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ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR

Deer Isle Maine

Our **Mission** is to **love, praise**, **welcome,** and **serve**:
· to **love** one another as Christ loves us,
· to **praise** God in all things,
· to **welcome** and affirm all persons,
· to **serve** the needs of one another and of those
on the island, the peninsula, and throughout the world.

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Pentecost Proper 13

August 4, 2024

<u>The Gathering of the Community</u>

Dedication of the Meditation Garden

Celebrant: We honor the Indigenous people everywhere, particularly the Wabanaki Nations, acknowledging that the land we now occupy is their ancestral home. May we always remember, as do the Wabanaki peoples, that the Earth does not belong to us, rather, we belong to the Earth.
Congregation: **May we learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, and for all creation.**

The bell is rung three times once everyone is seated

Prelude: *Opus 1, no 1* Felix Mendelssohn

Opening Hymn 11 *Awake, my soul, and with the sun (in back of bulletin)*

Opening Sentences
Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Congregation: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: God of grace,
Congregation: **you have given us minds to know you,**
hearts to love you,
and voices to sing your praise.
Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise: ELW 880 *(first verse) (next page)*

O God beyond All Praising 880



The Collect of the Day
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.
O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ.
Congregation: **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15
The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."
Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. "
Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"
In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 67
May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us *Selah*

that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.

May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Second Lesson: Letter to the Ephesians 4:1-16
I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,
"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people."
(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn ELW 793 *Be thou my vision (in back of bulletin)*

Gospel: John 6:24-35
Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
Congregation: **Glory be to you, O Christ.**
The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.
When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."
Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon Pastor Elaine Hewes

Silence

Affirmation from the Iona Community
We believe in God whose love is the source of all life
and the desire of our lives,
whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth,
whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all
and whose love, defeating even death,
is our glorious promise of freedom.
Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt,
in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves, in the service of others,
to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth
and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness,
to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love,
and in the company of the faithful so to be the church,
for the glory of God. Amen.

Prayers of the People
Leader: In peace, we pray to you, loving God.

(Silence)

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work.
Congregation: **May we, with God's grace, be present to, and aware of, the needs of our families, friends, and neighbors.**

Leader: For the leaders of our communities, the nation, and the world. May they act with wisdom to advance the cause of peace and justice for all.
Congregation: **With God's grace may we also speak up courageously for peace, justice and freedom from oppression.**

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;
Congregation: **May we look for ways to simplify our lives, curtail our consumption and advocate for just and creative solutions to the realities of climate change.**

Leader: For all who are in sorrow or any kind of trouble.
Congregation: **As people of faith in a God who loves all, may we practice the works of mercy- visit the sick, the imprisoned, the lonely.**

Leader: For peace and unity within all Christian churches.
Congregation: **May we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus in our actions and our words.**

Leader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop-Elect; Thomas, our Bishop; and all priests and deacons who serve our churches.
Congregation: **We pray for their well-being, and may we give thanks for their commitment to serve the Church.**

Leader: For all who serve God in whatever way they can.
Congregation: **May we learn to accept our limitations of time and energy but also, in the name of Jesus, be generously engaged to the best of our ability here at St Brendan and in the surrounding community.**

Leader: For all who have died, for all who mourn their loved ones.
Congregation: **May we offer comfort to those who mourn.**

Leader: I invite you to add your own prayers and thanksgivings.

Members of the congregation are invited to add prayers and thanksgivings at this time.

Leader: Do any of you on Zoom wish to add prayers and thanksgivings?

Leader: O Holy One, sustainer of the church, hear our prayers, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Set our hearts on fire with your love and give us the courage to speak and live that love as we minister to each other and the world.
Congregation: **Amen.**

Confession of Sin
We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: 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.
Congregation: **Amen.**

Acknowledgment of Birthdays, Anniversaries and other significant events in August

Celebrant: Peace within yourself.
Peace with Creation.
Peace with you who are with us remotely today.
Peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be always with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**

The people are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Hymn ELW 469 *By your hand you feed your people (In back of bulletin)*

Eucharistic Prayer
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: ***A*nd also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
Congregation: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus ELW 193 *(next page)*


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 - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said:

"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and Congregation:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

Celebrant and Congregation: **By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St Brendan and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.**

Celebrant: Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Gathered into one body by the Holy Spirit, let us all pray the prayer our Lord taught us to pray:

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 for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
Congregation: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant: In recognition of and in solidarity with those who are worshiping with us remotely this morning, we pray this prayer of spiritual communion:
Celebrant and Congregation: **In union with the faithful gathered at every altar of the Church where the bread and wine are offered, and in union with those who are with us today by the internet, we offer praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life. We believe that Jesus is present in the Breaking of the Bread, the Holy Sacrament of Communion and in ways more numerous and mysterious than we can imagine. We embrace you, Jesus, with all our hearts, souls and minds. Nothing can separate us from you, nor are we separated from one another.**

Those gathered at St. Brendan receive the bread and wine.

And now may the Presence of Jesus, in whatever form it has come to you this morning, nourish you in grace, comfort you in love, and inspire you to be Christ's presence in the world.

Post Communion Prayer
Loving God,
we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Hymn ELW 843 *Praise the one who breaks the darkness (in back of bulletin)*

Postlude: *Blue Moon* Richard Rodgers

Announcements

Dismissal

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CALENDAR

All services and meetings will be held both in-person and via Zoom unless otherwise designated.

Monday, August 5	4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)
Wednesday, August 7	8:30 a.m. Outreach Ministry meeting 9:30 a.m. Pastoral Care Ministry meeting 10:00 a.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (in person) 10:30 a.m. Discussion of Barmen Declaration 4:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
Sunday, August 11	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Reece presiding. 7:00 p.m. *Blue Jean Day* CD release Concert Deer Isle - Sunset Congregational Church CD sales and free will offerings will support Island Heating Assistance Program

Looking Ahead

Saturday, August 17 through August 30	Art of Siri Beckman—Opening Reception on August 17, 3-5 p.m.
Sunday, August 18	5:00 p.m. Celtic Eventide
Tuesday, August 27- 30	Women's Retreat. All women invited.
Wednesday, September 11	Dr. Sam Harrington—"Tough Questions, Helpful Answers: Hope alone is not a viable plan for the life completion you envision"
September 13-15	Reggie Harris visit

GPS (Giving our Priorities Shape) Action

Love Thy Neighbor

For August, our GPS focus will continue to be "Love Thy Neighbor" with an invitation to cross the Bridge and reach out to the community of H.O.M.E. in Orland, ME.

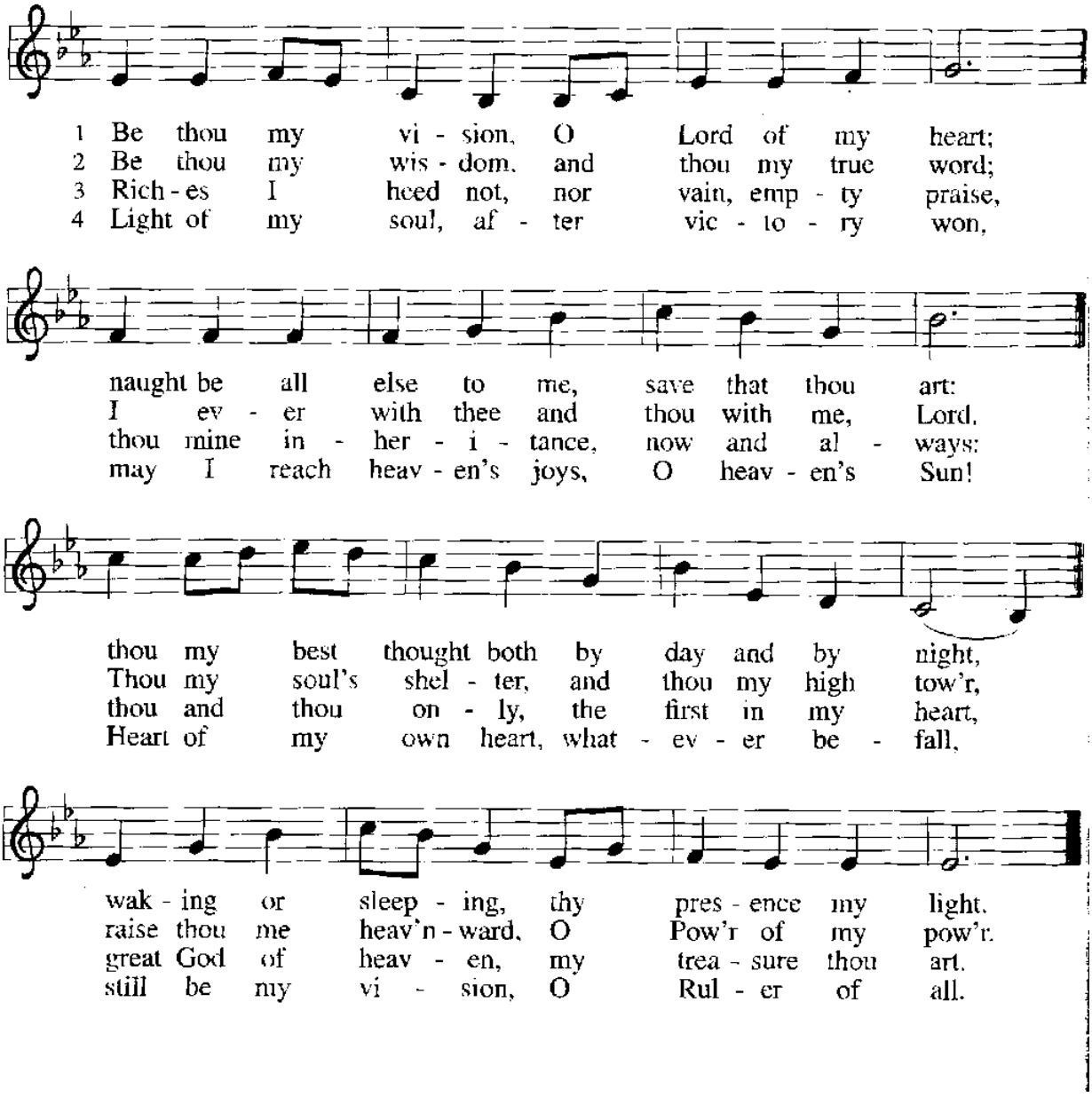
H.O.M.E. runs the only homeless shelters in Hancock County, three in Orland and one in Ellsworth. The H.O.M.E. community attends to basic needs of food and shelter and supports long-term health and development needs of people who have fallen on challenging times. You are invited to be inspired by visiting their website - homemmausa.org. There are a myriad of ways you can support H.O.M.E.
Please begin by coming to the H.O.M.E. craft sale in our Parish Hall this Sunday, August 4 after Worship.

Awake, my soul, and with the sun *The Hymnal 1982*, #**11**

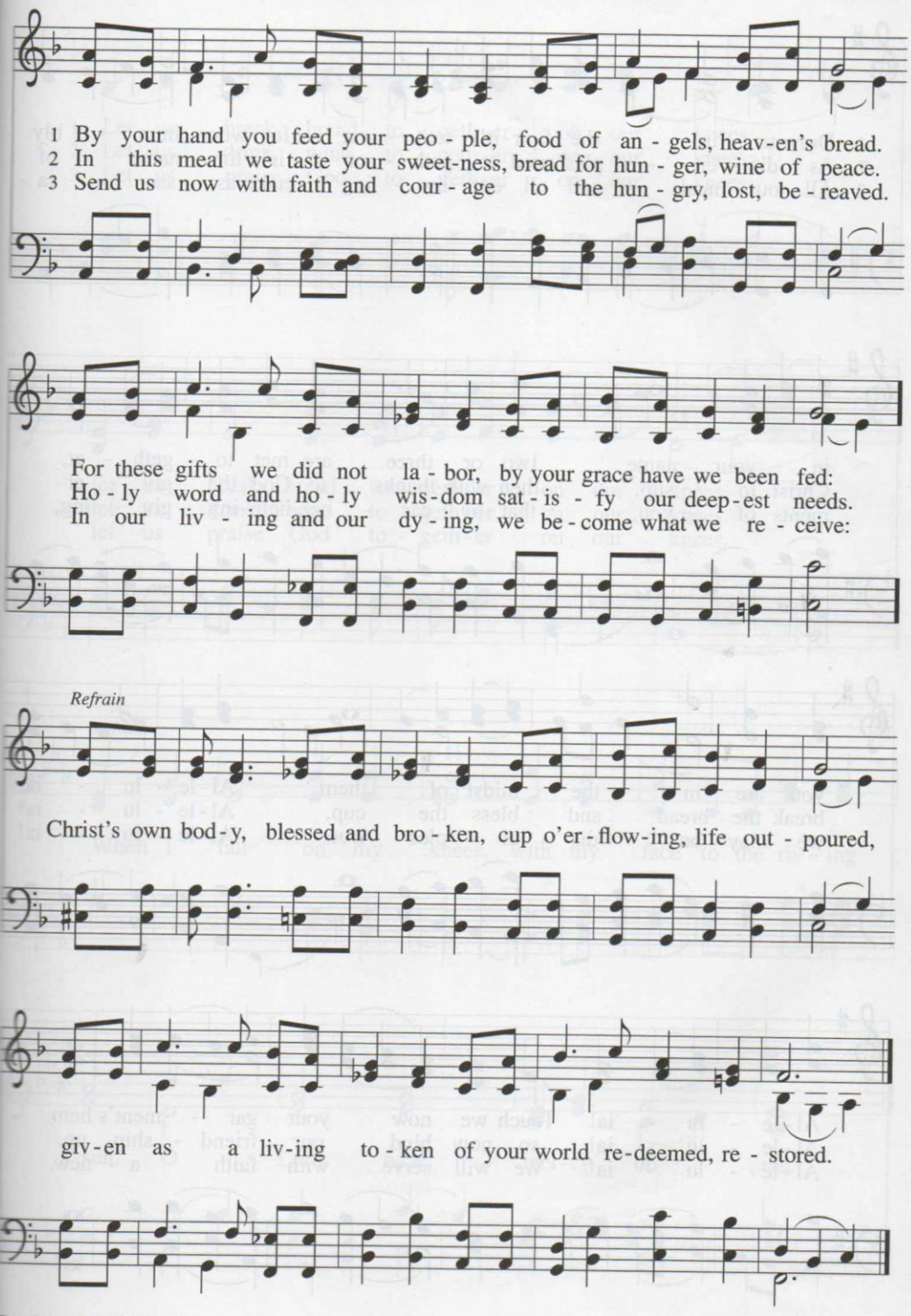


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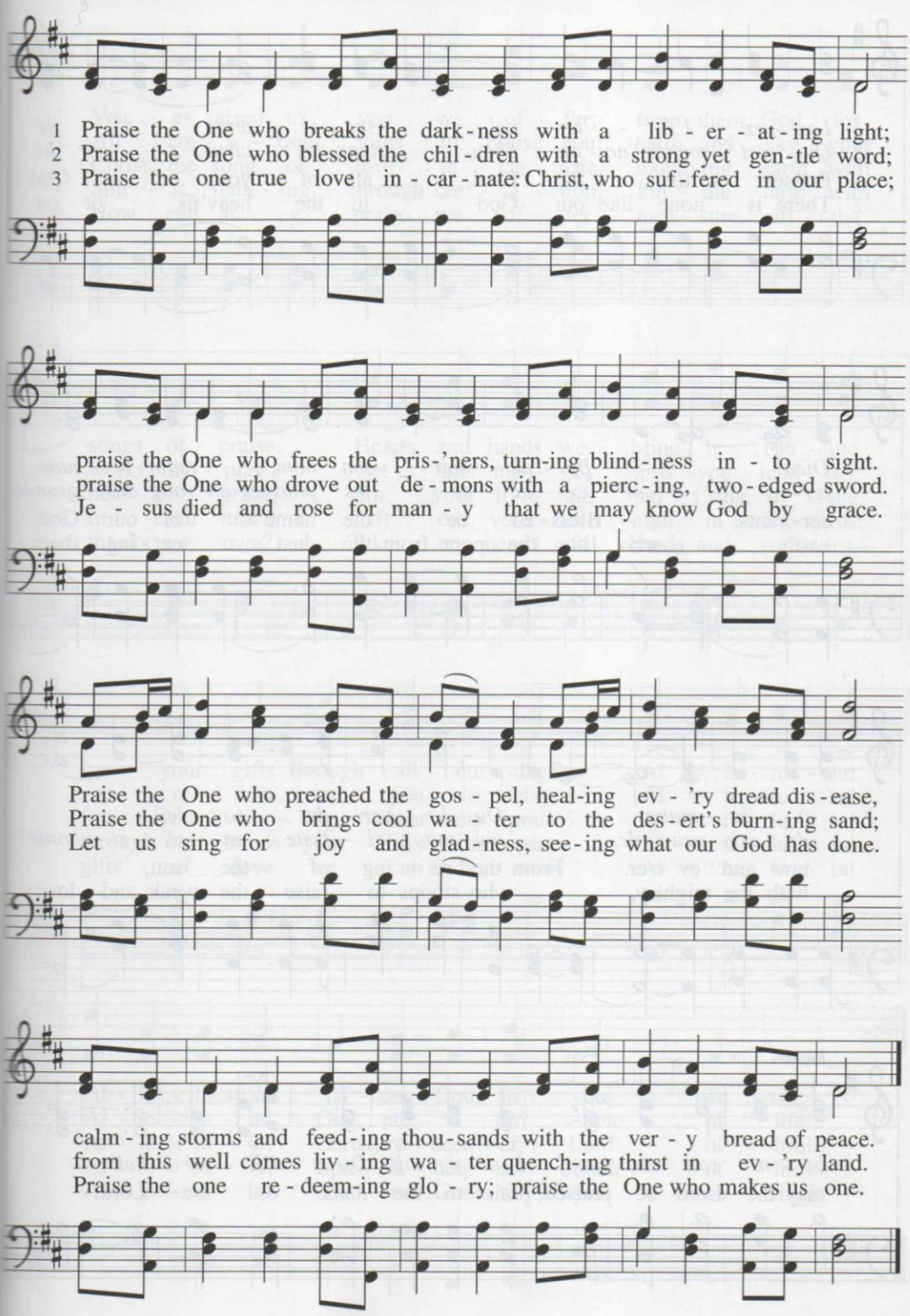
By Your Hand You Feed Your People 469



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