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"We are called to travel paths as yet untrodden"

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2019
Sunday Worship at 10:30am



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GATHERING


Music to Prepare Us for Worship

Gathering Songs – “Blest Are They”


“Let The Walls Fall Down”

Blest Are They

Leader or All



1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it; theirs is the
 2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones; . . . they shall in -
 3 Blest are they who show mer - cy; mer - cy
 4 Blest are they who seek peace; . . they are the
 5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate, . . . all . . . be -




king - dom of God. Blest are they,
 her - it the earth. Blest are they who
 shall . . . be theirs. Blest are they, the
 chil - dren of God. Blest are they who
 cause . . . of me. Re - joice, be glad,

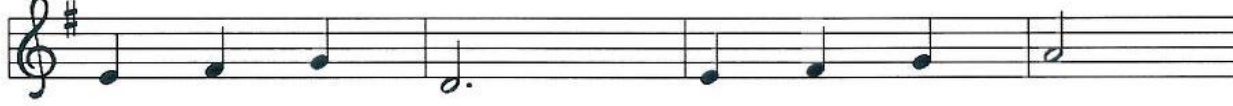


full of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.
 hun - ger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
 pure of heart; they shall see God.
 suf - fer in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.
 yours is the king - dom; shine for all to see.

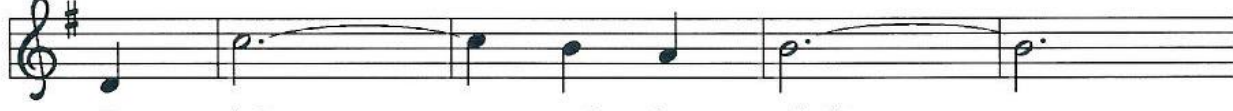
Refrain
 All



Re - joice and be glad!



Bless - ed are you, ho - ly are you!



Re - joice and be glad!



Yours is the king - dom of God!

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Let The Walls Fall Down

Words and Music by
Bill Batstone, John Barbour
and Anne Barbour

♩ = 102 CHORUS

E A B E/B B E A

Let the walls fall _ down, _ let the walls fall _ down, .

4 B E/B B E A B E/B B

_ let the walls fall _ down; _

7 C#m A

By His love _ let the walls fall, _ walls fall _ down.

1, 3, 5. E/B B 2, 4, 6. E/B B E

Fine

VERSE

11 B C#m A B C#m A E

1. One by one, we're drawn to - geth - er, one by one, to Je - sus' side.
2. In His love, no walls be - tween us, in His love a com - mon ground.

15 B G#7/B# C#m A E A E

One in Him we'll live for - ev - er, stran - gers He has
Kneel - ing at the cross of Je - sus all our pride comes

Let The Walls Fall Down - 2

18 A E/G# B E/B B

rec - on - ciled.
tum - bl'ing down.

D.C. al Fine

Introduce the Theme with Kids *(Give kids the Kid's Bulletin when done)*

Welcome, River Source, Connection Cards

(Please Stand) No Longer Strangers Prayer

Holy Spirit of God,

Your stirring of our hearts and our lives is unsettling and disruptive. Transform our lives through seeing Jesus Christ in the lives of people we do not know and do not like. Change us, Holy Spirit, through the lives of other people. Amen.

Meet Someone New

Worship Leader: *Now is the time to practice this very dangerous prayer we just prayed – there are no strangers because of the love we know in Jesus. We simply can't afford to be afraid of each other, especially in this place of worship of the God who brings us together. Visitors, stay right where you are. It's our job, as River of Hope, to make ourselves a little bit uncomfortable and to come and say hello to you. So, go and say hi to someone you don't know very well or at all.*

"Let the Walls Fall Down" to bring people back together.

(Still Standing) Confession and Forgiveness

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Amen.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, **come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

Let us confess that God is God and we are not.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

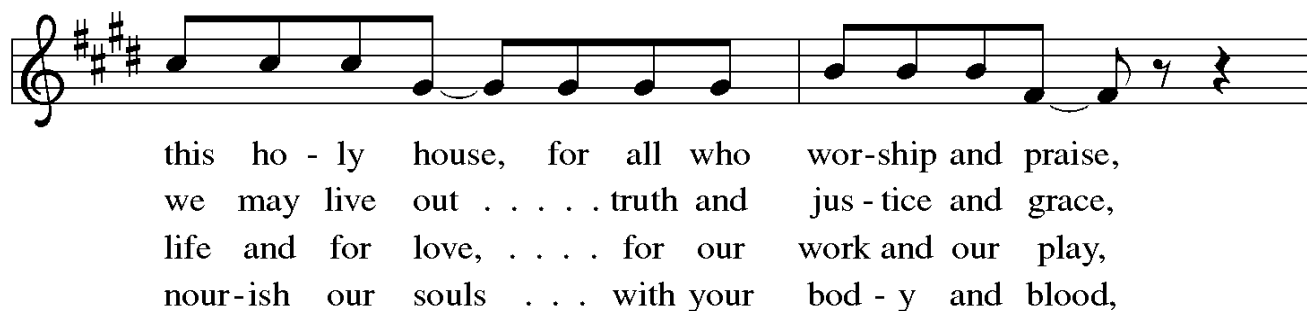
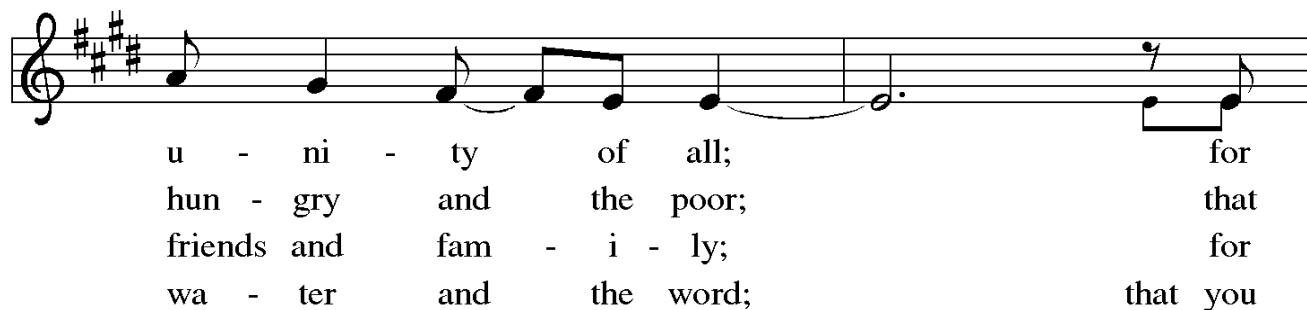
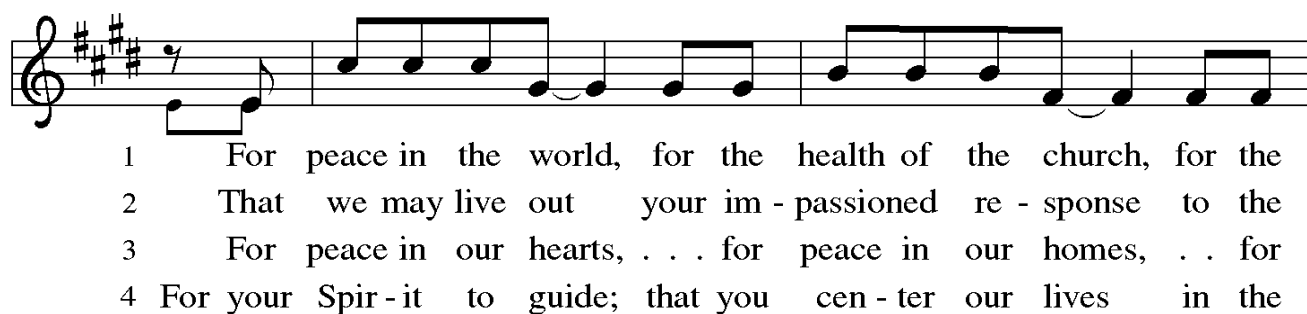
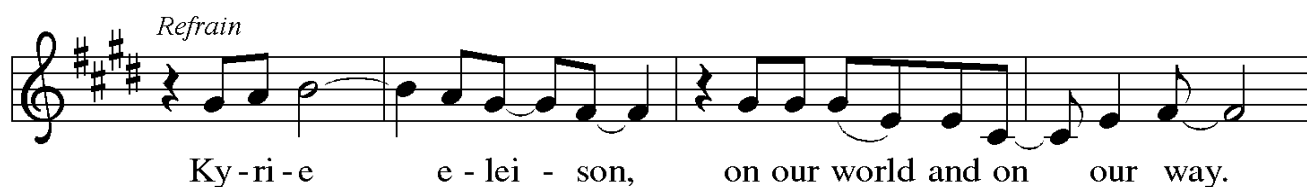
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins. In the name of the Father, the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. May almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit is with you all. **And also with you.**

(Still Standing)

Song “Kyrie”



Prayer of the Day

Holy Lord,

You became one of us to know fully our human experience and to point us on your path in this journey called life. Make us one with you in the mission to proclaim your gospel to all on earth. In faith we pray, Amen.

(Please Be Seated)

THE STORY

Narrator: Our story and God's story continues today, with a reading from Hebrews 2:10-18.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Narrator: It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

All: For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father.

Narrator: For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

All: "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Narrator: And again,

All: "I will put my trust in him."

Narrator: And again,

All: "Here am I and the children whom God has given me."

Narrator: Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.

All: For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham.

Narrator: Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.

All: Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Narrator: Stay tuned for the continuing drama that is our story and God's story.

All: Praise to you O Christ.

Please stand

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 12th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: While he was still speaking to the crowds, his mother and his brothers were standing outside, wanting to speak to him. Someone told him,

Men: “Look, your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you.”

Pastor: But to the one who had told him this, Jesus replied,

Women: “Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?”

Pastor: And pointing to his disciples, he said,

All: “Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord.

Response: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Song After Sermon “We Are Called”

Worship Leader: *As we sing, write your prayers on the small purple piece of paper given to you. Paper prayers will be collected during the song. The prayers will then be prayed out loud, anonymously*

We Are Called



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to
 fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so
 one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.
 sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



Refrain
 We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

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Music: WE ARE CALLED, David Haas

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Prayers of the People

Worship Leader: Gathered together as the people of God, let us pray for the church, the world, and all people and places in need of God's grace and mercy...

Prayers given to the pray-ers will be prayed out loud, anonymously. Every 3-4 petitions will end with:

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation;

All: Whom shall I fear?

When the 2 pray-ers are done with petitions, the worship leader concludes the prayers...

Worship Leader: Gracious and merciful God, we trust you with these prayers just as we trust you with our lives. Hear them and continue speaking to us every day. We are in need of your grace, the grace we only know through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Offering

Worship Leader: *We are grateful for your financial gifts; it's the only way churches are churches. Set up automatic giving by going to our website, riverofhopehutchinson.org click "give" & go from there.*

(Please Stand)

Song "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" (verse 3)

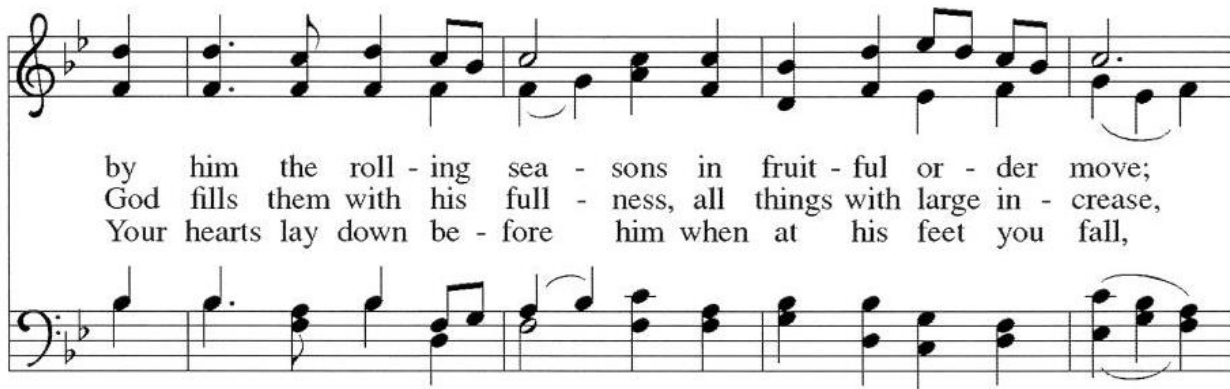
Sing to the Lord of Harvest



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest your songs of love and praise;
 2 God makes the clouds drop fat - ness, the des - erts bloom and spring,
 3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar the gifts his good-ness gave,



with joy - ful hearts and voic - es your al - le - lu - ias raise;
 the hills leap up in glad - ness, the val - leys laugh and sing.
 the gold - en sheaves of har - vest, the souls Christ died to save.



by him the roll - ing sea - sons in fruit - ful or - der move;
 God fills them with his full - ness, all things with large in - crease,
 Your hearts lay down be - fore him when at his feet you fall,



sing to the Lord of har - vest a joy - ous song of love.
 and crowns the year with good - ness, with plen - ty and with peace.
 and with your lives a - dore him who gave his life for all.

THE FEAST

Setting the Table

As the kids help set the table, make a circle around the table holding hands and lead the congregation in the table prayer written by Martin Luther:

Let's pray: **Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.**

(Stay Standing)

Words of Institution

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Risen Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

In the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer (Written by Parker J. Palmer)

Worship Leader: *You are invited to join hands with those around you in prayer. If you are not the hand-holding type, then simply fold your hands in front of you or hang onto this bulletin as you pray.*

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother,

Holy and blessed is your true name.

We pray for your reign of peace to come, We pray that your good will be done,

Let heaven and earth become one.

Give us this day the bread we need,

Give it to those who have none.

Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, From each one to each one.

Lead us to holy innocence

Beyond the evil of our days —

Come swiftly Mother, Father, come.

For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy:

Forever your name is All in One. Amen.

(Please be Seated)

Invitation to the Meal

You are welcome to this meal. It is free, and it is for you. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you.

Communion Songs/Hymns "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"
"For the Beauty of the Earth"

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Words and Music by
Peter Scholtes

♩ = 56

VERSE

Fm Eb/F Fm Eb/F Fm Eb/F Fm Eb/F Fm



1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord; We are
2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand; We will
3. We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side; We will
4. All — praise to the Fa - ther, from — whom all things come; And all

5

Bbm

Eb7/Bb Fm Eb/F Fm



one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord. And we
walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand. And to -
work with each oth - er, we will work side by side. And we'll
praise to Christ Je - sus, His — on - ly — Son. And all

9

Bbm

Eb7/Bb Fm Eb/F Fm



pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored. And they'll
- geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
guard each man's dig - ni - ty and save — each man's pride.
praise to the Spir - it, who — makes — us — one.

CHORUS

13

Db

Fm

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know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love, yes they'll

17

Fm

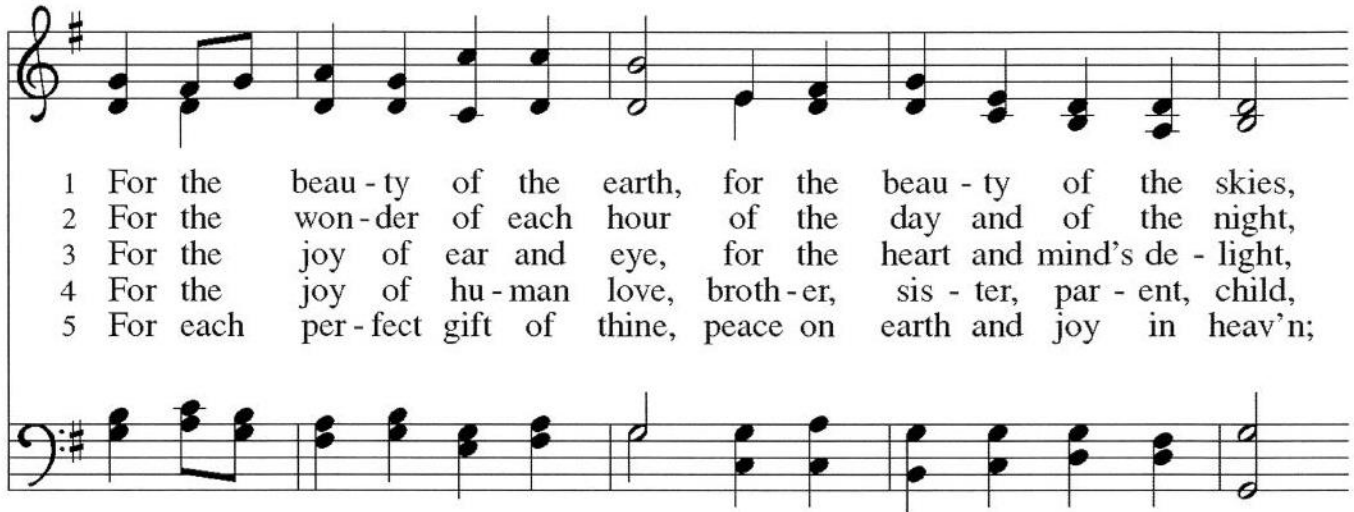
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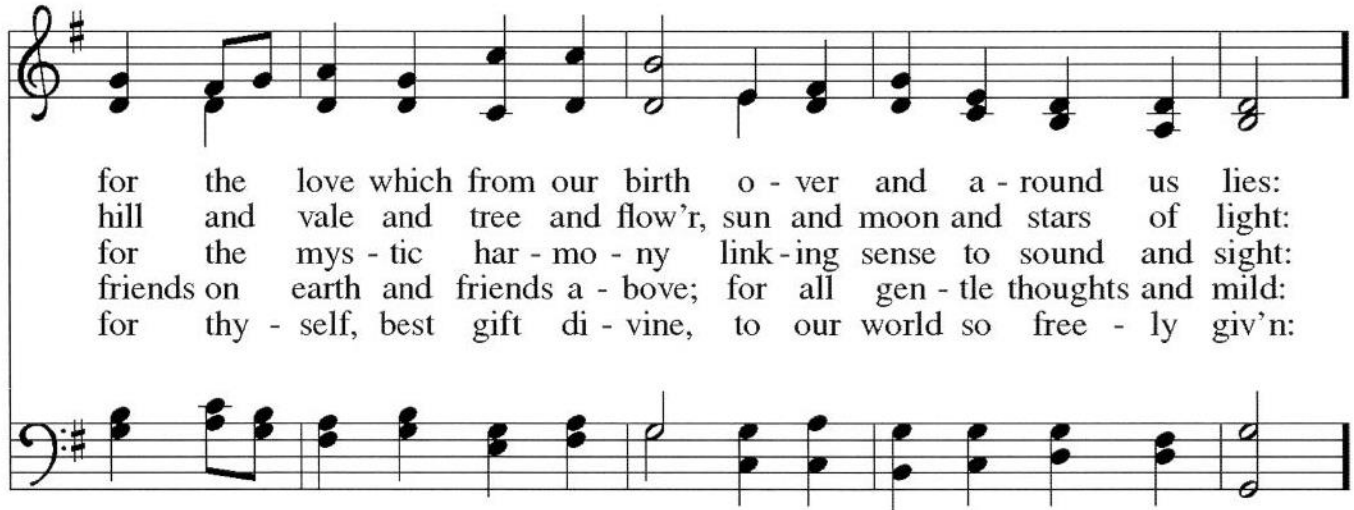


know — we are Chris - tians by our love. —

For the Beauty of the Earth



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

(Please Stand)

Blessing after Communion

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

THE SENDING

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

(Please Be Seated)

Purpose Sightings

Worship Leader: Don't forget to grab your copy of The Current on your way home today. There are lots of opportunities to live into our purpose listed in The Current. *And*, one of the most important things included in these pages are the invitation to pray and to read scripture during the week.

MILESTONES! "On Eagles Wings"

The congregation will sing before Milestones – (verse 1 & chorus)

It's time for milestones, a time of sharing milestones in our community. If you have a big, small, good, or hard milestone in your life and can share it in a few sentences, meet me at the baptismal font and throw a water drop in as you share your milestone.

After each person shares their milestone, the congregation responds by saying "MILESTONE!"

On Eagle's Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"



And he will raise you up on ea- gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

(Please Stand)

Blessing

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen

Sending Song "What a Fellowship"

(Kids are welcome to come up and play an instrument)

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



- 1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms?



what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.



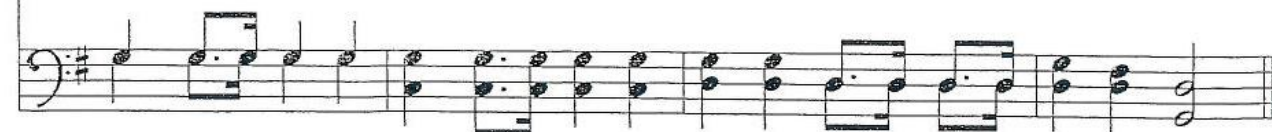
Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se-cure from all a - larms;



Lean - ing on Je - sus. lean - ing on Je - sus.



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean-ing on the ev - er - last-ing arms.



lean - ing on Je - sus. lean - ing on Je - sus.

Go in peace – serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God

Music to Send You Out

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