TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MENASHA, WI
PENTECOST 9
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

DIVINE SERVICE

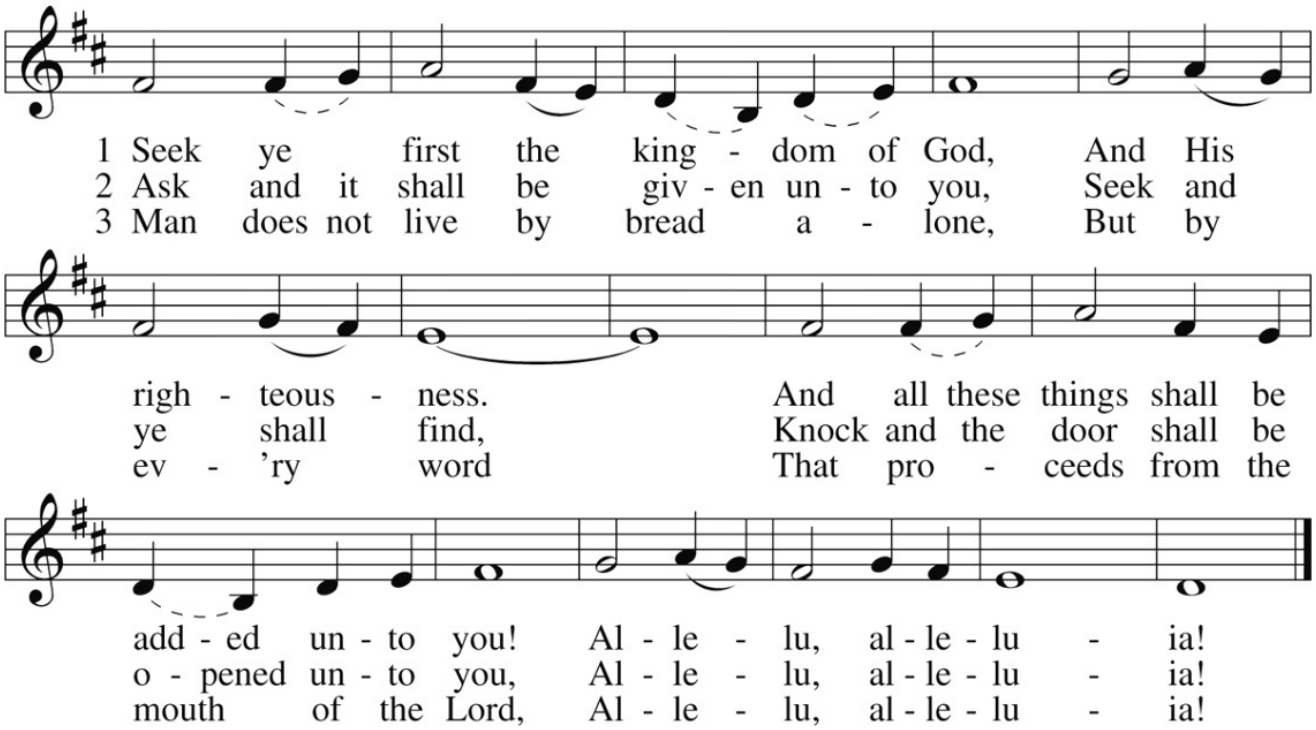
Setting Four

Pastoral Greeting

Stand

Hymn of Invocation

Seek Ye First 712



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

A In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

A Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*

A If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** *Psalm 130:3-4*

A Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. *[Luke 18:13]*
C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

A Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.** *[John 20:19-23]*

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7

A Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre!

C **He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;**
he makes grass grow on the hills.

A He gives to the beasts their food,
and to the young ravens that cry.

C **His delight is not in the strength of the horse,**
nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

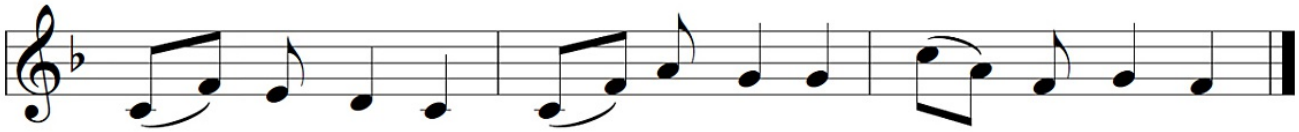
A but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre!

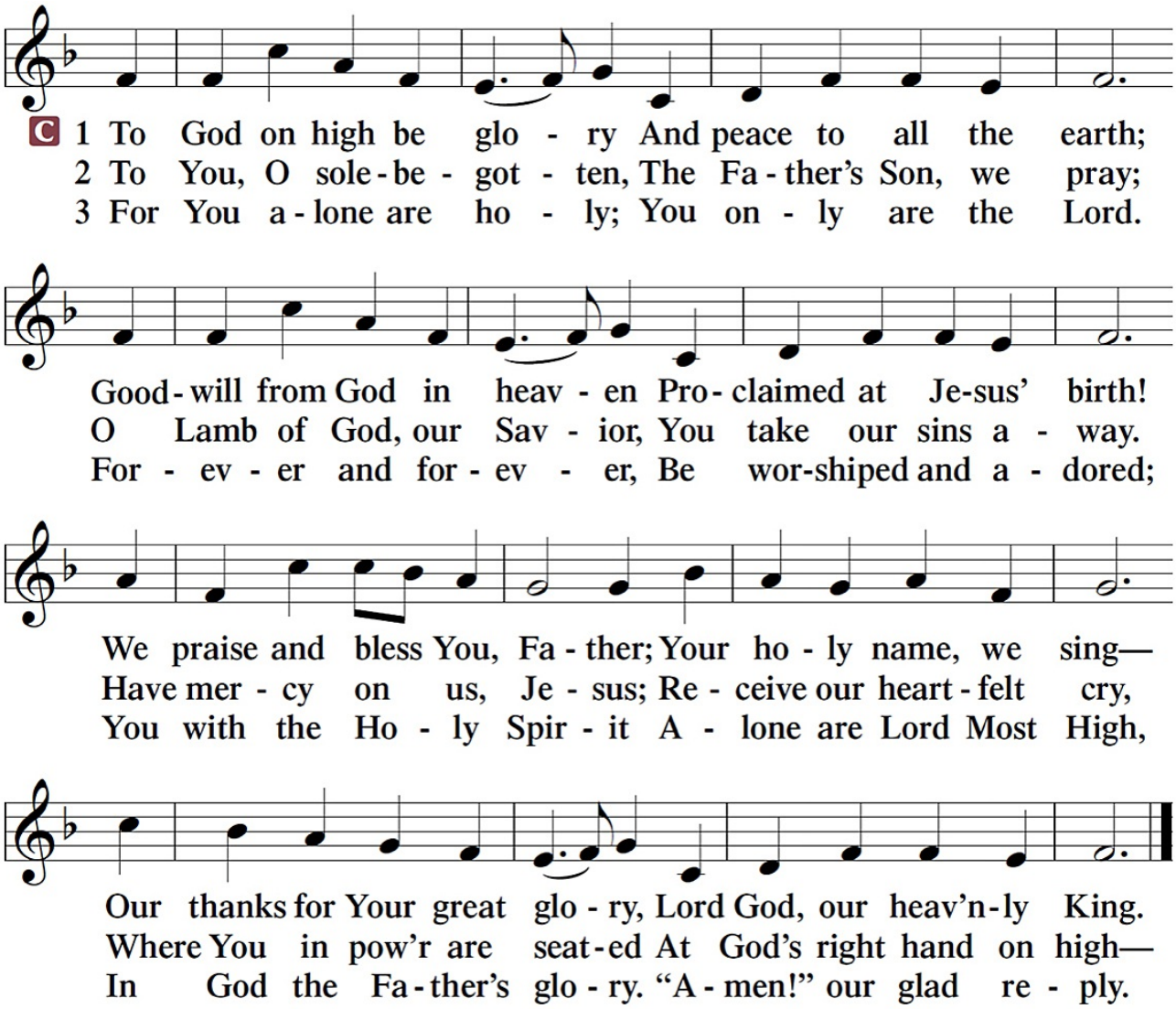
KYRIE ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

Mark 10:47



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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ *Glory to God in the Highest* *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*



SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

A The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
C **And also with you.**

A Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day is spoken.

A Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT ~ *Genesis 15:1–6*

[1] After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram,
I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." [2] But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what
will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of
Damascus?" [3] And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member
of my household will be my heir." [4] And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This
man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." [5] And he brought him
outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number
them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." [6] And he believed the LORD, and
he counted it to him as righteousness.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

A Fear the Lord, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE ~ *Hebrews 11:1–16*

[1] Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. [2] For
by it the people of old received their commendation. [3] By faith we understand that the
universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things
that are visible.

[4] By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which
he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And
through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. [5] By faith Enoch was taken up so that he
should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he
was taken he was commended as having pleased God. [6] And without faith it is impossible
to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he
rewards those who seek him. [7] By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as
yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he
condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

[8] By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to
receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. [9] By faith he
went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob,
heirs with him of the same promise. [10] For he was looking forward to the city that has
foundations, whose designer and builder is God. [11] By faith Sarah herself received power
to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had
promised. [12] Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as
many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

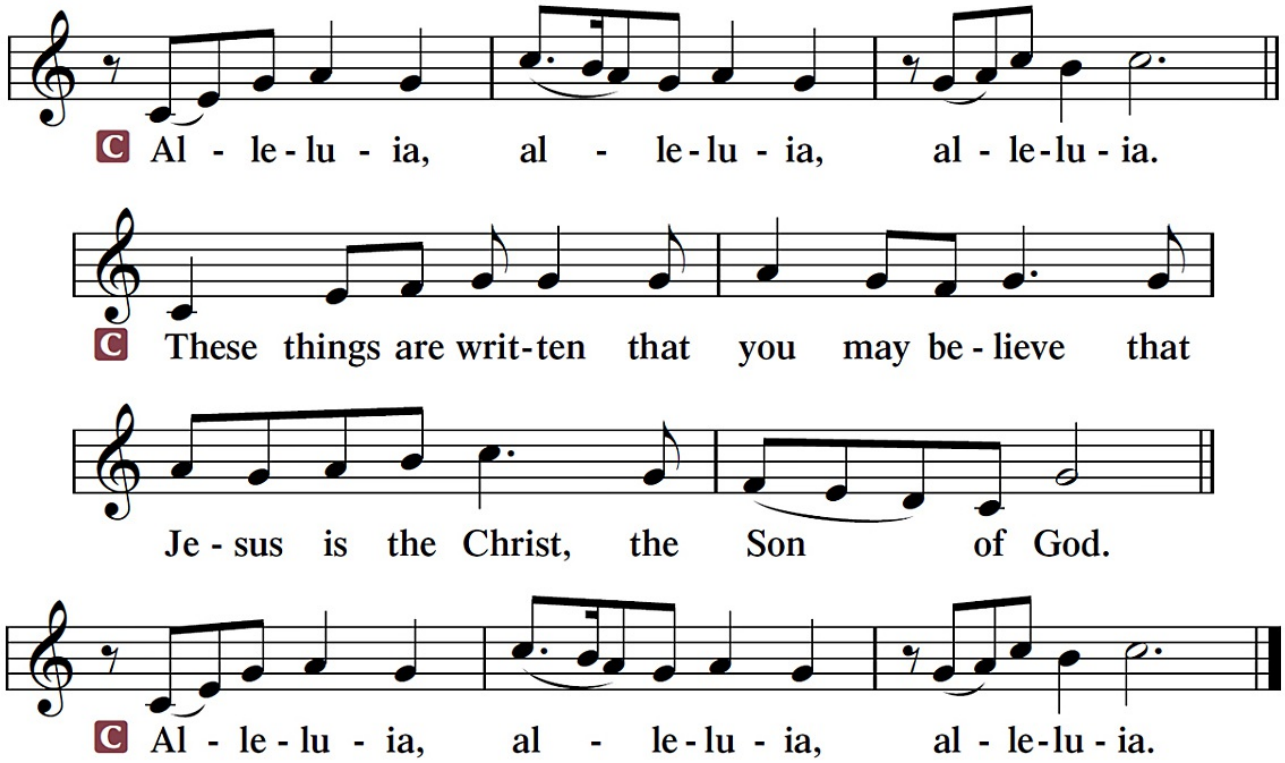
[13] These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them
and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles
on the earth. [14] For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland.
[15] If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have
had opportunity to return. [16] But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.
Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA and VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL ~ *Luke 12:22–40*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

22 And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life,
what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. 23 For life is more than food,
and the body more than clothing. 24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they
have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are
you than the birds! 25 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span
of life? 26 If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about
the rest? 27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even
Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 28 But if God so clothes the
grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much
more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! 29 And do not seek what you are to eat and
what you are to drink, nor be worried. 30 For all the nations of the world seek after these
things, and your Father knows that you need them.

31 Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. 32 "Fear not, little
flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell your

possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. [34] For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

[35] "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, [36] and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. [37] Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. [38] If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! [39] But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. [40] You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

C **I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

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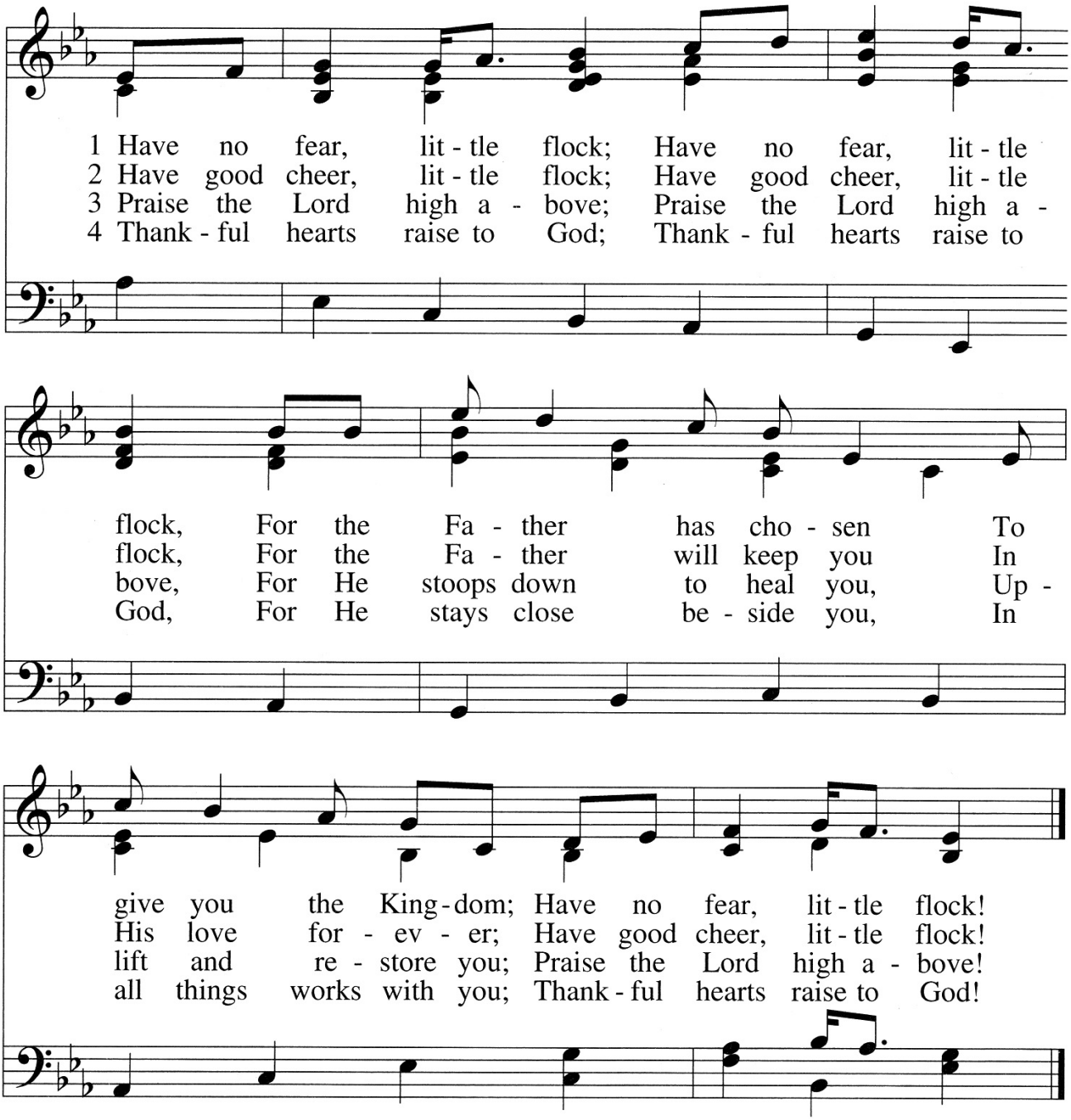
HYMN OF THE DAY ~ Have No Fear, Little Flock 735



SERMON ~ "Don't Worry About It" *Luke 12:22-40 (Genesis 15:1-6)*

Stand

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*

C **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

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OFFERING

Stand

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*

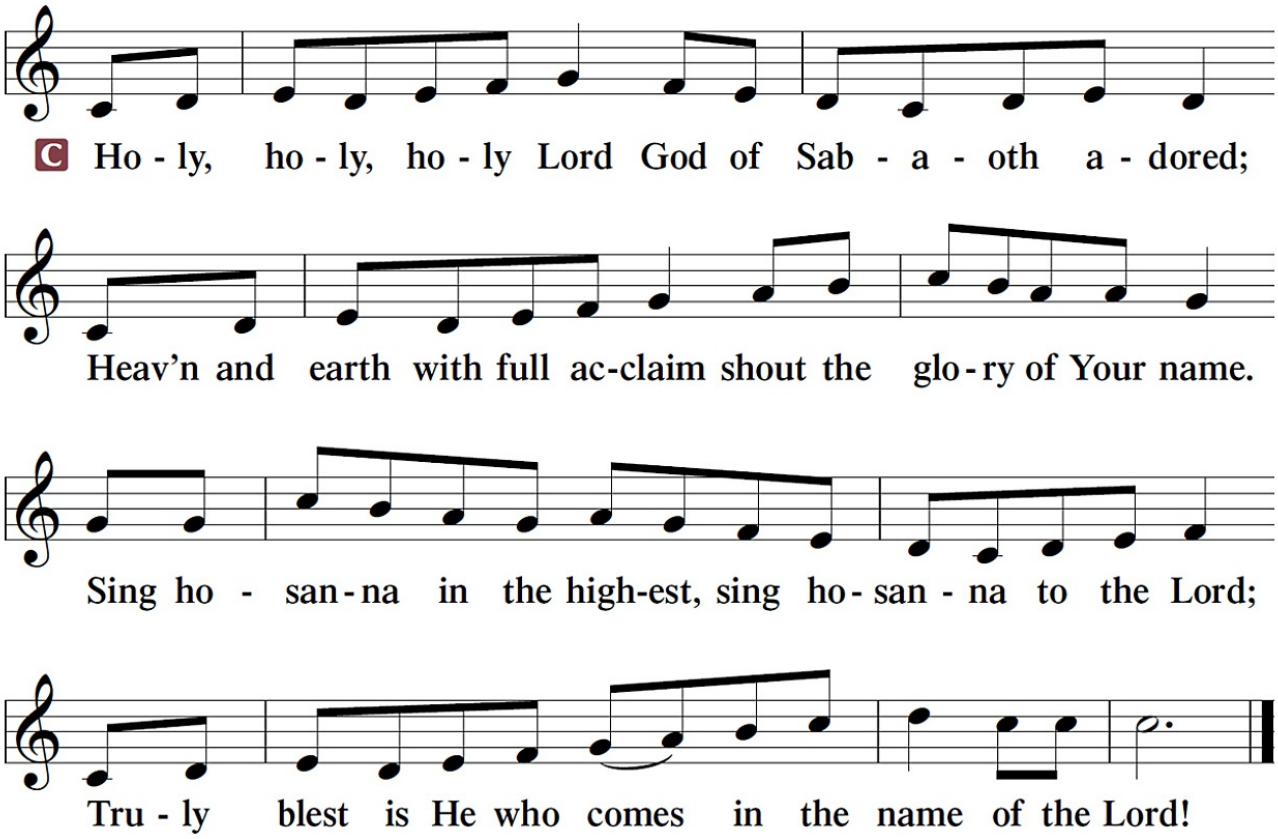
C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *[Psalm 136]*

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy* *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



Sabaoth (SAH-bay-oath) is Hebrew for "heavenly hosts."
Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now."

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C **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 forever and ever. Amen

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

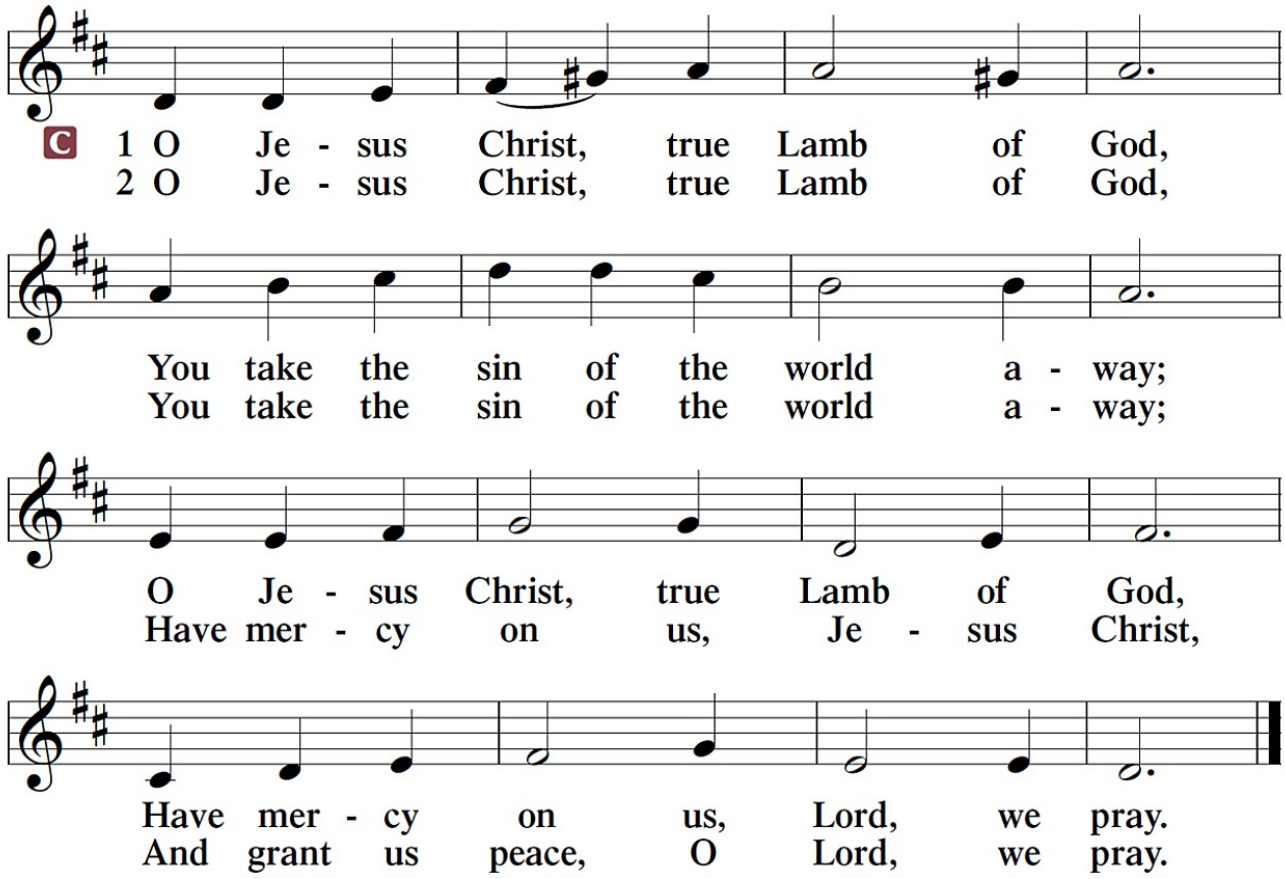
P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen**

AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God* *John 1:29*



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DISTRIBUTION

P Take and eat, this is the true body of our Lord Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

C **Amen.**

P Take and drink, this is the true blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, poured out for you for the forgiveness of your sins.

C **Amen.**

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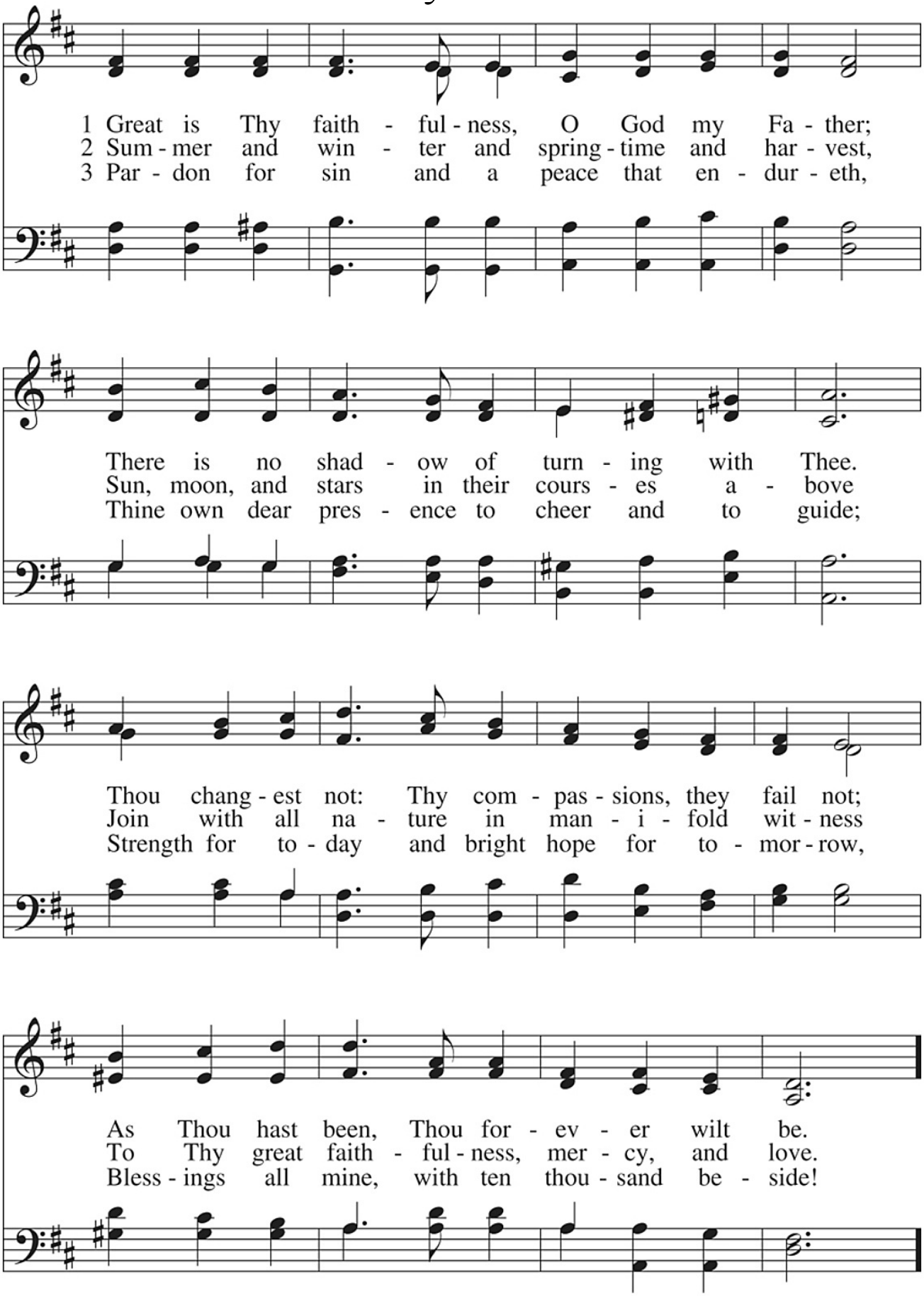
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ~ Great Is Thy Faithfulness 809



Refrain

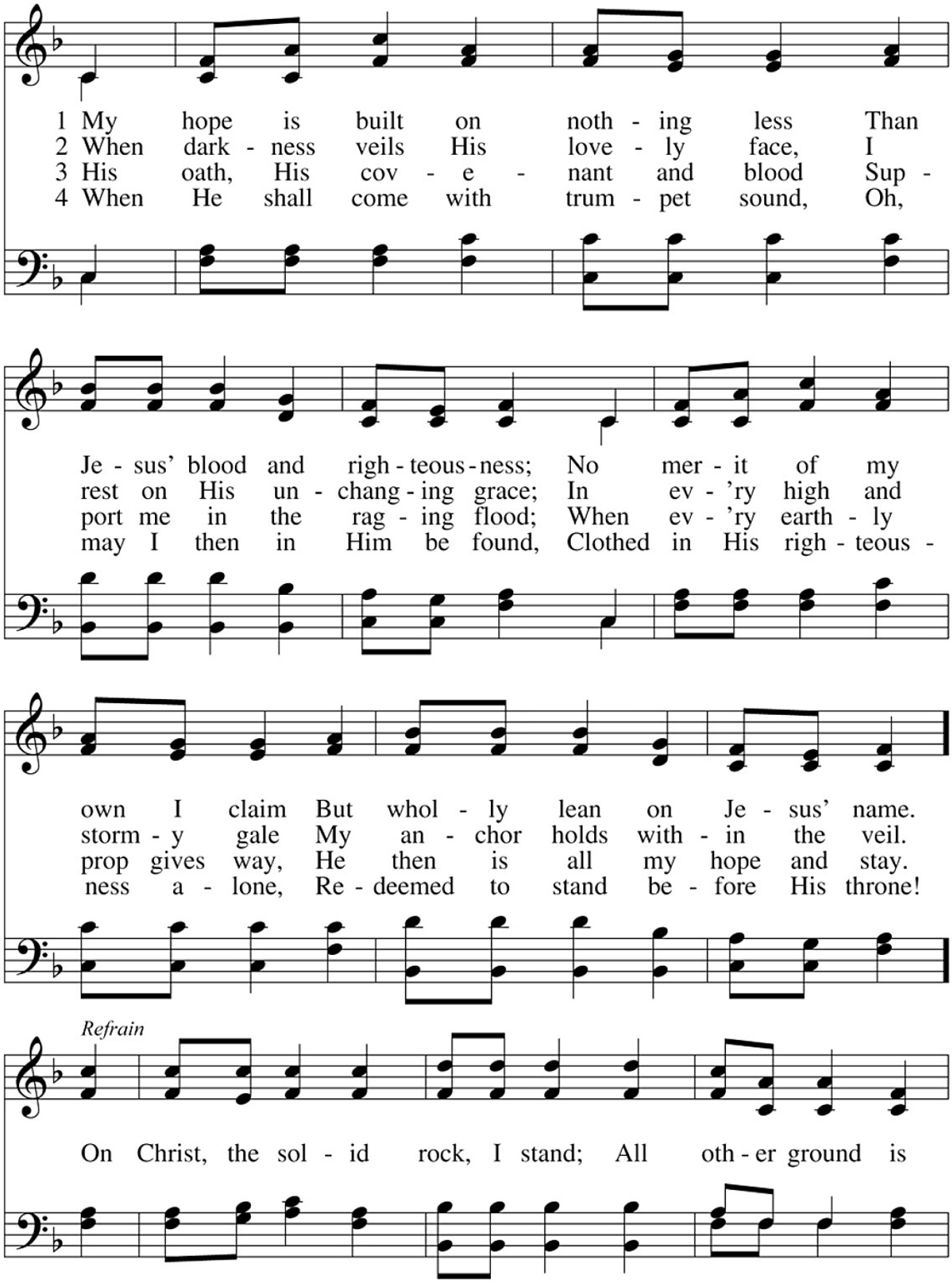
Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!

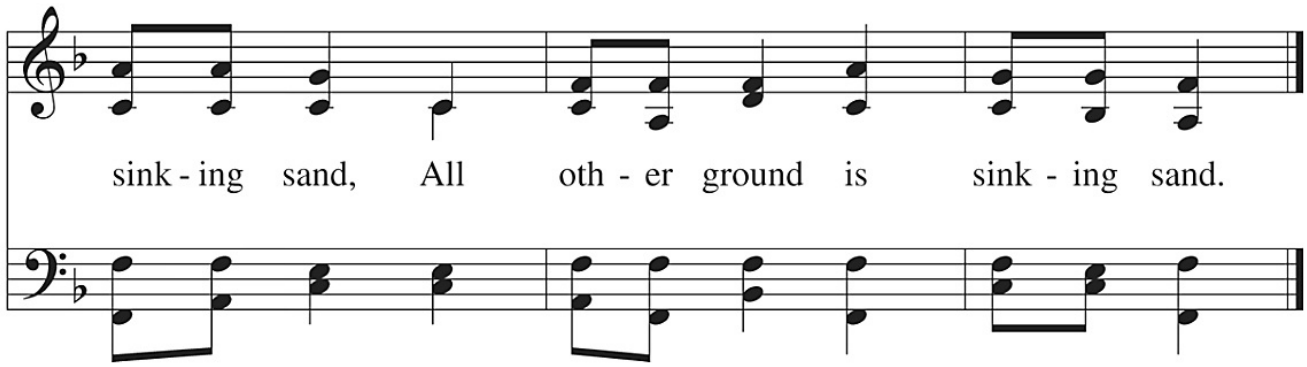
Morn-ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;

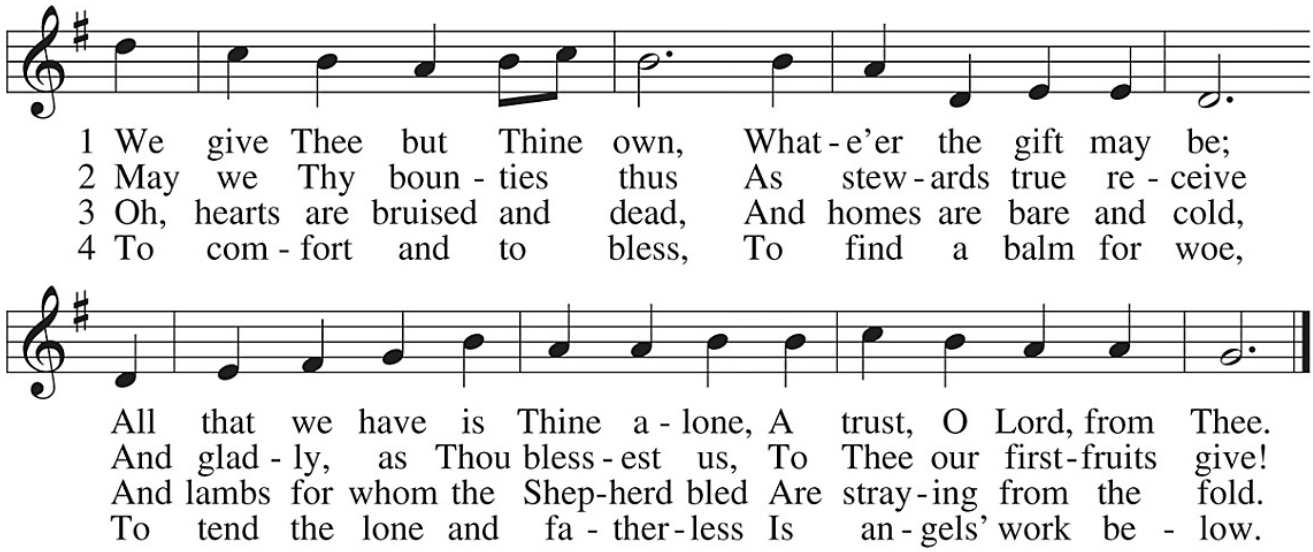
Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me!

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 576





We Give Thee But Thine Own 781



5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

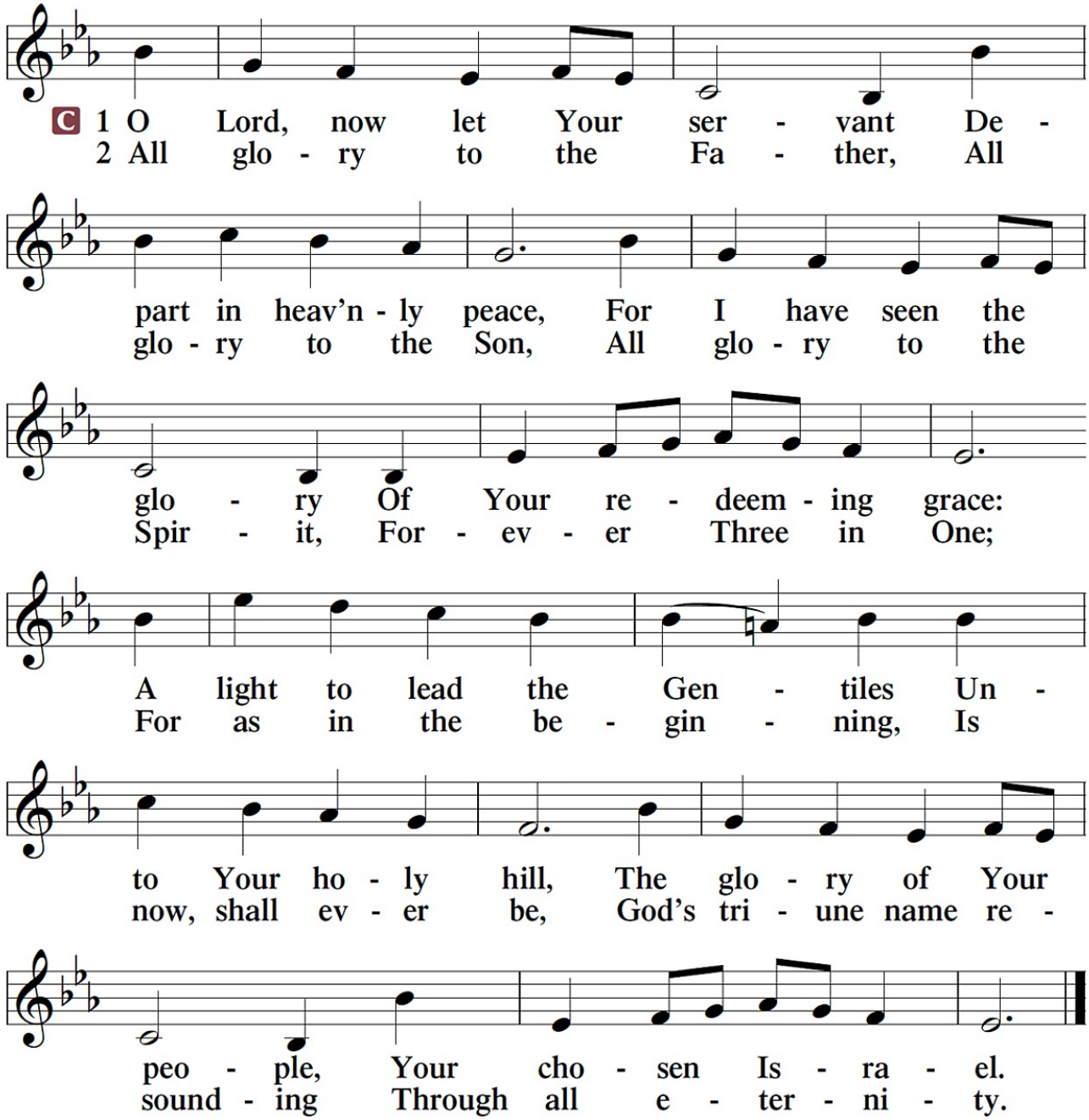
Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the one true Faith unto life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C **Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon* *Luke 2:29-32*



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

A Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

A Let us bless the Lord. *[Psalm 103:1]*

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*

C **Amen.**

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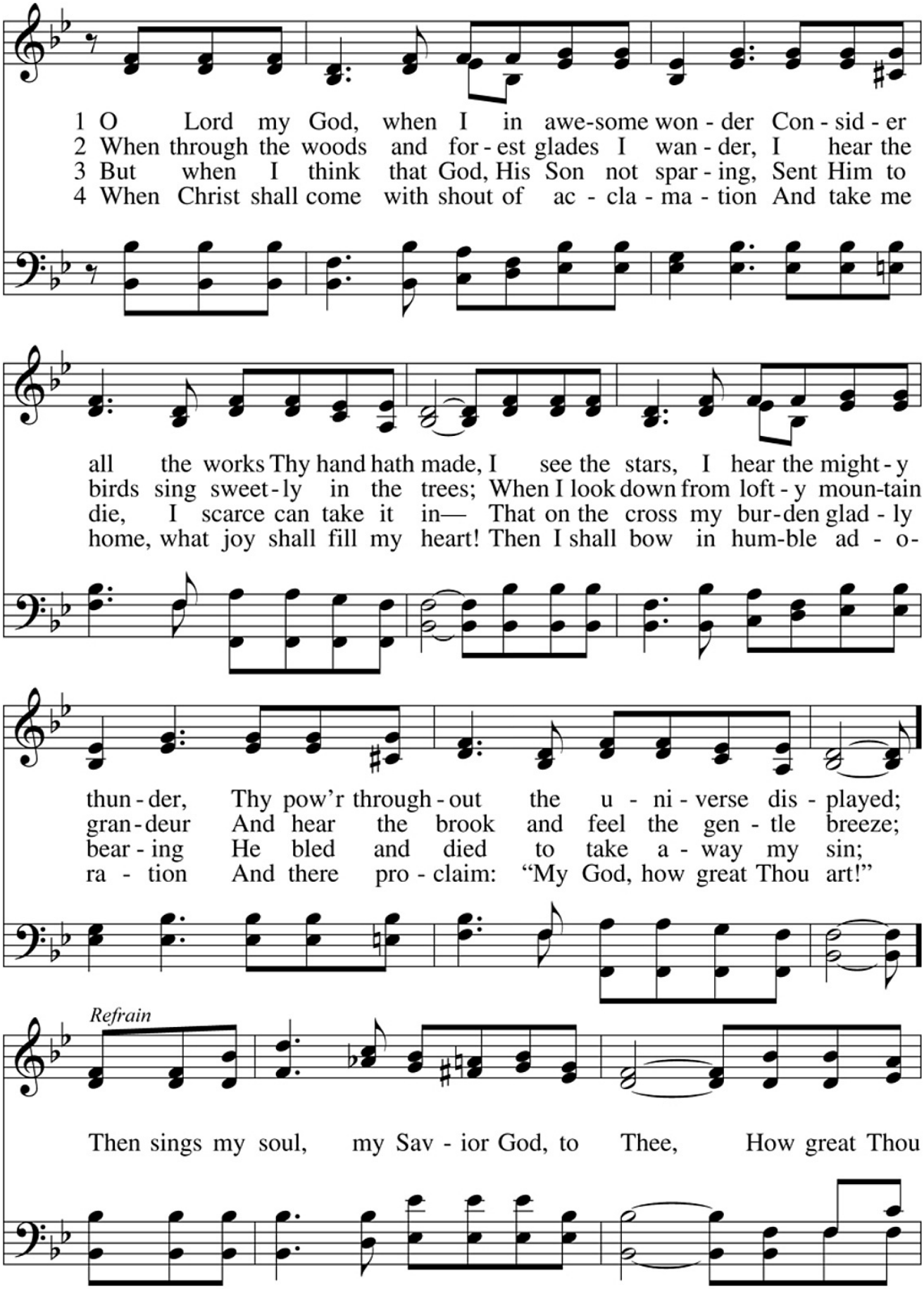
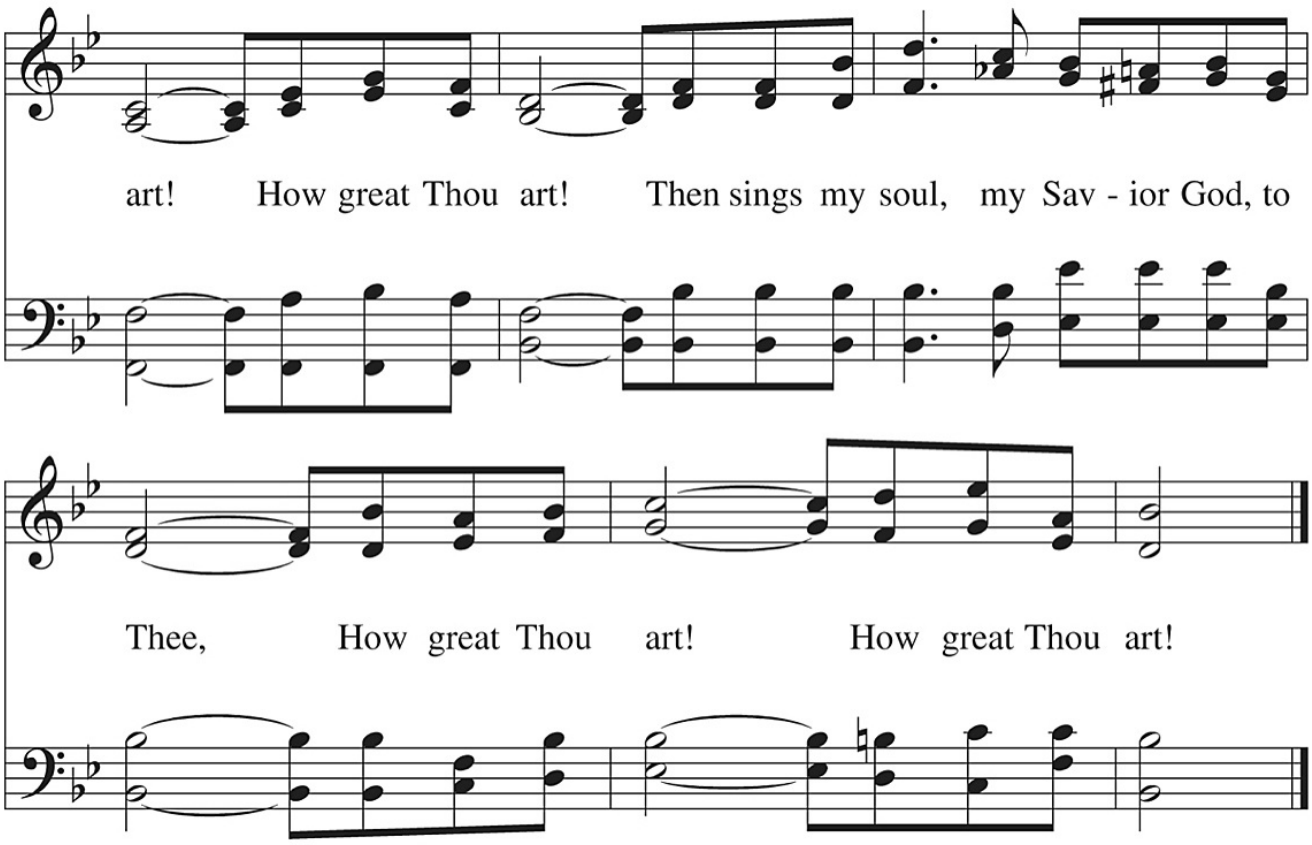
✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

CLOSING HYMN ~ How Great Thou Art 801





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