# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



# NEW ST PETER'S

NOVEMBER 15, 2026

*"Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*
*I will dwell in you and walk among you; and I will be your God,*
*and you shall be My people."*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please be seated as we gather to sing. Congregants read the bolded text aloud.*

**GATHERING**

"Father, Long Before Creation" *Andrew Osenga*

**Father, long before creation Thou hadst chosen us in love,**
**And that love so deep, so moving, draws us close to Christ above.**
**Still it keeps us, still it keeps us firmly fixed in Christ alone.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**
Psalm 47

God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

*Silence*

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**
Psalm 47

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.

**He subdues the evil one under our feet!**
**He chose our heritage for us,**
**the pride of Jacob whom He loves.**
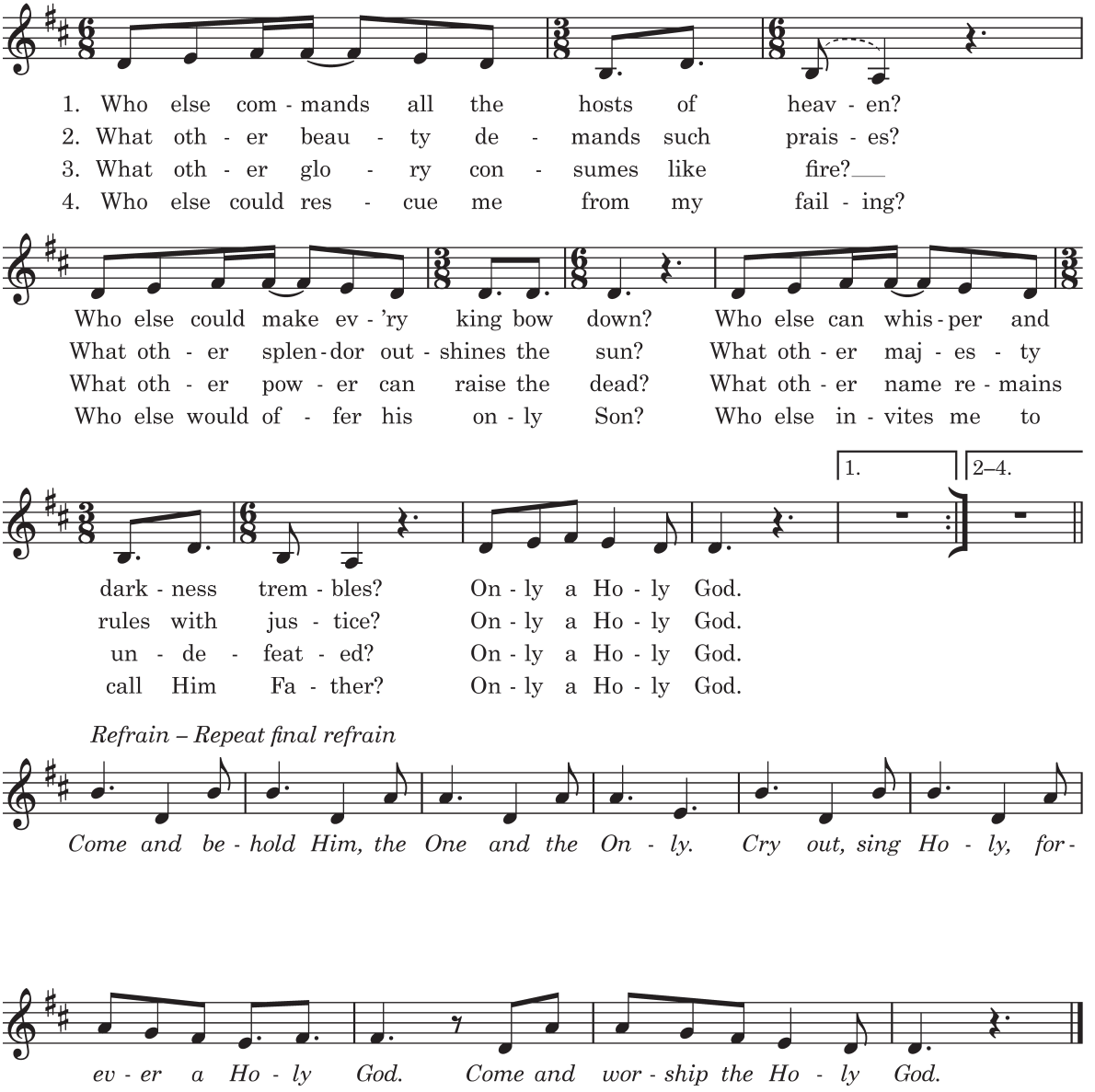
God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne.
The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.

**For the shields of the earth belong to our God;**
**He is highly exalted!**
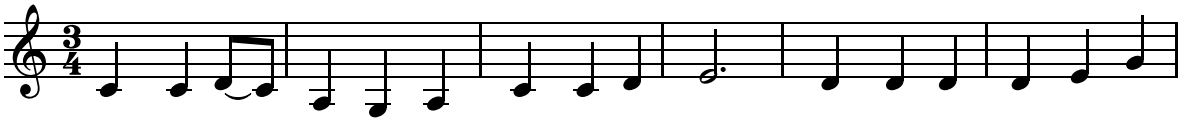
**INVOCATION**

"Only a Holy God"

*Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson,*
*Dustin Smith & Rich Thompson, 2018*
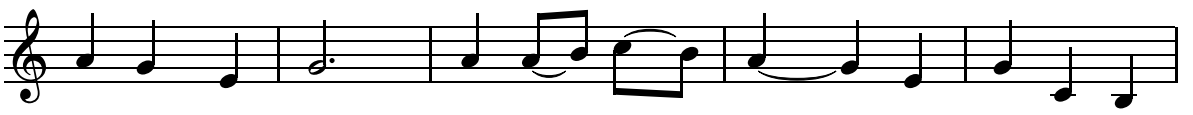


*SLANE*
*text: Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th century*
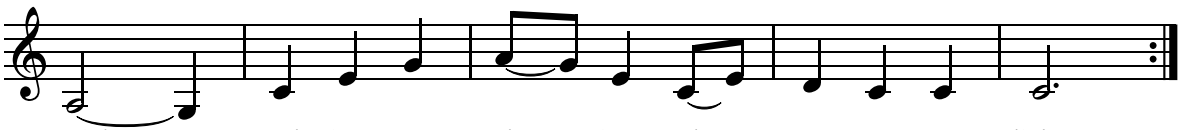


1.Be Thou my _ vis - ion, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me,
2.Be Thou my _ wis-dom, and Thou my true word; I ev - er with Thee and
3.Be Thou my _ bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; Be Thou my dig - ni - ty,
4.Rich - es I __ heed not, nor man's emp-ty praise; Thou mine in - her - i - tance,
5.High King of __ heav-en, my vic - to - ry won; may I reach heav-en's-joys,

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save that Thou art. Thou my __ best __ thought _ by day or by
Thou with me, Lord. Thou my __ great _ Fa - ther, I Thy true
Thou my de - light. Thou my __ soul's _ shel - ter, Thou my high
now and al - ways. Thou and _ Thou _ on - ly, first in my
O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of __ my __ own heart what - ev - er be -

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night. ____ Wak - ing or sleep _ ing, Thy _ pres - ence my light.
son. ____ Thou in me dwell - ing, and _ I with Thee one.
tow'r. ____ Raise Thou me heav - en-ward, O __ Pow'r of my pow'r.
heart. ____ High King of heav _ en, my _ treas - ure Thou art.
fall, ____ still be my vi - sion, O __ Rul - er of all.

Whoever exalts himself will be humbled,
and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

**CONFESSION OF SIN & PLEA FOR PARDON**
Matthew 6, 23, Romans 7

**So, forgive us, Lord of mercy,**
**for we have exalted ourselves in thought, word, and deed.**
**We perform our deeds to be seen by others.**
**Rather than praise Your glory and grace,**
**We sound our own trumpets when we give to the needy.**
**We assume the seat of honor in our circles.**
**We shut the kingdom in people's faces with our self-righteousness,**
**and we burden others with our performative legalism.**
**We play games with Your law,**
**twisting it in our hearts, and weakening its power.**
**We play games with Your gospel,**
**cheapening Your grace,**
**and pretending we are free to chase our disordered desires.**
**Wretched men and women that we are!**
**Who will deliver us from these bodies of death?**
**Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!**
**Amen.**

*Silent confession*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
Romans 8

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

**For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do.**
**By sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin,**
**He condemned sin in the flesh,**
**in order that the righteous requirement of the law**
**might be fulfilled in us,**
**who walk not according to the flesh**
**but according to the Spirit. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**
Psalm 27

A reading from the Psalms: King David seeks the LORD in purity of heart.

**JOINING & RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS**

*Josh Dickey, Elizabeth Franklin, Beverly and Bret Mercer, Ella and Austin Morrow, James Peil and Stephanie Collier, Sierra and Jonathan Perkins, Lydia Sevier, and Joel Thiele.*

Hebrews 10.23-25

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for Jesus our Great High Priest is faithful.

**And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as we see His Day drawing near.**

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?

2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the gospel?

3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

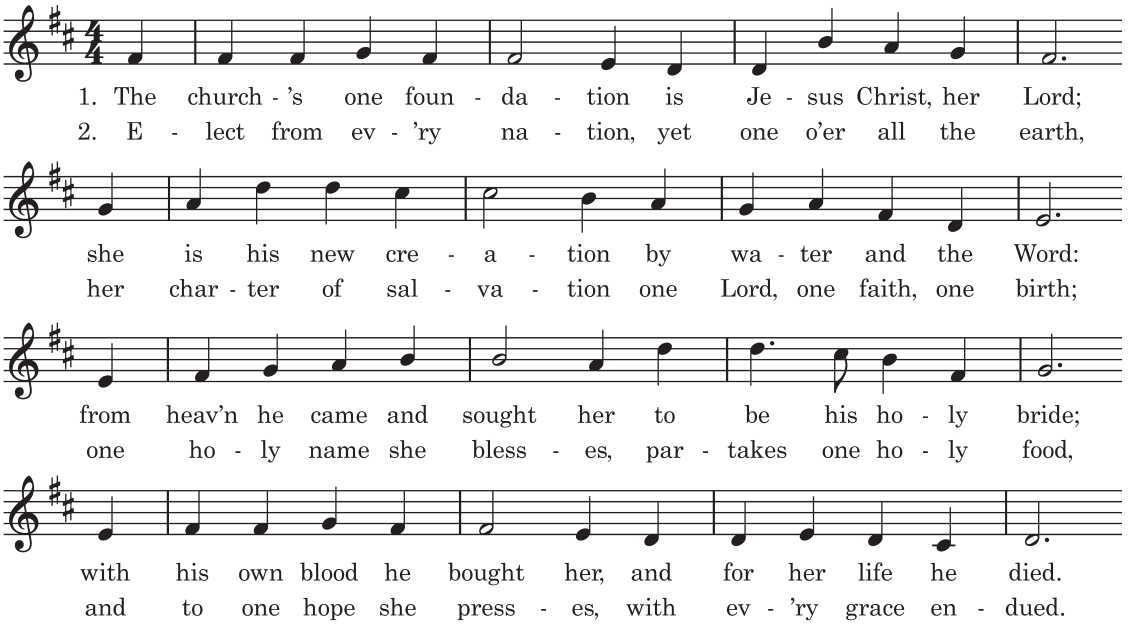
We have many friends whom we love and enjoy in the Lord,

**PRONOUNCEMENT OF UNION**

**but you to us are more. Today, we have become family. Until providence should separate us, or the Lord returns, we are joined to one another in the covenant of grace, sharing together in the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, that redemption may be seen in us together and glory be given to our God. Welcome, brothers. Welcome, sisters. Our lives and names are joined together.**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

*AURELIA*
*text: Samuel J. Stone, 1866*



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Children, Pre-K and Kinder, are invited to attend Worship Training.*
*All children are retrieved after the sermon for Communion.*

**LITANY OF THANKSGIVING**

Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

For the assurance of pardon from our sins through faith in Christ,
**we thank You, Lord.**

For the confidence to draw near to Your throne of grace
as daughters and sons,
**we thank You, Lord.**

For the beauty of the earth and the glories of the skies,
and for Your abundant provision in all things,
**we thank You, Lord.**

For the joining of new members, and for the ways they will bless and beautify our community,
**we thank You, Lord.**

For the peace we have in Christ, peace with God and with one another,
**we thank You, Lord!**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

So, Church, may the peace of the Lord be with you.
**And also with you.**

**TITHES & OFFERINGS**

*The musicians will play for a moment before singing*
*so that you can bring your tithes and offerings*
*and share the peace of Christ with those around you.*

**DOXOLOGY**

"Father, Long Before Creation" *Andrew Osenga*

**Though the world may change its fashion,**
**Yet our God is e'er the same;**
**His compassion and His covenant**
**Through all ages will remain.**
**God's own children, God's own children**
**Must forever praise His name.**

1 "*Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.*"

2 *"Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.* 3 *But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing,* 4 *so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*"

5 *"And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.* 6 *But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*"

7 *"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words.* 8 *Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.* 9 *Pray then like this:*

*Our Father in heaven,*
*hallowed be Your name.*
10 *Your kingdom come,*
*Your will be done,*
*on earth as it is in heaven.*
11 *Give us this day our daily bread,*
12 *and forgive us our debts,*
*as we also have forgiven our debtors.*
13 *And lead us not into temptation,*
*but deliver us from evil.*"

14 "*For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you,* 15 *but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will Your Father forgive your trespasses.*"

16 *"And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.* 17 *But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face,* 18 *that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*"

“Seeing”
Matthew 6.1-18

**Self**

**Others**

**God**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;**
**and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;**
**Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary,**
**suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried;**
**He descended into hell*, the third day He rose again from the dead;**
**He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the**
**Father Almighty;**
**from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Ghost;**
**the holy catholic church;**
**the communion of saints;**
**the forgiveness of sins;**
**the resurrection of the body;**
**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**He descended into judgment and continued in the state of the dead until the third day.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & INVITATION TO THE TABLE
*Adapted from The Book of Common Order, Scotland 1556*

Let us come to this meal as medicine for our sickness,
**and as help for weakness.**

For the Lord requires no other worthiness on our part,
**but that we acknowledge our need for Christ and His merits.**

For in this meal we receive Christ by faith,
**who dwells in heaven—very God and very man.**

And in His name, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died!**
**Christ is risen!**
**Christ will come again!**

Come to the Table...

DIRECTIONS

### THE TABLE

- *Ushers will release you by rows after the music team has partaken*
- *Grape juice is in the outer ring of the tray and wine in the center*
- *Gluten-free bread is available at each table*

### OFFERINGS

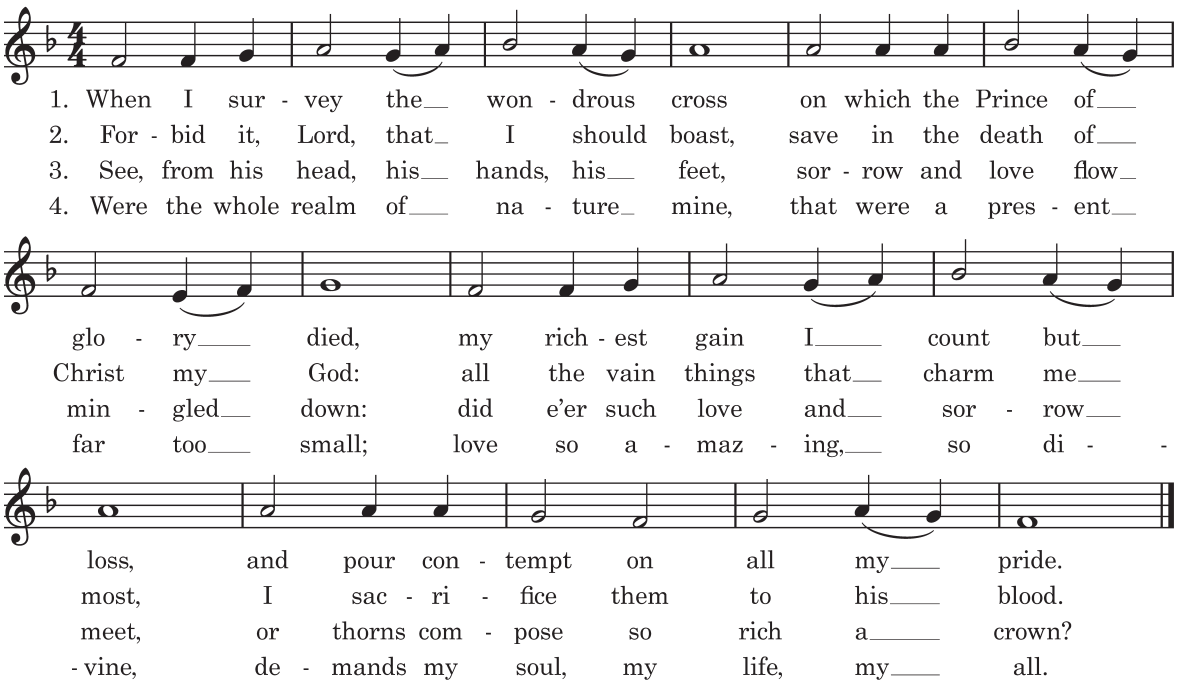
- *Tithes and gifts can be brought to the box in the center of the room.*
- *Online Giving - newstpeters.org/give*
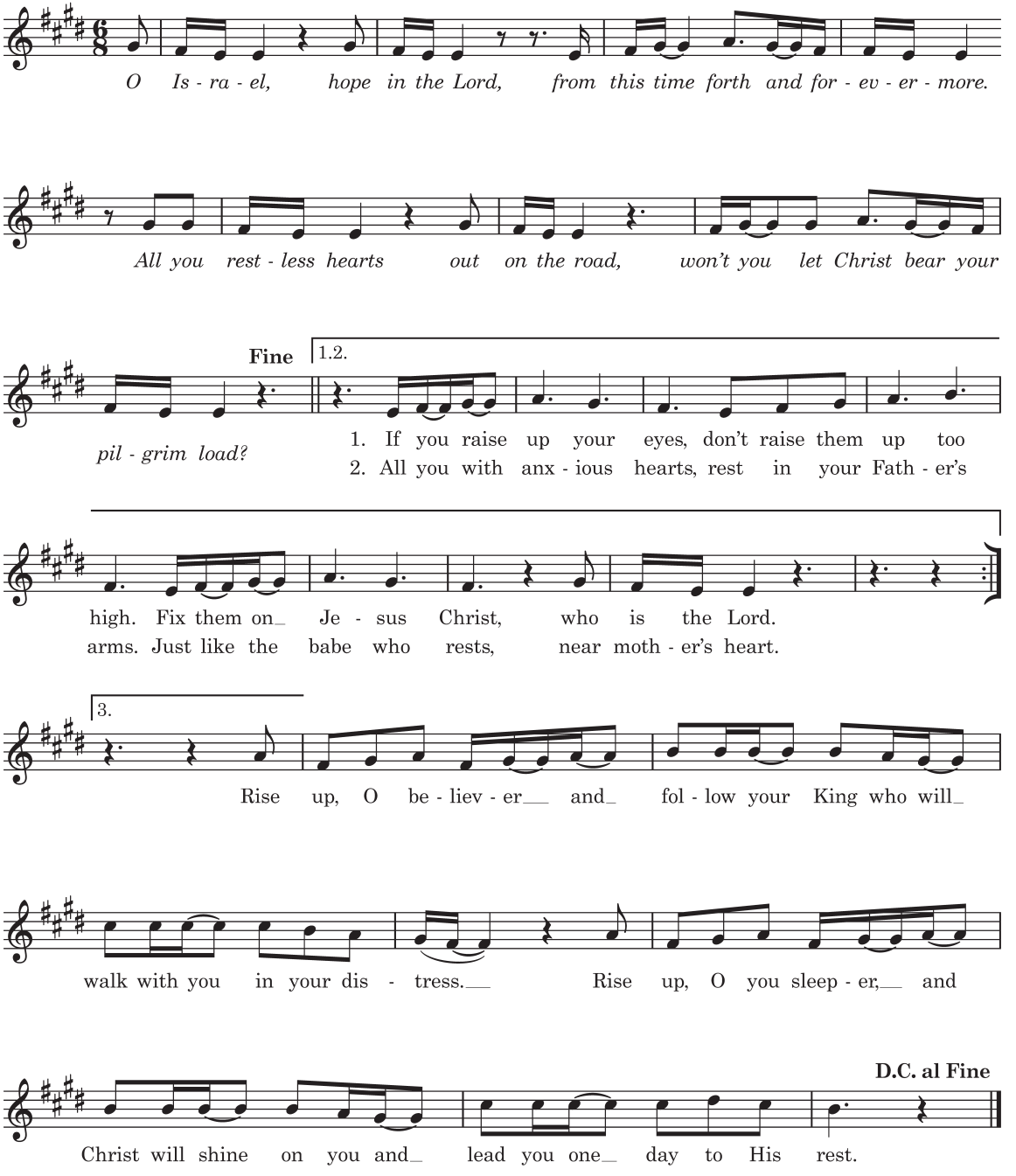
### PRAYER FOR FAITH

*If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to reflect on the prayer at the bottom of page 15, and we invite you to talk with our pastor if you would like to know more about the hope of the Good News on display at Christ's Table.*

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

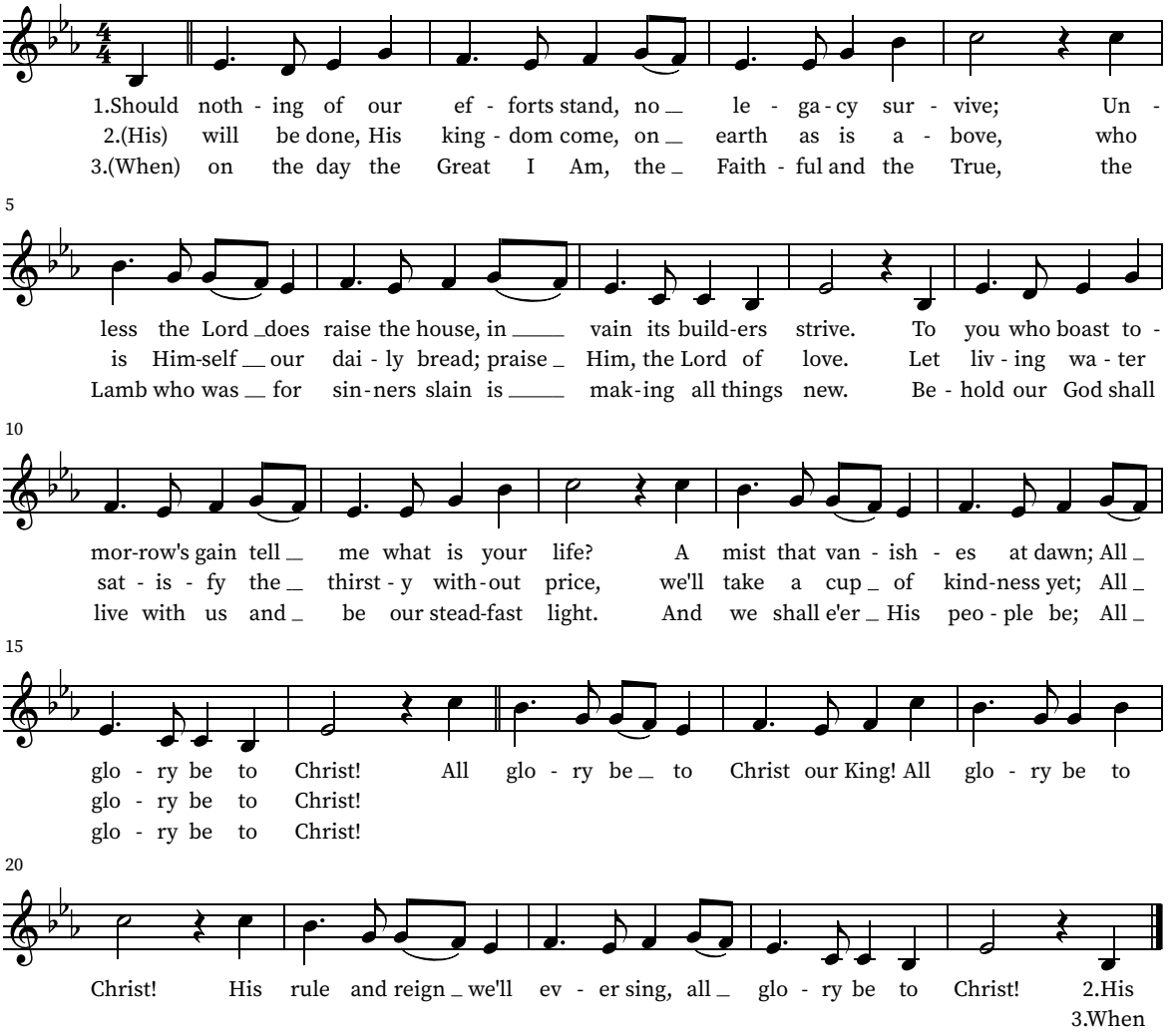
*Hamburg*
*text: Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709*




O Is - ra - el, hope in the Lord, from this time forth and for - ev - er - more.
All you rest - less hearts out on the road, won't you let Christ bear your
Fine
1.2.
pil - grim load?
1. If you raise up your eyes, don't raise them up too
2. All you with anx - ious hearts, rest in your Fath - er's
high. Fix them on Je - sus Christ, who is the Lord.
arms. Just like the babe who rests, near moth - er's heart.
3.
Rise up, O be - liev - er and fol - low your King who will
walk with you in your dis - tress. Rise up, O you sleep - er, and
D.C. al Fine
Christ will shine on you and lead you one day to His rest.

"All Glory Be to Christ"

*Auld Lang Syne*
*text: Dustin Kensrue*



**SCATTERING**
*Kenyan Reformed Prayer*

Almighty God, eternal Father,

**we have sat at Your feet,**
**learned from Your word,**
**and eaten from Your table.**
**We give You thanks and praise**
**for accepting us into Your family.**
**Send us out with Your blessing,**
**to live and to witness for You in the power of Your Spirit,**
**through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead.**

**BENEDICTION**
Revelation 5

To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

**Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Please enjoy the fellowship of believers in the lobby or outside.*

**PRAYER FOR FAITH**

*Good Father, open my heart and my eyes to see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, even against the darkness of my sin and suffering; and help me to draw near, believing that You exist and that You meet those who seek You in Christ. In my doubt, guide my mind. In my wandering, guide my feet and bring me ultimately home through Jesus, the Way. (2 Corinthians 4, Hebrews 11)*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

**THIS WEEK**

- ***Park Meetup -*** Please join us tomorrow, Nov. 16th, 3:30-5:00pm, at Berkner Park (1800 E Spring Valley Rd, Richardson, 75081). Water and snacks will be provided.
- ***Youth***
  Midweek - On Nov 18 (6:30-8pm) girls will meet at Shannon Temple's home, and boys will meet at Jeff Murray's home.
  SOLD - HS Students will meet in the studio theater in November
  Save the Date - Christmas Party on 12/6

**UPCOMING**

- ***Building and Capital Campaign Update***

  1) We have now received over $1,000,000 of income towards our Gathered Campaign!

  2) Construction has begun so our staff is now working remotely.

  3) Join our *Finish Strong 2026* initiative as we seek to finish out our kids' spaces and more. Our goal is $100K. To date, we have received $4,307 over the $50,000 pledged as part of our challenge!

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