

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.

Pastor Elaine Hewes, Priest in Charge
The Rev. Stephen Hayward, Celebrant
Connie Mayo, Music Director

Pentecost Proper 27
November 10, 2024

The Gathering of the Community

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 find the courage to acknowledge the brutality and violence of our forebears who seized these lands, and may we be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, and for all creation.**

The bell is rung three times

Prelude: *Two Variations* Johann Pachelbel

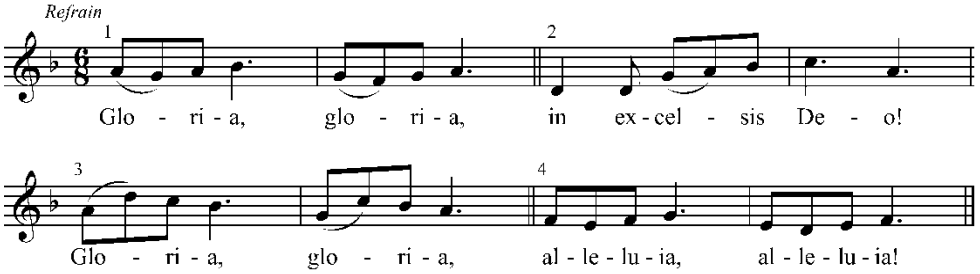
Silence is begun and ended with a ring of the bell

Opening Hymn 9 *Not here for high and holy things (verses 1-4, in back of bulletin)*

Opening Sentences
Celebrant: Blessed be the One who creates all things.
Congregation: **The Holy One's love is new every morning.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord.
Congregation: **Amen.**

Song of Paise: Gloria gloria, ***from*** **MHSO 9** ***(sing twice)***



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The Collect of the Day
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.
O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Congregation: **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson: First Book of Kings 17:8-16
The word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many

days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146
Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,
for there is no help in them.
When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help!
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;*
who keeps his promise for ever;
who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.

The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind;
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down.

The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger;
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The LORD shall reign for ever.
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: Letter to the Hebrews 9:24-28
Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 574 *Before thy throne, O God, we kneel (in back of bulletin)*

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Congregation: **Glory be to you, O Christ.**

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Stephen Hayward

Silence

Apostles Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
We believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
We 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 the People

Leader: Almighty God, we are so grateful for this day, for this time together, for this church you have given us to spread word of your love to the world. Strengthen us to offer that love to all we meet.

We are in a time of uncertainty, anxiety and concern for the well-being of our country. Show us how to hold this time with tenderness and compassion letting your light and love guide us.

Congregation: **For this we pray.**

Leader: Grant to those in authority in this world the wisdom to govern with justice and mercy. May service always take precedence over authority.

Congregation: **For this we pray.**

Leader: To our Presiding Bishop, Sean Rowe, grant wisdom, strength and courage to lead us, the Episcopal Church, into the next 9 years. We also ask you to encourage and support all priests, deacons and ministers of your church in their work of spreading the good news.

Congregation: **For this we pray.**

Leader: That those who are in need of healing body, mind, or spirit, those who are homeless or hungry, those who are addicted, those who are alone may come to know the power of your love to comfort and heal.

Congregation: **For this we pray.**

Leader: Receive those who have died, give peace to those who are dying. Give hope to all who mourn that those they love will live eternally in the presence of God.

Congregation: **For this we pray.**

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: Gracious God, your faithfulness preserves us. Grant that our lives might reflect that same faithfulness which Jesus, your Son shared with us, in whose name we pray.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Celebrant: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

Creator God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:
You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us.
We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family.
We desire to live in freedom and peace
yet build walls that deny others these same rights.
We accept your command to love our neighbors as ourselves,
but fail through our complicity and participation in systems
that oppress our neighbors.
Forgive us, Holy God.
Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.
Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation.

Restore us in your image to be the beloved community of Christ.
In the name of the Holy Spirit we pray.
Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Congregation: **Amen.**

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.**

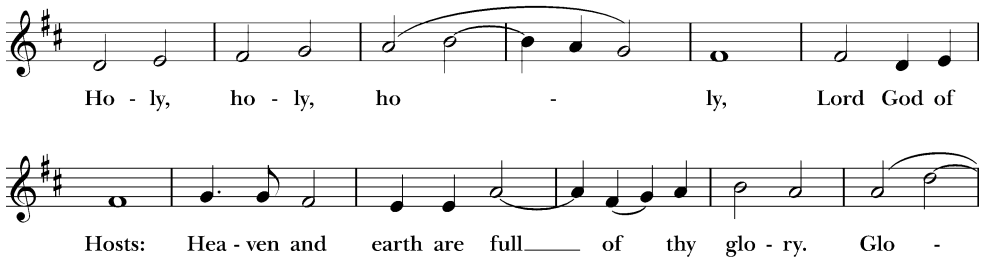
The people are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord.

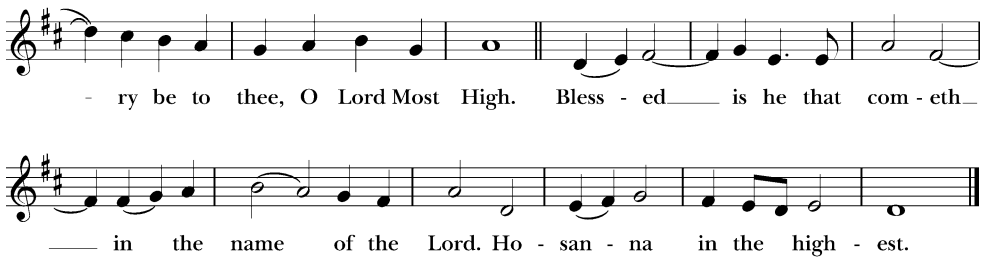
The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 609 *When cross the crowded ways of life (in back of bulletin)*

Eucharistic Prayer
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And 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: All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.
You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.
Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing with joy:

Sanctus S-114





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Celebrant continues: Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

"Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and Congregation:

Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People: **Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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 with those who are worshiping with us remotely we pray.
Celebrant and Congregation: **Gathered in the name of Jesus, whether we are here or on Zoom, we are united by the power of the Holy Spirit. We acknowledge the Holy Sacrament of communion and the fullness of Christ's presence in the gifts of the bread and the wine. Called together as a community of faith from far and wide, we know nothing can separate us from each other as we offer our thanksgiving and praise.**

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
God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all of creation. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Hymn 686 *Come, thou fount of every blessing (in back of bulletin)*

Postlude: *F Major Prelude* J. G. Albrechtsberger

Announcements

Dismissal

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Prayers of the People written by Rev. Emily Blair Stribling.

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

Sunday, November 10	4:00 p.m. Celtic Eventide 5:00 p.m. Turkey Dinner at the Deer Isle Sunset Congregational Church
Monday, November 11	4:30p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)
Wednesday, November 13	10:30 a.m. Bible Study 12:30 p.m. Outreach Ministry meeting (Zoom) 4:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
Sunday, November 17	10:00 a.m. Eucharist with Pastor Elaine Hewes presiding

GPS (Giving our Priorities Shape) Action

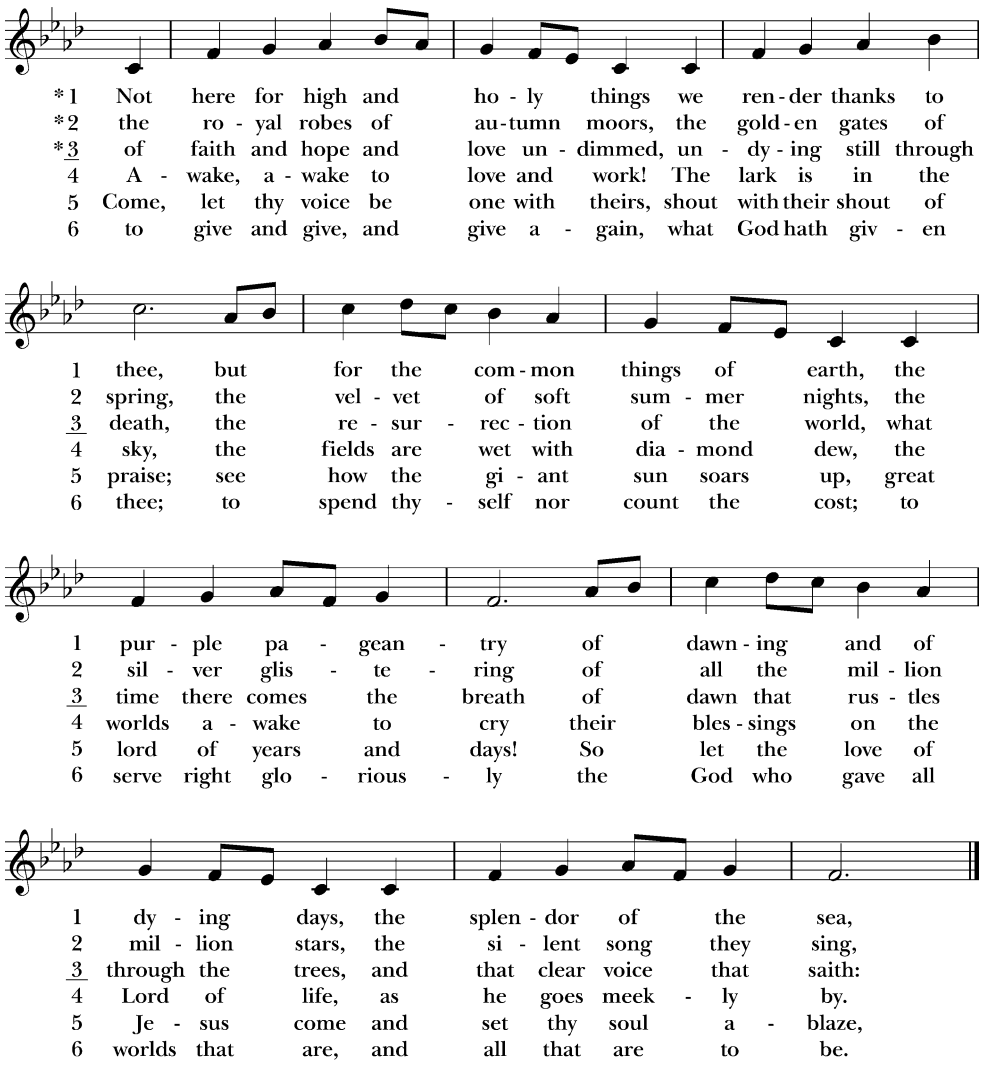
Veterans Day 2024

As Thanksgiving approaches, it is appropriate to take a moment to remember Veterans Day, that "other November holiday," which honors all men and women who have served in the Armed Forces, regardless of rank, branch, or number of years in uniform. The holiday dates to shortly after the end of World War I in 1918. Originally known as Armistice Day, it is always celebrated on November 11, when that especially tragic conflict ended. In the 1950's, the holiday officially became Veterans Day to honor all Americans who served, whether in war or peacetime.

Today, while the great majority of citizens have never served, there are many ways to honor those who have. Whether surprising a vet in line at a Dunkin' drive-thru by picking up the tab, slipping a note of thanks under the wipers on a vet's windshield, or just saying thanks while in line at the grocery, all such gestures are most appreciated, whether the recipient is a longtime friend or a complete stranger. In our perilous times, we owe it to our veterans to be always aware that these men and women are those who - often at great personal cost – have helped preserve the freedoms we enjoy.
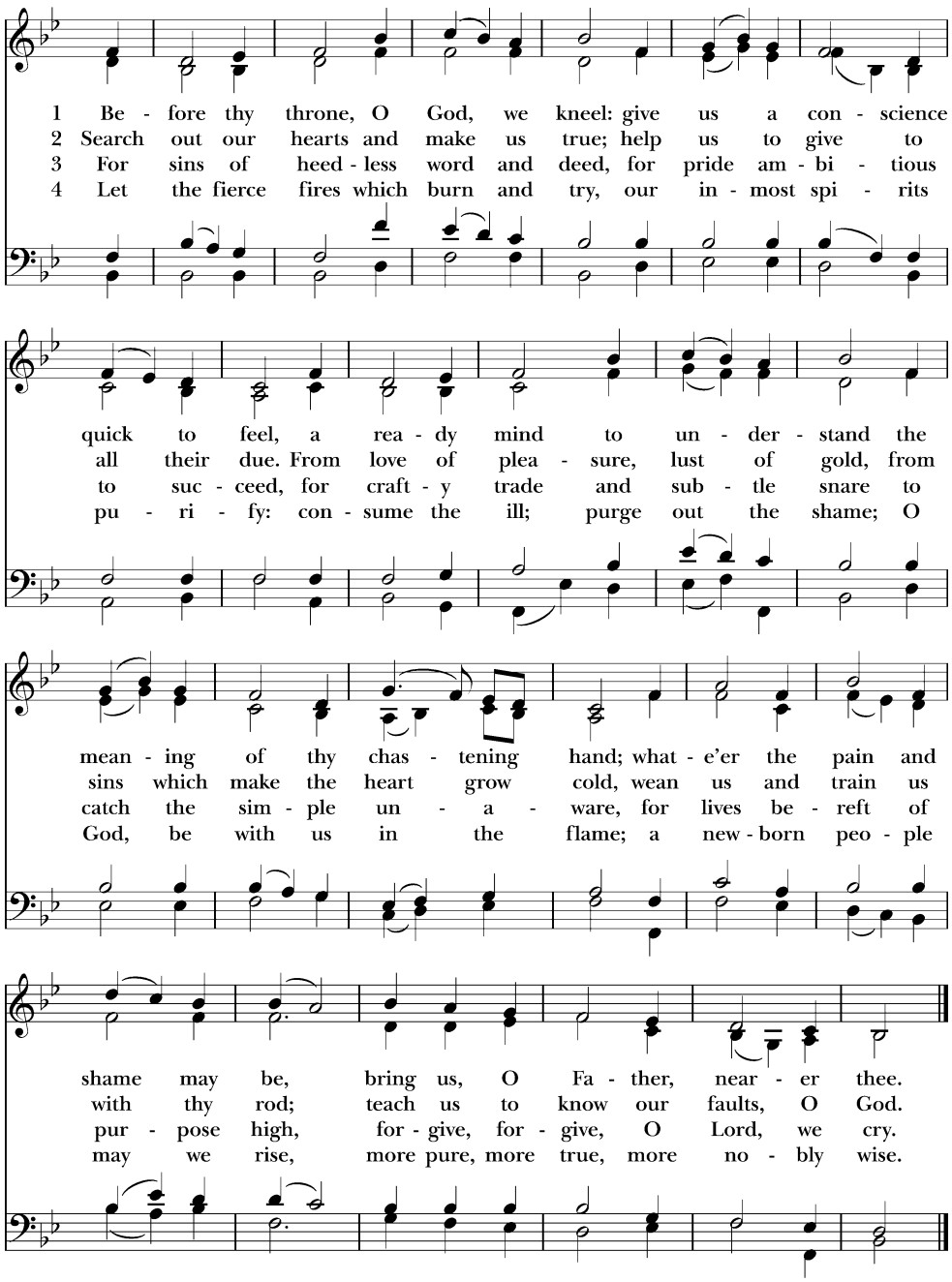
For further information about organizations that serve Veterans, especially with housing for homeless or at-risk men and women veterans and their families, you are invited to visit the website of Volunteers of America Northern New England (voanne.org) based in Brunswick, ME, or the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services Facebook page.

Not here for high and holy things *The Hymnal 1982,* #9
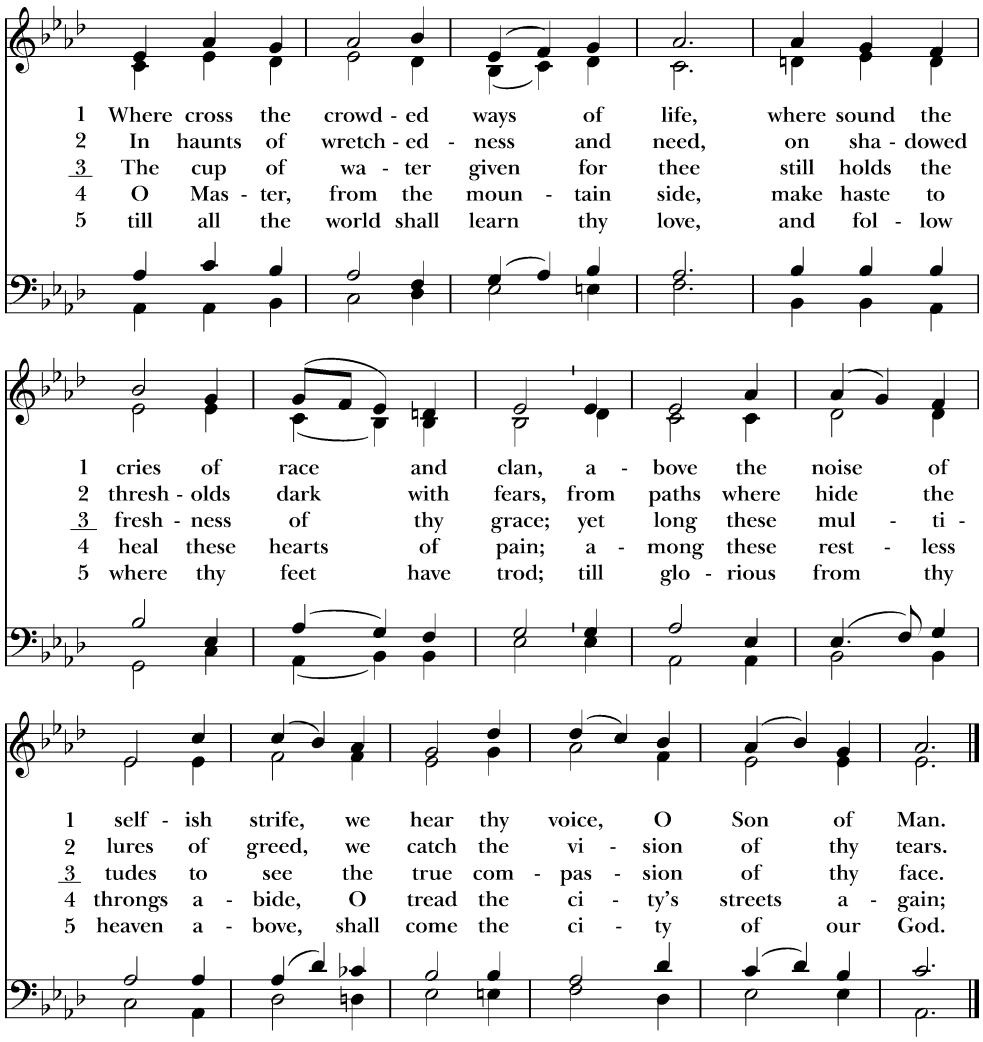


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Before thy throne, O God, we kneel *The Hymnal 1982*, #574
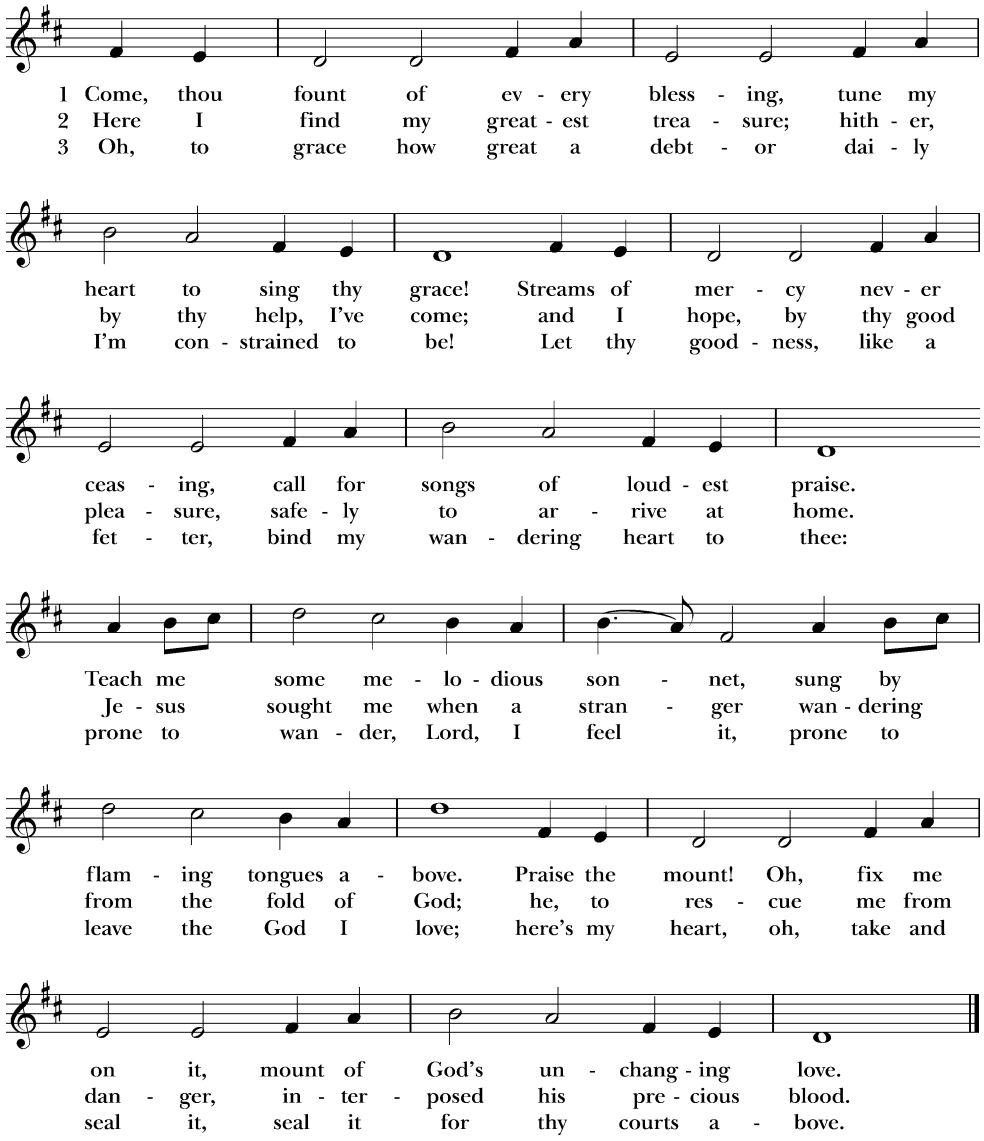


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Where cross the crowded ways of life *The Hymnal 1982,* #609



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Come, thou fount of every blessing *The Hymnal 1982,* #686



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