



UNLEASHING HEAVEN

THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS HERE



Martin United Methodist Church Service of Worship

bold, bold italic are spoken/sung in unison

TFWS: The Faith We Sing hymnal supplement

W&S: Worship and Song hymnal Supplement

All able are invited to stand for all portions marked with an asterisk (*)

February 5, 2023

8:30 A.M.

Prelude

Emma Wimberg

Welcome

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

***Call to Worship**

Caleb Bennetch

One: With friends and strangers,
with family and neighbors, we gather:

**ALL: Come among us, healing God,
with that love which never ends.**

One: With faith reaching out to touch,
with hearts straining to trust, we hope:

**ALL: Come among us, friend of the broken,
with your compassion which makes us whole.**

One: With word and wonder,
with silence and song, we wait:

**ALL: Come among us, dryer of our tears,
to lift us to our feet to follow you.**

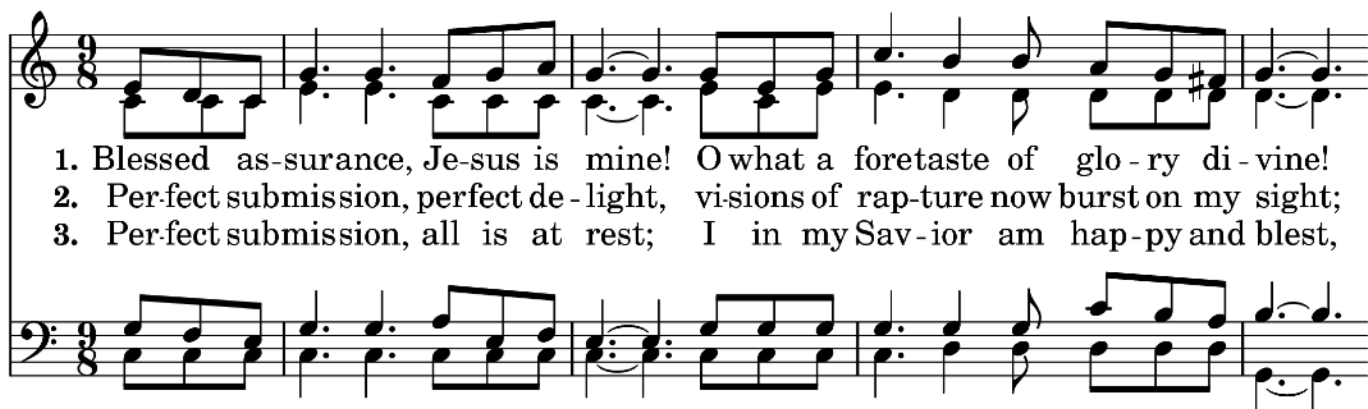
— written by Thom Shuman, and posted on **Lectionary Liturgies**. <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/> Visit that site for other wonderful lectionary-based worship resources.

***Opening Hymn**

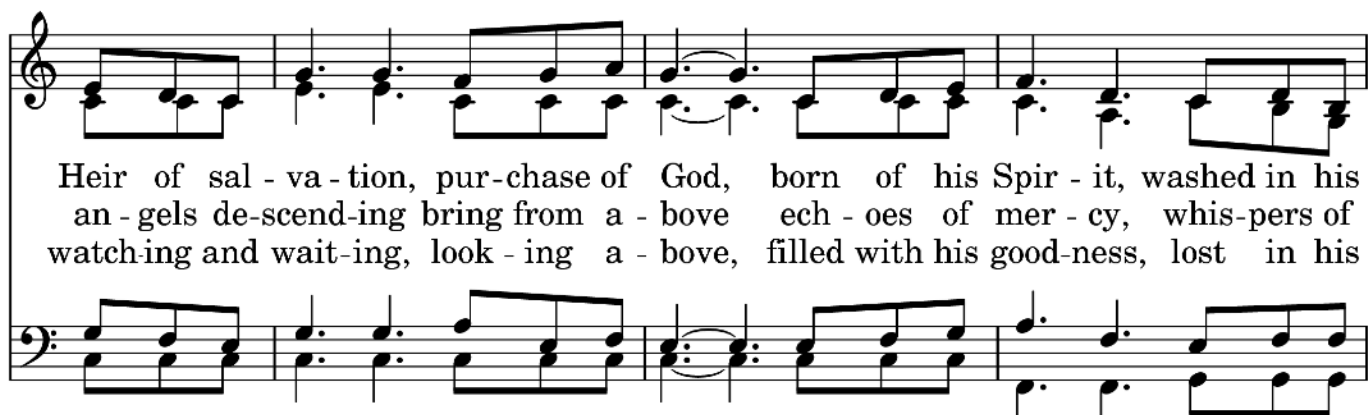
Blessed Assurance

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Blessed Assurance



1. Blessed as-surance, Je-sus is mine! O what a foretaste of glo-ry di-vine!
2. Perfect submission, perfect de-light, visions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3. Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his
an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis-pers of
watch-ing and wait-ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his



Refrain
blood.
love. This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day
love.



long; this is my sto-ry, this is my song, praising my Sav-ior all the day long.

Affirmation of Faith

Dr. Daniel Reeves

One: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine
or nakedness or peril or sword?

ALL: No!
In all things we are more than conquerors
through the One who loved us.
We are sure that neither death nor life,
Nor angels, nor principalities,
Nor things present, nor things to come,
Nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
Nor anything else in all creation,
Will be able to separate us from the love of God in
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Passing of the Peace

Dr. Daniel Reeves

We invite you to share the peace of God with those that surround you.

Prayers of the People

Ted McIlvain

The Lord's Prayer

*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. Amen.*

Offertory Prayer

Dr. Daniel Reeves

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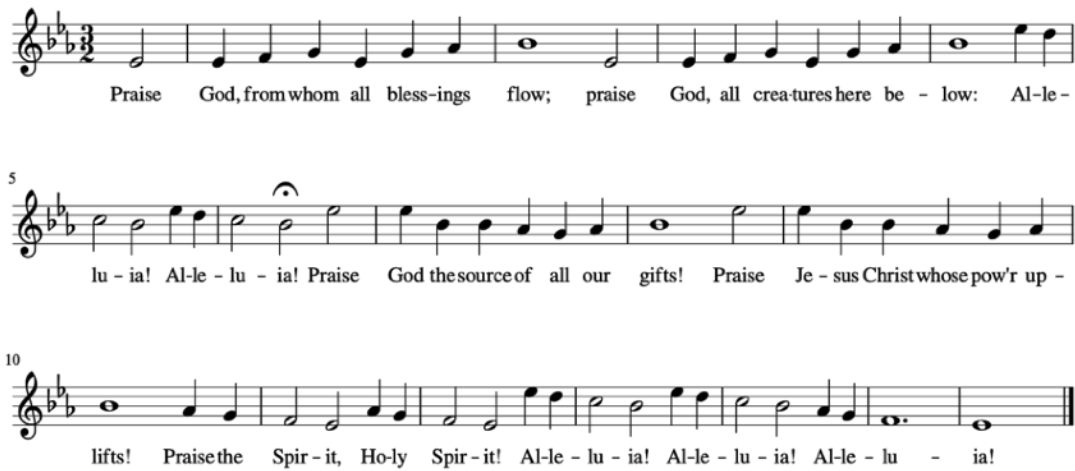
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Offertory

Meditation from Thais
Caleb Bennetch and Dr. Jieun Lee

J. Massanet

Doxology



Scripture Reading

Luke 6:1-11

¹ One Sabbath, as Jesus was going through the wheat fields, his disciples were picking the heads of wheat, rubbing them in their hands, and eating them.

² Some Pharisees said, “Why are you breaking the Sabbath law?”

³ Jesus replied, “Haven’t you read what David and his companions did when they were hungry? ⁴ He broke the Law by going into God’s house and eating the bread of the presence, which only the priests can eat. He also gave some of the bread to his companions.” ⁵ Then he said to them, “The Human One[a] is Lord of the Sabbath.”

⁶ On another Sabbath, Jesus entered a synagogue to teach. A man was there whose right hand was withered. ⁷ The legal experts and the Pharisees were watching him closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath. They were looking for a reason to bring charges against him. ⁸ Jesus knew their thoughts, so he said to the man with the withered hand, “Get up and stand in front of everyone.” He got up and stood there. ⁹ Jesus said to the legal experts and Pharisees, “Here’s a question for you: Is it legal on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?” ¹⁰ Looking around at them all, he said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” So he did and his hand was made healthy. ¹¹ They were furious and began talking with each other about what to do to Jesus.

Sermon

*Living in the Gray
of Everyday*

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

*Our Communion table is open to all who seek to experience
the grace of God today. You are invited to come forward and
receive this gift of God's love for you today, as you are directed by the ushers.*

***Invitation**

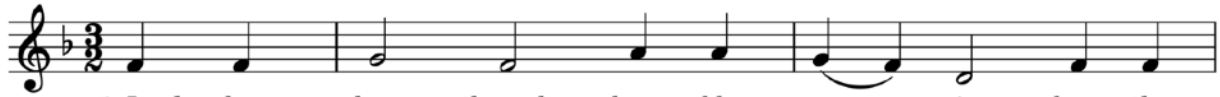
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***Hymn of Commitment**

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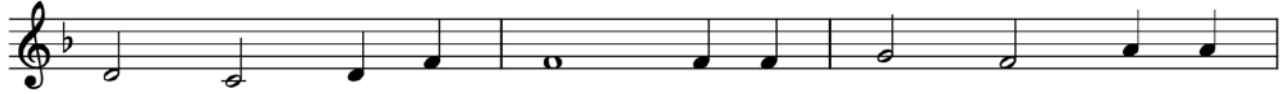
Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service



1. Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the
 2. Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the
 3. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your
 4. Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in

3



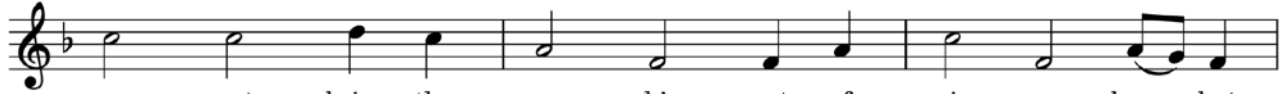
weight of hu - man need, who up - on the cross, for -
 hun - gry cry for bread; still the cap - tives long for
 love's re - veal - ing light in its height and depth and
 your dear name we go to the child, the youth, the

6



sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed: we, your
 free - dom; still in grief - cy's mourn our dead. As, O
 great - ness dawns up - on we quick - ened sight, mak - ing
 a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show; hope and

9



ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but
 Lord, your deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the
 known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us
 health, good will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we

12



heart, con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - ery
 soul, use the love your Spir - it kin - dles still to
 bear, stir - ring us to tire - less striv - ing your a -
 give, that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your

15



gift that you im - part.
 save - that and make us whole.
 bun - dant life to share.
 mer - cy know, and live.

***Benediction**

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

Postlude

Jieun Lee



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