

ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR

Deer Isle Maine

Pastor Elaine Hewes, Priest in Charge and Celebrant

Connie Mayo, Music Director

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Pentecost Proper 9

July 6, 2025

Celebrant: We acknowledge that the land we now occupy is the ancestral home of the Wabanaki People. We grieve the history of greed and violence that led to their loss of life, land, language and culture.

Congregation: **We pray for the courage to find ways to support our indigenous neighbors who still face injustice and prejudice. May we always remember, as do the Wabanaki peoples, that the Earth does not belong to us; rather, we belong to the Earth.**

The bell is rung three times before the Prelude

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: *Vocalise* Serge Rachmaninoff

Silence is begun and ended with a ring of the bell.

Opening Hymn: ELW 887 *This is my Song (in back of bulletin)*

Opening Sentences

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Congregation: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**
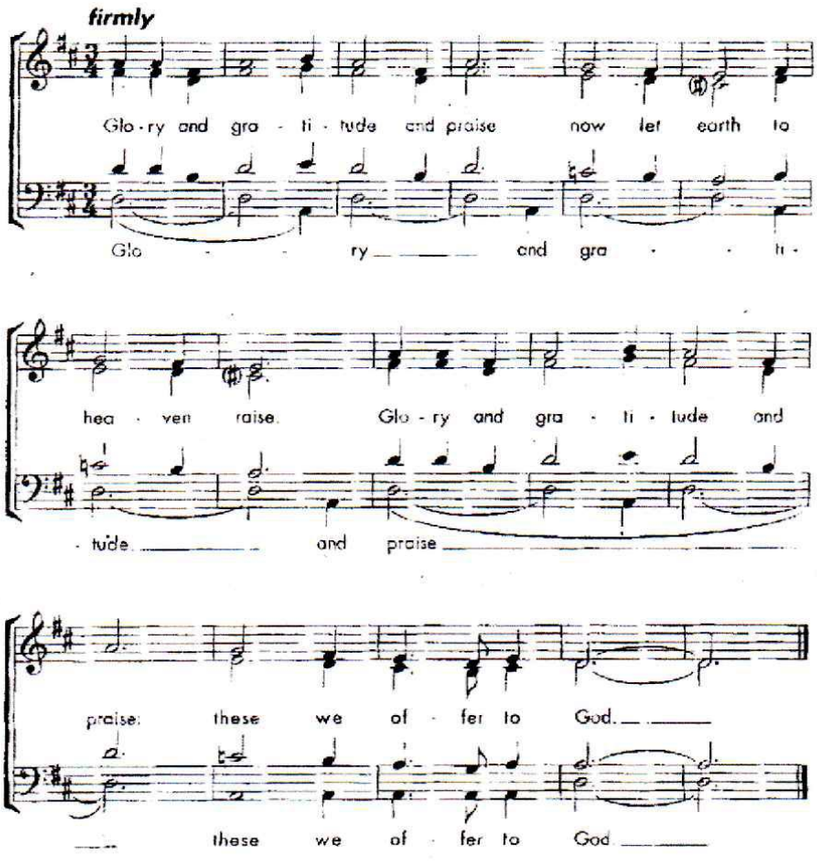
Celebrant: God of grace,

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 *(next page)*

Glory and gratitude

Words: John L. Bell & Graham Maule
Music: John L. Bell



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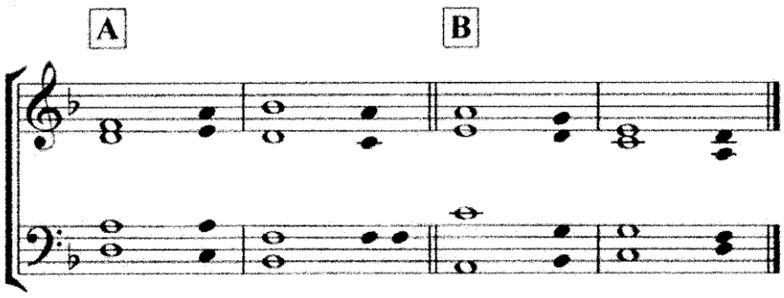
The Collect of the Day
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.
O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Congregation: **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson: Second Book of Kings 5:1-14
Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."
He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."
But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He

turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, `Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.
Hear what the Spirit is saying
Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 30



I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up *
and did not let my foes rejoice over me. ‖
O Lord, my God, I cried to you for help, *
and you have healed me.

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, *
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. ‖
Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, *
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment; *
his favor is for a lifetime. ‖
Weeping may linger for the night, *
but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said in my pros-perity, *
"I shall never be moved." ‖
By your favor, O Lord, *
you had established me as a strong mountain.

You hid your face; *
I was dis-mayed. ‖
To you, O Lord, I cried, *
and to the Lord I made suppli-cation:

What profit is there in my death, *
if I go down to the Pit? ‖
Will the dust praise you? *
Will it tell of your faithfulness?

A Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! *
O Lord, be my helper!" *[back to A]*
A You have turned my mourning into dancing; *
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, ‖
B so that my heart may praise you and not be silent. *
O Lord, my God, I will give thanks to you for-ever.

Second Lesson: Letter to the Galatians 6:1-16
My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.
Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.
Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.
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Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke
Congregation: **Glory to you, O Christ**
The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, `Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, `The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, `Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."
The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."
Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon Pastor Elaine Hewes

(Be prepared to refer to a set of lyrics in back of bulletin during the sermon)

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

God of joyous love, hear our prayers and be swift to answer us as we say, ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Embolden your church. Let it seek to bring the healing power of the living Christ to a wounded world. Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: In our nation grant courage to those who stand for the equality of all persons and who advocate justice for all. Strengthen us to stand up and speak out against all efforts to dehumanize others, especially those on the margins of our society. Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Strengthen the faith of those gathered here today that we might be encouraged in the work you have called us to, even in these uncertain and frightening times. Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We offer thanksgiving for the rich bounty of your creation. Guide us in working to ensure its abundance is shared equitably and sustainably. Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Relieve the suffering of those impacted by illness, despair, hunger, war and violence, and grant them a share in the peace which passes understanding. Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Embrace the dying in your eternal love, shroud them with your grace, and grant them entrance into the place of light and life at your side. Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Please offer your prayers and thanksgivings at this time

All are invited to add their own prayers here.

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

Leader and Congregation: **Throughout history, you have empowered your people to make your love manifest in the lives of those who have known suffering. Empower us today to be agents of your love and heralds of your gospel to a world in need of both; and all this we ask through our Lord, Jesus, who is your Christ and who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit eternally. Amen.**

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

Silence

Have mercy upon us, most merciful <u>God</u>;
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.**

Recognition of those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries or other events in July

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.

<u>The Holy Eucharist</u>
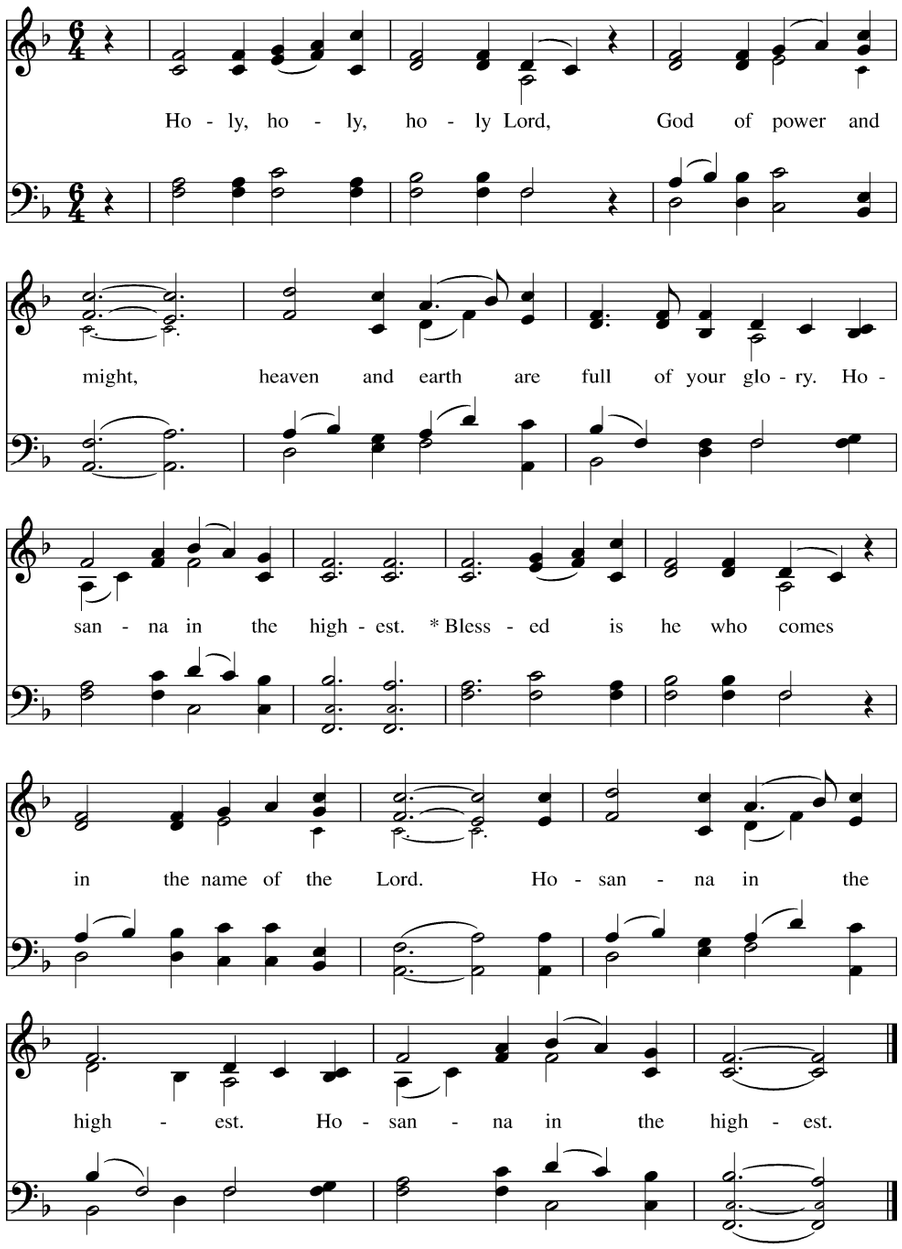
Offertory Hymn: 493 *O for a thousand tongues to sing (in back of bulletin)*

Eucharistic Prayer *Enriching our Worship #1*
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: 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: WLP 858



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.

Fraction Anthem
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. United by the power of the Holy Spirit in our midst, we acknowledge the Holy Sacrament of communion and the fullness of Christ's presence in the gifts of the bread and the wine and in countless other ways in our lives. As a community of faith, nothing can separate us from the love of God nor are we separated from one another.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God …

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

Celebrant: 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.

The Blessing

Sending Hymn 719 *America the Beautiful (in back of bulletin)*

Postlude: *Voluntary on America the Beautiful* Alan Flowers

Announcements

Dismissal

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GIVING OUR PRIORITIES SHAPE (GPS) ACTION ITEM

Love Thy Neighbor

During the month of July, our focus will be on the Deer Isle Community, and in general, the ways we can reach out to our neighbors in love and support, both those we know well and those we need to get to know better.

A couple of local organizations could use our support:

The Garden Project (thegardenprojectme.org) hosts a Saturday Café/Market from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on July 5, 12, 19, 26, and August 2, on the road to the Stonington Transfer Station.

"Please join us and be part of our learning and growing experience. Peer to Peer, youth-run Garden to Table Café, plus a Maker's Market featuring our makers along with gifts from local artisans. Our gifts are given freely; there are no set prices, and we invite you to decide the value you receive. All proceeds go directly to paying their internship stipend, our ending camping trip, and the supplies we need to make the Internship and the Saturday Café a reality."

Healthy Island Project needs help at their booth at the Friday Farmer's Market, delivering meals to Seniors, in their Community Garden, and more. Call: 207-367-6332 or visit their website at healthyislandproject.org/give for more information.

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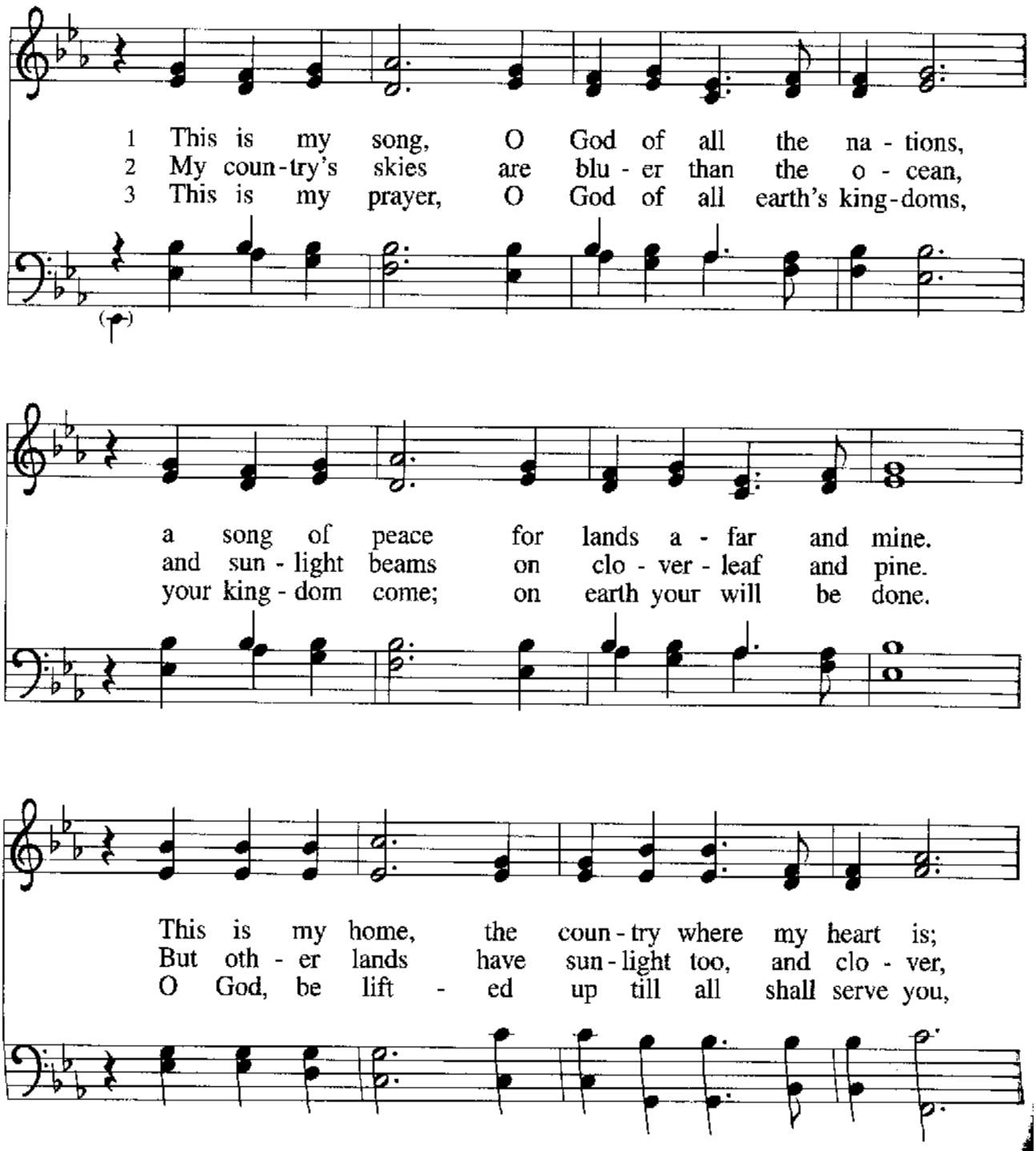
All services and meetings will be held both in-person and via Zoom unless otherwise designated.

Monday, July 7	4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)
Wednesday, July 9	10:00 a.m. In Person Meditation/Silent Prayer 10:30 a.m. First session: Philosophy of Love led by Prof. Peter Antich 4:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
Saturday, July 12	9:00 a.m. Women's Breakfast, Stonecutters Kitchen 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Susan Wade
Sunday, July 13	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Elaine Hewes, Celebrant and The Rev. Barbara Lundblad preaching

Looking Ahead

Wednesdays July 16, 23 and 30
10:30 a.m. Continuation of sessions on Philosophy of Love led by Prof. Peter Antich

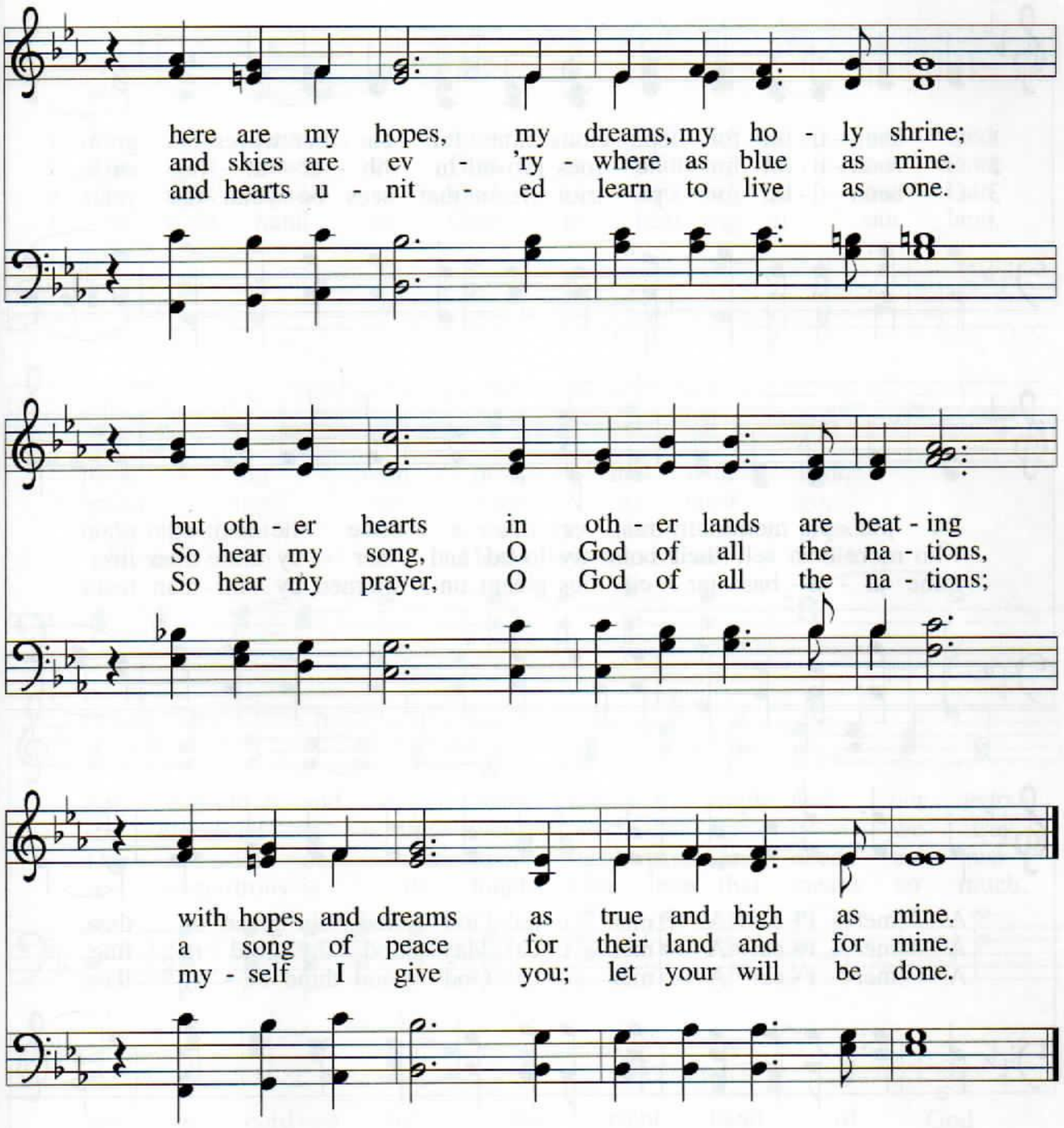
887 This Is My Song



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Music: Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957

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here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.
but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give you; let your will be done.

SONGS TO BE SUNG DURING THE SERMON

(THREE PAGES)

Disciples' Traveling Song (sung to the tune of "Yankee Doodle")

Jesus' disciples went to town
With nothing in their pockets,
Nothing on their resumes
Or on their official dockets….
Jesus sent them out in pairs
To bring the kingdom news
Sent them out without a bag
Or comfy walking shoes….

Out they went with only love
Through every vale and town
With news to turn things inside-out
And also up-side down.
Out they went with only love
To guide their hands and feet,
Telling of God's graciousness
To everyone they'd meet…

And would you know, their song did sing,
Their message it did nourish,
Bringing light to places dark
And causing hope to flourish.
Out they went into the world
With a song quite odd
'bout the up-side down-side ways
Inside the heart of God.
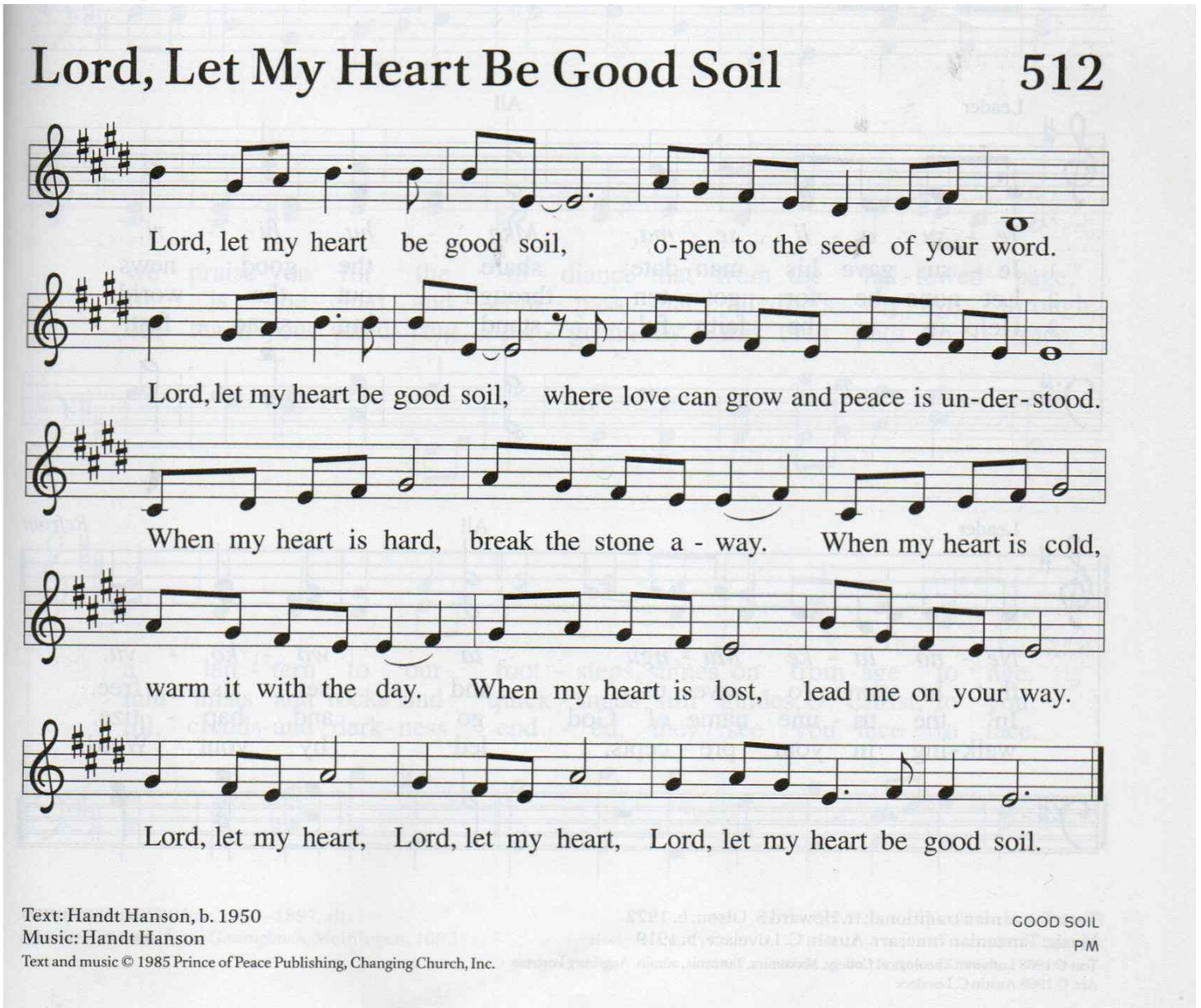
Disciples' Lullaby (Sung to the tune of "Hush Little Baby")

Hush little baby, don't be afraid,
You're living in a world that God has made.
And if that world seems it's coming to an end,
You can go looking for a real good friend.
And if that friend should move to France,
you can go to school and learn to dance.
And if your feet won't move like they should,
You can wear a halo and try to be good.
And if that halo falls off your head,
You can try your luck with duct tape instead.
And if that tape won't hold things secure,
You can go looking for a brand new cure.
And if that cure doesn't fix what's wrong,
You can start listening for God's sweet song.
Even if you're weary, even if you're old,
Even if it feels like your heart's turned to mold,
Even if the day is nothing but rain,
In God's sweet song you'll hear your name.
So hush my loved one, don't you cry,
Even if you're empty, even if you're dry,
For in the driest, emptiest place,
You will come to see Love
face to face.

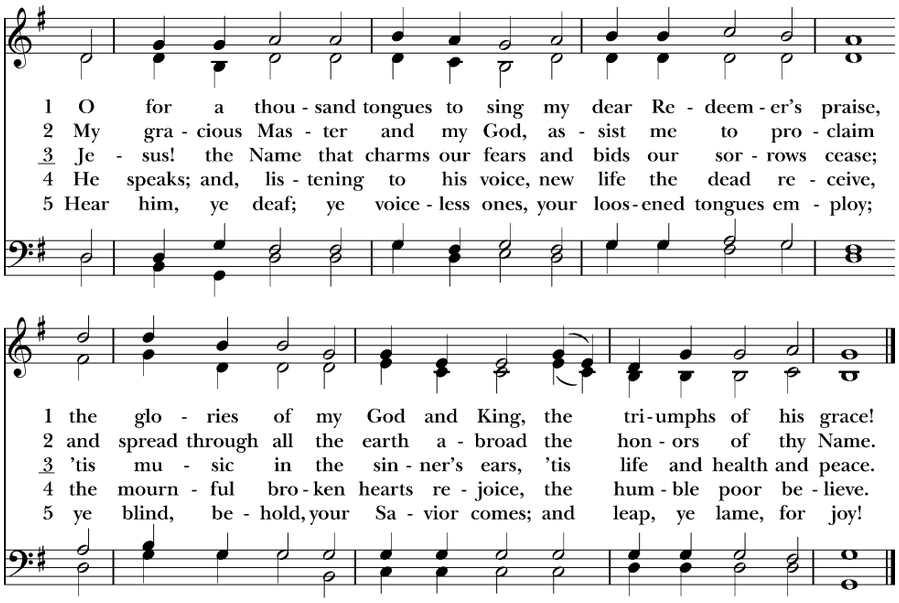
Disciples' Theme Song (Sung to the tune of "Take me out to the Ballgame")

When the dark seems to threaten,
When the door is closed tight,
One little word will sound bright as day
Opening the door so that we have a way
To live life with hearts fully open
Trusting that God's ever near,
'Cause it's love, grace, mercy and hope
That dispel all fear.

Disciples' Traveling Prayer
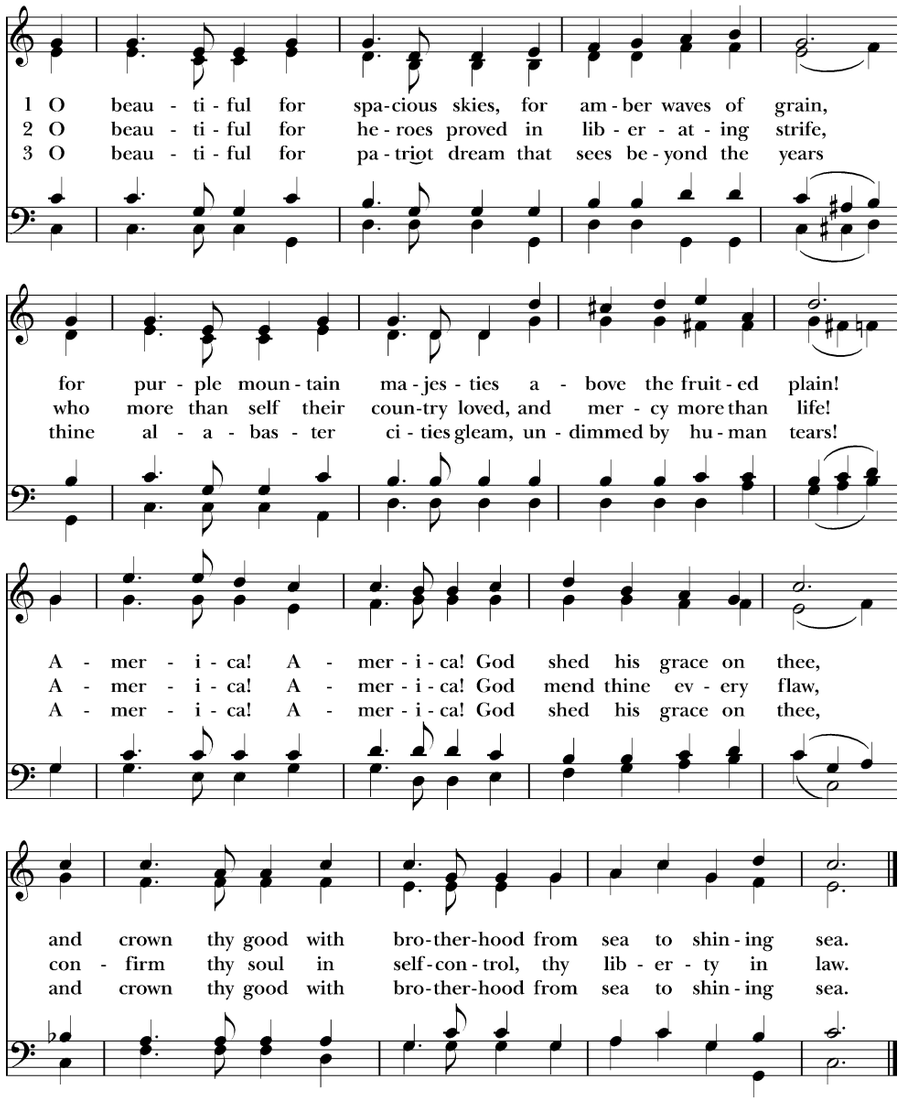


O for a thousand tongues to sing *The Hymnal 1982,* #493



6 Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

O beautiful for spacious skies *The Hymnal 1982,* #719



Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929), alt. Music: *Materna*, Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903).

Our Values

These are our **values** at St. Brendan the Navigator Episcopal Church.
We will:
Welcome others with **respect** and **compassion**;
Listen to others with **trust** and **appreciation**;
Seek God's goodness in each person;
Strive for **consensus** and work **collaboratively**;
Join in acts of **loving kindness**;
Share our faith joyfully across the generations;
Engage as many of our **parishioners** as possible, **year-round**,
in our common life and ministries;
Learn from our past and look to the future with **hope**.