

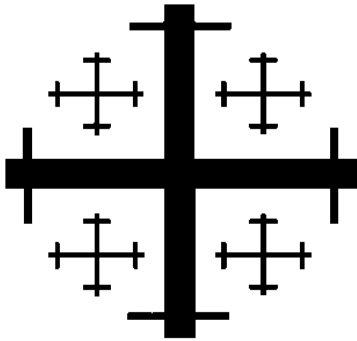
# Fourth Sunday in Lent

30 March 2025

8 & 11 am



# The Liturgy at Calvary



The psalm sets the tone this day: "Happy are they whose sins are forgiven, and whose trespass is covered" Happy are those who have "become the righteousness of God" in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has "rolled away . . . the disgrace" of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Rejoice!

## **Prelude "Praeludium II and V" (Harpsichord)**

From the *Well Tempered Clavier*

J.S. Bach, 1686-1750

Edited by Hans Bischoff, 1852-1889

## **Confession & Absolution**

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P 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. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C Amen.**

## Procession

### Now the Silence



Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed

Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come

Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing

Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion

Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing

Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny

Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919

Music: NOW, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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## Apostolic 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.

# Kyrie Eleison [Greek, Lord, Have Mercy]

ALL



Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR



For peace in our hearts, the sal - va - tion of our souls,



in peace let us pray to the Lord.

ALL



Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR



For peace through-out the world; the well be - ing of God's church,



and the un - i - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL



Ky-ri - e - e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR



For this ho - ly house and for all who ga - ther here to



lift up their hearts in wor-ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL



Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son

CANTOR



Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us grac - ious Lord.

ALL



A - - - men.

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## Hymn Of Praise

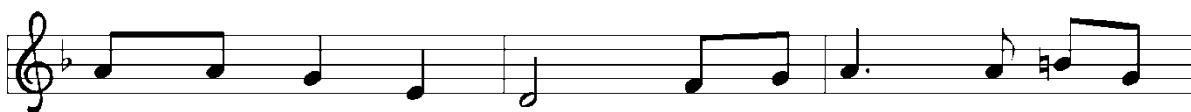
[8] *Jack Graeber, trombone*

[11] *Nolan Burkett, sax*

### Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery



1 Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, in your  
2 We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, love passed  
3 Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, stum - bling



death we are re - born; though you die in all of  
on through act and word; ev - 'ry per - son lost and  
though our steps may be; one with you in joy and



his - t'ry, still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, still you  
bro - ken wears the bod - y of our Lord, wears the  
sor - row, we the riv - er, you the sea, we the

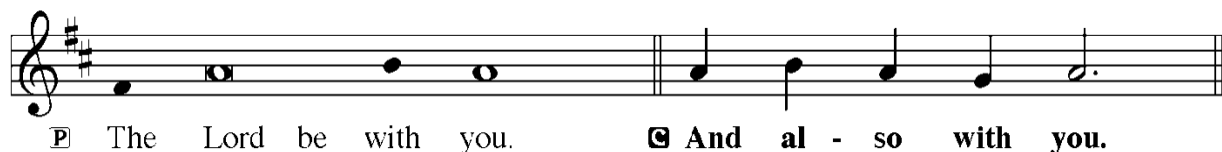


rise with ev - 'ry morn.  
bod - y of our Lord.  
riv - er, you the sea.

4. Give us eyes to see you clearly; make us children of your light.  
Give us hearts to live more nearly as your gospel shining  
bright.

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## Prayer of The Day



P Let us pray... God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

*Please sit*

## First Reading Joshua 5:9-12

<sup>9</sup>The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

<sup>10</sup>While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup>On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup>The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 32 *Cantor/Choir sing refrain; all echo & sing after verses*

### REFRAIN

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In trou - bled times you are near me. You  
5 shel-ter me from my en - e-mies You guard me and you cov - er me with  
9 ring-ing shouts of de - liv-er-ance You sur - round me and pre serve me.

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1. Happy are they whose sins are forgiven; whose trespasses are covered. Happy are they the LORD does not punish, within whose hearts there is no deceit. **Refrain**
2. All day and night my bones grow old as I meditate in silence. All day and night your hand was upon me. My liveliness turned to summer drought. **Refrain**
3. I acknowledge and do not hide my sin. I confess to you and you forgave my iniquity, (my wickedness). I [the LORD] teach and guide you in the way. Be not like those who have no understanding. Much pain will be to the evil ones but kindness and grace surround those who trust. **Refrain**

### Second Reading **2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup>So we are



ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra-cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

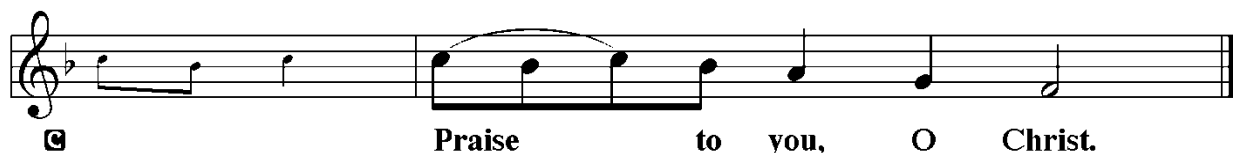
<sup>1</sup>Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>11b</sup>"There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup>When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup>He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup>But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>18</sup>I will get up and

go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" <sup>20</sup>So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup>But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup>And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>24</sup>for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup>He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup>Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup>But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>31</sup>Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup>But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

P The Gospel of our Lord.



**Sermon**      *Intern Rebecca*

**Hymn Of The Day**

# Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for  
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for  
 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,  
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,  
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

*Refrain*  
 watch - ing for you and for me.  
 mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!  
 par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909  
 Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

## **Creed**

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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 pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*after each prayer petition*

A Lord in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

*concluding with*

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

## **Peace**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Offertory: [8] *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me***

Tune: Sojourner - R. DeWitt Mallary, 1851-1911  
Arr. Michael Hassell, 1952-2019  
Jacob Groening, trumpet

**[11] *How Vast the Love* - Dana Mengel**

Sanctuary Choir  
Karen Moxley, violin

High on a cross I beheld my Savior, bleeding in dire agony.  
Yet He gazed down with His eyes of compassion, pleading  
for God's grace for me!

*How vast the love, how broad, how deep, my Savior's love  
was shown to me!*

What a mystery, what a wonder is my Savior's love for me!  
High on a cross I beheld my Savior, broken and pierced by  
my sin.

Beneath the cross I will cast ever burden, and I will follow  
Him.

*How vast the love, how broad, how deep, my Savior's love  
was shown to me!*

High on the cross!



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*Our gifts are presented, singing,*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve  
 you; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that  
 I might be re - newed. So fill me and  
 heal me, and bring me back to you. Cre -  
 ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve you.

**A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C** **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### Sanctus & Benedictus [Holy & Blessed, *Latin*]

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
 in the high - est. Ho - san - a in the high - est.

Chords: F, Gm, C7, F, Bb, Dm/G, C, A/C#, A7, Dm, F, Gm, C7, Dm, Bb, Dm/G, C, F(sus4), F, Dm, Am, Dm, G/B, G, C, Bb, Bb/G, C, F(sus4), F.

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### Eucharistic Prayer

#### *Eucharistic Acclamation*

We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e-brate your ris - ing; we  
 break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

**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.**

P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

### **Agnus Dei** [Lamb Of God, *Latin*]

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Chords: F, C, F, F, B<sup>b</sup>, F, B<sup>b</sup>, C, F, F, C, F, F, B<sup>b</sup>, F, B<sup>b</sup>, C, F<sup>7</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>, E, F, B<sup>m</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>, F, G<sup>m</sup>, F, B<sup>b</sup>, C, F.

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**In-Person:** We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide. Wine is Red, Grape Juice is White, Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

**Online at Home:** If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:

“Know that the promises of Jesus’s love are for you.”

***I Want Jesus to Walk With Me***

Tune: Sojourner - R. DeWitt Mallary, 1851-1911

Arr. Michael Hassell, 1952-2019

Jacob Groening, trumpet

*Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:*

## Day by Day (ELW 790)



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort  
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and  
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me  
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all  
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil  
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,  
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,  
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,

lead me to the home I trea-sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
 help me bear life's pain and sor-row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face.  
 with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005  
 Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882  
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## Just As I am, Without One Plea (ELW 592)

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was  
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y\_a con - flict,  
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,  
 4 Just as I am; thy love un-known has bro - ken ev - 'ry  
 shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
 man - y\_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
 cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,  
 bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871  
 Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C **Amen.**

## Post-Communion Canticle

Inspired by an Easter homily  
of St. Augustine

The monks of Weston Priory  
Vermont

With bro- ken bread in our hands, your  
word a fire in our hearts, we now pro - claim our own  
myst- 'ry: in this jour- ney from death in -  
to your new life, we are your bread, we your bo - dy.

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A Let us pray... Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ.

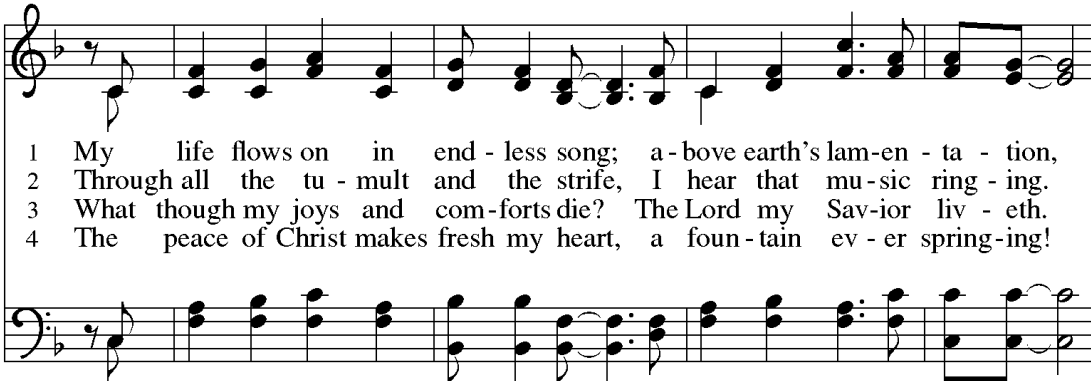
C **Amen.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

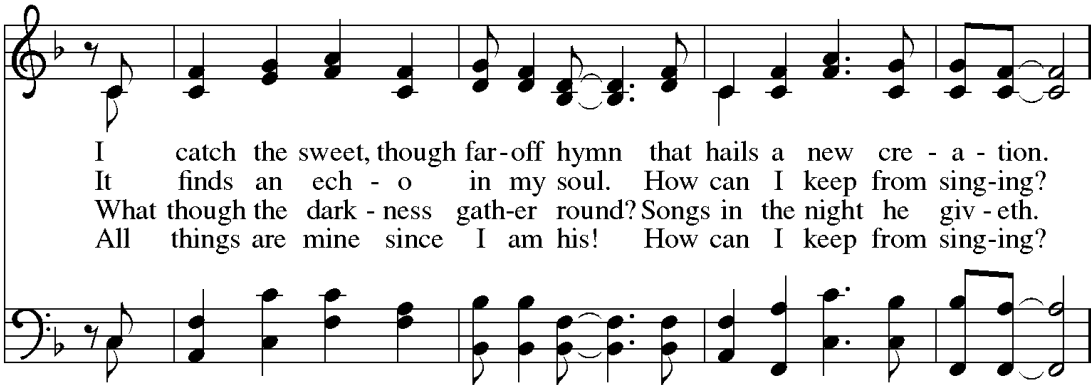
C **Amen**

## Sending

### My Life Flows On in Endless Song

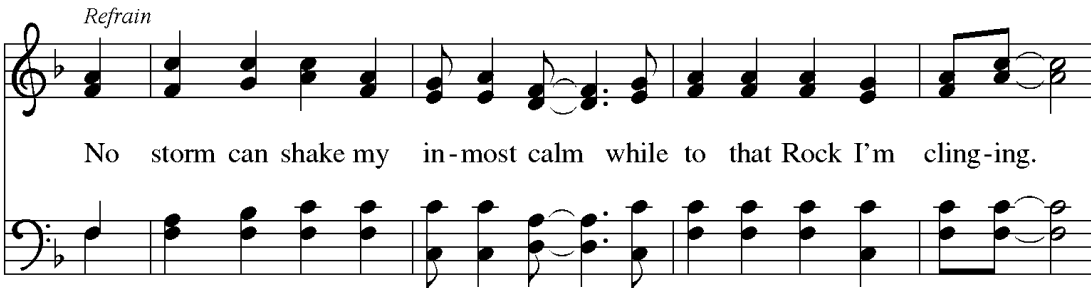


1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,  
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.  
3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.  
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!



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.

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude: Variations on "Hinunter ist der Sonnen Schein"**

Tune: Melchior Vulpus, 1570-1615

Setting: Robert Lind, b. 1941

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## **Commemorations This Week**

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### **Hans Nielsen Hauge, renewer of the church, died 1824 Tuesday, March 29, 2022**

Hauge was a layperson who wished to revitalize the church in Norway. As a result of a mystical experience, he felt called to preach. Many professionals in the church feared his motives and influence, and he was imprisoned for leading unauthorized gatherings.

### **John Donne, poet, died 1631 Thursday, March 31, 2022**

After finishing his education at Oxford University, Donne seemed headed for a career in the English public service. But a series of circumstances led him into the ordained ministry. He is well known as a writer of both secular and sacred poetry.

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