Westminster
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August 14, 2022
10th Sunday after Pentecost

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 "Sonatina in C major" MUZIO CLEMENTI

***Gathering Words)** **Lemoine Peart**
*The * in the liturgy indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

God of Love, we need you now.
Teach us to love those we have learned to hate,
to love you, even in those we despise.

God of Peace, we need you now.
Teach us how to reconcile,
to speak when we are silenced,
to give up power when our power
renders others powerless or mute.

God of Joy, we need you now!
Receive our burdens, they are many.
Lift our spirits, they are weighed down.

God of Life, we need you now.
Grant us grace where shame restricts us.
Grant us life where pain takes hold.
Grant us wisdom when we would settle for easy answers.
Grant us love, rooted in the eternal,
the living, in you!

God bless us as we gather,
In the name of the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

***Gathering Hymn No. 24** "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" HOLY MANNA

Call to Confession **Juli-Douglass-Gillespie**

Our sins and shortcomings are not permanent obstacles to God. Grace and forgiveness are freely given. Let us take this opportunity to humbly approach our God and confess our sins. Let us pray together. . .

Prayer of Confession **Juli Douglass-Gillespie**

Christ calls us to stand with the least and the last,
to proclaim God's love and peace for all,
but we cling to power and privilege.
We fail to follow where Christ leads.
In pain and in fear, we have come to believe that God's Love is a myth,
an impossibility, an unreachable pie in the sky.
We give in and sow division.
We make excuses for our silence in the face of oppression,
for our ignorance or lack of action.

Forgive us, God.
Remove our fear.
Free us to love.
Help us risk following where Christ calls. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness **Juli Douglass-Gillespie**

In Christ, we find God dwelling among us,
walking with us on our way.
In flesh, Christ knows our struggle.

Through the cross, God knows our pain.
Christ is within us and among us.

In Christ, our fear and our shame is removed.
In Christ we are forgiven.
We receive God's grace and love,
And a desire to proclaim the gospel of peace.
Amen.

Musical Response **"**Minuet in C major" WOLFGANG A. MOZART

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

Scripture Reading Luke 12: 49-56 **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

(Common English Bible translation)

49 "I came to cast fire upon the earth. How I wish that it was already ablaze! 50 I have a baptism I must experience. How I am distressed until it's completed! 51 Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, I have come instead to bring division. 52 From now on, a household of five will be divided—three against two and two against three.

53 Father will square off against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; and mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

54 Jesus also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud forming in the west, you immediately say, 'It's going to rain.' And indeed, it does. 55 And when a south wind blows, you say, 'A heat wave is coming.' And it does. 56 Hypocrites! You know how to interpret conditions on earth and in the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret the present time?

Sermon **The Gospel of Peace** **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

***Hymn No. 753** "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns **Juli Douglass-Gillespie & Lemoine Peart**

Prayer of the People **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ with the words that you 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. 450** "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

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

Postlude "Chorale and Fugue," FELIX MENDELSSOHN
From, Sonata for Organ in d minor

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.

GIVE NOW

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.

* The Gathering Words and the Assurance of Forgiveness were adapted from Liturgies from Below: Praying with People at the End of the World, ed. by. Cláudio Carvalhaes, p. 320-321.
* Hymns are from the Glory to God Hymnal.

Music:	Piano	Bob Iams
	Organ, Piano	Ken Shafer

Tech. Assistant/Event Steward	Tony Mendiola
Sunday Assistant	Lemoine Peart
Flowers	Lemoine Peart
Refreshments	

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Upcoming Events

Thursday, August 18
- Westminster Book Group – 7:00 pm – Zoom

Saturday, August 20
- COW Move-In Day

  COW UPDATE August 2: The college has issued the following Masking Requirement:
  > "Out of an abundance of caution, while we have an influx of people moving back to campus this fall, well-fitting, high quality masks will be required in all public spaces by all students, employees, and guests from August 17 to August 30."

Sunday, August 21
- Worship Service – 10:00 am – Mackey Hall

Wednesday, August 24
- Session Meeting – 6:30 pm – The Lounge

Saturday, August 27
- Break the Cycle Event – Check-In 6:30 am – Wayne Co Fairgrounds

Sunday, August 28
- Worship Service – 10:00 am – Mackey Hall
- Shuck and Stuff – 11:00 am – Mackey Hall
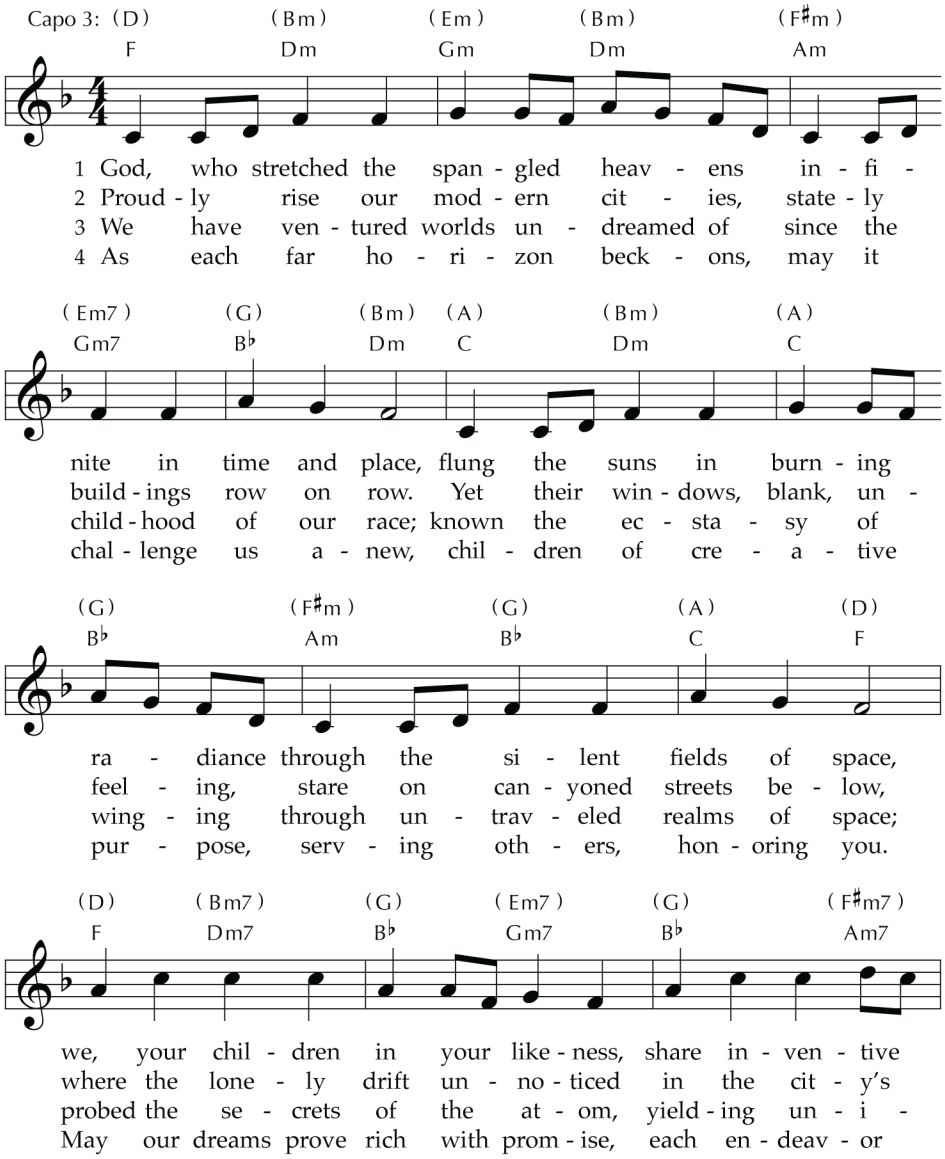
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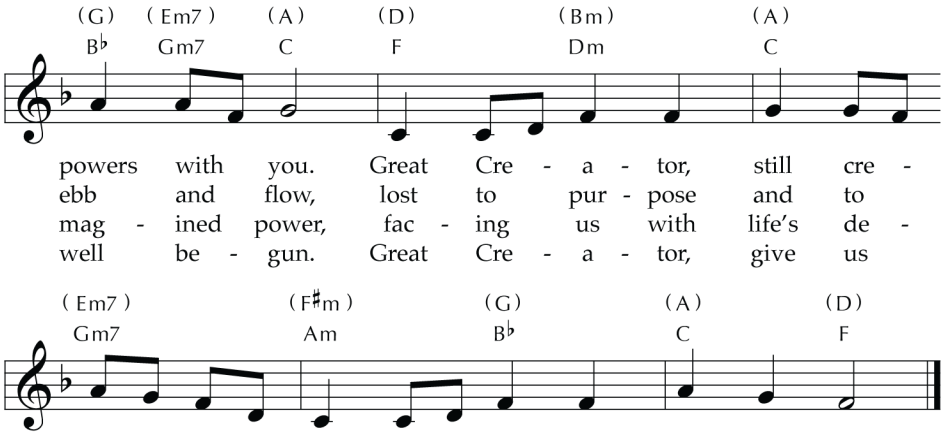
24 God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens



The crux of this text comes in the second stanza: if we dare to claim God-given abilities, we need also to show God-like compassion for the human needs that confront us daily. The earthy shape note tune provides a further reminder that we must not lose our heads in the clouds.

TEXT: Catherine Cameron, 1967, alt.
MUSIC: Attr. William Moore, 1825; harm. Charles Anders, 1969
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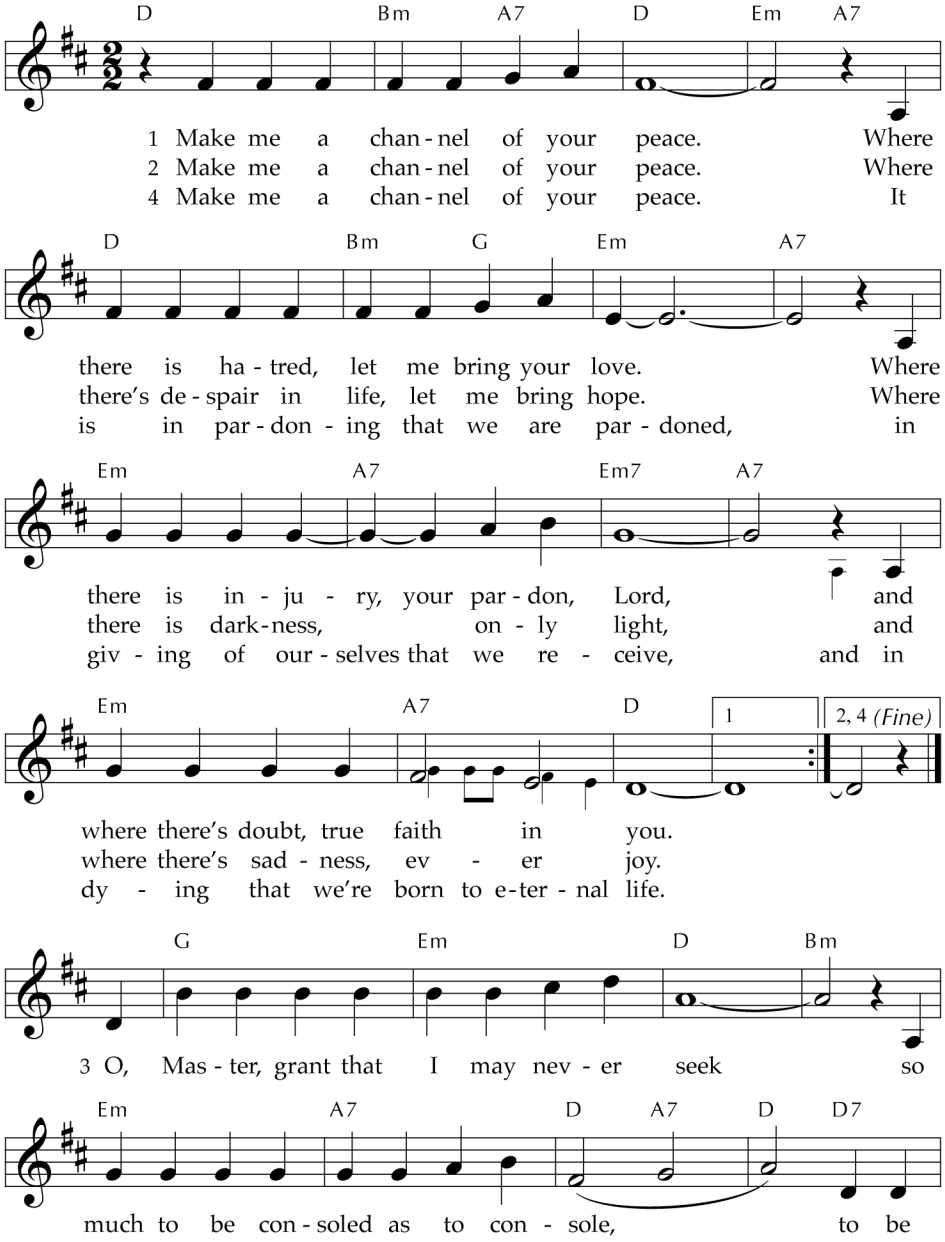
HOLY MANNA
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(alternate harmonization, 396)


(G) (Em7) (A) (D) (Bm) (A)
B♭ Gm7 C F Dm C
powers with you. Great Cre - a - tor, still cre -
ebb and flow, lost to pur - pose and to
mag - ined power, fac - ing us with life's de -
well be - gun. Great Cre - a - tor, give us
(Em7) (F♯m) (G) (A) (D)
Gm7 Am B♭ C F
at - ing, show us what we yet may do.
mean - ing, scarce - ly car - ing where they go.
struc - tion or our most tri - um - phant hour.
guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

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753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis

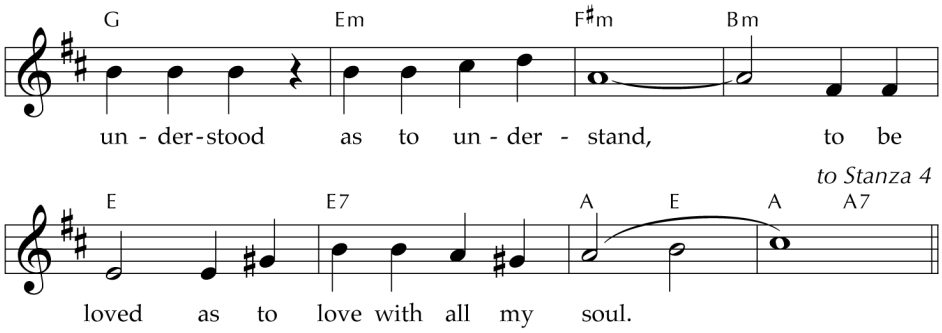


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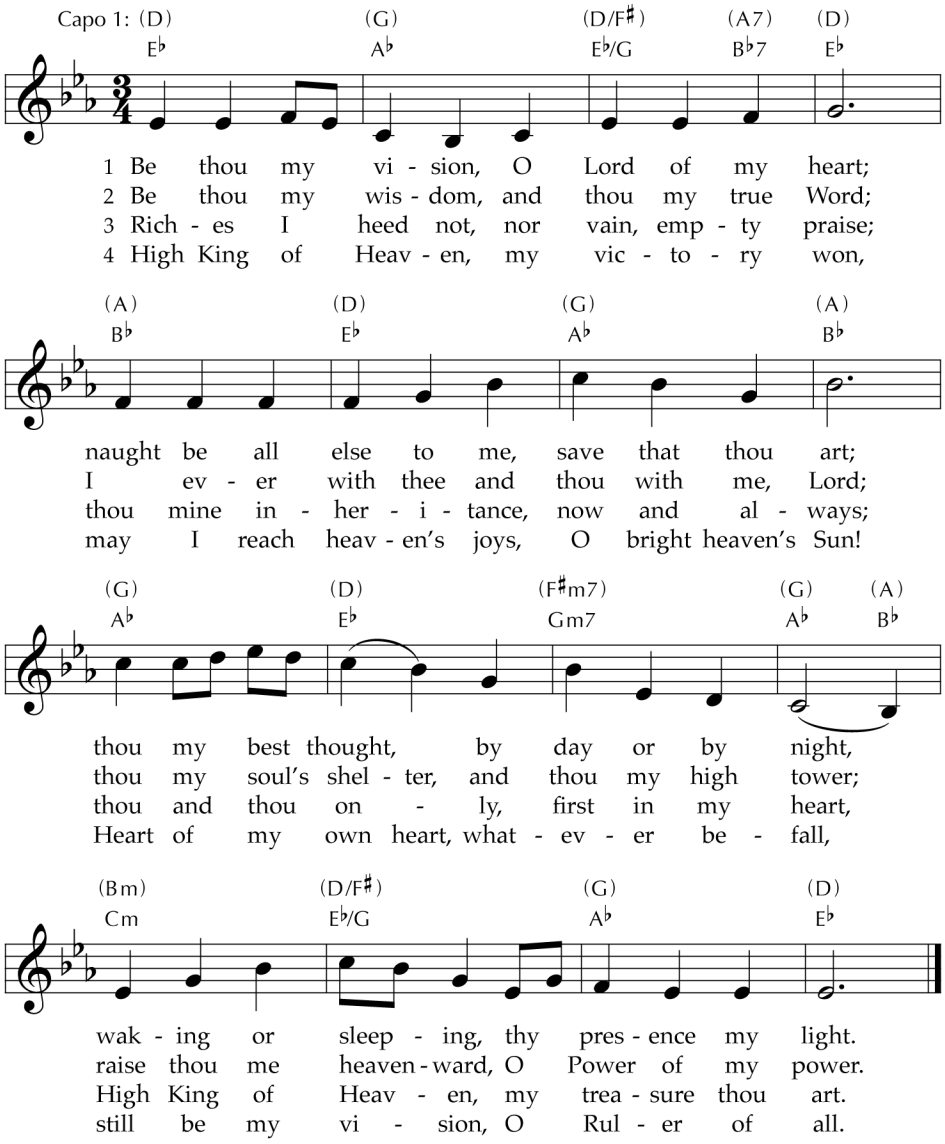
Though popular opinion credits this prayer to Francis of Assisi, the earliest known printing was in a French religious magazine in 1912. Yet that gentle saint's spirit seems evident in these words, a quality that has spurred many paraphrases and musical settings such as this one.

TEXT: Anon., c. 1912; adapt. Sebastian Temple, 1967
MUSIC: Sebastian Temple, 1963; arr. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011
Text and Music © 1967 OCP

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS
Irregular


G
Em
F♯m
Bm
un - der-stood as to un - der - stand, to be
to Stanza 4
E
E7
A
E
A
A7
loved as to love with all my soul.

450 Be Thou My Vision



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These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

TEXT: Irish poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt.
MUSIC: Irish ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927
Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

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