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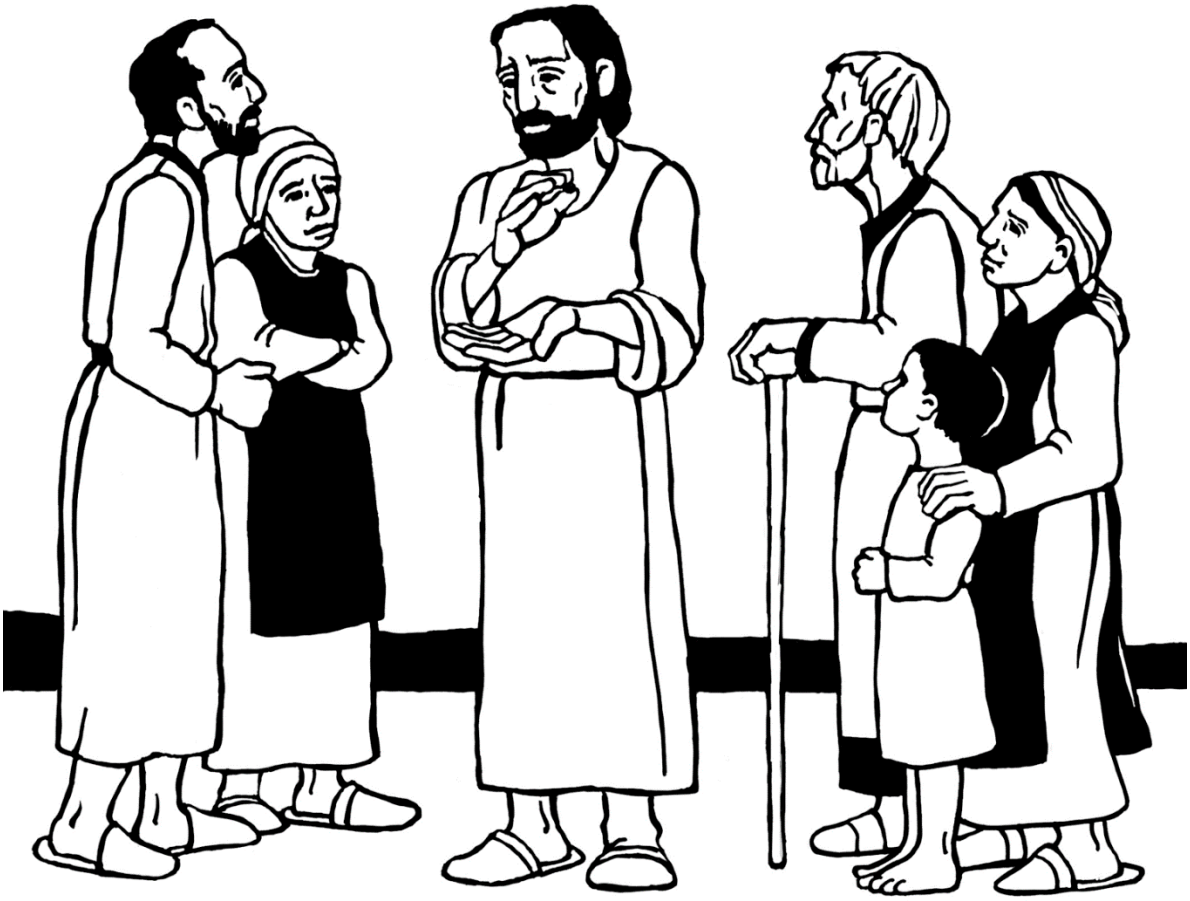
Canton, Ohio



Sunday, October 2, 2022

Holy Eucharist Rite II
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to St. Paul's

Online and in-person services begin with music at 10:25 a.m.

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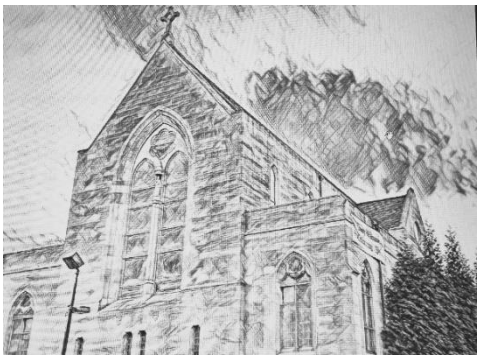

Our mission

St. Paul's is a radically welcoming Episcopal community in downtown Canton, grounded in faith, called by God's Love to minister to the world.

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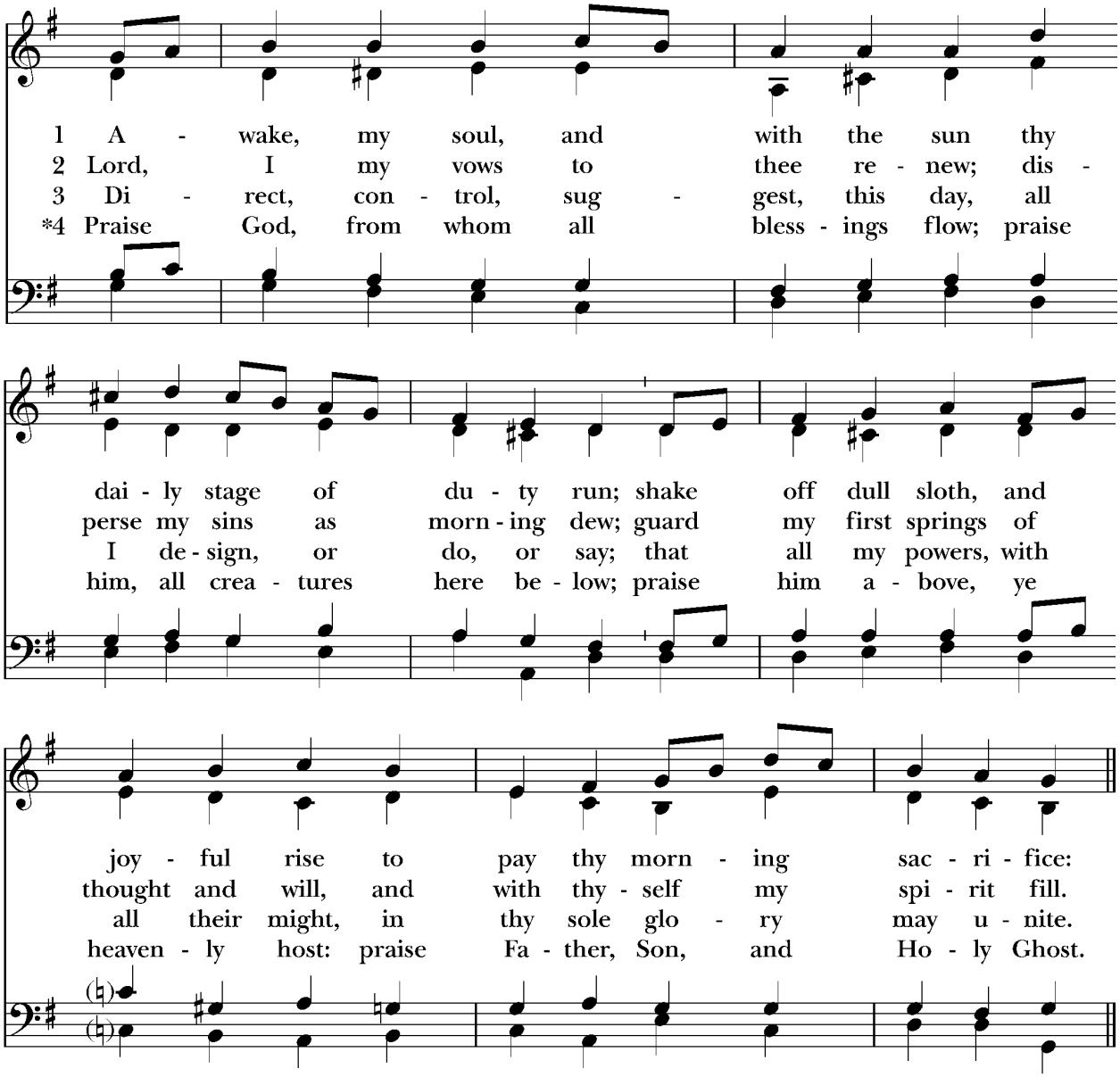
Holy Eucharist Rite II

Readings and Psalm
First Lesson: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
Psalm: Psalm 37:1-10
Second Lesson: Acts 10:9-20
Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Prelude: *The Piping Shepherd* by E.T. Grimes

The Word of God

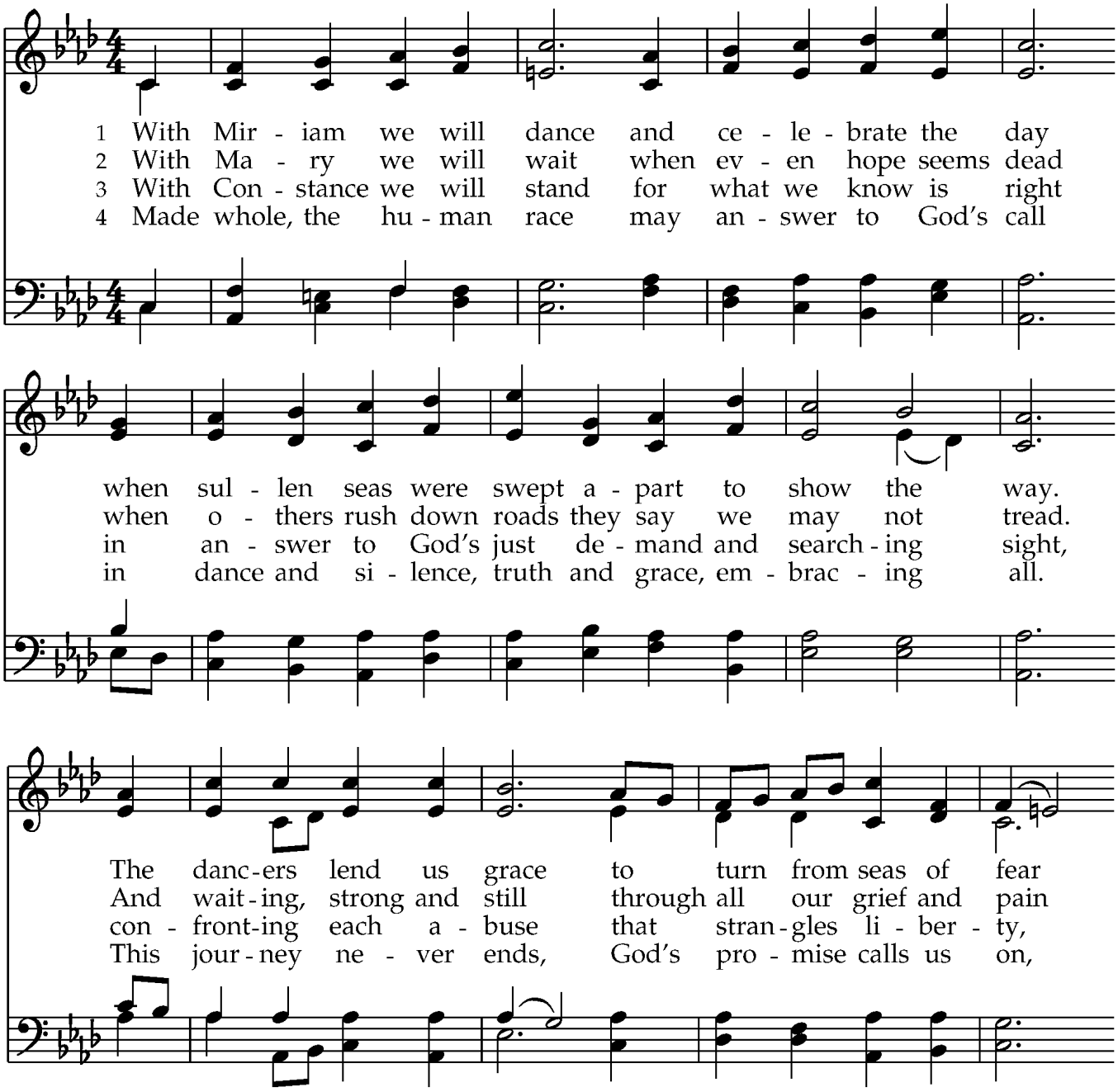
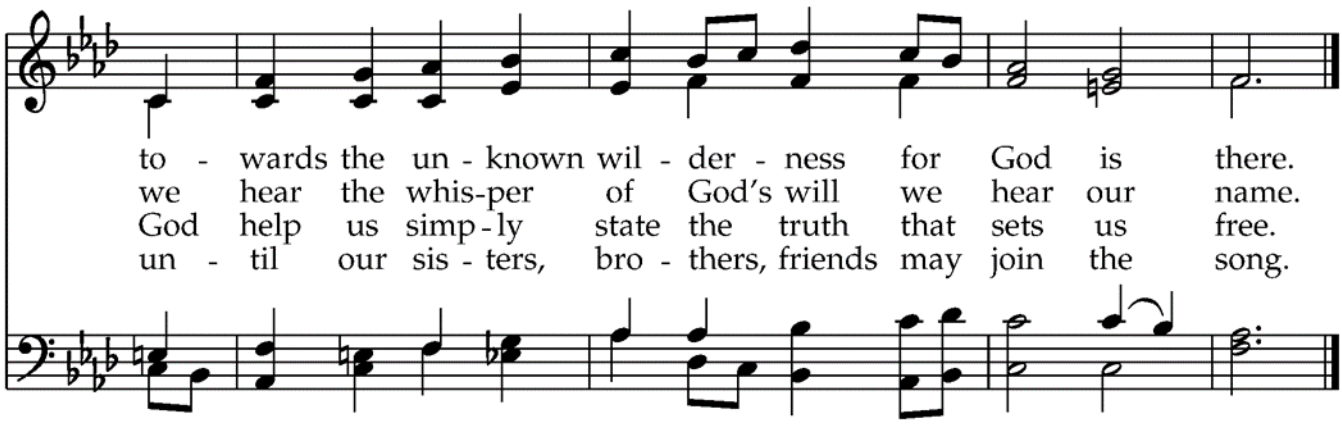
ENTRANCE HYMN "Awake, My Soul, and With the Sun" (Morning Hymn) (H 11)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

SONG OF PRAISE *"With Miriam We Will Dance"* Leoni (VF 16)

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Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns: Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Habakkuk.

1The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

2O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?
Or cry to you "Violence!"
and you will not save?
3Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

4So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

2:1I will stand at my watchpost,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
2Then the LORD answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.
3For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.
4Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 37:1-10

Remain seated.

1Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
2For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.
3Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
4Take delight in the LORD, *
and he shall give you your heart’s desire.
5Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.

6He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.
7Be still before the LORD *
and wait patiently for him.
8Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
9Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
10For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

SECOND READING: Acts 10:9-20

Remain seated.

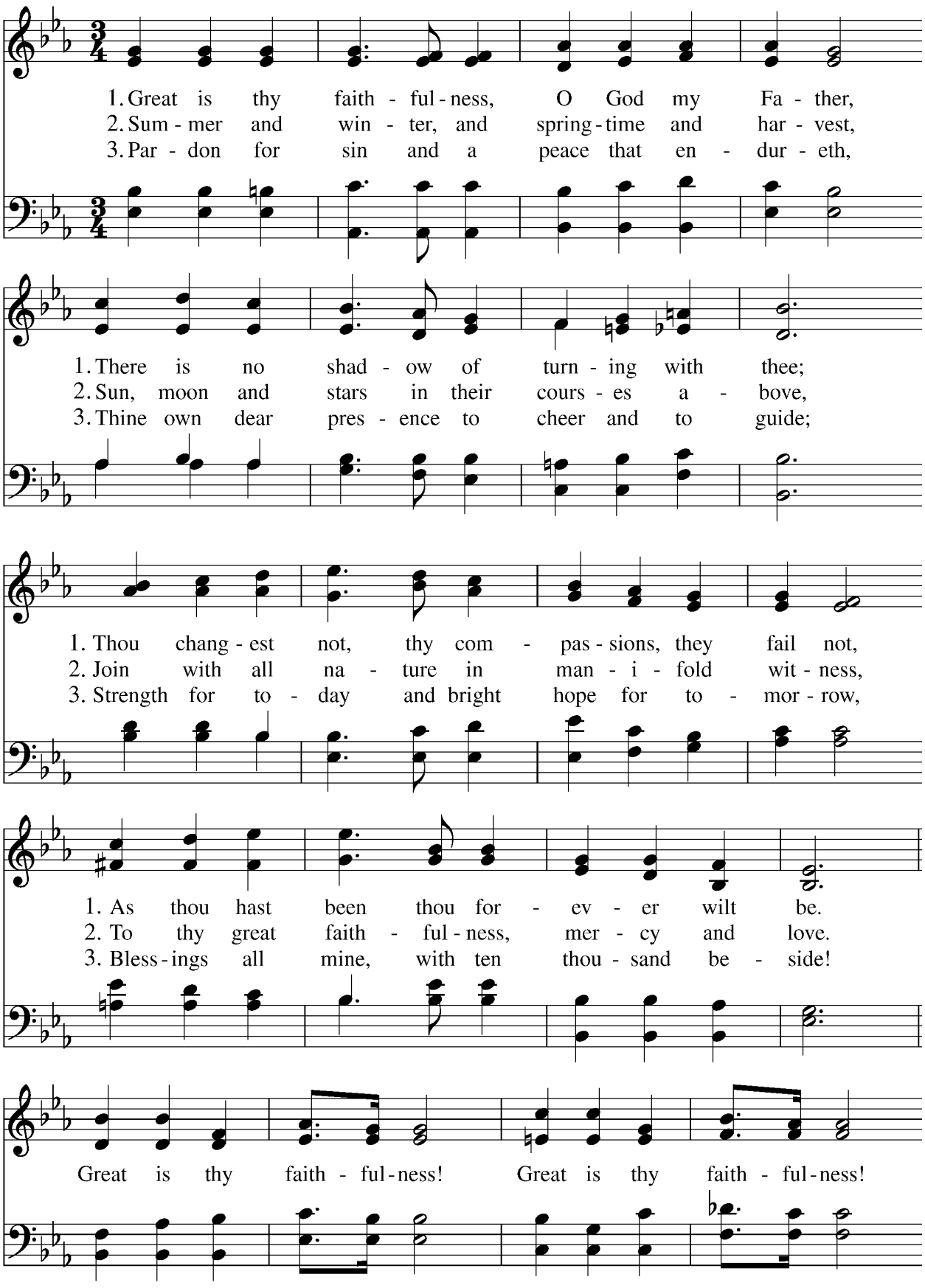
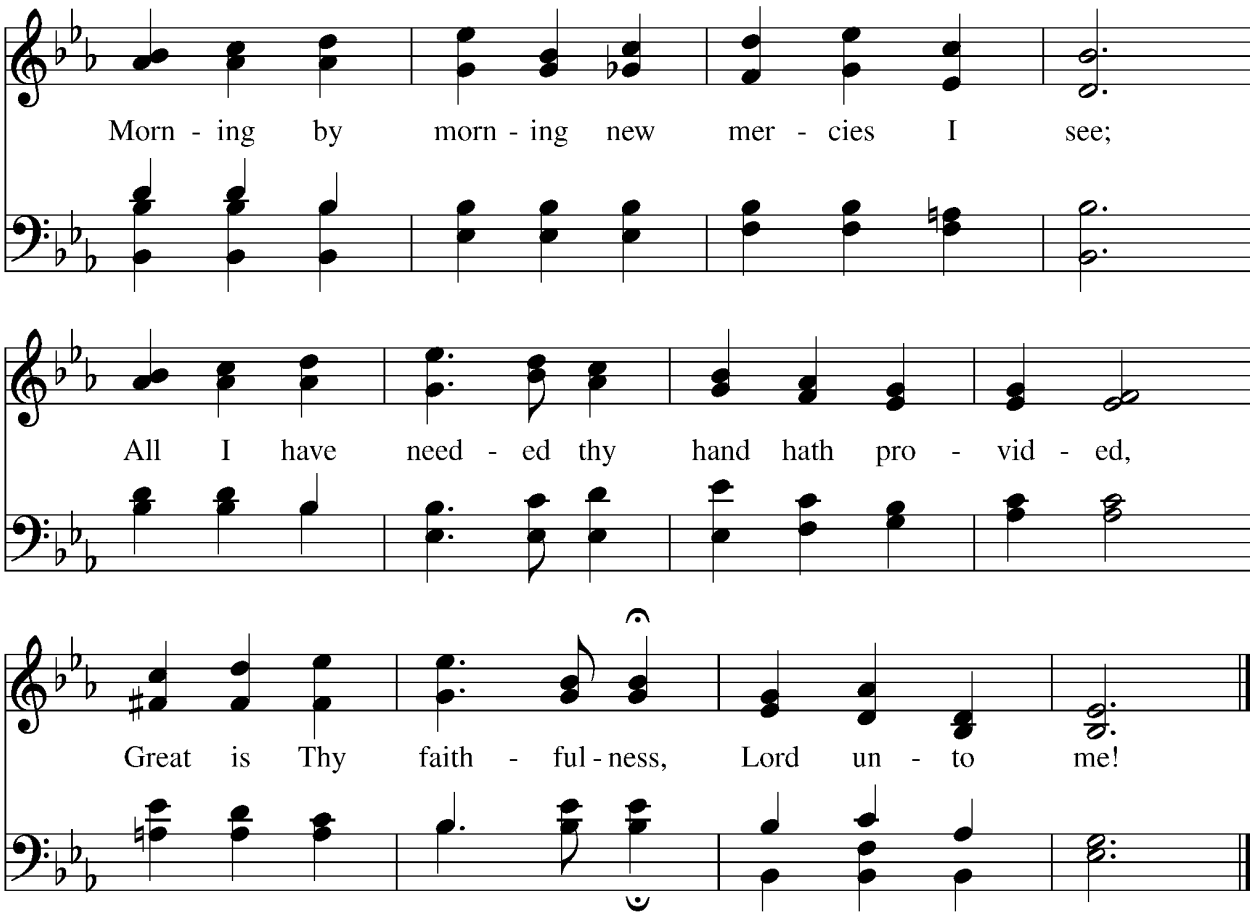
A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

9About noon the next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. 10He became hungry and wanted something to eat; and while it was being prepared, he fell into a trance. 11He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. 12In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. 13Then he heard a voice saying, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." 14But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean." 15The voice said to him again, a second time, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." 16This happened three times, and the thing was suddenly taken up to heaven.

17Now while Peter was greatly puzzled about what to make of the vision that he had seen, suddenly the men sent by Cornelius appeared. They were asking for Simon's house and were standing by the gate. 18They called out to ask whether Simon, who was called Peter, was staying there. 19While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Look, three men are searching for you. 20Now get up, go down, and go with them without hesitation; for I have sent them."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN*: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (LEVAS 189)*

All stand.



GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

5The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” 6The Lord replied, “If you had
faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted
and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

7“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing
or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’?
8Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and
serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? 9Do you thank the
slave for doing what was commanded? 10So you also, when you have done all that
you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we
ought to have done!’ ”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON: ***Rev. Gena Thornton "Are We Teachable?"***

Celebrant Let us affirm our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed

THE CREED
All stand.

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

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

He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For our president; local elected officials; for this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are ill, especially David Swope, Ed Sutek, Linda Kendrick, Will Harris, Chris Moore and for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; in the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Canada. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Cuyahoga Mission Area (see insert for names)
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Robin our Deacon; for Gena our guest preacher, for Christopher our assisting clergy and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

<u>YOUR INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS ARE INVITED</u>

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week especially, Holly Hillen, Dorothy Oloya, Richard Anderson, and Robin Woodberry. We pray those expecting babies especially, Hayley, and Samantha.

We celebrate the birth of Yiovanni Woodberry. We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Leader: Loving Creator, you call us together and you send us forth to be your witnesses in all places. We ask you now to lead us, accompany us, and direct us as we seek that person who is to be our next Bishop. Grant us perception, faithfulness and joy that we may hear your still small voice. And then, give us the courage to follow as you lead us along the way. In the name of Christ Jesus who is the shepherd and bishop of our souls. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

Said by all

Grant, O God that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatred cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The People sit, stand or kneel.

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

THE PEACE

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY HYMN*: "I Will Bow" (George Chatfield)*

The Great Thanksgiving

(Please remain standing)

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.

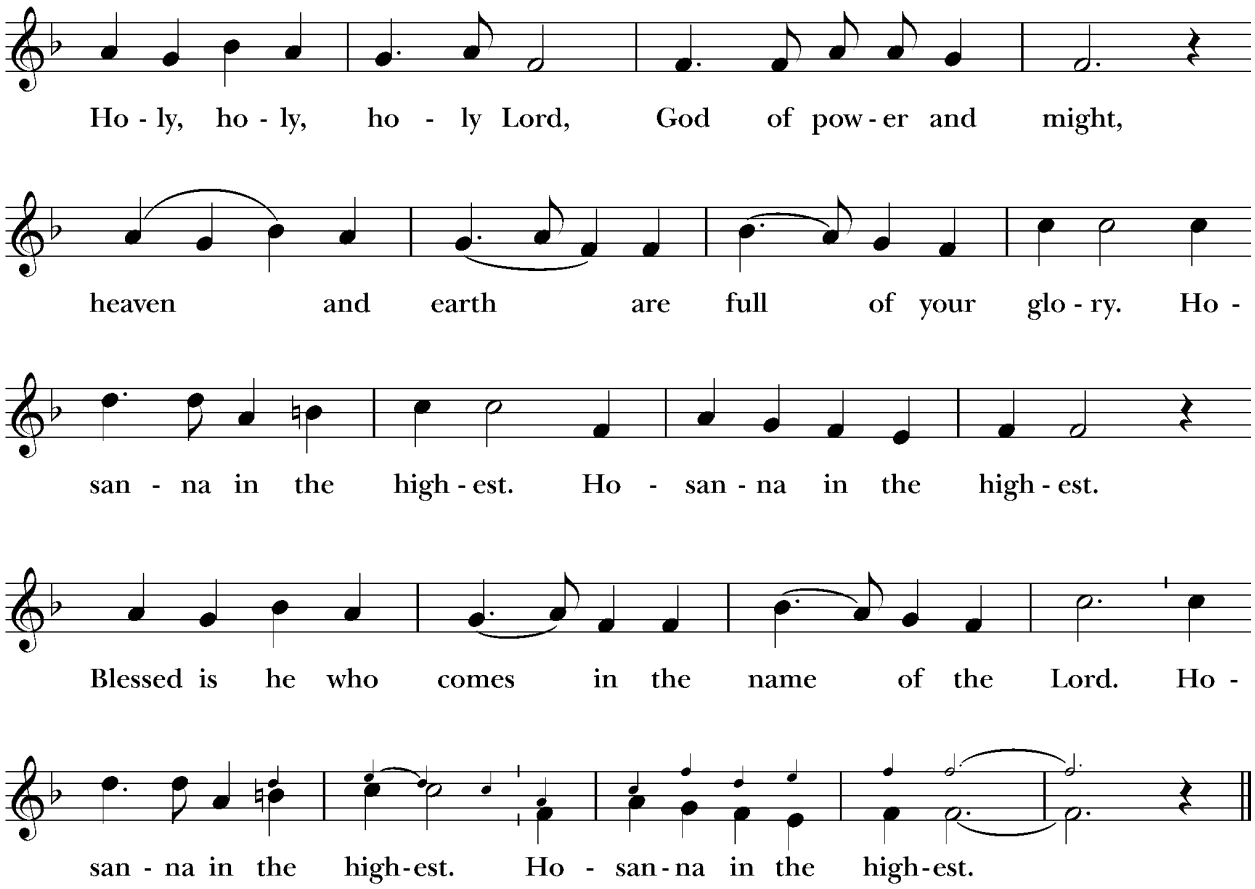
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

SANCTUS *S 125 Holy, holy, holy (Proulx)*



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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

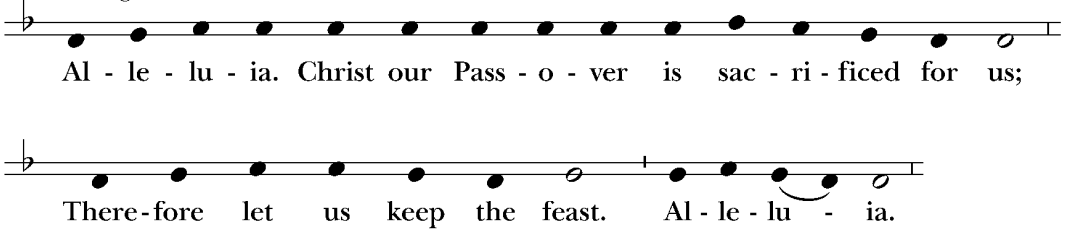
THE LORD'S PRAYER
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM *S 152 "Christ our Passover" (Chant/Martens)*

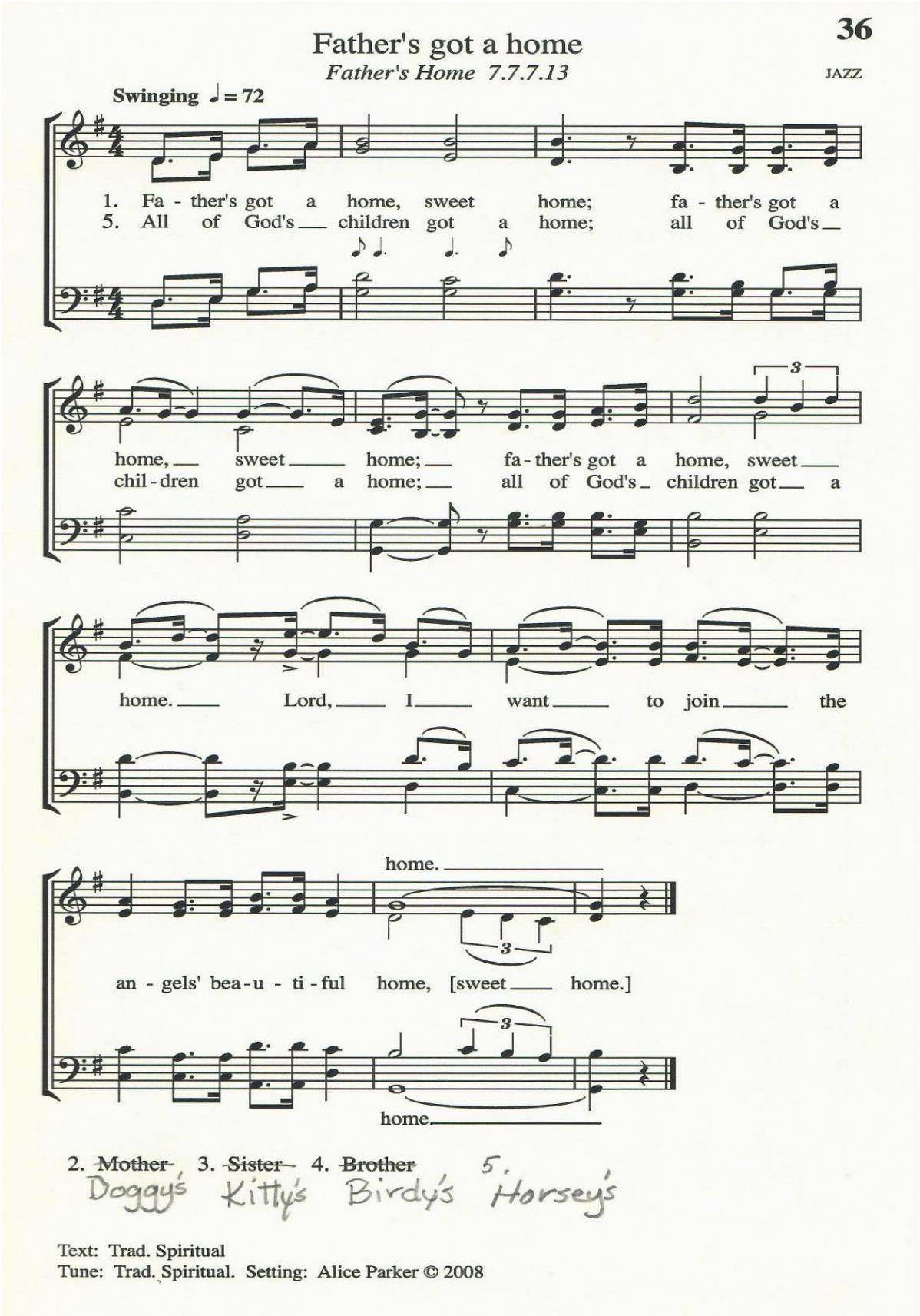
This setting is not used in Lent.



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN: *"Father's Got a Home" (MAH 36)*



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER
Let us pray together

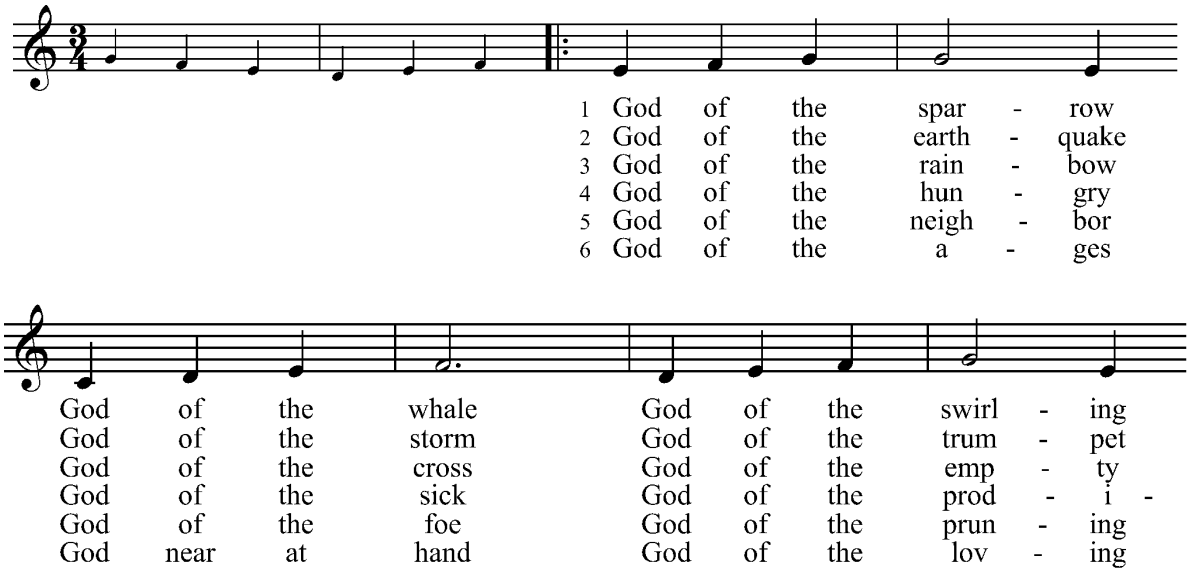
Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

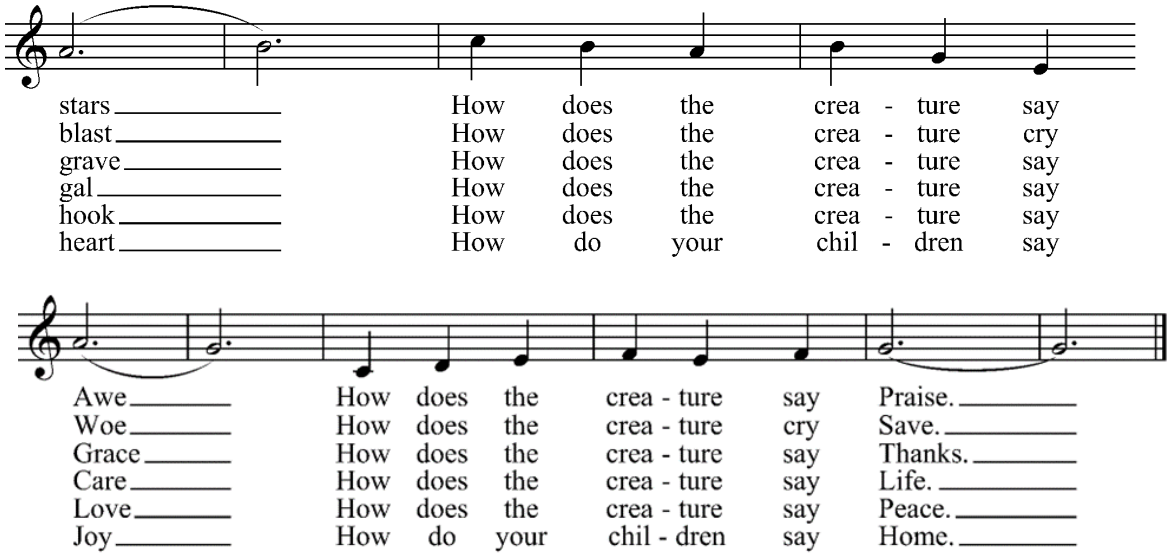
PRAYER FOR ANIMALS
Celebrant: Almighty and everlasting God, Creator of all things and giver of life, let your blessing be upon all these animals. May our relationships with them mirror your love, and care for them be an example of your bountiful mercy. Grant the animal's health and peace. Strengthen us to love and care for them as we strive to imitate the love of Jesus Christ our Lord and God's servant Francis. Amen.

You are welcome to bring your pet forward for an individual blessing.

BLESSING (From St. Clare)
Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN: ***"God of the Sparrow God of the Whale" (Roeder) (MHSO 129)***





DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *A Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi* by Richard Pantcheff

Participants in Today's Liturgy:

Deacon-in-Charge: The Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry
Supply Priest: The Rev. Christopher Hofer
Guest Preacher: The Rev. Gena Thornton
Director of Music: Edward T. Grimes
Lector: Valerie Frear
Crucifer: Demetrius Carrothers
Greeters: Beth Paynter
Camera/Audio: David Lewis
Altar Guild: Karen Swope, Shirley Brown
Counters: Demetrius Carrothers, Cara Warren

Announcements:

Today!

The first of three Coffee Conversations about the book, "Whom Shall I Fear" will be held during coffee hour. We will also meet on the 9th, and 16th. Please join us!

Wednesday Book Group
The Wednesday Book Group has resumed meeting. Please come join us on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Church Library. Come join Deacon Robin and others for this great opportunity to explore God's word!

Social Justice Book Club
The SJ Book Club has resumed. We are studying the book, "Read Until You Understand: The Profound Wisdom of Black Life and Literature". Author: Griffin Farrah Jasmine. Books are available for pick up at the Stark Fresh Market. We meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7pm. Our next gathering will be on Tuesday, October 11th and you can join us either here in the Guild Hall or via Zoom.

Community Blessing of Animals
Another Blessing will be Oct. 7 beginning at 6 p.m. during First Friday downtown. A booth will be set up in the 400-block of Court Avenue NW next to the Arcadia Restaurant. You are welcome to bring your pets – or pictures of your pets – to be blessed.

September/October 2022 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 2 **17th Sunday after Pentecost** **10:30am Blessing of Animals** **Coffee Hour Conversation**	**Oct 3**	**Oct 4**	**Oct 5** **10am** **Book Club** **Library**	**Oct 6** **7pm AA** **(Blue Room)**	**Oct 7** **6pm** **Blessing of Animals**	**Oct 8** **7pm AA (Library)** **7:30 NA** **(Cmty Rm)**
Oct 9 **18th Sunday after Pentecost** **10:30am Service** **Coffee Hour Conversation**	**Oct 10** **6pm** **Communications** **Zoom**	**Oct 11** **7pm Social Justice Book Club**	**Oct 12** **10am** **Book Club** **Library** **6pm Finance** **Zoom**	**Oct 13** **7 pm AA** **(Blue Room)**	**Oct 14**	**Oct 15** **7pm AA** **(Library)** **7:30pm NA** **(Cmty Rm)**
Oct 16 **19th Sunday after Pentecost**	**Oct 17** **Vestry 6pm** **Zoom**	**Oct 18** **6-8pm**	**Oct 19** **10am** **Book Club**	**Oct 20** **7pm AA**	**Oct 21**	**Oct 22** **11am H.O.T. Lunch**

10:30am Service **Coffee Hour Conversation**		**Thanksgiving Basket Registration** **7pm Courageous Conversations**	**Library**	**(Blue Room)**		**7pm AA (Library)** **7:30 NA (Cmty Rm)**

Upcoming Commemorations

[John Raleigh Mott, Lay Leader and Ecumenist, 1955]
Monday, October 3, 2022

George Kennedy Allen Bell, Bishop of Chichester, and Ecumenist, 1958
Monday, October 3, 2022

Francis of Assisi, Friar and Deacon, 1226
Tuesday, October 4, 2022

William Tyndale, Priest, 1536
Thursday, October 6, 2022

Henry Melchior Muhlenberg: Lutheran Pastor in North America, 1787
Friday, October 7, 2022

William Dwight Porter Bliss, Priest, 1926, and Richard Theodore Ely, Economist, 1943
Saturday, October 8, 2022

10/2/22: In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the Cuyahoga Mission Area

St. John's Church, Cleveland

St. Luke's Church, Cleveland
The Rev. Margaret D'Anieri, Rector
The Rev. Leah Romanelli DeJesus, Curate

Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland
The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens IV, Dean
The Rev. Adrienne M. Koch, Priest Associate

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September18, respectively. Also, Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which is October 12, falls within this 30-day period. https://hispanicheritagemonth.gov/about/?

Prayer:

God of all peoples and nations, Dios de todo el mundo —
We praise you for your creativity made manifest in the gifts of tribes, ethnicities, and cultures across the world. Each one bears your mark of goodness and grace.

We especially praise you and thank you for your children with Hispanic heritage – the descendants of Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America. We find you in the beauty of their art, the joy of their song and their commitment to la comunidad.

We hear you in their call for a more just world – one of solidarity and liberation. We know you better because of the witness of their faith, may their faith and ours be bound together by your love in convivimiento — that spirit of unity, respect, and empathy for which there is no substitute.

Keep all those with Hispanic heritage in your care, hold them in your love and make us fierce advocates and allies for welcome, inclusion and the common good. Amen.
https://www.chausa.org/prayers/cha-prayer-library/prayer/prayer-for-hispanic-heritage-month

Sermon Notes

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Music Begins Sunday Services at 10:25 are also live streamed on Facebook.

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