

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

*Sixth Sunday of Epiphany*

*16 February 2014*

In the season of Epiphany, we celebrate the gift of Christ to all of the world and the light of the knowledge of Christ bringing hope and redemption.

We are called into worship by the invitation from **Psalm III** to give praise to the Lord for He is faithful and His righteousness endures forever. With **Praise My Soul the King of Heaven**, we sing of a Father who tends His children in great love and faithfulness. We continue with **Come, Thou Fount** and the great grace of our God.

The **Old Testament Reading** from **Genesis 2** establishes the relationship between men and women with the creation Eve. The **Prayer of Confession** from **Jeremiah 3** call us back from our unfaithfulness to be God's children growing in understanding. In **Arise, O Lord** we sing of the sweet relationship between the Lord and His chosen people.

Our final hymn, **The Church's One Foundation**, speaks of the Church of Christ that He has redeemed as a spotless bride. The response to the **Benediction, May You Be Strong**, is an antiphonal version of Colossians I:10-II. Women and men alternate in singing the exhortation to be strong in His power in His service and in giving thanks.

—Greg Wilbur

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into his courts.*

### Prelude, Announcements & Preparation

#### Introit—O Splendor of God's Glory Bright, Vs I

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system covers the first line of the text, the second system covers the second line, and the third system covers the third line. The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a steady rhythm.

O Splen - dor of God's glo - ry bright, O thou that  
bring - est light from light, O Light of light, light's  
liv - ing spring, O Day, all day's il - lum - in - ing.

Text: St. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397; Music: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR, Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621.

## Call to Worship—from Psalm III:I-4, 7-10

Pastor: Praise the LORD! We will give thanks to the LORD with our whole hearts,  
In the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**All: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

Pastor: Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.  
He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

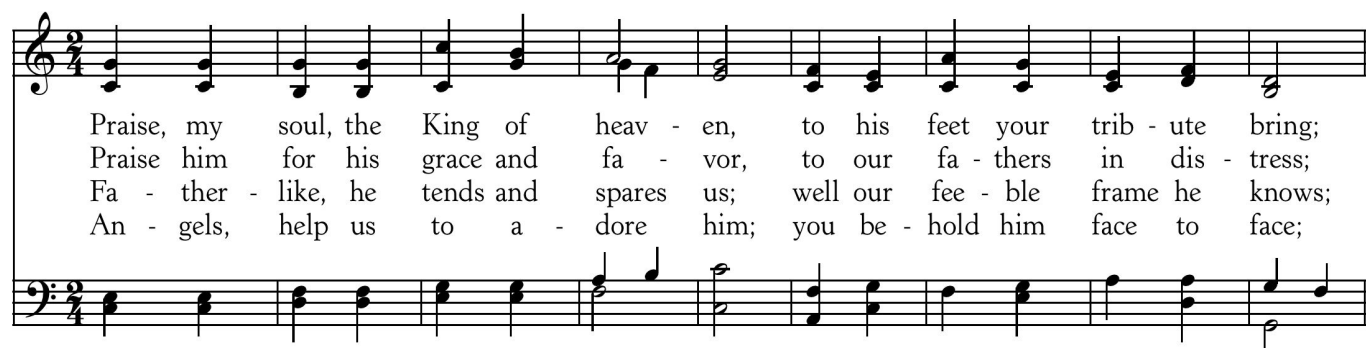
**All: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy;**

Pastor: They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

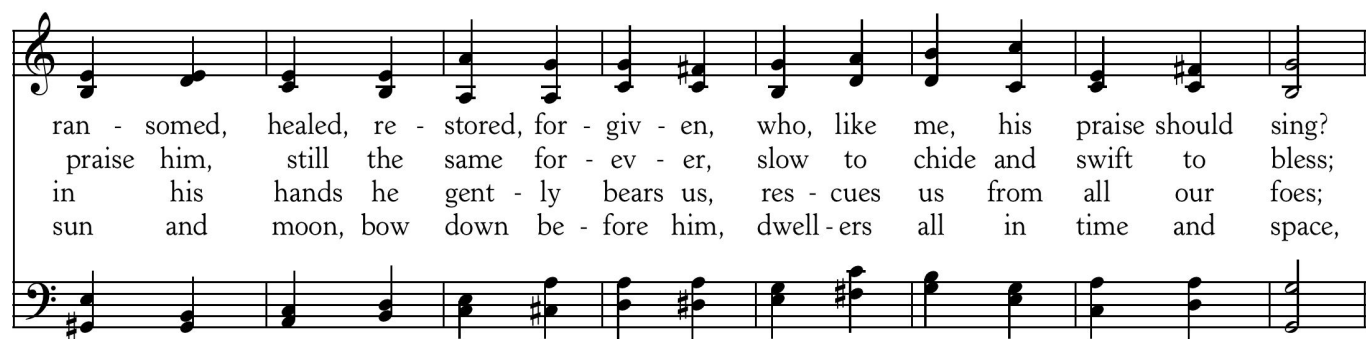
**All: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!**

Pastor: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

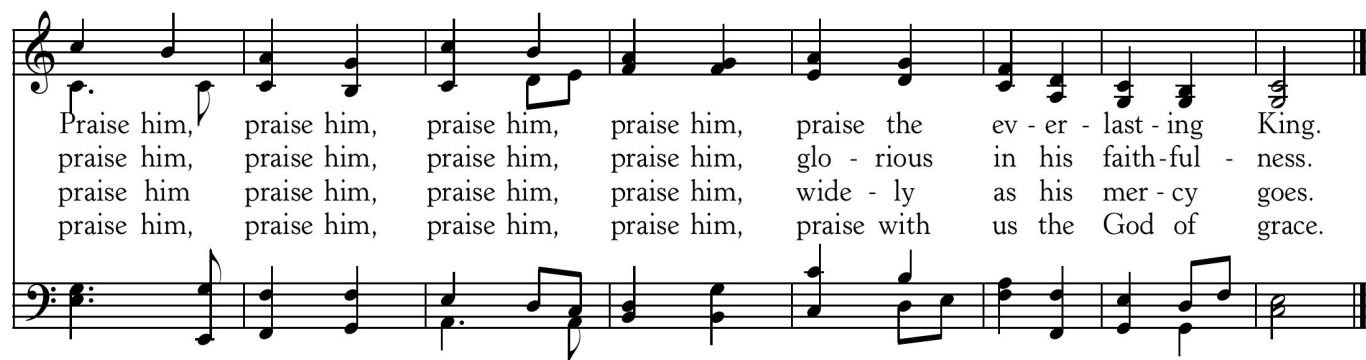
## Hymn of Praise—Praise My Soul the King of Heaven



Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your trib - ute bring;  
Praise him for his grace and fa - vor, to our fa - thers in dis - tress;  
Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;  
An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him face to face;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like me, his praise should sing?  
praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;  
in his hands he gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes;  
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space,



Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.  
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

Text: From Psalm 103, Henry F. Lyte, 1834; Music: PRAISE MY SOUL, John Goss, 1869.

## Hymn of Praise—Come, Thou Fount

Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of  
Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; Hith - er by thy help I'm come; And I  
O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be; Let that

mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me  
hope, by thy good pleas - ure, Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus  
grace now, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee. Prone to

some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove; Praise the  
sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God: He, to  
wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my

mount! I'm fixed up - on it, Mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1758; Music: NETTLETON, Asahel Nettleton, 1825.

*(Please be seated)*

## Old Testament Reading—Genesis 2:18-25

18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." 19 Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20 The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. 21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

*The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

### Sung Response—Lord, Have Mercy

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

WOMEN Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

MEN Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

Text: Luke 18:13; Music: FRANKLIN KYRIE, Gregory D Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.

### Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Jeremiah 3:12-15

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. You call to us,  
“Return, O faithless children. I will not look on you in anger.”

All: Lord, be merciful to us; do not be angry forever.

Pastor: We acknowledge our guilt that we rebelled against you, O Lord God.

All: We have not obeyed your voice.  
We have scattered our affections away from the living God.

Pastor: We are faithless children, and You are our master.

All: Take us by the hand and bring us to Zion.

Pastor: Give us shepherds after Your own heart that will feed us with knowledge and understanding.

### Silent Prayers of Confession

#### Sung Response—Lamb of God

Lamb of God who takes a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God who takes a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on

us. Lamb of God who takes a - way the sins of the world,

Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace.

Text: John 1:29; Music: FRANKLIN AGNUS DEI, Gregory D Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.

## Assurance of Pardon—I John 1:7-9

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## Hymn of Praise—Psalm 132: Arise, O Lord



A - rise, O Lord, our God, a - rise And en - ter  
Thy gra - cious cov' - nant, Lord, ful - fill, Turn not a -  
Thy Zi - on Thou hast chos - en, Lord, And Thou hast  
I will a - bun - dant - ly pro - vide For Zi - on's  
Sal - va - tion shall a - dorn her priests, Her saints shall



now in - to Thy rest; O let this house be Thine a -  
way from us Thy face; Est - ab - lish Thou Mes - si - ah's  
said, I love her well, This is My con - stant rest - ing  
good, the Lord hath said; I will sup - ply her dai - ly  
shout with joy di - vine, Mes - si - ah's power shall be re -



bode, For - ev - er with Thy pre - sence blest.  
throne And let Him reign with - in this place.  
place, And here will I de - light to dwell.  
need And sat - is - fy her poor with bread.  
vealed, His glo - ry in His Church shall shine.

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: Greyfriars Press, 2012. Used by Permission.

## Reception of New Members

1<sup>st</sup> Service—Joe & Joy Marlo (Elise and Zachary)

2<sup>nd</sup> Service—Eric & Lauren Smith, David & Barbara Tigrett,  
Shirley Babcock, Nathaniel Vroom, Celeste Sabo

## The Reading of the Word—Luke 16:18

18 “Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and he who marries a woman divorced from her husband commits adultery.”

## Matthew 19:3-12

3 And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful to divorce one’s wife for any cause?” 4 He answered, “Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, 5 and said, ‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh’? 6 So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.” 7 They said to him, “Why then did Moses command one to give a certificate of divorce and to send her away?” 8 He said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so.

9 And I say to you: whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery.”

10 The disciples said to him, “If such is the case of a man with his wife, it is better not to marry.”

11 But he said to them, “Not everyone can receive this saying, but only those to whom it is given. 12 For there are eunuchs who have been so from birth, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. Let the one who is able to receive this receive it.”

## I Corinthians 7:10-16

10 To the married I give this charge (not I, but the Lord): the wife should not separate from her husband 11 (but if she does, she should remain unmarried or else be reconciled to her husband), and the husband should not divorce his wife.

12 To the rest I say (I, not the Lord) that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he should not divorce her. 13 If any woman has a husband who is an unbeliever, and he consents to live with her, she should not divorce him. 14 For the unbelieving husband is made holy because of his wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy because of her husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy. 15 But if the unbelieving partner separates, let it be so. In such cases the brother or sister is not enslaved. God has called you to peace. 16 For how do you know, wife, whether you will save your husband? Or how do you know, husband, whether you will save your wife?

Elder: The grass withers, the flower fades;

All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

## Sermon—The Gospel of Luke, Part 73

*Only One Marriage Lasts*

—Nate Shurden, Pastor

## Sung Response—Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth, Vs 1

Teach me, O Lord, Thy way of truth, And from it I will not de - part; That

I may stead - fast - ly o - bey, Give me an un - der - stand - ing heart.

Text: Joseph P. Holbrook, ca. 1878; Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, ca. 1567.

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.*

### Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and Earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell.  
On the third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit; The one holy Church—both visible and invisible;  
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Sung Response—Gloria

WOMEN

Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace to His peo-ple on earth.

MEN

Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace to His peo-ple on earth. We praise  
earth. Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace on earth. We praise  
You! We bless You! We a - dore You! We glo - ri - fy!  
We give You thanks for Your glo - ry. We give You thanks for Your glo - ry.  
We give You thanks for Your glo - ry. We give You thanks.

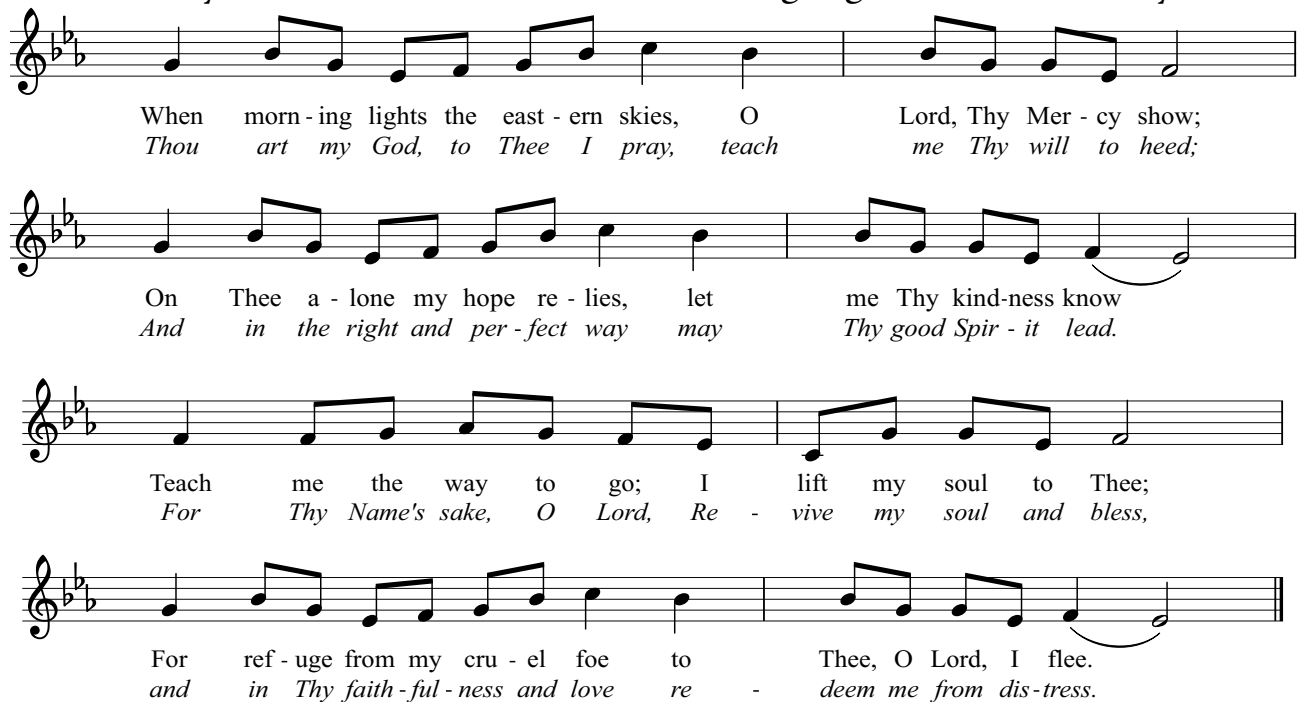
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### Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

*Having confessed our sins and made a good profession of faith, God's Table is open to all those "faithfully-fenced" members of the covenant community. Please come forward to partake of this means of grace. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.*



## Psalm for February—Psalm 143:8-12: When Morning Lights the Eastern Sky



When morn-ing lights the east-ern skies, O Lord, Thy Mer-cy show;  
Thou art my God, to Thee I pray, teach me Thy will to heed;

On Thee a-lone my hope re-lies, let me Thy kind-ness know  
And in the right and per-fect way may Thy good Spir-it lead.

Teach me the way to go; I lift my soul to Thee;  
For Thy Name's sake, O Lord, Re-vive my soul and bless,

For ref-uge from my cru-el foe to Thee, O Lord, I flee.  
and in Thy faith-ful-ness and love re-deem me from dis-tress.

Text: Psalm 143:8-12, Psalter 1912 (alt. 2010); Music: MORNING LIGHTS, David Steffens, 2010

## Hymn of Communion—Not What My Hands Have Done



Not what my hands have done can save my guilt-y soul; Not  
Your voice a-lone, O Lord, can speak to me of grace; Your  
Thy work a-lone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin; Thy  
I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love di-vine; And  
I praise the God of grace; I trust His truth and might; He

what my toil-ing flesh has borne can make my spir-it whole. Not  
power a-lone, O Son of God, can all my sin e-raise. No  
blood a-lone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace with-in. Thy  
with un-fal-tering lip and heart I call this Sav-ior mine. His  
calls me His, I call Him mine, My God, my joy and light. 'Tis

what I feel or do can give me peace with God; Not all my prayers and  
oth-er work but Yours, no oth-er blood will do; No strength but that which  
love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to Thee, Can rid me of this  
cross dis-pels each doubt; I bur-y in His tomb Each thought of un-be-  
He Who save-th me, and free-ly par-don gives; I love be-cause He

sighs and tears can bear my aw-ful load.  
is di-vine can bear me safe-ly through.  
dark un-rest, And set my spir-it free.  
lief and fear, each lin-gering shade of gloom.  
lov-eth me, I live be-cause He lives.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1861; Music: Greyfriars Press, 2013.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.

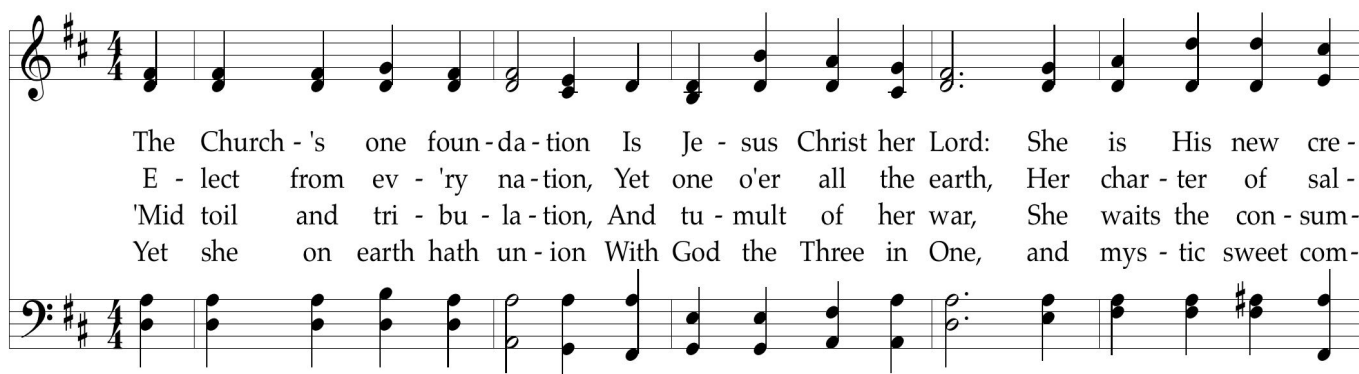
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

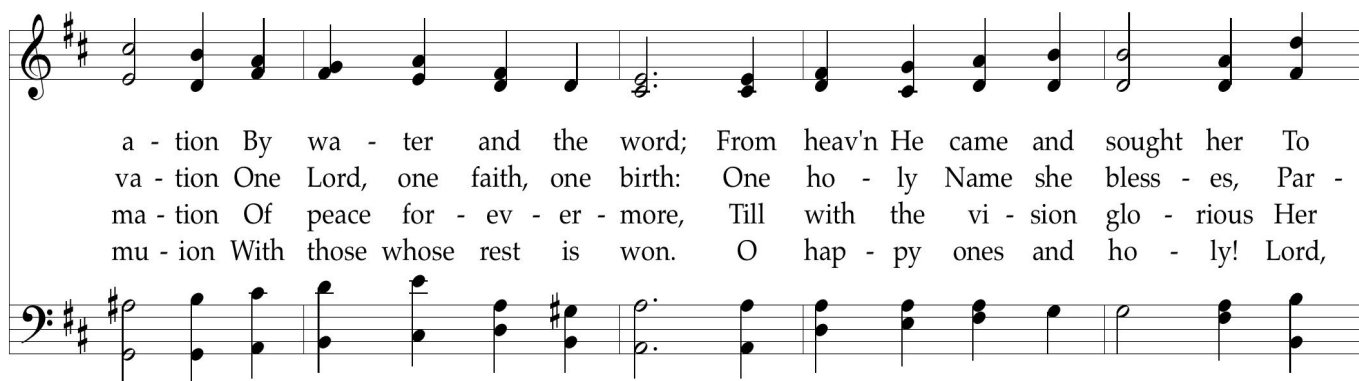
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

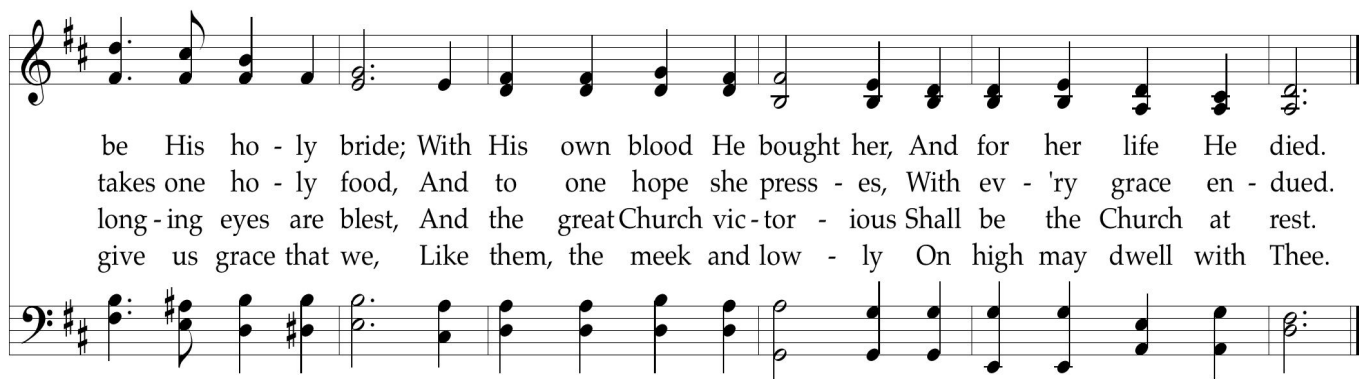
## Hymn of Praise—The Church's One Foundation, Vs 1-2, 4-5



The Church - 's one foun-da-tion Is Je - sus Christ her Lord: She is His new cre -  
E - lect from ev - 'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her char - ter of sal -  
'Mid toil and tri - bu - la-tion, And tu - mult of her war, She waits the con - sum -  
Yet she on earth hath un - ion With God the Three in One, and mys - tic sweet com -



a - tion By wa - ter and the word; From heav'n He came and sought her To  
va - tion One Lord, one faith, one birth: One ho - ly Name she bless - es, Par -  
ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more, Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her  
mu - ion With those whose rest is won. O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord,



be His ho - ly bride; With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
takes one ho - ly food, And to one hope she press - es, With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
long - ing eyes are blest, And the great Church vic - tor - ious Shall be the Church at rest.  
give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and low - ly On high may dwell with Thee.

Text: Samuel Stone, 1866; Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1864.

## GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

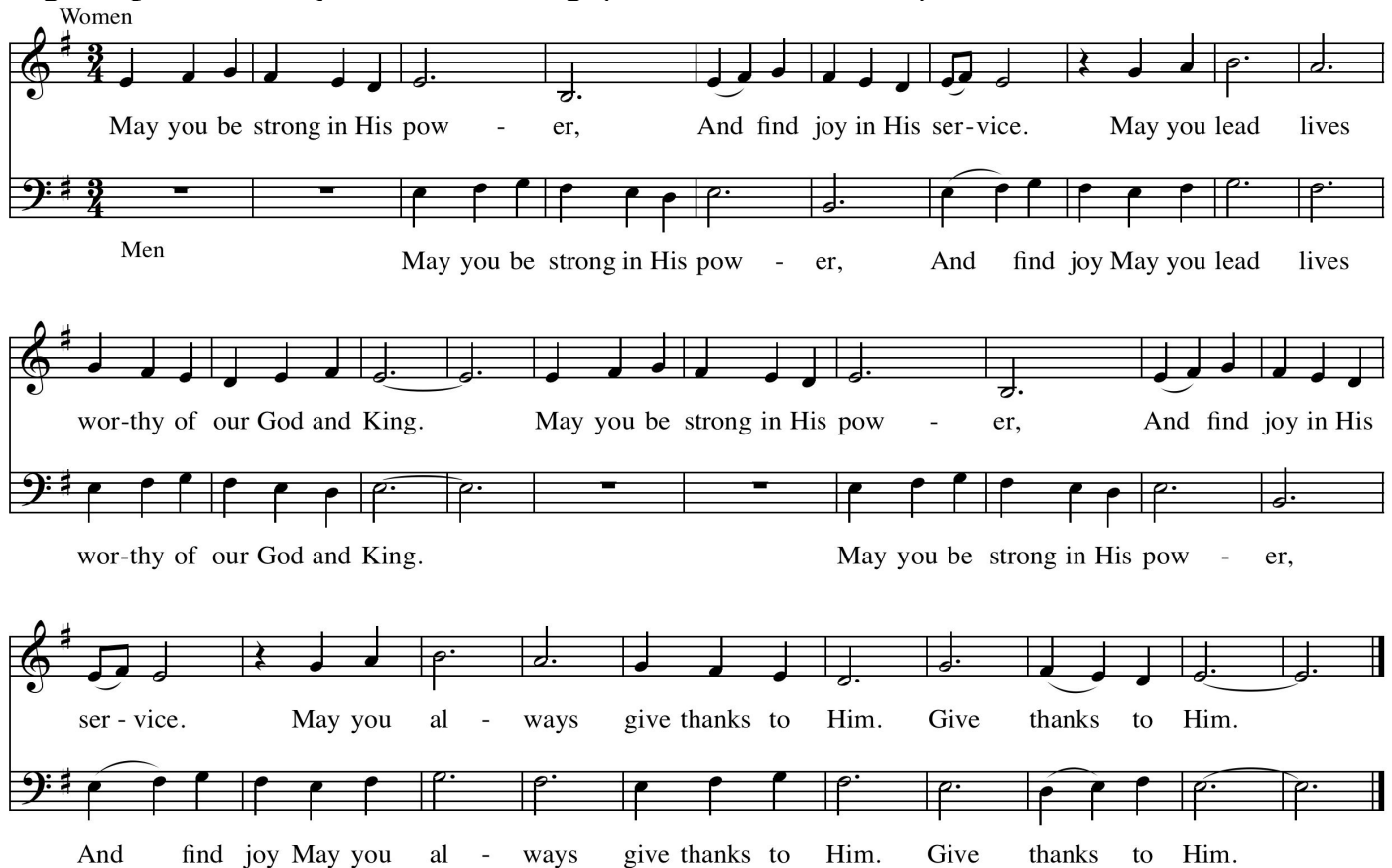
### Benediction—from I Corinthians 16:13-14, 23-24

Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

### Sung Response—May You Be Strong (Colossians 1:10-11)

Women



May you be strong in His pow - er, And find joy in His ser-vice. May you lead lives

Men

May you be strong in His pow - er, And find joy May you lead lives

wor-thy of our God and King. May you be strong in His pow - er, And find joy in His

wor-thy of our God and King. May you be strong in His pow - er,

ser - vice. May you al - ways give thanks to Him. Give thanks to Him.

And find joy May you al - ways give thanks to Him. Give thanks to Him.

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Sundays at 5:30 p.m., Elliott's house—*When Sinners Say I Do* by Dave Harvey

Divorce has touched all of our lives in some way. Maybe you've been divorced personally. Maybe you're the child of divorced parents, or a parent of a divorced child.

In Luke 16:8, Matthew 19:3-12, I Corinthians 7:10-16 we are exploring the Bible's teaching on marriage and divorce. As you consider the questions below, please ask the Lord to open your heart to the Bible's teaching and pray for the sure hope of the gospel to heal the hurts caused by divorce in our community.

- What do we learn about marriage from Genesis 2:18-25?
- In Malachi 2:16, we learn that God hates divorce. If that is the case, why does God allow it?
- According to the message today, what two reasons biblically can one divorce? How is this defended biblically?
- If you have been divorced can you be remarried? If so, under what circumstances?
- What questions do you have about marriage, divorce, and remarriage?
- What hope do we have in the gospel?

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