



January 11, 2026



Know this, my beloved brothers:

let every person be

quick to hear,

slow to speak,

slow to anger.

James 1:19



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The Lord's Day

January 11, 2026

God's Call to Us to Worship Him

"Be still and know that I Am God"

1 Timothy 4:1-5

***His Call to Us to Worship Him**

Psalm 145:1-4,8, 103

Elder: I will exalt You, my God the King; I will praise Your name for ever and ever.

People: **Every day we will praise You and extol Your name for ever and ever.**

Elder: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;

People: **His greatness no one can fathom.**

Elder: One generation will commend Your works to another.

People: **We will teach them to our children and they will tell of Your mighty acts.**

All: **The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.**

Elder: As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

People: **For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.**

Elder: The Lord is here. He dwells among his people.

People: **We have come to worship him.**

Elder: Let us worship God.

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymns of Our Procession Into the Presence of God**

Give Praise to God

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The Father Reaffirms His Covenant with Us

Reading of the Law

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Call to Confession

1 John 1:8-9

Prayer of Adoration & Confession

Elder led prayer

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From the Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 59-60

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Alive in Christ

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His Sign and Seal is Upon Us

The Lord's Baptism: Lucas Romanovich Davidyuk

Intercessory Prayer

Christ is Made Known to Us

Hymn of Prayer

Be Exalted, O God

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His Word is Opened to Us

Pastor Kurt Scharping

Scripture: Luke 8:26-39

"The grass withers, the flower fades ...

But the Word of our God will stand forever."

Message: The Gadarene Demoniac

Prayer for Response and Obedience

We Depart with His Blessing And Sending of His Spirit

Presenting His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

***Hymn of Our Procession Into the World**

Jesus Calls Us

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***Charge and Benediction**

(Trinity Hymn Book #561, vs. 4)

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will and when and where;
until your blessed face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share.

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Jesus – From Christmas to Easter

The Gadarene Demoniac

Luke 8:26-39

the Rev. Kurt Scharping

Point: Do good to all, because Jesus does good to demons and to sinners.

Jesus does good to demons. 8:26-33

Jesus does good to the sinners. 8:34-39

My Own Thoughts

New Covenant Presbyterian Church

Lord's Day Evening Service

January 11, 2026

Welcome, Announcements

Call to Re-Gather at the close of the Lord's Day Psalm 58:11

Prayer of Adoration

Hymns to the glory and praise of our Covenant God

Scriptural Warning

of the Human Condition Psalm 58:3-5

and the Way of Salvation Psalm 58:10

Unison Prayer

Thou Maker and Sustainer of all things, Day and night are thine, heaven and earth declare thy glory; but we, mere creature of thy power and bounty, have sinned against thee by resisting the dictates of our consciences, the demands of thy law, the calls of thy gospel; yet we live under the dispensation of a given hope.

Stay our minds upon thee and turn our trials to blessings, that they may draw out our gratitude and praise as we see their design and effects. Render our obedience to thy will holy, natural, and delightful. Rectify all our principles by clear, consistent, and influential views of divine truth. Let us never undervalue or neglect any part of thy revealed will.

May we duly regard the doctrine and practice of the gospel, prizing its commands as well as its promises. Sanctify us in every relation, office, transaction and condition of life, that if we prosper we may not be unduly exalted, if we suffer we may not be over-sorrowful. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon and Encouragement

to Hope and Obedience Psalm 58:11

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Prayers of Supplication and Thanksgiving

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-26

Message: Christian Unity

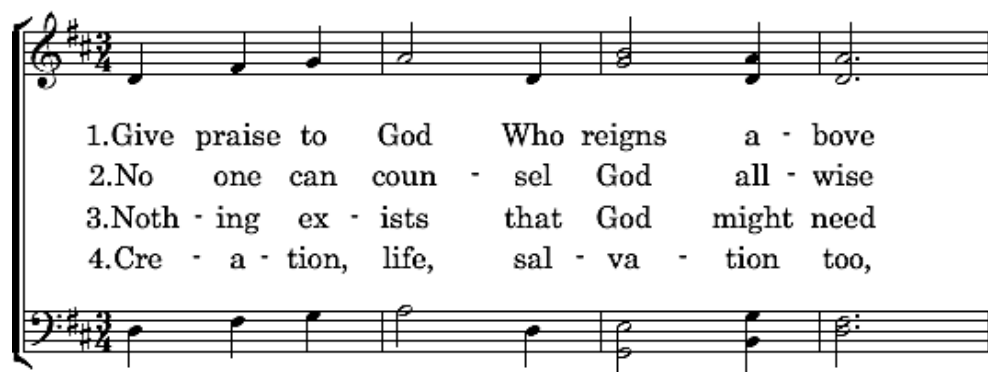
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Prayer of Benediction

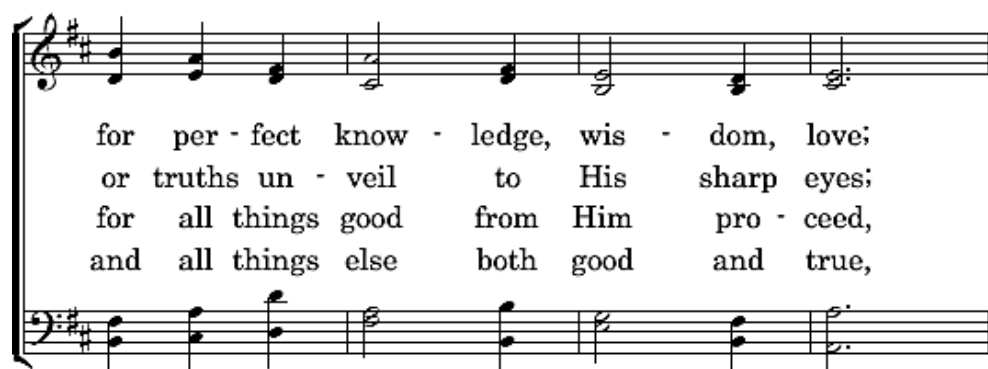
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Christian Unity
Chaplain Langston Maxwell
1 Corinthians 12:12-26

Give Praise to God



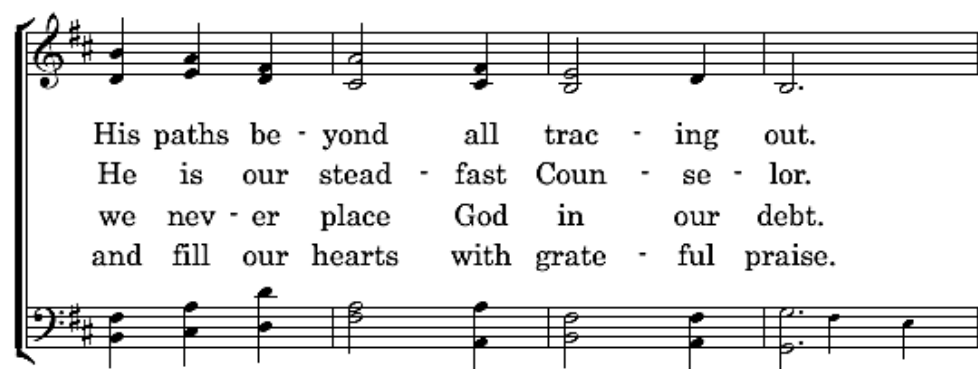
1. Give praise to God Who reigns a - bove
2. No one can coun - sel God all - wise
3. Noth - ing ex - ists that God might need
4. Cre - a - tion, life, sal - va - tion too,



for per - fect know - ledge, wis - dom, love;
or truths un - veil to His sharp eyes;
for all things good from Him pro - ceed,
and all things else both good and true,



His judgments are di - vine, de - vout,
He marks our paths be - hind, be - fore;
We praise Him as our Lord, and yet
come from and through our God al - ways,



His paths be - yond all trac - ing out.
He is our stead - fast Coun - se - lor.
we nev - er place God in our debt.
and fill our hearts with grate - ful praise.

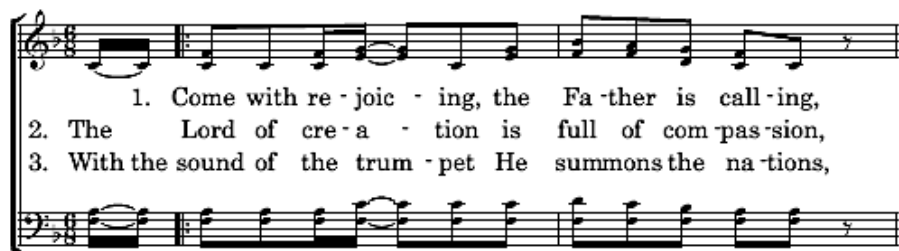


Come, lift your voice to heav'n's high throne,

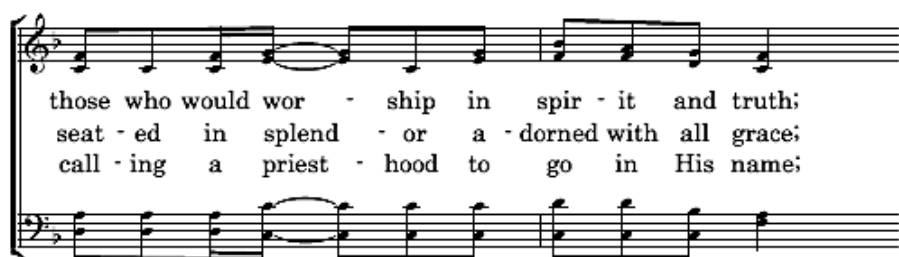


And glo - ry give to God a - lone!

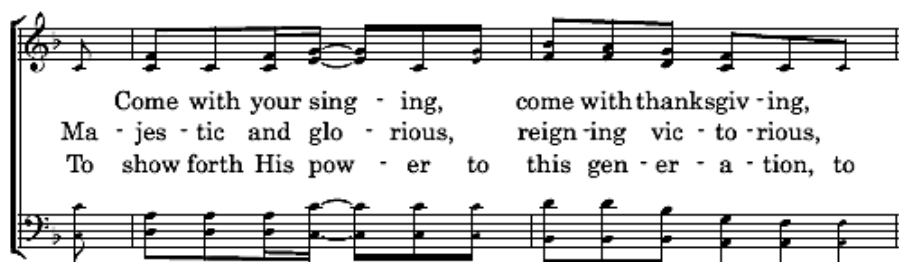
Come and Rejoice



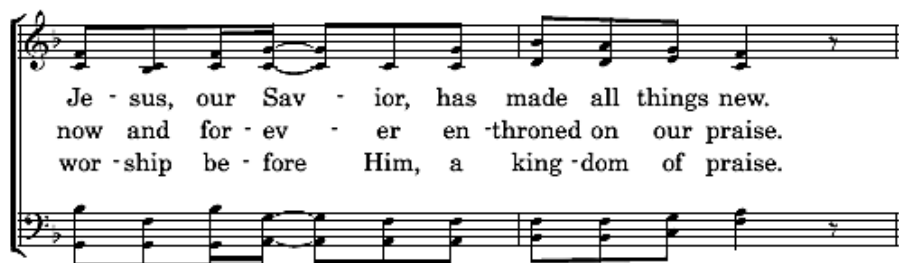
1. Come with re - joic - ing, the Fa - ther is call - ing,
2. The Lord of cre - a - tion is full of com - pas - sion,
3. With the sound of the trum - pet He summons the na - tions,



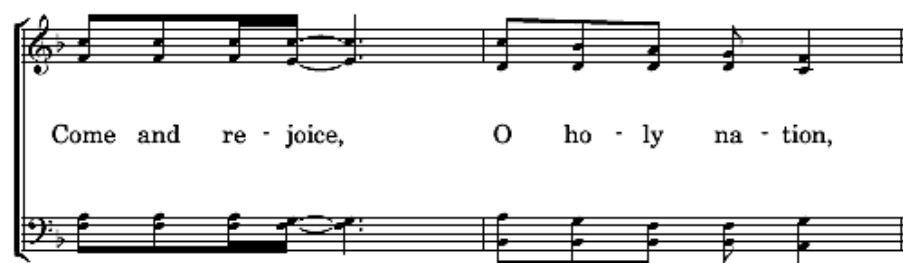
those who would wor - ship in spir - it and truth;
seat - ed in splend - or a - dorned with all grace;
call - ing a priest - hood to go in His name;



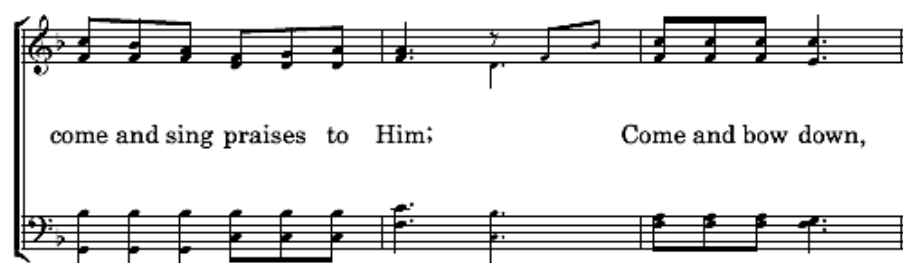
Come with your sing - ing, come with thanksgiv - ing,
Ma - jes - tic and glo - rious, reign - ing vic - to - rious,
To show forth His pow - er to this gen - er - a - tion, to



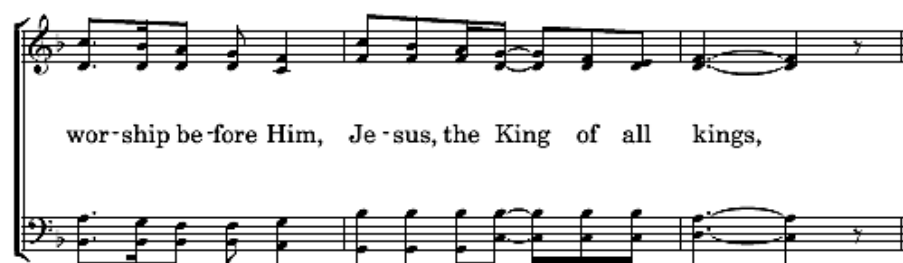
Je - sus, our Sav - ior, has made all things new.
now and for - ev - er en - throned on our praise.
wor - ship be - fore Him, a king - dom of praise.



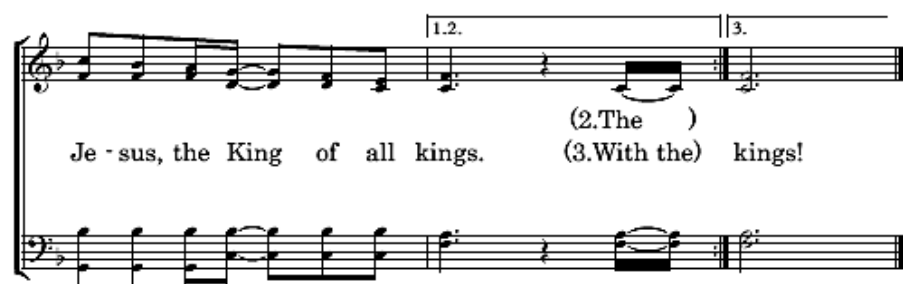
Come and re - joice, O ho - ly na - tion,



come and sing praises to Him; Come and bow down,



wor-ship be-fore Him, Je - sus, the King of all kings,



Je - sus, the King of all kings. (2.The) (3.With the) kings!

Responsive Reading from the Moral Law

From the Epistles

Leader: I am the Lord your God, ... 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. ... You shall have no other gods before me. (Is. 43:1; Ex. 20:2)

People: **For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. (Rom. 11:36)**

Leader: You shall not make for yourself a carved image ... You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your god am a jealous God ... (Ex. 20:4-5)

People: **[Jesus Christ] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ... [All] things were created through him and for him. ... He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. (Col. 1:15-18)**

Leader: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, ... (Ex. 20:7)

People: **Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. (Heb. 13:15-16)**

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ... the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. (Ex. 20:8, 11)

People: **Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, ... on the first day of the week ... as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb. 10:23-25; 1 Cor. 16:2)**

Leader: Honor your father and your mother, ... (Ex. 20:12)

People: **Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ... Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (Eph. 6:1-4)**

Leader: You shall not murder. (Ex. 20:13)

People: [Do] not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. (Eph. 4:30-32)

Leader: You shall not commit adultery. (Ex. 20:14)

People: Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ... You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body. (Heb. 13:4; 1 Cor. 6:20)

Leader: You shall not steal. (Ex. 20:15)

People: Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. (Eph. 4:28)

Leader: You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. (Ex. 20:16)

People: [Having] put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, ... Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ... [Speaking] the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,. (Eph. 4:25, 29, 15)

Leader: You shall not covet ... anything that belongs to your neighbor. (Ex. 20:17)

People: In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ... I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ... I can do all things through him who strengthens me. (Phil. 4:12, 11, 13)

all quotations are taken from the English Standard Version

Assurance of Our Pardon

—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 59-60

By true faith in Jesus Christ,

I am right with God

and heir to life everlasting.

Even though my conscience accuses me

of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments

and of never having kept any of them,

and even though I am still inclined toward all evil,

nevertheless, without my deserving it at all,

out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me

the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ,

as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner,

as if I had been as perfectly obedient

as Christ was obedient for me.

All I need to do

is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

Alive in Christ

Based on Ephesians 2:1-10
James Montgomery Boice, 2000

SOLA GRATIA
Paul S. Jones, 2000

1. I once was re - bel - lious, cor - rup - ted by sin,
2. But God who is rich in com - pas - sion and love,
3. God lif - ted me up to the heav - en - ly realms
4. Since grace is the source of the life that is mine,
5. Yet now I am liv - ing with work to be done

pur - su - ing the dev - il's dark path,
not leav - ing my soul to the grave,
where seat - ed with Christ I am free;
and faith is a gift from on high,
for I am God's work - man - ship too,

O - bli - vi - ous, dead to the state I was in,
Has giv - en me life; born a - gain from a - bove,
In a - ges to come He will show me more grace,
I'll boast in my Sav - ior, all mer - it de - cline,
Cre - a - ted in Christ with a race to be run,

an ob - ject of God's dreadful wrath.
by God's sov'-reign grace I've been saved.
so great is His kind - ness to me.
and glo - ri - fy God 'til I die.
which God has or - dained me to do.

Be Exalted, O God

Words and Music by Brent Chambers, 1977
Based on Psalm 57:9-11

CCLI Song #21112

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily in the soprano part, while the bass part provides harmonic support with chords and occasional counter-melodies. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The score consists of 16 measures in total, organized into eight pairs of staves. The lyrics are: 'I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, a-mong the peo-ple.' (Measures 1-2), 'I will sing praises to Thee a-mong the na-tions.' (Measures 3-4), 'For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the hea-vens;' (Measures 5-6), 'And Thy faith-ful-ness, Thy faith-ful-ness to the clouds.' (Measures 7-8), 'Be ex-alt-ed, O God, a-bove the hea-vens;' (Measures 9-10), 'Let Thy glo-ry be o-ver all the earth.' (Measures 11-12), 'Be ex-alt-ed, O God, a-bove the hea-vens;' (Measures 13-14), and 'Let Thy glo-ry be o-ver all the earth.' (Measures 15-16). The final measure ends with a double bar line.

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, a-mong the peo-ple.

I will sing praises to Thee a-mong the na-tions.

For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the hea-vens;

And Thy faith-ful-ness, Thy faith-ful-ness to the clouds.

Be ex-alt-ed, O God, a-bove the hea-vens;

Let Thy glo-ry be o-ver all the earth.

Be ex-alt-ed, O God, a-bove the hea-vens;

Let Thy glo-ry be o-ver all the earth.

Jesus Calls Us

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"Come, follow me," Jesus said.... At once they left their nets and followed him.
Matt. 4:19, 20

Chorus 1: (G) (D7) (G) 7

1. Je - sus calls us: o'er the tu - mult of our
 2. As, of old, a - pos - tles heard it by the
 3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 4. In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 5. Je - sus calls us: by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,

(C) (B) (E7) (A) (D7)

life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his sweet voice
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
 • vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thine o -

(G) 7 (G7) (G) (D7) (G) 7

sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake.
 • keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852; alt.

GALILEE 8.7.8.7.
William H. Jude, 1897

Psalm 58

Verses 1 - 2

You may be gods but can you claim That you speak right-cous-ness?

And do you judge the sons of men in truth and up-right-ness?

No, e- ven in your ve- ry heart you wick-ed- ness pro- duce;

On earth you weigh out with your hands your vi- o- lent a- buse.

TUNE: ST. MICHEL'S (JERUSALEMN) CMD (58A)
(new *Trinity Hymnal*, p. 452)
("Macedonia")

Verse- 7, 9-11

Let them like run-off waters be
That leave the ground soon dry.
Let arrows that he aims become
Like headless shafts that fly.

They are like blazing thorns which you
Beneath your kettles lay,
Whose heat is scarcely felt before
A wind sweeps them away.

The just rejoices when he sees
That vengeance is complete,
For in the blood of wicked men
He then will wash his feet.

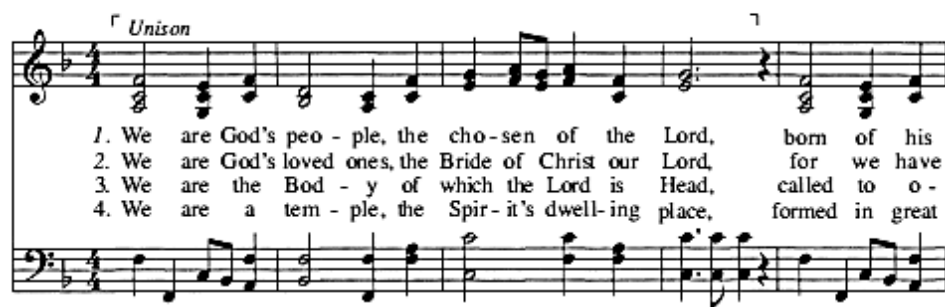
They'll say, "There surely is reward
For righteous ones of worth;
There surely is a living God
Who judges in the earth."

We Are God's People

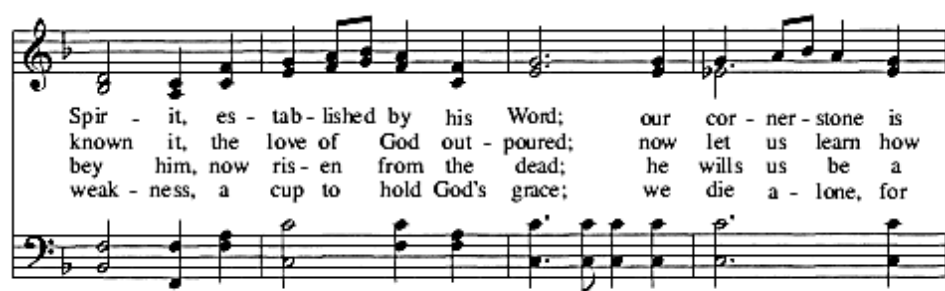
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We are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Ps. 100:3

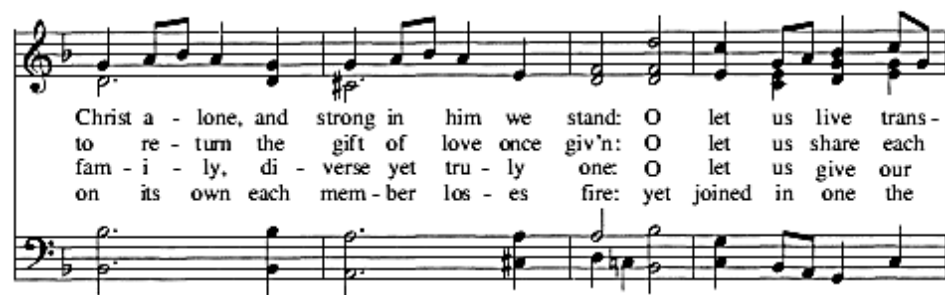
Unison



1. We are God's peo - ple, the cho - sen of the Lord, born of his
 2. We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord, for we have
 3. We are the Bod - y of which the Lord is Head, called to o -
 4. We are a tem - ple, the Spir - it's dwell - ing place, formed in great



Spir - it, es - tab - lished by his Word; our cor - ner - stone is
 known it, the love of God out - poured; now let us learn how
 bey him, now ris - en from the dead; he wills us be a
 weak - ness, a cup to hold God's grace; we die a - lone, for



Christ a - lone, and strong in him we stand: O let us live trans -
 to re - turn the gift of love once giv'n: O let us share each
 fam - i - ly, di - verse yet tru - ly one: O let us give our
 on its own each mem - ber los - es fire: yet joined in one the



par - ent - ly, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.
 joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleas - es heav'n.
 gifts to God, and so shall his work on earth be done.
 flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to in - spire.

Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1976

SYMPHONY 11.11.8.6.8.9.
 From Johannes Brahms, Symphony No. 1 in C Minor, 1876
 Arr. by Fred Bok, 1976