



Welcome to Worship



Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 24, 2024

Palm & Passion Sunday

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

The asterisk() indicates for you to stand, only if you are able.*

GATHERING

(As we gather, please take this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

GATHERING WORSHIP (11:00)

Fish Food

PASTORAL GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDITATION

Frederick Buechner

"Despair and hope. They travel the road to Jerusalem together, as together they travel every road we take—despair at what in our madness we are bringing down on our own heads and hope in him who travels the road with us and for us and who is the only one of us all who is not mad."

PRELUDE

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

D.E. Wagner

Melody Chimes

ENTRANCE

CALL TO WORSHIP - Luke 19:29-38

Leader: When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying,

People: "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' "

Leader: So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

People: "The Lord needs it."

Leader: Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

All: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

*PALM PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 278

*OPENING PRAYER

Dear Lord Jesus, we welcome you with great joy and gratitude. As our wonderful Savior, we have been on a long journey of lament, and our hearts have yearned to enter the Holy City. You enter our lives humbly and patiently, urging us to learn and grow and to embark on journeys of hope and healing. Today, we ask you to open our hearts and help us hear your words as we sing praises to you. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE - *Let us offer signs of peace, reconciliation, and love with one another.*

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

BLESSING OF THE FAITH COMMITMENT CARDS

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM "Hosanna! Blessed Is He!" C. Judge & K. Houts Carol Choir(8:30)
"Ride On" D. E. Wagner Chancel Choir(11:00)

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

Today we remember Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem on a donkey. The people were so excited! They cheered and waved palm branches. Can you draw what you imagine that might have looked like?

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Luke 19:41-48 readers, Anna Shelton (8:30) & Frieda Bailey (11:00)

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (11:00)

For children 4 years to 5th grade. At this time, they can exit through the back of the sanctuary where they will participate in a children's sermon, prayers, and offering together. They can then be picked up in the preschool hallway at the end of worship.

MESSAGE+++ Through the Valley: "Lament & Action" Rev. Zachary Hopple

*HYMN "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" No. 340

RESPONSE

LENTEN CANDLE READING^

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Righteous One, we confess that we have been walking blind. We have failed to recognize you in the face of the refugee, the orphan, and in the face of our neighbor. We have failed to see the things that make for peace, and instead choose war in our hearts. Forgive us, Lord. Open our eyes to see the world as it actually is, and ourselves as we actually are so that we, from that place of real seeing, might respond with true compassion and selfless service. This we ask in the name of Jesus, amen.

PRECIOUS ANGEL SINGERS (3.5 to 5 years old not in K) are dismissed for their rehearsal. (9:20am)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND PRAYERS TO GOD+

Tithes, offerings, and gifts can be made electronically or mailed to the church office. If you are joining us virtually, please take this opportunity to sign-in on our website.

OFFERTORY "Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless" P. Kickstat

Suzanne Williams, organist

Please use this time for personal reflection as we consider how we can give of ourselves back to God.

HOLY COMMUNION No. 9

In the tradition of Wesley's "singing communion", we invite you to sing the following hymns:

No. 357 "**Just As I Am, Without One Plea**", No. 365 "**Grace Greater than Our Sin**",

No. 378 "**Amazing Grace**"

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN "What Wondrous Love is This" No. 292 (v. 1-3)

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "Ah, Holy Jesus" arr. M. Mazzatenta

Alleluia Ringers

Use this time to reflect on the service as you prepare your heart for a week with Jesus, or take this time to exit the sanctuary and take the love of Jesus wherever you go.

Please Be In Prayer For...++(*indicates newly added)

Charlene Lewis Dale Nice Kathy Empson The Guenther family Fred Wynne

Liturgists: 8:30 - Sarah Hamill 11:00 - Torin Mathis

Scripture Readers: 8:30 - Anna Shelton 11:00 - Frieda Bailey

In-house Vocalist: Nancy Albacker

Acolyte: 8:30 - Sarah Hamill 11:00 -

Nursery Caregivers: Kim Henning & Kayla King

Nursery Adults: 8:30am - Becky Wagner 9:45am - Lucinda Gunn 11:00am - Paul Bernhardt

Children's Worship Adult Volunteer:

[^]Lenten Candle Introduction: As an Advent wreath symbolizes our journey to the birth of Christ and the light of God being brought into this world, these candles in Lent help us journey to Jesus' crucifixion on the cross, symbolizing that the light of Jesus Christ was briefly extinguished. Each week we extinguish a candle as we approach Good Friday, symbolizing Christ's journey through the wilderness and towards the cross and the tomb. On Good Friday, it appeared that the darkness of death had won and Light had been extinguished. But we know that this was only temporary and Jesus' resurrection shows us his power over sin and death. During the time of our Lenten reading, please take the time to meditate on what Christ has done for you and for this world, and consider how he suffered so that we can live as followers of Christ.

Preparing for Worship: Use the week's liturgical scriptures and questions to help prepare you for worship. Next week's are available if you want to look ahead.

This week's: **Palms Lit:** Mark 11:1-11;

Ps 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839)

Passion Lit: Isa 50:4-9a; Ps 31:9-16 (UMH 764); Phil 2:5-11;

Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39 (40-47)

Worship Ques.: What part of Holy Week is most meaningful to you?

Holy Thursday: Exod 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14; Ps 116:1-2, 12-19 (UMH 837); 1 Cor 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35

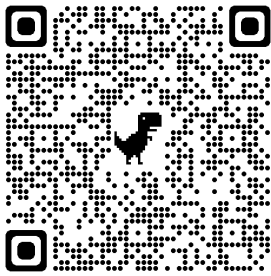
Good Friday: Isa 52:13-53:12; Ps 22 (UMH 752); Heb 10:16-25; John 18:1- 19:42

There is no Worship Question for Holy Thursday & Good Friday.

Next Week's: Acts 10:34-43; Ps 118:1-2, 14-24 (UMH 839); 1 Cor 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

Worship Ques.: Where have you seen Christ?

Welcome to Worship



Members, Regular Attendees, and Visitors: please scan the QR code or fill out the attendance slip to record your attendance. Slips may be placed in the offering plates or the basket by the Sanctuary entrance.

First Time Visitors: Please complete a blue "CONNECT" card in the pew rack in front of you; it may be given to the usher or placed in the offertory plates. We invite you to pick up a Welcome Packet at the Welcome Table before you leave.

Children are welcome to stay in worship with you. Additionally, Christ UMC offers a **staffed nursery** for children ages birth through 4 years old during the 8:30 and 11 am worship services in room 130, in the preschool hallway. An **unstaffed space**, in rooms

120-122 across from the cafe, is available in case you need a quiet place to rock your child or some space to move around. The worship service is broadcasted through a speaker.

If you have special needs or need help locating any of these spaces, please see one of our ushers.

Mask Required Zone: Please remember that the area under the balcony is a mask required zone during worship.

CHRIST'S KIDS ARTWORK CORNER



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See our full staff list on our website. Click on "Meet our Staff."

A special thank-you to all who help make the worship services possible!!

+Electronic Giving is an easy way to ensure that your gifts are reaching the church even when you cannot be present yourself. Visit our church website (www.cumclansdale.org) and click the "Donate" tab in the left column to set up your online giving. You are also welcome to mail your offering to the church.

++If you have a prayer request you can email it to the prayer chain (prayers@cumclansdale.org) or directly to the pastor.

+++To hear the sermon again or to listen to any sermons you may have missed, please visit our website and click "Sermon Audio", under the "[Online Worship](#)" tab.

Sign up for Weekly Emails: please visit our website and click "events-sign-ups" look for "CUMC EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENT LIST SIGN UP".

Announcements

For more detailed information of each event check out our [weekly emails](mailto:weekly_emails@cumcclansdale.org) or www.cumcclansdale.org under Events/Sign Ups and Upcoming Events. The QR code will take you directly to the page.



Worship Attendance

- **Worship Attendance** - Please scan the QR code in the "Welcome to Worship" section of the bulletin every week to record your attendance at worship services. Or, complete an attendance slip and place it in the offering plate or in the basket by the sanctuary entrance.
- **Annual Christ's Kids Good Friday Event** - Join us for our Annual Good Friday event to hear the story of Holy Week, leading up to Easter through story, activities, and crafts. This year we will be exploring some of the animals connected to Holy Week: the donkey, the rooster, and the lamb. A snack will be served. This event is open for all children 4 years-6th grade, and children are separated into age groups for parts of the event. We are also looking for several volunteers to help during this event. If you are available to assist during this event, please let Pastor Tawny know.
- **Upcoming Special Services** - Holy Thursday, Mar. 28, 7:00 PM
- Good Friday Tenebrae Service, Mar. 29, 7:00 PM
- Sunrise Service, Mar. 31, 6:30 AM (at the Columbarium)
- **Endowment Committee** - The Endowment Committee is seeking your input on how we might best use a portion of this past year's earnings. Are there any amenities or improvements to our facilities that would make the worship center more comfortable or enjoyable? We have roughly \$1600 available for unbudgeted expenses and need your input. See a member of the Endowment Committee, put a completed suggestion form in the Endowment Committee mailbox near the coffee area, or send an email to jbaer44@hotmail.com. Deadline is May 1.
- **Vegetable Garden Seed Donations** - Spring will soon be here at the vegetable garden! To help us grow a spectacular garden for 2024 we'll need donations of seed packets. Here is our list of the vegetables and some flowers we need: cucumbers, zucchini, yellow squash (summer squash), beets, bush beans, spaghetti squash, marigolds, zinnia, snapdragon. Please find the small box marked for seed packet donations in the lobby, on the directory table.
- **Property Cleanup Day** - Come Join The Trustees April 13th (rain date April 27th), 9 AM To 12 PM. Bring your favorite tools (gloves, rakes and shovels)! Please contact Robin Bresser (robinbresser@yahoo.com) for more information. Please RSVP to Robin or via the SignUpGenius (on the website and the kiosk), as we would like an idea of how many people will be attending.
- **Adopt a Flower Bed** - The Trustees are asking for people to maintain the flower beds around the church and parsonage. If you adopt a bed, please maintain it for a neat and clean look. If you would like to adopt a bed or need information, contact Robin Bresser (robinbresser@yahoo.com).
- **Preschool Registration** - Preschool Registration is open to the community. We look forward to enrolling students for the 2024-2025 School Year in our outstanding classes of Tots, 2 Years Old, 3 Years Old, and PreKindergarten levels. Contact Darlene Adams, Preschool Director, Preschool Express CUMC for details and registration paperwork.
- **Mission of the Month** - Our February Mission of the Month was Help Build Hope. We collected \$6000. Our March Mission of the Month is UMCOR Sunday.

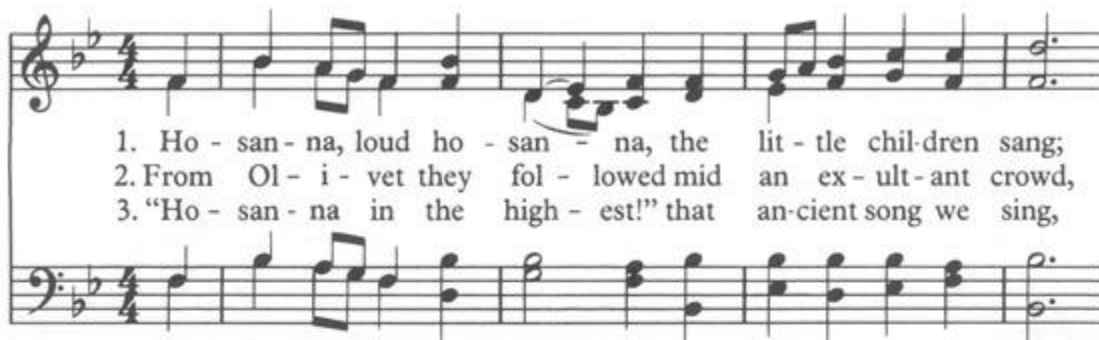
Who is in the Lobby: Vegetable garden donation box (directory table)

Upcoming Events:

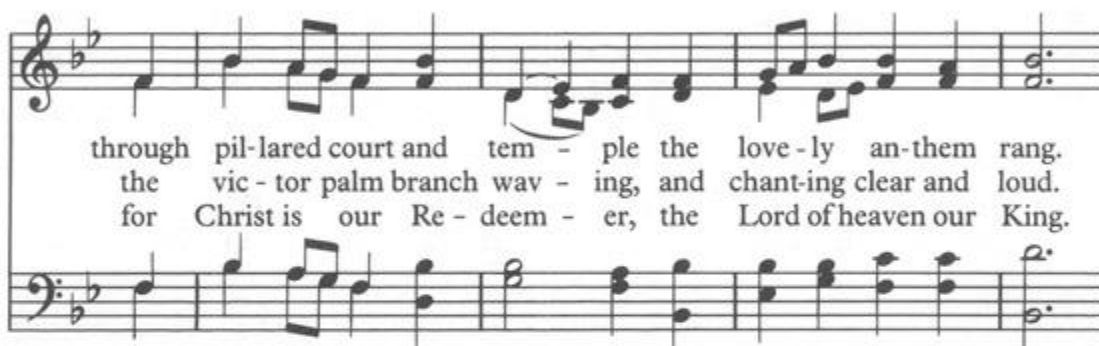
Sun 3/24: Palm Sunday, EGGstravaganza Egg Hunt, Manna Food Drive, NO YOUTH GRP
Mon 3/25: Staff Mtg (Lounge), Jesus & the Gospel, Perky Promenaders, Butterflies T-Grp, Four-Eyed Guys T-Grp, Books Between Friends
Tues 3/26: Church Council Mtg, Men's Reading Group (Hybrid), Daniel Bible Reading Grp, Kaleidoscope Grp, Gloria Dei Reh, Journeys in Faith Women's T-Grp, Jazz Grp Reh
Wed 3/27: GriefShare, Lenten Book Study, Fellowship Friends T-Grp, Various Music Grp Rehearsals
Thurs 3/28: Holy Thursday Service, Fish Food (Adult Praise Band) Rehearsal
Fri 3/29: Good Friday Kids Event, Good Friday Tenebrae Service, Youth Lock-In, Laudate Ringers
Sun 3/31: Easter Sunday, Sunrise Service, Sunday School, NO YOUTH GRP
Mon 4/1: Office Closed, Perky Promenaders, Butterflies T-Grp, Four-Eyed Guys T-Grp,

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

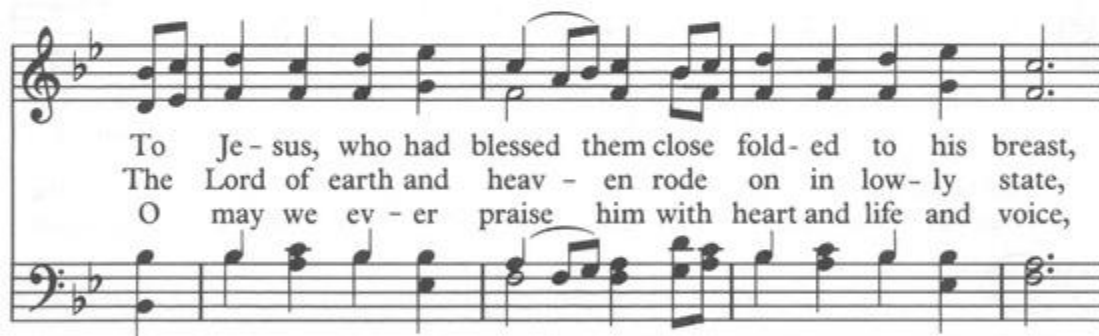
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1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" that an - cient song we sing,



through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heaven our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,



the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

340 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and
 2. Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come, God's free
 3. Come ye wea - ry, hea - vy lad - en, lost and
 4. Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of

wound - ed, sick and sore; Je - sus read - y
 boun - ty glo - ri - fy; true be - lief and
 ruin - ed by the fall; if you tar - ry
 fit - ness fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness

stands to save you, full of pit - y, love, and power.
 true re - pen - tance, ev - ery grace that brings you nigh.
 till you're bet - ter, you will nev - er come at all.
 he re - quir - eth is to feel your need of him.

Refrain

I will a - rise and go to Je - sus;

WORDS: Joseph Hart, 1759

MUSIC: *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

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RESTORATION

87.87 with Refrain

Alt. tune: BEACH SPRING

he will em - brace me with his arms; in the arms of

my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

What Wondrous Love Is This

1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
 2. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
 3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
 4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
 what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
 to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
 and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and

won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to
 won-drous love is this, that caused the Lord of life to
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM, while
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and

bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my soul, to
 lay a - side his crown for my soul, for my soul, to
 mil-lions join the theme I will sing, I will sing; while
 through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

WORDS: USA folk hymn

MUSIC: USA folk hymn; harm. by Paul J. Christiansen, 1955

WONDROUS LOVE

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bear the dread - ful curse for my soul.
 lay a - side his crown for my soul.
 mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
 through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

357 Just as I Am, Without One Plea

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea,
 2. Just as I am, and wait - ing not
 3. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout
 4. Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind;
 5. Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive,
 6. Just as I am, thy love un - known

but that thy blood was shed for me,
 to rid my soul of one dark blot,
 with many a con - flict, many a doubt,
 sight, rich - es, heal - ing of the mind,
 wilt wel - come, par - don, cleanse, re - lieve;
 hath bro - ken ev - ery bar - rier down;

and that thou bidst me come to thee,
 to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,
 fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,
 yea, all I need in thee to find,
 be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,
 now, to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,

Refrain
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

G D⁷ Em D/F# G D⁷ G D G/D

1. Mar-vel-ous grace of our lov - ing Lord, grace that ex -
 2. Sin and de-spair, like the sea waves cold, threat-en the
 3. Dark is the stain that we can - not hide. What can a -
 4. Mar-velous, in - fi-nite, match-less grace, free - ly be -

6 D⁷ G G G D⁷ Em D/F#

ceeds our sin and our guilt! Yon - der on Cal - va - ry's
 soul with in - fi - nite loss; grace that is great-er, yes,
 vail to wash it a - way? Look! There is flow-ing a
 stowed on all who be - lieve! You that are long-ing to

11 G D⁷ Em Am/C E/G# Am E/G# Am/C G/D D

mount out-poured, there where the blood of the Lamb was
 grace un - told, points to the ref-uge, the might - y
 crim - son tide, bright - er than snow you may be to -
 see his face, will you this mo-ment his grace re -

Refrain

16 G G G C/G G D⁷

spilt.
cross. Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will
day.
ceive?

22 D⁷ Bm/D D⁷ G C/G G G G C/G

par-don and cleanse with - in; grace, grace, God's

28 G Am/C E/G# Am E/G# Am/C G/D D G

grace, grace that is great-er than all our sin!

Amazing Grace

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1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound that
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
 5. Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and
 6. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace hath brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 mor - tal life shall cease, I shall pos - sess, with -
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour, I first be - lieved.
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be, as long as life en - dures.
 in the veil, a life of joy and peace.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Cherokee

OOH NAY THLA NAH, HEE OO WAY GEE.
 E GAH GWOO YAH HAY EE.
 NAW GWOO JOE SAH, WE YOU LOW SAY,
 E GAH GWOO YAH HO NAH.

Navajo

NIZHÓNÍGO JOOBA' DITTS' A'
 YISDÁSHÍTÍNÍGÍ,
 LAH YÓÓÍYÁ, K'AD SHÉNÁHOOSDZIN,
 DOO EESH'ÍÍ DA NT'ÉE.

Kiowa

DAW K'EE DA HA DAWTSAHY HE TSOW'HAW
 DAW K'EE DA HA DAWTSAHY HEE.
 BAY DAWTSAHY TAW, GAW AYM OW THAH T'AW,
 DAW K'EE DA HA DAWTSAHY H'EE.

Creek

PO YA FEK CHA HE THLAT AH TET
 AH NON AH CHA PA KAS
 CHA FEE KEE O FUNNAN LA KUS
 UM E HA TA LA YUS.

Choctaw

SHILOMBISH HOLITOPA MA!
 ISHMINTI PULLA CHA
 HATAK ILBUSHIA PIA HA
 IS PI YUKPALASHKE.

WORDS: John Newton, 1779; st. 6 anon.; phonetic transcription Cherokee, Kiowa, Creek, Choctaw as sung in Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference; Navajo phonetic transcription by Albert Tsosi (1 Chr. 17:16-17) AMAZING GRACE CM
 MUSIC: 19th cent. USA melody; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1900