

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pre-Service Music

Welcome, Announcements, and Service Notes

Prelude

Call to Worship & Prayer of the Day

Hymn “Morning Has Broken” BUNESSAN

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious God, we have sought after things, but we have not sought after you. We have expected generosity, but we have not shown generosity. We have not been gracious or grateful. We have failed to remember all that you have done. We confess that we want your grace for ourselves but often wish punishment or exclusion on others. Forgive us, we pray, when we let jealousy overtake us. Forgive us, we pray, when we are petty even in the presence of your generosity. Forgive us, we pray, when we feel slighted by you. Forgive us and fill our hearts with gratitude. Help us to share our gifts and strengthen our legs so that we can run after you, O God. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Moment for Silent Reflection)

Declaration of Forgiveness & The Peace of Christ

THE WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Epistle Lesson Romans 14: 1 – 12 (CEV)

Gospel Lesson Matthew 20: 1 – 16

Psalmody Psalm 105 – *The Steadfast Love of the Lord*
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning;
Great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness.

Hebrew Scripture Lesson Exodus 16: 2 – 15

Sermon *Are We There Yet!?* Rev. Anthony L. Larson

Hymn “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” HOLY MANNA

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

SENT BY GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

Hymn “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” RHONDDA

Charge & Benediction

Postlude



Morning Has Broken 274

I will awaken the dawn. I will praise you, O Lord. Psa. 57:8,9

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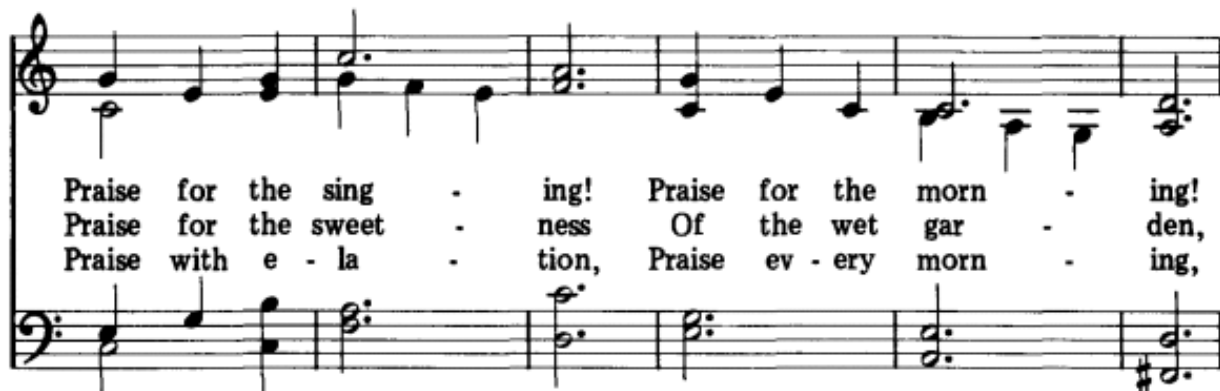
Unison



1. Morn - ing has bro - ken Like the first morn - ing,
 2. Sweet the rain's new fall Sun - lit from heav - en,
 3. Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing



Black-bird has spo - ken Like the first bird.
 Like the first dew - fall On the first grass.
 Born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
 Praise for the sweet - ness Of the wet gar - den,
 Praise with e - la - tion, Praise ev - ery morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing Fresh from the Word!
 Sprung in com - plete - ness Where His feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion Of the new day!

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

The stead-fast love of the Lord never ceas - es; God's
 mer - cies nev - er come to an end. They are
 new every morning, new every morning; great is your faith - ful -
 ness, O Lord, great is your faith - ful - ness.

Chord symbols: Eb, Eb/G, Ab, Bb7sus, Bb, Ab, Bb, Gm7, Cm7, Fm7, Ab/Bb, Bb7, Eb, Bb/D, Cm', Fm', Ab/Bb, Bb', Eb.

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel - come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil - der - ness and wan - der - ing. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.