what we neglect to do,  
 that love never changes, and we are forgiven!  
**Thank God for peace!**  
**Thank God for good news!**  
**Thank God for redemption!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (OEG) MENDELSSOHN  
 GTG 119, PH 31/32  
 Jesus, Jesus, O What a Wonderful Child (EG)  
 WONDERFUL CHILD GTG 126  
 'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime (OG) UNE JEUNE  
 PUCELLE GTG 142, PH 61  
 God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen (OEG) GOD REST  
 YOU MERRY EH 105

### WORD

From Heaven Above (OG) VOM HIMMEL HOCH  
 GTG 111, PH 54  
 The Snow Lay on the Ground (OG) VENITE  
 ADOREMUS GTG 116, PH 57  
 That Boy-Child of Mary (EG) BLANTYRE GTG 139,  
 PH 55  
 Like a Child (EG) LIKE A CHILD STF 2092



## EUCCHARIST

Away in a Manger (OG) CRADLE SONG, MUELLER  
GTG 114, 115; PH 24, 25  
Where Shepherds Lately Knelt (OE) MANGER SONG  
GTG 120  
The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (OG) THE  
FEAST IS READY GTG 505  
Peace Came to Earth (OG) HUFSTETLER, *Rejoice in  
God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## SENDING

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice (E) IN DULCI JUBILO  
GTG 132, PH 28  
Go, Tell It on the Mountain (EG) GO TELL IT  
GTG 136, PH 29  
Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace (OE) LAND OF  
REST GTG 545  
The Peace of the Earth (OE) LA PAZ DE LA TIERRA  
CH4 798

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Joy to the World [ANTIOCH]; GTG 134, PH 40, LUYH  
92, PAS 98D, SSS 95  
Sing a New Song to Our Savior [8.7.8.7 D]; SGP 145  
To God Compose a Song of Joy [RICHMOND,  
KEDDY]; NCH 36, PH 219  
New Songs of Celebration Render [RENDEZ À DIEU];  
GTG 371, PH 218, SSS 442

### Responsorial

Sing to the Lord a New Song; PAS 98A  
Sing a New Song unto the Lord [SING A NEW SONG];  
GTG 276  
All the Ends of the Earth [ANTIOCH]; HTP1 100

## Organ Music

“Now Sing We, Now Rejoice,” IN DULCI JUBILO,  
*3 Christmas Chorales for Organ*, Paul Kickstat,  
MSM (E)  
“Lo, How a Rose Is Growing,” *Augsburg Organ  
Library: Christmas*, John Leavitt, AF (E)  
“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice,” *Augsburg Organ  
Library: Christmas*, Marcel Dupre, AF (E)  
“Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich,” *Orgelbuechlein*, J.  
S. Bach, public domain (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Christmas Angel,” Corlynn Hanney, Cypress Music,  
SATB, solo, acap (ME)  
“Keresemesi Odun de O,” arr. Wendell Whalum,  
ALF, SATB, div, acap, perc (M)  
“Blessed Be the Maid Marie,” arr. Susan LaBarr,  
WAL, SATB, div, acap (M)  
“The Word Was God,” Rosephanye Powell, Gentry  
Publications, SATB, div, acap (MA)  
“The Glory of the Father,” Egil Hovland, WAL,  
SATB, acap (M)  
“A Child Is Born in Bethlehem,” Richard Proulx,  
GIA, SAB, hb (M)

## Handbell Music

“’Twas in the Moon at Wintertime,” Cathy  
Moklebust, 2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, opt perc, CGA,  
CGB155 or CGB402, Level 2  
“Away in a Manger,” Anna Laura Page, 3–5 oct, BP,  
HB430, Level 2+  
“Go Tell it on the Mountain,” Andrew Duncan, 3–6  
oct, AGEHR, AG35310, Level 2

## Art

*Birth of Christ*, Greco, 1600 (VDL)  
*Nativity*, John August Swanson (EYE)  
*Birth of Christ*, Bernardo Daddi, c. 1325 (VDL)  
*Christmas Angel*, James Fissel (EYE)  
*John 1:14*, Timothy Botts (EYE)  
*African Nativity*, Nuremberg, Germany (VDL)

# January 1, 2023

## First Sunday of Christmas

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 63:7–9	The people were saved not by an angel, but the Lord's presence.
Psalm 148	Let everything in the whole creation praise the name of the Lord.
Hebrews 2:10–18	Jesus calls us brothers and sisters; he became human to save us.
Matthew 2:13–23	Joseph and Mary flee to Egypt to escape persecution from Herod.

### Opening Sentences

Praise God!  
With the angels and hosts, we praise!  
**With the sun and moon, we praise!**  
With the fire and hail, we praise!  
**With the frost and snow, we praise!**  
With the mountains and valleys, we praise!  
**With the skies and the seas, we praise!**  
Praise God!

### Call to Confession

Even in a season of celebration and joy,  
there is grief and pain.  
Even as we celebrate God's goodness,  
we know that we have not always lived it.  
Even in all of this, Christ comes.

### Prayer of Confession

**Ever-present God,  
you became our Savior in all our distress.  
In all the ways we hurt,  
and all the ways we hurt others,  
in all the ways we feel neglected  
and all the ways we neglect others,  
in all the ways we cry out  
and all the ways we cause others to cry,  
you are with us, comforting us and holding us  
to account.  
In your love, redeem us once again.  
Lift us up and grant us your mercy,  
as you have throughout the generations.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ came into this world for us:  
imperfect humans, perpetual sinners,  
trying, learning, striving.  
He came to be tested,  
so that he might help us as we are tested,  
to forgive us all our sins.  
**Praise be to our merciful and faithful high  
priest!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

For the Beauty of the Earth (E) DIX GTG 14, PH 473  
Jesus Entered Egypt (G) KING'S WESTON GTG 154  
What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright (OEG)  
PUER NOBIS NASCITUR GTG 152, PH 68  
Love Lifted Me (EG) SAFETY AAHH 504

#### WORD

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (OE)  
AUSTRIAN HYMN GTG 81, PH 446  
Comfort, Comfort Now My People (OE) GENEVAN  
42 GTG 87, PH 3  
I Love to Tell the Story (O) HANKEY GTG 462  
Surely the Presence of the Lord (O) THE PRESENCE  
OF THE LORD SON 398

#### EUCCHARIST

God of the Sparrow (O) ROEDER GTG 22, PH 272  
There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit (O) SWEET, SWEET  
SPIRIT GTG 408, PH 398  
Lord, We Thank You for This Food (E) MOTOMASE  
GTG 660  
Blest Are the Innocents (G) BETA LUYH 108

## SENDING

Light Dawns on a Weary World (OE) TEMPLE OF PEACE GTG 79  
 Blest Be the Tie That Binds (OE) DENNIS GTG 306, PH 438  
 Standing on the Promises (OE) PROMISES GTG 838  
 Let Us Even Now Go (Cebuano: Manglakat na kita) (G) MANGLAKAT STB 146

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Let the Whole Creation Cry [ORIENTIS PARTIBUS, SALZBURG]; PP 294 (with refrain), GTG 679, PH 256, PAS 148 I  
 Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator / Nyanyikanlah [NYANYIKANLAH]; GTG 18, LUYH 550, PAS 148E  
 Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah [8.7.8.7 D]; SGP 217, SSS 22, LUYH 6, PAS 148C  
 Let All Creation's Wonders [THAXTED]; PAS 148A, LUYH 555

### Responsorial

Alleluia! Alleluia!; PSA 155  
 Glory to God in the Highest; PAS 148G  
 O Bless the Lord; PAS 148B

## Organ Music

"In Dulci Jubilo," *Christmas Carol Hymn Settings for Organ*, Jean Langlais, HAL (MA)  
 "In Dulci Jubilo," *Orgelbuchlein*, J. S. Bach, public domain (M)  
 "Carillon," John Behnke, CON (ME)  
 "Postlude on 'Unto Us Is Born a Son,'" PUER NOBIS NASCITUR, *Christmas Presents*, John S. Dixon, LOR (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

"Here Is the Little Door," Herbert Howells, ECS, SATB, acap (A)  
 "Noél Ayisyen," Emile Desamours, MF, SATB, acap (A)  
 "Louez le Seigneur (Praise the Lord)," arr. Ralph Johnson, Earthsongs, SATB, perc (E)  
 "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing," Calvin Hampton, GIA, 2 pt, org (ME)  
 "Walk in the Light," arr. André Thomas, CGA, SATB, pno (ME)  
 "Praise Be to the Lord," Odd Johan Overøye, WAL, SATB/SATB (A)

## Handbell Music

"For the Beauty of the Earth," Brenda Austin, 3–5 oct, opt 2 oct hc, GIA, G-9123, Level 2+  
 "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People," Kevin McChesney, 3–5 oct, JHS, JHS9401, Level 3  
 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," Beth Elston, 3–5 oct hb or hc, LOR, 20/1977L, Level 2

## Art

*In Hiding*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Flight to Egypt*, P. Solomon Raj (EYE)  
*Rest on Flight to Egypt*, Wayne Forte (EYE)

January 6, 2023

Epiphany of the Lord

Colors: White and Gold

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 60:1–6	Arise, shine; your light has come; the glory of the Lord appears.
Psalm 72:1–7, 10–14	May the king reign forever and deliver the needy.
Ephesians 3:1–12	An ancient mystery is revealed; Gentiles are fellow heirs in Christ.
Matthew 2:1–12	Following a star, wise men visit Jesus and bring him gifts.

## Opening Sentences

Arise, shine: for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

**We come to this space,  
following the star,  
seeking a miracle.**

You will see and be radiant,  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice  
**for here we find a prophecy fulfilled,  
and a mystery revealed!**

## Call to Confession

Even when God's light gives us a clear path  
to follow,  
we find ourselves wandering in the wilderness.  
We do not need to hide from the light;  
we can come before God with every part of  
our lives,  
that we may be restored to God's way for us.

## Prayer of Confession

**Holy Refugee of Israel,  
we would like to believe that we would be  
like the magi,  
that we would protect the innocent child,  
that we would stand up to power.  
But too often we have turned away from  
those who need us.**

**Too often we have bent to the powers that be,  
resigning ourselves to the way it has always  
been.**

**Forgive our lack of action,  
guide us back to your purposes,  
and help us be brave enough to do your will.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God calls to us from wherever we are.

**God's love shines like a beacon.**

God's voice echoes in our souls,

**"You are forgiven!"**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

On This Day Earth Shall Ring (OEG) PERSONENT  
HODIE GTG 141, PH 46

We Three Kings of Orient Are (OG) KINGS OF  
ORIENT GTG 151, PH 66

Arise, Your Light Is Come! (OE) FESTAL SONG  
GTG 744, PH 411

Bright Star, Where Are You Leading? (OE) NOUS  
VOICI DANS LA VILLE *Sing No Empty Alleluias*,  
Chris Shelton, GIA

### WORD

The First Nowell (OEG) THE FIRST NOWELL GTG 147,  
PH 56

As with Gladness Men of Old (EG) DIX GTG 150,  
PH 63

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word (E) LIEBSTER JESU  
GTG 395, PH 454

Carol of the Epiphany (EG) FIRST HAND STF 2094

**EUCCHARIST**

What Child Is This (EG) GREENSLEEVES GTG 145,  
PH 53

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child (G) TEMPUS ADEST  
FLORIDUM GTG 146, PH 27

Born in the Night, Mary's Child (E) MARY'S CHILD  
GTG 158, PH 30

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne (EG) MARGARET  
STF 2100

**SENDING**

In Bethlehem a Newborn Boy (EG) IN BETHLEHEM  
GTG 153, PH 35

Sing of God Made Manifest (E) SALZBURG GTG 156  
Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining (O) SHINE,  
JESUS, SHINE GTG 192

And Can It Be / Cómo en su sangre pudo haber  
(E) SAGINA SSS 540

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

All Hail to God's Anointed / Hail to the Lord's  
Anointed [ROCKPORT, ES FLOG EIN KLEINS  
WALDVÖGELEIN, KELVINGROVE]; GTG 149, PH 205,  
PAS 72A, LUYH 109, PP 134 (with refrain),  
SSS 112

Jesus Shall Reign [DUKE STREET]; GTG 265, PAS 72B,  
LUYH 219, PH 423, SSS 209

Give Justice to Your King, O Lord [CMD]; SGP 104  
Están en tu mano / In Your Hand Alone; SSS 243

**Responsorial**

Lord, Every Nation on Earth Will Adore You;  
PAS 72C (alt. refrain; pointed vv.), PFTS1 20  
(through-composed vv.)

All Nations Shall Behold [ES FLOG EIN KLEINS  
WALDVÖGELEIN]; HTP1 104

All Kings Will Bow; PSA 64B

**Organ Music**

“Prelude sur l'Introit de l'Epiphanie,” *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Epiphany*, Maurice Durufle, AF (E)

“What Star Is This?,” PUER NOBIS, *Carols Before . . .  
Carols After*, Franklin Ritter, LOR (E)

“How Lovely Shines the Morning Star,” WIE SCHÖN  
LEUCHTET, *Improvisations for the Christmas  
Season Set 3*, Paul Manz, MSM (ME)

“How Lovely Shines the Morning Star,” WIE SCHÖN  
LEUCHTET, Max Reger, public domain (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come,” Allen Pote,  
TPR, SATB, pno (ME)

“La Jornada,” arr. Bruce Trinkley, GIA, SATB, solo,  
pno or marimbas (M)

“Rise, Shine, You People,” arr. Michael Burkhardt,  
MSM, SATB, cong, org, brass qrt (E)

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” arr.  
Richard Erickson, AF, SATB, org (M)

“Epiphany Carol,” Bruce Neswick, AF, uni,  
keybd (E)

“The First Noel,” Carl Schalk, CON, SATB, stngs,  
perc (ME)

**Handbell Music**

“On This Day Earth Shall Ring,” Larry Shackley, arr.  
Arnold Sherman, 3–6 oct, opt perc, HOPE, hb  
2723, perc 2327P, Level 3

“From a Distant Home,” Michael Helman, 3–5 oct,  
opt 2 oct hc, CGA, CGB 272, Level 3

“What Child Is This?,” John Behnke, 3–5 oct, opt 3  
oct hc, HOPE, 2198, Level 3

**Art**

*Magi and Mystery*, Jan Richardson (JR)

*Three Wise Men Visit the Baby Jesus*, twentieth  
century, China (VDL)

*Three More Kings*, Annette Gandy Fortt (VDL)

*Journey of the Magi*, James Tissot (VDL)

*Heavenly Window*, Villeneuve-sur-Lot, France (VDL)



# The Time after Epiphany / Ordinary Time

*These liturgical texts are appropriate for use throughout the time after Epiphany and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Call of Confession

*At the baptismal font:*

Nothing can be hidden from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth,  
whose wisdom is endless, whose mercy is great.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

Those who trust in God will renew their strength.  
They will run and not be weary,  
they will walk and not grow faint.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Lord our God, we give you thanks  
for the faith, hope, and love you give to us  
through the blessing of our baptism—  
claiming us as your beloved children,  
calling us to the path of discipleship,  
revealing to us the light of your glory.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
poured out upon us in baptism,  
help us to follow you with faith,  
to trust in you with hope,  
and to serve you with love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

Time after Epiphany, Baptism of the Lord

Saving God, source of our calling,  
your Word is full of power and glory.  
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us  
so that we may receive your grace  
and live as your beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Time after Epiphany, Transfiguration of the Lord

God of shining splendor,  
your voice makes the earth tremble in wonder.  
Overshadow us with your Spirit  
so that we may hear your Word  
and live as faithful disciples  
and covenant people;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Before the readings:*

Speak to us, Lord, for your servants are listening.

1 Samuel 3:9–10

*After the readings:*

A new teaching, with authority!

**Thanks be to God.**

Mark 1:27

## Ascription of Praise

*After the sermon:*

To the Lord who speaks to us, strengthens us,  
and blesses us with peace,  
be all glory and honor forever. **Amen.**

Psalms 29:1, 11

## Affirmation of Faith

*Time after Epiphany*

**God's sovereign love is a mystery  
beyond the reach of the human mind.  
Human thought ascribes to God  
superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness.  
But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ  
by showing power in the form of a servant,  
wisdom in the folly of the cross,  
and goodness in receiving  
sinful men and women.  
The power of God's love in Christ  
to transform the world  
discloses that the Redeemer  
is the Lord and Creator  
who made all things  
to serve the purpose of God's love.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.15*

*Time after Epiphany*

**In Jesus of Nazareth,  
true humanity was realized once for all.  
Jesus, a Palestinian Jew,  
lived among his own people  
and shared their needs, temptations,  
joys, and sorrows.  
He expressed the love of God  
in word and deed  
and became a brother  
to all kinds of sinful men and women.  
But his complete obedience  
led him into conflict with his people.  
His life and teaching judged their goodness,  
religious aspirations, and national hopes.  
Many rejected him and demanded his death.  
In giving himself freely for them,  
he took upon himself the judgment  
under which everyone stands convicted.  
God raised him from the dead,  
vindicating him as Messiah and Lord.  
The victim of sin became victor,  
and won the victory  
over sin and death for all.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.08*

## Invitation to Offering

*At the communion table:*

There is only one Lord and God,  
from whom all things come  
and for whom we live.

Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

1 Corinthians 8:4-6

## Prayer after Communion

*At the communion table:*

*Time after Epiphany, Baptism of the Lord*

We give you thanks and praise, O God,  
that you have fed us with your mercy  
and poured out your Spirit in this place.  
Continue to nourish and fill us each day,  
that we may live as your beloved people;  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Time after Epiphany, Transfiguration of the Lord*

We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the gifts of grace  
we have received from your hand.  
Now send us forth to reflect your light,  
proclaiming your saving death and resurrection  
until you come again in glory. **Amen.**

## Blessing and Charge

*At the doors of the church:*

Beloved children of God,  
receive the gift of the Holy Spirit,  
the grace of Jesus Christ,  
and the blessing of the Lord forever. **Alleluia!**

Mark 1:11, 9:7

As Jesus called the first disciples,  
so he calls to us this day:

Follow me. Amen.

Mark 1:17, John 1:43

# The Time after Epiphany / Ordinary Time

*These music suggestions are appropriate for use throughout the Time after Epiphany and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Congregational Song for the Time after Epiphany

A change in liturgical seasons creates opportunities for congregational responses unique to the season as well as experiences of ongoing liturgical moments and responses set to new and different music. Following are suggestions for use during the Time after Epiphany:

### Sung Call to Confession

Lord Jesus, Think on Me (verse 1)	GTG 417; PH 301
Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (verse 3)	GTG 418
Have Mercy, God, upon My Life (verse 1)	GTG 421
Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart (refrain)	GTG 427

### Sung Response to Forgiveness

God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us (v. 3)	GTG 436; PH 261
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (verse 2)	GTG 435; PH 298
O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer (verse 3)	GTG 439; PH 223
We Are Forgiven	GTG 447

### Sung Invitation to Prayer (Prayers of the People)

Come and Fill Our Hearts	GTG 466; STF 2157; LUYH 528
Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying	GTG 469; STF 2193; LUYH 896
Bless the Lord	GTG 544; STF 2013
Live in Charity	GTG 205; STF 2179

## Anthems for Children's Choirs for the Time after Epiphany

- "Come One, Come All, Come Follow," Phillip Dietterich, CGA, uni, pno (E)
- "Come to Me," Margaret Tucker, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno, fl (M\*MA)
- "The Lord Is My Light," Michael Bedford, CGA uni/2 pt, pno, fl (E\*M)
- "Nets of Love," F. Thomas Simpson, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*A)
- "What Does the Lord Require?," Mark Burrows, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*M)
- "With the Help of the Spirit of the Lord," Jayne Southwick Cool, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*ME)

### Transfiguration of the Lord

- "I Will Sing," Robert Townsend, HAL, 2 pt/3 pt, pno, sb (A)

## Anthems for Youth Choirs for the Time after Epiphany

- “Jesus Christ the Apple Tree,” Mark Patterson, CGA, SATB, pno (M)  
 “From the Apple in the Garden,” Roy Hopp, AF, SATB, pno (MD)  
 “Jubilate Deo,” Dan Edwards, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (M)  
 “O Praise the Mighty Lord,” G. F. Handel, CF, SATB, keybd (MD)  
 “Yesi Azali (Jesus IS Here with Us),” Mark Burrows, CGA, SATB, perc (ME)  
 “O For a Thousand Tongues,” Mark Patterson, CGA, SATB, pno (MD)  
 “Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing,” Kenneth T. Kosche, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (M)  
 “Sanctus No. III,” J. S. Bach, HIN, SATB, pno (MD)  
 “Take Me to the Water,” Rollo Dilworth, HAL, SATB, pno (MD)  
 “Beside a Stream of Living Water,” Thomas Keesecker, CGA, SATB, pno (M)  
 “Serve the Lord with Gladness,” Rollo Dilworth, HAL, SATB, pno (MD)  
 “Abide with Me,” Brian Hanson, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (M)

## Piano Music for the Time after Epiphany

- “Be Thou My Vision,” SLANE, *Endless Song: Accessible Piano Settings*, Jerry van der Pol, AF (E)  
 “Cantad al Señor,” CANTAD AL SEÑOR, *For the Care of the Earth: Hymn Reflections for Piano*, Nicholas Palmer, MSM (MA)  
 “Christ, Be Our Light,” CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, *Piano Impressions II for Worship*, Marianne Kim, HOPE (M)  
 “Fairest Lord Jesus,” SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, *Fairest Lord Jesus: Piano Music for Worship*, Michael Larkin, MSM (ME)  
 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness,” FAITHFULNESS, *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing: 12 Hymn Settings for Piano*, Timothy Shaw, MSM (M)  
 “He Comes to Us as One Unknown,” REPTON, *The Quiet Heart: Piano Music for Comfort and Healing*, Thomas Keesecker, MSM (M)  
 “Light Dawns on a Weary World,” TEMPLE OF PEACE, *Chorale Preludes for Piano in Traditional Styles*, Aaron David Miller, AF (M)  
 “Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song,” LES PETITES SOEURS, *Piano Reflections on Hymns of Healing*, Anne Krentz Organ, AF (ME)  
 “O God beyond All Praising,” THAXTED, *Hymn Tune Masters for Piano*, Jacob B. Weber, CON (MA)  
 “What God Ordains Is Always Good,” WAS GOTT TUT, *Illuminations, Volume 3*, Dan Forrest, BP (M)

## Vocal Solos for the Time after Epiphany

- “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” . . . *still all my song shall be*, Tom Trenney, MSM (M)  
 “Be Thou My Vision,” *Oxford Solo Songs: Sacred*, Bob Chilcott (M)  
 “Offertory,” *Sacred Songs of John Ness Beck*, John Ness Beck, BP (E)  
 “The Lord Is My Light,” *First Book of Tenor Solos*, Oley Speaks (E)

January 8, 2023

Baptism of the Lord

Color: White

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 42:1–9                      The Lord says: Here is my servant, my chosen, in whom I delight.  
Psalm 29                              Give glory to God; the voice of the Lord is over the waters.  
Acts 10:34–43                      Peter preaches: God shows no partiality; Jesus is Lord of all.  
Matthew 3:13–17                      Jesus is baptized; the Spirit descends; a voice says: This is my Son.

## Opening Sentences

In baptism God claims us  
and names us Beloved.  
In baptism Christ joins us  
to himself and to one another.  
In baptism the Spirit  
is poured out upon us.  
Remember your baptism and be thankful!  
**Thanks be to God!**

## Call to Confession

God has made a covenant with us  
and with our ancestors:  
to be a light to the nations,  
to bring freedom to captives,  
and to declare new and glorious things!  
In faith, let us confess our sin.

## Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,  
you claim us and call us,  
you support us and uphold us,  
you save us and free us from our sin.  
Yet we slip into old habits,  
worshiping idols that have claimed our hearts,  
disregarding our impact on the earth and our  
neighbors.  
Forgive us.  
Meet us at the water again,  
that we might know we belong to you.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

The good news has been passed down  
by prophets and priests:  
everyone who believes in Christ  
receives forgiveness in his name.  
**We believe; help our unbelief.**  
Wherever you are on your journey,  
you are redeemed, forgiven, and loved.

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Down Galilee's Slow Roadways (G) WEST MAIN  
GTG 164  
God Is Here! (OE) ABBOT'S LEIGH GTG 409, PH 461  
Take Me to the Water (EG) TAKE ME TO THE WATER  
GTG 480  
Father Welcomes All His Children (EG) KRISTIN  
STB 168

### WORD

O God, Who Gives Us Life (OG) NOEL GTG 53  
On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (E) WINCHESTER  
NEW GTG 96, PH 10  
Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart (G)  
MORECAMBE GTG 688, PH 326  
Giver of Every Perfect Gift (OG) DEWBERRY *Rejoice  
in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

### EUCCHARIST

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit (G) SWEET, SWEET  
SPIRIT GTG 408, PH 398  
Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters (OEG)  
BEACH SPRING GTG 490  
Now the Silence (OEG) NOW GTG 534  
O Light of Light, Love Given Birth (OG) ELMHURST  
EH 133



**SENDING**

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud (OEG)  
 ABERYSTWYTH GTG 11  
 The Church of Christ in Every Age (OE) WAREHAM  
 GTG 320, PH 421  
 Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen (E) LAND OF REST  
 GTG 553  
 When John Baptized by Jordan's River (OG)  
 RENDEZ À DIEU GC 390

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

The God of Heaven Thunders [GLORY]; GTG 259,  
 PH 180  
 Ascribe to God Both Strength and Power [CMD];  
 SGP 45

**Responsorial**

Hijos de Dios / Angels on High; PAS 29B  
 Your Voice, O Lord; PAS 29D  
 The Voice of God Is upon the Waters [DEUS  
 TUORUM MILITUM]; HTP1 105

**Organ Music**

“Crashing Wates at Creation,” STUTTGART, *Augsburg  
 Organ Library: Baptism and Communion*, David  
 McCarthy, AF (ME)  
 “On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry,” *Augsburg  
 Organ Library: Epiphany*, Bruce Neswick,  
 AF (ME)  
 “Grand jeu,” *First Organ Book*, Pierre Du Mage,  
 Kalmus (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“Once Led to Your Font,” Stephen P. Folkemer, AF,  
 SAB, org, fl (M)  
 “The Baptism of Christ,” Peter Hallock, GIA, SATB  
 (M)  
 “If Anyone Is in Christ,” Herb Frombach and David  
 Lantz, SHAW, SATB, pno (E)  
 “A Baptism Carol,” Mark Wilson, SHAW, SATB, pno  
 (E)  
 “By the Water Flowing,” Patricia Mock, arr. Faye  
 Lopez, LOR, SATB, pno, opt gr, bass (E)  
 “Jesus Loves Me / We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus,”  
 arr. Robert Hobby, AF, SATB, org, opt cong (M)  
 “Take Me to the Water,” arr. Rollo Dilworth, HAL,  
 SATB, opt gr, bass, perc (M)  
 “The Lord Came Down to the River,” Pepper  
 Choplin, HOPE, SATB, pno (M)

**Handbell Music**

“Abbot's Leigh,” Lee Afdahl, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2803,  
 Level 2+  
 “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart,” Cynthia  
 Dobrinski, 3–5 oct, opt fl, HOPE, 2311, Level 2+  
 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit,” Linda R. Lamb, 3–5 oct, opt 2  
 oct hc, HOPE, 2296, Level 2+

**Art**

*Baptism of Christ*, Dave Zalenka (VDL)  
*Bayou Baptism*, Lauren Wright Pittman (VDL)  
*Baptism of Christ*, Xač'atur, 1455 (VDL)  
*Baptism Into Community*, Wayne Forte (EYE)  
*Baptism of Jesus*, P. Solomon Raj (EYE)

January 15, 2023

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 49:1–7	The servant of the Lord is given as a light to the nations.
Psalm 40:1–11	I waited for the Lord, who saved me; now I sing God's praise.
1 Corinthians 1:1–9	Paul writes to the church at Corinth, giving thanks for God's grace.
John 1:29–42	John says Jesus is the Lamb of God; Jesus calls Andrew and Peter.

## Opening Sentences

We are the church:  
**sanctified in Christ Jesus,  
called to be saints.**

We are the church:  
**together with those in every place  
who call on the name of Jesus Christ.**

Grace and peace to you from God our Creator  
and our Lord Jesus Christ!

## Call to Confession

Like the early disciples, we are curious about this  
Jesus,

this Son of God.

We may be tempted to stay away,  
for we know we are not worthy of him.

But Jesus does not care about worth, wealth and  
power.

Jesus seeks those who would follow honestly,  
willing to face their failures in order to grow closer  
to God.

In that spirit, let us turn to Christ.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of the ages,  
We do not always wait with patience.  
We do not always sing your praises.  
We do not always recognize your work  
in our lives.**

**We would rather take the credit for ourselves.  
We would rather take the easy way out.  
We would rather step on others  
if it means more for ourselves.  
Forgive us for all the ways we forget you.**

**Help us to delight to do your will.  
Help us to trust in you  
and return us to the path of righteousness.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

The Lamb of God takes away the sins of the world.  
The Lamb of God takes away the sins  
of each and every one of us.

**Christ has mercy on us, forgiving our sins.  
Alleluia!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

You Are Holy (G) YOU ARE HOLY GTG 705

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine (E)

SHOWALTER GTG 837

We Are Marching in the Light of God (O)

SIYAHAMBA GTG 853

Grace Greater Than Our Sin (E) MOODY SON 111

### WORD

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (E)

BRIDEGROOM GTG 285, PH 314

Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet (OE) THY WORD

GTG 458

Lord, When I Came into This Life (OE) LAND OF

REST GTG 691, PH 522

Come with Me into the Journey (G) JEFFERSON

*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

## EUCCHARIST

Just As I Am, without One Plea (EG) WOODWORTH  
GTG 442, PH 370

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (G) QUEBEC, JESU  
DULCIS MEMORIA GTG 494, PH 510, 511

Your Only Son (G) LAMB OF GOD GTG 518

What a Great Mystery / Pilipino: Kay Laking  
Hiwaga (OE) CATUROG NA NONOY STB 82

## SENDING

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (E) FAITHFULNESS GTG 39,  
PH 276

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (E) HAMBURG,  
ROCKINGHAM GTG 223, 224; PH 100, 101

O Gladsome Light (OE) LE CANTIQUÉ DE SIMÉON  
GTG 672, PH 549

As We Go (OG) Jeremy Johnson, WAS 3183

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

I Waited Patiently for God [LEWIS-TOWN, NEW  
BRITAIN (AMAZING GRACE)]; GTG 651, PAS 40B,  
LUYH 670

I Waited Patiently for God [TALLIS' LAMENTATION];  
PLP1 40

### Responsorial

I Will Wait upon the Lord; PAS 40C

Here I Am, Lord; PAS 40A, SSS 606–607

Behold, I Come to Do Your Will [OLD 124TH];  
HTP1 7

Here I Am, O God; PND 16

## Organ Music

“Trio No. 1,” *Op 49, Book 1*, Joseph Rheinberger,  
Kalmus (ME)

“We Are Marching in the Light of God,” SIYAHAMBA,  
*Three Global Songs*, John Behnke, HOPE (ME)

“Song of Thankfulness and Praise,” SALZBURG, *Carols  
Before . . . Carols After*, Lani Smith, LOR (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Light Everlasting,” Olaf C. Christiansen, KJO, SATB,  
acap (M)

“I Believe This Is Jesus,” Undine Smith Moore, AF,  
SATB div, acap (MA)

“Lamb of God,” Ronald Nelson, arr. Stephen  
Caracciolo, MSM, SATB, solo, org (M)

“Lamb of God,” John Reim, BP, SATB, keybd, opt  
str trio (ME)

“Agnus Dei,” *Missa Brevis No. 2*, Paul Basler, CV,  
SATB div, pno (A)

“There’s a Light in the World,” AF, Susanne  
Bägenfelt, uni, AF, desc, pno (E)

## Handbell Music

“Siyahamba,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, ALF, 44246,  
Level 3+

“Just As I Am,” Sandra Eithun, 3–5 oct, opt fl,  
AGEHR, 35232, Level 2

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness,” Sandra Eithun, 3–6 oct,  
opt 3–5 oct hc, CGA, CGB1118, Level 2+

## Art

*Agnus Dei*, Cláudio Pastro, Brazil (VDL)

*Rock with Cross*, altarpiece, Spicak, Czech Republic  
(VDL)

*Cathedral of Christ the Light*, Craig W. Hartman  
(VDL)

*Calling of Saints Peter and Andrew*, Michelangelo  
Caravaggio (VDL)

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Color: Green

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 9:1–4                      Light shines on those who walk in darkness; the people rejoice.  
Psalm 27:1, 4–9                The Lord is my light and salvation; therefore I am not afraid.  
1 Corinthians 1:10–18        Paul calls for unity and proclaims the message of the cross.  
Matthew 4:12–23                Jesus calls four disciples: Follow me, and you will fish for people.

### Opening Sentences

The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?**

As we behold the beauty of God's temple,  
we see God's face.

**God is our shelter and our shade.**

**We will sing to the God of our salvation!**

### Call to Confession

Christ calls us to follow, knowing that we are  
human.

Jesus knows we are not perfect.

He knows we will not always get it right.

All he asks is that we try, learn, and try again.

Let us go to God, telling how we have tried and  
failed,

that God may teach us what we must learn.

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ, our Messiah,  
you call us to fish for people,  
but we are hesitant to leave our boats.  
We are afraid to let go of the things we hoard,  
believing they make us secure.  
We are afraid to put our trust in you,  
afraid to follow, afraid we will fail.  
Forgive us.**

**Transform our fear into faithfulness,  
and enable us to walk with you,  
that we may be part of your work in the world.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Just as Jesus called the disciples,  
so Christ calls us.

Forgiven of our sin

and freed to serve,

let us answer Christ's call.

**Christ calls us, forgives us, heals us, and  
teaches us.**

**Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain (OE) ST. KEVIN,

AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM GTG 234; PH 115, 114

Here in This Place (OEG) GATHER US IN GTG 401

Morning Has Broken (OG) BUNESSAN GTG 664,

PH 469

Here in Christ We Gather, Love of Christ Our

Calling (OE) MANDATUM EH 576

#### WORD

You Walk along Our Shoreline (EG) WIE LIEBLICH

IST DER MAIEN GTG 170

By All Your Saints Still Striving (G) KING'S LYNN

GTG 325

Lift High the Cross (E) CRUCIFER GTG 826, PH 371

Above the Voices of the World around Me (G)

VESTAVIA HILLS *Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## EUCCHARIST

Beneath the Cross of Jesus (OE) ST. CHRISTOPHER  
GTG 216, PH 92  
One Bread, One Body (E) ONE BREAD, ONE BODY  
GTG 530  
Will You Come and Follow Me (G) KELVINGROVE  
GTG 726  
Come Away with Me (G) RECREATION STF 2202

## SENDING

From the Nets of Our Labor (E) HAMILTON GTG 751  
May the God of Hope Go with Us (OE) ARGENTINA  
GTG 765  
Lo, Now Ascends the Morning Sun / Asahi wa  
naborite (O) CHRISTMAS DAY STB 194

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

God Is My Strong Salvation [WEDLOCK, CHRISTUS  
DER IST MEIN LEBEN, NOËL NOUVELET]; GTG 841,  
PAS 27D, PH 179, PP 50  
The Lord Is My Light [Bouknight]; PAS 27B  
O Lord, You Are My Light [RHOSYMEDRE]; PAS 27C,  
LUYH 773  
Jehová es mi luz / My Light, My Savior Is the Lord;  
SSS 325

### Responsorial

El Señor es mi luz / The Lord Is My Light; PAS 27G,  
LUYH 774  
The Lord Is My Light, My Light and Salvation  
(Taizé); GTG 842, PSA 25, PAS 27A  
The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation; PAS 27H  
(pointed vv.), G3 (through-composed vv.)  
The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation; PFTS1 38

## Organ Music

“I Love to Tell the Story,” *Augsburg Organ Library: Epiphany*, Emma Lou Diemer, AF (ME)  
“In Thee Is Gladness,” IN DIR FREUDE,  
*Orgelbüchlein*, J. S. Bach, public domain (M)  
“The People Respond—Amen!,” *Rubrics*, Dan  
Locklair, HAL (MA)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“True Light,” Keith Hampton, Earthsong, SATB,  
solo, pno (M)  
“Keep God’s Light,” Mark Patterson, MSM, SATB,  
opt perc (ME)  
“The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation,” John  
Leavitt, CON, SATB, solo, pno (M)  
“Unity,” Glorraine Moone, CV, SATB, pno (E)  
“Common Threads,” Andrea Ramsey, MusicSpoke,  
SATB, pno, opt str qrt (M)  
“The Lord Is My Light,” Kevin Memley, Pavane  
Music Publishing, SATB, pno (ME)  
“Jesus Calls Us,” Phillip Young, AF, SATB, org (M)

## Handbell Music

“Morning Has Broken,” Anna Laura Page, 3–5 oct,  
JHS, JHS9190, Level 3  
“Reflections on Kelvingrove,” Jason W. Krug, 3–6  
oct, opt 3 oct hc, RRM, RRBL5079, Level 2+  
“Canto de Esperanza,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, opt  
perc, AGEHR, 35190, Level 3-

## Art

*For Those in Darkness (Light Is Dawning)*, Lauren  
Wright Pittman (VDL)  
*Calling of Saint James and Saint John*, James Tissot  
(VDL)  
*Hands, All Together*, Decatur, Georgia, 2007 (VDL)  
*Christ Calling the Apostles Peter and Andrew*,  
Duccio di Buoninsegna (VDL)  
*I Will Make You Fishers of Men*, Lucinda Naylor  
(EYE)



January 29, 2023

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Color: Green

### Lectionary Readings

Micah 6:1–8	What does the Lord require? Justice, kindness, and humility.
Psalm 15	Those who do what is right live in the presence of God.
1 Corinthians 1:18–31	The foolishness of the cross shames the wisdom of the world.
Matthew 5:1–12	Jesus begins his Sermon on the Mount with the Beatitudes.

### Opening Sentences

Blessed:

**the poor in spirit,  
those who mourn,  
the meek.**

We gather to hear who Christ calls blessed;

**those who hunger and thirst for  
righteousness,  
the merciful, the pure in heart,  
the peacemakers, the persecuted.**

Blessed.

### Call to Confession

God has told us what is good, what is required:  
Do justice. Love kindness. Walk humbly with God.  
These commands are so simple,  
yet we know we have not always followed them.  
With that knowledge, we confess.

### Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,  
we fail to do what is right.  
Instead, we pursue evil  
and do not speak the truth.  
Even when we try our best to be faithful,  
still we turn away from you.  
Forgive us, accept us, and redeem us,  
that we may seek to do what you call good.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ Jesus, who became for us  
wisdom and righteousness,  
sanctification and redemption,  
is the one who judges us.

Christ is the one who was born for us  
and forgives us with abundant love.

**We will boast of all the good God has done  
for us!**

**Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

God of Great and God of Small (OG) GOD OF  
GREAT AND SMALL GTG 19

In the Cross of Christ I Glory (EG) RATHBUN  
GTG 213, PH 84

Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle (E)  
FORTUNATUS NEW GTG 225

What Gift Can We Bring That Will Please You, O  
God? (O) FOUNDATION *Sing No Empty Alleluias*,  
Chris Shelton, GIA

#### WORD

What Does the Lord Require of You? (O) MOON  
GTG 70

O for a Closer Walk with God (O) CAITHNESS,  
DALEHURST GTG 739, PH 396, 397

Shall Tribulation or Distress (G) ROMANS 8 GTG 823  
Kneel at the Cross (E) KNEEL AT THE CROSS

AAHH 241

## EUCCHARIST

The Bread and the Wine Are Here (G) LOVE FEAST  
GTG 512  
For Everyone Born (OEG) FOR EVERYONE BORN  
GTG 769  
When the Lord Redeems the Very Least (G) I'LL FLY  
AWAY GTG 852  
Un raudal de bendiciones / Showers of Blessing  
(G) LUX EOI SSS 247

## SENDING

Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm (G)  
REPTON GTG 731  
We Will Walk with God (Sizohamba naye) (O)  
SIZOHAMBA NAYE GTG 742  
God Weeps with Us Who Weep and Mourn (E)  
MOSHIER GTG 787  
O Great Creator, Loving Friend (O) MARYTON IHLC 7

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Lord, Who May Dwell within Your House  
[RIDGEMOOR, CRIMOND]; GTG 419, PAS 15D,  
LUYH 612  
Lord, Who Are They That May Dwell [STELLA  
CARMEL]; PAS 15A  
Señor, ¿quién entrará? / O Lord, Who Enters In;  
SSS 499

### Responsorial

Lord, Who May Be Welcome in Your Tent; PAS 15B,  
PND 6  
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me; PAS 15C  
Those Who Do Justice Will Live (Gelineau); PSA 9  
The Righteous Shall Abide [FESTAL SONG]; HTP2 154

## Organ Music

Andante Cantabile, Symphony no. 4, op. 13,  
Charles Widor, multiple editions (MA)  
“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness,” SCHMUCKE  
DICH, Johannes Brahms, multiple editions (M)  
“Tierce en Taille,” *First Organ Book*, Pierre Du  
Mage, Kalmus (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“What Does the Lord Require?,” Eric Nelson, MSM,  
SA(T)B, pno (E)  
“Glory,” arr. Mark Brymer, HAL, SATB, pno, opt  
orch (ME)  
“Psalm 15,” Joel Martinson, SEL, 2 pt mx, cantor,  
org, ob, opt. cong (E)  
“What Does the Lord Require?,” Andrew Bruhn,  
KJO, SATB, pno, opt perc (E)  
“You Got to Get Low,” William Allen Pasch, AF,  
SATB, acap (M)  
“What Does the Lord Require of You?,” Alfred V.  
Fedak, MSM, SATB, org (E)  
“The Beatitudes,” Philip Stopford, MSM, SATB div,  
acap (M)

## Handbell Music

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory,” Cathy Moglebust,  
2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, opt B-flat or C inst, CGA,  
CGB773 or CGB774, Level 2  
“Just a Closer Walk with Thee,” John A. Behnke,  
3–6 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, John A. Behnke  
Publishing, JAB017, Level 3  
“For Everyone Born,” Sandra Eithun, 3–7 oct, opt  
3–5 oct hc, LOR, 20/2141L, Level 3+

## Art

*Sermon on the Mount*, Laura James (VDL)  
*Sermon on the Mount*, Károly Ferenczy (VDL)  
*Dorothy Day with Homeless Christ*, Kelly Latimore  
(VDL)  
*The Sermon on the Mount*, JESUS MAFA (VDL)  
*Litany of the Blessed*, Jan Richardson (JR)

# February 5, 2023

## Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Color: Green

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 58:1–9a (9b–12)      The fast God chooses: do justice, release captives, help the poor.  
Psalm 112:1–9 (10)      Those who do God's will and seek what is right will be happy.  
1 Corinthians 2:1–12 (13–16)      Paul preaches Christ, crucified; the Spirit reveals God's wisdom.  
Matthew 5:13–20      Jesus says: You are salt and light; I have come to fulfill the law.

### Opening Sentences

Let your light shine!  
**We are the salt of the earth.**  
Let your light shine!  
**We are the light of the world.**  
Let your light shine!  
**Praise the Lord for the gifts that God has given us!**  
Let your light shine!

### Call to Confession

Into this space we bring our weights and burdens—  
the things we have done or not done,  
said or not said.  
Trusting in God's mercy,  
let us lay down those burdens before God.

### Prayer of Confession

**Patient God,  
it is so easy for us to miss the point.  
We know how to perform righteousness;  
we go to church, we donate, we volunteer,  
but we care more about how we are seen  
than our faithfulness to you.  
We show off our pioussness,  
instead of actually sharing our food,  
our homes, our resources  
with those in the most need.  
Have mercy on us for the ways we serve  
ourselves,  
and teach us your way,  
the way that leads to justice and peace.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, hear the good news:  
When we cry for help, God says, "Here I am!"  
When we ask for mercy,  
God grants it freely, longing for a closer walk  
with us.  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
**Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness (OG)  
CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT GTG 314  
Blessed Jesus, at Your Word (E) LIEBSTER JESU  
GTG 395, PH 454  
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (E) ST. AGNES  
GTG 629, PH 310  
Amanhecer / El amanecer / The Hope of Dawn  
(G) Rodolpho Gaede, SSS 468

#### WORD

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading (OE) NJOO  
KWETU, ROHO MWEMA GTG 287  
Sometimes a Light Surprises (OG) SALLEY GARDENS  
GTG 800  
If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee (OG)  
WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT GTG 816, PH 282  
Our World Is Broken (O) MARIA DURCH EIN  
DORNWALD GING *Sing No Empty Alleluias*,  
Chris Shelton, GIA

## EUCCHARIST

Take Us as We Are, O God (G) ENDLESS FEAST  
GTG 312

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (O) QUEBEC, JESU  
DULCIS MEMORIA GTG 494, PH 510, 511

When the Poor Ones / Cuando el pobre (O)  
EL CAMINO GTG 762

Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome (E) THOU ART  
WELCOME SON 426

## SENDING

Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old (O)  
SAMANTHRA GTG 77, PH 337

Go in Grace and Make Disciples (OG) WONDROUS  
LIGHT GTG 296

Great God of Every Blessing (E) AURELIA GTG 694  
Join Now with New Power, Marching on for Peace  
(O) ST. GERTRUDE IHLC 15

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

How Blest Are Those Who Fear You, Lord [LM with  
refrain]; SGP 164

Alleluia! Laud and Blessing [WEISSE FLAGGEN];  
GTG 755, PAS 111B

How Blest Are Those Who Fear the Lord  
[MELCOMBE]; PAS 112A, LUYH 301

### Responsorial

Happy Are They Who Trust in the Lord; PP 210  
Happy Are They Who Fear the Lord [GELOBT SEI  
GOTT]; HTP2 167

Happy Are They Who Delight in the Law of God;  
PAS 112B

## Organ Music

Andante, Andante con moto, Sonata no. 5, Felix  
Mendelssohn (M)

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” HOUSTON,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Epiphany*, Wayne L.  
Wold, AF (E)

“I Come with Joy,” DOVE OF PEACE, *A Walter Pelz  
Organ Anthology*, Walter Pelz, AF (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Christ, Be Our Light!,” Bernadette Farrell, arr. Joel  
Raney, HOPE, SATB, pno, hb (M)

“We Are the Ones We Been Waiting For,” Bernice  
Johnson Reagon, SATBB, acap, The Richmond  
Organization (M)

“Light of the World,” Benjamin Kornelis, AF, SATB,  
solo, opt perc (M)

“Salt and Light,” Eric Routley, GIA, SATB, keybd  
(M)

“What Does the Lord Require of You?,” Robert  
Hobby, MSM, SATB, org, fl or ob (E)

“On God and Not on Human Trust,” Johann  
Pachabel, CON, SATB, acap (A)

“Order My Steps,” Glenn Burleigh, arr. Jack  
Schrader, HOPE, SATB, pno, opt solo (M)

## Handbell Music

“Light and Shine,” Kathleen Wissinger, 3–5 oct, opt  
3 oct hc, HOPE, 2467, Level 3

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee,” Alan Lohr, 3–5  
oct, SFP, 089391, Level 3

“If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee,” Kevin  
McChesney, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2167, Level 4-

## Art

*Shine*, Mike Moyers (VDL)

*Luminarias along the path*, Danae Hurst (VDL)

*Artist’s Garden at Giverny*, Claude Monet (VDL)

*Blessing of Salt*, Blessing of Light, Jan Richardson  
(JR)

*Isaiah 1:17*, Timothy Botts (EYE)

*Has Your Salt Lost Its Flavor*, Steve Prince (EYE)

# February 12, 2023

## Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Color: Green

### Lectionary Readings

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

Psalm 119:1–8

1 Corinthians 3:1–9

Matthew 5:21–37

A choice between life and death, prosperity and adversity.

Happy are those who keep God's law and follow God's way.

Paul planted, Apollos watered, but God is the source of growth.

Jesus interprets the laws on murder, adultery, and making vows.

### Opening Sentences

We gather here as the body of Christ,

**God's servants working together.**

God call us to worship,

to hear the good news

and sing our praise,

for we are the hands and feet of Jesus here

and now.

### Call to Confession

Our sins and failures can overwhelm us.

Yet God waits to forgive and heal.

Let us lay down our burdens

and open our hearts,

that we may receive grace and

the gift of new life.

### Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God,**

**you set before us life and prosperity,**

**but we turn towards death and adversity.**

**We do not listen to your commandments,**

**we bow down to other gods:**

**convenience, self-reliance, greed, bitterness.**

**Break us of our longing for gods we can see**

**and touch.**

**Turn us back to you, mysterious and**

**mighty God,**

**that we may observe your commandments,**

**and walk in your ways.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

God is always offering us another chance.

God is always offering life and abundance.

Turn to God and receive the good news:

**Yesterday, today, tomorrow,**

**we are forgiven! Alleluia!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

God's Word Is Upright / La palabra del Señor

(OEG) NELSON GTG 40

O God in Whom All Life Begins (E) NOEL GTG 308

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (G) DETROIT

GTG 444, PH 347

Here I Am to Worship (O) HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

WAS 3177

#### WORD

There in God's Garden (E) SHADES MOUNTAIN

GTG 226

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (OE)

BRIDEGROOM GTG 285, PH 314

God Is Calling through the Whisper (O) W ŻŁOBIE

LEŻY GTG 410

Great God Who Made Both Sky and Sea (E)

DUNLAP'S CREEK *Sing No Empty Alleluias,*

Chris Shelton, GIA



## EUCCHARIST

Steal Away (OE) STEAL AWAY GTG 358  
 One Bread, One Body (E) ONE BREAD, ONE BODY  
 GTG 530  
 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen (E) SURGE ECCLESIA  
 GTG 536  
 Let Us Be Bread (OE) LET US BE BREAD STF 2260

## SENDING

O Jesus, I Have Promised (G) ANGEL'S STORY,  
 NYLAND GTG 724, 725; PH 388, 389  
 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! (OE) MARION, VINEYARD  
 HAVEN GTG 804; PH 145, 146  
 Make Your Face to Shine / Haz resplandecer tu  
 rostro (OE) GLÁUCIA GTG 811  
 Come One and All, Let's Follow Christ, Our Lord  
 / Kanou kanou tumanud do Tuhan (E) KANOU  
 STB 78

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

How Blest Are They Whose Path Is Pure [CM];  
 PCW 119a  
 Blest Are the Uncorrupt in Heart [RICHMOND, CM];  
 PH 233, SGP 178  
 I Long for Your Commandments [WOHL DENEN DIE  
 DA WANDELN]; GTG 64  
 All Your Commandments, Father Almighty  
 [KANCIONAL NEW]; PAS 119 O

### Responsorial

O Lord, My Delight Is in Your Law; PAS 119H,  
 PSA 121  
 O Lord, You Have the Words of Life [LEONI/YIGDAL];  
 PP 228  
 Let Me Sing of Your Law; PAS 119A

## Organ Music

“Our Father, God in Heaven Above,” VATER UNSER,  
 Georg Bohm, public domain (M)  
 “Amazing Grace,” NEW BRITAIN, *Grace and  
 Jubilation*, Jack N. White, HWG (ME)  
 “Salvation unto Us Has Come,” ES IST DAS HEIL,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Reformation*,  
 Charles W. Ore, AF (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee,” Gregory  
 Hamilton, MSM, SATB, keybd, opt fl or vln (E)  
 “O God, My Faithful God,” Kevin Hildebrand, MSM,  
 SATB, org (E)  
 “Teach Me, O Lord,” Thomas Attwood, CPDL,  
 SATB, org (E)  
 “If You Love Me,” Philip Wilby, ECS, SSATB, org (M)  
 “Day by Day,” Mark Hayes, AF, SATB, pno (M)  
 “The Lord Will Guide Our Ways,” AF, SATB, pno (M)

## Handbell Music

“Holy Manna,” Judy Phillips, 3–6 oct, opt 3–5 oct  
 hc, AGEHR, 36044, Level 2  
 “Steal Away,” Sandra Eithun, 3–6 oct, opt 3–5 oct  
 hc, CGA, CGB775, Level 2+  
 “O Jesus I Have Promised,” Brenda Austin, 3–5 oct,  
 RW, RW8268, Level 2+

## Art

*Potato Planters*, Jean François Millet (VDL)  
*Reconciliation*, Josefina de Vasconcellos, Coventry  
 Cathedral (VDL)  
*Hands Across the Divide*, Maurice Harron (VDL)  
*Reconciliation*, Amos Supuni (VDL)

# February 19, 2023

# Transfiguration of the Lord

Color: White

## Lectionary Readings

Exodus 24:12–18      The glory of God settles on Sinai, where Moses spends forty days.  
Psalm 2              God says: You are my son; the nations will serve the Lord.  
    or Psalm 99        The Lord reigns; worship God on the holy mountain.  
2 Peter 1:16–21      The apostle recounts Jesus' transfiguration, fulfilling prophecy.  
Matthew 17:1–9      On a high mountain with Moses and Elijah, Jesus is transfigured.

## Opening Sentences

The day has dawned,  
the morning star rises in our hearts.  
**We witness the glory of Christ!**  
God speaks to us in cloud and flame,  
in mysterious words and dazzling visions.

**We witness the glory of Christ!**

The Lord loves justice and equity,  
and is exalted over all the people.

**We witness the glory of Christ!**

**Praise the Lord!**

## Call to Confession

Standing in the light of Christ,  
we see the shadows hidden in our hearts.  
Let us tell the truth about ourselves,  
trusting in God's grace,  
that we might receive mercy and be renewed.

## Prayer of Confession

**Magnificent God,  
we cannot stand before the glory of your  
presence.  
You shine with divine light,  
and we are overwhelmed by your goodness.  
Lift us in your mercy,  
release us from our fear,  
and fill us with your Spirit,  
that we might reflect your light  
and share your love,  
for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Children of God,  
hear the good news:  
We are forgiven, again and again,  
by this glorious God.

**What a wonder! Alleluia!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair (OEG) DEO  
GRACIAS GTG 189, PH 75

God, You Rule with Royal Bearing (OEG) BRYN  
CALFARIA GTG 272

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (OEG)  
PICARDY GTG 274

You, Living Christ, Our Eyes Behold (EG) PRENTICE  
*Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

### WORD

Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom (EG)  
MADELEINE GTG 174

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding (OEG)  
BREWER GTG 191

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain (OEG) UNSER  
HERRSCHER GTG 193

God, Who Dwells in Light and Darkness (OEG)  
BEACH SPRING *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris  
Shelton, GIA

## EUCCHARIST

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining (OEG)  
SHINE, JESUS, SHINE GTG 192  
When Twilight Comes (OEG) DAPIT HAPON  
GTG 195, PH 547  
In the Bulb There Is a Flower (OEG) PROMISE  
GTG 250  
What a Great Mystery / Kay Lakig Hiwaga (EG)  
CATUROG NA NONOY STB 82

## SENDING

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory (OEG) GENEVA,  
EBENEZER GTG 190, PH 73  
O God, Show Mercy to Us (OEG) THAXTED  
GTG 341  
Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory (OEG) BATTLE  
HYMN GTG 354  
Transform Us (EG) PICARDY G3 878

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 2

#### Metrical

Why Do the Nations Rage [GRANT PARK]; PAS 2A  
Why Do Nations Rage Together [EBENEZER];  
GTG 758  
Why This Dark Conspiracy [CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN];  
PAS 2C, LUYH 214  
Why Are Nations Raging / Why Are Nations  
Grumbling [SALZBURG, 7.7.7.7 D]; PH 159, SGP 5  
Mi hijo eres tú / My Son, You Are Mine; SSS 114

### Responsorial

You Are My Son; PAS 2D  
Serve the Lord with Holy Fear; PSA 2  
O Hear and Heed the Voice of God [WAREHAM];  
HTP1 15

### Psalm 99

#### Metrical

Tremble, O Tremble [TROMBLEY]; GTG 57  
The Lord Is King, Enthroned in Might [ELLACOMBE];  
PAS 99A, LUYH 726  
Lord, You Are King [LMD]; SGP 147  
You, Lord, Are King [LM]; SGP 148  
God Reigns, Enthroned on High [6.6.8.4 D]; PCW 99

## Responsorial

The Lord is King; with Trembling Bow in Worship;  
PAS 99B  
Proclaim the Greatness of the Lord our God  
[OLD 124TH]; HTP1 80  
Sing to the Lord [WILLIE TAYLOR]; CP1 7

## Organ Music

“Prelude for Transfiguration,” WAREHAM, *Three Hymn Improvisations for Organ*, Matthew H. Corl, HWG (ME)  
“Fantasia I,” *Music for Sunday*, Petr Eben (MA)  
“We Are Marching in the Light of God,” SIYAHAMBA, *Augsburg Organ Library: Epiphany*, Robert Buckley Farlee, AF (ME)  
“All Hail the Power,” CORONATION, *Pedals and Pipes for Postludes and Praise*, Edward Broughton, LOR (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Jesus on the Mountain Peak,” Michael Burkhardt, MSM, SATB, org, opt cong (ME)  
“Christ upon the Mountain Peak,” John Bertalot, AF, 2 pt, pno, C inst (ME)  
“Go Up to the Mountain of God,” Michael Helman, AF, SATB, pno, opt fl (ME)  
“Alleluia,” Ralph Manuel, HIN, SATB div (MA)  
“Transfiguration,” Joel Martinson, PAR, uni, org (E)  
“Anthem for Transfiguration,” Paul Hofreiter, AF, SATB, org (M)

## Handbell Music

“Shine, Jesus, Shine,” Linda McKechnie, 3–5 oct, opt fl or vln, HOPE, 2224, fl/vln, 2225, Level 3  
“Hymn of Promise,” Martha Lynn Thompson, 3–5 oct, opt. 2–4 oct hc, opt 2-pt mx, HOPE, 1519, 2-pt mx, A580, Level 3  
“Prelude on Thaxted,” Michael Helman, 3–6 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, AGEHR, 36045, Level 3

## Art

*Transfigure*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Transfiguration*, fra Angelico, 1450 (VDL)  
*Transfiguration*, Kelly Latimore (VDL)  
*Be Thou My Vision*, Mike Moyers (VDL)

# The Season of Lent

*These liturgical texts are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Lent and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Call to Confession

*At the baptismal font:*

In the name of Christ, I urge you:  
Be reconciled to God.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.  
*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Call to Confession

*At the baptismal font:*

Being fully human,  
Jesus was tempted as we are.  
Being fully divine,  
Jesus knew the way out of the wilderness  
through which we still wander.  
Trusting that Christ will lead us,  
we repent of our waywardness,  
confess our sins,  
and turn back to the path of God's mercy.  
*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

Listen, the time has come at last.  
Look, now is the day of salvation!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

In the shadow of the Almighty,  
we take shelter.  
As a hen gathers her chicks

under protective wings,  
God gathers us in love.  
From this place of motherly mercy,  
we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
O Lord our God, we give you thanks  
for the mercy you so freely offer us  
through the grace of our baptism—  
safe passage through the sea,  
justice rolling down like water,  
deliverance from sin and death forever.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
poured out upon us in baptism,  
teach us to love and serve you faithfully  
and reconcile us to you and to one another  
as members of one, living body;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

God of ancient covenants,  
who never breaks trust,  
we thank you for baptismal waters  
that pour out your steadfast love  
for all creation.  
Thank you for the salvation promise  
you have kept.  
In the name of Jesus,  
the Living Water, we pray. **Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

Season of Lent, Ash Wednesday

Merciful God,  
your Word is our way of truth and life.  
Create in us hearts that are clean  
and put your Holy Spirit within us,  
so that we may receive your grace  
and declare your praise forever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Gracious God, our way in the wilderness,  
guide us by your Word through these forty days,  
and minister to us with your Holy Spirit,  
so that we may be reformed,  
restored, and renewed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Lent

O Lord of light and salvation,  
let these words of Scripture  
live not only in our mouths,  
but in our hearts,  
that we will embody your truth  
and confess with our lives  
that Jesus is Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Lent, Maundy Thursday

Eternal God, by your Word and Spirit,  
you have given us a new commandment:  
to love and serve one another in Jesus' name.  
Let the good news of your liberating love  
be sealed in our hearts and shown in our lives;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Lent, Good Friday

Holy One, our strength in suffering  
and our hope for salvation,  
lift up your Word of life  
and pour out your Spirit of grace  
so that we may follow faithfully  
all the way to the cross;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Before the readings:*

O Lord, open my lips,  
and my mouth will declare your praise.  
Psalm 51:15

*After the readings:*

We proclaim Christ crucified—  
the wisdom and power of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 1:23–25

## Ascription of Praise

*After the sermon:*

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ  
we bend our knees and lift up our hearts,  
giving glory to God forever. **Amen.**  
Philippians 2:9–11

## Affirmation of Faith

Season of Lent, Ash Wednesday

**The reconciling act of God in Jesus Christ  
exposes the evil in people  
as sin in the sight of God.**

**In sin, people claim mastery of their own lives,  
turn against God and each other,  
and become exploiters  
and despoilers of the world.**

**They lose their humanity in futile striving  
and are left in rebellion, despair, and  
isolation.**

**But God's love never changes.**

**Against all who oppose the divine will,  
God expresses love in wrath.**

**In the same love, God bore judgment  
and shameful death in Jesus Christ,  
to bring all people to repentance and new life.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.12, 9.14*



Season of Lent

**The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for women and men when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.21*

Season of Lent

**To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares God's labor of healing the enmities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.31*

Season of Lent, Palm/Passion Sunday, Good Friday

**God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd's life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love for humankind. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.09*

## Invitation to Offering

*At the communion table:*

Through the grace of God,  
we have gifts in abundance  
and pour them out  
like perfume from a flask,  
not for our sakes,  
but to worship the One who  
lavishes love on the world.

## Invitation to Offering

*At the communion table:*

Jesus says: Where your treasure is,  
there your heart will be also.

Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

Matthew 6:21

## Prayer after Communion

*At the communion table:*

Season of Lent

Thank you, gracious God,  
for giving us bread for the journey  
of these forty days.

As we travel on through the wilderness,  
help us to share your grace with others  
and draw us ever closer to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Giving God,

living Lord,

you have fed us with your body.

You have poured out your life

that we might live.

We thank you,

for we have tasted

your goodness in this meal.

Fed, we are strengthened;

filled, we are renewed

to share the abundance of your love  
with a hungry world. **Amen.**

Season of Lent, Holy Week

We give you thanks, Holy One,  
for the body and blood of our Lord,  
given with love for the world.  
Send us out in your Spirit  
to share the good news of salvation  
and give ourselves for others;  
in the name of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

### **Blessing and Charge**

*At the doors of the church:*

May the steadfast love of God,  
the abundant grace of Jesus Christ,  
and the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit  
be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

Psalm 51:1, 11

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus:

If any wish to be my disciples  
let them take up the cross  
and follow me. **Amen.**

Mark 8:34

### **Blessing and Charge**

*At the doors of the church:*

Put away the past.  
God is about to do a new thing!  
God makes a way where there is no way!  
God carves a path through the wilderness  
and sends angels to guard and guide us.

Having been reconciled to God,  
we are now agents of God's righteousness  
and ambassadors for Christ.  
Live boldly,  
for Christ welcomes sinners  
and makes all things new.

# The Season of Lent

*These music suggestions are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Lent and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Congregational Song in Lent

A change in liturgical seasons creates opportunities for congregational responses unique to the season as well as experiences of ongoing liturgical moments and responses set to new and different music. Following are suggestions for use during the season of Lent:

*Consider removing the Gloria Patri or other uses of a Gloria response during Lent and instead using either a Kyrie eleison or Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) text as a part of the confessional sequence.*

Kyrie	GTG 576
Kyrie	GTG 577
Lamb of God	GTG 602
Lamb of God	GTG 603

*Consider a sung response for use with the Prayers of the People, which may be prayed using a series of spoken intercessions or as an opening or closing response to a non-intercessory prayer.*

Give Us Light (selected verses)	GTG 467
Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying	GTG 469; STF 2193
O Lord, Hear My Prayer	GTG 471; STF 2200
Shepherd Me, O God (refrain)	GTG 473; STF 2058

*Consider replacing the Doxology with another response for this season, bringing the Doxology back on Easter morning.*

Take, O Take Me as I Am	GTG 698
Lord, Prepare Me	GTG 701; STF 2164
We Give Thee But Thine Own (v. 1)	GTG 708; PH 428
We Lift Our Voices	GTG 710

## Anthems for Children's Choirs in Lent and Holy Week

- "A Mountain Psalm," Helen Kemp, CGA, 2 pt, pno (MA)
- "Beneath the Cross of Jesus," from *Hear Our Prayer: A Trilogy for Lent and Holy Week*, Mark Patterson, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (ME)
- "Children of Light," Valerie Ann Webdell, HIN, 2 pt, pno (A)
- "Treasures in Heaven," Pat Messick, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*M)
- "What Does the Lord Require?," Mark Burrows, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*M)

## Anthems for Youth Choirs in Lent and Holy Week

- "I Saw the Cross of Jesus," Victor Johnson, CGA, SATB, pno (MA)
- "When Jesus Wept," Peter Paul Olejar, MSM, 3 pt mx, pno (E)
- "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say," John Helgen, CGA, SAB, pno (M)
- "To Your Table We Come," Stan Pethel, CGA, SATB, pno (M)

## Piano Music for Lent and Holy Week

- "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed," MARTYRDOM, *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty: Five Hymn Settings for Piano*, Duane Funderburk, MSM (M)
- "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy," RESTORATION, *Transformations: Ten Piano Solos Based on Timeless Hymn Tunes*, Howard Helvey, BP (M)
- "If You but Trust in God to Guide You," WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, *Piano Reflections on Chorale Tunes*, Anne Krentz Organ, AF (M)
- "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," ABERYSTWYTH, *I Love to Tell the Story: Hymn Settings for Solo Piano*, Marianne Kim, HOPE (ME)
- "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley," LONESOME VALLEY, *Morning Has Broken: 11 Hymn Settings for Piano*, David Gale, MSM (MA)
- "Lord, Who the Night You Were Betrayed," SONG 1, *Hymn Tune Masters for Piano*, Matthew Machemer, CON (M)
- "My Song Is Love Unknown," LOVE UNKNOWN, *My Savior's Love: Three Quiet Pieces for Piano*, Benjamin M. Culli, CON (MA)
- "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded," HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, *Abide with Us: Easy Hymn-Based Piano Expressions about the Life and Love of Jesus*, Sandra Eithun, CON (E)
- "Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus," EBENEZER, *All Things New: Distinctive Piano Literature on Beloved Hymnody & Song*, Wayne Oquin, CON (A)
- "What Wondrous Love Is This," WONDROUS LOVE, *60 Easy Hymn Settings for Piano*, Joel Raney, HOPE (E)

## Vocal Solos for Lent and Holy Week

- "The Beatitudes," *First Book of Soprano Solos*, Alfred Hay Malotte, HAL (M)
- "Thee Will I Love," *Sacred Solos of Craig Courtney*, Craig Courtney, BP (M)
- "Incline Thine Ear," *First Book of Tenor Solos, Part II*, Ernest Charles, HAL (M)
- "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me," arr. Edward Boatner, ECS (M)
- "Ride On, King Jesus," arr. Hal Johnson, CF (A)
- "Pie Jesu," Lili Boulanger, multiple editions (A)
- "Were You There," *The Deep River Collection*, arr. Moses Hogan, HAL (M)

February 22, 2023

Ash Wednesday

Color: Purple

### Lectionary Readings

Joel 2:1–2, 12–17

or Isaiah 58:1–12

Psalm 51:1–17

2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

The day of the Lord is coming; return to God with all your heart.

The fast God chooses: do justice, release captives, help the poor.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new spirit within me.

Be reconciled to God in Christ; now is the day of salvation!

Don't flaunt your fasting and prayer; store up treasure in heaven.

### Opening Sentences

With fasting, weeping, and mourning,

**we return to God.**

With honesty and humility,

**we acknowledge our humanity.**

In accord and in silence,

**we offer our prayers.**

### Call to Confession

Now is the time.

Now is the day of salvation.

Now is the beginning of a season of deep breaths,  
deep reflection, and deep reckoning.

We must not accept God's grace in vain.

Now is the time for confession.

### Prayer of Confession

**Have mercy on us, O God.**

**We know the ways we have sinned against  
you.**

**We know the ways we have done evil.**

**We know the ways we are guilty.**

**We deserve your judgment, and yet we plead:**

**do not cast us away from your presence.**

**Do not take your Holy Spirit from us.**

**Create in us clean hearts.**

**Hide your face from our sins**

**and blot out the evil we have done.**

**Let us hear joy and gladness;**

**let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Even now the Lord says,

Return to me with all your heart.

God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger,  
abounding in steadfast love.

**Thanks be to God for this unimaginable grace.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom (G) MERLE'S TUNE  
GTG 378

Just as I Am, without One Plea (E) WOODWORTH  
GTG 442, PH 370

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee (O)  
WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT GTG 816, PH 282

Now Let Us All with One Accord (G) EX MORE  
DOCTI MYSTICO EH 146

#### WORD

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (G) PRAYER OF  
ST. FRANCIS GTG 753

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading (O) NJOO  
KWETU, RHO MWEMA GTG 287

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (G) DETROIT  
GTG 444, PH 347

Be Near Me, Lord (OE) SHARP *Rejoice in God*,  
K. Lee Scott, MSM



**EUCCHARIST**

Sign Us with Ashes (OE) PHOENIX GTG 433  
 Give Thanks (E) GIVE THANKS GTG 647  
 When the Poor Ones / Cuando el pobre (O)  
 EL CAMINO GTG 762  
 Falling on My Knees (OG) FALLING ON MY KNEES  
 WAS 3099

**SENDING**

May God Support You All Your Days (O)  
 DICKINSON COLLEGE GTG 548  
 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night (G) TALLIS'  
 CANON GTG 675, PH 542  
 When Peace Like a River (E) VILLE DU HAVRE  
 GTG 840  
 Mayenziwe / Your Will Be Done / Señor, que se  
 haga tu voluntad (E) South African traditional  
 SSS 594

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

Have Mercy, God, upon My Life [IRISH]; GTG 421  
 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God [SARADAY];  
 GTG 423, PAS 51H  
 God, Be Merciful to Me [GOD BE MERCIFUL, REDHEAD  
 76]; LUYH 622, 623; PAS 51N, 51O; SSS 508, 509  
 Ten piedad de mí / Lord, Have Mercy on Me  
 [TEN PIEDAD DE MÍ]; PAS 51E; SSS 520  
 Have Mercy on Us, Living Lord [CM]; SGP 81

**Responsorial**

The Sacrifice You Accept, O God; PSA 48, PH 196,  
 PAS 51G  
 Have Mercy on Me, O God; PAS 51L  
 Misericordia, Señor / Be Merciful, O Lord; PAS 51M  
 The Lord Remembers That We Are but Dust  
 [OLD 124TH]; HTP1 108  
 Be Merciful, O Lord, for We Have Sinned; PFTS2 6  
 Have Mercy on Me, O Lord; PND 20

**Organ Music**

“Aria,” Paul Manz, MSM (M)  
 “O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,” *6 Lenten Chorales  
 for Organ*, Paul Kickstat, MSM (E)  
 “O Mensch, Bewein,” BWV 622, J. S. Bach, public  
 domain (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“Create in Me a Clean Heart,” Ronald A. Nelson,  
 KJO, SATB, acap (MA)  
 “Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days,” Zebulon  
 Highben, MSM, SATB, acap (M)  
 “Create in Me a Pure Heart,” Mark Shepperd, KJO,  
 SATB, pno, fl, cl (M)  
 “Turn Thy Face from My Sins,” Thomas Attwood,  
 CPDL, SATB, solo, org (ME)  
 “To Dust,” Karen Marroli, MSM, SATB, pno (ME)

**Handbell Music**

“Just As I Am,” Sandra Eithun, 3–5 oct, opt fl,  
 AGEHR, 35232, Level 2  
 “Give Thanks,” Susan Geschke, 3–5 oct, HOPE,  
 2514, Level 2  
 “It Is Well with My Soul,” Cathy Moglebust, 3–5 oct,  
 opt 3 oct hc, opt vln or fl, ALF, 20206, Level 3

**Art**

*The Pharisee and the Publican*, JESUS MAFA (VDL)  
*Ash*, Mike Moyers (VDL)  
*Tangled Blessing*, Lauren Wright Pittman (VDL)  
*Ash Wednesday*, Karl Spitzweg (VDL)

# February 26, 2023

## First Sunday in Lent

Color: Purple

### Lectionary Readings

Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7    The man and woman disobey God, eating forbidden fruit.  
 Psalm 32    My sin tormented me; but when I confessed, God forgave me.  
 Romans 5:12–19    Sin and death came from Adam; grace and life come from Christ.  
 Matthew 4:1–11    Jesus spends forty days in the wilderness and is tested by the devil.

### Opening Sentences

For forty days and forty nights,  
**led by the Spirit,**  
**Christ fasted in the wilderness.**  
 For forty days and forty nights,  
**we prepare ourselves to meet**  
**the crucified and risen Christ.**

### Call to Confession

When we stay silent,  
 when we do not acknowledge  
 what we need to change,  
 we waste away.  
 Our guilt turns into shame  
 that eats away at us like a poison.  
 God calls us to repent and be healed;  
 let us turn to God.

### Prayer of Confession

**Merciful One,**  
**we are so easily tempted.**  
**We turn away from your word so quickly.**  
**We seek anything that claims to save us from**  
**discomfort, inconvenience, pain,**  
**fear, and emptiness.**  
**But these are false idols, dissolving in the**  
**wind.**  
**You are our true hope and salvation,**  
**our hiding place, our guide, our guardian.**  
**We confess our transgressions to you:**  
**forgive our sins.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice!  
 God does not count our sins against us,  
 but offers us a free gift of righteousness.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Beneath the Cross of Jesus (E) ST. CHRISTOPHER  
 GTG 216, PH 92  
 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High (G)  
 DEO GRACIAS GTG 618, PH 83  
 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples (OE)  
 KINGSFOLD GTG 757, PH 434  
 Give Me Jesus / Dame a Cristo (EG) GIVE ME JESUS  
 SSS 306

#### WORD

Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle (OE)  
 FORTUNATUS NEW GTG 225  
 O Word of God Incarnate (G) MUNICH GTG 459,  
 PH 327  
 When We Are Tested (G) ANGELS OF HEALING  
 GTG 783  
 Wilt Thou Forgive the Sin, Where I Begun (OEG)  
 DONNE EH 140

#### EUCCHARIST

The Glory of These Forty Days (G) ERHALT UNS,  
 HERR GTG 165, PH 87  
 Seek Ye First (G) LAFFERTY GTG 175, PH 333  
 Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (G) QUEBEC, JESU  
 DULCIS MEMORIA GTG 494, PH 510, 511  
 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life (OE)  
 BLACKSTONE *Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## SENDING

Forty Days and Forty Nights (G) AUS DER TIEFE RUF  
ICH GTG 167, PH 77

There in God's Garden (OE) SHADES MOUNTAIN  
GTG 226

Jesus, Lover of My Soul (EG) ABERYSTWYTH  
GTG 440, PH 303

How Sweet Was the Garden, Fertile and Fair (OE)  
LONG ISLAND SOUND LUYH 29

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions (How  
Blest Are They Whose Trespass) [MEIRIONYDD,  
RUTHERFORD, ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN];  
GTG 446, PAS 32A, LUYH 669, PH 184, SGP 51  
(altered), SSS 527

While I Keep Silence [SILENCE]; PAS 32C

### Responsorial

You Are My Hiding Place; PAS 32B, LUYH 412,  
SSS 46

You Are My Hiding Place, O Lord; PSA 29

God Is Kind and Gracious [SCARBOROUGH FAIR];  
PP 62

## Organ Music

“Reprise,” Paul Manz, MSM (ME)

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,” *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Lent*, Robert Buckley Farlee,  
AF (M)

“Meditation Religieuse,” *Augsburg Organ Library:  
Healing and Funeral*, Henri Mulet, AF (M)

“Priere a Notre-Dame,” *Suite Gothique*, op. 25,  
Leon Boellmann, public domain (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Since by Man Came Death,” *Messiah*, G. F. Handel,  
CPDL, SATB, keybd or str qrt (MD)

“Take Us as We Are, O God,” Mark Sedio, AF,  
SATB, org (M)

“You Will I Love,” Kevin Hildebrand, MSM, SATB,  
org (E)

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me,” arr. Moses Hogan,  
HAL, SATB div (MA)

“The Tree of Life,” K. Lee Scott, MSM, SATB, org  
(ME)

“Lenten Carol,” Marc Robinson, KJO, SATB, pno,  
vc (M)

## Handbell Music

“Fantasy on Kingsfold,” H. Dean Wagner, 3–6 oct,  
opt 3 oct hc, opt orch, HOPE, hb, 2134, orch,  
2134O, Level 2+

“Seek Ye First,” Jeffrey Honoré, 3–5 oct, CON,  
97-6809, Level 2

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul,” Linda R. Lamb, 3–5 oct,  
opt 3–5 oct hc, opt fl, BP, HB557, Level 3

## Art

*Temptation in the Wilderness*, Briton Rivière (VDL)  
*A Choice*, Lauren Wright Pittman (VDL)

*Christ in the Wilderness*, Ivan Nikolaevich Kramskoi  
(VDL)

*Gift of the Wilderness*, Jan Richardson (JR)

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

Color: Purple

## Lectionary Readings

Genesis 12:1–4a	The Lord says to Abram: I will make you a blessing to the nations.
Psalm 121	My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
Romans 4:1–5, 13–17	Consider Abraham; the promise of God depends on faith.
John 3:1–17	Those who seek God's kingdom must be born of water and Spirit.
or Matthew 17:1–9	On a high mountain with Moses and Elijah, Jesus is transfigured.

## Opening Sentences

There is so much we do not understand,  
so many mysteries in this life of faith.  
But some things are certain.  
We do know:

**Our help comes from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.  
God is our keeper and our shade.**

Let us lift our eyes to God.

## Call to Confession

Our help does truly come from God.  
This help is not just for the times when trouble  
befalls us,  
or when our lives are hard,  
but when we are the ones who are to blame,  
when we face the consequences of our own  
actions.

Knowing that, we turn to God for help,  
trusting in unending grace.

## Prayer of Confession

**Teacher,  
you call us to go,  
following the plan that you have set out for us.  
You promise us blessings and purpose,  
but we do not trust your words.  
We cling to what we already know,  
we trust in what we can see and touch,  
we make excuses for our failure to trust in you.  
Call to us again,  
that we may be born again through your Spirit.**

**Help us to believe  
and give us the abundant life  
that comes from following your will.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God did not send the Son into the world  
to condemn the world,  
but in order that the world  
might be saved through him.

**Thanks be to God.**

**We will bear witness to God's saving grace  
with our lives.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (OE) FAITHFULNESS  
GTG 39, PH 276

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding (OEG)  
BREWER GTG 191

The Church's One Foundation (G) AURELIA GTG 321,  
PH 442

You Are Our God; We Are Your People (O) JANNA  
LUYH 35

### WORD

Come Down, O Love Divine (G) DOWN AMPNEY  
GTG 282, PH 313

Crashing Waters at Creation (G) CRASHING WATERS  
GTG 476

I Depend upon Your Faithfulness (OE)  
TU FIDELIDAD GTG 831

Broken World, Broken Dreams (OE) HEAVEN IS AT  
HAND *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton

## EUCCHARIST

As the Wind Song (OG) WAIRUA TAPU GTG 292  
 Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table (G) COPELAND  
 GTG 506  
 In the Singing (OE) BREAD OF PEACE GTG 533  
 The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power (G) THE BLOOD  
 AAHH 256

## SENDING

This Is My Song (O) FINLANDIA GTG 340  
 Now There Is No Male or Female (G) OMNI DIE  
 (Trier) GTG 493  
 Faith Begins by Letting Go (OE) LUX PRIMA GTG 684  
 O Give Praise to Jesus, the King / Jaya hos Yishu  
 raja ko (G) JAYA HOS YISHU STB 204

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes [DUNDEE, UNION];  
 GTG 45, PH 234, PAS 121E  
 To the Hills I Lift My Eyes (Naega sanül  
 hyanghayö) [NA-UI DO-UM]; GTG 845, PAS 121F  
 To the Hills I Lift My Eyes [GUIDE]; PAS 121A,  
 LUYH 331  
 Alzo a los montes / Lift Your Eyes Up; PAS 121C,  
 SSS 38

### Responsorial

My Help Comes Only from the Lord; PAS 121D  
 Our Help Is from the Lord; PAS 121 I  
 Help Comes Only from the Lord; PSA 125

## Organ Music

"What Wondrous Love," WONDROUS LOVE,  
*In Memoriam*, Ross Anderson, LOR (E)  
 "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord," REPTON, *Come  
 & Praise, Vol. 3*, Mark Sedio, AF (E)  
 "Second Meditation," Alexandre Guilmant, ALF (MA)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me," arr. Lloyd Larson,  
 LOR, SATB, solo, acap (M)  
 "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes (Mvt I)," Adolphus  
 Hailstork, TPR, SATB, tenor solo, keybd or orch  
 (MA)  
 "God So Loved the World," Michael Burkhardt,  
 MSM, SATB, org, opt cong (ME)  
 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy," Calvin  
 Hampton, GIA, SATB, pno (M)  
 "John 3:16," B. E. Boykin, Klavia Press, SATB, acap  
 (MA)  
 "I Will Lift Mine Eyes," Jake Runestad, BH, SATB  
 div, acap (MA)

## Handbell Music

"The Church's One Foundation," Jason W. Krug,  
 3–6 oct, opt 2 oct hc, BP, HB488, Level 3  
 "Come, Down, O Love Divine," Sondra Tucker, 3–5  
 oct, opt 2 oct hc, LOR, 20/2097L, Level 2+  
 "Be Still, My Soul," Jason W. Krug, 3–5 oct, RRM,  
 RRBL5058, Level 2+

## Art

*Christ and Nicodemus*, James Tissot (VDL)  
*Born Again*, Lauren Wright Pittman (VDL)  
*Of Water and Spirit*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Nicodemus*, Henry Ossawa Tanner (VDL)



**March 12, 2023**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

Color: Purple

### Lectionary Readings

Exodus 17:1–7	The people thirst and quarrel; God gives them water from a rock.
Psalm 95	Make a joyful noise to the Lord, the rock of our salvation.
Romans 5:1–11	Justified by faith, we have peace with God through Jesus Christ.
John 4:5–42	Jesus offers living water to a Samaritan woman at the well.

### Opening Sentences

Come into God's presence with thanksgiving!  
**Let us sing to the rock of our salvation.**  
 Even in the deserts of our lives,  
**God is among us.**  
 Come, let us worship and bow down;  
**let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

### Call to Confession

God does not wait for us to be righteous,  
 or pure, or perfect.  
 Christ died for us while we were still sinners.  
 We do not have to hide our sin from God,  
 but can face it with Jesus,  
 who heals us, teaches us, and leads us to new life.

### Prayer of Confession

**Jesus, friend of all,  
 once again, we come to you knowing  
 our words have stung,  
 our actions have harmed,  
 and our indifference has let evil have its day.  
 Our hearts yearn for you,  
 our souls thirst for you,  
 yet we do not imitate you in our lives.  
 We scorn those who are different from us,  
 and relish our own comfort.  
 Once again, forgive us, O God.  
 Give us your living water,  
 that we might tell the world  
 all you have done for us.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

We know that God is with us even in our  
 sufferings,  
 for suffering produces endurance,  
 endurance produces character,  
 character produces hope,  
**and hope does not disappoint us,  
 because God's love has been poured into our  
 hearts.**  
**Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Woman in the Night (G) NEW DISCIPLES (Fedak)  
 GTG 161  
 Peoples, Clap Your Hands! (O) GENEVAN 47  
 GTG 261, PH 194  
 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (OE)  
 NETTLETON GTG 475, PH 356  
 Cristo es la peña de Horeb / Christ Is the Mountain  
 of Horeb (O) CRISTO ES LA PEÑA SSS 62

#### WORD

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (E) VENI  
 CREATOR SPIRITUS GTG 278, PH 125  
 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (OE) SOLID ROCK  
 GTG 353, PH 379  
 My Faith Looks Up to Thee (E) OLIVET GTG 829,  
 PH 383  
 Renewal (G) John W. Robinson Jr., AAHH 570

## EUCCHARIST

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (OG) CWM  
RHONDDA GTG 65, PH 281  
Fill My Cup (G) FILL MY CUP GTG 699, PH 350  
Holy Spirit, Come to Us (E) VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS  
GTG 281  
As Pants the Hart (OEG) SPRING GARDEN *Rejoice in  
God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## SENDING

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (OG)  
AUSTRIAN HYMN GTG 81, PH 446  
For All the Faithful Women (G) NYLAND GTG 324  
How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord (E) REPTON  
GTG 432, PH 419  
Jesus Paid It All (E) GONE IS MY DEBT OF SIN  
SON 316

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Come with All Joy to Sing to God [GERMANY];  
PAS 95H  
Come and Sing to God Our Savior [8.7.8.7.7.7];  
SGP 139  
Come, Celebrate with Gladness [7.6.7.6 D]; MPS 95

### Responsorial

Let Not Your Hearts Be Hardened; PAS 95 I, PND 32  
Today If You Would Hear God's Voice; HTP1 20  
Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down / Ven,  
vamos juntos a adorar; SSS 400–401

## Organ Music

“Attende Domine, ‘Hear us, almighty Lord, show us  
your mercy. Sinners we stand before you,” *Five  
Liturgical Pieces for Organ*, Lynn Trapp, MSM (E)  
“O Blessed Spring,” BERGLUND, *Augsburg Organ  
Library: Baptism and Communion*, Robert  
Buckley Farlee, AF (M)  
“Beach Spring,” Wilbur Held, CON (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me,” arr. Christopher  
Aspaas, AF, SATB div, acap (MA)  
“Mi Alma Está Sedienta (My Soul is Thirsting),”  
Peter Kolar, GIA, 3 pt mx, cantor, keybd, cong,  
gtr (M)  
“Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty,” Zebulon  
Highben, AF, SATB, org, C inst, cong (M)  
“Sing to the Lord,” Melvin E. Bryant Jr., GIA, SATB,  
pno (M)  
“O Come, Every One That Thirsteth,” *Elijah*, Felix  
Mendelssohn, public domain, SATB, org (MA)  
“O Blessed Spring,” Robert Buckley Farlee, AF,  
SATB, org, ob, opt cong (M)

## Handbell Music

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” Ron Mallory,  
3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, ALF, 44241, Level 3+  
“Solid Rock,” Patricia Hurlbutt, 3–5 oct, SFP,  
20/2088SF, Level 2  
“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah,” Lloyd Larson,  
3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1474L, Level 3

## Art

*Rock of Refuge*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Desert's Hand*, Mario Irarrázabal (VDL)  
*Christ and the Samaritan Woman*, Henryk  
Siemiradzki (VDL)  
*Woman at the Well*, Diego Rivera (VDL)  
*Christ at the Well*, Peter Koenig (VDL)

March 19, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Color: Purple

## Lectionary Readings

1 Samuel 16:1–13  
Psalm 23  
Ephesians 5:8–14  
John 9:1–41

Samuel anoints David, the youngest son of Jesse, to be king.  
The Lord is my shepherd; I will live in the house of God always.  
Live as children of light; awake and rise, Christ will shine on you.  
Jesus heals a man born blind; the Pharisees question him about sin.

## Opening Sentences

We come to sanctify ourselves.

**We come seeking to be worthy of our call.**

The Lord looks not at our outward selves,  
**but seeks to know what is in our hearts.**

Let us learn what is pleasing to the Lord,  
**that we might live as children of the  
Most High.**

## Call to Confession

How do we know when our actions are right?

**When the fruits of our labors are good  
and true.**

Christ is the light that exposes all we keep hidden,  
but offers us healing and renewal instead of  
judgment.

Therefore, let us hold up our sins to Christ's gaze.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of compassion and mercy,**

**we sometimes fail to see**

**what you are doing in the world.**

**We want you to act in ways we predict,**

**but we forget:**

**you do what is good, not what is expected.**

**Forgive us when we do not recognize your  
miracles.**

**Forgive us when we doubt the wisdom of  
your actions.**

**Most of all, forgive us**

**when we do not respond to your call,**

**ignoring what we need to do**

**to show the world your love and grace.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Jesus restores our souls

and leads us in right paths for his name's sake.

**Surely goodness and mercy**

**shall follow us all the days of our lives,**

**and we will dwell in the house of the Lord  
our whole lives long.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (EG)

HOUSTON GTG 377

Give Us Light (OE) JYOTHI DHO GTG 467

Arise, Your Light Is Come! (E) FESTAL SONG

GTG 744, PH 411

Jesus Christ, Workers' Lord / Urinün bujirõnhan (G)

KEUH-LOH STB 234

### WORD

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (EG) KINGSFOLD

GTG 182

Open My Eyes, That I May See (EG) OPEN MY EYES

GTG 451, PH 324

To the Hills I Lift My Eyes (EG) NA-UI DO-UM

GTG 845

Tree of Life (EG) THOMAS G3 475

### EUCCHARIST

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (EG)

CHILDREN PRAYING GTG 469

Shepherd Me, O God (refrain only) (EG)

SHEPHERD ME GTG 473

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters (G) BEACH

SPRING GTG 490

I Am Not Forgotten (O) NO ESTOY OLVIDADO *Sing*

*No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton

**SENDING**

- Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers (OE) LLANGLOFFAN  
GTG 362, PH 15
- O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright (OE)  
WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET GTG 827, PH 69
- We Are Marching in the Light of God (EG)  
SIYAHAMBA GTG 853
- Joy in the Morning (E) JOY IN THE MORNING STF 2284

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

- My Shepherd Will Supply My Need [RESIGNATION];  
GTG 803, PH 172, PAS 23A, LUYH 369, SSS 44
- The King of Love My Shepherd Is [ST. COLUMBA,  
DOMINUS REGIT ME]; GTG 802, PH 171, LUYH 824,  
LUYH 23D, E (altered text), SSS 359
- The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [CRIMOND,  
BROTHER JAMES' AIR]; GTG 801, PH 170, PAS 23C,  
SSS 375
- The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [Townend];  
PAS 23F
- The God of Love My Shepherd Is [RIDGEWOOD];  
PAS 23J
- El Señor es mi pastor / You, O Lord, You Are My  
Shepherd; SSS 532

**Responsorial**

- Shepherd Me, O God; GTG 473, LUYH 456, PAS  
23G (pointed vv.), 23H (through-composed vv.),  
SSS 365 (refrain only)
- El Señor es mi pastor / My Shepherd Is the Lord;  
PAS 23 I, LUYH 368, SSS 338
- El Señor es mi pastor / The Lord Is My Shepherd;  
OC 33, SSS 294–295
- My Shepherd Is the Lord [Gelineau]; PH 173, PSA  
18
- The Lord Is My Shepherd / El Señor es mi pastor;  
SSS 613 (refrain only)
- The Lord Is My Shepherd; PFTS2 54
- The Lord's My Shepherd [THE PARTING GLASS]; CP2 1

**Organ Music**

- “Introit: Laetare/Rejoice, ‘Rejoice, O Jerusalem;  
and gather round, all you who love her,’” *Five  
Liturgical Pieces for Organ*, Lynn Trapp, MSM (E)
- “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” HOUSTON,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Epiphany*, Wayne L.  
Wold, AF (E)
- “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound,” NEW  
BRITAIN, *Organ Impressions for the Church Year*,  
Jacob B. Weber, AF (E)
- “Christ Be My Leader,” SLANE, *7 Hymn Preludes*,  
John Behnke, CON (E)
- “O Christ, You Are the Light and Day,” Georg  
Bohm, public domain (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

- “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me,” arr. Tom Shelton,  
HIN, SATB, sax (ME)
- “Psalm 23,” Andrew Marshall, GIA, SATB, acap  
(MA)
- “Gently, Lord, O Gently Lead Us,” arr. R. Nathaniel  
Dett, GIA, SATB, acap, solo (MA)
- “Jesus, Good Shepherd,” Bradley Ellingboe, AF,  
SATB, pno or hp (M)
- “On My Heart Imprint Thine Image,” Paul Manz,  
MSM, SATB, acap (M)
- “This Little Light of Mine,” arr. John Work, ECS,  
SATB, solo (M)

**Handbell Music**

- “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” Sondra  
Tucker, 3–5 oct, AF, 11-11024, Level 3
- “Arise, Shine, Thy Light Is Come,” Kevin  
McChesney, 3–5 oct, JHS, JHS9108, Level 4
- “Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers,” Mitchell Eithun, 3–5  
oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, SFP, 20/2044SF, Level 2

**Art**

- David Is Anointed and Affirmed as King*, Dura  
Europos (VDL)
- Healing of the Man Born Blind*, Duccio di  
Buoninsegna (VDL)
- Lord, That I Might See*, sculpture, Budapest,  
Hungary (VDL)
- Psalms 23*, Anneke Kaai (AK)

March 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Color: Purple

### Lectionary Readings

Ezekiel 37:1–14            In a valley of dry bones, Ezekiel has a vision of hope for Israel.  
Psalm 130                Out of the depths I cry; the Lord has power to forgive and redeem.  
Romans 8:6–11           Set your mind on the Spirit, not the flesh; God will give you life.  
John 11:1–45             Jesus, the resurrection and the life, raises Lazarus from the dead.

### Opening Sentences

Wait for the Lord.  
**Our souls wait and hope in God's word.**  
Hope in the Lord.  
**With God there is steadfast love,  
and great power to redeem.**  
Our souls wait for the Lord,  
more than those who watch for the morning,  
**more than those who watch for the morning.**

### Call to Confession

Christ is nearer to us than we can imagine.  
Jesus' power is not just for a distant past  
and a far-off future.  
Jesus is here for us here and now.  
Because there is forgiveness with God,  
let us call upon the Lord.

### Prayer of Confession

**God of resurrection,  
We know the power of death.  
We have seen its works,  
we have felt its sting.  
We have been to the valley of despair,  
and felt like there was no chance for life.  
We do not believe in your power to resurrect.  
We do not believe in your power to redeem  
our pain,  
and fashion something beautiful in this world.  
Forgive us.  
We cry from the depths—  
however faint our call may be,  
we pray you hear our voice.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Thus says the Lord,  
You shall know that I am the Lord  
when I open your graves,  
and bring you up from your graves, O my people.  
I will put my spirit within you,  
and you shall live.  
**We believe the good news!  
Thanks be to God.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

In Christ Called to Baptize (EG) ST. DENIO GTG 297  
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (OEG) HYFRYDOL  
GTG 366, PH 376  
Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers (E) NUN DANKET  
ALL' UND BRINGET EHR' GTG 407, PH 325  
Come with Me into the Journey (G) JEFFERSON  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton

#### WORD

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (OEG) TRENTHAM  
GTG 286, PH 316  
In God Alone (EG) MON ÂME SE REPOSE GTG 814  
Somebody's Knocking at Your Door (G)  
SOMEBODY'S KNOCKIN' GTG 728, PH 382  
Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land (G) WEARY LAND  
WAS 3074



**EUCCHARIST**

Spirit of the Living God (E) LIVING GOD GTG 288,  
PH 322  
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me (OEG) TOPLADY  
GTG 438  
I Am the Bread of Life (OG) I AM THE BREAD  
GTG 522  
Let It Breathe on Me (O) BREATHE ON ME NCH 288

**SENDING**

When Jesus Wept (G) WHEN JESUS WEPT GTG 194,  
PH 312  
Peace of God Be with You (G) AS-SALAAMU LAKUM  
GTG 448  
Be Thou My Vision (OE) SLANE GTG 450, PH 339  
Santo Espíritu, excelsa paloma / Holy Spirit, from  
Heaven Descended (E) EXCELSA PALOMA  
LUYH 241

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

In Deep Despair I Call to You [MORNING SONG/  
CONSOLATION]; PAS 130E  
From the Depths of Sin and Sadness [RUSSIAN];  
PAS 130F  
Out of the Depths I Cry to You (Out of the Depths  
to Thee I Raise) [AUS TIEFER NOT]; GTG 424,  
PAS 130A, PH 240, SSS 513  
Out of the Depths I Cry to You on High [SANDON];  
PAS 130C, LUYH 655  
Out of the Depths I Cry to You [Digerness]; PAS  
130D

**Responsorial**

In You, O Lord, There Is Mercy; PSA 134  
Out of the Depths I Cry to You, O Lord; PAS 130B  
With the Lord There Is Mercy; PFTS2 10  
From the Depths I Call to You; PND 42  
Hear Our Prayer, O Lord / Óyenos, Señor;  
SSS 572–573

**Organ Music**

“Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading,” NJOO  
KWETO, ROHO MWEMA, *Augsburg Organ Library:  
Reformation*, Michael Bedford, AF (M)  
“Aria,” Charles Callahan, MSM (M)  
“Jesus, Still Lead On,” SEELENBRAUTIGAM, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Lent*, Paul Manz, AF (M)  
“Out of the Depths I Cry to You,” AUS TIEFER NOT,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Lent*, Max Drischner,  
AF (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“Dry Bones,” arr. Brandon Waddles, GIA, SATB div,  
acap (A)  
“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me,” arr. John Helgen,  
KJO, SATB, opt solo, pno (ME)  
“Pardon Is the Instrument,” Lori True, GIA, SAB,  
cantors, opt perc (ME)  
“Out of the Depths,” Richard Frost, MSM, SATB,  
pno, vln (ME)  
“O Ye That Love the Lord,” Samuel Coleridge-  
Taylor, ed. Marques Garrett, MSM, SATB, org (M)  
“Out of the Depths Have I Cried to Thee,” Kevin  
Oldham, KJO, SATB, org, hp (M)

**Handbell Music**

“De Profundis,” Jason W. Krug, 4–7 oct, opt 4–7 oct  
hc, BP, HB523, Level 4  
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” Joel Raney and  
Arnold Sherman, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2508, Level 3  
“Breathe on Me, Breath of God,” Michael  
Mazzatenta, 3–5 oct, AGEHR, 35308, Level 2

**Art**

*Ezekiel in the Valley of the Dry Bones*, carving,  
Deptford Green, UK (VDL)  
*Take Away the Stone*, John August Swanson (VDL)  
*Psalms 130*, Anneke Kaai (AK)  
*Mary Kneels Weeping before Christ with Martha*,  
J. Le Breton (VDL)

**April 2, 2023**

**Palm/Passion Sunday /  
Sixth Sunday in Lent**  
Color: Red and/or Purple

### Lectionary Readings

#### Liturgy of the Palms

Matthew 21:1–11  
Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29

Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey; the people shout: Hosanna!  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

#### Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4–9a  
Psalm 31:9–16  
Philippians 2:5–11  
Matthew 26:14–27:66  
or Matthew 27:11–54

The Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty?  
Be gracious, Lord; my enemies assail me; my life is in your hand.  
Seek the mind of Christ, who was humble, but exalted by God.  
After the Passover meal, Jesus is betrayed, tried, and crucified.  
[abbreviated reading] Jesus is tried and crucified.

### Opening Sentences

With crowds from ancient times we cry,  
**Hosanna! Save us!**  
O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good!  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name  
of the Lord!  
**We bless you in the house of the Lord!**

### Call to Confession

Christ comes to the center of our busy, conflicted  
lives.  
He comes in triumph and humility.  
He comes in glory and in mercy.  
He comes knowing the best of who we are,  
and he comes knowing our worst.  
Trusting in God's grace,  
let us make our confession.

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ our Redeemer,  
try as we might,  
we do not follow your example.  
We do not empty ourselves,  
we do not humble ourselves,  
we are not obedient.  
You simply ask us to care about  
this world you created,  
but we fail to do even that.  
Forgive us.**

**You have given us the greatest,  
clearest example of love.  
Heal us, and help us to follow.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Even in the face of hatred and violence,  
we know that Christ loves us.  
Even when enduring death,  
Christ cares for us;  
Christ forgives us.

**Thanks be to the God of mercy.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

All Glory, Laud, and Honor (G) VALET WILL ICH DIR  
GEBEN GTG 196, PH 88  
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (G) ELLACOMBE GTG 197,  
PH 89  
Filled with Excitement / Mantos y palmas (G)  
HOSANNA GTG 199  
Hosanna al Hijo de David / Hosanna to Royal  
David's Son (G) ANÓNIMA SSS 141

#### WORD

Seek Ye First (E) LAFFERTY GTG 175, PH 333  
In an Age of Twisted Values (E) CHURCH UNITED  
GTG 345  
Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak (O)  
CANONBURY GTG 722, PH 426  
Bless That Wonderful Name of Jesus (E) Stephen  
Key, AAHH 295

## EUCCHARIST

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare (G) O WALY  
WALY GTG 202, PH 94  
Bread of the World in Mercy Broken (E) RENDEZ À  
DIEU GTG 499, PH 502  
In Remembrance of Me (E) RED GTG 521  
Author of Life Divine (EG) AUTHOR WAS 3166

## SENDING

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty! (G) ST. DROSTANE, THE  
KING'S MAJESTY GTG 198; PH 91, 90  
A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd (G) CHRISTIAN  
LOVE GTG 200  
When Peace Like a River (OEG) VILLE DU HAVRE  
GTG 840  
Jesus, I Live to You (E) LAKE ENON NCH 457

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29

#### Metrical

Este es el día / This Is the Day [ESTE ES EL DÍA];  
GTG 391, SSS 191  
This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made [NUN DANKET  
ALL]; GTG 681, PH 230, PAS 118E  
The Glorious Gates of Righteousness [ZERAH];  
PAS 118A  
Give Thanks to God for All His Goodness [RENDEZ  
À DIEU / GENEVAN 98/118]; PAS 118H, LUYH 196  
I Thank You, Lord, for You Are Good [8.7.8.7 D with  
refrain]; SGP 174  
Blessed, Yes, Blessed Is the One [PROMISED ONE];  
PP 226

#### Responsorial

Hail and Hosanna!; PAS 118B, LUYH 147, SSS 147–  
148 (refrain only)  
This Is the Day the Lord Has Made; PAS 118G  
Hosanna in the Highest [VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN];  
HTP1 110  
Fling Wide the Gates; PSA 118  
Blest Is the One Who Comes; SP 52  
This Is the Day / Éste es el día; SSS 379  
(refrain only)

### Psalm 31:9–16

#### Metrical

You Are My Refuge, Faithful God [MORNING SONG/  
CONSOLATION]; GTG 214  
Be Gracious to Me, O My Lord [CMD]; SGP 49,  
setting 2  
Be Gracious, Lord, for I, in Anguish [WAYFARING  
STRANGER]; PP 58 (with refrain), PCW 31b (as  
9.8.9.8)

#### Responsorial

I Give My Spirit; PAS 31A  
Into Your Hands, O Lord; SP 17  
Haz resplandecer / Make Your Face to Shine  
upon Your Servant [GLÁUCIA]; GTG 811, PAS 31D,  
SSS 514–515  
My Times Are in Your Hands [MARGARET]; PAS 31C,  
LUYH 458  
Have Mercy on Me, O God [HERZLICH TUT MICH  
VERLANGEN]; HTP1 112

## Organ Music

“All Glory, Laud and Honor,” *Organ Expressions for  
Palm Sunday through Eastertide*, Michael Shea,  
LOR (ME)  
“All Glory, Laud and Honor,” *Organ Impressions for  
the Church Year*, Jacob B. Weber, AF (E)  
“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded,” *Orgelchoral I, II,  
& III*, Ernst Pepping, Schott (ME)  
“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded,” *6 Lenten  
Chorales for Organ*, Paul Kickstat, MSM (E)  
“My Song Is Love Unknown,” RHOSYMEDRE,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Lent*, R. Vaughan  
Williams, AF (M)  
“Go to Dark Gethsemane,” GETHSEMANE, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Lent*, David Cherwien, AF (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Ride On, King Jesus!,” arr. Moses Hogan, HAL,  
SATB div, pno (MA)  
“Blessed Is He Who Comes in the Name of the  
Lord,” Lloyd Larson, LOR, SATB, child, pno (ME)

- “All Glory, Laud and Honor,” arr. Caleb French, BP, SATB, pno (M)  
“Let This Mind Be in You,” Craig Courtney, BP, SATB, pno (M)  
“Blessed Is He Who Cometh,” Charles Gounod, CPDL, SATB div, solo, org (M)  
“Hosanna to Son of David,” Michael Barrett and Stan Pethel, SHAW, SATB, pno, vln, cl, vc, perc (M)  
“Christus Factus Est,” Felice Anerio, HAL, SATB, acap (M)  
“Motet for Passion Sunday,” Frank Ferko, ECS, SATB, acap (A)  
“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,” Alice Parker, SATB div, solo, keybd or hp (MA)

## Handbell Music

- “Seek Ye First,” Jeffrey Honoré, 3–5 oct, CON, 97-6809, Level 2  
“In Remembrance of Me,” Jason W. Krug, 3–6 oct, opt 2 oct hc, HOPE, 2909, Level 2+  
“Hosanna,” Kevin McChesney, 3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1551L, Level 2

## Art

### Liturgy of the Palms

- Breaking of a Palm Leaf for the Entry into Jerusalem*, Giotto di Bondone (VDL)  
*Hallelujah*, Mike Moyers (VDL)  
*Palm Sunday*, Jan Richardson (JR)

### Liturgy of the Passion

- Peter’s Denial*, Simon Bening (VDL)  
*Christ Crucified*, John Petts, 1964 (VDL)





*Go to Dark Gethsemane*  
Mixed Media on Board  
Jennifer Bunge



**April 6, 2023**

**Maundy Thursday**

Color: Purple (until church is stripped)

### Lectionary Readings

Exodus 12:1–4 (5–10), 11–14 Before the exodus, the Lord gives instructions for the Passover.  
 Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19 What shall I return to the Lord? I will lift the cup of salvation.  
 1 Corinthians 11:23–26 Paul recounts and interprets the tradition of the Lord’s Supper.  
 John 13:1–17, 31b–35 Jesus washes the disciples’ feet and gives a new commandment.

### Opening Sentences

In the waning light of the evening,  
**we gather to keep watch.**  
 In this space and in our hearts,  
**we gather to retell this story.**  
 In our bread and in our cup,  
**we remember the love of our Redeemer.**

### Call to Confession

On this night as we recall Christ’s betrayal,  
 we remember this:  
 Christ broke bread with the one who would betray  
 him.  
 Christ washed the feet of Judas,  
 that he may have a share in him.  
 Knowing how deep our Savior’s forgiveness runs,  
 let us bring our sins to God.

### Prayer of Confession

**Humble Savior,  
 your words were clear:  
 “I give you a new commandment,  
 that you love one another,  
 just as I have loved you.”  
 You have loved us unflinching, unceasingly,  
 and we have rejoiced in that love.  
 But we have not poured out on others  
 the love you have lavished on us.  
 Forgive us.  
 Cover us with your mercy,  
 and lead us once again in your ways.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved of God, hear this good news:  
 even in our sin,  
 Christ went to conquer death on our behalf  
 and Christ redeems us still.  
**Even now, we are forgiven.  
 Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare (G)  
 O WALY, WALY GTG 202, PH 94  
 Take Us as We Are, O God (E) ENDLESS FEAST  
 GTG 312  
 What Is This Place (E) KOMT NU MET ZANG GTG 404  
 Friend to Friend (G) FRIEND STB 244

#### WORD

A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar (G) HOW CAN I KEEP  
 FROM SINGING GTG 201  
 Before I Take the Body of My Lord (E) LAYING  
 DOWN GTG 428  
 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (G) CHEREPONI  
 GTG 203, PH 367  
 My Lord and Master (Before the Cross) (G)  
 VESTAVIA *Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

#### EUCCHARIST

This Is the Night (G) MY NEIGHBOR GTG 206  
 Bread of the World in Mercy Broken (E) RENDEZ À  
 DIEU GTG 499, PH 502  
 Sharing Paschal Bread and Wine (G) TENEBRAE  
 GTG 207  
 Somos pueblo que camina / We Are People on a  
 Journey (OG) SOMOS PUEBLE SSS 683

**SENDING**

Stay with Me (G) STAY WITH ME GTG 204  
 Lord, You Give the Great Commission (E) ABBOT'S  
 LEIGH GTG 298, PH 429  
 When at This Table (G) FEASTDAY GTG 537  
 The Bond of Love (G) BOND OF LOVE AAHH 521

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

What Shall I Render to the Lord [MARTYRDOM,  
 ROCKINGHAM, MORNING SONG/CONSOLATION];  
 GTG 655, PH 228, PAS 116B, LUYH 871, PP 218  
 (with refrain)  
 I Love You, Lord [GENEVAN 116]; PAS 116A,  
 LUYH 735  
 We Love You Lord [CMD]; SGP 170  
 I Love the Lord Because He Heard [DETROIT, NEW  
 FENWICK]; KU 70, TTSTF 70

**Responsorial**

I Love the Lord, Who (He) Heard My Cry [I LOVE  
 THE LORD (Smallwood)]; PAS 116D; LUYH 152,  
 SSS 343–344  
 I Love the Lord; He Is Filled with Compassion  
 [I LOVE THE LORD (Aquino)]; LUYH 819  
 I Will Call upon the Name of the Lord [LET US  
 BREAK BREAD]; HTP1 116  
 I Will Take Up the Cup of Salvation; SP 50  
 Demos gracias / Let Us Give Thanks; SSS 160–161  
 (refrain only)

**Organ Music**

“Passion,” op. 145, no. 4, HERZLIEBSTER JESU,  
 Max Reger, public domain (M)  
 “My Heart Is Filled with Longing,” HERZLIEBSTER  
 JESU, Johannes Brahms, public domain (M)  
 “Where True Love and Charity Are Found,” UBI  
 CARITAS, *Augsburg Organ Library: Lent*, Marilyn  
 Biery, AF (ME)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“A New Commandment,” David Barton, AF, SATB,  
 keybd (ME)  
 “Psalm 116,” Jim Taylor, HIN, SATB, pno, vln or ob,  
 opt org (M)  
 “See What Love,” Felix Mendelssohn, AF, SATB,  
 keybd (M)  
 “Un Mandamiento Nuevo,” Tony Alonso, GIA, 3 pt,  
 keybd, grt, cantor, cong (ME)  
 “I Love the Lord,” David Conte, ECS, SATB, org  
 (MA)  
 “I Love the Lord,” Richard Smallwood, Musicnotes,  
 SAT, pno (M)  
 “A New Commandment,” Thomas Tallis, ed. Brook  
 Carter Larson, AL, SATB, acap (M)  
 “Ubi Caritas,” Bob Moore, GIA, SAB, pno (E)  
 “See What Love (Hath the Father Given Us),” Lena  
 McLin, KJO, SATB, keybd (M)  
 “Drop, Drop, Slow Tears,” Orlando Gibbons, arr.  
 Peter Paul Olejar, MSM, SATB, hb or pno (ME)

**Handbell Music**

“An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare,” Barbara  
 Baltzer Kinyon, 3–5 oct, opt 2–3 oct hc,  
 LOR 20/1059L, Level 2  
 “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love,” Michael  
 Helman, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, AF, 11-11025,  
 Level 3  
 “Gethsemane,” Nancy Hascall, 3–5 oct, opt 2 oct  
 hc, RRM, RRBL5022, Level 3

**Art**

*Jesus Washing Peter's Feet*, Ford Madox Brown,  
 London (VDL)  
*Washing of the Feet*, John August Swanson (VDL)  
*Last Supper*, Father George Saget, 1963 (VDL)  
*Holy Thursday*, Jan Richardson (JR)

April 7, 2023

Good Friday  
No Color

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 52:13–53:12

Psalm 22

Hebrews 10:16–25

or Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9

John 18:1–19:42

The innocent servant suffers; surely he has borne our sin.

A desperate prayer of lament turns to thanksgiving and praise.

Jesus opens the sanctuary for us; trust in him, for he is faithful.

In Jesus, we have a great high priest who knows our weakness.

Jesus is arrested, put on trial, crucified, and buried.

## Opening Sentences

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**We will face the betrayal and denial.**

God is not only God in joy, but also in sorrow.

**We will witness the horror and heartbreak.**

This, too, is a day that the Lord has made.

**We will tell of God's deliverance.**

## Call to Confession

God does not sit on high,  
judging us from afar.

God sympathizes with our weaknesses.

Our God came to experience our lives,  
to be tested as we are,

to know what it is to live on this earth.

So let us approach God with boldness,  
to receive mercy and find grace.

## Prayer of Confession

**O Christ, Son of God,  
we want so desperately to look away.  
We want to turn away from your suffering;  
we do not want to witness your death.  
We choke on our own cries of "Crucify!"  
and are ashamed of our silence  
in the face of hatred.  
We still ignore suffering,  
we still hurt the innocent,  
we still betray those we love,  
we still care more about ourselves  
than those who are in pain.  
Yet we trust in your mercy,  
asking your forgiveness  
while knowing we do not deserve it.**

**Jesus Christ, have mercy on us sinners,  
not according to our works,  
but your inconceivable love.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved children of God, all is not lost.

Even now, when it seems all has ended,  
we wait in hope.

For in the darkness of this night,  
salvation is just beginning.

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

In the Cross of Christ I Glory (G) RATHBUN

GTG 213, PH 84

Ah, Holy Jesus (OE) HERZLIEBSTER JESU GTG 218,  
PH 93

Go to Dark Gethsemane (O) REDHEAD 76 GTG 220,  
PH 97

O Christ, You Hang upon a Cross (OEG) GOOD  
FRIDAY WAS 3084

### WORD

My Song Is Love Unknown (G) LOVE UNKNOWN  
GTG 209, PH 76

What Wondrous Love Is This (OE) WONDROUS LOVE  
GTG 215, PH 85

Lord, Prepare Me (E) SANCTUARY GTG 701

My Lord and Master (OG) VESTAVIA *Rejoice in God*,  
K. Lee Scott, MSM

### EUCCHARIST

Sharing Paschal Bread and Wine (G) TENEBRAE  
GTG 207

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (OG) PASSION  
 CHORALE GTG 221, PH 98  
 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (G) HAMBURG,  
 ROCKINGHAM GTG 223, 224; PH 100, 101  
 How Deep Your Love, O Master / Purihin ka, O  
 Kristo (OE) BANAHAW STB 147

## SENDING

They Crucified My Lord (G) CRUCIFIXION GTG 219  
 Jesus, Remember Me (EG) REMEMBER ME GTG 227,  
 PH 599  
 Were You There (G) WERE YOU THERE GTG 228,  
 PH 102  
 I Will Not Fear Death (OE) THE HARROWING *Sing*  
*No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Lord, Why Have You Forsaken Me? [DISTRESS,  
 HARVEY'S CHANT, CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM];  
 GTG 210, PAS 22B, PH 168  
 My God, My God, O Why, O Why [BANGOR];  
 PLP1 22  
 My God, Am I Forsaken? [SUFFERER]; PP 37 (with  
 refrain), PCW 22a (as 7.6.7.6 D)  
 Why, Lord, Have You Turned Aside? [7.7.7.7.7];  
 SGP 30

### Responsorial

My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?;  
 PAS 22A  
 Scripted Reading [WONDROUS LOVE]; PAS 22C,  
 LUYH 165, SSS 177–178  
 My God, My God, Why Have You Abandoned Me?;  
 PFTS2 12 (through-composed vv.), PAS 22D  
 (pointed vv.)  
 My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?;  
 PND 13

## Organ Music

“There in God’s Garden,” SHADES MOUNTAIN,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Lent*, Robert Buckley  
 Farlee, AF (ME)  
 “Passiontide: ‘O Sacred Head, Now Wounded,’”  
*Chorale—Prelude for the Church Year, Op. 67*,  
 Max Reger, public domain (M)

“Passion,” op. 145, no. 4, HERZLIEBSTER JESU, Max  
 Reger, public domain (M)  
 “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded,” setting 1, *A*  
*Walter Pelz Organ Anthology*, Walter Pelz, AF (E)  
 “Were You There,” *Augsburg Organ Library: Lent*,  
 Emma Lou Diemer, AF (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs,” Karl Graun, ed.  
 Walter Buszin, CON, SATB, acap (MA)  
 “Were You There?,” Kyle Pederson, MSM, SATB,  
 pno (M)  
 “Oh, That Bleeding Lamb,” Undine Smith Moore,  
 AF, SATB, acap (M)  
 “When Jesus Wept,” Peter Paul Olejar, MSM, SACT)  
 B, keybd (ME)  
 “My Song Is Love Unknown,” Molly Ijames, BP,  
 SATB, pno (ME)  
 “Ah, Holy Jesus,” Daniel Ficarri, ECS, SATB,  
 acap (MA)  
 “Thy Will Be Done,” Craig Courtney, BP, SATB div,  
 pno (M)  
 “Go to Dark Gethsemane,” Matthew Culloton, MSM,  
 SATB, pno (ME)  
 “Wondrous Love,” Eric Nelson, MSM, SATB div,  
 pno (M)  
 “Dios itlaçonantzine,” Hernando don Franco,  
 Border CrosSing, SATB, acap (MA)

## Handbell Music

“My Song Is Love Unknown,” Cathy Moglebust, 3–5  
 oct, opt 3–7 oct hc, opt C inst, CGA, CGB977,  
 Level 2+  
 “O Sacred Head Now Wounded,” Arnold Sherman,  
 3–5 oct, BP, HB274, Level 3  
 “Were You There,” Jason W. Krug, 3–5 oct, opt 3  
 oct hc, BP, HB439, Level 2+

## Art

*Broken Vessel*, Lauren Wright Pittman (VDL)  
*Carrying the Cross of Christ*, Gabriel Loire, Mosaic  
 (VDL)  
*Entwined*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Crucifixion*, Robert R. Thurman (VDL)  
 Passion of Christ on French ivory diptych, London  
 (VDL)

# The Season of Easter

*These liturgical texts are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Easter and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Confession and Pardon

*At the baptismal font:*

The Spirit of God helps us in our weakness, interceding with sighs too deep for words.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.  
*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Call to Confession

*At the baptismal font:*

Trusting that God's power creates new heavens and a new earth, we confidently confess our sins, assured that we, too, are renewed through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

*The prayer of confession is included here.*

## Declaration of Forgiveness

*Lifting water from the font:*

Hear the good news of God's promise:  
I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.  
Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

O, give thanks to the Lord,  
for God is good!

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Through the risen Christ,

**this day and every day**

we are forgiven.

**Alleluia! Amen.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Lord our God, we give you thanks for the new life you raise up in us through the mystery of our baptism—the sorrow of the heavy cross, the surprise of the empty tomb, the love that death could not destroy. By the power of your Holy Spirit, poured out upon us in baptism, fill us with the joy of resurrection, so that we may be a living sign of your new heaven and new earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

Creator God,  
you drew out life-giving water from a desert rock.

We give you thanks for the water of baptism. In being joined with Christ, we die to what destroys and are raised to new life with Christ. As streams rush into rivers, may our lives flow into yours,



joining your creative work  
for a world in need.  
In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

Season of Easter

Living God, with joy we celebrate  
the presence of your risen Word.  
Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit  
so that we may proclaim the good news  
of eternal and abundant life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Easter

Gracious God,  
Living Word,  
as you revealed yourself to Mary  
that Easter morning,  
so reveal yourself to us.  
By the power of your Spirit,  
give each of us faith,  
that hearing your Word  
we, too, may proclaim,  
"I have seen the Lord!" **Amen.**

Season of Easter, Ascension of the Lord

God Most High, reigning in glory,  
send down your Spirit of wisdom  
to shine in your heavenly Word,  
so that we may worship you with joy,  
continually blessing your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Season of Easter, Day of Pentecost

God of power and grace,  
fill us with the wisdom of your Word  
and the understanding of your Spirit  
so that we may be your church:  
a people with dreams and visions  
at work in all the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Before the readings:*

O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.  
Ezekiel 37:4

*After the readings:*

This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

**Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 15:1-2

## Ascription of Praise

*After the sermon:*

All authority and power and dominion  
to the name that is above all names—  
Jesus Christ our Lord—  
now and in the age to come. **Amen.**

Ephesians 1:21

## Affirmation of Faith

Season of Easter, Ascension of the Lord

**Life in Christ is life eternal.**

**The resurrection of Jesus is the sign  
that God will consummate the work  
of creation and reconciliation beyond death  
and bring to fulfillment  
the new life begun in Christ.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26*

Season of Easter, Ascension of the Lord

**New life in Christ takes shape in a community  
in which people know  
that God loves and accepts them  
in spite of what they are.**

**They therefore accept themselves  
and love others,  
knowing that no one has any ground  
on which to stand,  
except God's grace.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.22*

Season of Easter, Day of Pentecost

**God the Holy Spirit**

**fulfills the work of reconciliation in human  
life.**

**The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church  
as the community in which people are  
reconciled  
to God and to one another.**

**The Spirit enables people to receive  
forgiveness**

**as they forgive one another  
and to enjoy the peace of God  
as they make peace among themselves.  
In spite of their sin,  
the Spirit gives people power  
to become representatives of Jesus Christ  
and his gospel of reconciliation to all.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.20*

### Invitation to the Offering

*At the communion table:*

As God gave us Christ,  
the firstfruit of creation,  
let us humbly offer  
the substance of our lives  
in thanksgiving to our God.

### Invitation to Offering

*At the communion table:*

How does God's love abide in anyone  
who has the world's goods  
yet refuses to help a sister or brother in need?  
Remembering God's great love for the world,  
let us offer our lives to the Lord.

1 John 3:16–17

### Prayer after Communion

*At the communion table:*

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Thank you, O God, for giving us communion  
with our risen and glorious Lord.  
Now send us out to be a sign  
of the new life that has come into the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Season of Easter

At your table, Giving God,  
we have been fed;  
our thirsty spirits have been quenched.  
We give you thanks  
for this taste of your kingdom meal  
when wolf and lamb will feed together  
and peace will reign  
on your holy mountain;  
in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Season of Easter, Ascension of the Lord

God Most High, we have lifted our hearts to you  
in this joyful meal with our risen Lord.  
Continue to surround and sustain us  
so that we may feast with you in glory  
at the wedding of heaven and earth;  
through Christ, who lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

Season of Easter, Day of Pentecost

Holy God, by the gift of your Spirit  
you have nourished and filled us.  
Now send us out to share the vision  
of new creation you have begun;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Blessing and Charge

*At the doors of the church:*

May the love of the holy triune God—  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—  
abide with you forever. **Alleluia!**

1 John 4:13–16

Now go forth in Jesus' name,  
remembering his new commandment  
to love one another, just as he has loved us. **Amen.**

1 John 3:23

### Blessing and Charge

*At the doors of the church:*

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen!**

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

Believe what you have witnessed  
and run to the others,  
joyfully shouting,  
"I have seen the Lord!"

**Alleluia! Amen!**

# The Season of Easter

*These music suggestions are appropriate for use throughout the Season of Easter and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Congregational Song for the Easter Season

A change in liturgical seasons creates opportunities for congregational responses unique to the season as well as experiences of ongoing liturgical moments and responses set to new and different music. Following are suggestions for use during the season of Easter:

*Reintroduce the Gloria Patri if omitted during Lent and/or introduce sung Alleluias as a response to forgiveness or the reading of the Gospel.*

Alleluia GTG 586/587/589; STF 2043/2078

*Add alleluias to the Doxology.*

Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow; tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

## Anthems for Children's Choirs for the Easter Season

### Great Vigil of Easter

"Cool Under Fire," Valerie MacKenzie, Canadian International Music Press, uni, pno (E)

"Dry Bones," Becky Slagle Mayo and Lynn Shaw Bailey, CGA, uni, pno (E)

"The Heavens Declare," James Brighton, CGA, uni, pno (ME)

### Resurrection of the Lord

"Did I Hear You Say?," Don Schlosser, CGA, uni, pno, fl, drum (E)

"The Lord Is Risen! (He is Risen Indeed)," Helen Kemp, CGA, uni, pno, hb (E)

"Love Is Come Again," James Biery, MSM, uni/2 pt, pno, C inst (M\*M)

"Resurrection," Dadee Reilly, AF, 2 pt, pno/perc (E)

"We Welcome Glad Easter," Michael Bedford, CGA, uni/2 pt, org, tpt (ME\*MA)

### Season of Easter

"Do You Know Your Shepherd's Voice?," Suzanne Lord, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*ME)

"Te Deum," Michael Bedford, CGA, uni, org, tpt, timp (ME)

"Teach Me Your Way," Timothy Shaw, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno, C inst (E\*ME)

"The Good Shepherd," Helen Kemp, CGA, 2 pt, pno (ME)

### Pentecost

"Pentecost Fire," Jayne Southwick Cool, CGA, uni, pno (E)

"Your Servant I Will Be," Mark Patterson, CGA, uni/2 pt, pno (E\*M)

## Anthems for Youth Choirs for the Season of Easter

### Resurrection of the Lord / Season of Easter

- “Rejoice, the Lord Is Alive,” Earlene Rentz, CGA, SAB, pno (M)
- “Wake the Jubilation,” Rollo Dilworth, HAL, SATB, pno, bass (ME)
- “Christ Jesus Is Arisen,” Michael Burkhardt, MSM, SATB, org (ME)

### Pentecost

- “God, You Made All Things for Singing,” John Ferguson, MSM, SATB, org (MD)
- “Let the Praise Go Round,” William Boyce, arr. Hal Hopson, ALF, SAB, pno (ME)

## Piano Music for the Season of Easter

- “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!,” EARTH AND ALL STARS, *Flight of the Dove: Piano Reflections*, Carol Wahl, AF (ME)
- “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!,” ORIENTIS PARTIBUS, *Twelve Hymn Contemplations for Piano, Set 1*, Keith Kolander, MP (ME)
- “Day of Arising,” RAABE, *Chorale Preludes for Piano in Traditional Styles*, Aaron David Miller, AF (M)
- “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee,” HYMN TO JOY, *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing: 12 Hymn Settings for Piano*, Timothy Shaw, MSM (ME)
- “Let All Things Now Living,” THE ASH GROVE, *For the Care of the Earth: Hymn Reflections for Piano*, Nicholas Palmer, MSM (MA)
- “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us,” HYFRYDOL, *Grace & Peace, vol. 5: Hymn Portraits for Piano*, Nancy M. Raabe, AF (M)
- “Now the Green Blade Rises,” NOËL NOUVELET, *In Christ Alone: Contemplative Hymns for Piano*, Rachel Chapin, CON (ME)
- “O Living Breath of God,” VÅRVINDAR FRISKA, *Piano Reflections on Pentecost Tunes*, Anne Krentz Organ, AF (ME)
- “Risen Today!,” EASTER HYMN/LYRA DAVIDICA, *Illuminations, vol. 3, Dan Forrest*, BP (MA)
- “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us,” BRADBURY, *Gospel Greats 2: Piano Solos*, Joel Raney, HOPE (M)

## Vocal Solos for the Season of Easter

### Resurrection of the Lord / Season of Easter

- “Alleluia,” *Sacred Solos for All Ages*, G. O’Connor-Morris, HAL (E)
- “The Call,” *Five Mystical Songs*, Ralph Vaughan Williams, GMC (M)
- “Like Him We Rise,” . . . *still all my song shall be*, Tom Trenney, MSM (M)
- “A Gaelic Blessing,” *Oxford Solo Songs: Sacred*, John Rutter, OUP (M)
- “He Shall Feed His Flock,” *Sacred Songs of John Ness Beck*, John Ness Beck, BP (E)
- “I Know That My Redeemer Liveth,” *Messiah*, G. F. Handel, multiple editions (A)

### Pentecost

- “Come Holy Spirit/Veni Sancte Spiritus,” Jacques Berthier, GIA, solo and congregation (M)





*The Strife is O'er*  
Mixed Media on Wood  
Jennifer Bunge



**April 8, 2023**

**Great Vigil of Easter**

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

*A minimum of three Old Testament readings should be chosen; Exodus 14 is always included.*

Genesis 1:1–2:4a	The seven days of creation; God rests on the seventh day.
Psalm 136:1–9, 23–26	Give thanks to God, creator of all, whose love endures forever.
Genesis 7:1–5, 11–18;	The story of the great flood and God’s covenant with Noah.
8:6–18; 9:8–13	
Psalm 46	Though the earth changes and the waters roar, God is our refuge.
Genesis 22:1–18	Obeying God, Abraham prepares to sacrifice his son Isaac.
Psalm 16	The Lord protects and instructs me; God preserves my life.
Exodus 14:10–31, 15:20–21	Pursued by the Egyptians, the Israelites escape through the sea.
Exodus 15:1b–13, 17–18	Moses sings praise to the Lord, who has delivered the people.
Proverbs 8:1–8, 19–21;	Wisdom calls out: come, eat and drink; walk in the way of insight.
9:4b–6	
Psalm 19	The heavens declare God’s glory; the law of the Lord is sweet.
Isaiah 55:1–11	Come to the waters; listen and live; God’s promise will not fail.
Isaiah 12:2–6	Surely God is my salvation; with joy, draw water from the well.
Isaiah 61:1–4, 9–11	The spirit of the Lord is upon me; God clothes me in righteousness.
Deuteronomy 32:1–4,	I will proclaim the name of the Lord; God will have compassion.
7, 36a, 43a	
Ezekiel 36:24–28	God will cleanse the people, giving them a new heart and spirit.
Psalms 42 and 43	Like a deer, I thirst for the living God; God is my help and hope.
Ezekiel 37:1–14	In a valley of dry bones, Ezekiel has a vision of hope for Israel.
Psalm 143	My soul thirsts for you, God; answer me, or I will go to the grave.
Daniel 3:1–29	God saves Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego from the furnace.
Song of the Three 35–65	
Jonah 1:1–2:1	Trying to avoid his call to Nineveh, Jonah is caught in a storm.
Jonah 2:2–3 (4–6), 7–9	From the belly of the fish, Jonah calls out to the Lord for help.
Zephaniah 3:14–20	Sing and rejoice, people of God; the Lord will bring you home.
Psalm 98	Let all creation make a joyful noise to the Lord, who is coming.
Romans 6:3–11	Through baptism, we share in Christ’s death and resurrection.
Psalm 114	The earth shakes and the sea retreats in the presence of the Lord.
John 20:1–18	At the empty tomb, the risen Lord appears to Mary Magdalene.

### Opening Sentences

In darkness, the world begins to wake;  
**a new day is coming,**  
**a day of celebration and joy.**  
 We keep watch for the first moments of dawn;  
**we wait for the first glimpses of salvation,**  
**the fulfillment of God’s promises.**

### Call to Confession

God is truly our salvation.  
 We will trust and not be afraid.  
 No matter what sins or burdens we carry today,  
 we can call on the name of Christ  
 to heal us and make us whole.

**Prayer of Confession**

**God of the past, present, and future,  
as we wait the dawn of your resurrection  
we look back on who we have been as  
your people.**

**We have not always followed you.**

**We have disobeyed you,  
doing the opposite of what you desire.**

**Now we seek your help  
as we imagine who we could be moving  
forward.**

**Forgive us,  
and guide us back to you,  
as you have done time and time again.**

**Shower us with salvation  
and set us free,  
that we might live Christlike lives  
and share the good news of your grace.**

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Beloved, know this:  
just as Christ was raised from the dead  
by the glory of the Father,  
so we too might walk in newness of life.  
For if we have been united with him in a death  
like his,  
we will certainly be united with him in a  
resurrection like his.

**We have died with Christ; therefore we will  
live with him.**

**Thanks be to God!**

**Congregational Song****GATHERING**

Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us (O) AUSTIN  
GTG 44

Ho, All Who Thirst (O) JACOB'S WELL GTG 479

Out of Deep, Unordered Water (O) RUSTINGTON  
GTG 484, PH 494

Thanks to God Whose Word Has Spoken (O)  
WYLDE GREEN EH 630

**WORD**

God of the Sparrow (O) ROEDER GTG 22, PH 272  
Within Our Darkest Night (O) DANS NOS OBSCURITÉS  
GTG 294

Be Thou My Vision (O) SLANE GTG 450, PH 339

Soplo de Dios / O Living Breath of God (E)  
VÅRVINDAR FRISKA SSS 8

**EUCCHARIST**

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works (O)  
LACQUIPARLE GTG 21, PH 271

I Come with Joy (OE) DOVE OF PEACE GTG 515,  
PH 507

In the Singing (OE) BREAD OF PEACE GTG 533

At Evening (OE) EVENING HYMN G3 857

**SENDING**

Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me (O) FIRST SONG  
GTG 71

Take Me to the Water (G) TAKE ME TO THE WATER  
GTG 480

Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness (OE) GLENDON  
GTG 657

God Made the World through Song (OG) MARIANNE  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

**Psalms and Canticles****Psalms 136:1–9, 23–26****Metrical**

We Give Thanks unto You [WE GIVE THANKS UNTO  
YOU]; GTG 75, PAS 136C, LUYH 52

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind [MONKLAND, GENEVAN  
136]; GTG 31, PH 244, PAS 136A, B

**Responsorial**

Give Thanks unto the Lord [KIHAYA]; PAS 136G  
All Creation Join to Say [EASTER HYMN]; PAS 136D  
(alt. refrain)

God's Mercy Endures Forever [WAREHAM]; HTP1 121

Tu amor, Oh Dios, perdure para siempre / Your  
Love, O God, Endures Forever; SSS 37

**Psalm 46**

**Metrical**

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength [WINCHESTER  
OLD]; GTG 329, PH 191  
Dios es nuestro amparo / God Will Be Our Refuge  
[AMPARO]; PAS 46B, SSS 290  
God, Our Help and Constant Refuge [MICHAEL];  
PAS 46C, PH 192

**Responsorial**

God Is Our Help, Refuge, and Strength; GTG 380  
The Lord of Hosts Is with Us; PAS 46D  
Be Still and Know / Ten calma ye ve; SSS 55  
(refrain only)

**Psalm 16**

**Metrical**

When in the Night I Meditate [ST. FLAVIAN, MAITLAND,  
MORNING SONG/CONSOLATION]; GTG 810, PH 165,  
PAS 16A, PP 28 (with refrain)  
Protect Me, God [MEPHIBOSHETH]; PAS 16C,  
LUYH 411

**Responsorial**

My Heart Is Glad; PAS 16D (alt. refrain)  
Harbor of My Heart; PAS 16B, PND 9

**Exodus 15:1b–13, 17–18**

**Metrical**

I Will Sing the Lord's High Triumph [TYDDYN LLWYN];  
HWB 261

**Responsorial**

I Will Sing to the Lord; PSA 174  
I Will Sing, I Will Sing; G3 96

**Psalm 19**

**Metrical**

God's Glory Fills the Heavens [ST. PATRICK,  
CREATION]; GTG 690, PAS 19B, LUYH 719  
The Stars Declare His Glory [DEERFIELD]; PAS 19A  
Silent Voices [SILENT VOICES]; PAS 19F

**Responsorial**

The Statutes of the Lord Rejoice the Heart [SONG 1];  
HTP1 126  
Lord, You Have the Words of Everlasting Life;  
PFTS2 44  
Lord, You Have the Words; PP 32  
Que los dichos de mi boca / Let the Words of My  
Mouth; SSS 558–559 (refrain only)

**Isaiah 55:1–11**

**Metrical**

You Thirsty Ones, Come [HEAVEN'S RAIN]; GTG 78  
All Who Are Thirsty [MALATE]; LUYH 807

**Responsorial**

Table of Plenty [TABLE OF PLENTY]; LUYH 808

**Isaiah 12:2–6**

**Metrical**

Surely the Lord Is My Salvation [9.8.9.8 D]; SGP 227  
Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me [THOMAS MERTON];  
H82 679

**Responsorial**

Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me [FIRST SONG];  
GTG 71  
Sing the Praises of the Lord [NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN  
HEILAND]; HTP1 68

**Psalm 42/43**

**Metrical**

As Pants the Deer for Living Streams [SEACHRIST];  
GTG 778  
As a Deer in Want of Water [FREU DICH SEHR/  
GENEVAN 42]; PAS 42E, LUYH 616, SSS 502

**Responsorial**

My Soul Thirsts for the Living God; PAS 42F  
O Why Are You Cast Down [GO DOWN MOSES]; PP 80

**Psalm 143****Metrical**

Hear My Prayer, O God [HYMN CHANT]; GTG 782,  
PAS 143A, LUYH 895  
To My Prayer, Lord, Bend Your Ear [7.8.7.8.8.8];  
PCW 143  
When Morning Lights the Eastern Skies [ST. STEPHEN];  
PH 250, PP 282 (with refrain)

**Responsorial**

What Wondrous Love [WONDROUS LOVE]; PAS 143B  
(alt. refrain)  
Christ Has Been Raised; PSA 146  
Revive Me, O Lord [VICTIMAE PASCHALI LAUDES];  
HTP1 130

**Song of the Three****Metrical**

Let All Creation Bless the Lord [LOBT GOTT DEN  
HERREN, MIT FREUDEN ZART]; HWB 61, WR 25,  
SNC 34  
All Creatures of Our God and King [LASST UNS  
ERFREUEN]; GTG 15, PH 455, LUYH 551

**Responsorial**

Let Us Sing to the Lord / Bendecid al Señor [Taizé];  
OC 85  
Let the Whole Creation Bless the Lord; PSA 180  
To God Be Highest Glory and Praise Forever;  
PSA 181

**Jonah 2:2–3 (4–6), 7–9****Metrical**

In the Fish for Three Days Buried (Song of Jonah)  
[EIFIONYDD]; PSH 202  
In My Trouble (Jonah's Song); SNC 233

**Responsorial**

Call upon the Lord; LOML 6

**Psalm 98 (See also Christmas Day)****Metrical**

Joy to the World [ANTIOCH]; GTG 134, SSS 95  
New Songs of Celebration Render [RENDEZ À DIEU  
(GENEVAN 98/118)]; GTG 371, PH 218, SSS 442  
Sing, Sing a New Song to the Lord God [RENDEZ À  
DIEU (GENEVAN 98/118)]; PAS 98C, LUYH 547  
Sing a New Song to Our Savior [8.7.8.7 D]; SGP 145  
To God Compose a Song of Joy [RICHMOND,  
KEDDY]; NCH 36, PH 219

**Responsorial**

All the Ends of the Earth Have Seen the Victory;  
PAS 98B (alt. refrain)  
Sing to the Lord a New Song; PAS 98A  
Sing a New Song unto the Lord [SING A NEW SONG];  
GTG 276  
All the Ends of the Earth; PND 34

**Psalm 114****Metrical**

When We Came Out of Egypt [7.6.7.6 D]; SGP 168  
When Israel Was Going Forth [PISGAH]; GTG 58,  
PP 216 (with refrain)  
When Israel Fled from Egypt Land [O HEILAND REISS,  
ANDRE]; PAS 114B, A; LUYH 41

**Responsorial**

Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain [GAUDEAMUS  
PARITER/AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM]; PAS 114C (alt.  
refrain 1)  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah [O FILII ET FILIAE]; HTP1 132  
Freedom Is Coming / Dios nos libera; SSS 29–30

**Organ Music**

“Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn,” BWV 630, J. S.  
Bach, public domain(M)  
“Wth High Delight Let Us Unite,” MIT FREUDEN ZART,  
Ernst Pepping, Schott (ME)  
“This Joyful Eastertide,” VRUECHTEN, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Easter*, Keith Kolander, AF (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

- “Creation’s Praise,” Mitchell Covington, BP, SATB div, pno (M)
- “The Heavens Declare the Lord’s Glory,” Benedetto Marcello, Bourne, SATB, org, opt brass (ME)
- “Bwana Asifiwe,” arr. Mark Burrows, CGA, SATB, pno, opt perc (ME)
- “Go Down, Moses,” B. E. Boykin, Klavia Press, SATB div, pno (M)
- “O Blessed Spring,” Robert Buckley Farlee, AF, SATB, org, ob, opt cong (M)
- “By the Water Flowing,” Patricia Mock, arr. Faye Lopez, LOR, SATB, pno, opt gtr, bass (E)
- “All You Works of the Lord,” Kenneth Jennings, AF, SATB div, org (MA)
- “Worthy to Be Praised,” Byron Smith, ALF, SATB, pno, opt bass, perc (M)
- “God Is Our Refuge and Strength,” David Cherwien, MSM, uni, org (ME)
- “You Shall Go Out in Joy,” Norah Duncan IV, GIA, SATB, pno (ME)

## Handbell Music

- “Be Thou My Vision,” Lloyd Larson, 3–5 oct, BP, HB231, Level 3
- “Dove of Peace,” Judy Phillips, 3–6 oct, GIA, G-7292, Level 3+
- “Many and Great,” Cathy Moglebust, 2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, opt perc, CGA, CGB971 or CGB972, Level 1

## Art

- Sealing of Christ’s Tomb*, Russian icon (VDL)
- Three Marys at the Tomb; Descent into Hell*, Duccio di Buoninsegna, 1319 (VDL)
- Lamentation*, stained glass, Chartres (VDL)
- Hand of Love*, Dante Gabriel Rossetti (VDL)





*Lo, How a Rose*  
Mixed Media on Wood  
Jennifer Bunge

April 9, 2023

Resurrection of the Lord /  
Easter Sunday  
Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 10:34–43  
or Jeremiah 31:1–6  
Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24  
Colossians 3:1–4  
or Acts 10:34–43  
John 20:1–18  
or Matthew 28:1–10

Peter testifies to Jesus' death and resurrection; Jesus is Lord of all.  
The prophet proclaims God's everlasting love and faithfulness.  
I will not die, I will live; this is the day that the Lord has made.  
If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above.  
Peter testifies to Jesus' death and resurrection; Jesus is Lord of all.  
At the empty tomb, the risen Lord appears to Mary Magdalene.  
Women find Jesus' tomb empty; he has been raised from the dead.

### Opening Sentences

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

God has answered us!

**God has come to earth to become our salvation!**

This is the day the Lord has made:

**let us rejoice and be glad! Alleluia!**

### Call to Confession

This is a day of celebration,  
and nothing should prevent us  
from lifting our voices in praise to God.  
We must not hide the things we have done or  
failed to do,  
the things that do not imitate the perfect love of  
Christ.

We must not let them fester and stifle our joy.  
Therefore, let us bring them before God in  
confession.

### Prayer of Confession

**Resurrected Christ,  
there is nothing we can do  
to deserve the grace you give us.  
There is no way we can earn your love,  
there is no way we can be worthy  
of your forgiveness.  
And yet you shower these mercies on us.  
You, who have taken away the sting of death,  
meet us where we are,  
in our doubt and fear,**

**in our regrets and shame,  
in our delight and awe.  
Meet us here in this place,  
and call us once again to trust in you.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

God says to us,  
I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.  
**Christ says to us, Do not be afraid.**  
We need not fear; we are forgiven,  
we are loved, we are redeemed!  
**Alleluia!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (AOG) EASTER HYMN  
GTG 232, PH 123  
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today! (AOG) LLANFAIR  
GTG 245, PH 113  
O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing (G) O FILII ET  
FILIAE GTG 235, PH 116  
Through the Red Sea Brought at Last (AG) STRAF  
MICH NICHT EH 187

#### WORD

Raise a Song of Gladness (E) JUBILATE DEO GTG 155  
In the Darkness of the Morning (G) KAS DZIEDAJA  
GTG 229  
Woman, Weeping in the Garden (G) KINGDOM  
GTG 241  
Lift Your Voice Rejoicing, Mary (G) PATERSON  
*Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

**EUCCHARIST**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks (AG) ALLELUIA NO. 1  
GTG 240, PH 106

We Who Once Were Dead (AOG) MIDDEN IN DE  
DOOD GTG 502

Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven (AOG) LLANFAIR  
GTG 511

Aleluya/Alleluia (G) ALELUYA HONDURAS LUYH 183

**SENDING**

This Joyful Eastertide (AEG) VRUECHTEN GTG 244

The Strife Is O'er (AOG) VICTORY GTG 236, PH 119

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing (AG) GELOBT  
SEI GOTT GTG 239, PH 111

I Sing a Song of Victory / Khaa jao banleng phleng  
mahachai (AOG) MAHACHAI STB 151

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

Este es el día / This Is the Day [ESTE ES EL DÍA];  
GTG 391, SSS 191

This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made [NUN DANKET  
ALL]; GTG 681, PH 230, PAS 118E

Give Thanks to God for All His Goodness [RENDEZ  
À DIEU (GENEVAN 98/118)]; PAS 118H, LUYH 196

I Thank You, Lord, for You Are Good [8.7.8.7 D with  
refrain]; SGP 175

**Responsorial**

Psallite Deo / This Is the Day [Taizé]; PAS 118C,  
PSA 120

Alleluia, Alleluia!; PAS 118G (alt. refrain)

Jesus Is Risen; PAS 118 I

Surrexit Christus / The Lord Is Risen [Taizé]; PAS 118J

This Is the Day; PFTS2 16

This Is the Day the Lord Has Made; PP 221

On This Day the Lord Has Acted [EASTER HYMN];  
HTP1 133

Hail and Hosanna! / Al Rey, hosanna; SSS 147–148

**Organ Music**

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today,” LLANFAIR, *Organ  
Alleluias for Easter*, Gilbert Martin, HWG (M)

“I Danced in the Morning,” SIMPLE GIFTS, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Easter*, J. Wayne Kerr, AF (E)

“O Day Full of Grace,” DEN SIGNED DAG, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Easter*, Wayne L. Wold, AF (ME)

“Now the Green Blade Rises,” NOEL NOUVELET,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Easter*, Mark Sedio,  
AF (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“Easter Introit,” John Ferguson, MSM, SATB, org, 2  
tpt, opt trb, perc (M)

“Sing Forth, O Earth, Your Music Sound,” G. F.  
Handel, arr. Hal Hopson, HIN, SATB, keybd (M)

“Easter Festival,” Michael Bryson, BP, SATB, keybd,  
opt brass qrt, perc, opt cong (M)

“In Thee Is Gladness,” Giovanni Gastoldi, arr.  
Daniel Kallman, MSM, SATB, org, opt fl (M)

“This Is the Day the Lord Has Made,” Melchior  
Franck, ed. Richard Proulx, GIA, SATB, acap (MA)

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright,” Hal  
Hopson, MSM, SATB, org, opt brass qrt (ME)

“Thine Is the Glory,” arr. Michael Burkhardt, MSM,  
SATB, org, brass qrt, opt cong, tuba, timp (ME)

“Rejoice This Easter Day,” Jeremy Bankston, MSM,  
SATB, org, brass quin, opt perc (ME)

“Alleluia! Glorious Word!,” Philipp Nicolai, arr.  
Carolyn Jennings, AF, SATB, org, brass quin (M)

“Alleluia! For Christ the Lord Is Risen,” J. S. Bach, ed.  
Paul Thomas, CON, SATB, org, opt orch (MA)

“He Has the Power!,” *Mass of St. Augustine*, Leon  
Roberts, GIA, SATB, pno, opt bass, perc (M)

“This Joyful Eastertide,” arr. John Ferguson, AF,  
2 pt mx, opt SATB, org (ME)

**Handbell Music**

“Alleluia, Give Thanks,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, opt  
2 oct hc, HOPE, 2461, Level 2

“This Joyful Eastertide,” Jason W. Krug, 3–7 oct,  
opt 3–5 oct hc, opt 1 or 2 tpt, BP, HB517, tpt,  
HB517A, Level 3

“Easter Rondo,” Michael Helman, 3–5 oct, opt 3–5  
oct hc, LOR, 20/1391L, Level 2

**Art**

*Mary Magdalene in the Garden with Jesus*, Rowan  
LeCompte and Irene LeCompte (VDL)

*Disciples John and Peter on Their Way to the Tomb  
on Easter Morning*, Eugène Burnand (VDL)

*Woman, Why Weepst Thou?*, Fritz von Uhde (VDL)

*Resurrection*, Jan Richardson (JR)



April 9, 2023

Resurrection of the Lord /  
Easter Evening  
Color: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 25:6–9	A feast on the day of the Lord; God will swallow up death forever.
Psalm 114	The earth shakes and the sea retreats in the presence of the Lord.
1 Corinthians 5:6b–8	Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us keep the feast.
Luke 24:13–49	On the road to Emmaus, two disciples meet the risen Lord.

### Opening Sentences

Behold, this is our God:  
**who destroys the shroud that is cast over us.**  
Behold, this is our God:  
**who swallows up death forever.**  
Behold, this is our God:  
**who wipes away the tears from all faces.**  
Behold, this is our God:  
**through Jesus Christ, God saves us.**

### Call to Confession

Christ comes to us  
even after we have betrayed and denied him.  
Christ comes to teach us,  
to share a meal with us,  
to invite us into community once again.  
Let us turn once again to Christ,  
sharing the whole of our lives with him.

### Prayer of Confession

**Miraculous Christ,  
we have heard it time and time again,  
the story of your death and resurrection,  
the story of your reappearance among us.  
We know you are here,  
and yet we often do not recognize you.  
Forgive us for failing to perceive you.  
Help us to see you in the companions  
we meet along the way,  
in those whose needs we ignore,  
in faces both familiar and strange.  
May we know you by the burning in our  
hearts,  
and the peace you bring to our souls.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

It is written that the Messiah is to suffer  
and rise from the dead on the third day,  
and that repentance and forgiveness of sins  
is to be proclaimed in Christ's name to all nations.  
**We are witnesses of these things;  
praise be to Christ! Alleluia!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Thine Is the Glory (OEG) JUDAS MACCABEUS  
GTG 238, PH 122  
The Day of Resurrection! (OE) LANCASHIRE  
GTG 233, PH 118  
O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing (G) O FILII ET  
FILAE GTG 235, PH 116  
Listen, Now We Tell a Mystery (OG) HYMN TO JOY  
IHLC 42

#### WORD

Now the Green Blade Rises (OE) NOËL NOUVELET  
GTG 247  
Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bonds (OEG)  
CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN GTG 237, PH 110  
Day of Arising (G) RAABE GTG 252  
Come On in My Room (G) arr. Evelyn Simpson-  
Curenton, AAHH 525

## EUCCHARIST

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (E) THE FEAST IS READY GTG 505

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table! (G) COPELAND GTG 506

This Is the Feast of Victory (E) FESTIVAL CANTICLE GTG 513, PH 594

Vamos todos al banquete / Let Us Go Now to the Banquet (OEG) MISA POPULAR SALVADOREÑ SSS 412

## SENDING

Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen / ¡Aleluya! Cristo resucitó (G) SANTO DOMINGO GTG 253

Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded (E) IN DIR IST FREUDE GTG 242

Jesus, Light of Joy (G) LAUDA ANIMA GTG 673

Look There! The Christ (G) TILTON *Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

When We Came Out of Egypt [7.6.7.6 D]; SGP 168

When Israel Was Going Forth [PISGAH]; GTG 58, PP 216 (with refrain)

When Israel Fled from Egypt Land [O HEILAND REISS, ANDRE]; PAS 114B, A; LUYH 41

### Responsorial

Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain [GAUDEAMUS PARITER/AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM]; PAS 114C (alt. refrain 1)

Hallelujah, Hallelujah [O FILII ET FILIAE]; HTP1 132  
Freedom Is Coming / Dios nos libera; SSS 29–30

## Organ Music

“Auf, auf, mein Herz, mit Freuden,” *Orgelchoral*, *Grosses Orgelbuch III*, Ernst Pepping, Schott (MA)

“Thine Is the Glory,” JUDAS MACCABAEUS, *Augsburg Organ Library: Easter*, Emily Maxson Porter, AF (ME)

“Heut triumphieret Gottes Shon,” *Orgelbüchlein*, J. S. Bach, public domain (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Stay with Us,” Egil Hovland, AF, SATB, org (M)

“Easter Introit,” John Ferguson, MSM, SATB, org, 2 tpt, opt trb, perc (M)

“Sing Forth, O Earth, Your Music Sound,” G. F. Handel, arr. Hal Hopson, HIN, SATB, keybd (M)

“Easter Festival,” Michael Bryson, BP, SATB, keybd, opt brass qrt, perc, cong (M)

“In Thee Is Gladness,” Giovanni Gastoldi, arr. Daniel Kallman, MSM, SATB, org, opt fl (M)

“This Is the Day the Lord Has Made,” Melchior Franck, ed. Richard Proulx, GIA, SATB, acap (MA)

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright,” Hal Hopson, MSM, SATB, org, opt brass qrt (ME)

“Thine Is the Glory,” arr. Michael Burkhardt, MSM, SATB, org, brass qrt, opt cong, tuba, timp (ME)

“Rejoice This Easter Day,” Jeremy Bankston, MSM, SATB, org, brass quin, opt perc (ME)

“Alleluia! Glorious Word!,” Philipp Nicolai, arr. Carolyn Jennings, AF, SATB, org, brass quin (M)

“Alleluia! For Christ the Lord Is Risen,” J. S. Bach, ed. Paul Thomas, CON, SATB, org, opt orch (MA)

“He Has the Power!,” *Mass of St. Augustine*, Leon Roberts, GIA, SATB, pno, opt bass, perc (M)

“This Joyful Eastertide,” arr. John Ferguson, AF, 2 pt mx, opt SATB, org (ME)

## Handbell Music

“Thine Is the Glory,” Lloyd Larson, 3–5 oct, BP, HB390, Level 3-

“The Day of Resurrection,” Valerie Stephenson, 3–5 oct, JHS, JHS9088, Level 4

“Now the Green Blade Riseth,” Kevin McChesney, 3–6 oct, opt orch, opt band, opt SATB/keybd, HOPE, hb 1892, orch 1892O, band 1892OB, SATB/keybd C5161, Level 3

## Art

*Road to Emmaus*, Altobello Melone (VDL)

*Road to Emmaus*, Fritz von Uhde (VDL)

*To Have Without Holding*, Jan Richardson (JR)

*Emmaus*, Jan Richardson (JR)



**April 16, 2023**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 2:14a, 22–32

Peter addresses the people: Jesus is risen, and we are witnesses.

Psalms 16

You protect me from death, O God, and show me the path of life.

1 Peter 1:3–9

We have a new birth into a living hope through Jesus' resurrection.

John 20:19–31

Jesus shares the Holy Spirit; a week later, he appears to Thomas.

### Opening Sentences

The good news resounds:

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

We celebrate the God who is our refuge.

**In God's presence there is gladness and rest.**

God is always before us;

**we shall not be shaken.**

### Call to Confession

God shows us the path of life,  
offering companionship along the way.  
Therefore we trust in God,  
knowing that we can admit the ways  
we struggle to stay on that path.

### Prayer of Confession

**Embodied God,**

**you pour out your Holy Spirit upon us,  
imbuing us with the grace and patience  
that you have shown to us time and again.**

**We experience your presence,  
but are quick to judge those who do not  
believe as we do.**

**We look down on those who ask for proof,  
we scorn those who scoff at our faith.**

**Forgive us and soften our hearts.**

**Remind us of our own human doubts,  
that we might have compassion for all  
and freely share your grace.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

God has given us a new birth into a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the  
dead,

and into an inheritance that is imperishable,  
undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us.

**Thanks be to God for such a hope. Alleluia!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing (G) O FILII ET  
FILIAE GTG 255, PH 116, 117

To God Be the Glory (E) TO GOD BE THE GLORY  
GTG 634, PH 485

You Are Holy (G) YOU ARE HOLY GTG 705

I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy (E) I'VE GOT THE JOY  
AAHH 622

#### WORD

Womb of Life and Source of Being (EG) RAQUEL  
GTG 3

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright (AG) PUER  
NOBIS NASCITUR GTG 254, PH 121

You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy! (E) WAYFARING  
STRANGER GTG 437

Building a Just Society (G) BUNUNAR STB 259

## EUCCHARIST

These Things Did Thomas Count as Real (G)  
KEDRON GTG 256  
Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (E) QUEBEC, JESU  
DULCIS MEMORIA GTG 494, PH 510, 511  
Dona nobis pacem / Sim shalom / Rabbu habna  
salamann tamman (G) DONA NOBIS PACEM  
GTG 752  
Low in the Grave He Lay (O) CHRIST AROSE  
LUYH 186

## SENDING

The Risen Christ (G) WOODLANDS GTG 257  
Hope of the World (E) DONNE SECOURS GTG 734,  
PH 360  
We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight (E) DUNLAP'S  
CREEK GTG 817, PH 399  
Moment by Moment / Cada momento (E) WHITTLE  
SSS 310

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

When in the Night I Meditate [ST. FLAVIAN, MAITLAND,  
MORNING SONG/CONSOLATION]; GTG 810, PH 165,  
PAS 16A, PP 28 (with refrain)  
Protect Me, God [MEPHIBOSHETH]; PAS 16C,  
LUYH 411

### Responsorial

My Heart Is Glad; PAS 16D (alt. refrain)  
Harbor of My Heart; PAS 16B, PND 9

## Organ Music

“O Filii et Filiae / O Sons and Daughters,” *Five  
Liturgical Pieces for Organ*, Lynn Trapp, MSM  
(ME)  
“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah,” *Three Global Songs*, John  
A. Behnke, HOPE (E)  
“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain,” GAUDEAMUS  
PARITER, *Augsburg Organ Library: Easter*, Robert  
Buckley Farlee, AF (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Day of Arising,” David Cherwien, MSM, SATB, org,  
fl, vln, cl (ME)  
“Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!,” Michael Burkhardt, MSM,  
SATB, org, opt brass qrt, timp (ME)  
“Now Let the Heavens Be Joyful,” S. Drummond  
Wolff, CON, SATB, org, brass qrt (M)  
“May You Abound in Hope,” Anne Krentz Organ,  
MSM, SATB div, org (ME)  
“Thy Kingdom Come,” Karen Marrolli, MSM, SATB,  
pno, vln (ME)  
“The Storm Is Passing Over,” Charles Albert  
Tindley, arr. Barbara Baker, BH, SATB, pno, opt  
bass, perc (M)

## Handbell Music

“To God Be the Glory,” Jason W. Krug, 3–5 oct,  
opt 2 oct hc, LOR, 20/1764L, Level 3  
“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright,” Robert  
James Lamb, 2–5 oct, opt 2–5 oct hc, AGEHR,  
AG25007, Level 2+  
“Raise Your Joys and Triumphs High,” Sandra  
Eithun, 3–6 oct, LOR, 20/1468L, Level 2+

## Art

*Christ Shows Himself to Thomas*, Rowan LeCompte  
and Irene LeCompte (VDL)  
*Jesus Appears to Thomas*, JESUS MAFA (VDL)  
*Christ Appearing to His Disciples*, ivory carving,  
Munich (VDL)  
*Messiah*, Timothy Botts (EYE)  
*Into the Wound*, Jan Richardson (JR)

**April 23, 2023**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 2:14a, 36–41

Psalm 116:1–4, 12–19

1 Peter 1:17–23

Luke 24:13–35

Peter continues: Repent and be baptized; receive the Holy Spirit.

Death encompassed me, but God delivered me; praise the Lord!

You were saved by the blood of Christ; you have been born anew.

On the road to Emmaus, two disciples meet the risen Lord.

### Opening Sentences

We hear the voice of Jesus:

**our hearts burn within us.**

We lift our voices to God

**and call on the name of the Lord!**

The risen Christ is here in this place:

**Alleluia!**

### Call to Confession

As we continue our celebration  
of the resurrection of Jesus Christ,  
we are called to repent,  
remembering that the promise of Jesus Christ  
is for us, for our children, for our siblings,  
for all who are near and all who are far,  
for everyone called to God.

In confidence, let us confess our sin.

### Prayer of Confession

**Eternally patient God,  
we ask again and again,  
“What should we do?”**

**And again and again, you tell us,  
“Repent and return to me.”**

**Yet we have not changed our ways.**

**We fall into old habits,  
cling to our own ways,  
and take for granted the grace you have  
given us.**

**Once again, we ask you for forgiveness.  
Show us the way forward  
and help us return, once again, to you.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, hear this good news:

through Christ you have come to trust in God,  
who raised Christ from the dead and gave him  
glory,

so that your faith and hope are set on God.

**We are born anew, through the living  
and enduring word of God.**

**Alleluia! Praise to the risen Christ!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers (G)  
SUO GAN GTG 231

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia (G) MFURAHANI,  
HALELUYA GTG 251

Sometimes a Light Surprises (G) SALLEY GARDENS  
GTG 800

Through the Walls (G) BREAKTHROUGH *Sing No  
Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

#### WORD

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (A) VENI  
CREATOR SPIRITUS GTG 278, PH 125

When the Poor Ones / Cuando el pobre (G)  
EL CAMINO GTG 762

Standing on the Promises (A) PROMISES GTG 838  
Satúranos, Señor / Lord, Fill Us (A) SATÚRAME  
SSS 266

## EUCCHARIST

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name (G) COME, SHARE  
THE LORD GTG 510  
Your Only Son (E) LAMB OF GOD GTG 518  
Jesus, Priceless Treasure (E) JESU, MEINE FREUDE  
GTG 830, PH 365  
Oh, the Blood of Jesus (E) arr. Jimmie Abbington  
AAHH 265

## SENDING

Lord, Make Us More Holy (E) LORD, MAKE US MORE  
HOLY GTG 313, PH 536  
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (E) ST. AGNES  
GTG 629, PH 310  
Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song / Jésus, je  
voudrais te chanter (A) LES PETITES SOEURS  
GTG 737  
Look There! The Christ (EG) PETRUS, GRAND PRAIRIE  
EH 197

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

What Shall I Render to the Lord [MARTYRDOM,  
ROCKINGHAM, MORNING SONG/CONSOLATION];  
GTG 655, PH 228, PAS 116B, LUYH 871, PP 218  
(with refrain)  
I Love You, Lord [GENEVAN 116]; PAS 116A,  
LUYH 735  
We Love You Lord [CMD]; SGP 170  
I Love the Lord Because He Heard [DETROIT, NEW  
FENWICK]; KU 70, TTSF 70

### Responsorial

I Will Walk in the Presence of God [SCOTLAND];  
PAS 116E (through-composed vv.), 116D (alt.  
refrain with pointed vv.)  
I Love the Lord, Who (He) Heard My Cry [I LOVE  
THE LORD (Smallwood)]; PAS 116D; LUYH 152,  
SSS 343–344  
I Love the Lord; He Is Filled with Compassion [I  
LOVE THE LORD (Aquino)]; LUYH 819  
I Will Call Upon the Name of the Lord [LET US  
BREAK BREAD]; HTP1 116  
I Will Take Up the Cup of Salvation; SP 50  
Demos gracias / Let Us Give Thanks; SSS 160–161

## Organ Music

“I Am the Bread of Life,” I AM THE BREAD, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Baptism and Communion*, Ron  
Schmoltze, AF (M)  
“I Know That My Redeemer Lives!,” DUKE STREET,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Easter*, Wilbur Held,  
AF (M)  
“We Know That Christ Is Raised,” ENGELBERG, *Gotta  
Toccata*, David Cherwien, AF (MA)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Love’s Redeeming Work Is Done,” Tom Trenney,  
MSM, SATB, org (ME)  
“Spirit of God,” Fred Gramann, ECS, SATB, acap (M)  
“Come By Here,” arr. Kyle Pederson, MSM, SATB,  
pno (ME)  
“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!,” Dan Forrest, BP, SATB,  
pno, opt str qrt (M)  
“Awake, Now, Wintry Earth,” J. S. Bach, arr. Michael  
Burkhardt, MSM, org, 2 tpt, timp (M)  
“He Is Risen,” Philip Stopford, MSM, SATB div, org,  
brass quin, timp (M)

## Handbell Music

“Standing on the Promises,” Linda R. Lamb,  
3–5 oct, opt 2 oct hc, ROP, RO3295, Level 2+  
“Jesus, Priceless Treasure,” Jason W. Krug, 3–6 oct,  
BP, HB516, Level 3  
“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee,” Alan Lohr,  
3–5 oct, SFP, 089391, Level 3

## Art

*Walk to Emmaus*, Lelio Orsi (VDL)  
*Supper at Emmaus*, Diego Velázquez (VDL)  
*Martyrs of Uganda*, Uganda (VDL)  
*Love and Revelation*, Jan Richardson (JR)

**April 30, 2023**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 2:42–47                      The believers share all things, worshiping and eating together.  
Psalm 23                              The Lord is my shepherd, leading, protecting, and feeding me.  
1 Peter 2:19–25                      Like sheep, we go astray; but Christ is the shepherd of our souls.  
John 10:1–10                         Jesus says: I am the gate for the sheep; enter by me and be saved.

### Opening Sentences

We come to worship the risen Christ.  
**Praise to Christ, the good shepherd!**  
Alleluia, praise to Christ, the gate!  
**Alleluia, praise to Christ, the lamb!**  
Alleluia, praise to Christ, our savior!  
**Christ is risen still! Alleluia!**

### Call to Confession

Christ is the good shepherd,  
who leads us to safety and peace  
no matter what we have done.  
Christ's voice calls us to repent and return;  
let us heed that voice and go to God in prayer.

### Prayer of Confession

**God of community,  
you call us to a world radically different  
from what we are used to.  
You ask us to lay aside our ideas of “mine”  
and “yours.”  
You show us a life where goods are shared,  
where all are loved,  
and faithfulness is shown through generosity.  
But we cling to our possessions,  
trusting them more than we trust you.  
Forgive us, merciful God.  
Help us to truly believe in your just and  
peaceful realm  
and to work to make it so.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ himself bore our sins  
in his body on the cross, so that,  
free from sins, we might live for righteousness;  
by his wounds we have been healed.  
**For we were going astray like sheep,  
but now we have returned to the shepherd  
and guardian of our souls. Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather (G) TOKYO  
GTG 311, PH 465  
The Church's One Foundation (A) AURELIA  
GTG 321, PH 442  
We Are One in Christ Jesus / Somos uno en Cristo  
(A) SOMOS UNO GTG 322  
Wherever He Leads I'll Go (G) FALLS CREEK SON 675

#### WORD

Go to Dark Gethsemane (E) REDHEAD 76 GTG 220,  
PH 97  
Hear the Good News of Salvation / Wotnin waste  
nahon po (E) NETTLETON GTG 441, PH 355  
Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of  
God (E) EVERYONE WHO LONGS GTG 849  
The Lord Is My Shepherd / Si Yahweh ang aking  
Pastol (AEG) Francisco F. Feliciano STB 88



## EUCCHARIST

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table! (A) COPELAND  
GTG 506  
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart (G) BICENTENNIAL  
GTG 523, PH 521  
Let Us Break Bread Together (A) LET US BREAK  
BREAD GTG 525, PH 513  
Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life (AEG) THE CALL  
NCH 331

## SENDING

God Be with You till We Meet Again (G) RANDOLPH,  
GOD BE WITH YOU GTG 541, 542; PH 540  
We Are One in the Spirit (A) THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE  
CHRISTIANS GTG 300  
Lord, I Want to Be a Christian (E) I WANT TO BE A  
CHRISTIAN GTG 729, PH 372  
We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace (AEG)  
PEACE VALLEY AAHH 497

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need [RESIGNATION];  
GTG 803, PH 172, PAS 23A, LUYH 369, SSS 44  
The King of Love My Shepherd Is [ST. COLUMBA,  
DOMINUS REGIT ME]; GTG 802, PH 171, LUYH 824,  
PAS 23D, E (altered text), SSS 359  
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [CRIMOND,  
BROTHER JAMES' AIR]; GTG 801, PH 170, PAS 23C  
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [Townend];  
PAS 23F  
The God of Love My Shepherd Is [RIDGEWOOD];  
PAS 23J  
El Señor es mi pastor / You, O Lord, You Are My  
Shepherd; SSS 532

### Responsorial

Shepherd Me, O God; GTG 473, LUYH 456, PAS 23G  
(pointed vv.), 23H, (through-composed vv.), SSS  
365 (refrain only)  
El Señor es mi pastor / My Shepherd Is the Lord;  
PAS 23 I, LUYH 368, SSS 338  
El Señor es mi pastor / The Lord Is My Shepherd;  
OC 33, SSS 294–295  
My Shepherd Is the Lord [Gelineau]; PH 173, PSA 18  
The Lord Is My Shepherd; PFTS2 54

The Lord Is My Shepherd / El Señor es mi pastor;  
SSS 613 (refrain only)  
The Lord's My Shepherd [THE PARTING GLASS]; CP2 1

## Organ Music

"Cantilene Pastorale," Alexandre Guilmant, ALF (M)  
"Pastorale," op. 19, Cesar Franck, public domain  
(MA)  
"The Lord's My Shepherd," BROTHER JAMES' AIR, *The  
Oxford Book of Wedding Music*, Searle Wright,  
OUP (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

"Let the People Sing Praise unto the Lord," Lena  
McLin, KJO, SATB, keybd, tpt (M)  
"The 23rd Psalm," Bobby McFerrin, transcribed by  
Dan Stolper, HAL, SATB, acap (M)  
"Seek Ye First the Kingdom," Marques Garrett, GIA,  
SATB div, acap (MA)  
"We Shall Walk Through the Valley," arr. Undine  
Smith Moore, GIA, SATB div, acap (M)  
"So Many Reasons to Rejoice," Eddie Robinson,  
arr. Brandon Waddles, GIA, SATB, keybd, opt  
perc (ME)  
"We Shall Overcome," arr. G. Phillip Shoultz III,  
GMC, SATB div, acap (M)

## Handbell Music

"The Lord's My Shepherd," Alex Guebert, 3–7 oct,  
opt fl, CGA, CGB 979, Level 3+  
"The Church's One Foundation," Karen Thompson,  
3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1763L, Level 2+  
"Go to Dark Gethsemane," Mitchell Eithun, 3–5 oct,  
opt 3–5 oct hc, CON, 97-7852, Level 2

## Art

*The Sheepgate*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Risen*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Good Shepherd*, Henry Ossawa Tanner (VDL)  
(Tanner has 3 paintings by this name.)  
*Shepherdess with Her Flock*, Eugène-Joseph  
Verboeckhoven (VDL)

May 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 7:55–60	An angry crowd stones Stephen; he prays: Jesus, receive my spirit.
Psalm 31:1–5, 15–16	Deliver me, O Lord; into your hand I commit my spirit.
1 Peter 2:2–10	Now you are God's people, built into a temple like living stones.
John 14:1–14	Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life; he prepares a place for us.

### Opening Sentences

We come together as the church;  
**not a building of wood or stone,  
but a spiritual house.**  
We will be the living stones  
that shout praise even when others are silent.  
**God redeems us,  
joins us together,  
and builds us up.**

### Call to Confession

Jesus taught us mercy  
by praying for the forgiveness  
of those who killed him.  
This miraculous grace assures us  
that no matter what we have done,  
no matter the words we have left unsaid,  
we can come to Christ with our honest confession.

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ, our way, our truth, our life,  
you have shown us the way,  
so clearly and fully.  
You have not simply told us how to live,  
you have shown us.  
But we still don't get it.  
We do not believe all you have said to us;  
we do not trust the way you have shown us.  
Help us, O God.  
Forgive us.  
Open our ears to your truth,  
open our eyes to your way,  
and lead us into new life.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, believe the good news.  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
Jesus prepares a place for us,  
Jesus brings us close to him,  
Jesus answers us even in our unbelief.  
**We are God's own people.  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Let Us Build a House (E) TWO OAKS GTG 301  
Jesus, We Are Here (EG) JESUS, TAWA PANO GTG 392  
Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters (E) BEACH  
SPRING GTG 490  
Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life (G) BLACKSTONE  
*Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

#### WORD

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (A) PICARDY  
GTG 347, PH 5  
You Are My Strength When I Am Weak (A)  
JERNIGAN GTG 519  
Nothing Can Trouble (G) NADA TE TURBE GTG 820  
Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land (AEG) WEARY  
LAND AAHH 222

#### EUCCHARIST

Feed Us, Lord (AEG) FEED US GTG 501  
Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises (G) HALELUYA!  
PELO TSA RONA GTG 538  
In a Deep, Unbounded Darkness (G) DIVINUM  
MYSTERIUM GTG 850  
God Extends an Invitation / Nuestro Padre nos  
invita (EG) NUESTRA PADRE ELW 486

**SENDING**

- O Christ, the Great Foundation (E) AURELIA GTG 361, PH 443  
 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace (A) LAND OF REST GTG 545  
 O Jesus, I Have Promised (G) ANGEL'S STORY, NYLAND (G) GTG 724, 725; PH 388, 389  
 Será llena la tierra / The Earth Will Be Removed (EG) Juan Salinas, arr. Greg Scheer, SSS 260

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

- You Are My Refuge, Faithful God [MORNING SONG/CONSOLATION]; GTG 214  
 In You, O Lord, I Seek My Refuge [9.8.9.8]; SGP 49, setting 1  
 O Lord, in Whom My Soul Confides [WAYFARING STRANGER]; PCW 31a, PP 58 (with refrain)

**Responsorial**

- My Times Are in Your Hands [MARGARET]; PAS 31C, LUYH 458  
 You Are My Rock; PAS 31B  
 You Have Redeemed Me [CHRISTE SANCTORUM]; HTP1 27  
 Haz resplandecer / Make Your Face to Shine upon Your Servant [GLÁUCIA]; GTG 811, PAS 31D, SSS 514–515  
 I Give My Spirit; PAS 31A

**Organ Music**

- “O God, My Faithful God,” *Praise and Thanksgiving*, Michael Burkhardt, MSM (E)  
 “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!,” GELOBT SEI GOTT, *Organ Alleluias for Easter*, Gilbert Martin, HWG (M)  
 “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds,” LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Augsburg Organ Library: Easter*, Mark Sedio, AF (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

- “We Walk by Faith,” Karen Marroli, MSM, SAB, pno (E)  
 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy,” Calvin Hampton, GIA, 2 pt mx, pno (ME)  
 “I Would Be True,” Undine Smith Moore, AF, SA(T)B, pno (M)  
 “He Is Marvelous,” Rosephanye Powell, HAL, SATB, opt solo, pno (M)  
 “The Light of the World,” Andrew Carter, OUP, SATB, org (M)  
 “I Sing Because I’m Happy,” adapt. Rollo Dilworth, HAL, SATB, pno, opt bass, perc (ME)

**Handbell Music**

- “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence,” Ron Mallory, 3–6 oct, JHS, JHS9595, Level 3+  
 “The Church’s One Foundation,” Robert James Lamb, 3–5 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, AGEHR, AG35380, Level 2  
 “God Be with You till We Meet Again,” Cathy Moklebust, 3–5 oct, opt separate 2–3 oct hc, CGA, CGB796, hc, CGB797, full score, CGB795, Level 3-

**Art**

- Christ as the Way, the Truth, the Life*, Argentina (VDL)  
*Sun*, Edvard Munch (VDL)  
*Stoning of St. Stephen*, Vittore Carpaccio (VDL)  
*Many Rooms*, Jan Richardson (JR)

**May 14, 2023**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 17:22–31	Paul introduces the Athenians to their “unknown god”: the Lord.
Psalm 66:8–20	Bless God, who hears our prayers and keeps us among the living.
1 Peter 3:13–22	Do not fear; testify to the hope that is in you through Christ.
John 14:15–21	Jesus says: the Father will send the Spirit, who will abide in you.

### Opening Sentences

Our God gathers us here.

**We have been tested, we have suffered,  
but God has brought us through.**

Come, let us tell of what God has done for us!

**We cried aloud to God,  
and God listened and answered.**

Therefore, we will praise God with shouts of joy!

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### Call to Confession

God does not reject our prayers.  
God does not withdraw love from us.  
Even when we fail to love others  
and struggle to love ourselves,  
God’s love is steadfast.  
Let us lift our prayers to God.

### Prayer of Confession

**Holy One,**

**We love you imperfectly:  
we do not always keep your commandments.**

**We love each other imperfectly:  
we hurt those you call us to love  
through our actions and our inaction.**

**We love ourselves imperfectly:  
we struggle to believe that we are truly your  
children,**

**made in your image.**

**Forgive us.**

**By the power of your Spirit,  
make us more faithful  
that we might live as Christ has shown us,  
reflecting your love and grace.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Because Christ lives, we also live.  
Not because of anything we have done,  
not because of our belief or faithfulness:  
we live because Christ lives.

**This is the Christ who forgives us.**

**This is the God who is in us.**

**This is the Spirit who is with us.**

**Alleluia! Praise be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Come, Thou Almighty King (G) ITALIAN HYMN  
GTG 2, PH 139

Be Not Afraid (EG) BE NOT AFRAID GTG 243

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above (A)

MIT FREUDEN ZART GTG 645, PH 483

Plodding On with Weary Footsteps / Yukedomo,  
yukedomo tada sunahara (EG) COME TO ME

STB 207

#### WORD

Come Down, O Love Divine (G) DOWN AMPNEY  
GTG 282, PH 313

Hear My Cry, O God, and Save Me! (EG)

GENEVAN 77 GTG 781

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest (Near to the Heart  
of God) (A) MC AFEE GTG 824, PH 527

God Created Heaven and Earth / Chin Chú Siōng-  
tè chō thin-tōe (A) TŌA-SĪA PH 290, STB 173

**EUCCHARIST**

In Christ There Is No East or West (A) MC KEE,  
ST. PETER GTG 317, 318; PH 439, 440  
Search Me, O God (E) KÀM-CHHAT GTG 426  
Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness (EG) SCHMÜCKE  
DICH GTG 514  
Jesus Is Here Right Now (G) JESUS IS HERE NCH 348

**SENDING**

Do Not Be Afraid (EG) ISAIAH 43 GTG 76  
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (G) HYFRYDOL  
GTG 366, PH 376  
Abide with Me (G) EVENTIDE GTG 836, PH 543  
Precious Memories (G) PRECIOUS MEMORIES  
(Martin and Jones), PRECIOUS MEMORIES (Wright)  
AAHH 516, 517

**Psalms and Canticles****Metrical**

Come, All You People, Bless Our God [ADOWA];  
PAS 66C, LUYH 495  
Praise Our God with Shouts of Joy [GENEVAN 136];  
PAS 66E  
Make a Joyful Noise to God! [DIX]; GTG 54

**Responsorial**

Cry Out to God in Joy; PAS 66A, PND 57 (through-  
composed vv.), PAS 66D (pointed vv.)  
Glory and Praise to Our God; PAS 65D  
Let All the Earth Cry Out with Joy to God; PSA 58

**Organ Music**

“Interlude,” *Seven Pieces for Organ*, Theodore  
Dubois, Kalmus (M)  
“Blest Be the Tie That Binds,” DENNIS, *Three  
Settings of Hymns*, Lowell Mason; arr. Gail Leven  
Pollock, HWG (ME)  
“Come Down, O Love Divine,” DOWN AMPNEY,  
*A Walter Pelz Organ Anthology*, Walter Pelz,  
AF (ME)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“God’s Got the Whole World,” Mark Miller, MSM,  
SATB div, acap (M)  
“Let Your Faith Be Stronger Than Your Fear,”  
Tom Trenney, BP, SATB, opt solo, pno (M)  
“Do Not Fear,” Fred Gramann, ECS, SATB, solo,  
acap (MA)  
“If Ye Love Me,” Philip Wilby, ECS, SSATB, org (M)  
“Do Not Be Afraid,” Philip Stopford, MSM, SATB,  
solo, acap (ME)  
“Blessed Be!,” Melanie DeMore, VocalEssence  
Music Press, SATB, acap, body perc (ME)

**Handbell Music**

“Come, Thou Almighty King,” Martha Lynn  
Thompson, 3–5 oct, MSM, MSM-30-839, Level 3  
“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above,” Kevin  
McChesney, 2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, AGEHR,  
AG23006 or AG35181, Level 4  
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” Joel Raney and  
Arnold Sherman, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2508, Level 3

**Art**

*How Did You Come to Know Me?*, Jan Richardson,  
(JR)  
*Cloud of Unknowing*, Kelly Latimore (VDL)  
*Blessing*, Anneke Kaai (AK)  
*Forever in His Care, from the Creed*, Anneke Kaai  
(AK)



**May 18, 2023**

**Ascension of the Lord**

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 1:1–11	Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus ascends into heaven.
Psalm 47	Clap, shout, and sing with joy: the Lord reigns over all the earth.
or Psalm 93	The Lord reigns in majesty, high above the mighty waters.
Ephesians 1:15–23	Christ is seated at God's right hand, above every earthly power.
Luke 24:44–53	Jesus interprets the Scriptures; then he is carried up into heaven.

### Opening Sentences

Clap your hands, all people!  
**Shout to God with loud songs of joy!**  
 For God rules over earth and heaven.  
**Sing our psalms of praise!**  
 God has gone up with a shout;  
**let us make a joyful noise to God!**

### Call to Confession

Despite our best attempts to have faith in Christ,  
 to love our siblings in faith,  
 and to reflect God's glory to this world,  
 we know we have not always lived up to  
 who we have been called to be.  
 But we are children of the Most High,  
 and we are invited to bring these confessions  
 before God,  
 that we might find peace and forgiveness.

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ who was and is and is to come,  
 we stand looking up at the heavens,  
 looking for you there.**  
**Forgive us for believing that you have left us.**  
**Forgive us for failing to recognize you in the  
 world around us.**  
**Forgive us for waiting idly for your return,  
 instead of doing the work you have called  
 us to do.**  
**You are above us, around us,  
 before us, and within us;**  
**help us to embody you in our time and place,  
 today, tomorrow, and forevermore.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear this astounding truth:  
 Christ is the one who reigns on high,  
 Christ is the one with the power to judge us,  
 and Christ is the one who offers us  
 eternal love, forgiveness, and mercy.  
**All praise to Christ who lived, died,  
 and lives again!**  
**Alleluia!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! (AEG)  
 CORONATION, DIADEM GTG 263; PH 142, 143  
 Hail Thee, Festival Day! (AEG) SALVA FESTA DIES  
 GTG 277, PH 120  
 I Believe in God the Father (E) GENEVAN 42 GTG 481  
 Pueblos todos / All You Peoples (AG) by Samuel  
 Ruiz, trans. and arr. Greg Scheer, SSS 446

#### WORD

We Fall Down (E) WE FALL DOWN GTG 368  
 Open the Eyes of My Heart (G) OPEN THE EYES  
 GTG 452  
 Listen, God Is Calling (G) NENO LAKE MUNGU  
 GTG 456  
 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing (AEG) DEO GRACIAS  
 PH 141

## EUCCHARIST

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (AG) HYFRYDOL GTG 260,  
PH 144  
Break Thou the Bread of Life (G) BREAD OF LIFE  
GTG 460, PH 329  
Here, O Our Lord, We See You (AEG) MORECAMBE  
GTG 517, PH 520  
With Thy Spirit Fill Me (AEG) arr. Valeria A. Foster,  
AAHH 322

## SENDING

Heaven Is Singing for Joy / El cielo canta alegría  
(EG) ALEGRÍA GTG 382  
Joy to the World (E) RICHMOND GTG 266  
Go in Grace and Make Disciples (G) AR HYD Y NOS  
GTG 296  
Love Lifted Me (AEG) SAFETY SON 453

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 47

#### Metrical

Peoples, Clap Your Hands! [GENEVAN 47]; GTG 261,  
PH 194  
Nations, Clap Your Hands [GENEVAN 47]; PAS 47E,  
LUYH 216  
Clap Your Hands, O Faithful People [NETTLETON];  
PAS 47A  
Clap Your Hands, All You Nations [Yoruba]; PAS 47D

### Responsorial

God Has Gone Up; PAS 47B  
Clap Your Hands All You Nations; PAS 47F  
God Goes Up with Trumpet Blast (God Mounts His  
Throne); PND 18

### Psalm 93

#### Metrical

God, You Rule with Royal Bearing (God, Our  
Lord, a King Remaining) [BRYN CALFARIA, YISRAEL  
V'ORAITA]; GTG 272, PH 213, PP 170 (with refrain)  
The Lord Almighty Reigns [ST. BRIDE]; GTG 271  
Robed in Majesty [SALZBURG]; PAS 93A, LUYH 546  
The Lord Our God Rules Over All [CMD]; SGP 135

### Responsorial

The Lord Is King; PSA 87  
Ever Since the World Began; PAS 93B

## Organ Music

“A Song of Rejoicing,” *Pedals and Pipes for  
Preludes and Praise*, John M. Rasley, LOR (E)  
“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name,” CORONATION,  
*Hymn of Glory*, David Cherwien, SAC (E)  
“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name,” CORONATION,  
*Pedals and Pipes for Postludes and Praise*,  
Edward Broughton, LOR (E)  
“On Christ’s Ascension I Now Build,” op. 67,  
*Chorale—Preludes of the Church Year*,  
Max Reger, CF (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Canticle of Praise,” Victor Cohen Johnson, LOR,  
SATB, pno (ME)  
“Clap Praise,” Diana Clayton White, HAL, SATB,  
solo, speaker, pno, body perc (M)  
“Come Away to the Skies,” Richard Erickson, AF,  
SATB, fl, fc (ME)  
“I Will Not Leave You Comfortless,” William Byrd,  
ECS, SSATB, acap (MA)  
“Beautiful Savior,” Robert Farrell, MSM, 2 pt mx,  
keybd (E)  
“Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels,” Henry  
Gerike, arr. Michael Burkhardt, MSM, SATB, org,  
opt brass qrt, cong (M)

## Handbell Music

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name,” Cynthia  
Dobrinski, 3–6 oct, HOPE, 2511, Level 3  
“Open the Eyes of My Heart,” Linda R. Lamb, 3–5  
oct, opt 3 oct hc, LOR, 20/1751L, Level 3  
“Break Thou the Bread of Life,” Karen Thompson,  
3–5 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, LOR, 20/1978L, Level 2+

## Art

*Ascension II*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Complete Joy*, Lauren Wright Pittman (VDL)  
*Ascension*, Joanna Vaughan, Photograph (VDL)  
*Ascension of Christ*, Denmark (VDL)

May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Colors: White and Gold

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 1:6–14

Psalm 68:1–10, 32–35

1 Peter 4:12–14; 5:6–11

John 17:1–11

After Jesus' ascension, the disciples go to Jerusalem and pray.

God rides upon the clouds, and gives power to the people.

You are suffering now, but the God of grace will restore you.

Jesus seeks the glory of God and prays for his disciples.

### Opening Sentences

We may not know the time or the place,  
**but we know that God is restoring the world.**  
We may not see the risen Christ before us,  
**but we know his spirit rests on us.**  
We may not know what God is doing next,  
**but we come together in faith, excited to discover it!**

### Call to Confession

Scripture tells us that our sufferings  
are known to Christ,  
that we can cast all our anxiety on Jesus,  
who restores, supports, strengthens and  
establishes us.  
Knowing this, let us come to God in a spirit  
of openness.

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ our Savior,  
as you ascended, you left the work to us.  
You called us to keep the movement going,  
to witness to the ends of the earth,  
to pray, to heal,  
to glorify you through our thoughts, words,  
and deeds,  
to show the world a glimpse of the goodness  
you have given us.  
We have fallen short of this call.  
We have hidden ourselves in fear,  
sought our own comfort,  
and resigned ourselves to the status quo.  
Forgive us,  
and strengthen us to do your will,  
that we may be signs of your coming reign.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Listen to this prayer:

“Protect them in your name that you have given me,  
so that they may be one, as we are one.”

This is the prayer that Christ prayed on our behalf.

This tenderness and care for us shows us who

Jesus is—

the one who hears our prayers,  
responding to our longing for forgiveness  
with mercy.

**Thanks be to God,  
praise be to Christ,  
glory be to the Holy Spirit.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending (A)

HELMSLEY GTG 348, PH 6

How Firm a Foundation (E) FOUNDATION GTG 463,  
PH 361

Why Should I Feel Discouraged? (E) SPARROW  
GTG 661

O Come, All You People / Aso, aso, aso ngane  
(AEG) Papua New Guinea, STB 4

#### WORD

Soon and Very Soon (G) SOON AND VERY SOON  
GTG 384

I Love to Tell the Story (A) HANKEY GTG 462

God Is So Good (E) GOD IS SO GOOD GTG 658

Whoever You Are, Your Prayer Is Welcome (E)

OPEN YOUR HEART *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris  
Shelton, GIA

## EUCCHARIST

Here, O Our Lord, We See You (E) MORECAMBE  
GTG 517, PH 520  
When at This Table (E) FEASTDAY GTG 537  
Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (A) PRAYER OF  
ST. FRANCIS GTG 753  
What Feast of Love (AG) GREENSLEEVES WAS 3170

## SENDING

Go to the World! (A) SINE NOMINE GTG 295  
Peace of God Be with You (G) AS-SALAAMU LAKUM  
GTG 448  
Give to the Winds Thy Fears (E) FESTAL SONG,  
ST. BRIDE GTG 815, PH 286  
Humble Yourselves (AEG) HUMBLE THYSELF SON 745

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Let God Arise [SONG 46]; PAS 68C  
Arise, Lord, and Hasten [ASH GROVE]; PCW 68,  
PP 121 (with refrain)  
Come Like Driving Wind, O God [NON KOMM, DER  
HEIDEN HEILAND]; GTG 55  
Approach Our God with Songs of Praise [GENEVAN  
68]; PAS 68A  
Rise Up, O God, Dispel Your Foes [CMD]; SGP 97

### Responsorial

Sing to God, O Kingdoms of the Earth; PAS 68B  
Lift Up Your Voices; PAS 68A, LUYH 211  
My Lips Are Filled with Your Praise; PSA 61

## Organ Music

Andante tranquillo, Sonata no. 3 in A Major, Felix  
Mendelssohn, public domain (M)  
“I Danced in the Morning,” SIMPLE GIFTS, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Easter*, J. Wayne Kerr, AF (E)  
“Fantasia,” Johann Jakob Froberger, Dover  
Publications (ME)  
“How Firm a Foundation,” FOUNDATION, *Book IX,  
Interpretations Based on Hymn-Tunes for Organ*,  
David Cherwien, Summa Production (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“I Come with Joy,” Zebulon Highben, AF, SAB,  
pno (ME)  
“Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me,” arr. K. Lee Scott,  
AF, 2 pt mx, org (E)  
“With a Voice of Singing,” Kenneth Jennings,  
AF, SATB, acap (M)  
“Balm in Gilead,” M. Roger Holland II, MSM, SATB,  
solo, pno (M)  
“O Love How Deep,” Bradley Ellingboe, KJO,  
SATB, keybd, perc (ME)  
“I Surrender All,” arr. Victor Johnson, LOR, SATB,  
pno (ME)

## Handbell Music

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow,” Bill Ingram, 3–5 oct,  
LOR, 20/1153L, Level 2  
“Soon and Very Soon,” Hart Morris, 3–6 oct, opt  
sb and drums, HOPE, hb, 2274, sb and drums,  
2274P, Level 3+  
“Give to the Winds Thy Fears,” Tammy Waldrop, 3  
or 5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, opt ct, ALF, 36514, Level 2

## Art

*Fog*, Jiangxi province, China (VDL)  
*New Growth*, Malawi (VDL)  
*Prayer*, Anneke Kaai (AK)  
*Power of God*, Anneke Kaai (AK)

May 28, 2023

Day of Pentecost

Color: Red

## Lectionary Readings

*If Numbers 11 is chosen as the First Reading, Acts 2 should be used as the Second Reading.*

Acts 2:1–21

On the day of Pentecost, God pours out the Spirit upon the earth.

or Numbers 11:24–30

The Lord sends the Spirit to the elders of Israel, and they prophesy.

Psalm 104:24–34, 35b

The Lord of creation sends forth the Spirit to renew the earth.

1 Corinthians 12:3b–13

In the body of Christ there are varieties of gifts, but one Spirit.

or Acts 2:1–21

On the day of Pentecost, God pours out the Spirit upon the earth.

John 20:19–23

The risen Lord appears to the disciples and gives them the Spirit.

or John 7:37–39

Jesus promises the Spirit: living water from the believer's heart.

## Opening Sentences

We worship a creative God

**who formed all living things!**

We worship an abundant God

**who gives each of us different gifts!**

We worship a glorious God

**who is seen in the vast array of creation!**

**Alleluia!**

## Call to Confession

God pours out the Spirit upon us,  
but we do not always welcome God's gifts.  
Let us confess our doubts and fears,  
that we might find forgiveness and newness of life.

## Prayer of Confession

**Infinite God,**

**you come to us in many colors, shapes, and  
languages.**

**You speak to each of us in the way we can  
understand.**

**You reach out to us and meet us where we are.**

**But we are quick to limit you  
to what we can understand and control.**

**Forgive us,**

**and set your Spirit loose among us.**

**Challenge us, surprise us,  
and open us to your power,**

**that we might know you more deeply,**

**follow you more faithfully,**

**and love more fully.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Scripture is clear:

everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will  
be saved.

God draws us together, offering salvation,  
forgiveness, and new life to all.

**Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us (AOEG) EBENEZER  
GTG 280, PH 129

On Pentecost They Gathered (AOEG) MUNICH  
GTG 289, PH 128

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers (AEG) NUN  
DANKET ALL' UND BRINGET EHR' GTG 407, PH 325

Spirit Wind (AOEG) Scott Soper G3 560

### WORD

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (AOEG)  
VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS GTG 278, PH 125

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit (AOEG) SWEET, SWEET  
SPIRIT GTG 408, PH 398

God Is Calling through the Whisper (AOEG)  
W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY GTG 410

Now Come, O Holy Spirit / O Roh Kudus Ilahi  
(AOG) O ROH KUDUS STB 10



## EUCCHARIST

Baptized in Water (AOEG) BUNESSAN GTG 482,  
PH 492  
Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (AOEG)  
Linstead GTG 526, PH 514  
Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether (AOEG) UNION  
SEMINARY GTG 529, PH 504  
Living Spirit, Holy Fire (AOEG) ALL THINGS NEW  
WAS 3109

## SENDING

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me (EG)  
GREEN TYLER GTG 543  
Loving Spirit (AOEG) OMNI DIE (Corner) GTG 293,  
PH 323  
Dream On, Dream On (AG) DREAM ON GTG 383  
Recibirán poder / You Will Receive Power (AOEG)  
GRAN COMISIÓN SSS 216

## Psalms and Canticles

### Metrical

Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being! [RUSTINGTON];  
GTG 34, PH 224  
O Lord, How Marvelous Your Works [CM];  
PCW 104b  
My Soul, Praise the Lord! [HANOVER]; PAS 104E  
(sts. 9–12 with refrain)  
How Many and Wise [STOWEY]; PP 195 (with refrain)

### Responsorial

Send Forth Your Spirit, O Lord; PAS 104D, PND 38  
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit; PFTS2 34  
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit; PAS 104G  
Creator Spirit, Come We Pray [VENI CREATOR  
SPIRITUS]; PAS 104G (alt. refrain)  
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit; PSA 105  
Send Us Your Spirit / Señor, envía tu Espíritu  
Santo; SSS 218–219

## Organ Music

“Komm, Heiliger Geist,” BWV 651, J. S. Bach,  
public domain (A)  
“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine,” MERCY, *Gotta Toccata*,  
David Cherwien, AF (M)

“Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether,” UNION SEMINARY,  
*Communion Hymns for Organ*, Edwin T. Childs,  
AF (E)  
“He That Believes and Is Baptised,” *Chorale—  
Preludes of the Church Year*, Max Reger, CF (M)  
“Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire,” VENI,  
CREATOR SPIRITUS, *Augsburg Organ Library:  
Easter*, Flor Peeters, AF (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Veni Sancte Spiritus,” Zanaida Robles,  
zanaidarobles.com, SATB div, pno (MA)  
“My Wordless Prayer,” Craig Courtney, BP, SATB,  
pno (ME)  
“Veni Sancte Spiritus,” W. A. Mozart, CPDL, SATB,  
opt solo, keybd, opt orch (M)  
“I'm Gonna Sing 'til the Spirit,” Moses Hogan, HAL,  
SATB div, opt solo (M)  
“Veni Sancte Spiritus,” Luke Rosen, OCP, SATB,  
cantor, pno, gtr, C inst (E)  
“Spirit of God,” Fred Gramann, ECS, SATB, acap  
(M)  
“There's a Spirit of Love in This Place,” Mark Miller,  
ABP, SATB, opt solo, pno (ME)  
“The Spirit Brooding Hovered There,” Joel  
Martinson, GIA, SATB, org (M)

## Handbell Music

“The Spirit in Our Midst,” Sandra Eithun, 3–5 oct,  
opt 3–5 oct hc, opt narr, CGA, CGB869, Level 2  
“Spirit Wind,” John T. Bartsch, 3–5 oct, FB,  
FBBG0858, Level 4+  
“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ,” Sondra  
Tucker, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2146, Level 2

## Art

*Pentecost*, Philippines (VDL)  
*Veni Sancti Spiritus*, Adam Kossowski (VDL)  
*Pentecost*, stained glass, South Africa (VDL)  
*Spirit*, Anneke Kaai (AK)

# The Time after Pentecost / Ordinary Time

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## Confession and Pardon

*At the baptismal font:*

It is only by the power of God  
that we are able to stand against evil.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.  
*The prayer of confession is included here.*

*Lifting water from the font:*

Now stand firm in your faith,  
covered by the saving grace of God  
and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*At the baptismal font:*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Lord our God, we give you thanks  
for the grace that is at work in us  
through the gift of our baptism—  
the sign of your threefold name,  
the communion of your faithful people,  
the promise of your glorious realm.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
poured out upon us in baptism,  
let your grace and peace grow in us,  
until we gather at your heavenly throne  
to give you thanks and praise forever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

*At the lectern or pulpit:*

Time after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday

Holy, Holy, Holy One,  
guide us by the Spirit of truth  
to hear the Word of life you speak,  
and to give all glory, honor, and praise  
to your threefold name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Time after Pentecost, All Saints' Day

Faithful God, how blessed are those  
who hunger and thirst for righteousness.  
Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit  
so that we may glorify you  
in the company of the faithful;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Time after Pentecost, Reign of Christ

Sovereign God, let your Word rule in our hearts  
and your Spirit govern our lives  
until at last we see the fulfillment  
of your realm of justice and peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Before the readings:*

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.  
Listen to the word of the Lord.

Deuteronomy 6:4

*After the readings:*

Keep these words in your heart.  
The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

**Thanks be to God.**

Deuteronomy 6:6

## Ascription of Praise

*After the sermon:*

To the Lord our God, Alpha and Omega,  
be all glory and honor forever. **Amen.**

Revelation 21:6

## Affirmation of Faith

Time after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday

**Jesus Christ is God with humankind.  
He is the eternal Son of the Father,  
who became human and lived among us  
to fulfill the work of reconciliation.  
He is present in the church  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to continue and complete his mission.  
This work of God,  
the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
is the foundation of all confessional statements  
about God, humanity, and the world.  
Therefore, the church calls all people  
to be reconciled to God and to one another.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.07*

Time after Pentecost

**The life, death, resurrection,  
and promised coming of Jesus Christ  
has set the pattern for the church's mission.  
His human life involves the church  
in the common life of all people.  
His service to men and women  
commits the church  
to work for every form of human well-being.  
His suffering makes the church sensitive  
to all human suffering  
so that it sees the face of Christ  
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.  
His crucifixion discloses to the church  
God's judgment on the inhumanity  
that marks human relations,  
and the awful consequences  
of the church's own complicity in injustice.  
In the power of the risen Christ  
and the hope of his coming,  
the church sees the promise**

**of God's renewal of human life in society  
and of God's victory over all wrong.**

**The church follows this pattern  
in the form of its life  
and in the method of its action.  
So to live and serve  
is to confess Christ as Lord.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32–33*

Time after Pentecost, Thanksgiving Day

**Life is a gift to be received with gratitude  
and a task to be pursued with courage.  
People are free to seek life  
within the purpose of God:  
to develop and protect the resources of nature  
for the common welfare,  
to work for justice and peace in society,  
and in other ways to use their creative powers  
for the fulfillment of human life.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.17*

Time after Pentecost, All Saints' Day

**The risen Christ is the Savior of all people.  
Those joined to him by faith  
are set right with God  
and commissioned to serve  
as God's reconciling community.  
Christ is head of this community, the church,  
which began with the apostles  
and continues through all generations.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.10*

Time after Pentecost, Reign of Christ

**Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ,  
such as a heavenly city, the household of God,  
a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast,  
and an unending day  
culminate in the image of the kingdom.  
The kingdom represents God's triumph  
over all that resists the divine will  
and disrupts God's creation.  
Already God's reign is present  
as a ferment in the world,  
stirring hope in all people  
and preparing the world  
to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.**

**With an urgency born of this hope,  
the church applies itself to present tasks  
and strives for a better world.  
It does not identify limited progress  
with the kingdom of God on earth,  
nor does it despair  
in the face of disappointment and defeat.  
In steadfast hope,  
the church looks beyond all partial achievement  
to the final triumph of God.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.54–55*

## Invitation to Offering

*At the communion table:*

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters,  
to present yourselves as a living sacrifice,  
holy and acceptable to God.

Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

Romans 12:1

## Prayer after Communion

*At the communion table:*

Time after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life.  
Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love.  
God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace.  
Now send us out into your beloved world  
to share your life, your love, your grace with all.  
Blessing and honor and glory to you,  
holy, holy, holy Lord. **Amen.**

Time after Pentecost, All Saints' Day

God of glory, in this holy feast  
you have made us one with Christ  
and with that great multitude of the faithful—  
those who hunger and thirst no more  
and worship night and day in your temple.  
Lead us in the paths of righteousness  
and guide us to the springs of the water of life,  
until we join the choir of the redeemed,  
singing: Salvation belongs to our God  
who is seated on the throne,  
and to the Lamb: Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Time after Pentecost, Reign of Christ

Blessed are you, O Lord our God,  
creator and ruler of the universe,  
for you have satisfied our souls  
with this feast of your grace.  
Keep us faithful in your service  
until your realm of glory comes;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## Blessing and Charge

*At the doors of the church:*

Time after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday

May the blessing of the Trinity—  
holy, holy, holy Lord—  
be with you now and always. **Alleluia!**

Isaiah 6:3

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,  
“Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”  
And I said, “Here I am; send me!” **Amen.**

Isaiah 6:8

Time after Pentecost, All Saints' Day

The blessing of the one God—  
Spirit, Son, and Father—  
be with you now and always. **Alleluia!**

Ephesians 4:4–6

Lead a life worthy of your calling,  
giving glory to God in all things. **Amen.**

Ephesians 4:1

Time after Pentecost, Reign of Christ

The blessing of the holy, triune God,  
who was and is and is to come—  
first and last,  
beginning and end,  
Alpha and Omega—  
be with you now and always. **Alleluia!**

Revelation 1:8

Go in peace to love the Lord your God  
with heart and soul and mind and strength,  
and to love your neighbor as yourself. **Amen.**

Mark 12:29–31

# The Time after Pentecost / Ordinary Time

*These music suggestions are appropriate for use throughout the time after Pentecost and may be repeated from week to week.*

## Congregational Song for the Time after Pentecost

A change in liturgical seasons creates opportunities for congregational responses unique to the season as well as experiences of ongoing liturgical moments and responses set to new and different music. Following are suggestions for use during the season after Pentecost, which due to its length particularly invites a wider use of responses:

*Consider Kyrie eleison as a part of the confessional sequence.*

Kyrie GTG 575, 578, 579

*Consider a new Gloria in place of the Gloria Patri.*

Gloria GTG 582, 584, 585

*Consider replacing the Doxology with another response.*

Praise to God the Father GTG 605

God, We Honor You GTG 709

We Lift Our Voices GTG 710

*Consider sung responses to the Great Prayer on Communion/Eucharist Sundays (Sanctus, Memorials Acclamation, Amen).*

Settings in GTG 552–554; 556–558; 559–561; 565–568

## Anthems for Children's Choirs for the Time after Pentecost

### Sundays after Pentecost

"A Child's Prayer," Andrew Bruhn, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (E\*MA)

"A Love Round," Nancy Gifford, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (ME)

"A Prayer for Mercy," Allen Pote, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (E\*MA)

"Be Still and Know," *Two Psalms for Young Singers*, Michael Bedford, CGA, uni, pno, hb (E)

"Bless the Lord, O My Soul," Lee Dengler, SHAW, SATB (sing as 3 pt partner song), pno (MA)

"Carol of Creation," Shirley McCrae, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno, Orff perc (E)

"Come One, Come All, Come Follow," Philip Dietterich, CGA, uni, pno (E)

"Come To Me," Margaret Tucker, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno, fl (M\*A)

"Come with a Grateful Heart," Lynn Shaw Bailey and Becky Mayo, CGA, uni, pno, fl, perc (E)

"Giver of Life," Richard E. McKee, Cosmic Possum Music, uni, pno, fl (M)

"Guide Us, Lord," Mark Patterson, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno, viola (M)

"Hear Our Prayer," *Hear Our Prayer: A Trilogy for Lent and Holy Week*, Mark Patterson, CGA, uni, pno (E)

"Hine Ma Tov," Neil Ginsberg, SBMP, 2 pt, pno, fl (A)

"I Will Praise Forever," G. F. Handel, arr. Stephen Andrews, Triune, uni or 2 pt, pno, fl (E\*M)



- “I Will Sing,” Robert Townsend, HAL, 2 pt, pno, double bass (A)  
 “I’m a Disciple, Too!,” Jayne Southwick Cool, AF, uni or 2 pt, pno (E)  
 “Jesus, My Lord and God,” John Ferguson, AF, uni, org (E)  
 “Joshua Fit the Battle,” Pat Willet, HMP, 2 pt, pno (A)  
 “Let All the Peoples Praise You, O God,” Michael Bedford, CGA, 2 pt, pno, fl (A)  
 “Little Things,” Mark Burrows, CGA, uni, pno (E)  
 “Love God with Your Heart,” *Canons, Songs, and Rounds*, Helen Kemp, CGA, uni (E)  
 “Majestic Your Name, O God,” *Two Psalm Settings*, David Cherwien, CGA, uni, pno, tpt (ME)  
 “O Lord, You Know Me Completely,” Hal Hopson, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (ME)  
 “Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above,” Jody Lindh, CGA, uni, pno, Orff perc, hb, tamb, double bass (E)  
 “Psalm 17,” Jane Marshall, CGA, uni, pno (E)  
 “Psalm 100,” Kenney Potter, CGA, 2 pt, pno (MA)  
 “Rejoice in the Lord,” Jane Lindner, CGA, uni, pno, fc (E)  
 “Teach Me Your Way,” Timothy Shaw, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno, C inst (E\*ME)  
 “The Heavens Declare,” James Brighton, CGA, uni, pno (ME)  
 “The Mustard Seed,” Anna Laura Page, CGA, uni, pno, fl (M)  
 “When We All Live as One,” *Again I Say, Rejoice!*, Mark Burrows, CGA, uni, pno (E)  
 “Witness,” Mark Patterson, CGA, 2 pt, pno (MA)  
 “Wren’s Song,” Anna Laura Page, CGA, uni, pno, fl (E)  
 “Your Servant I Will Be,” Mark Patterson, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (M)

#### Reformation Day

- “God Is Our Refuge and Strength,” Allen Pote, HOPE, SATB (sing unison or 2 pt), pno, tpt (ME)

#### All Saints’ Day

- “Ain’-a That Good News?,” arr. Mark Patterson, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (ME\*M)  
 “Children of Light,” Valerie Ann Webdell, HIN, 2 pt, pno (A)  
 “Pie Jesu,” Requiem, Gabriel Fauré, arr. Doreen Rao, BH, uni, pno (A)  
 “Pie Jesu,” Tom Shelton, HIN, uni, pno, ob (M)

#### Thanksgiving Day

- “All Good Gifts,” Nancy Raabe, CGA, uni or 2 pt, pno (E)  
 “Batid las Manos!,” Mark Burrows, CGA, 2 pt, pno, perc (MA)  
 “Canon of Thanks,” Donald Moore, ALF, uni or 2 pt, pno (E\*MA)  
 “Lord, We Give Thanks,” Mark Patterson, AF, uni, pno (E)

## Anthems for Youth Choirs for the Time after Pentecost

### Trinity Sunday

“Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me,” K. Lee Scott, AF, 2 pt mx, org (E)

“In Praise of the Trinity,” John Carter, MSM, SAB, pno, fl (ME)

### Sundays after Pentecost

“A Prayer for Humility,” Mark Patterson, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno, fl (ME)

“Now Thank We All Our God,” arr. Michael Rosewall, AF, 2 pt mx, pno (E)

“Psalm 139,” Allen Pote, CGA, 2 pt mx or SATB, pno (E)

“The Lord Is My Shepherd,” Allen Pote, CGA, 2 pt mx or SATB, pno (E)

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” arr. Victor Johnson, CGA, SATB, pno (ME)

“Steal Away,” arr. Earlene Rentz, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (ME)

“Offertory,” John Ness Beck, BP, SATB, pno (A)

“The Lord Is Beautiful,” Michael Burkhardt, MSM, SATB, perc (ME)

“The Greatest Is Love,” Allen Pote, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (ME)

“Bonse Aba,” arr. Andrew Fischer, AMP, SATB, perc (ME)

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ,” arr. Bradley Ellingboe, KJO, SATB, org, fl (M)

“Hine Ma Tov,” arr. Neil Ginsberg, SBMP, SATB, pno, fl (M)

“Sizohamba Naye,” Terry D. Taylor, CGA, uni, pno, perc (E)

### Reformation Day

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” arr. Mark Patterson, CGA, 3 pt mx, pno (M)

### All Saints' Day

“Follow Me to Jordan,” Jay Althouse, ALF, SATB, pno (MA)

“I Wanna Be Ready,” Rosephanye Powell, Gentry, SATB, pno (ME)

### Christ the King / Reign of Christ

“With Songs of Rejoicing,” J. S. Bach, arr. Hal Hopson, CF, 2 pt mx, pno (ME)

## Piano Music for the Time after Pentecost

### Trinity Sunday

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!,” NICAIA, *I Love to Tell the Story: Hymn Settings for Solo Piano*, Marianne Kim, HOPE (M)

“Two Dances,” ST. PATRICK, DIERDRE, *The Quiet Heart: Piano Music for Comfort and Healing*, Thomas Keesecker, MSM (ME)

### Sundays after Pentecost

“Morning Has Broken,” BUNESSAN, *Celtic Jazz: Hymn Settings*, John Turner, AF (M)

“Variations on *Dona nobis pacem*,” DONA NOBIS PACEM, David Evan Thomas, ECS (A)

“Water,” O WALY WALY, *Colours: Music for Solo Piano*, Chris de Silva, GIA (M)

All Saints' Day

- "Jerusalem, My Happy Home," LAND OF REST, *Transformations: Ten Piano Solos Based on Timeless Hymn Tunes*, Howard Helvey, BP (M)  
 "Thy Holy Wings," BRED DINA VIDA VINGAR, *Piano Reflections on Hymns of Healing*, Anne Krentz Organ, AF (M)

Thanksgiving Day

- "For the Beauty of the Earth," DIX, *All Things New: Distinctive Piano Literature on Beloved Hymnody and Song*, Wayne Oquin, CON (A)  
 "Let All Things Now Living," THE ASH GROVE, *Seasons of Grace*, Volume 7, Paul A. Tate, GIA (M)

Christ the King / Reign of Christ

- "Crown Him with Many Crowns," DIADEMATA, *60 Easy Hymn Settings for Piano*, Joel Raney, HOPE (E)  
 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," ST. COLUMBA, *Illuminations: Nine Hymn Settings Arranged for Piano Solo*, Dan Forrest, BP (MA)

**Vocal Solos for the Time after Pentecost**

- "The Heart Worships," *Sacred Solos for All Ages*, Gustav Holst, HAL (M)  
 "Like Him We Rise," . . . *Still All My Song Shall Be, A Collection of Heartsongs*, Tom Trenney, MSM, medium high (ME)  
 "Fix Me, Jesus," arr. Hall Johnson, multiple editions (E)  
 "I Will Sing of Thy Great Mercy," *St. Paul*, Felix Mendelssohn, multiple editions (ME)  
 "Arise, My Love and Come Away," *Seven Psalms and Spiritual Songs for Solo Voice*, Mark Hayes, ALF (MA)  
 "My Master Hath a Garden," *Eight Songs*, Richard Hundley, BH (ME)  
 "How I Love Your Word," *Seven Psalms and Spiritual Songs for Solo Voice*, Mark Hayes, ALF (M)  
 "O Healing River," *To God Will I Sing: Vocal Solos for the Church Year*, arr. David Cherwien, AF (E)  
 "Let Us Break Bread Together," *The Deep River Collection: Ten Spirituals Arranged for Solo Voices and Piano*, arr. Moses Hogan, HAL (M)  
 "Thou Shalt Bring Them In," *Israel in Egypt*, G. F. Handel, multiple editions, low (MA)  
 "For Everyone Born," . . . *Still All My Song Shall Be, A Collection of Heartsongs*, Tom Trenney, MSM (ME)  
 "Taste and See," TASTE AND SEE, GTG 520, James Moore Jr. (ME)





*Spirit Of God, Descend Upon My Heart*  
Mixed Media on Board  
Jennifer Bunge

June 4, 2023

Trinity Sunday  
Color: White

## Lectionary Readings

Genesis 1:1–2:4a      The Word and Spirit of God are present at the dawn of creation.  
 Psalm 8              O Lord our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
 2 Corinthians 13:11–13      A letter concludes with a blessing in the name of the triune God.  
 Matthew 28:16–20      Jesus' Great Commission: Go, make disciples, baptize, and teach.

## Opening Sentences

We gather to worship the God of all creation  
**who crafted the seas and mountains,  
 and yet cares for each of us.**  
 We gather to worship the God of all mystery  
**who rejoices in our being,  
 and invites us to join the cosmic dance!**

## Call to Confession

We are created in God's image,  
 and we are called good,  
 but too often our actions distort that image  
 and fail to reflect goodness in this world.  
 Let us return to who we were made to be as we  
 confess.

## Prayer of Confession

**Majestic God,  
 You have called us to live in peace,  
 but we turn to conflict and hatred.  
 You yearn for us to work together,  
 but we keep finding reasons to dismiss  
 each other.  
 Forgive us and show us a better way  
 to be your people, your body,  
 your church.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God knows who we were made to be  
 and has been waiting to help restore us  
 to ourselves, to each other, to community.  
**Thanks be to God! We are forgiven.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! (E) NICAEA  
 GTG 1, PH 138  
 The Play of the Godhead (O) PERICHORESIS GTG 9  
 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (G) HYFRYDOL GTG 260,  
 PH 144  
 God, the LORD in Love and Might / Siōng-tè  
 chhònno-chō thi<sup>n</sup> kap tōe (O) TAMSUI STB 175

### WORD

O Word of God Incarnate (G) MUNICH GTG 459,  
 PH 327  
 Crashing Waters at Creation (OG) CRASHING WATERS  
 GTG 476  
 We All Are One in Mission (E) ES FLOG EIN KLEINS  
 WALDVÖGELEIN GTG 733, PH 435  
 O Holy Spirit, Come Dwell in Our Souls (O) BREAD  
 OF LIFE IHLC 107

### EUCCHARIST

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works (Things)  
 (E) LACQUIPARLE GTG 21, PH 271  
 Out of Deep, Unordered Water (O) RUSTINGTON  
 GTG 484, PH 494  
 We Know That Christ Is Raised (EG) ENGELBERG  
 GTG 485, PH 495  
 Creator God, Your Home Is Heaven (O) WAYFARING  
 STRANGER, *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton,  
 GIA



**SENDING**

We Shall Overcome (E) WE SHALL OVERCOME GTG 379

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (OEG)

CHILDREN PRAYING GTG 469

We Will Go Out with Joy (OEG) WE WILL GO OUT

WITH JOY GTG 539

Built on a Rock (OG) KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMELT

HUS WAS 3147

**Psalms and Canticles****Psalm 8****Metrical**

O Lord, Our God, How Excellent [WINCHESTER OLD];  
GTG 25, PH 162

Lord, Our Lord, Your Glorious Name [GOTT SEI  
DANK, EVENING PRAISE]; PAS 8A, B, LUYH 500,  
501, PH 163

O Lord, Our Lord, throughout the Earth [TRAMPS  
AND HAWKERS, ELLACOMBE]; PAS 8D, KU 122

O Lord, Our Lord, Your Majesty [8.6.8.8.6]; PCW 8  
Los cielos cuentan la gloria de Dios / The Heavens  
Tell of Your Creative Glory; SSS 11

Salmo 8 [LACQUIPARLE]; SSS 5–6

**Responsorial**

O Lord, Our Lord, How Majestic Is Your Name;  
PAS 8E

O Lord, Our Lord, Your Name Is Glorious; PSA 5

**Organ Music**

Allegro, from Trio Sonata no. 1 in E Flat Major,  
BWV 525, J. S. Bach, public domain (A)

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say,” KINGSFOLD,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Summer*, Robert J.  
Powell, AF (ME)

“Allegro Energico,” Christian Cappelen, arr. Mark  
Williams, from *Pedals and Pipes for Postludes  
and Praise*, LOR (E)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“O Lord, How Excellent Thy Name,” Benedetto  
Marcello, arr. Miriam Chase, SHAW, SATB (ME)

“The Canticle of the Sun,” Marty Haugen, GIA,  
SATB, keybd, fl (ME)

“The Lord Sends Us Forth,” arr. Michael Burkhardt,  
MSM, SATB, pno (E)

“Psalm 8,” Dan Forrest, HAL, SSA, pno, vln, perc (M)

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” arr. Mack  
Wilberg, OUP, SATB, org (MA)

“Holy, Holy, Holy,” arr. Dan Forrest, SFP, SATB, org,  
opt brass quin, timp, cong (MA)

“Our Song Shall Rise to Thee,” Becki Slagle Mayo,  
CGA, SATB, children’s choir, keybd, opt tpt (M)

Concertato on “Thine Is the Glory,” Handel, arr.  
Hopson, JM, SAB, org, cong, opt brass qrt, hb,  
timp (M)

**Handbell Music**

“Holy, Holy, Holy,” Kevin McChesney, 3–6 oct,  
CON, 977435, Level 2

“Blessed Trinity,” Ron Mallory, 3–5 oct, JHS, 9544,  
Level 3

“Abbot’s Leigh,” Lee J. Afdahl, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2103,  
Level 2+

**Art**

*Starry Night*, Vincent van Gogh, 1889 (VDL)

*The Mission to the World*, JESUS MAFA, Cameroon,  
1973 (VDL)

*God’s Authority—In the Beginning*, Seth Drum,  
21st century (VDL)

*Orbs Dancing*, James Fissel (EYE)

June 11, 2023

Second Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 5

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 12:1–9

The Lord will bless Abram and Sarai and make them a blessing.

Psalm 33:1–12

Rejoice in the Lord; happy are those who are chosen as God's own.

### Complementary

Hosea 5:15–6:6

On the third day God will raise us up; God desires steadfast love.

Psalm 50:7–15

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving; call on God in trouble.

Romans 4:13–25

The example of Abraham; righteousness comes from faith.

Matthew 9:9–13, 18–26

Jesus calls sinners; he heals a woman and raises a dead girl to life.

## Opening Sentences

We say we come to worship to be with God,  
but the beautiful truth is:  
God is already with us.  
God is always with us.  
So in this time together,  
let us lift our voices in praise  
of this loving, ever-present God!

## Call to Confession

Christ came for us in the midst of our sins.  
Knowing that Jesus meets us where we are,  
let us offer our prayers of confession.

## Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,  
we acknowledge our guilt,  
and seek your face and your forgiveness.  
For we have not offered steadfast love  
to you or each other.  
We have not moved forward in faith,  
but have allowed ourselves to be stifled by fear.  
Revive us, raise us up, that we might live  
before you,  
rejoicing in the knowledge of your love.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

People of God,  
hear and believe the good news:  
Christ came to bring healing, forgiveness,  
and new life  
to all who sin and suffer.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

The Steadfast Love of the Lord (OE) THE STEADFAST  
LOVE OF THE LORD GTG 59

Sing a New Song unto the Lord (G) SING A NEW  
SONG GTG 276

Morning Has Broken (OG) BUNESSAN GTG 664,  
PH 469

Lord, You Are Welcome (OE) Warren Jones  
AAHH 626

### WORD

God's Word Is Upright / La palabra del Señor (OE)  
NELSON GTG 40

The Risen Christ (G) WOODLANDS GTG 257

Jesus Calls Us (G) GALILEE GTG 720

You Are the Christ, O Lord (G) WYNGATE CANON  
EH 254

## EUCCHARIST

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (OG) QUEBEC,  
 JESU DULCIS MEMORIA GTG 494, PH 510, 511  
 I Am the Bread of Life (O) I AM THE BREAD GTG 522  
 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! (OE) ASSURANCE  
 GTG 839  
 As Rain from the Clouds (E) AFTON WATER ELW 508

## SENDING

For the Fruit of All Creation (OE) AR HYD Y NOS  
 GTG 36, PH 553  
 To Abraham and Sarah (OE) LLANFYLLIN GTG 51  
 Faith Begins by Letting Go (OE) LUX PRIMA GTG 684  
 May You Run and Not Be Weary (OG) PRINCE OF  
 PEACE STF 2281

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 33:1–12

#### Metrical

God's Word Is Upright / La palabra del Señor  
 [NELSON]; GTG 40, SSS 4  
 Rejoice, You Righteous, in the Lord [ELLACOMBE  
 8.6.8.6 D]; PAS 33B  
 The Lord God from His Throne on High [GENEVAN  
 68 | 8.8.6.8.8.6 D]; PAS 33C

### Responsorial

Psalm 33 [Proulx]; PH 185 (refrain only)  
 Psalm 33 (1–22); PSA 30  
 Psalm 33 [Hopson]; PP 64  
 Psalm 33 [Marchionda]; PAS 33A

### Psalm 50:7–15

#### Metrical

The Mighty God with Power Speaks [KINGSFOLD,  
 STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN]; GTG 13, PAS 50A,  
 LUYH 9  
 Let the Giving of Thanks Be Our Sacrifice  
 [GREYFRIARS]; PAS 50C, LUYH 379

### Responsorial

Psalm 50:1–15, 22–23 [Hobby]; PAS 50B  
 Psalm 50:1–15, 22–23 [Hopson]; PSA 46  
 Psalm 50 [Marshall]; UMH 783  
 Psalm 50 [Hopson, LEONI]; PP 98

## Organ Music

“Blessed Assurance,” ASSURANCE, *Augsburg Organ  
 Library: Summer*, J. Bert Carlson, AF (ME)  
 “Chromhorne sur la Taille,” *Mass for the Convents*,  
 Francois Couperin, KAL (E)  
 Fughetta in D, *Twelve Fughettas*, Joseph  
 Rheinberger, KAL (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choir

“We Rejoice to Be God's Chosen,” John Bell, GIA,  
 SATB (E)  
 “God Be Merciful unto Us and Bless Us,” Philip W.  
 J. Stopford, MSM, SATB, org (M)  
 “Blessing,” Katie Moran Bart, KJO, uni or SATB,  
 pno (E)  
 “Blessed, How Blessed,” David Cherwien, MSM, 2  
 pt mx, org (ME)  
 “And the Father Will Dance,” Mark Hayes, HIN,  
 SATB, pno (MA)  
 “Set Me as a Seal,” Rene Clausen, SHAW, SATB (MA)  
 “Sicut Cervus,” G. P. Palestrina, CPDL, SATB (MA)

## Handbell Music

“Ring to the Lord a New Song,” Cathy Moglebust,  
 2–3 oct or 4–6 oct, CGA, CGB959 or CGB960,  
 Level 4-  
 “Glad Hearts, Rejoice!” Michael Mazzatenta, 3–5  
 oct, opt 3 oct hc, AGEHR, AG35379, Level 2+  
 “Morning Has Broken,” Anna Laura Page, 3–5 oct,  
 JHS, 9190, Level 3

## Art

*Sarah and Abraham Offer Hospitality to the  
 Visitors*, mosaic, c. 526, Ravenna, Italy (VDL)  
*Saint Matthew*, mural, Ann Arbor, MI (VDL)  
*For God's Steadfast Love Endures Forever*,  
 Jan Richardson (JR)

June 18, 2023

Third Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 6

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 18:1–15 (21:1–7)

Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19

Three visitors promise Abraham and Sarah they will have a son.

What shall I return to the Lord? I will lift the cup of salvation.

### Complementary

Exodus 19:2–8a

Psalm 100

Romans 5:1–8

Matthew 9:35–10:8 (9–23)

The Lord says: Keep my covenant and you will be my holy people.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord; we are the sheep of God's pasture.

We are justified by faith; while we were sinners Christ died for us.

The harvest is plentiful; Jesus instructs and sends the twelve apostles.

## Opening Sentences

We come together in the sure knowledge:

**God does not pass us by.**

We gather to worship knowing this truth:

**God fulfills promises.**

Even when we cannot muster belief:

**God is faithful to us.**

## Call to Confession

God hears our voices and our supplications.

We can call on God in all our joys, doubts, successes, and failures.

Knowing that God will listen,

let us confess.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of our salvation,**

**incline your ear to us.**

**You have given us power:**

**power to heal, to bring hope,**

**to comfort, to restore.**

**But we ignore that power,**

**choosing to live our own lives.**

**At worst, we abuse that power,**

**storing up riches for ourselves**

**without an eye for the needs of others.**

**Forgive us. Remind us of our call**

**to proclaim your good news,**

**and to welcome each other**

**as we would welcome you.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

The ancient words still bring truth today:

**While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

Praise be to God for this abounding love!

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout (OE) STAR  
OF THE COUNTY DOWN GTG 100

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come (G) ST. GEORGE'S  
WINDSOR GTG 367, PH 551

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought (G)  
FOREST GREEN GTG 712, PH 414

God of Grace and God of Laughter (OE) NEW  
PROVIDENCE *Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

### WORD

You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord (O) ON  
EAGLE'S WINGS GTG 43

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (G)  
GERMANY GTG 343, PH 408

Holy Spirit, Come to Us / Veni Sancte Spiritus (E)  
VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS GTG 281

I Love You, Lord (O) I LOVE YOU, LORD GTG 627

## EUCCHARIST

Light Dawns on a Weary World (OG) TEMPLE OF PEACE GTG 79  
 You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (G) PICARDY GTG 274  
 Hope of the World (G) DONNE SECOURS (G) GTG 734, PH 360  
 All Sisters, All Brothers, All of the Earth / *Thamilz*: Buumiyin maandheriir kuudivaariir (OG) BUUMIYIN MAANDHERIIR STB 84

## SENDING

You Shall Go Out with Joy (O) THE TREES OF THE FIELD GTG 80  
 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord (E) REPTON GTG 432, PH 419  
 Go, My Children, with My Blessing (G) AR HYD Y NOS GTG 547  
 Broken World, Broken Dreams (OE) HEAVEN IS AT HAND *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19

#### Metrical

I Love the Lord, Who (He) Heard My Cry [I LOVE THE LORD (Smallwood)]; GTG 799, PH 362, PAS 116C, LUYH 439, SSS 343  
 What Shall I Render to the Lord [MARTYRDOM, ROCKINGHAM, MORNING SONG/CONSOLATION]; GTG 655, PH 228, PAS 116B, LUYH 871, PP 218 (with refrain)  
 I Love You, Lord [GENEVAN 116]; PAS 116A, LUYH 735  
 We Love You Lord [CMD]; SGP 170  
 I Love the Lord Because He Heard [DETROIT, NEW FENWICK]; KU 70, TTSF 70

## Responsorial

I Love the Lord, Who (He) Heard My Cry [I LOVE THE LORD (Smallwood)]; PAS 116D; LUYH 152; SSS 343–344; 160–161  
 I Will Walk in the Presence of God [SCOTLAND]; PAS 116E (through-composed vv.), 116D (alt. refrain with pointed vv.)  
 I Will Walk in the Presence of the Lord [MIDDLEBURY]; HTP2 10  
 I Love the Lord; He Is Filled with Compassion [I LOVE THE LORD (Aquino)]; LUYH 819  
 I Will Call Upon the Name of the Lord [LET US BREAK BREAD]; HTP1 116  
 I Will Take Up the Cup of Salvation; SP 50

## Psalm 100

#### Metrical

All People That on Earth Do Dwell [OLD HUNDREDTH, NEW DOXOLOGY]; GTG 385, PH 220, PAS 100A, 100B, LUYH 1, SSS 416  
 Let Every Voice on Earth Resound [GENEVAN 100]; PAS 100C  
 With Shouts of Joy Come Praise the Lord (Ae sab Zamiinde loko) [KHUSHI RAHO]; PAS 100D  
 Let Every Nation on the Earth [TALLIS CANON]; KU 96  
 Cantad alegres al Señor / Unto the Lord Sing Joyful Songs [DUKE STREET]; SSS 437

## Responsorial

Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord; PAS 100F, PSA 101  
 All the Earth, Proclaim the Lord; PAS 100H  
 Enter God's Gates with Thanks and Praise; PSA 97  
 Arise, Come to Your God (Gelineau); PSA 98  
 We Are God's People; PSA 99  
 We Are His People; PFTS2 40

## Organ Music

“A Quiet Spirit,” *Summer Solstice Settings for Organ*, Roberta Rowland-Raybold, AF (E)  
 “Light Dawns on a Weary World,” TEMPLE OF PEACE, Michael Burkhardt, AF (ME)  
 “Canticle of the Turning,” STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN, *Augsburg Organ Library: Advent Series II*, Barbara Harbach, AF (MA)



## Anthems for Adult Choir

- “Praise Ye, the Lord the Almighty,” arr. Hugo Distler, Arista, SATB (A)
- “The Greatest Gift Is Love,” Mark Hayes, BP, SATB, pno (M)
- “Not One Sparrow Is Forgotten,” arr. William Hawley, CV, SATB (MA)
- “What Shall I Offer to the Lord,” K. Lee Scott, CON, SATB, pno (M)
- “Jubilate Deo,” Peter Anglea, HIN, SATB, pno (MA)
- “Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree,” Elizabeth Poston, HAL, SATB (M)
- “Wondrous Love,” Eric Nelson, MSM, SATB div, pno (MA)
- “Once to Every Man and Nation,” David Stanley York, TPR, SATB, org (M)

## Handbell Music

- “On Eagle’s Wings,” Michael Helman, 3–6 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, opt fl, GIA, G-6840, Level 3
- “Make a Joyful Noise,” Kevin McChesney, 3–5 oct, JHS, 9514, Level 2-
- “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing,” John Behnke, 3–5 oct, CON, 977031, Level 2

## Art

- Abraham Receiving the Three Angels*, Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, 1667 (VDL)
- Harvest in Provence*, Vincent van Gogh, 1888 (VDL)
- Mount Horeb, Sinai*, Francis Frith, photograph, 1858 (VDL)



*O Thou Who Camest from Above*  
Mixed Media on Wood  
Jennifer Bunge

June 25, 2023

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 7  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 21:8–21 Hagar and Ishmael are sent away, but God remains with them.  
Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17 Be gracious to me, O God; save the child of your servant.

### Complementary

Jeremiah 20:7–13 Jeremiah laments the terror all around, but must speak God's word.  
Psalm 69:7–10 Zeal for your house consumes me; save me from my enemies.  
(11–15), 16–18  
Romans 6:1b–11 Crucified with Jesus, we are dead to sin and alive to God in Christ.  
Matthew 10:24–39 Jesus says: Do not fear for your life; take up your cross and follow.

## Opening Sentences

Do not be afraid:

**God hears our cries when we are lost.**

Do not be afraid:

**God does not leave us abandoned.**

Do not be afraid:

**God is with us, now and always.**

## Call to Confession

We have died to sin; yet we continue to live in it.  
God's grace abounds so we might move past  
our sins.

Trusting that promise, let us confess.

## Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,**

**we try to follow your word:**

**to put others above ourselves,**

**to remember that we are all bound together  
as your beloved children,**

**to seek the common good instead of our own  
interests.**

**But it is so easy for our lesser selves to get  
the better of us.**

**We succumb to jealousy, vindictiveness,  
callousness, and indifference.**

**In your mercy, send your healing**

**to those we have hurt,**

**and to our own misguided souls**

**so that we may follow you once more.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

We are united in Christ's life, death, and  
resurrection:

he has saved us from sin so that we might live  
in God.

**Thanks be to Jesus Christ, who frees us  
from sin!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Deep in the Shadows of the Past (O) SHEPHERDS'  
PIPES GTG 50, PH 330

Come and Fill Our Hearts / Confitemini Domino  
(O) CONFITEMINI DOMINO GTG 466

Baptized in Water (E) BUNESSAN GTG 482, PH 492  
Christ Our Peace (G) PANATA STB 261

### WORD

Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart (G) LOE DE ÍSÁ  
GTG 427

You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy (O) WAYFARING  
STRANGER GTG 437

Lord, Why Have You Forsaken Me (OG) DISTRESS,  
CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM GTG 210, PH 168

Like a Child (OG) LIKE A CHILD STF 2092

## EUCCHARIST

Save Me, O God; I Sink in Floods (OG) SALVATION  
GTG 478

Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior, Thee (OE)  
ADORO TE DEVOTE GTG 495, PH 519

We Who Once Were Dead (OE) MIDDEN IN DE  
DOOD GTG 502

Joyous Cup (G) Tony Alonso G3 929

## SENDING

Do Not Be Afraid (OG) ISAIAH 43 GTG 76

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me (OG)  
GREEN TYLER GTG 543

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said (G) BOURBON  
GTG 718, PH 393

I Am Crucified with Christ (G) Donna Guenther  
CCLI #4048857

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17

#### Metrical

Incline Your Ear, O Lord, to Me [DANBY, PROSPECT];  
GTG 844, PP 158 (with refrain)

Lord, My Petition Heed [MASON]; PAS 86A, LUYH 889

#### Responsorial

For Love Is Lord of All; CP2 5

Be with Me, Lord, When I Am in Trouble; PAS 86B

You, O Lord, Are Good and Forgiving [ROUEN];  
HTP2 12

### Psalm 69:7–10 (11–15), 16–18

#### Metrical

Save Me, O God; I Sink in Floods [SALVATION];  
GTG 478, PAS 69A

Let My Shame Not Touch Your People [8.7.8.7 D];  
SGP 99

#### Responsorial

Answer Me, O God, in Your Great Mercy [TENDER  
THOUGHT]; HTP2 13

If You Love Me; PAS 69B, LUYH 418

Lord, Draw Near; PAS 69C

## Organ Music

“Triptych on ‘Adoro te devote,’” Charles Callahan,  
MSM (M)

“Prelude,” *Prelude, Fugue and Variation*, op. 18,  
no. 3, Cesar Franck (M)

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah,” *Three Global Songs*,  
John A. Behnke, HOPE (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“God’s Love Is Alive in Us,” Mark Patterson, CGA,  
SATB, children’s choir, pno (M)

“Come, Ye Disconsolate,” Terre Johnson, MSM,  
SATB, pno (MA)

“Out of the Depths I Cry,” G. F. Handel, arr. Hal  
Hopson, HF, 2 pt mx, keybd (E)

“Pilgrim’s Hymn,” Stephen Paulus, Paulus  
Publications, SATB div (A)

“The Apple Tree,” K. Lee Scott, HIN, SATB, org (E)

“The Name of Jesus,” Craig Courtney, BP, SATB,  
hd (M)

“God So Loved the World,” John Stainer, ECS,  
SATB (MA)

“Do Not Fear,” Fred Gramann, ECS, SATB (M)

## Handbell Music

“Kyrie,” Cathy Moglebust, 2–5 oct, CGA, CGB480,  
Level 3

“Adoro te devote,” William E. Moats, 3–5 oct, GIA,  
G-8366, Level 2+

“Will You Come and Follow Me,” Susan T. Nelson,  
3–5 oct, opt C inst, AGEHR, AG35289, Level 3

## Art

*Hagar and Ishmael*, from the Macklin Bible, W.

Artaud and William Bromley, 1794 (VDL)

*Carrying the Cross of Christ*, Gabriel Loire, mosaic,  
Aberdeen, UK (VDL)

*Undaunted*, Carol Aust (EYE)

**July 2, 2023**

**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 8**

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 22:1–14

Psalm 13

Obeying God, Abraham prepares to sacrifice his son Isaac.

How long, O Lord? Still I trust in your steadfast love.

### Complementary

Jeremiah 28:5–9

Psalm 89:1–4, 15–18

Romans 6:12–23

Matthew 10:40–42

Jeremiah speaks to Hananiah about the promises of prophets.

I sing of God's steadfast love, God's covenant with David.

The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is life in Christ.

Jesus sends disciples: "whoever welcomes you welcomes me."

## Opening Sentences

God has welcomed us without reservation,  
so let us welcome all in God's name!

**Peace be with you.**

**God's peace be among us,  
around us,  
and within us.**

## Call to Confession

As we try to grow toward righteousness,  
we present ourselves to God in a spirit of honesty,  
naming where we still obey sin and death  
instead of goodness and life.

## Prayer of Confession

**God who provides our every need,  
you have given us countless gifts.  
You have welcomed us for all of who we are.  
You have showered us with steadfast love.  
You have freely given us eternal life in  
Christ Jesus.**

**We do not deserve these gifts.  
We take them and squander them.  
We continue to trust ourselves  
more than we trust you.  
We fail to embrace others as you have  
embraced us.**

**Accept our confession.**

**Be our glory and our strength for the days  
to come,  
our strength, shield, and deliverer.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Part of God's provision for all of us  
is a well of forgiveness that never runs dry.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand (O)

NATIONAL HYMN GTG 331, PH 262

We Lift Our Voices (O) OFFERING GTG 710

God Is Here! (G) ABBOT'S LEIGH GTG 409, PH 461

Welcome into This Place (G) Orlando Juarez

AAHH 114

### WORD

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works (Things)

(E) LACQUIPARLE GTG 21, PH 271

Our Help Is in the Name of God (G) OLD 124TH

GTG 330

How Long, O God, Will My Prayers Be in Vain?

(O) LAND OF MERCY GTG 779

O Sorrow Deep! (O) O TRAUIGKEIT EH 173



## EUCCHARIST

Rain Down (OEG) RAIN DOWN GTG 48  
 Our God Is an Awesome God (G) AWESOME GOD  
 GTG 616  
 Fill My Cup (E) FILL MY CUP GTG 699, PH 350  
 I Surrender All (E) SURRENDER AAHH 396

## SENDING

May the Love of the Lord (G) SOON TI GTG 549  
 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (G) ST. ANNE  
 GTG 687, PH 210  
 O Jesus, I Have Promised (E) ANGEL'S STORY, NYLAND  
 GTG 724, 725, PH 388, 389  
 Take My Life (E) HENDON GTG 697, PH 391  
 Que mi vida entera esté / Take My Life and Let It  
 Be (E) TOMA MI VOLUNTAD SSS 628

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 13

#### Metrical

How Long, O Lord [HOW LONG, O LORD]; GTG 777,  
 PAS 13D  
 How Long Will You Forget Me, Lord [MARTYRDOM];  
 PAS 13B, LUYH 410  
 How Long, O God, Will You Forget [DETROIT];  
 PLP1 13  
 How Long, O Lord [Doerksen]; PAS 13C

### Responsorial

Lord, I Put My Trust in Your Mercy; PSA 7  
 O Lord, Hear My Prayer; PAS 13E  
 Señor, ten piedad / O Lord, Hear My Prayer;  
 SSS 517–518  
 Bring Joy to My Heart, O My God; LOML 18  
 Give Light to My Eyes [ABERYSTWYTH]; HTP2 14

### Psalm 89:1–4, 15–18

#### Metrical

My Song Forever Shall Record [PUER NOBIS  
 NASCITUR, ST. PETERSBURG, WINCHESTER NEW, SUSSEX  
 CAROL]; GTG 67, PH 209, PAS 89E, LUYH 280,  
 PP 162  
 Your Steadfast Love, O Lord [11.10.11.10]; SGP 125  
 Forever We Will Sing [GENEVAN 89]; PAS 89D

## Responsorial

Lord, I Will Sing Your Love Forever; PSA 81  
 Your Love, O Lord, Forever I Will Sing; HTP2 15  
 Forever I Will Sing the Goodness of the Lord;  
 PAS 89B

## Organ Music

“In God My Faithful God,” BWV 646, J. S. Bach,  
 public domain (ME)  
 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus,” *Augsburg Organ  
 Library: Summer*, Robert A. Hobby, AF (E)  
 “Fugue in D,” *Twelve Pieces*, Theodore Dubois,  
 KAL (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“The Gift of Love,” Hal Hopson, HOPE, uni, pno (E)  
 “I Will Lift Mine Eyes,” Jake Runestad, BH, SATB (A)  
 “The Prayer of St. Patrick,” William Schoenfield,  
 CGA, uni, pno (E)  
 “The Greatest Gift Is Love,” Mark Hayes, BP,  
 SATB (M)  
 “My Eternal King,” Jane Marshall, CF, SATB,  
 org (MA)  
 “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation,” arr. David  
 Cherwien, MSM, SATB, org, tpt (M)  
 “If Ye Love Me,” Philip Wilby, Banks Music  
 Publications, SATB (ME)  
 “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee,” Benjamin  
 Harlan, HIN, SATB, pno (ME)

## Handbell Music

“The God of Abraham Praise,” Linda R. Lamb, 3–5  
 oct, opt 3 oct hc, AGEHR, AG35252, Level 3  
 “O Jesus, I Have Promised,” Brenda E. Austin, 3–5  
 oct, RW, RW8268, Level 2+  
 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past,” Cynthia  
 Dobrinski, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2117, Level 3

## Art

*Abraham and Isaac*, John August Swanson (EYE)  
*Sacrifice of Isaac*, manuscript illumination,  
 Armenian, 1455 (VDL)  
*Jesus Welcomes All*, unidentified Sudanese artist  
 (VDL)  
*The Welcome Table*, Jan Richardson (JR)

July 9, 2023

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 9  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 24:34–38,  
42–49, 58–67

Psalm 45:10–17  
or Song of Solomon  
2:8–13

Isaac finds a wife, Rebekah, in the homeland of his father.

A royal love song; come with joy to the palace of the king.  
One lover calls to another: Arise, my love, and come away.

### Complementary

Zechariah 9:9–12  
Psalm 145:8–14  
Romans 7:15–25a  
Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

Rejoice, O people; the humble king is coming to set you free.  
The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, full of love.  
Paul confesses his inner conflict with sin; only God can save.  
Jesus says: Come to me; my yoke is easy, my burden is light.

## Opening Sentences

Jesus says, “Come to me,  
all you that are weary,  
and I will give you rest.”

**All of us know what it is like to be weary.**

**All of us carry heavy burdens.**

Let us accept Christ’s invitation.

**We long to rest in God.**

## Call to Confession

God is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
Knowing that God is compassionate to all,  
let us confess our sins.

## Prayer of Confession

**Faithful One,**

**Despite our best efforts,**

**we have not lived up to what we can do  
or who we can be.**

**Even when our intentions are good,  
our actions cause harm.**

**Even when we want to follow you more closely,  
we end up turning away.**

**We are at war with ourselves,  
and only you can bring peace.**

**Still our souls, order our steps,  
guide our feet back to your way.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up those who are bowed down.

**Jesus Christ rescues us from sin and death;  
thanks be to God through Jesus Christ  
our Lord!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Come, Christians, Join to Sing (O) MADRID GTG 267,  
PH 150

Jesus, Lover of My Soul (O) ABERYSTWYTH GTG 440,  
PH 303

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (E) NETTLETON  
GTG 475, PH 356

O Come, All You People / Aso, aso, aso ngane (G)  
Papua New Guinea STB 4

### WORD

Softy and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (G) SOFTLY AND  
TENDERLY GTG 418

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord (EG) REPTON  
GTG 432, PH 419

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (G) DETROIT  
GTG 444, PH 347

Rejoice in God (O) MT. GRETNA *Rejoice in God*,  
K. Lee Scott, MSM

**EUCCHARIST**

God the Sculptor of the Mountains (G) JENNINGS-HOUSTON GTG 5  
 Before I Take the Body of My Lord (E) LAYING DOWN GTG 428  
 Take, O Take Me as I Am (OG) TAKE ME AS I AM GTG 698  
 O Heart Bowed Down with Sorrow (G) COME UNTO ME SON 932

**SENDING**

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty! (O) ST. DROSTANE GTG 198, PH 91  
 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (E) HYFRYDOL GTG 366, PH 376  
 Arise, Your Light Is Come! (O) FESTAL SONG GTG 744, PH 411  
 People Need the Lord (G) Greg Nelson and Phil McHugh AAHH 470

**Psalms and Canticles****Psalms 45:10–17****Metrical**

Hear, O Daughter, and Reflect [7.6.7.6D, trochaic]; SGP 70  
 A Noble Theme Has Stirred My Heart [TALLIS' CANON]; PLP1 45  
 How Our Hearts with Joy Abound [GOTT SEI DANK DURCH ALLE WELT]; GTG 333

**Responsorial**

Take, O Take Me as I Am; PAS 15B (alt. refrain)  
 Praise the Lord; PSA 39

**Psalms 145:8–14****Metrical**

O Lord, You Are My God and King (I Will Exalt My God and King) [JERUSALEM]; GTG 270, PH 252, PAS 145B (sts. 3–5)  
 O My God and King and Savior [HOLY MANNA]; PAS 145F  
 We Will Extol You, Lord, Our God [10.10.10.10]; SGP 212 (setting 2)  
 I Will Ever Sing Your Praises [8.7.8.7 D]; PCW 145

**Organ Music**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” NETTLETON, *Praise and Thanksgiving*, Michael Burkhardt, MSM (ME)  
 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” HYFRYDOL, *Augsburg Organ Library: Epiphany*, Ralph Vaughan Williams, AF (E)  
 “Grand Jeu,” *First Organ Book*, Pierre Du Mage, KAL (M)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“The Road Home,” Stephen Paulus, Paulus Publications, SATB, solo (M)  
 “Rise Up, My Love,” James McCray, National Music Publishers, SATB, pno (ME)  
 “Arise, My Love,” Joan Szymko, SBMP, SA, pno (M)  
 “O Love,” Elaine Hagenberg, BP, SATB, pno, opt. vc (MA)  
 “Come Unto Me,” Larry Nickel, Pavanne Publishing, SATB, vln or ob, pno (ME)  
 “Alleluia, Song of Gladness,” Michael Costello, MSM, SATB, brass, timp (E)  
 “God of Grace and God of Glory,” Paul Langston, JM, SSAATTBB, org (MA)  
 “In the Light of Hope,” Mark Patterson, MSM, SATB, perc (M)

**Handbell Music**

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing,” Jason W. Krug, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2581, Level 2+  
 “Softly and Tenderly,” Joel Raney and Arnold Sherman, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2443, Level 3  
 “Jesus, Lover of My Soul,” Linda R. Lamb, 3–5 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, opt fl or C inst, BP, HB557, Level 3

**Art**

*Rebekah at the Well*, David Young, sculpture, Lincoln, NE (VDL)  
*Song of Solomon*—“*Arise my love . . . and come away . . .*,” Cláudio Pasto, Brazil (VDL)  
*Rebecca at the Well*, Nicolas Poussin, the Louvre, Paris (VDL)

**July 16, 2023**

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 10**

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 25:19–34      Esau trades his birthright to Jacob for bread and lentil stew.  
Psalm 119:105–112      Your word is a lamp to my feet; I have promised to observe it.

### Complementary

Isaiah 55:10–13      The word of the Lord will go forth to flourish and bear fruit.  
Psalm 65:(1–8) 9–13      Praise is due to God, who blesses the earth with abundance.  
Romans 8:1–11      The Spirit of life in Christ sets us free from the law of sin and death.  
Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23      Jesus tells and explains the parable of the Sower and the Seeds.

## Opening Sentences

Let us offer our praise to God,  
for we come to learn God's ways:  
O God, your word is a lamp to our feet,  
a light to our path;  
we lift our hearts to you  
as we seek to worship, adore, and follow you.

## Call to Confession

As much as we try not to stray: we do.  
As much as we try to follow God's word: we don't.  
As we continue on this journey,  
let us seek God's forgiveness.

## Prayer of Confession

**O God, we are quick to say,  
"We didn't know."  
"We didn't mean to."  
"We didn't expect that to happen."  
But we have not tended the soil of our lives.  
We let it stay shallow and rocky  
by not learning from the experience of others.  
We let it be riddled with thorns  
by succumbing to our own prejudices.  
Life-giving God,  
Help us to tend our soil.  
Open us to being challenged,  
enable us to learn,  
so that your word will take root  
and bear good fruit in our lives.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

There is no condemnation for us:  
God has forgiven us  
that we might live according to the Spirit.  
**The Spirit of God dwells within us.  
Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

At the Name of Jesus (E) KING'S WESTON GTG 264,  
PH 148  
Joy to the World (O) RICHMOND GTG 266  
Come, Labor On (G) ORA LABORA GTG 719, PH 415  
All Who Are Thirsty / Tiene tu alma (O) Brenton  
Brown and Glenn Robertson, arr. Greg Scheer  
SSS 533

### WORD

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers (E) NUN DANKET  
ALL' UND BRINGET EHR' GTG 407, PH 325  
Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet (O) THY WORD  
GTG 458  
Open Your Ears, O Faithful People (G) YISRAEL  
V'ORAITA GTG 453  
Anthem (G) Tom Conry G3 778

### EUCCHARIST

O God, Who Gives Us Life (E) NOEL GTG 53  
Spirit of the Living God (E) LIVING GOD GTG 288,  
PH 322  
Seed, Scattered and Sown (G) SEED SCATTERED  
GTG 531

Sun, Soil, and Seeds (G) YEAST *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### SENDING

All Creatures of Our God and King (OG) LASST UNS ERFREUEN GTG 15, PH 455  
 Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old (O) SAMANTHRA GTG 77, PH 337  
 Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (O) THANKFUL HEARTS GTG 648  
 Amazing Grace (E) MY CHAINS ARE GONE WAS 3104

### Psalms and Canticles

#### Psalm 119:105–112

##### Metrical

Your Word Sheds Light upon My Path [ST. CRISPIN, FEDERAL STREET]; PAS 119D, LUYH 759  
 Your Word, O Lord, a Lamp Shall Be [LM]; PCW 119e  
 Your Word, O Lord, Is Light [10.10.10.10]; SGP 184  
 Here Is the Lamp [11.10.11.10.11.10]; MPS 119a  
 I Long for Your Commandments [WOHL DENEN, DIE DA WANDELN]; GTG 64

##### Responsorial

Send Out Your Light; PAS 119K  
 Your Word Is a Lamp; LOML 17  
 Let Me Sing of Your Law; PAS 119A  
 O Lord, You Have the Words of Life [LEONI/YIGDAL]; PP 236  
 Camina, pueblo de Dios / Go Forth, O People of God; SSS 268–269

#### Psalm 65:(1–8) 9–13

##### Metrical

To Bless the Earth [CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN]; GTG 38, PH 200  
 The Earth Is Yours, O God [CARLISLE]; PAS 65A  
 Every Heart Its Tribute Pays [ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR]; PAS 65E, LUYH 388  
 Praise Is Your Right [GENEVAN 65]; PAS 65B, LUYH 545, PH 201  
 To You, O God, Great Praise Is Due [LMD]; SGP 91

##### Responsorial

Your Paths Overflow with Plenty; PAS 65C  
 Thanks Be to God [SLANE]; PP 112  
 Let the Valleys Shout for Joy and Sing [BIRMINGHAM]; HTP2 20  
 Salmo (Psalm 65); SSS 491–492

### Organ Music

“Joy to the World / Hark the Glad Sound,” CHESTERFIELD/RICHMOND, *A Voice Is Sounding*, Benjamin Culli, CON (E)  
 “Cantilène religieuse in C,” Theodore Dubois, KAL (E)  
 “All Creatures, Worship God Most High!,” LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Augsburg Organ Library: Healing and Funeral*, Thomas Pavlechko, AF (M)  
 “All Creatures of Our God and King,” *A Franciscan Pastorale*, Franklin D. Ashdown, HWG (M)

### Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Open Your Ears, O Faithful People,” arr. Robert Hobby, Gladsong, uni, fl, hb, perc (E)  
 “I Will Be a Child of Peace,” Elaine Hagenberg, BP, SATB, pno (M)  
 “Rich in Promise,” Robert Buckley Farlee, AF, SAB, pno (E)  
 “Let Everything That Has Breath,” Jeffery L. Ames, Earthsongs, SATB, solo, pno (MA)  
 “Let the People Praise Thee, O God (Psalm 67),” William Mathias, OUP, SATB, org, opt. orch (MA)  
 “Be Thou My Vision,” Paul Basler, CV, SATB, pno, hn (M)  
 “Parable of the Sower,” John Horman, ABP, uni, pno (E)  
 “A Sower Came from Ancient Hills,” Sally Ann Morris, GIA, SATB, keybd (E)

### Handbell Music

“Tocatta on King’s Weston,” Matthew Compton, 3–6 oct, opt 2 oct hc, HOPE, 2767, Level 3+  
 “Thy Word,” Peggy Bettcher, 2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2150 or 2148, Level 2+  
 “Spirit of the Living God,” Douglas Wagner, 3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1461L, Level 2  
 “All Creatures of Our God and King,” Kevin McChesney, 2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, CGA, CGB1109 or CGB1110, Level 2-

### Art

*Esau and Jacob*, Andrei Mironov, 2014 (VDL)  
*Sower*, Vincent van Gogh, 1888 (VDL)  
*Harvesters*, Pieter Bruegel, 1565 (VDL)  
*Madonna of the Harvest*, J. A. Swanson (EYE)



July 23, 2023

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 11

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 28:10–19a

Psalm 139:1–12, 23–24

Jacob dreams of a ladder and hears the promise of the Lord.

O Lord, you have searched me; if I ascend to heaven you are there.

### Complementary

Isaiah 44:6–8

Psalm 86:11–17

Romans 8:12–25

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

I am the first and last, says the Lord; there is no god besides me.

O Lord, give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

The whole creation waits for redemption with the children of God.

Another parable of the kingdom: weeds grow among the wheat.

## Opening Sentences

We come. We wait.

**We long. We hope.**

We suffer. We pray.

**We rejoice. We sing.**

We know we are children of God.

**We wait for Christ to set all things right.**

## Call to Confession

There is goodness within us that grows like fresh wheat.

There is also sin within us that chokes that wheat like weeds.

Let us bring all of who we are to God, who can separate out what is good, so that we are not overcome with evil.

## Prayer of Confession

**Ever-present God,**

**there is no place where you are not with us.**

**You see us at our worst and at our best.**

**There is much we would hide from you—**

**the ways we harm your creation,**

**the ways we mistreat others,**

**the ways we turn away when we should turn toward.**

**Even as you know us, forgive us.**

**Guide our thoughts, our words, our actions,**

**that you may delight in us as we delight**

**in you.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, hear the good news:

God knows us and forgives us

and leads us in the way of everlasting life.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining (G) SHINE,

JESUS, SHINE (G) GTG 192

Christ Is Coming! (E) UNSER HERRSCHER (E) GTG 360

Praise God for This Holy Ground (O)

HEYMONYSTRAAT GTG 405

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder (O) JACOB'S

LADDER (NEGRO SPIRITUAL) AAHH 464

### WORD

We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom (E) MERLE'S TUNE

GTG 378

The Church's One Foundation (G) AURELIA GTG 321,

PH 442

Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken (E) LISTEN

GTG 455

As Jacob with Travel Was Weary One Day (O)

JACOB'S LADDER (ENGLISH FOLK MELODY) EH 453

### EUCCHARIST

In Christ There Is No East or West (E) MCKEE, ST.

PETER GTG 317, 318, PH 439, 440

Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation (O)

O QUANTA QUALIA GTG 503, PH 516

Sheaves of Wheat (Una espiga) (G) UNA ESPIGA  
 GTG 532  
 I Have Wandered Far from Home (O) WANDERER  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### SENDING

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning (O) KEEP  
 YOUR LAMPS GTG 350  
 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! (E) ASSURANCE  
 GTG 839, PH 341  
 Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of  
 God (E) EVERYONE WHO LONGS GTG 849  
 Glory, Glory Hallelujah (O) GLORY, GLORY NCH 2

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 139:1–12, 23–24

#### Metrical

You Are Before Me, Lord [SURSUM CORDA, HIGHLAND  
 CATHEDRAL]; GTG 28, PH 248, PAS 139D, LUYH  
 336  
 O God, You Search Me [O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME];  
 GTG 29  
 My Lord, You Have Examined Me [RESIGNATION];  
 PAS 139A, SSS 503  
 Oh Señor, tú me has examinado / O Lord God,  
 You Have Searched Me [Marisol Díaz]; PAS 139F,  
 SSS 664

#### Responsorial

Lord, You Have Searched Me; PAS 139C, PSA 143  
 Lord, You Have Searched Me Out [TENDER THOUGHT];  
 HTP2 21  
 Examíname, oh Dios / Search and Know Me, O My  
 God; SSS 510  
 Señor, tú ves mi corazón / Lord, See My Heart;  
 SSS 56

### Psalm 86:11–17

#### Metrical

Incline Your Ear, O Lord, to Me [DANBY, PROSPECT];  
 GTG 844, PP 158 (with refrain)  
 Lord, My Petition Heed [MASON]; PAS 86A, LUYH 889  
 Incline Your Ear, Lord [CMD]; SGP 123

#### Responsorial

For Love Is Lord of All; CP2 5  
 O Lord Our God, Unwearied Is Your Love  
 [Gelineau]; PSA 79  
 You, O Lord, Are Good and Forgiving [ROUEN];  
 HTP2 12  
 Be with Me, Lord, When I Am in Trouble; PAS 86B

## Organ Music

“The Peace May Be Exchanged,” *Rubrics*, Dan  
 Locklair, HAL (ME)  
 “Dearest Jesus, at Your Word,” *Four Quiet Hymn  
 Settings*, Thomas Gieschen, CON (E)  
 “Fuga in C,” Sonata no. 2, Felix Mendelssohn,  
 public domain (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Sing to the Lord, Rejoice,” Telemann, arr. Hal  
 Hopson, JM, 2 pt mx (E)  
 “From All That Dwell below the Skies,” Michael  
 Burkhardt, MSM, uni, pno (E)  
 “Psalm 139,” Allen Pote, CGA, SATB, pno (M)  
 “You Are Holy,” Harling, arr. John Helgen, AF,  
 SATB, pno, vln, perc (E)  
 “O God, Beyond All Praising,” Dan Forrest, HIN,  
 SATB, opt. brass, opt. orch, perc (MA)  
 “Praise the Lord,” Handel, arr. Hal Hopson, HF,  
 SAB (M)  
 “The Kingdom,” André Thomas, HIN, SATB, pno (M)

## Handbell Music

“The Church’s One Foundation,” Jason W. Krug,  
 3–6 oct, opt 2 oct hc, BP, HB488, Level 3  
 “Blessed Assurance,” Linda McKechnie, 3–5 oct, opt  
 keybd, HOPE, hb 1388, keybd 1388K, Level 3+  
 “Keep Your Lamps,” Benjamin A. Tucker, 3–5 oct,  
 opt djembe, ALF/JM, 47200, Level 2

## Art

*Dream of Jacob*, John August Swanson (VDL)  
*Stairs to the Sky*, Ezra Orion, sculpture, Jerusalem  
 (VDL)  
*Alpha and Omega*, sculpture, Barcelona (VDL)  
*In the Weeds*, Jan Richardson (JR)

July 30, 2023

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 12  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 29:15–28

Psalm 105:1–11, 45b

or Psalm 128

Tricked by Laban, Jacob marries first Leah, then Rachel.

Children of Jacob, give thanks for the promise of the Lord.

The one who fears the Lord will enjoy progeny and prosperity.

### Complementary

1 Kings 3:5–12

Psalm 119:129–136

Romans 8:26–39

Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

The young king Solomon asks God for wisdom and discernment.

Your law is wonderful; the unfolding of your words gives light.

The Spirit helps us; nothing can separate us from God's love.

God's kingdom is like a tiny seed, yeast, a treasure, a pearl, a net.

## Opening Sentences

We seek the kin-dom of God:

**where the smallest seeds turn into great plants.**

We seek the kin-dom of God:

**as precious as pearls or treasure.**

We seek the kin-dom of God:

**where joy and abundance reign.**

## Call to Confession

We love God, and yet . . .

We are Christ's disciples, and yet . . .

We are guided by the Spirit, and yet . . .

there are many ways we do not live this reality.

Let us call upon the Spirit to intercede for us

in our time of confession.

## Prayer of Confession

Spirit, intercede . . .

**when we fall short of your glory,  
when we do not deserve your promises,  
when we do not act like those who have been  
called your family.**

Spirit, intercede . . .

**when our words wound,  
when our silence speaks volumes,  
when our actions are a far cry from what you  
would have us do.**

Spirit, intercede . . .

**break forth into our lives,  
forming us into the image of your Son,  
that we might never feel separate from you  
again.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, hear this good news:

God is for us.

Not even our sins can separate us from the love  
of God.

**Glory be to God for this grace and mercy!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

God of Great and God of Small (G) GOD OF GREAT  
AND SMALL GTG 19

All Hail to God's Anointed (O) ROCKPORT GTG 149,  
PH 205

Pelas dores deste mundo / For the Troubles and  
the Sufferings (E) PELAS DORES DESTA MUNDO  
GTG 764

Bring Forth the Kingdom (G) BRING FORTH THE  
KINGDOM STF 2190

### WORD

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (OE) IN BABILONE  
GTG 435, PH 298

O Word of God Incarnate (G) MUNICH GTG 459,  
PH 327

Healer of Our Every Ill (E) HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL  
GTG 795

What Are We Searching For? (G) LOVE UNKNOWN  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### **EUCCHARIST**

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (E) VENI  
CREATOR SPIRITUS GTG 278, PH 125

We Gather Together (E) KREMSER GTG 336, PH 559

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table! (OEG)  
COPELAND GTG 506

Neither Death nor Life (E) Marty Haugen G3 647

### **SENDING**

Hope of the World (E) DONNE SECOURS GTG 734,  
PH 360

Give to the Winds Thy Fears (E) FESTAL SONG,  
ST. BRIDE GTG 815, PH 286

Just a Closer Walk with Thee (OG) CLOSER WALK  
GTG 835

We'll Work till Jesus Comes (O) O LAND OF REST  
SON 634

### **Psalms and Canticles**

#### **Psalm 105:1–11, 45b**

##### **Metrical**

We Give You Thanks, O Lord Our God [CMD];  
SGP (sts. 1–3)

Praise the Lord, the Day Is Won [GAUDEAMUS  
PARITER / AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM]; PAS 105C

##### **Responsorial**

The Steadfast Love of the Lord; GTG 59, PAS 105B  
(alt. refrain)

Remember the Marvels God Has Done [HANOVER];  
HTP2 24

#### **Psalm 128**

##### **Metrical**

Bless All Who Trust in God [FRANCONIA]; GTG 47  
Whoever Fears the Lord [OLD DOMINION]; PAS 128C,  
LUYH 313

Blest Are They Who Trust [RUSSIAN TUNE OLD];  
PAS 128A, PP 260

##### **Responsorial**

Blest Are Those Who Love You; PAS 128B

Blessed Are Those Who Rejoice in the Lord; PSA 133

#### **Psalm 119:129–136**

##### **Metrical**

I Long for Your Commandments [WOHL DENEN, DIE  
DA WANDELN]; GTG 64

All Your Commandments, Father Almighty  
[KANCIONAL NEW]; PAS 119 O

Here Is the Lamp [11.10.11.10.11.10]; MPS 119a

##### **Responsorial**

Send Out Your Light; PAS 119L

O Lord, You Have the Words of Life [LEONI/YIGDAL];  
PP 238

Let Me Sing of Your Law; PAS 119A

### **Organ Music**

“Offertoire sur les Grands jeux,” *Mass for the  
Parishes*, Francois Couperin, KAL (ME)

“Come Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire,” VENI  
CREATOR SPIRITUS, *Augsburg Organ Library:  
Easter*, Flor Peeters, AF (M)

“Healer of Our Every Ill,” *Augsburg Organ Library:  
Healing and Funeral*, Franklin D. Ashdown,  
AF (E)

### **Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“Rich in Promise,” Robert Buckley Farlee, HIN,  
SAB, pno (E)

“Psalm 105,” Dominick Diorio, OUP, SATB div, org  
(A)

“The Meditations of My Heart,” Elaine Hagenberg,  
BP, SATB, pno (M)

“If God Is for Us,” Allen Pote, HIN, SATB, pno (M)

“Lord of the Small,” Dan Forrest, BP, SATB, keybd  
(M)

“He Never Failed Me Yet,” Robert Ray, HAL, SATB,  
solo, pno, bass, perc (M)

“Neither Death nor Life,” Jonathan Crutchfield,  
MSM, SATB, solo, org, opt hn, brass qrt (MA)

“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place,” Daniel  
Kallman, MSM, SAB or SATB, pno (M)

## Handbell Music

- “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy,” Anna Laura Page, 3–5 oct, LOR, 20/2105L, Level 3–
- “Just a Closer Walk with Thee,” John A. Behnke, 3–6 oct, opt 3–5 hc, JAB Publishing, JAB017, Level 3
- “Give to the Winds Thy Fears,” Tammy Waldrop, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, opt windchimes, ALF, 36514, Level 2

## Art

- The Hidden Treasure*, JESUS MAFA, Cameroon (VDL)
- Solomon Praying to the Holy Spirit*, Guillaume Vrelant, c. 1460 (VDL)
- What Wondrous Love Is This*, Mike Moyers (VDL)
- Parable of the Mustard Seed*, painted window, Kassel, Germany, c. 2000 (VDL)





*Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult*  
Mixed Media on Wood  
Jennifer Bunge

**August 6, 2023**

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 13**  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 32:22–31      Jacob wrestles with a man from God and receives a blessing.  
Psalm 17:1–7, 15      Visit and test me in the night, O Lord; I will behold your face.

### Complementary

Isaiah 55:1–5      Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; eat and be satisfied.  
Psalm 145:8–9, 14–21      The Lord is gracious and merciful, giving food in due season.  
Romans 9:1–5      Paul struggles with the issue of Israel's relationship to the church.  
Matthew 14:13–21      With five loaves and two fish, Jesus feeds a great multitude.

## Opening Sentences

We come, carrying just what we need for the journey:

**five loaves, two fish.**

We come, bringing whatever we have to offer:  
**our time, our talents, our gifts.**

We come, knowing God will multiply our offerings:

**in God's hands, what we have is enough.**

## Call to Confession

When we call upon God,  
God answers.

Even when our steps stray from God's path,  
even when our feet slip,

God listens to us and answers our prayers.  
Let us offer our prayer of confession.

## Prayer of Confession

**Generous God,  
you freely offer us all we need.  
You offer us the bread of life,  
so we may never be hungry again.  
You offer us living water,  
so we will never thirst.  
But we scoff at your gifts,  
wasting our money, time, and energy  
on things that do not satisfy.  
Forgive us and call to us again,  
reminding us of your gifts of new life  
that are ours if we would only accept them.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Incline your ear, listen:

God makes an everlasting covenant with us.

**God forgives us, renews us, refreshes us, and  
leads us onward.**

**Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

You Thirsty Ones, Come (O) HEAVEN'S RAIN GTG 78  
The God of Abraham Praise (E) LEONI GTG 49,  
PH 488

O God, You Are My God (O) STEP BY STEP GTG 743  
Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown / Oh tú, viajero  
extraño (O) YE BANKS AND BRAES SSS 24

### WORD

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler (O) AUSTIN GTG 183  
How Firm a Foundation (E) FOUNDATION GTG 463,  
PH 361

Bring Many Names (O) WESTCHASE GTG 760  
I Love to Tell the Story of Jesus Here on Earth (G)  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### EUCCHARIST

Break Thou the Bread of Life (G) BREAD OF LIFE  
GTG 460, PH 329

Ho, All Who Thirst (O) JACOB'S WELL GTG 479  
Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken (G)  
BEACH SPRING GTG 498

Come and Feast, for All Are Welcome (OG) REGENT  
SQUARE IHLC 110

## SENDING

Take Us as We Are, O God (G) ENDLESS FEAST  
GTG 312

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound (E)  
AMAZING GRACE GTG 649, PH 280

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight (O) DUNLAP'S  
CREEK GTG 817, PH 399

He Looked Beyond My Fault (G) LONDONDERRY  
AIRE AAHH 249

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 17:1–7, 15

#### Metrical

Hear, O Lord, My Plea for Justice [CHARLESTOWN;  
RUSSIAN TUNE OLD]; GTG 211, PP 31 (with refrain)

Lord, Listen to My Righteous Plea [ROSALIE  
MCMILLAN]; PAS 17C, LUYH 888

Hear, O God, My Plea for Justice [IN BABILONE];  
PLP1 17

#### Responsorial

Lord, Bend Your Ear; PAS 17A

Keep Me as the Apple of Your Eye; PSA 11

### Psalm 145:8–9, 14–21

#### Metrical

I Will Exalt My God and King [JERUSALEM]; PAS 145B  
(sts. 3, 5–7)

O My God and King and Savior [HOLY MANNA];  
PAS 145F

I Will Ever Sing Your Praises [8.7.8.7 D]; PCW 145

#### Responsorial

I Will Praise Your Name Forever; PAS 145D

The Lord Is Gracious and Full of Compassion  
[FOUNDATION]; HTP2 28

We Are Fed by the Hand of the Lord; PND 50

## Organ Music

“Tocatta on ‘Amazing Grace,’” NEW BRITAIN,  
J. Christopher Pardini, GIA (M)

“There Is a Spirit That Delights to DO No Evil . . . ,”  
*A Quaker Reader*, Ned Rorem, BH (E)

“How Firm a Foundation,” FOUNDATION, *Seven  
Settings of American Folk Hymns*, Wilbur Held,  
CON (E)

“Cantilene Pastorale,” op. 15, no. 3, Alexandre  
Guilmant, ALF (M)

“Prelude on Picardy,” *Easy Modern Organ Music*,  
John Joubert, OUP (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“God Be Merciful unto Us and Bless Us,” Philip  
Stopford, MSM, SATB, org (M)

“God Be Merciful unto Us and Bless Us,” Daniel  
Pinkham, ECS, uni, org (M)

“The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee,” Jean Berger,  
AF, SATB (M)

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending,” David  
Cherwien, MSM, SATB, org, opt brass (M)

“More Than Enough,” Becki Slagle Mayo and Lynn  
Bailey Shaw, CGA, uni, pno (E)

“My Song in the Night,” Paul Christiansen, BMP,  
SATB (MA)

“Let Your Faith Be Stronger Than Your Fear,” Tom  
Trenney, BP, SATB, pno, solo (M)

“I Will Arise,” arr. Robert Shaw and Alice Parker,  
Lawson Gould, SATB (M)

## Handbell Music

“How Firm a Foundation,” Brian Childers, 3–5 oct,  
BP, HB513, Level 3

“The God of Abraham Praise,” Vicki Smith, 3–5 oct,  
CGA, CGB354, Level 2

“Break Thou the Bread of Life,” Sandra Eithun, 3–5  
oct, opt 2 oct hc, SFP, 249029, Level 2

## Art

*Jacob and the Angel*, Annette Gandy Fortt (VDL)

*Hand of God with Loaves and Fish*, unidentified,  
stone sculpture, Brighton, UK (VDL)

*Loaves and Fish*, fabric, U.S. Air Force Academy  
(VDL)

*Jacob Wrestles with the Angel*, Peter Koenig (VDL)



**August 13, 2023**

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost /  
Proper 14**  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 37:1–4, 12–28    Out of jealousy, Joseph's brothers sell him into slavery in Egypt.  
Psalm 105:1–6,        God sent Joseph to Egypt to save the people in a time of famine.  
16–22, 45b

### Complementary

1 Kings 19:9–18        Elijah hears the word of the Lord—not in the storm, but in silence.  
Psalm 85:8–13        Let me hear what the Lord will speak; God will speak peace.  
Romans 10:5–15       Proclaim the word of faith: confess Jesus as Lord, and be saved.  
Matthew 14:22–33     Jesus walks on the water to meet his disciples, and calms a storm.

## Opening Sentences

O give thanks to the Lord!

**Sing to God! Tell of God's wonderful works!**

Remember all the things God has done!

**We glory in God's holy name!**

Seek the Lord, our strength and refuge:

**we come to be in God's presence.**

## Call to Confession

We come seeking God's voice,  
a voice that loves us, cares for us,  
but also challenges us to do better,  
to love more fully, and believe more  
wholeheartedly.

Let us be honest with God about where we are  
on our journey.

## Prayer of Confession

**Holy God,**

**it is easy to confess with our lips**

**that you are Lord,**

**but it is much harder to believe with our  
hearts,**

**to live in a way that puts you first.**

**We are quick to trust in idols.**

**We depend on what we can see, touch, and  
control,**

**instead of waiting to hear your still, small  
voice.**

**Forgive us, Lord, and help our unbelief,  
so that what we confess with our lips  
we may truly believe in our hearts.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will  
be saved.

There are no prerequisites, no disqualifications,  
no exceptions.

**We are saved,  
we are forgiven,  
we are freed!  
Hallelujah!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud (O)

ABERYSTWYTH GTG 11

At the Name of Jesus (E) KING'S WESTON GTG 264,  
PH 148

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather (E) TOKYO  
GTG 311, PH 465

Kono yo no tsutome ito sewashiku / Distracted by  
the World's Concerns (O) UCHI NARU MIYA STB 69

### WORD

God of the Sparrow (O) ROEDER GTG 22, PH 272

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (O) REST, REPTON  
GTG 169, PH 345

God Is Calling through the Whisper (O) W ŻŁOBIE  
LEŻY GTG 410  
Master, the Tempest Is Raging (OG) PEACE BE STILL  
SON 189

### EUCCHARIST

Calm to the Waves (OG) CALM SEAS GTG 184  
Now the Silence (O) NOW GTG 534  
There Is a Place of Quiet Rest / Near to the Heart  
of God (O) MCAFEE GTG 824, PH 527  
Come Now, as Once You Came to Moses (O)  
SUNSET CH4 609

### SENDING

O Sing a Song of Bethlehem (G) KINGSFOLD  
GTG 159, PH 308  
Great God of Every Blessing (OE) AURELIA GTG 694  
Help Us Accept Each Other (O) BARONITA GTG 754,  
PH 358  
Blessed Quietness (G) BLESSED QUIETNESS AAHH 374

### Psalms and Canticles

#### Psalm 105:1–6, 16–22, 45b

##### Metrical

We Give You Thanks, O Lord Our God [CMD]; SGP

#### Responsorial

Alleluia, Alleluia; PAS 105B  
O Lord, Still Guide Us; PP 198  
Remember the Marvels God Has Done [HANOVER];  
HTP2 30

#### Psalm 85:8–13

##### Metrical

Show Us Your Steadfast Love [MENDON]; GTG 449  
Lord, You Have Lavished on Your Land [MELITA];  
PAS 85A, LUYH 65

#### Responsorial

Dona Nobis Pacem (Taizé); PAS 85B  
Righteousness and Peace Shall Go before the Lord;  
PAS 85C  
Lord, in Your Mercy Hear My Prayer; PP 156  
Show Us Your Mercy, O Lord [CONDITER ALME  
SIDERUM]; HTP1 34  
Muéstranos, Señor / Lord, Let Us See Your  
Kindness; SSS 70–71

### Organ Music

“Now Thank We All Our God,” J. S. Bach, arr.  
Gerald Near, CON (E)  
“Now the Silence,” NOW, *Augsburg Organ Library:  
Summer*, Charles W. Ore, AF (E)  
“When Morning Gilds the Skies,” LAUDES DOMINI,  
*Pedals and Pipes for Postludes and Praise*,  
Lani Smith, LOR (E)  
“Meditation,” *Suite Medievale*, Jean Langlais,  
multiple editions (MA)

### Anthems for Adult Choirs

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy,” arr. Tony  
Alonso, GIA, SAB, keybd (E)  
“Hear My Prayer,” Moses Hogan, HAL, SATB (M)  
“I Wanna Be Ready,” arr. Rosephanye Powell,  
Gentry, SATB, solo, keybd (E)  
“I Will Be a Child of Peace,” Elaine Hagenberg, BP,  
SATB, pno (E)  
“Let Us Pray for Peace,” Thomas Keesecker, CGA,  
SATB, pno (ME)  
“How Lovely Are the Messengers,” Felix  
Mendelssohn, ECS, SATB, pno (M)  
“For Peace,” Jane Marshall, ECS, SATB (M)  
“A Gaelic Blessing,” John Rutter, OUP, SATB, org (M)

### Handbell Music

“God of the Sparrow God of the Whale,” Karen  
Thompson, 3–5 oct, opt voices, RRM, BL5033,  
Level 1+  
“Fantasy on Kingsfold,” H. Dean Wagner, 3–5 oct,  
opt 3 oct hc, opt orch, HOPE, hb 2134, orch  
2134O, Level 2+  
“Reflections of Peace,” Jason W. Krug, 3–6 oct, opt  
2 oct hc, LOR, 20/1902L, Level 2+

### Art

*Joseph Thrown in the Pit*, metalwork,  
Klosterneuburg Monastery, Austria (VD)  
*Joseph Sold into Slavery by His Brothers*, Károly  
Ferenczy, Budapest, 1900 (VDL)  
*Christ Walks on Water and Rescues Peter*, mosaic,  
Hamburg, Germany (VDL)  
*Prophet Elijah Awakened by an Angel in the Desert*,  
Giovanni Lanfranco, 1624 (VDL)



# August 20, 2023 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 15

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Genesis 45:1–15

Psalm 133

Joseph is reunited with his brothers; the family will move to Egypt.  
How good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity.

### Complementary

Isaiah 56:1, 6–8

Psalm 67

The Lord will welcome foreigners along with the outcasts of Israel.  
God's saving power is known among all the nations of the earth.

Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32

God has not rejected Israel, but desires to show mercy to all.

Matthew 15:(10–20) 21–28

Debate about what defiles; a Canaanite woman shows great faith.

## Opening Sentences

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,  
for soon my salvation will come.

**God will bring us to the holy mountain,  
a house of prayer for all people.**

**God gathers all the outcasts together,  
and makes us joyful!**

## Call to Confession

We call to God, saying, "Have mercy on us!"

We call to God, saying, "Lord, help us!"

We call to God even in the midst of our sin,  
knowing that God is gracious and just.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of all goodness,**

**We do not want to face all that is in our  
own hearts.**

**We want to focus on the good—  
on the love, the compassion, the care—  
and ignore the bad—  
the greed, the envy, the cruelty.**

**But before you, God,  
we must face it.**

**Forgive all the ways we have let evil  
take hold in our hearts.**

**Cleanse us. Help us face our own demons,  
and empower us to live  
a Christlike life.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

We have been disobedient to God,  
but we have received mercy.

**Let us live our lives as those transformed  
by the abundant mercy of God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

O for a World (OE) AZMON GTG 372, PH 386

God Welcomes All (O) THEMBA AMEN GTG 399

Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing (OG) SMITH

GTG 319

Let Us Build a House (O) TWO OAKS GTG 301

### WORD

Woman in the Night (G) NEW DISCIPLES GTG 161

Remember Not, O God (OE) SOUTHWELL GTG 430

God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us (E) O

QUANTA QUALIA GTG 436, PH 261

To Them the Cross, with All Its Shame (O)

NOTTINGHAM CH4 4

### EUCCHARIST

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken (E) RENDEZ À  
DIEU GTG 499, PH 502

Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven (OE) LLANFAIR  
GTG 511

One Bread, One Body (OEG) ONE BREAD, ONE BODY  
GTG 530

We the Lord's People, Heart and Voice Uniting (O)  
DECATUR PLACE EH 51

## SENDING

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (G) FAITHFULNESS GTG 39,  
PH 276

We Are One in the Spirit (OG) THEY'LL KNOW WE  
ARE CHRISTIANS GTG 300

O God of Every Nation (OEG) LLANGLOFFAN  
GTG 756, PH 289

Will the Circle Be Unbroken (O) UNBROKEN CIRCLE  
AAHH 598

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalms 133

#### Metrical

¡Miren qué bueno! / O Look and Wonder [MIREN  
QUÉ BUENO]; GTG 397, PAS 133D, LUYH 260,  
SSS 230

Behold the Goodness of Our (the) Lord [DETROIT,  
CRIMMOND]; PAS 133A, PH 241

Mirad cuán bueno y cuán delicioso / Behold,  
How Good and Delightful [MIRAD CUÁN BUENO];  
PAS 133B, SSS 234

### Responsorial

Miren qué bueno / O Look and Wonder [MIREN QUÉ  
BUENO]; PAS 133E, SSS 230

God of Love and Mercy [SCARBOROUGH FAIR]; PP 268  
The Lord Anoints and Blesses; PSA 137

### Psalms 67

#### Metrical

O God, Show Mercy to Us [THAXTED]; GTG 341  
God of Mercy, God of Grace [DIX, KING OF KINGS,  
IMPACT]; PAS 67A, LUYH 934, PP 118 (with  
refrain), PH 203

God in Mercy Grant Us Blessing [ZEUCH MICH,  
ZEUCH MICH]; PAS 67B

O Lord, Be Gracious [9.8.9.8]; SGP 96

May God Be Gracious [AE FONDE KISS]; CP1 6

### Responsorial

Let the Peoples Praise You; PAS 67C

Let the People Praise You; PSA 60

El Señor Jesucristo / May the Love of the Lord;  
SSS 707–708

## Organ Music

“O Day of Rest and Gladness,” *Prayerful Preludes  
Set 10*, Robert J. Powell, MSM (E)

“Beautiful Savior,” *Lord, Thee I Love*, David  
Cherwien, AF (E)

“We Are Marching in the Light of God,” *Three  
Global Songs*, John A. Behnke, HOPE (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Joined Together as One Body,” James and Marilyn  
Biery, MSM, SATB, opt brass (E)

“Ubi Caritas,” Ola Gjeilo, WAL, SATB (MA)

“Ubi Caritas,” Victor Johnson, CGA, SAB, pno (E)

“Oh, How Good It Is,” Getty and Townsend, arr.  
Joshua Spacht, WORD, SATB (M)

“Beautiful River,” John Rutter, Bourne, SSAATTBB,  
org (A)

“Psalm 67,” Philip Benson, PAR, SATB (MA)

“Once to Every Man and Nation,” David York, TPR,  
SATB, org (M)

“The Call,” Z. Randall Stroope, MSM, SATB,  
keybd (M)

## Handbell Music

“Contemplation on Ubi Caritas,” Catherine  
McMichael, 3–6 oct, opt 3 oct hc, AGEHR,  
AG36036, Level 3+

“Acclamation on Azmon,” Arnold Sherman, 3–5 oct,  
HOPE, 1363, Level 2+

“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love,”  
Jeffrey Honoré, 3, 5, or 6 oct, CON, 97-7214,  
Level 2

## Art

*The Story of Joseph*, John August Swanson, 2005  
(VDL)

*Woman of Canaan*, Sadao Watanabe (VDL)

*The Daughter of the Canaanite Woman*, Peter  
Koenig (VDL)

**August 27, 2023**

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost /  
Proper 16**  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 1:8–2:10  
Psalm 124

Pharaoh orders the drowning of Hebrew boys, but Moses is spared.  
Were the Lord not on our side, the water would have consumed us.

### Complementary

Isaiah 51:1–6  
Psalm 138  
Romans 12:1–8  
Matthew 16:13–20

Look to the rock from which you were hewed; God will deliver.  
I sing your praise, O Lord; do not forsake the work of your hands.  
Offer yourselves to God as a living sacrifice; one body, many gifts.  
Who is Jesus? Peter answers: You are the Messiah, the Son of God.

## Opening Sentences

We gather as the body of Christ.

**We are many individuals,  
but together we are one.**

Each of us has our own gifts,  
our own calling, our own role,  
**but all of us proclaim  
Jesus Christ is the Messiah!**

## Call to Confession

We seek the will of God,  
but still find ourselves conformed to this world,  
instead of being transformed into God's image.  
Let us seek forgiveness  
for the ways we have turned away from justice  
and mercy.

## Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God,  
When faced with earthly powers that seem  
overwhelming,  
we crumble.  
We fear this world.  
We fear losing our status, our stability,  
our station  
more than we fear you.  
Forgive our shortcomings  
and teach us to trust in you  
when we take a risk for what we know is right.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

If God was not on our side,  
we could not stand in the judgment.  
But God is with us, steadfast and faithful,  
as we seek to live in peace.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

The Play of the Godhead (OE) PERICHORESIS GTG 9  
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (OG) SOLID  
ROCK GTG 353, PH 379  
Somos el cuerpo de Cristo / We Are the Body of  
Christ (G) SOMOS EL CUERPO DE CRISTO GTG 768  
King of Kings (G) KING OF KINGS STF 2075

### WORD

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (OG)  
AUSTRIAN HYMN GTG 81, PH 446  
As a Child Rests (O) AS A CHILD RESTS GTG 474  
I Sing a Song of the Saints of God (E) GRAND ISLE  
GTG 730, PH 364  
Let Hope Be Reborn (O) MIDWIFE *Sing No Empty  
Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### EUCCHARIST

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (G) ST. THOMAS GTG  
310, PH 441  
Take Me to the Water (O) TAKE ME TO THE WATER  
GTG 480

We Who Once Were Dead (O) MIDDEN IN DE DOOD  
GTG 502  
Kadazan Kanou Kanou Tumanud do Tuhan /  
Come One and All, Let's Follow Christ, Our Lord  
(E) KANOU STB 78

### SENDING

When Israel Was in Egypt's Land (O) GO DOWN  
MOSES GTG 52, PH 334  
Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory (OG) BATTLE HYMN  
GTG 354  
Now There Is No Male or Female (O) OMNI DIE  
GTG 493  
King of Glory, King of Peace (G) GENERAL SEMINARY  
EH 382

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 124

#### Metrical

Our Help Is in the Name of God [OLD 124TH /  
GENEVAN 124]; GTG 330, PAS 124A, LUYH 498  
Unless the Lord Had Stood with Us [CM]; MPS 124  
If God Had Not Been on Our Side [CM]; PCW 124  
Nuestra ayuda viene del Señor / Our Help Is in the  
Name of the Lord; SSS 385

### Responsorial

Praise the Lord; PP 250  
Our Help Is in the Name of the Lord; PAS 124C  
Our Help Is in the Name of the Lord [OLD 124TH /  
GENEVAN 124]; HTP2 34

### Psalm 138

#### Metrical

With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring [ST.  
PETERSBURG, SOLID ROCK]; GTG 334, PAS 138A,  
LUYH 585  
With All My Heart I Thank You, Lord [GENEVAN 138];  
PAS 138C, LUYH 323  
O Lord, My Heart Will Sing [ENVIADO SOY DE DIOS];  
PP 276 (with refrain), PCW 138 (as 6.6.6.6.8.8)

### Responsorial

Thank You, Lord; PAS 138B  
The Rulers of All the Earth Will Praise You; PSA 141

## Organ Music

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” *Prayerful  
Preludes Set 10*, Robert J. Powell, MSM (E)  
“The Solid Rock,” SOLID ROCK, *In Memoriam*, Ross  
Anderson, LOR (E)  
Prelude No. 2 in G Major, Felix Mendelssohn,  
multiple editions (M)  
“Be Still, My Soul,” FINLANDIA, *Three Hymn  
Settings for Organ and Bass Instrument*, Donald  
Busarow, CON (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Be Not Afraid,” Craig Courtney, BP, SATB, keybd (M)  
“Psalm 124,” Valerie Shields, BH, SAB, pno (M)  
“Many Gifts, One Spirit,” Allen Pote, Theodore  
Presser, SATB, pno (M)  
“My Eternal King,” Jane Marshall, CF, SATB, org (A)  
“All Thy Gifts of Love,” David Brunner, BH, SATB,  
pno (MA)  
“He is Marvelous,” Rosephanye Powell, HAL, SATB,  
pno (M)  
“The Meditations of My Heart,” Elaine Hagenberg,  
BP, SATB, pno (M)  
“My God Is a Rock,” arr. Robert Shaw and Alice  
Parker, Lawson Gould, SATB div, solo (MA)

## Handbell Music

“The Solid Rock,” Jason W. Krug, 3–6 oct and pno,  
HOPE, hb, 2908, full score/pno, 2908D, Level 2  
“Go Down Moses,” Bill Ingram, 3–5 oct, HOPE,  
2669, Level 2+  
“Songs of Loudest Praise,” Derek Hakes, 3–7 oct,  
opt 3–5 hc, LOR, 20/1905L, Level 3-

## Art

*The Finding of Moses*, Alexander Francois Loemans,  
1870 (VDL)  
*Christ Gives the Keys of the Kingdom to Peter*, Bertel  
Thorvaldsen, 1817 (VDL)  
*Symbols of Peter*, stained glass, Babraham, UK, 1966  
(VDL)

September 3, 2023

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost /

Proper 17

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 3:1–15

Moses meets the Lord in a burning bush, and learns God's name.

Psalm 105:1–6,  
23–26, 45b

Give thanks to the Lord, who sent Moses to set the people free.

### Complementary

Jeremiah 15:15–21

Jeremiah laments his calling, but God promises to redeem him.

Psalm 26:1–8

Vindicate me, O Lord; I have trusted you and walked in integrity.

Romans 12:9–21

Love one another; seek what is good; live peaceably with all.

Matthew 16:21–28

Jesus says: If any wish to follow me, they must take up their cross.

## Opening Sentences

God calls us each by name  
as we gather on holy ground.

**We come to this place,  
seeking to know the great I AM.**

Let us worship God.

## Call to Confession

The apostle Paul tells us:

Do not be overcome by evil,  
but overcome evil with good.

For the times we have failed to do this,  
let us confess to God.

## Prayer of Confession

**Sometimes it sounds too hard:  
deny ourselves, take up our crosses,  
lose our lives?**

**Forgive us, Savior,  
but we'd rather you do it for us.**

**Forgive us, Christ,  
but we are overwhelmed with what you  
ask of us.**

**We long to see you come in glory,  
but fear the road we must take.**

**Have mercy on our weakness.**

**Be patient with our stumbling.**

**Do not leave us behind, even when we are  
slow to follow,**

**and lead us in your ways of peace.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ does not abandon us,  
but died for us, was raised for us, and loves us still.  
This is the good news that prevails!

**In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection,  
we are forgiven!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Lo, He (Jesus) Comes with Clouds Descending (G)  
HEMSLEY GTG 348, PH 6

We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom (E) MERLE'S TUNE  
GTG 378

We Are Standing on Holy Ground (O) HOLY GROUND  
GTG 406

Darkness Cannot Drive Out Darkness (E) PICARDY  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### WORD

God's Word Is Upright / La palabra del Señor (O)  
NELSON GTG 40

Deep in the Shadows of the Past (O) SHEPHERDS'  
PIPES GTG 50, PH 330

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go (OG) ST. MARGARET  
GTG 833, PH 384

Love One Another (E) ANGRY WORDS SON 719



## EUCCHARIST

Dream On, Dream On (E) DREAM ON GTG 383  
 Break Thou the Bread of Life (O) BREAD OF LIFE  
 GTG 460, PH 329  
 In the Singing (OE) BREAD OF PEACE GTG 533  
 Without the Fire (OE) CHESTNUT TREE *Rejoice in  
 God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## SENDING

There in God's Garden (O) SHADES MOUNTAIN  
 GTG 226  
 Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said (G) BOURBON  
 GTG 718, PH 393  
 Will You Come and Follow Me (G) KELVINGROVE  
 GTG 726  
 Watch the Bush of Thorns / Chhì-phè hō-hé sio  
 (OG) CHHÌ-PHÈ STB 252

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 105:1–6, 23–26, 45b

#### Metrical

We Give You Thanks, O Lord Our God [CMD];  
 SGP 155

#### Responsorial

Alleluia, Alleluia; PAS 105B  
 O Lord, Still Guide Us; PP 198  
 Remember the Marvels God Has Done [HANOVER];  
 HTP2 36

### Psalm 26:1–8

#### Metrical

Lord, Speak for Me, for I Am Yours [PERRY]; GTG 723  
 Let This Be My Supreme Desire [WINCHESTER OLD];  
 PAS 26B, LUYH 729  
 Be Now My Judge, O Lord [PROSPECT]; PP 48 (with  
 refrain), PCW 26 (LM)  
 You Alone, O God, Can Judge Me [ST. THOMAS (Wade)];  
 PLP1 26  
 Vindicate Me Now, O Lord [7.6.7.6 D]; SGP 41

#### Responsorial

Redeem Me and Show Me Your Mercy (Gelineau);  
 PSA 24  
 Your Love Is Before My Eyes [REPTON]; HTP2 37  
 Your Love Is Before My Eyes; PAS 26A

## Organ Music

“Praeludium in C,” BuxWV 137, Dietrich  
 Buxtehude, public domain (M)  
 “Sinfonia from Solomon,” *Pedals and Pipes for  
 Preludes and Praise*, George F. Handel, Mark  
 Williams, LOR (ME)  
 “Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness,” Johannes  
 Brahms, public domain (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“When We Are Living,” arr. Hal Hopson,  
 WorldSong, SATB, keybd (E)  
 “Followers of the Lamb,” Philip Dieterich, HOPE,  
 SATB (MA)  
 “Bring Forth the Kingdom,” Marty Haugen, GIA,  
 SATB, pno (E)  
 “I Choose Love,” Mark A. Miller, CGA, SATB,  
 pno (E)  
 “Moses,” Ken Medema, WORD, SATB, pno (M)  
 “Be Thou My Vision,” arr. Alice Parker, HIN, SATB,  
 pno or hp (E)  
 “Be Thou My Vision,” Bob Chilcott, OUP, SATB,  
 solo, keybd (M)  
 “Look at the World,” John Rutter, HIN, SATB,  
 children, keybd (M)

## Handbell Music

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go,” Patricia Hurlbutt,  
 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, BP, HB664, Level 2  
 “Break Thou the Bread of Life,” Karen Thompson,  
 3–5 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, LOR, 20/1978L, Level 2+  
 “Reflections on Kelvingrove,” Jason W. Krug, 3–6  
 oct, opt 3 oct hc, RRM, BL5079, Level 2+

## Art

*Burning Bush*, Joe Shumacher, photograph, 2011  
 (VDL)  
*Burning Bush*, Annette Gandy Fortt, print (VDL)  
*Jeremiah*, Michelangelo Buonarroti, Sistine Chapel,  
 1511 (VDL)  
*Get Thee Behind Me, Satan!*, James Tissot, c. 1886  
 (VDL)

September 10, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost /  
Proper 18

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 12:1–14

Psalm 149

Before the exodus, the Lord gives instructions for the Passover.

Let the faithful praise the Lord with tambourine and dancing.

### Complementary

Ezekiel 33:7–11

Psalm 119:33–40

Romans 13:8–14

Matthew 18:15–20

The Lord desires that the wicked turn away from evil, and live.

Teach me your way, O Lord: to turn from vanity and disgrace.

Love is the fulfillment of the law; put on Christ; salvation is near.

Jesus says: seek reconciliation; when you gather I am with you.

## Opening Sentences

Where two or three are gathered together,  
God is in their midst.  
We gather to proclaim the promises,  
to retell the stories,  
to remember who we are as people of God.  
Let us worship!

## Call to Confession

Let us lay aside the works of evil  
and put on the armor of goodness.  
Let us live honorably, putting on the Lord Jesus  
Christ,  
to whom we confess now.

## Prayer of Confession

**Beautiful Savior,  
you have made your law clear:  
Love. Love one another.  
Owe one another nothing but love.  
Do no wrong to a neighbor.  
But we have not mastered what it is to love.  
We have fallen short,  
causing harm to others  
through careless action  
and thoughtless lack of action.  
Forgive us.  
Teach us how to love more fully,  
more perfectly,  
as generously as you love,  
following your law and fulfilling your will.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ does not judge us harshly,  
but forgives all our sin  
and leads us into new life.  
**We will not take this forgiveness for granted,  
but will let it transform how we live and love.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

I Bind unto Myself Today (OG) ST. PATRICK; DEIDRE  
GTG 6

Sing a New Song unto the Lord (OE) SING A NEW  
SONG GTG 276

Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness (OG) GLENDON  
GTG 657

Joy Comes with the Dawn (O) DAWN STF 2210

### WORD

Your Law, O Lord, Is Perfect (O) CHRISTUS, DER IST  
MEIN LEBEN GTG 61

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed (OE) MARTYRDOM  
GTG 212, PH 78

Where Charity and Love Prevail (G) TWENTY-FOURTH  
GTG 316

Spirit of Jesus, If I Love My Neighbor (E) BENJAMIN  
NCH 590

### EUCCHARIST

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table! (E) COPELAND  
GTG 506

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name (OG) COME SHARE  
THE LORD GTG 510  
Come, Let Us Eat (OG) A VA DE GTG 528  
Vamos todos al banquete / Let Us Go Now to the  
Banquet (G) Guillermo Cuéllar, SSS 412

### SENDING

We Gather Together (OEG) KREMSER GTG 336, PH  
559  
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (OE) PICARDY  
GTG 347, PH 5  
You Are Holy (EG) YOU ARE HOLY GTG 705  
There Is Power in the Blood (OE) POWER IN THE  
BLOOD AAHH 358

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 149

#### Metrical

Give Praise to the Lord (Our God) [LAUDATE  
DOMINUM]; GTG 550, PH 257, PAS 149B,  
LUYH 566  
Praise the Lord, New Songs Employ [7.7.7.7 with  
Alleluias]; PCW 149  
O Praise the Lord; Sing unto God [CMD]; SGP 219

### Responsorial

Hallelujah, Sing to God [GROSSER GOTT]; PAS 149A  
Alleluia! Sing to the Lord; PSA 156  
Sing to the Lord a New Song [MIT FREUDEN ZART];  
HTP2 38

### Psalm 119:33–40

#### Metrical

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth [ST. CRISPIN];  
PAS 119C, LUYH 721  
Teach Me, O Lord, Your Holy Law [LM]; PCW 119c  
Teach Me, O Lord, Your Statutes' Ways [CM];  
SGP 180

### Responsorial

O Lord, My Delight Is in Your Law; PSA 122  
Order My Steps in Your Word; PAS 119J  
O Lord, You Have the Words of Life [LEONI/YIGDAL];  
PP 232  
Lord, to Whom Shall We Go? / ¿A quién iremos,  
Señor? SSS 563–564

## Organ Music

“Tiento,” *Suite Medievale*, Jean Langlais, multiple  
editions (MA)  
“The Rejoicing,” *A Postlude Collection for Organ*,  
Charles Callahan, MSM (E)  
“Prelude on Picardy,” *Easy Modern Organ Music*,  
John Joubert, OUP (E)  
“Earth and All Stars,” *Two Hymns for Organ and  
Assembly*, John Ferguson, GIA (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Dance and Sing for the Lord Will Be with Us,” arr.  
Hal Hopson, CGA, uni / 2 pt, keybd, tamb (E)  
“Praise the Lord,” Handel, arr. Hal Hopson, SATB,  
pno (E)  
“Zing dem Herrn,” Michael Praetorius, arr. William  
DuPue, ALF, 2 pt (E)  
“How Can I Keep from Singing,” Taylor Davis,  
MSM, SATB, ob, vln (MA)  
“How Can I Keep from Singing,” arr. Mack Wilberg,  
OUP, SATB, pno (M)  
“How Lovely Are the Messengers,” Felix  
Mendelssohn, ECS, SATB, keybd (M)  
“I Have Longed for Thy Saving Health,” William  
Byrd, arr. Alfred Whitehead, JM, SATB (MA)  
“Beside a Stream of Living Waters,” Thomas  
Keesecker, CGA, SATB, keybd (M)  
“Beautiful City,” André Thomas, Heritage, SATB,  
pno (M)

## Handbell Music

“With Tambourine and Dancing,” Ron Mallory, 3–5  
oct, opt tamb and fc, JHS, 9507, Level 3+  
“Timbrel and Dance,” Kevin McChesney, 3–5 oct,  
CGA, CGB290, Level 2+  
“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed,” Peggy Bettcher,  
3–5 oct, opt 2 oct hc, HOPE, 2677, Level 2+

## Art

*Passover in the Holy Family: Gathering Bitter Herbs*,  
Dante Gabriel Rossetti, 1856 (VDL)  
*Wisdom*, Ayibiowu Olusola David, Nigeria, 2008  
(VDL)  
*Lift Every Voice and Sing*, Augusta Savage,  
sculpture, 1939 (VDL)  
*All of Nature Sings*, James Fissel (EYE)

September 17, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost /  
Proper 19

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## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 14:19–31

Psalm 114

or Exodus 15:1b–11,  
20–21

At the sea, God delivers the Israelites from the Egyptian army.  
The earth shakes and the sea retreats in the presence of the Lord.  
Moses and Miriam sing praise to God, who has delivered them.

### Complementary

Genesis 50:15–21

Psalm 103:(1–7) 8–13

Romans 14:1–12

Matthew 18:21–35

Joseph's brothers seek forgiveness; God turned their evil to good.  
Bless the Lord, who is gracious and merciful, forgiving our sin.  
Refrain from judgment; whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.  
A lesson in forgiveness from a parable about debts and debtors.

## Opening Sentences

We observe this day as the Lord's Day,  
giving thanks to God,  
who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who forgives us and redeems us,  
and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.  
Let us worship the One who is worthy of our  
praise!

## Call to Confession

We are not here to pass judgment on each other:  
all of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory  
of God.

Therefore, let us go before God  
as we offer our confession.

## Prayer of Confession

**God our Judge,  
we admit we have double standards.  
We seek forgiveness for ourselves,  
but fail to forgive others.  
We seek relief for ourselves,  
but fail to seek relief for others.  
We seek leniency for ourselves,  
but fail to show that mercy to others.  
Forgive us, mighty God,  
and help us to forgive,  
showing others the same grace and mercy  
that you have generously shown to us.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

People of God, hear and believe:  
God does not deal with us according to our sins,  
but according to God's own steadfast love for us.  
**As far as the east is from the west,  
so far God removes our sins from us.  
Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Come, You (Ye) Faithful, Raise the Strain (O)  
ST. KEVIN, AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM GTG 234,  
PH 114, 115

Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor (E) RHUDDLAN  
GTG 342

Our God Is an Awesome God (OE) AWESOME GOD  
GTG 616

Jesucristo ayer, hoy, aquí / When Our Ancestors  
Sang Praise (OEG) Julian Zini, SSS 281

### WORD

Jesus Loves Me! (E) JESUS LOVES ME GTG 188, PH 304  
Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (EG) DETROIT  
GTG 444, PH 347

Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil (OEG) GOODNESS IS  
STRONGER GTG 750

Hush! Hush! My Soul (OG) Edward C. Deas,  
AAHH 450

## EUCCHARIST

You Belong to Christ (OEG) YOU BELONG TO CHRIST  
GTG 492

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises / Haleluya!  
Pelo tsa rona (OEG) HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA  
GTG 538

The Earth Belongs to God Alone (OE) SIMMONS  
GTG 715

We Bring Our Broken Towns (O) GARELOCHSIDE  
CH4 721

## SENDING

Eternal Father, Strong to Save (O) MELITA GTG 8,  
PH 562

Sing Praise to God, Whose Mighty Acts (OE)  
SALVATION GTG 356

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (E) PRAYER OF  
ST. FRANCIS GTG 753

Through the Red Sea Brought at Last (O) STRAF  
MICH NICHT EH 187

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 114

#### Metrical

When We Came Out of Egypt [7.6.7.6 D]; SGP 168  
When Israel Was Going Forth [PISGAH]; GTG 58, PP  
216 (with refrain)

When Israel Fled from Egypt Land [O HEILAND REISS,  
ANDRE]; PAS 114B, A, LUYH 41

#### Responsorial

Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain [GAUDEAMUS  
PARITER/AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM]; PAS 114C (alt.  
refrain 1)

Hallelujah, Hallelujah [O FILII ET FILIAE]; HTP1 132  
Freedom is Coming / Dios nos libera; SSS 29–30

### Exodus 15:1b–11, 20–21

#### Metrical

I Will Sing the Lord's High Triumph [TYDDYN  
LLWYN]; HWB 261

#### Responsorial

I Will Sing to the Lord; PSA 174

I Will Sing, I Will Sing; G3 96

Let Me Sing to the Lord [GO DOWN, MOSES]; HTP2 42

### Psalm 103:(1–7) 8–13

#### Metrical

Praise, My Soul, the King (God) of Heaven [LAUDA  
ANIMA]; GTG 619, 620, PAS 103F, PH 478, 479,  
LUYH 571, SSS 418

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer [STUTTGART];  
GTG 439, PH 223

The Tender Love a Father Has [TALLIS ORDINAL];  
PAS 103D

O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God [TIDINGS];  
PAS 103A, LUYH 672

Bless the Lord, O My Soul / Bendecid al Señor  
[BLESS HIS HOLY NAME]; SSS 547

Ten Thousand Reasons / Diez mil razones; SSS 440

#### Responsorial

Bless the Lord, My Soul (Taizé); PAS 103C

El Señor es compasivo / The Lord Is Rich in  
Kindness; PAS 103G

The Lord Is Kind and Merciful; PFTS1 25

O Bless the Lord [I LOVE THE LORD]; PP 188

Bless the Lord, O My Soul [I WISH MY LOVE WAS A  
RED, RED ROSE]; CP1 8

The Lord Is Compassion and Love; PND 36

El Señor es compasivo / The Lord Is Kind and  
Merciful; SSS 524–525

## Organ Music

“Dove of Peace,” *Augsburg Organ Library:*  
*Summer*, David M. Cherwien, AF (E)

“Be Thou My Vision,” SLANE, John Behnke, CON (E)

“In dir ist Freude,” BWV 608, *Orgelbüchlein*,  
J. S. Bach, multiple editions (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah,” arr. Benjamin  
Harlan, JM, SATB, keybd (M)

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah,” Mark Hayes,  
BP, SATB, opt tpt (M)

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing,” arr. Carlton Young,  
HOPE, SATB, tpts, org (M)

“Abide with Me,” arr. John Bertalot, AF, SATB div,  
org (A)

“The Majesty and Glory of Your Name,” Tom Fettke  
and Linda Lee Johnson, WORD, SATB, org (MA)

“The Greatest Gift Is Love,” Mark Hayes, BP, SATB,  
keybd (M)



- “We Belong to God,” Dale Grotenhuis, Mark Foster,  
SATB, org (E)  
“Neither Death nor Life,” Jonathan Crutchfield,  
MSM, SATB, solo, hn (MA)  
“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive,” Nancy Raabe,  
AF, SAB, pno (M)

### **Handbell Music**

- “Awesome God,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, HOPE,  
2246, Level 3+  
“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind,” Karen  
Thompson, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, SFP, 20/1841SF,  
Level 3  
“Jesus Loves Me,” Jason W. Krug, 3–5 oct plus opt  
D8, opt 3–4 oct hc, GIA, G-10219, Level 2+

### **Art**

- First Passover, Crossing through the Divided Sea*,  
stained glass, South Africa, 2019 (VDL)  
*Prophet Miriam*, Pippa Blackall, stained glass,  
United Kingdom, 2008 (VDL)  
*Reconciliation*, Josefina de Vasconcellos, Coventry  
Cathedral, UK, 1977 (VDL)  
*Art 2 Life Prayer*, Wayne Forte (EYE)

## WORSHIP NOTES

### Gathering

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### Word

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# September 24, 2023 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

/ Proper 20  
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## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 16:2–15

Psalm 105:1–6, 37–45

The people complain of hunger; God gives food in the wilderness.

Give thanks to the Lord, who gave food and drink in the desert.

### Complementary

Jonah 3:10–4:11

Psalm 145:1–8

Philippians 1:21–30

Matthew 20:1–16

God's mercy angers Jonah; God teaches a lesson through a bush.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of love.

Living is Christ, dying is gain; live in a way worthy of the gospel.

The parable of Laborers in the Vineyard; the last will be first.

## Opening Sentences

We will sing to God  
and bless God's name forever and ever.

**Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!**

We will declare God's mighty acts  
and celebrate God's abundant goodness.

**Let us worship, singing of God's  
righteousness.**

## Call to Confession

We try to live our lives in a manner worthy  
of Christ.

We try to stand firm in God's spirit,  
but our human self-interest gets the better of us.  
In humility and faith,  
let us confess.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of generosity,  
we find ourselves bitter  
when faced with your abundant grace.  
We believe ourselves more deserving than  
others.**

**We nurse our anger and resentment at those  
you forgive,  
instead of rejoicing in the abundant love you  
show.**

**Forgive us when we wish your grace was  
scarce.**

**Forgive the double standards we hold.**

**Help us to know that we are all in need of  
your grace,  
and help us rejoice as we all gratefully receive  
your mercy.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

The grace of God is boundless,  
poured out freely for all of us.

**We will receive this gift of forgiveness,  
and trust God to transform our lives!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in This Place (OE)

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT GTG 408, PH 398

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly (OG) HOLY MANNA  
GTG 509

Praise, My Soul, the God (King) of Heaven (O)

LAUDA ANIMA GTG 619, 620, PH 478, 479

Let No Ambition Rule Our Hearts (OG) TALLIS'

CANON *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton,  
GIA

### WORD

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (O) SPIRIT GTG 291

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship (OE) HOLY  
MANNA GTG 396

When We Are Living / Pues si vivimos (E) SOMOS

DEL SEÑOR GTG 822, PH 400

I'll Live for Him (E) MY LIFE MY LOVE SON 553

## EUCCHARIST

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (EG)  
 BRIDEGROOM GTG 285, PH 314  
 The Bread and the Wine Are Here (G) LOVE FEAST  
 GTG 512  
 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen (OE) SURGE  
 ECCLESIA GTG 536  
 Living Spirit, Holy Fire (OE) ALL THINGS NEW  
 WAS 3109

## SENDING

For the Fruit of All Creation (G) AR HYD Y NOS, EAST  
 ACKLAM GTG 36, PH 553  
 Light Dawns on a Weary World (OG) TEMPLE OF  
 PEACE GTG 79  
 Lead On, O King Eternal! (OE) LANCASHIRE,  
 LLANGLOFFAN GTG 269, PH 447, 448  
 This Is My One, My Lifelong Wish / Nae  
 pyöngsaeng sowön (E) SO-WÖN STB 48

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 105:1–6, 37–45

#### Metrical

We Give You Thanks, O Lord Our God [CMD];  
 SGP (sts. 1, 6-8)  
 Praise the Lord, the Day Is Won [GAUDEAMUS  
 PARITER/AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM]; PAS 105C

### Responsorial

Alleluia, Alleluia; PAS 105B  
 O Lord, Still Guide Us; PP 198  
 Remember the Marvels God Has Done [HANOVER];  
 HTP2 45

### Psalm 145:1–8

#### Metrical

Te exaltaré, mi Dios / I Will Exalt My God [TE  
 EXALTARÉ, MI DIOS; ECUADOR]; GTG 622, PAS 145C,  
 LUYH 37, SSS 435  
 O Lord, You Are My God and King (I Will Exalt My  
 God and King) [JERUSALEM]; GTG 270, PH 252,  
 PAS 145B (sts. 1–3)  
 I Will Extol You, O My God [NOEL/GERARD];  
 PAS 145E, LUYH 561

### Responsorial

I Will Praise Your Name Forever; PAS 145D  
 (pointed vv.), PFTS2 59 (through-composed vv.)  
 We Praise You, O God; PSA 147

## Organ Music

“In dir ist Freude,” BWV 608, *Orgelbüchlein*, J. S.  
 Bach, multiple editions (M)  
 “Light Dawns on a Weary World,” TEMPLE OF PEACE,  
 Michael Burkhardt, AF (ME)  
 “March in D,” *Trumpet Tunes for Organ*, David N.  
 Johnson, AF (ME)  
 “Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux,” *Old French Organ  
 Music*, Louis-Nicolas Clerambault, OUP (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ,” arr. Robert  
 Hobby, AF, 2 pt mx, org, perc (E)  
 “How Great Thou Art,” arr. Dan Forrest, BP, SATB,  
 pno, opt orch (MA)  
 “The Smallest Things,” James E. Clemens, CGA,  
 SATB, pno (M)  
 “All Things Bright and Beautiful,” John Rutter, OUP,  
 2 pt or SATB, pno (M)  
 “The First Song of Isaiah,” Jack Noble White,  
 Belwin, SATB, keybd (ME)  
 “Christus Paradox,” Alfred Fedak, GIA, SATB,  
 keybd, opt orch (MA)  
 “Blessed Are They,” Marty Haugen, GIA, SAB,  
 keybd (E)  
 “A Vineyard Grows,” K. Lee Scott, MSM, SATB,  
 org (M)

## Handbell Music

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit,” Linda R. Lamb, 3–5 oct, opt 3  
 oct hc, HOPE, 2296, Level 2+  
 “When We Are Living,” Kevin McChesney, 3–5 oct,  
 opt 2 oct hc, RW, 8256, Level 2  
 “Lead on, O King Eternal,” Barbara B. Kinyon, 3–6  
 oct, HOPE, 2165, Level 3+

## Art

*Prophet Jonah Before the Walls of Nineveh*,  
 Rembrandt van Rijn, c. 1655 (VDL)  
*Israelites Gathering Manna*, Ercole de' Roberti, c.  
 1490 (VDL)  
*Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard*, Christian  
 Wilhelm Ernst Dietrich, Poland, c. 1752 (VDL)  
*The Late-Arriving Workers*, JESUS MAFA,  
 Cameroon, 1973 (VDL)

**October 1, 2023**

**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**/ Proper 21**

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## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 17:1–7                   The people thirst and quarrel; God gives them water from a rock.  
Psalm 78:1–4, 12–16       God made streams flow from rocks, giving water to the people.

### Complementary

Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32       Is the way of the Lord unfair? Turn away from your sin and live.  
Psalm 25:1–9                Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord; do not remember my sin.  
Philippians 2:1–13         Seek the mind of Christ, who was humble, but exalted by God.  
Matthew 21:23–32         Leaders question Jesus' authority; he answers them with a parable.

## Opening Sentences

The God for whom we have waited is among us!  
We share in the Spirit who encourages us,  
instructs us,  
consoles us,  
and calls us together as the body of Christ.

## Call to Confession

God does not take pleasure in our suffering  
or delight in our failures  
but bids us to turn back to God's way  
and find eternal life.  
Let us make our confession.

## Prayer of Confession

**Holy God,  
we confess to you:  
We are not of the same mind.  
We do not share the same love.  
We act in selfish ambition  
and do not regard others as better than  
ourselves.  
We have not looked to the interests of others  
instead of ourselves.  
We do not embrace the humility of Jesus  
Christ.  
Forgive us. Continue to be at work in us,  
that we might serve each other as you  
served us,  
and reflect your glory in this world.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

When we lift up our souls to God,  
God does not put us to shame.  
God forgives us, leads us in the truth,  
and leads us in what is right.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (O)  
NETTLETON GTG 475, PH 356  
Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus (E)  
ALL SAINTS GTG 262  
In the Presence of Your People (G) CELEBRATION  
GTG 631  
We Will Glorify the King of Kings (E) WE WILL  
GLORIFY STF 2087

### WORD

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (O) CWM  
RHONDDA GTG 65, PH 281  
Ho, All Who Thirst (OEG) JACOB'S WELL GTG 479  
The King of Love My Shepherd Is (O) ST. COLUMBA  
GTG 802, PH 171  
God Bless Our Native Land (E) NATIONAL ODE  
AAHH 608

### EUCCHARIST

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (OG)  
WINCHESTER NEW, PUER NOBIS NASCITUR GTG 96,  
PH 10



O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (E) PASSION  
 CHORALE GTG 221, PH 98  
 Lord, We Thank You for This Food (OG)  
 MOTOMASE GTG 660  
 Cristo es la peña de Horeb / Christ Is the Mountain  
 of Horeb (O) CRISTO ES LA PEÑA SSS 62

### SENDING

Joy to the World (E) RICHMOND GTG 266  
 Together We Serve (E) SAN ANSELMO GTG 767  
 My Life Flows On (OEG) HOW CAN I KEEP FROM  
 SINGING GTG 821  
 Christ Calls Us Forth (OG) LAPSLEY *Rejoice in God*,  
 K. Lee Scott, MSM

### Psalms and Canticles

#### **Psalm 78:1–4, 12–16**

##### **Metrical**

Give Ear, My People, to My Word [CMD]; SGP 109  
 People of the Lord [JENNY VAN TSCHEGG]; GTG 632,  
 PAS 78A, LUYH 728  
 We Will Tell Each Generation [ARISE/RESTORATION];  
 PAS 78E

##### **Responsorial**

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People [YISRAEL  
 V'ORAITA]; PAS 78D  
 O Lord, Still Guide Us on Our Way [GO DOWN,  
 MOSES]; PP 140  
 God Gave Them Drink [SONG 1]; HTP2 47

#### **Psalm 25:1–9**

##### **Metrical**

Lord, to You My Soul Is Lifted [GENEVAN 25];  
 GTG 420, PH 178, PAS 25D, LUYH 625  
 Lord, I Gladly Trust [REDHEAD 76]; PAS 25B,  
 LUYH 354

##### **Responsorial**

To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul; PAS 25A, G3 39  
 (through-composed vv.), SSS 575–576  
 Lord, You Are My Strength; PSA 23  
 To You, O God, I Lift Up My Soul; PAS 25C

### Organ Music

“Schmuke, dich, o liebe Seele,” BWV 654, J. S.  
 Bach, public domain (M)  
 “Trumpet Tune in D,” *Trumpet Tunes for Organ*,  
 David N. Johnson, AF (ME)  
 “Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier,” BWV 731, J. S. Bach,  
 public domain (ME)  
 “Beach Spring,” *Settings of American Folk Hymns*,  
 Wilbur Held, CON (E)

### Anthems for Adult Choirs

“At the Name of Jesus,” Ralph Vaughan Williams,  
 OUP, SATB, brass quin or org (E)  
 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” Daniel  
 Musselman, BP, 2 pt mx, pno four hand (E)  
 “God Be in My Head,” *Anthems for SA and Men*,  
 John Rutter, OUP, SAB, acap (A)  
 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah,” arr. Mack  
 Wilberg, OUP, SATB, org (M)  
 “Joined Together as One Body,” James and Marilyn  
 Biery, MSM, SATB, org (E)  
 “May God Bestow on Us Grace,” Aaron David  
 Miller, AF, 2 pt mx, pno (E)  
 “Take Me to the Water,” David Cherwien, MSM,  
 SATB div, acap (A)  
 “What Wondrous Love Is This,” arr. Brian Hanson,  
 CGA, SATB, pno (E)

### Handbell Music

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” Sandra  
 Eithun, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, HOPE, 2801,  
 Level 2+  
 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah,” Lloyd Larson,  
 3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1474L, Level 3  
 “How Can I Keep from Singing?,” Karen  
 Buckwalter, 3–5 oct, opt 3–4 oct hc, opt vc, BP,  
 HB615, vc HB615A, Level 3

### Art

*New Spirit*, Dale Chihuly, Phoenix, 2008 (VDL)  
*Helping Hands*, sculpture, Leeds, UK, 2000 (VDL)  
*Sleeping Shepherd*, Samuel Palmer, 1857 (VDL)  
*We Will Find Wellsprings for Our Deepest Thirst*,  
 Jan Richardson (JR)

October 8, 2023

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost /

Proper 22

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 20:1–4, 7–9, 12–20      At Mount Sinai, the Lord gives the Ten Commandments to Moses.  
Psalm 19      The law of the Lord is perfect; God's commandments are clear.

### Complementary

Isaiah 5:1–7      Isaiah sings of a vineyard that has failed to produce good fruit.  
Psalm 80:7–15      Restore us, O God of hosts; have regard for the vine you planted.  
Philippians 3:4b–14      All that I have is nothing; knowing Jesus Christ is everything.  
Matthew 21:33–46      A parable about a vineyard, wicked tenants, and the owner's son.

## Opening Sentences

Let us come to learn.  
Let us come to witness.  
Let us come to change.  
Let us come to repent.  
Let us come to worship.

## Call to Confession

God's law is right and just,  
offering us wisdom and enlightenment.  
Yet we ignore the importance of God's law in our  
lives  
and persist in our own ways.  
In humility, let us confess our sins.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of the law and the prophets,  
We do not want to admit  
all the commandments we have broken.  
We worship idols of money, success, and  
power.  
We use your name to justify whatever we do.  
We do not honor each other;  
we covet, we lie, we wish evil upon others.  
Our sins are too many to name.  
Forgive us.  
Speak to us and we will listen,  
remembering that you are  
our freedom and deliverer.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Do not be afraid:  
God loves us with an everlasting love;  
God's grace is unending.  
Siblings in Christ, we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God for such graciousness!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

God the Sculptor of the Mountains (O) JENNINGS-  
HOUSTON GTG 5  
This Is the Day / Este es el día (G) ESTE ES EL DÍA  
GTG 391  
Fight the Good Fight (E) DUKE STREET GTG 846,  
PH 307  
O Blest Creator, Source of Light (E) LUCIS CREATOR  
OPTIME, BROMLEY EH 27, 28

### WORD

Do Not Be Afraid (O) ISAIAH 43 GTG 76  
The Right Hand of God (E) LA MANO DE DIOS  
GTG 332  
Soft Rains of Spring Flow (OEG) PCOCS GTG 680  
In the Lands of Asia (OG) MARTINEZ STB 263

### EUCCHARIST

I Long for Your Commandments (O) WOLH DENEN,  
DIE DA WANDELN GTG 64  
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (E) HAMBURG,  
ROCKINGHAM GTG 223, 224, PH 100, 101

Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed (OG) ARFON  
GTG 496, PH 501

Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You (E) JESUS LET US  
COME TO KNOW YOU SON 768

### SENDING

Beneath the Cross of Jesus (E) ST. CHRISTOPHER  
GTG 216, PH 92

Joyful Is the Dark (O) LINDNER GTG 230

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation (G)  
WESTMINSTER ABBEY, REGENT SQUARE GTG 394,  
PH 416, 417

O Blest Creator, Source of Light (E) LUCIS CREATOR  
OPTIME, BROMLEY EH 27, 28

### Psalms and Canticles

#### Psalm 19

##### Metrical

Your Law, O Lord, Is Perfect [CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN  
LEBEN]; GTG 61

God's Glory Fills the Heavens [ST. PATRICK,  
CREATION, YE BANKS AND BRAES]; GTG 690, PAS  
19B, LUYH 719, PLP1 19

The Stars Declare His Glory [DEERFIELD]; PAS 19A

Silent Voices [SILENT VOICES]; PAS 19F

Los cielos cuentan la gloria de Dios / The Heavens  
Tell of Your Creative Glory; SSS 11

#### Responsorial

May the Words of My Mouth; PAS 19E

Lord, You Have the Words; PAS 19C (alt. refrain)

Lord, You Have the Words of Everlasting Life;  
PFTS2 44

Lord, You Have the Words; PP 32

The Statutes of the Lord Rejoice the Heart; HTP2 49

Que los dichos de mi boca / Let the Words of My  
Mouth; SSS 558–559

Tu Palabra, Señor / Far More Precious Than Gold;  
SSS 550 (refrain only)

#### Psalm 80:7–15

##### Metrical

O Hear Our Cry, O Lord [VINEYARD HAVEN]; GTG  
355, PAS 80B, PH 206

O Shepherd, Hear and Lead Your Flock [CMD];  
PCW 80

O Shepherd, Hear and Lead Your Flock [ST. LOUIS];  
PAS 80C, LUYH 64

Restáuranos, oh Dios / Restore Us, O God; SSS 72

### Responsorial

Restore Us Again; PAS 80A

Lord, Make Us Turn to You (Gelineau); PSA 71

The Vineyard of the Lord [PICARDY]; HTP2 50

God of Love, Come and Help Us; PP 146

### Organ Music

“Fughetta in D,” *Twelve Fughettas*, op. 123b, Joseph  
Rheinberger, KAL (ME)

“Canon,” *Twelve Pieces for Organ*, Theodore  
Dubois, KAL (M)

“Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him,”  
HYFRYDOL, *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*, Jerry  
Westenkuehler, Warner Bros. Publications (E)

### Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Cornerstone,” Shawn Kirchner, Santa Barbara,  
SATB, solo, pno (M)

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit,” arr. Moses Hogan,  
HAL, SATB, tenor solo, acap (M)

“Fight the Good Fight,” John Gardner, OUP, SATB,  
pno (E)

“God of the Ages,” arr. Howard Helvey, BP, SATB,  
pno (M)

“Grant Us Your Peace,” Felix Mendelssohn, SJMP,  
SAB, keybd (E)

“O God, You Speak Your Beauty Every Hour,”  
*Anthems for SA and Men*, Howard Helvey, OUP,  
SAB, org (M)

“The Heavens Are Telling,” Franz J. Haydn, GSH,  
SATB, STB soli, keybd (A)

“We See the Mountains Lifted High before Us,” arr.  
Hal Hopson, CGA, 2 pt mx, pno (E)

### Handbell Music

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,” Lloyd  
Larson, 3–5 oct and pno, HOPE, hb 2793, full  
score/pno 2793D, Level 2

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus,” Alan Lohr, 3–5 oct,  
opt 2 oct hc, SFP, 20/1888SF, Level 3

“Foundation,” Anna Laura Page, 3–5 oct, ALF/JM,  
20205, Level 3

## Art

*Ten Commandments*, wood carving, Poland (VDL)

*Childbirth*, mural, Gdansk, Poland, 2000 (VDL)

*Vineyards with a View of Auvers*, Vincent van  
Gogh, 1890 (VDL)

*Moses Repeated the Commandments to the People*,  
unknown, c. 840 (VDL)

*Moses ala Michelangelo*, P. Solomon Raj (EYE)

*Moses Receiving the Law from God*, Lorenzo  
Ghiberti, Florence, c. 1422 (VDL)

## WORSHIP NOTES

### Gathering

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### Eucharist

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October 15, 2023

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost /

Proper 23

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 32:1–14

Aaron makes a golden calf; Moses intercedes with the Lord.

Psalm 106:1–6, 19–23

We have sinned, exchanging the glory of God for graven images.

### Complementary

Isaiah 25:1–9

God will make a feast for all peoples, destroying death forever.

Psalm 23

The Lord prepares a table for me in the presence of my enemies.

Philippians 4:1–9

Rejoice in the Lord; do not worry; God's peace will be with you.

Matthew 22:1–14

The kingdom is like a banquet; many are called, few are chosen.

## Opening Sentences

Rejoice in the Lord always!

**All thanks and praise to God!**

Do not worry about anything.

**We trust in God who provides for us.**

Let the peace of God settle among you.

**We will share God's peace with all.**

## Call to Confession

From ancient times to now,

God's people have turned away.

We are no different:

we let fear take hold of us

and try to go our own way.

Let us be honest about how we have failed

to follow God.

## Prayer of Confession

**True God from True God,**

**we have not built a golden calf,**

**but we have worshiped idols.**

**We have put our trust in what we build with  
our own hands.**

**We find security in what we can hoard  
instead of trusting your provision.**

**We listen to lies that spread hatred and  
division**

**instead of the radical truth of your word.**

**Forgive us.**

**Melt down our idols until we see only you  
and fix our sight on your way alone.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God shows us a different way—

a way of truth, honor, justice, purity, and  
excellence.

This path is open to all of us if we reach out and  
accept God's forgiveness.

**Thanks be to God! We will live as God's  
people,  
forgiven and freed.**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Sing Glory to the Name of God (OE) LASST UNS  
ERFREUEN GTG 10

Let Us Build a House (OG) TWO OAKS GTG 301

Rejoice, the Lord Is King! (E) DARWALL'S 148TH  
GTG 363, PH 155

The Kingdom of God (G) LAUDATE DOMINUM  
G3 736

### WORD

The Mighty God with Power Speaks (O) KINGSFOLD  
GTG 13

Tremble, O Tremble (O) TROMBLEY GTG 57

Peace of God Be with You / As-salaamu lakum (E)  
AS-SALAAMU LAKUM GTG 448

Your Heralds Brought Glad Tidings (OG)  
THORNBURY CH4 511

## EUCCHARIST

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works (Things)  
(OE) LACQUIPARLE GTG 21, PH 271  
Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation (G) O  
QUANTA QUALIA GTG 503, PH 516  
Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness (G) SCHMÜCKE  
DICH GTG 514  
Peace Came to Earth (OG) HUFSTETLER *Rejoice in  
God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

## SENDING

Farewell, Good Friends! (E) SHALOM, CHAVERIM  
GTG 540, PH 537  
Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! (E) MARION, VINEYARD  
HAVEN GTG 804, PH 145, 146  
I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table (OG)  
WELCOME TABLE GTG 770  
I Would Be True (E) PEEK NCH 492

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 106:1–6, 19–23

#### Metrical

Your Endless Love, Your Mighty Acts [ST. MAGNUS];  
GTG 60  
It Is Good to Give Thanks to You [NEW 106TH];  
PAS 106A, LUYH 48  
Alleluia, Lord, We Praise You [8.7.8.7 D]; SGP 159

### Responsorial

Cast Every Idol from Its Throne [MIT FREUDEN ZART];  
PAS 106B  
The Mighty God Is the God of Israel; PSA 108  
O Lord, Still Guide Us [GO DOWN, MOSES]; PP 200

### Psalm 23

#### Metrical

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need [RESIGNATION];  
GTG 803, PH 172, PAS 23A, LUYH 369, SSS 44  
The King of Love My Shepherd Is [ST. COLUMBA,  
DOMINUS REGIT ME]; GTG 802, PH 171, LUYH 824,  
LUYH 23D, E (altered text), SSS 359  
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [CRIMOND,  
BROTHER JAMES' AIR]; GTG 801, PH 170, PAS 23C,  
SSS 375  
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [Townend];  
PAS 23F  
The God of Love My Shepherd Is [RIDGEWOOD];  
PAS 23J

The Lord, My Shepherd, Rules My Life [CRIMOND];  
PAS 23B

El Señor es mi pastor / You, O Lord, You Are My  
Shepherd; SSS 532

### Responsorial

Shepherd Me, O God; GTG 473, LUYH 456, PAS  
23G (pointed vv.), 23H (through-composed vv.),  
SSS 365 (refrain only)

El Señor es mi pastor / My Shepherd Is the Lord;  
PAS 23 I, LUYH 368, SSS 338

El Señor es mi pastor / The Lord Is My Shepherd;  
OC 33, SSS 294–295

My Shepherd Is the Lord [Gelineau]; PH 173,  
PSA 18

The Lord Is My Shepherd; PFTS2 54

The Lord Is My Shepherd / El Señor es mi pastor;  
SSS 613 (refrain only)

The Lord's My Shepherd [THE PARTING GLASS]; CP2 1  
I Shall Live in the House of the Lord; PND 14

## Organ Music

“O Day of Rest and Gladness,” *Prayerful Preludes  
Set 10*, Robert J. Powell, MSM (E)

“Wo soll ich fliehen hin,” BWV 646, J. S. Bach,  
public domain (M)

“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart,” HERZLICH  
LIEB, *Lord, Thee I Love*, David Cherwien, AF (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Christ Is the World's True Light,” *The Oxford Book  
of Flexible Anthems*, Walter Kendall Stanton,  
OUP, uni, keybd (E)

“Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy,” Raymond  
Haan, CON, SATB, org (E)

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need,” Mack  
Wilberg, HIN, SATB, org (M)

“No More a Stranger or a Guest,” David Ashley  
White, SEL, SA, C inst, hb (E)

“Psalm 23,” Eugene Oldham, BP, SATB, pno (M)

“Rejoice in the Lord Always,” Henry Purcell, ECS,  
SATB, org (A)

“The Kingdom,” André Thomas, HIN, SATB, pno  
(M)

“Think on These Things,” Mark Patterson, MSM,  
SAB, pno (M)

## Handbell Music

- “Again I Say, Rejoice!,” Lloyd Larson, 3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1453L, Level 2
- “Many and Great,” Cathy Moglebust, 2–3 oct or 3–5 oct, opt perc, CGA, CGB971 or CGB972, Level 1
- “Shalom Chaverim,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, CGA, CGB312, Level 3

## Art

- Psalm 23*, John August Swanson (VDL)
- Psalm 23*, Timothy Botts (EYE)
- Good Shepherd*, Lucinda Naylor (EYE)
- Dancing around the Golden Calf*, Fri Heil, sculpture, Netherlands (VDL)

## WORSHIP NOTES

### Gathering

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October 22, 2023

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost /

Proper 24

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Exodus 33:12–23

Psalm 99

Moses watches from the cleft of a rock as God's glory passes by.

Like Moses, worship at God's mountain; the Lord is holy.

### Complementary

Isaiah 45:1–7

Psalm 96:1–9 (10–13)

1 Thessalonians 1:1–10

Matthew 22:15–22

The Lord anoints Cyrus: I alone am God; I call you by name.

Declare God's glory among the nations; all other gods are idols.

Paul writes to the Thessalonians: We give thanks and pray for you.

The Pharisees test Jesus with a question about paying taxes.

## Opening Sentences

God's glory is too much to comprehend,  
but we see God's face among us  
when we come together as the church.  
Let us witness to God's glory together!

## Call to Confession

God has chosen us,  
but we frequently fail to choose  
God's will for our lives.  
Let us go before God,  
seeking forgiveness and peace.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of justice and truth,  
you ask us to give to you the things that are  
yours.**

**If we are honest,  
we know we hold so much back.  
We have promised you our obedience,  
but we often fulfill our own desires first.  
We have promised you our worship,  
but we give our attention to idols instead.  
We have promised to do your work in the  
world,  
but we put it last on the list of priorities.  
Have mercy on us and forgive us.  
Increase our generosity that we might give  
freely,  
grateful for all of the gifts you have given us.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

The good news remains true:  
God has chosen us, forgives us,  
and walks beside us,  
helping us become imitators of Christ.

**Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Alleluia!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! (O) NICAIA  
GTG 1, PH 138

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (O) ST. DENIO  
GTG 12, PH 263

We Lift Our Voices (G) OFFERING GTG 710

Ten Thousand Reasons / Diez mil razones (OE)

Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman, SSS 440

### WORD

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me (O) TOPLADY GTG 438

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name (G) COME, SHARE  
THE LORD GTG 510

Lord, Prepare Me (G) SANCTUARY GTG 701

Forever (E) FOREVER WAS 3023

### EUCCHARIST

Give Thanks (E) GIVE THANKS GTG 647

Fill My Cup (G) FILL MY CUP GTG 699, PH 350

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest (O) MCAFEE  
GTG 824, PH 527

He Hideth My Soul (O) KIRKPATRICK SFT 508,  
*Celebrating Grace Hymnal* 611



## SENDING

God Be with You Till We Meet Again (OE)  
 RANDOLPH, GOD BE WITH YOU GTG 542, PH 540  
 Now Thank We All Our God (E) NUN DANKET ALLE  
 GOTT GTG 643, PH 555  
 From the Rising of the Sun (O) RISING SUN  
 GTG 670  
 Let No Ambition Rule Our Hearts (G) TALLIS' CANON  
*Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 99

#### Metrical

Tremble, O Tremble [TROMBLEY]; GTG 57  
 The Lord Is King, Enthroned in Might [ELLACOMBE];  
 PAS 99A, LUYH 726  
 Lord, You Are King [LMD]; SGP 147  
 You, Lord, Are King [LM]; SGP 148  
 God Reigns, Enthroned on High [6.6.8.4 D]; PCW 99

### Responsorial

The Lord Is King; with Trembling Bow in Worship;  
 PAS 99B  
 Sing to the Lord [WILLIE TAYLOR]; CP1 7  
 Proclaim the Greatness of the Lord Our God  
 [OLD 124TH]; HTP2 53

### Psalm 96:1–9 (10–13)

#### Metrical

O Sing a New Song to the Lord [GONFALON ROYAL];  
 GTG 304, PH 216  
 Sing, Sing, Sing to the Lord [SING]; PAS 96D  
 Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise [WESLEY]; PAS 96B,  
 LUYH 515  
 Come and Sing a New Song (Punjabi); PAS 96A  
 Sing to the Lord No Threadbare Song [CANTICUM  
 NOVUM]; PAS 96G

### Responsorial

O Sing a New Song; GTG 639, PH 217, PAS 96H  
 Bring an Offering and Enter God's Courts; PSA 91  
 Bow Down, All the Earth; SP 40  
 God, We Honor You / Dios, te honramos  
 [ABUNDANT BLESSINGS]; SSS 647–648

## Organ Music

“Aria,” Charles Callahan, MSM (ME)  
 “Cantilène religieuse,” Theodore Dubois, KAL (M)  
 “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus,” *Augsburg Organ  
 Library: Autumn*, Thomas Gieschen, AF (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“He Hideth My Soul,” Mark Shepperd, MSM, SATB,  
 pno (E)  
 “I Thank My God,” J. Aaron McDermid, MSM,  
 SATB, pno (M)  
 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing,” arr. Eric  
 Nelson, MSM, SATB, org, opt brass and timp (M)  
 “O Worship the Lord,” G. F. Handel, SJMP, 2 pt mx,  
 keybd (M)  
 “Oh, Sing to the Lord a New Song,” John Leavitt,  
 CON, SATB, pno, ob (E)  
 “Show Me Thy Ways,” Walter Pelz, AF, SATB, gtr,  
 ob (M)  
 “Sing to the Lord,” Jeffrey McIntyre, MSM, SATB,  
 org (A)  
 “The Best of Rooms,” Randall Thompson, ECS,  
 SATB, acap (A)

## Handbell Music

“Holy, Holy, Holy,” Julie Turner, 3–5 oct, RW, 8277,  
 Level 3  
 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise,” Arnold  
 Sherman, 3–5 oct, opt pno, HOPE, hb 2835, full  
 score/pno 2835D, Level 2+  
 “God Be with You Till We Meet Again,” Cathy  
 Moklebust, 3–5 oct, opt separate 2–3 oct hc,  
 CGA, CGB796, hc CGB797, full score CGB795,  
 Level 3-

## Art

*Show Me Your Glory*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Joyful Mountain Landscape*, Paul Klee, 1929 (VDL)  
 Roman coin of Caesar Augustus, 1st century (VDL)  
*The Tribute Money*, Jacek Malczewski, 1908, Poland  
 (VDL)

# October 29, 2023 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost /

**Proper 25**

Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Deuteronomy 34:1–12 After seeing the promised land from Mount Nebo, Moses dies.  
Psalm 90:1–6, 13–17 Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

### Complementary

Leviticus 19:1–2, 15–18 Be holy, as the Lord is holy; love your neighbor as yourself.  
Psalm 1 Happy are those who delight in the law of the Lord.  
1 Thessalonians 2:1–8 We came to you to share the gospel; we also share ourselves.  
Matthew 22:34–46 Love the Lord your God, and love your neighbor as yourself.

## Opening Sentences

God speaks to us:  
You shall be holy,  
for I am holy.  
You shall not hate,  
but love your neighbor as yourself.

## Call to Confession

God watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.  
We have righteousness within us,  
but we also have wickedness.  
Therefore, let us confess.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of love,  
your commandments are so simple:  
love God, love neighbor, love self.  
Yet we cannot always muster that love.  
Love for you seems too abstract and distant.  
Love for our neighbors seems too impractical  
and draining.  
Love for ourselves seems too impossible and  
unimportant.  
But you are truly the God of love;  
if there is anyone who can help us love,  
it is you.  
Shower us with your love  
so we might have the greatest example,  
and help us learn from you.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

It is true: we are beloved of God.  
The God who loves us does not condemn us.  
**We will live in the glory of God's love!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

The God of Abraham Praise (O) LEONI GTG 49,  
PH 488  
When Israel Was Going Forth (O) PISGAH GTG 58  
Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us (EG) AUSTIN  
GTG 44  
Make Me a Servant (OE) MAKE ME A SERVANT  
STF 2176

### WORD

Love the Lord Your God (G) GREAT COMMANDMENT  
GTG 62  
Praise God for This Holy Ground (O)  
HEYMONYSTRAAT GTG 405  
Jesus, Lover of My Soul (G) ABERYSTWYTH GTG 440,  
PH 303  
O God of Love (OG) DHYRIAM STB 63

### EUCCHARIST

God of the Sparrow (O) ROEDER GTG 22, PH 272  
Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (OG) CHEREPONI  
GTG 203, PH 367  
For the Life That You Have Given (G) PLEADING  
SAVIOR GTG 717  
On Jordan's Stormy Banks (OE) EVERGREEN SHORE  
SON 886

## SENDING

Lord, Make Us More Holy (O) LORD, MAKE US MORE  
HOLY GTG 313, PH 536

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship (G) HOLY  
MANNA GTG 396

Help Us Accept Each Other (O) BARONITA GTG 754,  
PH 358

God Is There (OE) ABBOT'S LEIGH *Sing No Empty  
Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 90:1–6, 13–17

#### Metrical

Our (O) God, Our Help in Ages Past [ST. ANNE];  
GTG 687, PH 210, PAS 90B, LUYH 405, SSS 41

God Everlasting, at Your Word [ST. MAGNUS];  
PAS 90A

Wildflowers Bloom and Fade [INCARNATION];  
PAS 90D, LUYH 403

#### Responsorial

Teach Us to Know the Shortness of Our Days;  
PAS 90C, PSA 84

May the Gracious Care; PAS 90E, PND 26

In Every Age, O Lord, You Have Been Our Refuge  
(Gelineau); PSA 83

### Psalm 1

#### Metrical

How Happy Are the Saints of God [WAREHAM];  
GTG 457

Happy Is the One [BENEDICTUS PRIMUS]; PAS 1F,  
LUYH 712

The One Is Blessed [WINCHESTER OLD, DUNFERMLINE];  
PAS 1A, LUYH 714, PH 158, PP 5 (with refrain)

Happy Are They Who Walk in God's Wise Way  
[SRI LAMPANG]; PAS 1C

This Is the First of Songs [LES COMMANDEMENTS DE  
DIEU]; SP 1

Feliz el pueblo / How Blest the People [FELIZ EL  
HOMBRE]; SSS 274

#### Responsorial

Feliz será / How Blest They Are [FELIZ EL HOMBRE];  
PAS 1E

Happy Are They Who Trust; PAS 1B, SSS 567–568

Happy Are They Who Delight; PSA 1

## Organ Music

“O God Beyond All Praising,” THAXTED, *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Autumn*, Robert Buckley Farlee,  
AF (ME)

“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart,” BWV 1115,  
*Neumeister Chorales*, J. S. Bach, public domain  
(M)

“Fuga in C Major,” BuxWV 174, Dietrich  
Buxtehude, public domain (M)

“Variations on ‘Kum Ba Yah,’” John Behnke, MSM  
(E)

“A Mighty Fortress,” Charles W. Ore, CON (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“To Love Our God,” Mark Hayes, HIN, SATB,  
keybd (MA)

“Love to the Lord,” Gilbert Martin, HIN, SATB,  
keybd (M)

“Love the Lord,” John Leavitt, AF, SATB, fl (M)

“Psalm 1,” Michael Burkhardt, MSM, uni, keybd (E)

“Psalm 1,” Mark Hayes, BP, SATB, keybd (M)

“Alleluia, Song of Gladness,” Michael Costello,  
MSM, SATB, org, brass qrt, timp (ME)

“Lift Thine Eyes,” from *Elijah*, Felix Mendelssohn,  
Theodore Presser, SSA (M)

“I Lift My Eyes,” Bob Chilcott, OUP, SSAA, pno (M)

“Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place,” Lloyd  
Larson, Providence Press, SATB, keybd (M)

## Handbell Music

“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place,” Kevin  
McChesney, 3–5 oct, CGA, CGB253, Level 3

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul,” Hart Morris, 3–5 oct, opt  
2 oct hc, RRM, RRHB0055, Level 4

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love,” Michael  
Helman, 3–5 oct, AF, AU1111025, Level 3

## Art

*Love*, Anneke Kaai (AK)

*Love is the Most Ancient Law*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Peace, Justice, Unity, Public Art Squad*, Sydney,  
Australia, 1984 (VDL)

*The Two Commandments*, Jan Richardson (JR)

# October 31, 2023

## Reformation Day

Color: Red

### Lectionary Readings

Jeremiah 31:31–34	God says: I will make a new covenant, writing my law in your heart.
Psalm 46	Though the earth changes and the waters roar, God is our refuge.
Romans 3:19–28	We are justified by the gift of God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.
John 8:31–36	Jesus says: You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.

### Opening Sentences

God is our refuge and strength:

**we will not fear.**

Though the earth shakes,

**we will not fear.**

Though the waters swirl around us,

**we will not fear.**

Though the nations rise and fight,

**we will not fear.**

God is our help in the time of trouble:

**we will not fear.**

### Call to Confession

Jesus says, If you continue in my word,  
you are my disciples; and you will know my truth,  
and the truth will make you free.

We try to live in Christ's truth,  
but we still fall short and find ourselves bound.

Let us pursue God's word  
through our confession.

### Prayer of Confession

**God of the ages,  
you have been faithful to us,  
but we have not been faithful to you.  
You have established covenants with us,  
but we have not upheld our part.  
We have distorted your word for our own gain.  
We have claimed you as exclusively ours.  
We have focused on power more than  
discipleship.  
We beg your forgiveness.  
Reform us again and make us into the image  
of your true church.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

I will forgive their iniquity,  
and remember their sin no more,  
says the Lord.

**The story continues. God is not done with us.  
We are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

I Bind unto Myself Today (E) ST. PATRICK, DEIRDRE  
GTG 6

New Songs of Celebration Render (OE) RENDEZ À  
DIEU GTG 371, PH 218

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (G) AZMON  
GTG 610, PH 466

We Will Stand (OG) RESTORATION *Sing No Empty  
Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

#### WORD

O God, Who Gives Us Life (O) NOEL GTG 53

I Believe in God the Father (G) GENEVAN 42  
GTG 481

Spirit, Open My Heart (O) WILD MOUNTAIN THYME  
GTG 692

Hark! Wisdom's Urgent Cry (OG) DIADEMATA  
IHLC 30

## EUCCHARIST

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (OEG) HYFRYDOL  
GTG 366, PH 376  
Break Thou the Bread of Life (G) BREAD OF LIFE  
GTG 460, PH 329  
You Are My Strength When I Am Weak (G)  
JERNIGAN GTG 519  
Somos pueblo que camina / We Are People on a  
Journey (OE) SOMOS PUEBLO SSS 683

## SENDING

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (E) EIN' FESTE BURG  
GTG 275, PH 260  
The Foolish in Their Hearts Deny (E) MAPLE AVENUE  
GTG 335  
We Shall Overcome (G) WE SHALL OVERCOME  
GTG 379  
Hallelujah, 'Tis Done (OEG) African American  
traditional AAHH 673

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 46

#### Metrical

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength [WINCHESTER  
OLD]; GTG 329, PH 191  
God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength [NOEL/  
GERARD]; PAS 46A, LUYH 432  
Dios es nuestro amparo / God Will Be Our Refuge  
[AMPARO]; PAS 46B, SSS 290  
God, Our Help and Constant Refuge [MICHAEL];  
PAS 46C, PH 192  
With God Our Refuge and Our Strength  
[ST. PATRICK]; PLP1 46

### Responsorial

God Is Our Help, Refuge, and Strength; GTG 380  
The Lord of Hosts Is with Us; PAS 46D  
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God [EIN' FESTE BURG];  
UMH 780

## Organ Music

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” EIN' FESTE BURG,  
Aaron David Miller, AF (M)  
“A Mighty Fortress,” EIN' FESTE BURG, *Hymns of  
Glory*, David Cherwien, MSM (E)  
“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing,” AZMON,  
*Pedals and Pipes for Preludes and Praise*, Steven  
Scott, LOR (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“God is Our Refuge,” Allen Pote, HOPE, SATB,  
keybd (M)  
“Grace,” Mark Hayes, BP, SATB, pno (E)  
“Praise His Holy Name,” Keith Hampton,  
Earthsongs, SATB, pno (M)  
“How Firm a Foundation,” Emma Lou Diemer, HIN,  
SATB, org, opt brass (M)  
“How Firm a Foundation,” Dan Forrest, HIN, SATB,  
keybd, opt orch (MA)  
“How Firm a Foundation,” arr. Tom Trenney, MSM,  
SATB, org (E)  
“The Church’s One Foundation,” arr. John  
Ferguson, AF, SATB, org, brass qrt (M)  
“I Will Sing with the Spirit” by John Rutter, OUP,  
SATB, pno, opt orch (M)

## Handbell Music

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing,” Cynthia  
Dobrinski, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, HOPE, 2283,  
Level 3  
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” Linda R. Lamb,  
3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, CGA, CGB749, Level 2  
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” Sondra Tucker, 3–6  
oct, opt 3 oct hc, opt tpt, ALF/JM, 42896, Level 2

## Art

*Five Solas*, Timothy Botts (EYE)  
*Mosaic from Lullingstone Villa*, fourth century,  
Eynsford, UK (VDL)  
*Reading the Bible*, Gerrit Dou, c. 1645 (VDL)



# November 1, 2023

## All Saints' Day

Color: White

### Lectionary Readings

Revelation 7:9–17	The redeemed gather at God's throne; the Lamb is their shepherd.
Psalm 34:1–10, 22	Bless the Lord, our redeemer; taste and see that the Lord is good.
1 John 3:1–3	See what love the Father has given us; we are God's children now.
Matthew 5:1–12	The Beatitudes: blessed are you; your reward is great in heaven.

### Opening Sentences

Blessing and glory and wisdom to our God!

**Amen!**

Thanksgiving and honor to our God!

**Amen!**

All power and might to our God  
forever and ever!

**Amen and amen!**

### Call to Confession

It is hard to believe that a day will come  
when there will be no more hunger or thirst,  
no more tears or death.

As we remember our loved ones,  
we cannot help but doubt.

God is big enough to handle that doubt,  
so let us pray.

### Prayer of Confession

**God of eternal life,  
we gather in gratitude  
for all the saints of the ages and our lives.  
We also confess our sorrow  
as we ache from their absence.  
We hear you call us blessed when we mourn,  
but we do not find the comfort you promise.  
Be with us in our remembrance  
and strengthen us until the day we join them,  
singing your praises in the great multitude.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

See what love our Creator has given us:  
we are children of God.

Our heavenly Parent loves us, forgives us,  
and is with us through every trial.

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

For All the Saints (R) SINE NOMINE GTG 326, PH 526  
Praise, My Soul, the God (King) of Heaven (R)

LAUDA ANIMA GTG 619, 620, PH 478, 479

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God (E) GRAND ISLE  
GTG 730, PH 364

A City Radiant as a Bride (R) WEIBERG *Rejoice in  
God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

#### WORD

Know That God Is Good / Mungu ni mwema  
(OEG) MUNGU NI MWEMA GTG 659

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me (EG) ST. CATHERINE  
GTG 703, PH 366

Shall Tribulation or Distress (G) ROMANS 8  
GTG 823

Who Are These Like Stars Appearing (RE) ZEUCH  
MICH, ZEUCH MICH EH 286

#### EUCCHARIST

What Wondrous Love Is this (RE) WONDROUS LOVE  
GTG 215, PH 85

Taste and See (O) TASTE AND SEE GTG 520

When Peace like a River (E) VILLE DU HAVRE  
GTG 840

Jesus Is Here Right Now (O) Leon Roberts  
AAHH 684

**SENDING**

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (R)  
PICARDY GTG 274  
May the Love of the Lord (E) SOON TI GTG 549  
Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm (EG)  
REPTON GTG 731  
Mas el Dios de toda gracia / Oh, the God of Grace  
Overflowing (RE) Marcos Witt, arr. Greg Scheer,  
SSS 713

**Psalms and Canticles****Psalm 34:1–10, 22****Metrical**

We Will Always Bless You, Lord [7.6.7.6 D, trochaic];  
SGP 34  
At All Times Let Me Sing Gladly [PLEADING SAVIOR];  
PLP1 34  
My Times Are in Your Hand [FRANCONIA]; SP 19  
Unto the Lord My Praise I Sing [LAND OF REST];  
PP 66 (with refrain), PCW 34 (as CM)  
Lord, I Bring My Songs to You [LUX PRIMA]; PAS 34D,  
LUYH 406  
Benediciré al Señor / I Will Extol My God  
[BENDECIRÉ AL SEÑOR]; PAS 34C

**Responsorial**

Taste and See [TASTE AND SEE]; GTG 520, PAS 34B,  
LUYH 817, SSS 691  
Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord; PAS 34A,  
PSA 33, PH 187  
Taste and See / Gusten y vean; SSS 692 (refrain  
only)  
I Will Bless the Lord at All Times; PAS 34A (alt.  
refrain, pointed vv.), PFTS2 62 (alt. refrain,  
through-composed)

**Organ Music**

“In Paradisum,” *In Paradisum*, Charles Callahan,  
CON (E)  
“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness,” SCHMUKE  
DICH, *Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness*,  
David N. Johnson, AF (M)  
For All the Saints,” SINE NOMINE, *Augsburg Organ  
Library: November*, Arthur Hutchings, AF (ME)  
Suite no. 1, op. 51, “Requiem Aeternam,” Louis  
Vierne, public domain (MA)

**Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“The Good Shepherd,” Zebulon Highben, GIA,  
SAB, pno, fl (E)  
“The King of Love, My Shepherd Is,” arr. Jeremy  
Bankson, CON, SATB, fl, ob, org (M)  
“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need,” arr. Mack  
Wilberg, HIN, SATB, fl, ob, org (M)  
“The Lord Is My Shepherd,” *Requiem*, John Rutter,  
OUP, SATB, org, ob (MA)  
“Like as the Father,” Cherubini, Theodore Presser,  
SAB, org (M)  
“Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal,” Alice Parker,  
Lawson-Gould, SATB div (MA)  
“Sing Me to Heaven,” Daniel Gawthrop, Dunstan  
House, SATB (MA)  
“Blow Ye the Trumpet,” Kirke Mechem, ECS, SATB,  
keybd (MA)

**Handbell Music**

“For All the Saints,” Dan Edwards, 3–5 oct, CGA,  
CGB905, Level 3  
“The Saints of God,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, opt 3  
oct hc, ALF, 47796, Level 3  
“It Is Well with My Soul,” Cathy Moglebust, 3–5 oct,  
opt 3 oct hc, opt vln or fl, ALF, 20206, Level 3

**Art**

*A Visit*, John August Swanson (VDL)  
*The Sermon on the Mount*, JESUS MAFA, Cameroon  
(VDL)  
*Jesus as Shepherd, with the Lost Sheep*, Ethiopia,  
20th century, Paris (VDL)  
*BE-Attitudes*, Joel Schoon-Tanis (JST)

# November 5, 2023

## Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 26

Color: Green

### Lectionary Readings

#### Semicontinuous

Joshua 3:7–17 Joshua leads the people through the Jordan to the promised land.  
Psalm 107:1–7, 33–37 Give thanks to the Lord, who delivered us from the wilderness.

#### Complementary

Micah 3:5–12 False prophets, priests, and rulers will be put to shame by God.  
Psalm 43 Vindicate me, O God; deliver me from those who oppress me.  
1 Thessalonians 2:9–13 We give thanks that you have received and believed God’s word.  
Matthew 23:1–12 The greatest will become servants; the humble will be exalted.

### Opening Sentences

When God stops by,  
everything changes.

**Rivers turn to dry land,  
the deserts turn into springs.**

The hungry are fed,  
the lost are guided home.

**Come to us, mighty God,  
and transform our hearts and souls.**

### Call to Confession

God calls us into glory,  
even when we do not live lives  
worthy of this calling.  
In gratitude—for God has claimed us—  
let us be honest with God about the ways  
we are not worthy.  
Let us confess to God.

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ who kneels to wash our feet,  
Despite your clear example,  
we cannot shake our usual ways of life.  
We admit: we are tempted by honor and  
status.**

**We admit: we like to seem holier than we are.  
We admit: we like to be respected more than  
others.**

**We admit: we would rather be “great” than a  
servant.**

**But you who are the greatest became the  
servant of all.**

**Help us to imitate you.**

**Humble us that we might be not just the  
image of your disciple,  
but that we actually embody your teachings.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

When we cry to God in our trouble,  
God delivers us from our distress.

**Thank God for such steadfast love,  
wonderful works, and unfailing forgiveness.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (O) CWM  
RHONDDA GTG 65, PH 281

O Holy City, Seen of John (G) MORNING SONG  
GTG 374, PH 453

Fairest Lord Jesus (E) CRUSADERS’ HYMN GTG 630,  
PH 306

Look Upon Us, Blessed Lord (E) LIEBSTER JESU  
CH4 601

#### WORD

Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me (O) FIRST SONG  
GTG 71

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (E) ST. AGNES  
GTG 629, PH 310

How Long, O God, Will My Prayers Be in Vain?  
(O) LAND OF MERCY GTG 779

Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace (G) YOUNG  
*Rejoice in God*, K. Lee Scott, MSM

### **EUCCHARIST**

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout (G) STAR OF  
THE COUNTY DOWN GTG 100  
Lead, Me Guide Me (O) LEAD ME, GUIDE ME GTG 740  
When the Poor Ones / Cuando el pobre (O)  
EL CAMINO GTG 762  
Table of Plenty (EG) Dan Schutte WAS 3173

### **SENDING**

Lead On, O King Eternal (O) LANCASHIRE GTG 269,  
PH 447  
The Church of Christ in Every Age (G) WAREHAM  
GTG 320, PH 421  
We Will Walk with God / Sizohamba naye (O)  
SIZOHAMBA NAYE GTG 742  
Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer / Cristo, Infúndeme  
Aliento (G) DRAW ME EVER NEARER SSS 345

### **Psalms and Canticles**

#### **Psalms 107:1–7, 33–37**

#### **Metrical**

Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries [MORNING  
SONG/CONSOLATION]; GTG 653, PAS 107A,  
LUYH 359 (sts. 1–2, 6)  
Give Thanks to God Who All Goodness Has  
Brought Us [STAR IN THE EAST]; PP 202; PCW 107  
(sts. 1–2)  
O Give Thanks to the Lord [THE MEETING OF THE  
WATERS]; CP2 6 (sts. 1–3, 5)  
Thanks Be to God Our Savior [DEEP HOUSE];  
PAS 107D (sts. 1–2, 6)

#### **Responsorial**

May Those Who Are Wise; PAS 107C  
The God of All Creation; PSA 109–110

#### **Psalms 43**

#### **Metrical**

Vindicate Me, God [GENEVAN 42/FREU DICH SEHR];  
PAS 42E (sts. 5–6, refrain), LUYH 616 (sts. 5–6,  
refrain)  
O God, Defend Me [EVENTIDE]; PLP1 43  
Send Out Your Light [LUX FIAT]; PAS 43A  
Vindicate Me, O My God [7.6.7.6 trochaic]; SGP 43

### **Responsorial**

Send Out Your Light [Iona]; PAS 43C, SSS 565–566  
My Soul Is Thirsting for the Lord; PSA 38  
O Why Are You Cast Down [GO DOWN, MOSES];  
PP 80 (vv. 3 and 4)

### **Organ Music**

“Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading,” *Augsburg  
Organ Library: Reformation*, Michael Bedford,  
AF (M)  
“Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend,” Georg Böhm  
(M)  
“We Praise You, O Lord,” KRESMER, *Augsburg Organ  
Library: November*, Flor Peeters, AF (ME)

### **Anthems for Adult Choirs**

“With a Voice of Singing,” Martin Shaw, ECS, SATB,  
keybd (M)  
“Go Not Far from Me, O God,” Nicola Zingarelli,  
HOPE, SATB (MA)  
“Bound for the Promised Land,” Shelton Ridge  
Love, LOR, SATB, pno, vln, perc (M)  
“Thanks Be to God,” Heather Sorenson, HAL,  
SATB, pno (M)  
“Laudate Dominum,” *Vesperae solennes de  
confessore*, W. A. Mozart, ed. Robert Shaw,  
Lawson-Gould, SATB, sop, pno (MA)  
“Concertato on ‘Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee,’” arr.  
John Ferguson, GIA, SATB, org, opt brass qrt,  
timp (MA)  
“Credo,” from Mass no. 2 in G Major, Franz  
Schubert, arr. Shaw and Parker, ECS, SATB, org,  
opt orch (MA)  
“Inscription of Hope,” Z. Randall Stroope, HMP,  
SATB, pno (M)  
“No Hands but Yours,” J. Jerome Williams, HIN,  
SATB, pno (ME)

### **Handbell Music**

“Meditation on ‘Beautiful Savior,’” Cathy Moklebust,  
2 oct or 3–5 oct, CGA, CGB763 or CGB175,  
Level 3  
“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee,” Alan Lohr, 3–5  
oct, SFP, 089391, Level 3  
“Give Thanks,” Anna Laura Page, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct  
hc, ALF, 45754, Level 2

## Art

*Crossing from the Desert to the Promised Land*,  
stained glass, Cape Town, South Africa (VDL)

*Ark of the Covenant*, print, Jewish Theological  
Seminary of America (VDL)

*Pharisee and the Publican*, John Everett Millais,  
London (VDL)

*St. Matthew*, Nicholas Markell (EYE)



## WORSHIP NOTES

### Gathering

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# November 12, 2023 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

/ Proper 27  
Color: Green

## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Joshua 24:1–3a, 14–25 Choose this day whom you will serve; we will serve the Lord.  
Psalm 78:1–7 Each generation will tell the next of the glorious deeds of the Lord.

### Complementary

Amos 5:18–24 The day of the Lord is darkness; let justice roll down like waters.  
Psalm 70 O Lord, make haste to help me, for I am poor and needy.  
1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 The dead in Christ will rise first; then the living will meet the Lord.  
Matthew 25:1–13 The parable of Ten Bridesmaids; keep awake, the Lord is coming.

## Opening Sentences

Together, we choose to serve God,  
which means:  
We choose love.  
We choose hope.  
We choose peace.  
We choose kindness.  
We choose welcome.  
We choose justice.  
We choose to serve God.  
Let us worship.

## Call to Confession

Our God is a God of glorious deeds,  
of wondrous works.  
Our hope is in God.  
But we do not always keep God's commandments.  
Let us confess our sins  
before our merciful and mighty God.

## Prayer of Confession

**Everlasting God,  
we say we want to see you,  
we say we want to know you,  
we say we want to serve you,  
but we also do not want to put in the work.  
We do not want to prepare for your coming  
by working for your kin-dom on this earth.  
We do not keep alert for signs of you  
among us,**

**so we schedule you in for an hour or so  
on Sundays.**

**Forgive us. Inspire us to put our faith  
to action.**

**Surprise us with your presence so we might  
learn  
to always be ready for you to arrive.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

All who seek God will rejoice and be glad.  
We proclaim that God is great because of this  
good news:  
we are forgiven! Be at peace.

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor (O) RHUDDLAN  
GTG 342  
Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending (E)  
HELMSLEY GTG 348, PH 6  
Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples (OG)  
KINGSFOLD GTG 757, PH 434  
Sing No Empty Alleluias (O) NETTLETON *Sing No  
Empty Alleluias*, Chris Shelton, GIA

### WORD

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah (G)  
TIF IN VELDELE GTG 85  
Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning (G)  
KEEP YOUR LAMPS GTG 350

My Lord! What a Morning (OE) MY LORD, WHAT A MORNING GTG 352, PH 449  
 Pon aceite en mi lámpara (G) arr. Greg Scheer, SSS 615

### EUCCHARIST

We Who Once Were Dead (E) MIDDIN IN DE DOOD GTG 502  
 The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (OE) THE FEAST IS READY GTG 505  
 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (O) RESIGNATION GTG 803, PH 172  
 Down to the River to Pray (OG) DOWN TO THE RIVER WAS 3164

### SENDING

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining (OE) SHINE, JESUS, SHINE GTG 192  
 From the Nets of Our Labor (OG) HAMILTON GTG 751  
 What Is the World Like (OG) NEW WORLD GTG 771  
 Praise Our Great and Gracious Lord (O) MAOZ ZUR EH 393

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalms 78:1–7

#### Metrical

People of the Lord [JENNY VAN TSCHEGG]; GTG 632, PAS 78A, LUYH 728  
 Open Your Ears, O Faithful People [YISRAEL V'ORAITA]; PAS 78C, LUYH 751  
 We Will Tell Each Generation [ARISE/RESTORATION]; PAS 78E  
 Give Ear, My People, to My Word [CMD]; SGP 110 (setting 2)

### Responsorial

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People [YISRAEL V'ORAITA]; PAS 78D  
 Tell Out the Deeds of the Lord; PSA 68

### Psalms 70

#### Metrical

Come Quickly, Lord, to Rescue Me [DISTRESS, CHICKAHOMINY, PUER NOBIS]; GTG 780, LUYH 419, PAS 70A

May the Lord Be Pleased to Save Me [RUSSIAN TUNE OLD]; PP 128 (with refrain), PCW (as 8.7.8.7)

### Responsorial

God, Make Speed to Save Me; PAS 70B  
 Help Me, God; SP 30  
 O Lord, Make Haste to Help Me [BALM IN GILEAD]; HTP2 62

## Organ Music

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence,” PICARDY, *Four Chorale Preludes*, James J. Coyle, H. W. Gray Publications (E)  
 “How Firm a Foundation,” FOUNDATION, *Seven Settings of American Folk Hymns*, Wilbur Held, CON (E)  
 “Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying,” WACHET AUF, Paul Manz, MSM (E)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“Serve the Lord with Gladness,” Rollo Dilworth, HL, SATB, pno (M)  
 “God Has Work for Us to Do,” Mark A. Miller, CGA, SATB, pno (M)  
 “Shall We Gather at the River,” arr. John Carter, BP, SATB, pno (MA)  
 “Beautiful River,” John Rutter, Bourne, SATB div, org (A)  
 “From One Generation to Another,” Allen Pote, HOPE, SATB, keybd, brass, hb (M)  
 “Today, Tomorrow and Every Day,” Paul Sjolund, HIN, SATB, org (M)  
 “Roll Down, Justice,” Mark A. Miller, CGA, SATB, pno (M)  
 “On Justice, Truth, and Peace,” Amy Bernon, HMP, SATB (M)  
 “Then Sings My Soul,” Mary McDonald, HOPE, SATB, pno, opt orch (M)  
 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past,” arr. Mack Wilberg, OUP, SATB, keybd, opt orch (M)

## Handbell Music

“Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending,” Sondra Tucker, 3–5 oct, opt 3 oct hc, opt tpt, CON, 97-7676, Level 2

“Keep Your Lamps,” Benjamin A. Tucker, 3–6 oct,  
opt djembe, ALF/JM, 47200, Level 2  
“Light and Shine,” Kathleen Wissinger, 3–5 oct, opt  
3 oct hc, HOPE, 2467, Level 3

## Art

*Lamp of Wisdom*, sculpture, Waterperry Gardens,  
Oxfordshire, UK (VDL)  
*Wisdom*, James Fissel (EYE)  
*Bridesmaids Sleeping*, stained glass, St. Giles’  
Church, Oxford, UK (VDL)  
*Let Justice Roll Down Like Waters*, Yerba Buena  
Gardens, San Francisco, 1993 (VDL)  
*Sunday School*, photograph, Korean Central  
Presbyterian Church, Centreville, VA, 2010 (VDL)

## WORSHIP NOTES

### Gathering

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### Eucharist

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# November 19, 2023 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost /

**Proper 28**  
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## Lectionary Readings

### Semicontinuous

Judges 4:1–7                      The Israelites cry to the Lord; God sends Deborah to deliver them.  
Psalm 123                        Have mercy on us, O Lord; we have had our fill of contempt.

### Complementary

Zephaniah 1:7, 12–18        Beware, the day of the Lord is near; wealth will not save you.  
Psalm 90:1–8                    A thousand years are like a day to you; teach us to count our days.  
  (9–11), 12  
1 Thessalonians 5:1–11        Be ready: the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.  
Matthew 25:14–30              The parable of Talents; good and trustworthy servants are rewarded.

## Opening Sentences

To you, O God of the heavens, we lift our eyes.

**Have mercy on us!**

God has been our dwelling place from generation  
to generation.

**Hear us when we call!**

From everlasting to everlasting, God is with us.

**We will magnify your holy name!**

## Call to Confession

As children of God,  
we come to God in our joys,  
in our sorrows,  
in our fears, and in our guilt.  
Knowing that God loves us  
and embraces us,  
let us bring our confessions to God.

## Prayer of Confession

**God of abundance,  
you have given us so many gifts.  
You bless us with talents, resources,  
skills, and knowledge,  
and yet we hide them under a bushel.  
We hoard these gifts, instead of following you  
and sharing with those in need.  
We have been poor stewards of all you have  
given.**

**Forgive us, and help us grow what we are  
given,  
that it might be returned in service to you.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God has destined us not for wrath,  
but for salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who died for us so that we may live with him.

**Praise be to Christ! Alleluia!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

Holy God, We Praise Your Name (OE) GROSSER  
GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH GTG 4, PH 460

Here in This Place (OE) GATHER US IN GTG 401

“Sleepers, Wake!” A Voice Astounds Us (OE)

WACHET AUF GTG 349, PH 17

There’s a Great Day Coming (E) Will Thompson

*The New National Baptist Hymnal* 480

### WORD

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (OE) ST. ANNE  
GTG 687, PH 210

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending (OG)

BEACH SPRING GTG 716, PH 422

Come, Labor On (G) ORA LABORA GTG 719, PH 415

I’d Rather Have Jesus (OG) George Beverly Shea

AAHH 392

## EUCCHARIST

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (OE)  
HOUSTON GTG 377  
Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (E) QUEBEC, JESU  
DULCIS MEMORIA GTG 494, PH 510, 511  
Eat This Bread (G) BERTHIER GTG 527  
More Precious Than Silver (G) Lynn DeShazo  
CCLI #11335

## SENDING

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory (O) BATTLE HYMN  
GTG 354  
Jesus, Light of Joy (E) LAUDA ANIMA GTG 673  
Soon and Very Soon (E) SOON AND VERY SOON  
GTG 384  
O Come, Great God of Darkness and Light (G)  
VENI EMMANUEL *Sing No Empty Alleluias*, Chris  
Shelton, GIA

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 123

#### Metrical

To You, O Lord, We Lift Our Eyes [CANNONS];  
GTG 788  
Up to You I Lift My Eyes [THE CALL]; PAS 123B,  
LUYH 421

#### Responsorial

Our Eyes Rest on You; PAS 123A  
Lord, I Call to You; PSA 127

### Psalm 90:1–8 (9–11), 12

#### Metrical

Wildflowers Bloom and Fade [INCARNATION]; PAS  
90D, LUYH 403  
Our (O) God, Our Help in Ages Past [ST. ANNE];  
GTG 687, PH 210, PAS 90B, LUYH 405, SSS 41  
God Everlasting, at Your Word [ST. MAGNUS];  
PAS 90A

#### Responsorial

Teach Us to Know the Shortness of Our Days;  
PAS 90C, PSA 84  
May the Gracious Care; PAS 90E, PND 26  
In Every Age, O Lord, You Have Been Our Refuge  
(Gelineau); PSA 83

## Organ Music

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation,” WESTMINSTER  
ABBEY, *Augsburg Organ Library: November*,  
Richard Proulx, AF (M)  
“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” HOUSTON,  
*A Walter Pelz Organ Anthology*, Walter Pelz,  
AF (E)  
“Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him,”  
HYFRYDOL, *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*, Jerry  
Westenkuehler, Warner Bros. Publications (E)  
“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ,” LINSTAD,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: Summer*, Mark Sedio,  
AF (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“I Will Lift Mine Eyes,” Howard Helvey, MSM,  
SATB, keybd (MA)  
“Kyrie,” from Mass in G, D. 167, Franz Schubert,  
ed. Ehret, HAL, SATB, sop, keybd (MA)  
“Kyrie,” from *Mass: A Celebration of Love and Joy*,  
André Thomas, HMP, SATB div, pno (MA)  
“Psalm 90,” Julian Wachner, ECS, SATTB (MA)  
“Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling Place,” Carl  
Schalk, MSM, SATB, org (M)  
“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place,” Daniel  
Kallman, MSM, SAB or SATB, pno (ME)  
“True Light,” Keith Hampton, Earthsongs, SATB,  
pno (M)

## Handbell Music

“Gather Us In,” Philip L. Roberts, 3–5 oct, opt C  
inst, GIA, G-6704, Level 3+  
“Fantasy on Beach Spring,” Michael Mazzatenta,  
3–5 oct, AGEHR, AG35352, Level 3  
“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” Sondra  
Tucker, 3–5 oct, AF, 11-11024, Level 3

## Art

*Prophetess Deborah*, Betty Moller, sculpture (VDL)  
*Deborah: Support in the Valley*, Chris Stoffel  
Overvoorde (EYE)  
*Parable of the Talents*, Annette Gandy Fortt, print  
(VDL)  
*Entrusted Talents*, Paulamaria Walter, sculpture,  
Strassdorf, Germany, 1963 (VDL)  
*He Hid His Lord's Money*, stained glass, Corfe  
Castle, UK, c. 1860 (VDL)

# November 23, 2023

## Thanksgiving Day

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### Lectionary Readings

Deuteronomy 8:7–18	The Lord is bringing you into a good land; do not forget your God.
Psalm 65	Praise God, who answers prayer, sends rain, and blesses the earth.
2 Corinthians 9:6–15	God loves a cheerful giver; thanks be to God for the gift of grace.
Luke 17:11–19	Jesus heals ten people with leprosy; only one returns to give thanks.

### Opening Sentences

Our God is bringing us to a good land, with flowing streams, valleys and hills, wheat and barley, olive trees and honey. We will eat our fill and bless the Lord our God, who has given us all good gifts.

### Call to Confession

They say God loves a cheerful giver. We know it is easier to be a cheerful recipient. It is harder to imitate the generosity of God. Let us pray to God who can help us let go.

### Prayer of Confession

**God of the harvest, God of the gleaners,  
we are quick to thank you  
for the abundance of our lives.  
We proclaim ourselves blessed when we have  
enough—  
enough food on the table, enough money to  
spend,  
enough people to share our days with,  
enough space to live comfortably.  
We are deeply grateful,  
but we think of these blessings as our own.  
We do not consider that we might  
share these blessings with others.  
Forgive us for our stinginess.  
Forgive us for thinking of ourselves  
as better than those who have less.  
Teach us that the truest thanks we can give  
you  
is to share our abundance  
with other beloved children of God.**

### Declaration of Forgiveness

One of the indescribable gifts of God is the forgiveness that never ends.

**In gratitude, we will share.**

**In gratitude, we will praise.**

### Congregational Song

#### GATHERING

Let Us Build a House (OE) TWO OAKS GTG 301  
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come (OE)  
ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR GTG 367, PH 551  
Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness (E) GLENDON  
GTG 657  
Praise Our God Above (O) XUAN PING STB 165

#### WORD

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (O) AUSTRIAN  
HYMN GTG 81, PH 446  
Ten Lepers Facing Constant Scorn (G) RADIANT CITY  
GTG 179  
Give Thanks, O Christian People (E) ES FLOG EIN  
KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN GTG 644, PH 552  
The Best of Gifts (E) MARJORIE *Rejoice in God*, K.  
Lee Scott, MSM

#### EUCHARIST

Rain Down (OE) RAIN DOWN GTG 48  
Come to the Table (OE) COME TO THE TABLE  
GTG 508  
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly (OE) HOLY MANNA  
GTG 509  
In Remembrance of Me (OG) RED GTG 521

## SENDING

Let All Things Now Living (O) ASH GROVE GTG 37,  
PH 554  
Now Thank We All Our God (EG) NUN DANKET ALLE  
GOTT GTG 643, PH 555  
Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (G) THANKFUL  
HEARTS GTG 648  
Praise and Thanksgiving Let Everyone Bring (E)  
LOBET UND PREiset CH4 170

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 65

#### Metrical

To Bless the Earth [CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN];  
GTG 38, PH 200  
The Earth Is Yours, O God [CARLISLE]; PAS 65A  
Every Heart Its Tribute Pays [ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR];  
PAS 65E, LUYH 388  
Praise Is Your Right [GENEVAN 65]; PAS 65B,  
LUYH 545, PH 201  
To You, O God, Great Praise Is Due [LMD]; SGP 91

### Responsorial

Your Paths Overflow with Plenty; PAS 65C  
Gracias, Señor / We Give You Thanks; PAS 65C  
(alt. refrain), SSS 491–492  
Thanks Be to God [SLANE]; PP 112  
Let the Valleys Shout for Joy and Sing [BIRMINGHAM];  
HTP2 20

## Organ Music

“Festival Partita on ‘Now Thank We All Our God,’”  
NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, John Behnke, CON (ME)  
“Nun danket alle Gott,” BWV 657, J. S. Bach, public  
domain (M)  
“Let All Things Now Living,” THE ASH GROVE,  
*Augsburg Organ Library: November*, Frank  
Stoldt, AF (ME)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“For the Beauty of the Earth,” John Rutter, HIN,  
SATB, pno (M)  
“All Good Gifts,” David Schwoebel, HIN, SATB,  
keybd (M)  
“Grace,” Mark Hayes, BP, SATB, pno, opt orch (E)  
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” arr. Mack  
Wilberg, OUP, SSAATTBB, org (A)  
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” arr. Victor  
Johnson, CGA, SATB, pno (ME)  
“Bright Canaan,” arr. Robert Shaw and Alice Parker,  
Lawson-Gould, SATB (M)

## Handbell Music

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken,” Jason W.  
Krug, 3–5 oct, opt 3–5 oct hc, BP, HB694,  
Level 3-  
“In Remembrance,” Bill Ingram, 3–5 oct, ROP,  
RO3286, Level 2  
“Now Thank We All Our God with Sing to the Lord  
of Harvest,” Darek Hakes, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 2805,  
Level 2

## Art

*Sower at Sunset*, Vincent van Gogh, Otterlo, the  
Netherlands, 1888 (VDL)  
*Haymaking*, Pieter Bruegel, Prague, 1565 (VDL)  
*Secret of the Seed*, Jan Richardson (JR)  
*Ten Lepers*, Peter Koenig, United Kingdom, 1972  
(VDL)

# November 26, 2023

# Christ the King / Reign of Christ

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## Lectionary Readings

Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24

Psalm 100

or Psalm 95:1–7a

Ephesians 1:15–23

Matthew 25:31–46

I will be the shepherd of my sheep, says the Lord; I will save them.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord; we are the sheep of God's pasture.

The Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture.

Christ is seated at God's right hand; all powers are under his feet.

The king will judge: just as you did it to the least, you did it to me.

## Opening Sentences

Make a joyful noise to God!

**Worship God with gladness!**

Come into God's presence with a song!

**Know that the Lord is God.**

God made us. We belong to God.

**Give thanks to God! Bless the name of the Lord!**

## Call to Confession

Christ rules over us all,

seated at the right hand of God.

This is the same Christ who came to be with us,

to laugh with us, cry with us,

break bread with us, and be one of us.

Therefore, we approach the throne with boldness,  
knowing that Christ will hear our confession.

## Prayer of Confession

**If we had known it was you, Lord,  
we would have done something different.**

**If we had known if was you, Lord,  
we would have given you food.**

**If we had known it was you, Lord,  
we would have taken you in.**

**If we had known it was you, Lord,  
we would not have passed you by.**

**But we did.**

**Too often we make excuses**

**for not taking care of each other.**

**We have ignored your commandments to love  
and care.**

**We do not deserve forgiveness,**

**but we ask for it anyway,  
and ask you to help us change our ways.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

God seeks the lost,

brings back those who have strayed,

binds up the injured,

and strengthens the weak.

**We are forgiven and restored.**

**Thanks be to God!**

## Congregational Song

### GATHERING

All Creatures of Our God and King (EG) LASST UNS

ERFREUEN GTG 15, PH 455

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! (E) DEO GRACIAS

GTG 258

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! (EG)

CORONATION, DIADEM GTG 263, PH 142, 143

The King of Glory (E) KING OF GLORY G3 572

### WORD

Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us (E) AUSTIN

GTG 44

Jesus, We Are Here / Jesu, tawa pano (OG) JESUS,

TAWA PANO GTG 392

The God of Heaven (E) GLORY GTG 259, PH 180

King of Glory, King of Peace (OG) GENERAL

SEMINARY EH 382

### EUCCHARIST

A Stable Lamp Is Lighted (E) ANDUJAR GTG 160

This Is the Feast of Victory (OE) FESTIVAL CANTICLE

GTG 513, PH 594



When the Lord Redeems the Very Least (G) I'LL FLY AWAY GTG 852  
 Jesus, Remember Me (G) REMEMBER ME GTG 227, PH 599

### SENDING

Crown Him with Many Crowns (EG) DIADEMATA GTG 268, PH 151  
 You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (OG) PICARDY GTG 274  
 The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound (G) MCKEE GTG 766  
 Lead Me to Calvary (OE) DUNCANNON AAHH 253

## Psalms and Canticles

### Psalm 100

#### Metrical

All People That on Earth Do Dwell [OLD HUNDREDTH, NEW DOXOLOGY]; GTG 385, PH 220, PAS 100A, LUYH 1, PAS 100B, SSS 416  
 Let Every Nation on the Earth [TALLIS CANON]; KU 96  
 Let Every Voice on Earth Resound [GENEVAN 100]; PAS 100C  
 With Shouts of Joy Come Praise the Lord (Ae sab Zamiinde) [KHUSHI RAHO]; PAS 100D  
 Cantad alegres al Señor / Unto the Lord Sing Joyful Songs [DUKE STREET]; SSS 437

### Responsorial

Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord; PAS 100F; PSA 101  
 All the Earth, Proclaim the Lord; PAS 100H  
 Enter God's Gates with Thanks and Praise; PSA 97  
 Arise, Come to Your God (Gelineau); PSA 98  
 We Are God's People; PSA 99  
 We Are His People; PFTS2 40

### Psalm 95:1–7a

#### Metrical

Come, Worship God [O QUANTA QUALIA]; GTG 386, PAS 95G, LUYH 509  
 O Come and Sing unto the Lord [IRISH], GTG 638, PH 214  
 Come, Let Us Praise the Lord [DARWALL'S 148TH]; PAS 95A  
 Thankful Tribute Gladly Bringing [YISRAEL V'ORAITA]; PP 172 (with refrain)

### Responsorial

O Come and Give Thanks; PSA 90  
 Come Now, and Lift Up Your Hearts [SWEINDIA]; PAS 95F  
 Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down / Ven, vamos juntos a adorar; SSS 400–401

## Organ Music

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation,” WESTMINSTER ABBEY, *Augsburg Organ Library: November*, Richard Proulx, AF (M)  
 “Now Thank We All Our God,” NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, BWV 657, J. S. Bach, public domain (M)  
 “Nun lob mein Seel' den Herren,” BuxWV 213, Dietrich Buxtehude, public domain (E)  
 “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!,” CORONATION, *Augsburg Organ Library: Autumn*, Jean Langlais, AF (M)

## Anthems for Adult Choirs

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light,” arr. Tom Trenney, Pavanne Publishing, SSATTB, pno (MA)  
 “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation,” arr. David Cherwien, MSM, SATB, org, tpt (M)  
 “Choral Fanfare for Christ the King,” H. Hamilton Smith, GIA, SATB, org (MA)  
 “Alleluia Incantation,” Andrew Miller, SBMP, SATB or equal voices (ME)  
 “Psalm 100,” René Clausen, Mark Foster, SATB, 2 pnos, opt orch (MA)  
 “Jubilate Deo in C,” Benjamin Britten, Chester Music, SATB, org (A)  
 “Jubilate Deo,” Peter Anglea, HIN, SATB, pno (MA)  
 “Jubilate Deo,” Emily Crocker, HAL, SATB, pno (M)  
 “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name,” Michael Burkhardt, MSM, SATB, org, opt brass quin, timp (M)

## Handbell Music

“Crown Him Lord of All,” Lloyd Larson, 3–5 oct, LOR, 20/1565L, Level 2+  
 “Crown Him with Many Crowns,” Derek Hakes, 3–5 oct, opt 2–5 oct hc, AGEHR, AG35235, Level 2  
 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King,” Arnold Sherman, 3–5 oct, HOPE, 1613, Level 3

## Art

*Landscape with Shepherd and Sheep*, Anton Mauve,  
c. 1880 (VDL)

*Making Joyful Noise*, drawing, Susan Murtaugh,  
2016 (VDL)

*The Camels Aren't That Skinny*, Joel Schoon-Tanis  
(JST)

*Seven Works of Mercy*, mural, Neuendettelsau,  
Germany, c. 2008 (VDL)

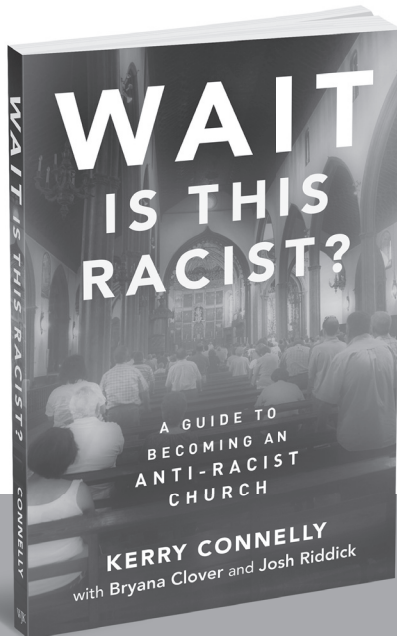
*Seven Acts of Mercy*, Pieter Bruegel, c. 1618 (VDL)

*The Humble Seat*, Jan Richardson (JR)

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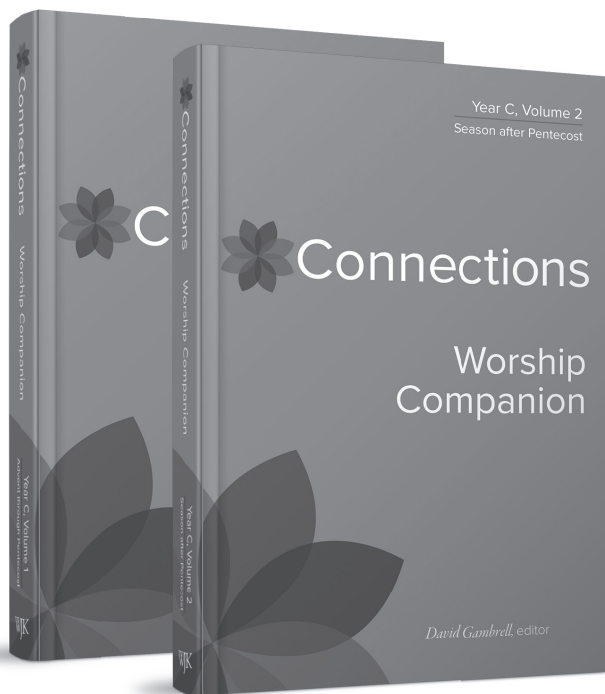


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**July 24-29** Creating Liturgy: the Art and Story of the Church with Brenda Grauer

**October 8-14** Saints & Aints with Jean Hathaway

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**Fused Glass is Hot**  
with Katrina Jameson

**Pastel Groove**  
with Juliana Crownover

**Make & Take Silver**  
with Jamie Halpern and  
Bill Derrevere

**Photograph the Ranch**  
with Liz Arenberg

July 3-8, 2022

Choose a different activity every morning  
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4th of July Celebration | BBQ | Parade | Games

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