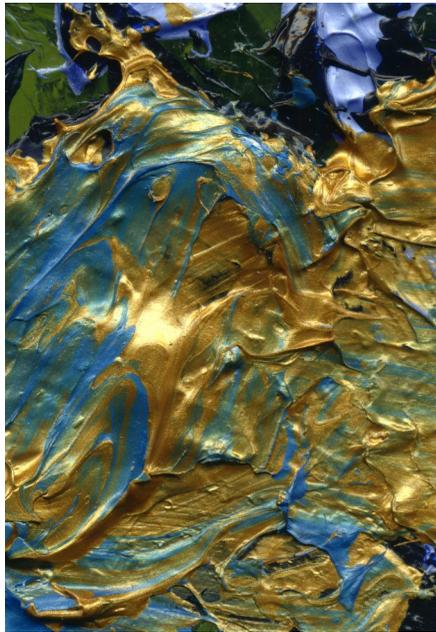


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Still in the Storm

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

P Presiding Minister **A** Assisting Minister **C** Congregation

PASTORAL WELCOME

PRELUDE

Sechs Kleine Praeludien und Intermezzi, Op 9: V - Andantino

(Six Preludes & Intermezzi for Organ)

Hermann Schroeder

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna,
the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C Amen

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

C help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C Amen

GATHERING HYMN: 756 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.
 Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876

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GREETING

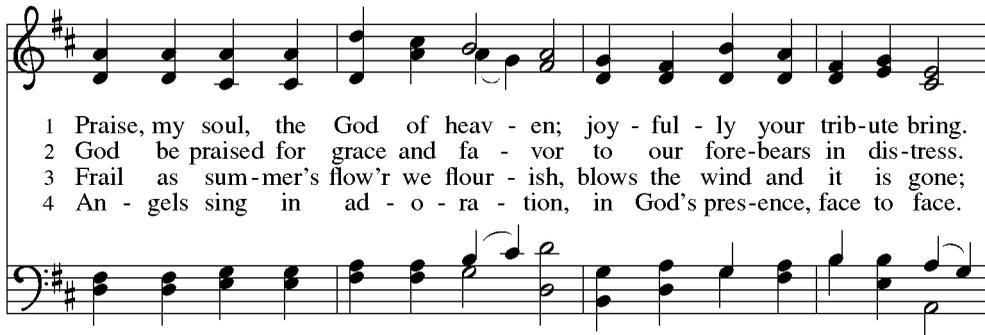
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

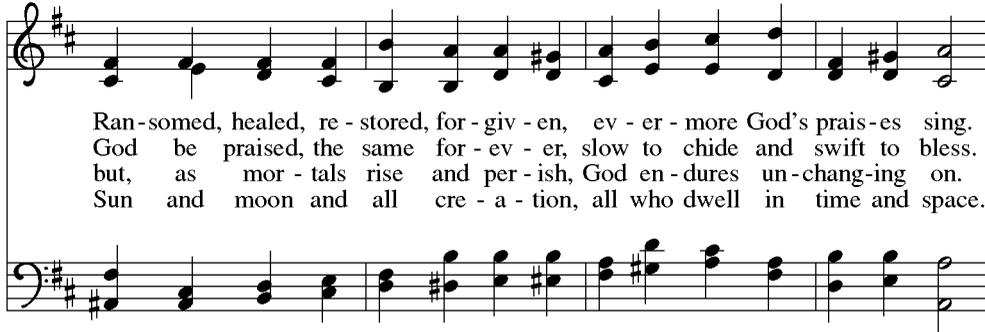
HYMN OF PRAISE

864 Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

PRAISE, MY SOUL



1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; joy - ful - ly your trib-ute bring.
2 God be praised for grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.
3 Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
4 An - gels sing in ad - o - ra - tion, in God's pres-ence, face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more God's prais-es sing.
God be praised, the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.
but, as mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en - dures un - chang - ing on.
Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion, all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Prais - es ev - er - last - ing ring!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious is God's faith - ful - ness!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the great E - ter - nal One!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847; alt. Walter R. Bouman, 1927–2005
Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray. O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- ☑ Amen

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.

- ☐ Word of God, Word of life.
- ☑ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107: 1-3, 23-32

The Psalm is spoken in unison.

**Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good,
for God's mercy endures forever.
Let the redeemed of the Lord proclaim
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,
gathering them in from the lands;
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
Some went down to the sea in ships,
plying their trade in deep waters.**

They beheld the works of the Lord,
God's wonderful works in the deep.
Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose,
which tossed high the waves of the sea.
They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;
their souls melted away in their peril.
They staggered and reeled like drunkards,
and all their skill was of no avail.
Then in their trouble they cried to the Lord,
and you delivered them from their distress.
You stilled the storm to a whisper
and silenced the waves of the sea.
Then were they glad when it grew calm,
when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your steadfast love
and your wonderful works for all people.
Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;
in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.

After the reading

L Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

TEACHING TIME FOR CHILDREN (AND ADULTS)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Gospel Acclamation is sung by the congregation and the cantors.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading:

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

767 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

SO NIMM DENN MEINE HANDE

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me up - on life's way;
 2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
 3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come,

di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day.
 for you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near.
 I know that you will strength - en my steps toward home,

With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
 Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
 then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!

so take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.
 for when your hand is guid - ing, in peace I go.
 So, take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence. Each petition concludes:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

After the final petition:

P We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

C **Amen**

PEACE

☐ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☑ **And also with you.**

OFFERING

ANTHEM

All Things Bright and Beautiful

John Rutter

David Himes & Amy Stewart-Himes; David & Tama McConnell

OFFERING PRAYER

Based on a prayer written by Deaconess Rhoda Schuler, Th.D

☐ We lift our hearts to you, Lord God, Creator of the universe, giver of all good gifts, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
Who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
Strengthen us by your Word proclaimed and sung;
through mutual prayer and conversation,
strengthen us as the very Body of Christ in this world
and deliver us safely from this time of danger and uncertainty.
Unite our hearts in Christ, who taught us to pray ...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen

BLESSING

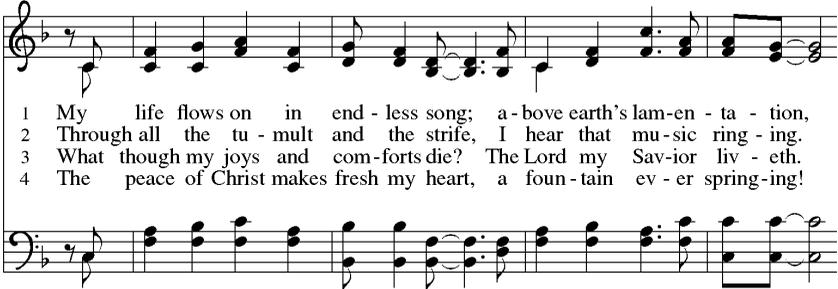
P The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us,
and journeys with us,
‡ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen

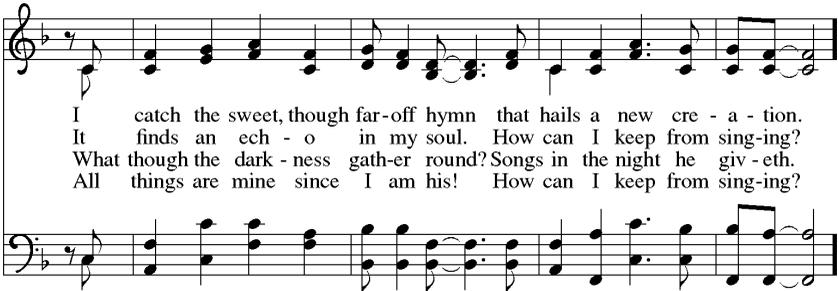
SENDING HYMN

763 My Life Flows On in Endless Song

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING



1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
3 What though my joys and com - forts die? The Lord my Sav - ior liv - eth.
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing - ing?
What though the dark - ness gath - er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing - ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in - most calm while to that Rock I'm cling - ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav - en and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899
Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Sechs Kleine Praeludien und Intermezzi, Op 9 VI - Poco Vivace

(Six Preludes & Intermezzi for Organ)

Hermann Schroeder

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*We thank David Himes & Amy Stewart-Himes and David & Tama McConnell
for sharing their musical gifts with us today
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