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June 12, 2022
Trinity Sunday

Welcome and Announcements **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

Let us open our hearts and minds to the rhythm of the gathering music as it centers us in God's presence for worship.

Prelude "Arioso" GUSTAV MERKEL

***Gathering Words** **Rev. Erin Guzmán**
*The * in the liturgy indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

God, who created the fields of Eden,
takes delight in all things, including us!
God of glory, God of grace,
your name is exalted in all the earth!

Christ, who walked the streets of our world,
gives hope to all people, including us!
God of glory, God of grace,
your Son is Savior of all creation!

God's Spirit, who stays in our hearts,
bears truth and peace to us!
God of glory, God of grace,
your love surrounds our every moment.

***Opening Prayer** **Rev. Erin Guzmán**

Holy God, Creation's Artist:
we stand in awe before the wonders of our world.
Open our imagination,
Inspire us
Through beauty and colors,
the manifold forms of life.

Jesus Christ, Gateway to grace:
you make right
what we have messed up;
you build your kin-dom
on the foundation of our faltering faith;
you stand with us
in the midst of our suffering.
Draw us into your ways.

Holy Spirit, Playmate of justice:
you splash through
even the murky places of our lives
leading us to the Table,
to nourishment and transformation.
Open our hearts to hope and new life today.
God in community, in your name we pray. Amen.

***Gathering Hymn No. 25** "O Lord, Our God, How Excellent" WINCHESTER OLD

Call to Confession **Rev. Erin Guzmán**

Created as stewards of all creation, we know how often we have sunk to depths of faithless living. We lack the stamina to follow Christ into God's new kin-dom and ignore the Spirit's calls to justice. Yet, God looks into our souls and sees the delight of God's heart. Let us join in prayer to the One who does not disappoint us...

Prayer of Confession **Rev. Erin Guzmán**

God of glory, grace and Wisdom,
you call to us, but we do not listen.
We trust in the emptiness of the world
but are reluctant to hope in your Word.
We boast in our successes
but ignore the sufferings of others.
Justice is what we demand for lawbreakers
not always embracing it as a lifestyle for ourselves.

Compassionate Mother,
have mercy on us.
Beloved Child,
have mercy on us.
Life-Giving Womb,
have mercy on us.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness **Rev. Erin Guzmán**

Poured into our hearts, God's love gives us new life and hope.
Touched by the fingers of God, we are restored to new life.
This is good news! God loves us, God forgives us, God calls us to service!
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Musical Response **"**Cantabile" CESAR CUI

Prayer of Illumination **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

First Scripture Reading Psalm 8

[1]O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
[2]Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.
[3]When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;

[4]what are humans that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?
[5]Yet you have made them a little lower than God
and crowned them with glory and honor.
[6]You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
[7]all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
[8]the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

[9]O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Scripture Reading **John 16:12-15**

12"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. **13**When the Spirit of truth comes, she will guide you into all the truth, for she will not speak on her own but will speak whatever she hears, and she will declare to you the things that are to come. **14**The Spirit will glorify me because she will take what is mine and declare it to you. **15**All that the Creator has is mine. For this reason I said that she will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Reflections from Alums – The Work of the Spirit in Our Lives

Affirmation of the Gifts of the Spirit **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

Though we bring different gifts, it is the same Spirit who makes them alive in us.
There are so many ways to serve the call of Love.
None of us are without something to bring to the work of the common good.

To one, the Spirit gives discerning wisdom
and to another, the strength to weep for all that is being lost,
to another, an unshakable belief in the potential of transformation,
to another, a soft presence that holds space for healing,
to another, a fire that inspires and compels,

to another, the courage to name and unveil,
to another, humor that upholds us,
to another, a curiosity that bridges,
to another still, the gift for telling stories – ancient, fresh, intimate, and collective.

For just as the body is one and has many members,
and just as all the members of the body, though many, are one body,
so it is with Christ.

For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—
we are different in culture, social location, backgrounds, bodies, and beliefs
but we were all made to drink of one Spirit who calls us to collapse power-over among us.

Our baptism does not condone hierarchies.
It calls upon us to bring about the dreams of God on earth—
where all is held in rightful balance,
none oppressed or confined, and all with access to what is needed to flourish.

May it be so. Amen.

***Hymn No. 282** "Come Down, O Love Divine" DOWN AMPNEY

Sharing of Joys and Concerns **Rev. Erin Guzmán**

Prayer of the People **Rev. Erin Guzmán**

We pray in the name of Jesus the Christ who taught us to pray together:

Our God in heaven, holy is your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours.
Now and forever. Amen.

*** Closing Hymn No. 263** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" CORONATION

***Benediction** **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

Postlude "*Allegroi vivo*, from Sonata in E major for cello" FRANCOIS FRANCOEUR

The service continues with fellowship.



To continue to assure the safety of all, the offering plate is located in the back of the sanctuary. If you are moved to support our ministry, we invite you to place your gifts in the plate.

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You may also go on-line through our website by clicking on the "GIVE NOW" button at the bottom of the Home Page.

Your generosity helps us to fulfill our calling to engage in God's transformative mission in our community.

*Note: The prayers were adapted from Rev. Thom Schuman. The Affirmation of the Gifts of the Spirit was adapted from *Enfleshed: Liturgy that Matters.*

Music:	Drums, Piano	Divine Gbagbo
	Cello	Emily Grissing
	Organ	Ken Shafer
Tech. Assistant/Event Steward		Greg Barbu
Sunday Assistant		Linda Barbu
Flowers		Sandy Schmidt
Refreshments		Judy Mowrer

Emily Grissing, cello, is thrilled to be returning for another season with the Ohio Light Opera. She was captivated by live classical professional music at age two and immediately dove into a life dedicated to in-depth study and performance of music. She has held professional cello positions since age 22, and has participated in prestigious music festivals, including the Aspen Music Festival, the National Repertory Orchestra, the Eastern Music Festival, the National Orchestral Institute, and Opera in the Ozarks. Emily is currently a section cellist in the Winston-Salem Symphony (NC) and Symphony Orchestra of Augusta (SOA) (GA), also rotating to playing Principal and Assistant Principal Cello with SOA. She has played in other orchestras throughout NC and SC--notably the Greenville (SC) and Fayetteville (NC) Symphonies--as well as freelancing throughout the Piedmont region of North Carolina. Close to Emily's heart is sharing music with others through performance, mentoring and teaching.

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, June 15
- Benevolence Committee Meeting – 5:15 pm – The Lounge

Thursday, June 16
- Westminster Book Club – 7:00 pm – Zoom

Saturday, June 25
- Service of Witness to the Resurrection of David & Marty Moldstad

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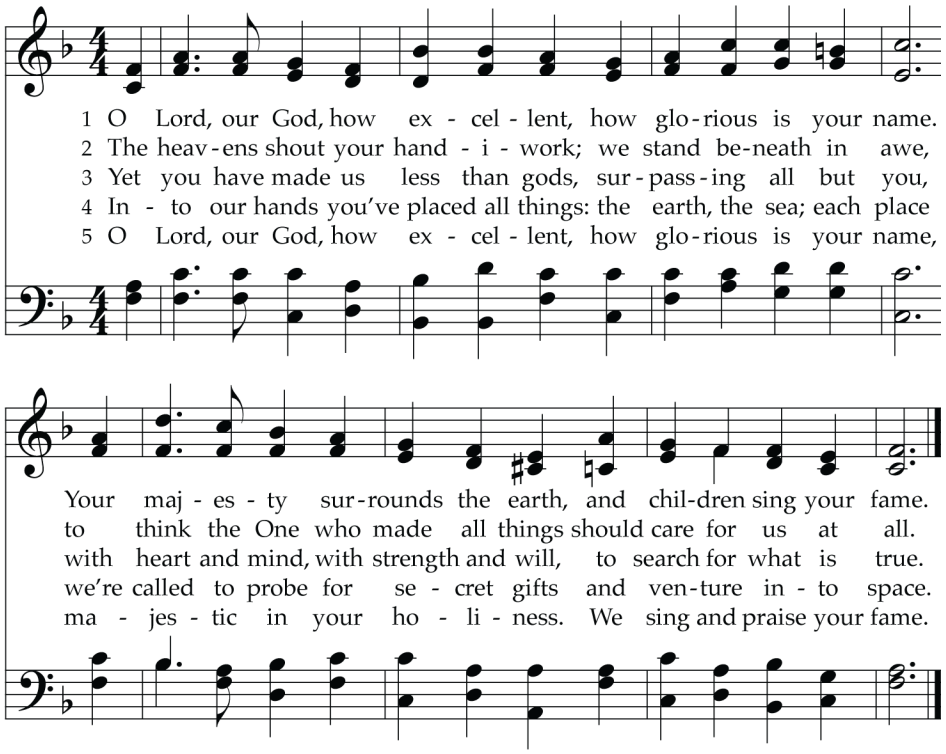
Pastor Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy
Office Administrator Judy Mowrer
Minister of Music and Worship Arts Dr. Divine Gbagbo
Worship Accompanist Ken Shafer
AV Assistant/Event Steward. Tony Mendiola
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O Lord, Our God, How Excellent 25

(Psalm 8)
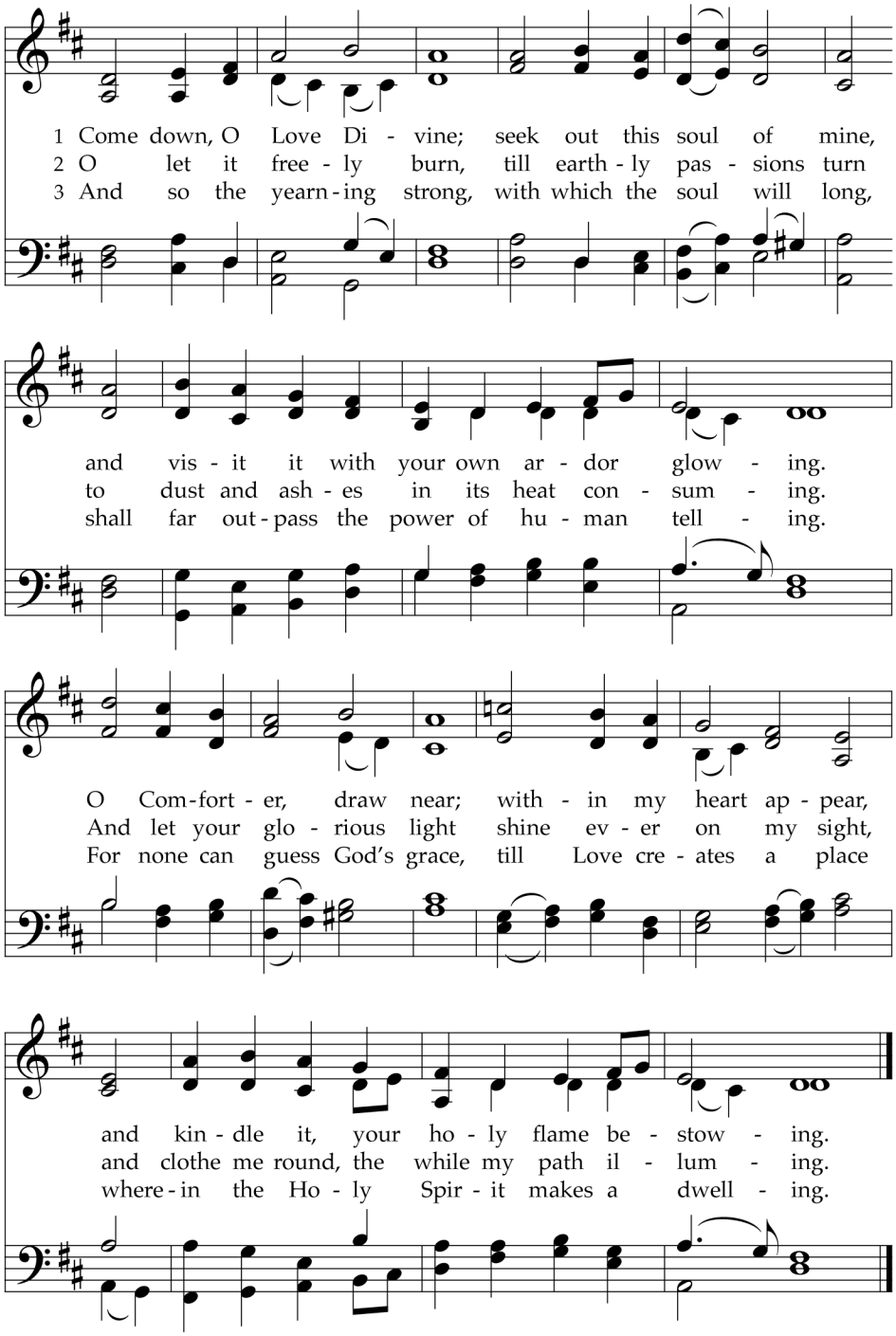


The middle stanzas of this paraphrase of Psalm 8 probe the ancient but enduring paradox of declaring the grandeur of God's creation while realizing how small mortals are in the midst of it all. These words are set to one of the most durable 18th-century English psalm tunes.

TEXT: Fred R. Anderson, 1986
MUSIC: Este's *Psalmes*, 1592; harm. George Kirbye, 1592
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GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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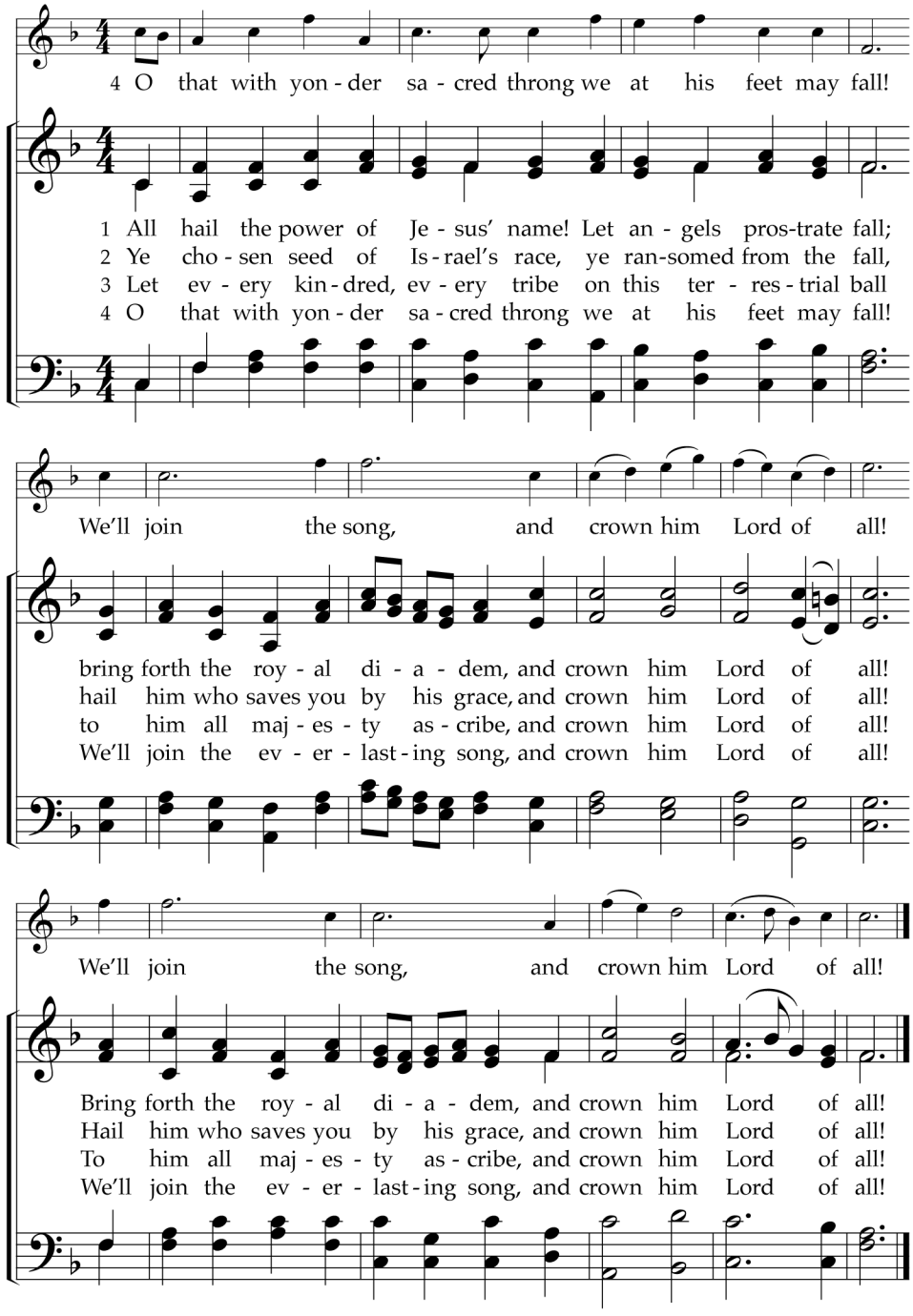


This *lauda spirituale*, a kind of vernacular Italian sacred song from the late Middle Ages and Renaissance, was translated into English in the 19th century but received little notice until this tune (named for the composer's birthplace) was created for *The English Hymnal*.

TEXT: Bianco da Siena, c. 1367; trans. Richard Frederick Littledale, 1867, alt.
MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant



This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–3, Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780; stanzas 2–3, alt. John Rippon, 1787; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787 CORONATION
MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793; desc. Michael E. Young, 1979 8.6.8.6.8.6
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