

PARK LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Order of Worship

August 7, 2022

10:30 am

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Presbyterian Women

Anne Gardepe

Time of Silence

Prelude

Prelude on "Brother James's Air"
Carla Edwards, organist

Searle Wright

Call to Worship (Adapted from Hebrews 11)

We are people who have been called to follow where God leads us.

By faith we can obey, even when asked to walk into an unknown future.

We are people who have been challenged to tell God's story to others.

By faith we have the ability to share the good news.

We are God's children who are invited to feast at the table of grace.

By faith we will embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Hymn No. 401

Here in This Place

Scripture Reading

Genesis 15:1-6

pew Bible, O.T., page 11

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

You have a vision of gathering all people as Your children, God, but we see people and think immediately about our differences. You have a vision of a universe filled with goodness and beauty, and we damage it by treating it selfishly and carelessly. You have a vision of a table where we can feast on Your grace and hope, but we line up at the fast food counters of sin and greed.

Forgive us, Visionary of Mercy, for You see what we do not. May we be willing to be as gracious, as compassionate, and as hopeful as You are. Teach us once again to trust the hand of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who leads us into Your kingdom. (time of silent prayer)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, the good news is this: God's hope is more tenacious than our despair; God's joy is more resilient than our grief; God's love is more compelling than our hate.

By grace, God gathers us in. By faith, we rest in God's promises of forgiveness and restoration.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Hymn of Response No. 749

Come! Live in the Light!

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Lighting of a Candle and Prayers for Peace

Casey Cox

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

Following the time on the steps, children are invited to pick up a lap desk from the west side of the chancel and go sit on the floor near their families. This is PRAYground time. The children are provided with coloring and activity pages, as well as other supplies, allowing them to continue exploring today's gospel message.

Scripture Reading	Luke 12:32-40	pew Bible, N.T. pg. 70
Sermon	Counting Stars	Rev. Helen DeBevoise
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	Glory to God hymnal, pg. 17 (ecumenical version)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
And 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;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
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.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

The Lord's Prayer
Faith Graves, soloist

Albert Hay Malotte

THE EUCHARIST

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Hymn No. 694

Great God of Every Blessing

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Grand Choeur
Carla Edwards, organist

Theodore Salome

Worship Leaders Today: Revs. Dr. Dan and Helen DeBevoise, co-pastors; Robb Ross, choir director; Carla Edwards, guest organist.

August Ushers: Anne Gardepe, John Gardepe, John Bowers, Marie Butler, John Rachey.

August Greeter: Evie Park

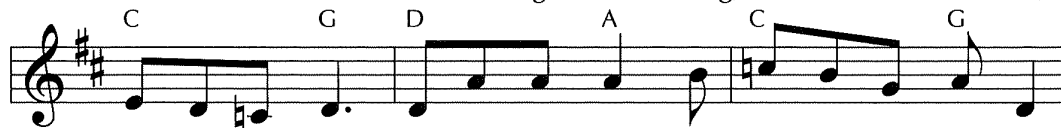
Here in This Place

Gather Us In

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1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

749 Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that



joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,



to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and



free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain



We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to



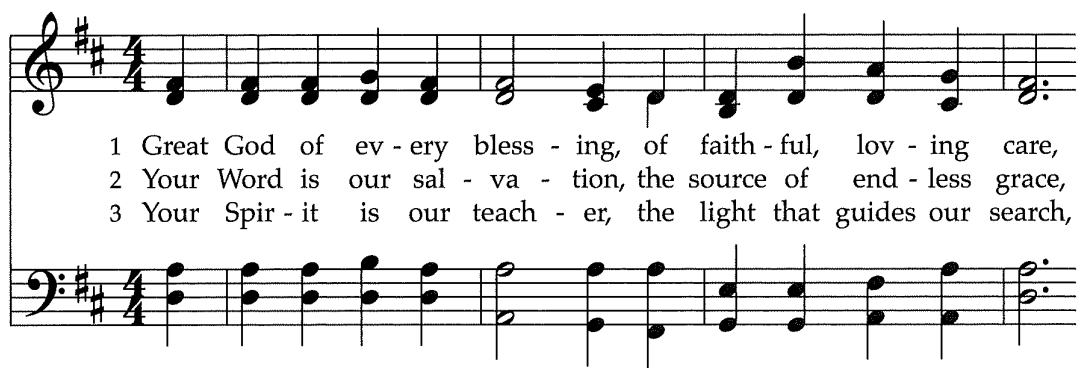
love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



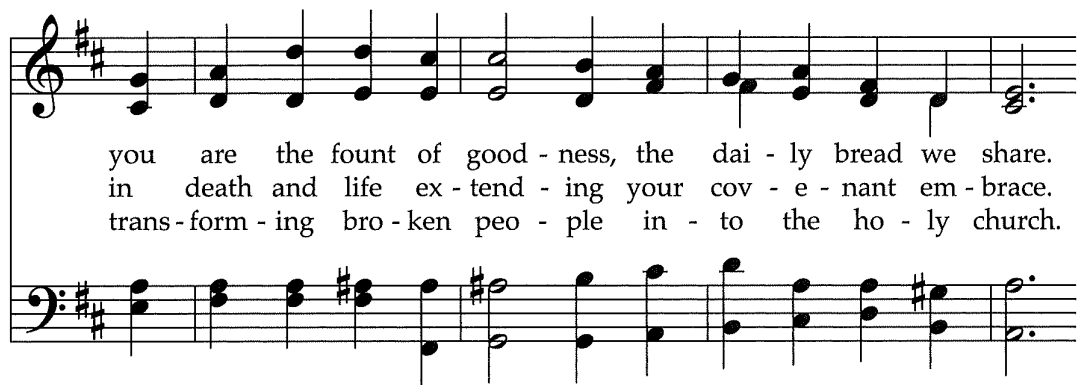
oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

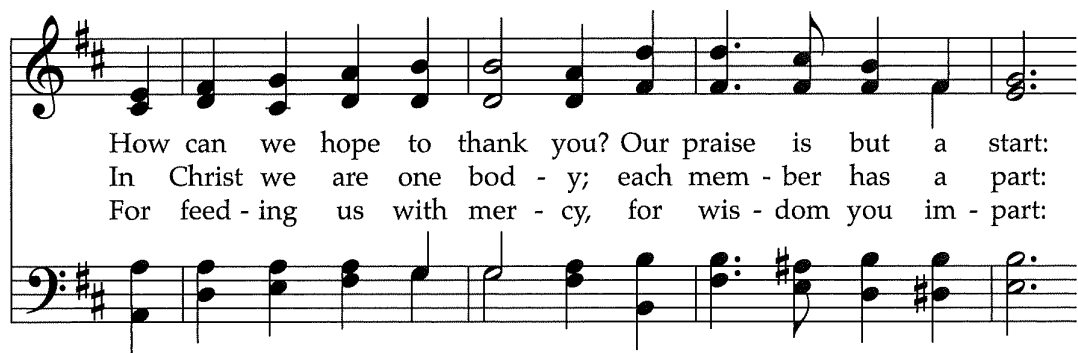
694 Great God of Every Blessing



1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,
 2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,
 3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,



you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.
 in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.
 trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.



How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
 In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:
 For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:



sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

Written for the 500th anniversary of John Calvin's birth, this text sums up his liturgical theology, ending each stanza with his motto: *Cor meum tibi offero, Domine, prompte et sincere*. By moving from plural to singular the stanzas show how corporate faith becomes personal piety.