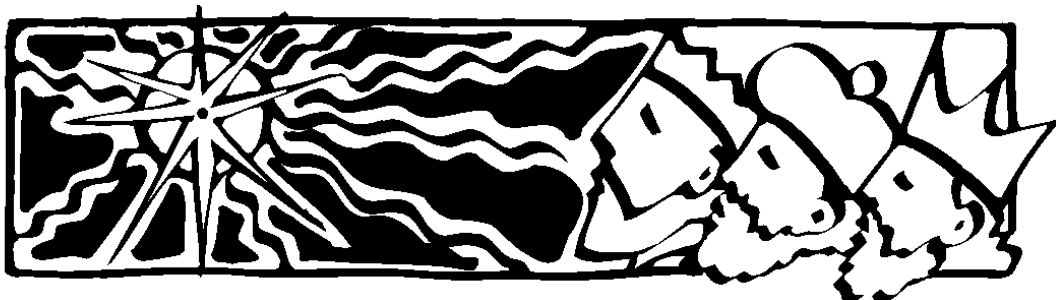


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

February 8, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

Fifth
Sunday after
the Epiphany



PRELUDE

Prélude sur l'Introït de l'Épiphanie
Gather Us In

M. Duruflé
J. Ferguson

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CHORAL INTROIT

Awake, arise, O sing a new song

M. Leasure

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Gather Us In

GATHER US IN

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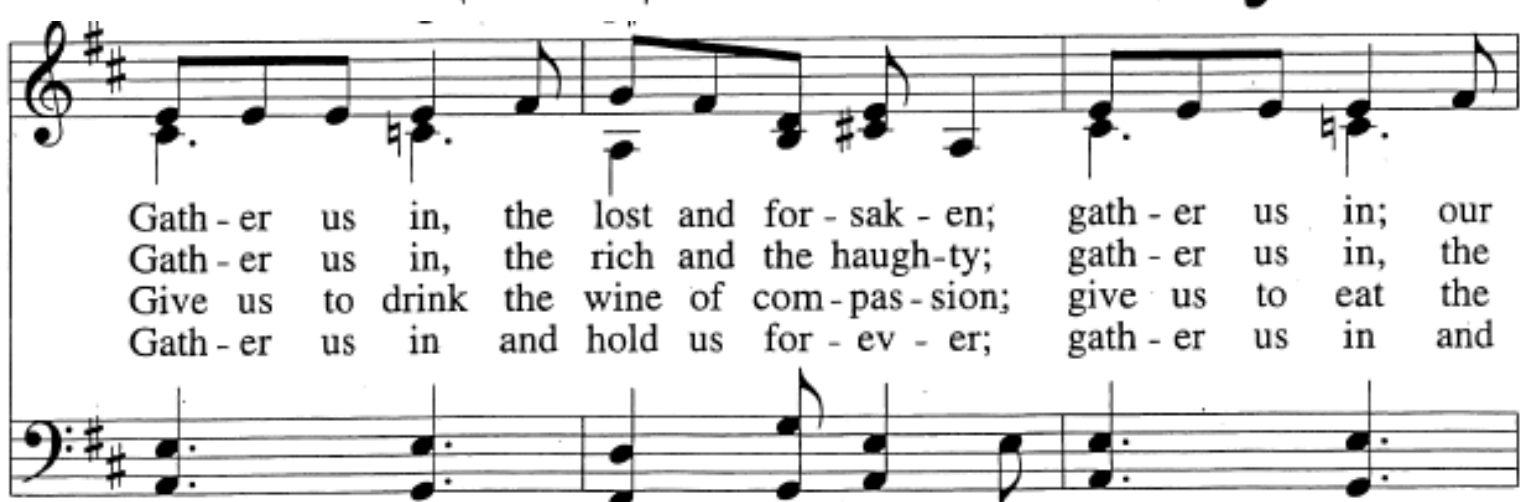
1 Here in this place, the new light is stream-ing, shad-ows of doubt are
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery; we are the old, who
3 Here we re-ceive new life in the wa-ters; here we re-ceive the
4 Not just in build-ings, small and con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



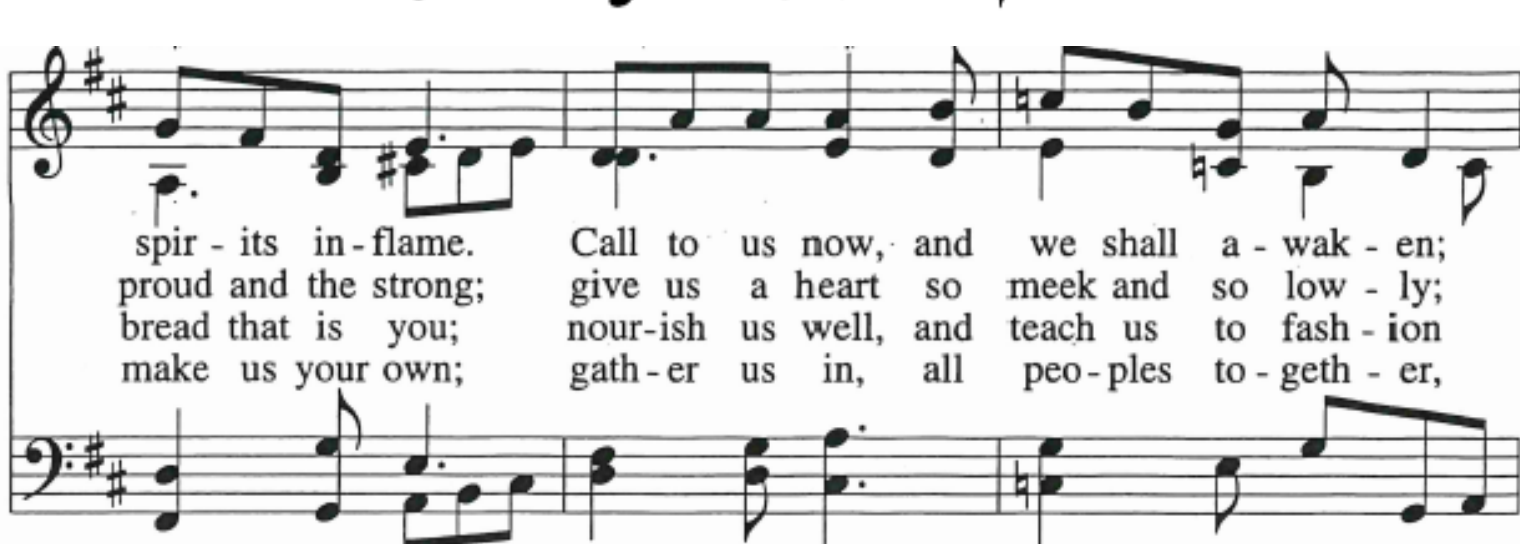
van-ished a - way. See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his - tory,
 bread of new birth; here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a - way, here in this place the new light is shin - ing;



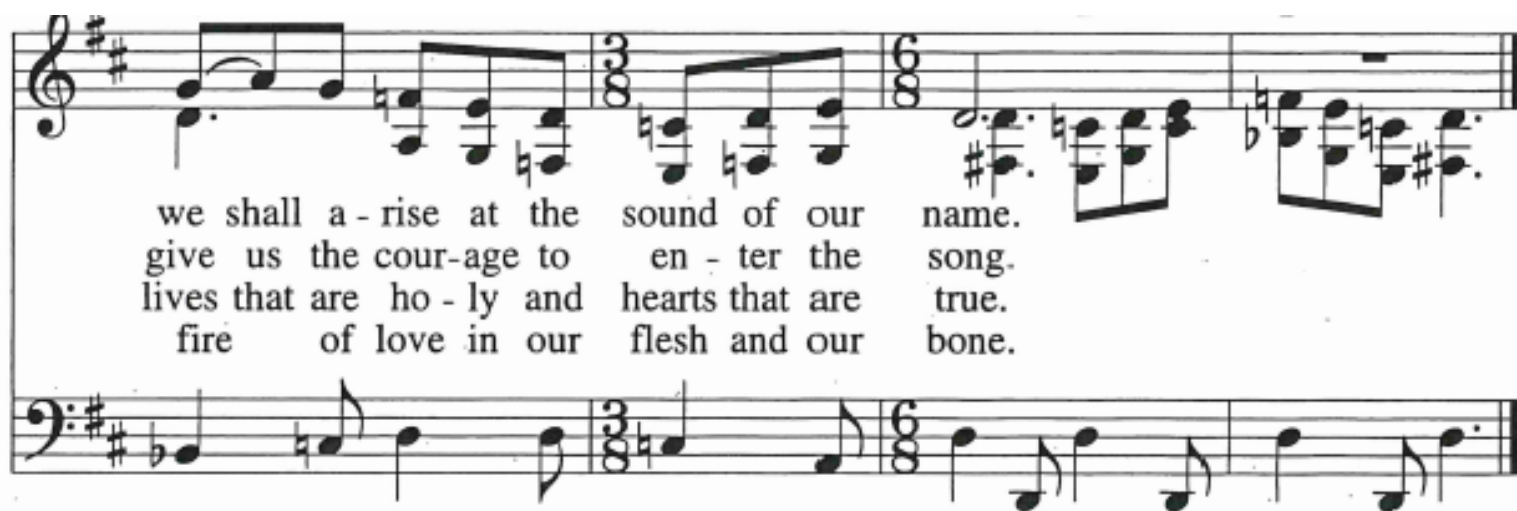
brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is God pres - ent, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en; gath - er us in; our
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er; gath - er us in and



spir - its in-flame. Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so low - ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O holy, long-suffering, merciful, LORD,
You have created human beings in Your image
to be in a loving, covenant relationship with You.
Yet, frequently we have forgotten our identity and calling in You —
And so, we humbly come before You through our Mediator Jesus Christ,
to confess what we have done or left undone,
that has robbed You of Your glory and tarnished Your reputation.
Holy Spirit, reveal to us how we have broken the Covenant by not
loving the LORD our God with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength.

**LORD, we confess our offence against You.
In Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Just LORD, You spoke through Your prophet to tell us what is acceptable to You as true worship:
to loose the bonds of injustice and undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke.
Holy Spirit, make us aware of things we have done or not done
in thought, word, and deed
that have contributed to, or ignored systems of injustice and oppression.

**LORD, we confess our offence against You.
In Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Compassionate LORD,
You also say that we are to share our bread with the hungry
and to bring the homeless poor wanderer into our house —
when we see the naked, to cover them
and not to hide ourself from our own kin.
Holy Spirit, show us where we have had the moral vision
to act on behalf of those who suffer because of inadequate financial and
material resources to flourish.

**LORD, we confess our offence against You.
In Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant us now, the will and courage to repent,
and to bear fruit in keeping with that repentance.

In Your mercy, hear our prayer.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:1-12

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **“Thanks be to God”**

ANTHEM

The Task

G. Adnams

LITANY

One: O LORD, Your written and spoken, prophetic word
has shown us what you require:

to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with You.

**Many: Blessed are those who seek the peace and shalom
of the city and Your world.**

One: Your Incarnate Word Jesus, the Prince of Peace,
has embodied what this looks like:

to preach good news to the poor;

to proclaim freedom for the prisoner and recovery of sight for the blind;

to release the oppressed;

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.

**Many: Blessed are those who seek the peace and shalom
of the city and Your world.**

One: Holy Spirit, You have given us heavenly wisdom to do Your peacework:
wisdom that is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive,
full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

**Many: Blessed are those who seek the peace and shalom
of the city and Your world.**

**All: Empower us LORD, to be your peace and shalom
in our city and Your world.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Sing a New Song

D.L. Schutte

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Arr. Theophane Hytrek, OSF (1915–1992).

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Sing a New Song'. It consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Descant' and features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff with notes and rests. Below the staff, the lyrics 'Sing a new song; sing' are written. The second staff is labeled 'Refrain' and also features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff with notes and rests. Below the staff, the lyrics 'Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be' are written.

al - le - lu - ia! Sing a
sung from moun - tains high. Sing a new song

new song. Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to the Lord, sing - ing al - le - lu - ia.

Last time

1 Yah - weh's peo - ple dance for joy. O come be -
2 Rise, O chil - dren, from your sleep; your Sav - iour
3 Glad my soul, for I have seen the glo - ry

fore the Lord and play for him on glad tam - bou-
now has come. & He has turned your sor - row to
of the Lord. The trum - pet sounds; the dead shall be

rines, and let your trum - pet sound.
 joy, and filled your soul with song.
 raised. I know my Sav - iour lives.

To refrain

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

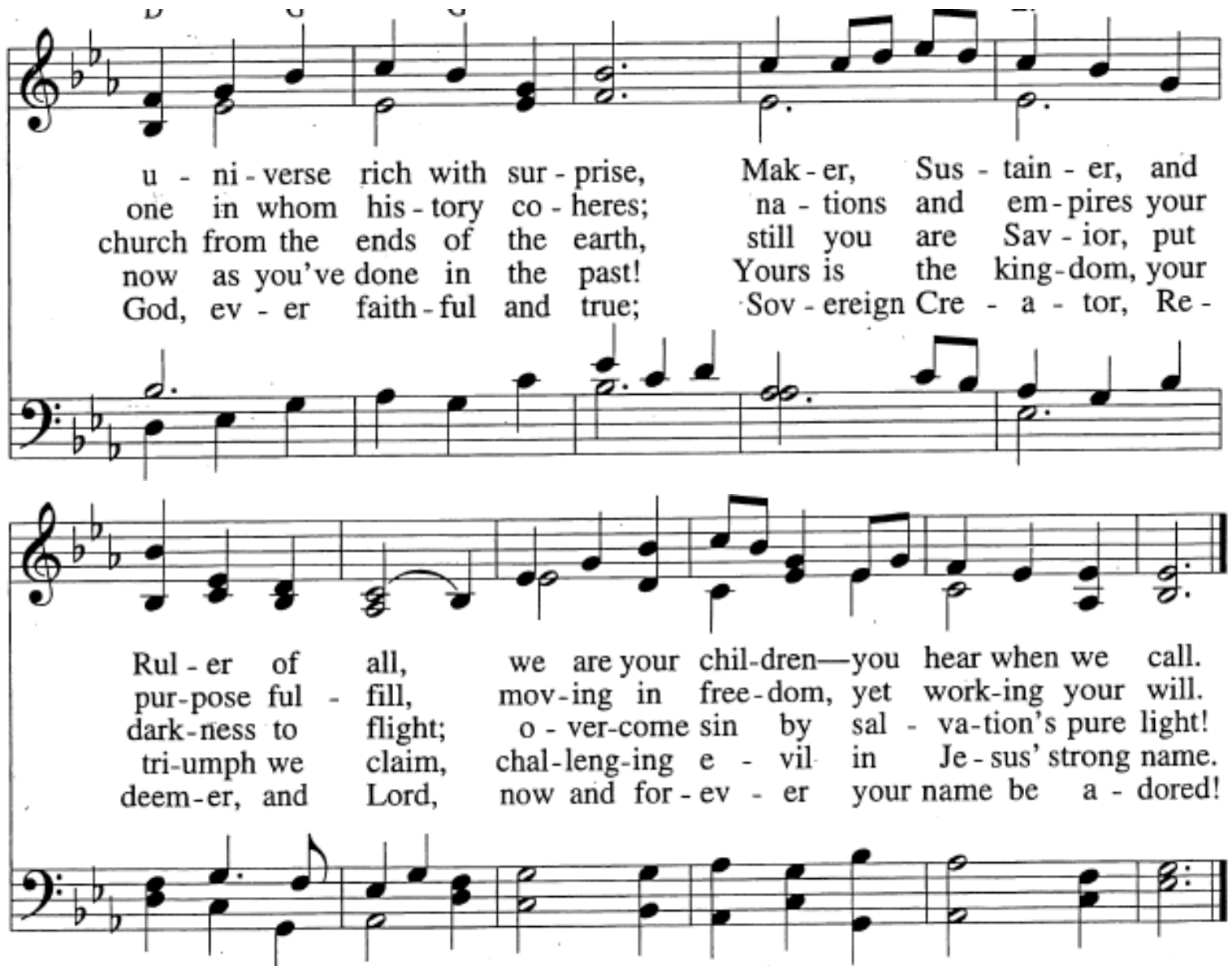
*HYMN OF MEDITATION

God of Creation, All-Powerful

SLANE

WORDS: Margaret Clarkson (1915-)
 MUSIC: Irish melody; harm. Carlton R. Young (1926-)
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1 God of cre - a - tion, all - power - ful, all - wise, Lord of the
 2 God of the a - ges, through time's trou-bled years you are the
 3 God of re - demp - tion, who wrought our re - birth, called out your
 4 God of your peo - ple, your Word still stands fast; do for us
 5 God of our now, all our trust is in you, Cov - e - nant



u - ni - verse rich with sur - prise, Mak - er, Sus - tain - er, and
 one in whom his - tory co - heres; na - tions and em - pires your
 church from the ends of the earth, still you are Sav - ior, put
 now as you've done in the past! Yours is the king - dom, your
 God, ev - er faith - ful and true; Sov - ereign Cre - a - tor, Re -

Rul - er of all, we are your chil - dren—you hear when we call.
 pur - pose ful - fill, mov - ing in free - dom, yet work - ing your will.
 dark - ness to flight; o - ver - come sin by sal - va - tion's pure light!
 tri - umph we claim, chal - leng - ing e - vil in Je - sus' strong name.
 deem - er, and Lord, now and for - ev - er your name be a - dored!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

SERMON

When Wisdom Refuses to Stay Silent

Dawn Stiles

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Cantabile in D

P. Fey

*New Doxology

M. Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

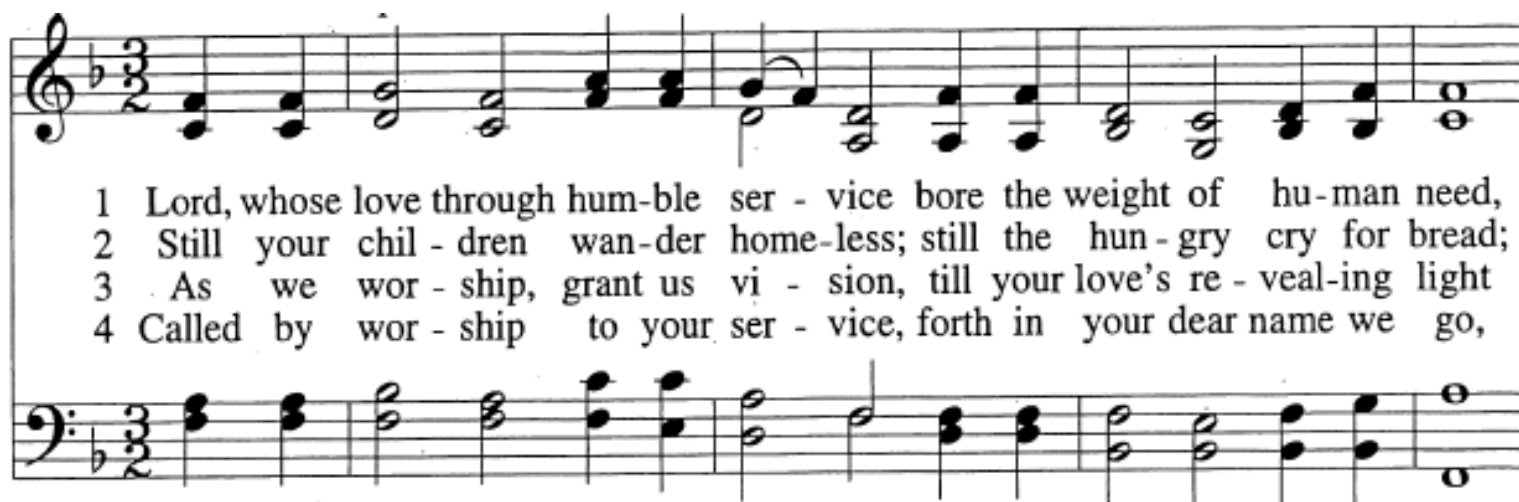
BEACH SPRING

WORDS: Albert F. Bayly (1901-1984)

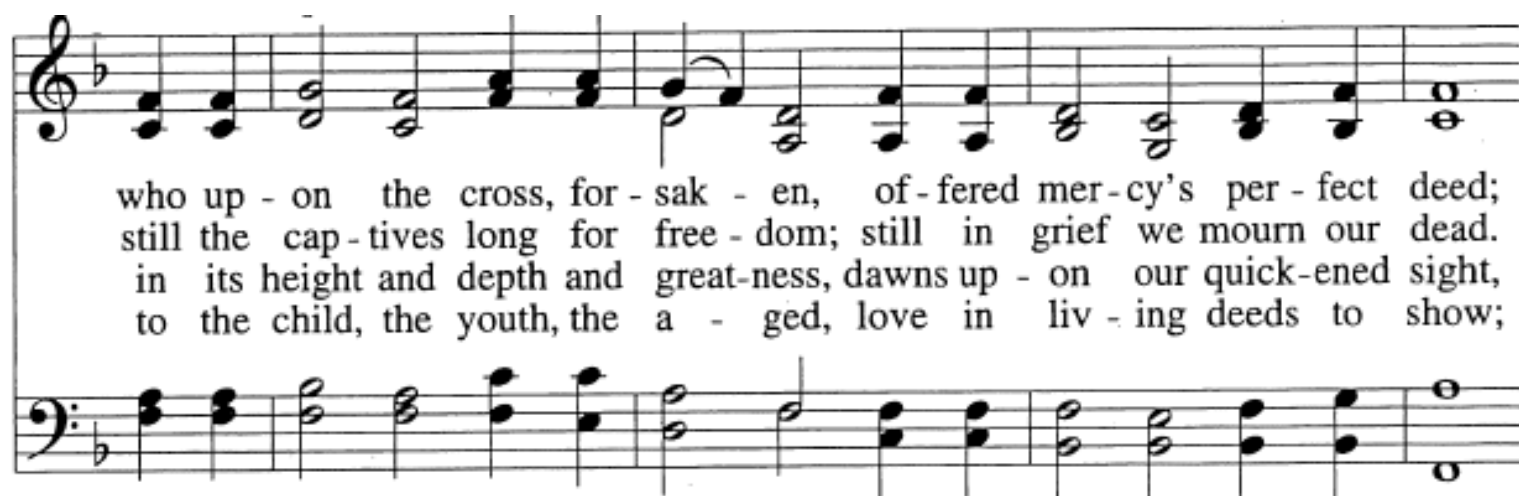
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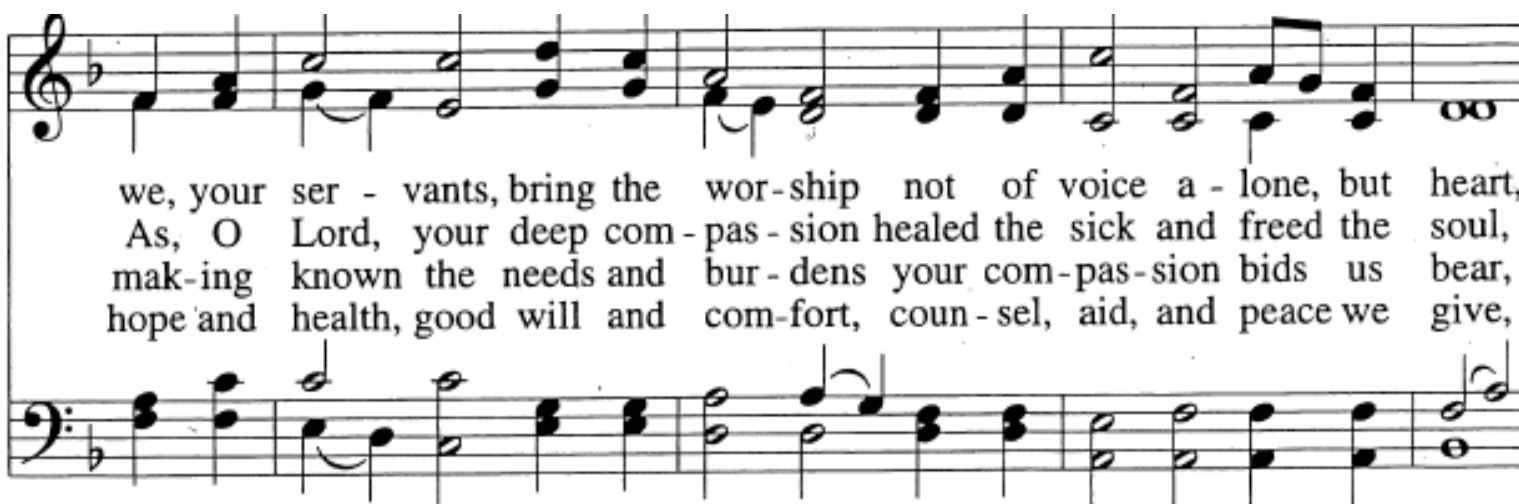
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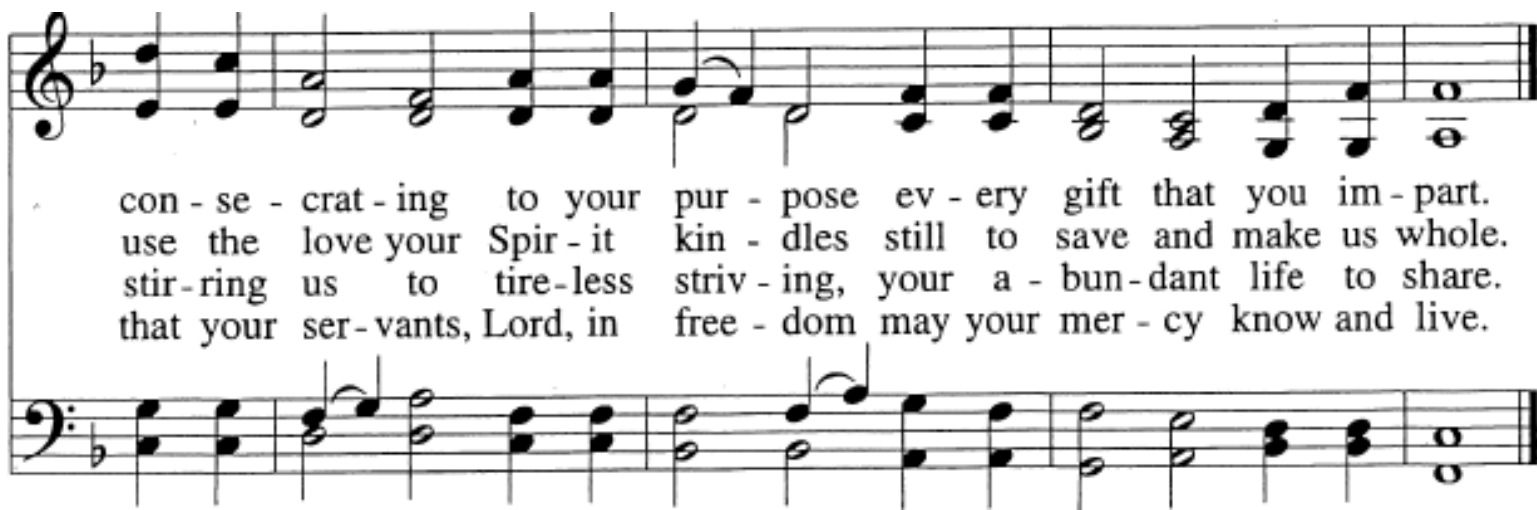
1 Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil - dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed;
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness, dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a - lone, but heart,
As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak-ing known the needs and bur - dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good will and com-fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

May the Peace of the Lord Go With You

C. Yannerella

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world – begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Festive Toccata

P. Fletcher

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Writing Prayers & Leading Worship - Louise Adnams;
Writing Prayers of the People - Naomi Mahaffy;
Scripture Reading - Pam Beavan, Ken Badley;
Guest Choir Conductor - Dr. Gord Adnams;
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist