

Psalms and Hymns of the Month

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Dear friends,

First of all, thank you for your kind welcome to Cameron and me, as we've arrived and gotten settled over the past few months. We are delighted and grateful to be part of such a wonderful church.

I'm relatively new to the "Psalms and Hymns of the Month" concept, but it's the best method I've ever encountered for passing along our rich treasury of Psalms and hymns to our young people in a systematic, careful, and effective way. Already, having just worked with the 2nd-5th graders for just a few months, I'm seeing how quickly they can pick up both the words and the music. I'm endlessly enjoying the process of teaching them new words as they come up, pointing out how a hymn (or a verse, or even just a line or a phrase) can be derived from a familiar Bible passage, and seeing them genuinely appreciate these tunes and texts that I also love so much.

This year (sometime in January if all goes well), recordings will be posted on IPC's YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/c/IndependentPresbyterianChurchSavannah/>), but if you would prefer to have a CD, please write me at jfuhrman@ipcsav.org, and we will provide one.

Your child is encouraged to sing the Psalms and hymns for me and will receive a small reward for memorizing January through June and July through December. Rewards are given twice a year.

Many blessings to you all,

Jacob Fuhrman
Director of Music

January

Great God, We Sing That Mighty Hand

1. Great God, we sing that might - y hand by which sup -
 2. By day, by night, at home, a - broad, still are we
 3. With grate - ful hearts the past we own; the fu - ture,
 4. In scenes ex - alt - ed or de - pressed, thou art our
 5. When death shall in - ter - rupt these songs, and seal in

port - ed still we stand; the o - pening year thy
 guard - ed by our God; by his in - ces - sant
 • all to us un - known, we to thy guard - ian
 joy, and thou our rest; thy good - ness all our
 si - lence mor - tal tongues, our help - er God, in

mer - cy shows; that mer - cy crowns it till it close.
 boun - ty fed, by his un - er - ring coun - sel led.
 • care com - mit, and peace - ful leave be - fore thy feet.
 hopes shall raise, a - dored through all our chang - ing days.
 whom we trust, shall keep our souls and guard our dust.

Philip Doddridge, 1755; alt.

WAREHAM L.M.
William Knapp, 1738

February

Psalm 149

1. ¹O praise ye the LORD! Pre - pare your glad voice,
2. ³And let them His name ex - tol in the dance;
3. ⁵His saints shall sing loud with glo - ry and joy,
4. ⁷The hea - then to judge, their pride to con - sume,

New songs with His saints as - sem - bled to sing;
With tim - brel and harp His prai - ses ex - press;
And rest un - dis - mayed; with songs in the night
To bind kings with chains, due ven-geance re - cord,

²Be - fore his Cre - a - tor let Is - rael re - joice,
⁴Je - ho - vah takes plea - sure His saints to ad - vance,
⁶In prai - ses to God they their lips shall em - ploy;
To ex - e - cute on them their long de - creed doom:

And chil - dren of Zi - on be glad in their King.
And with His sal - va - tion the hum - ble to bless.
A sword in their right hand, two edged for the fight;
His saints have this ho - nor. O praise ye the LORD!

March

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



1. Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner - stone,
2. All that ded - i - cat - ed cit - y, dear - ly loved of God on high,
3. To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, to - day:
4. Here vouch - safe to all thy ser - vants what they ask of thee to gain,
5. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or to the Son,



cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious, bind - ing all the church in one;
in ex - ul - tant ju - bi - la - tion pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy;
• with thy wont - ed lov - ing-kind - ness hear thy peo - ple as they pray;
what they gain from thee for - ev - er with the bless - ed to re - tain,
laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, ev - er Three and ev - er One,



ho - ly Zi - on's help for - ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
God the One in Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
• and thy full - est ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
and here - af - ter in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.
One in might, and One in glo - ry, while un - end - ing ag - es run.



Latin, 7th cent.

tr. John Mason Neale, 1851

alt. in *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861

WESTMINSTER ABBEY 8.7.8.7.8.7.

Henry Purcell, 1659-1695

arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802-1868; alt. 1990

1. ¹Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD's name! Praise Him, ser - vants of the LORD,
 2. ⁵Well I know how great the LORD is; Our Lord is a - bove all gods.
 3. ⁹Who slew all of E - gyp'ts first - born, ¹⁰On you, E - gypt, won - ders sent.
 4. ¹³Your name, LORD, en - dures for - e - ver; Your fame, LORD, each age has known;
 5. ¹⁷Ha - ving ears, they ne - ver hear - ken; They do not breathe out or in.
 6. Bles - sings to the LORD you wor - ship! ²¹Blessed from Zi - on be the LORD,

2You that in the LORD's house serve Him, In God's court - yard stan - ding guard.
 6For the LORD does what He plea - ses In all heav'n, earth, deeps, and floods.
 Signs to Pha - raoh and his ser - vants, ¹⁰Who killed kings, their king - doms rent:
 14For the LORD ac - quits His peo - ple, Has com - pas - sion on His own.
 18Those who make them will be like them, All whose trust in them has been.
 He whose dwel - ling is in Sa - lem! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD!

³Praise the LORD! How good the LORD is! Sing His name, how sweet its tone!
⁷He it is Who lifts the va - pors From the ends of earth and sea,
¹¹Migh - ty Si - hon, Og of Ba - shan, Then the Kings of Ca - naan fell!
¹⁵Hea - then i - dols, gold and sil - ver, Work of hu - man ar - tis - try:
¹⁹Bless the LORD, O house of Is - rael! House of Aa - ron, bless the LORD!
¹Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD's name! Praise Him, ser - vants of the LORD,

⁴For the LORD has cho - sen Ja - cob, Is - ra - el to be His own.
 Who with light - nings brings the rain down, From His store the wind sets free,
¹²God their land gave to His peo - ple, Willed it all to Is - ra - el.
¹⁶Ha - ving mouths, they speak of noth - ing; Ha - ving eyes, they do not see.
²⁰Bless the LORD, O house of Le - vi! All who fear Him, bless the LORD!
²You that in the LORD's house serve Him, In God's court - yard stan - ding guard.

May

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder



1. Let us love and sing and won - der, let us praise the Sav - ior's name!
2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit - ied us when en - e - mies,
3. Let us sing, though fierce temp - ta - tion threat-en hard to bear us down!
4. Let us won - der; grace and jus - tice join and point to mer - cy's store;
5. Let us praise, and join the cho - rus of the saints en - throned on high;



He has hushed the law's loud thun - der, he has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame:
called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
• For the Lord, our strong sal - va - tion, holds in view the con - qu'ror's crown:
when thro' grace in Christ our trust is, jus - tice smiles and asks no more:
here they trust - ed him be - fore us, now their prais - es fill the sky:



he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.
he has washed us with his blood, he pre - sents our souls to God.
• he who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.
he who washed us with his blood has se - cured our way to God.
"You have washed us with your blood; you are wor - thy, Lamb of God!"



John Newton, 1774
mod.

ALL SAINTS OLD 8.7.8.7.7.7.
Darmstadt Gesangbuch, 1698

Psalm 5

1. O Je - ho - vah, hear my words; To my thoughts at - ten - tive be.
 2. ⁴Tru ly_ Thou art not a God That in sin doth take de - light;
 3. ⁵But in_ Thine a - bun-dant grace To Thy house will L_ re - pair;
 4. ⁶For they flat - ter with their tongue; In their mouth no truth is found;
 5. ⁷But let all that trust Thy care E - ver glad and joy - ful be;

²Hear my cry, my King, my God, For I make my prayer to Thee.
 E - vil shall not dwell with Thee, ⁵Nor the proud stand in Thy sight.
 Look - ing to_ Thy ho - ly place, In Thy fear I'll wor - ship: there.
 Like an_ o - pen grave their throat; All their thoughts with sin a - bound.
 Let them joy who love Thy name, For they guar - ded are by Thee.

³With the mor - ning light, O_ Lord, Thou shalt hear my voice and cry;
 E - vil - do - ers Thou dost hate; ⁶Li -ars Thou wilt bring to - naught.
⁸Since, O Lord, mine e - ne - mies For my soul do lie in_ wait,
¹⁰Hold them guil - ty, O my God; Them for all their sins ex - pel;
¹²And a bles - sing rich, O_ Lord, To the right-eous Thou wilt yield;

In the morn myprayer ar - range And keep con - stant watch will I.
 God ab - hors the man who lovesDeed of_ blood or ly - ing thought.
 Lead me in Thyright-eous-ness; Make Thy way be - fore me straight.
 Let them fall by their own craft, For a - gainst Thee they re - bel.
 Thou wilt com - pass him a - bout With Thy fa - vor as a shield.

Christ Shall Have Dominion

He will rule from sea to sea. Ps. 72:8

Capo 1: (D)

(Em⁷) (A⁷) (Bm⁷) (A) (D)

1. Christ shall have do - min - ion o - ver land and sea, earth's re - mot - est
 2. When the need - y seek him, he will mer - cy show; yea, the weak and
 3. Ev - er and for - ev - er shall his name en - dure, long as suns con -
 4. Un - to God Al - might - y joy - ful Zi - on sings; he a - lone is

(Em⁷) (A) (E⁷) (A) (D)

re - gions shall his em - pire be; they that wilds in - hab - it shall their
 help - less shall his pit - y know; he will sure - ly save them from op -
 tin - ue it shall stand se - cure; and in him for - ev - er all men
 glo - rious, do - ing won-drous things. Ev - er - more, ye peo - ple, bless his

(G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (Em⁷) (A)

wor - ship bring, kings shall ren - der trib - ute, na - tions serve our King.
 pres - sion's might, for their lives are pre - cious in his ho - ly sight.
 shall be blest, and all na - tions hail him King of kings con - fessed.
 glo - rious name, his e - ter - nal glo - ry through the earth pro - claim.

REFRAIN

(D) (A) (D)

Christ shall have do - min - ion o - ver land and sea,

MISSIONS

earth's re - mot - est re - gions shall his em - pire be.

From Psalm 72:8-14, 17-19
The Psalter, 1912

ST. GERTRUDE 6.5.6.5.D.ref.
Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871

August

Psalm 15

1. ¹LORD, in Thy tent who will A - bide with Thee,
 2. ³Whose tongue doth not de - fame Nor harm his friend,-
 3. When to his hurt he swears Naught chan-ges he;—

 And on Thy ho - ly hill A dwel - ler be?
 Who to his neigh - bor's shame No ear doth lend,
⁵His gold no in - crease bears From u - su - ry;

²Who walks in up - right-ness, Who work-eth right - eous-ness,
⁴Who has the vile ab-horred But ho - nor doth ac - cord
 His hands no bribe re - ceive The guilt-less to ag - grieve,

 Who doth the truth ex - press Un - feign - ed ly;
 To those who fear the LORD And Him at - tend.
 Lo, he who thus doth live Un - moved shall be.

September

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2. May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3. While life's dark maze I tread, and grieves a - round me spread,
 4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine: now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
 shall o'er me roll, blest Sav - ior, then, in love, fear and dis -

guilt a - way, O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.
 love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire.
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
 trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul.

Ray Palmer, 1830

OLIVET 6.6.4.6.6.6.4.
 Lowell Mason, 1832

October

Psalm 89:1-16

1. ¹Of God's love I'll sing for - e - ver, To each age Your faith-ful - ness.
2. ²LORD, the hea - vens praise Your won - ders, An - gels sing Your faith-ful - ness.
3. ³You rule o - ver sea's proud sur - ging; When its waves rise, bid them still.
4. ⁴¹³You've an arm that's great in pow - er; Your strong hand is all su - preme.

²I'll de - clare Your love's for - e - ver, Foun - ded in the word from heav'n:
⁵For none match-es God in hea - ven, Who's like God in hea - ven's throng?
¹⁰You broke E - gypt, left her dy - ing; Your strong arm dis - per sed Your foes.
¹⁴Your rule's based on right and jus - tice; Cov' - nant love and truth are yours.

³¹⁰With My Cho - sen I've made cov' - nant, To My ser - vant Da - vid sworn:
⁷God is feared a - mong the an - gels, He's more awe - some than they all.
¹¹Yours the hea - vens, earth's bounds al - so; You have foun - ded all the world.
¹⁵They are hap - py who ac - claim you; In Your fa - vor, LORD, they walk.

⁴I'll your line con - firm for - e - ver, To each age build up your throne"
⁸LORD, O God of hosts, who's like You? Migh - ty God, You're girt with truth.
¹²North and south You have cre - at - ed; Ta - bor, Her - mon, praise Your name.
¹⁶In Your name re - joic - ing e - ver, In Your right - eous - ness raised high.

November

Angels We Have Heard on High

1. An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing- ing o'er the plains,
 2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
 3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
 Say what may the tid - ings be, which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Traditional French carol

GLORIA 7.7.7.7. ref.
 Traditional French melody
 arr Edward S. Barnes, 1937

December

Psalm 65:1-5

1. Praise waits for Thee in Zi - on! To Thee vows paid shall be.
 2. How blessed the man Thou choos - est And bring-est near to Thee,
 3. O God of our sal - va - tion, Thou in Thy right-eous - ness

²O God, of prayer the hear - er, All flesh shall come to Thee.
 That in Thy courts for - e - ver His dwel-ling place may be.
 With awe - some deeds and won - ders Thine ans - wer wilt ex - press,

³In - i - qui - ties are dai - ly Pre - vail - ing o - ver me,
 We shall with - in Thy tem - ple Be whol - ly sa - tis - fied
 O Thou in Whom con - fi - ding All ends of earth a - gree,

But all of our trans - gres - sions Are co-vered o'er by Thee.
 And filled with all the good - ness Thy sa - cred courts pro - vide.
 And peo - ple who are sail - ing Up - on the farth - est sea.