



**Thank you for joining us today!**

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Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

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Gathering Music

Welcome

Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us share Christ's peace with each other.

Prelude

Call To Worship (from Psalm 103)

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name

**People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits.**

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity, redeems your life from the Pit

People: **Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy**

All: **Who satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

Hymn: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* #611, attached

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (ALL)

**Loving and gracious God, we turn to you with humble hearts, trusting in your mercy and grace.**

**Forgive us for the ways we turn away from you in neglect and indifference. Forgive us for the ways that we sometimes speak and act, for our hurtful words and negligent behavior. Forgive us for the things we have left undone, our lack of concern for the needs of others.**

**Holy God, by your Holy Spirit, renew our hearts and our minds, that we may live joyful and obedient lives, giving glory only to you. Merciful God, restore to us the joy of your salvation. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Hear now our silent prayers. ....Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*Glory be to the Father/Gloria Patri* #581, attached

Prayer of Illumination

A Reading from the New Testament

Hebrews 12: 18-24 p. 1098 pew Bible

Reading from the Psalter Psalm 71: 1-6 p. 521, pew Bible

Word Proclaimed Through Music

*Alleluja from "Exsultate, Jubilate" by Mozart*

A Reading from the Gospel Luke 13: 10-17

pp. 950-951, pew Bible

Sermon: Freed and Healed

Hymn of Response: *Seek Ye First* #175, attached

Pastoral Prayer, Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Call for the Offering

Offertory

(The Doxology is sung by all as the offering is brought forward...) *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

Sending Song: *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy*

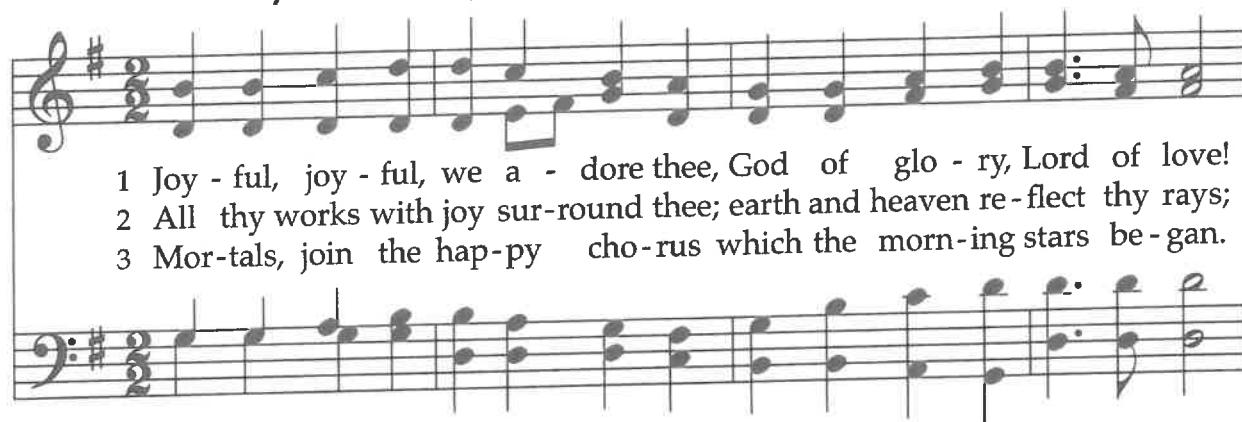
#305, attached

Benediction

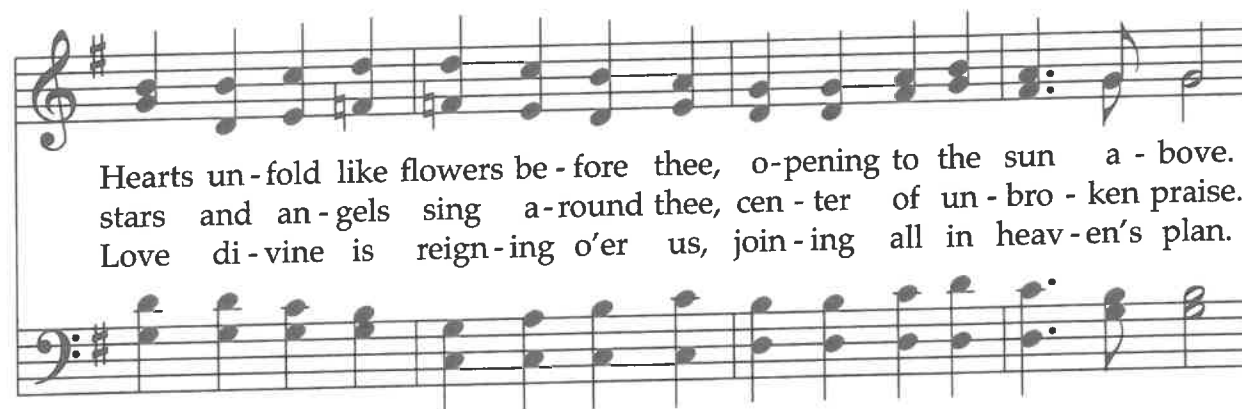
Benediction (sung by all)

Postlude

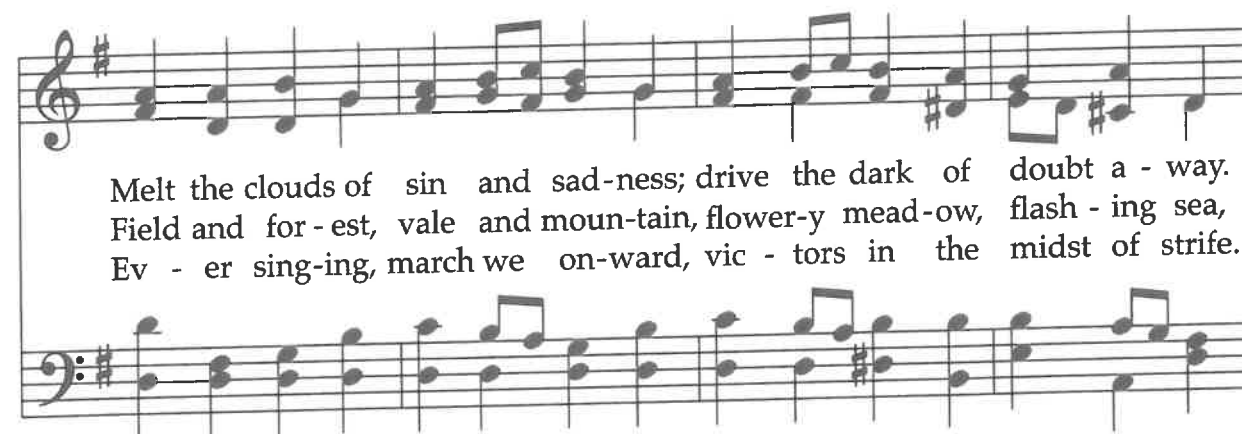
# 611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



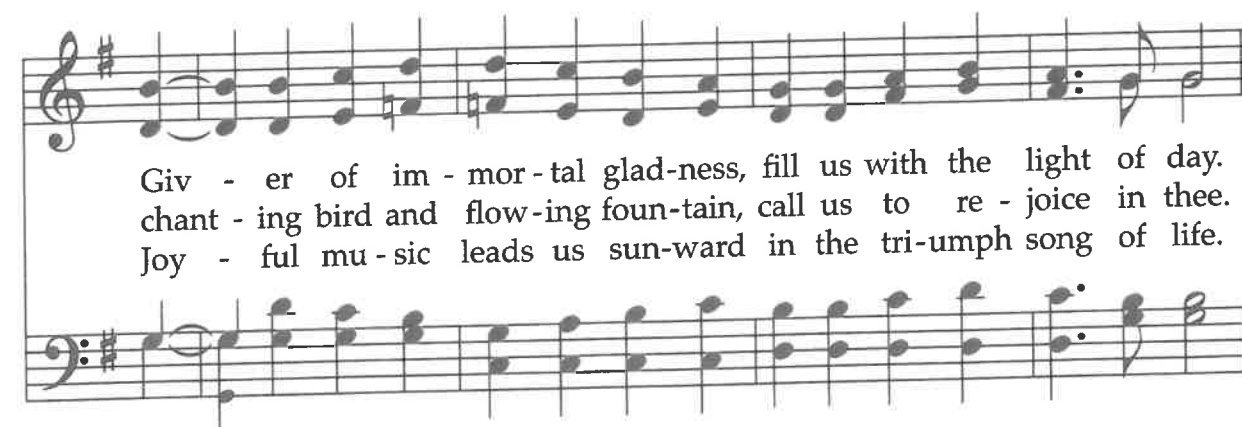
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-flect thy rays;  
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.



Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a-bove.  
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.  
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.  
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,  
 Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife.



Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.  
 Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die

## Glory Be to the Father

581

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first system of the hymn is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the'.

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are 'Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -'.

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are 'gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,'.

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system concludes the hymn. The lyrics are 'world with - out end. A - men, a - men.' The system ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

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## Seek Ye First

*Descant*

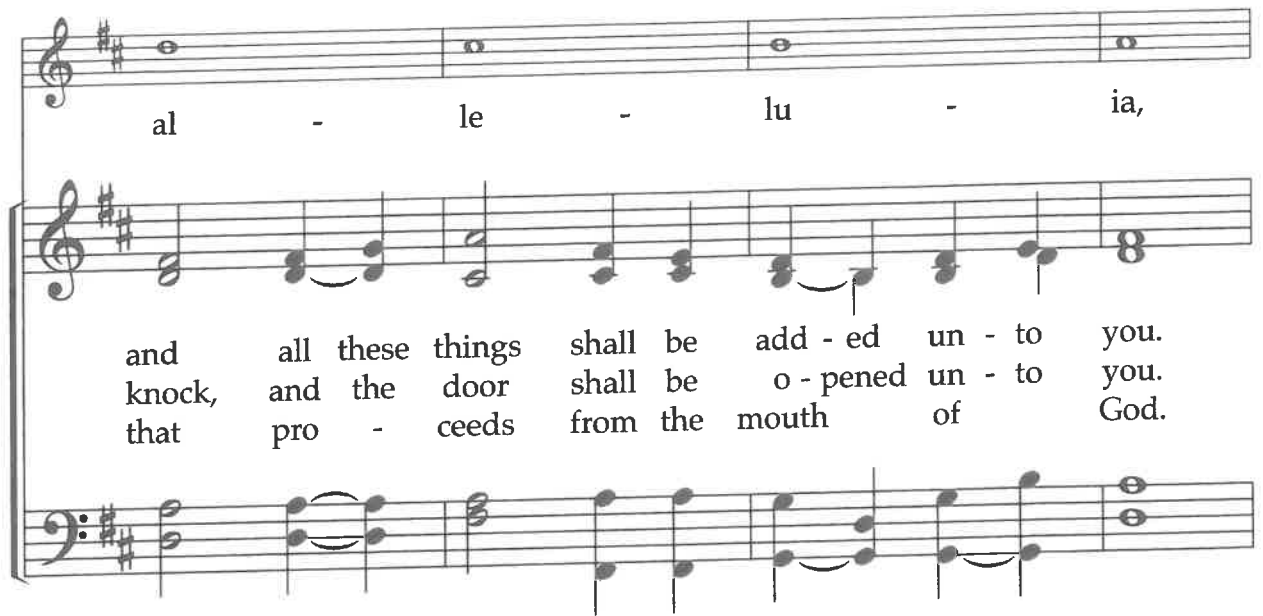
Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God  
 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;  
 3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

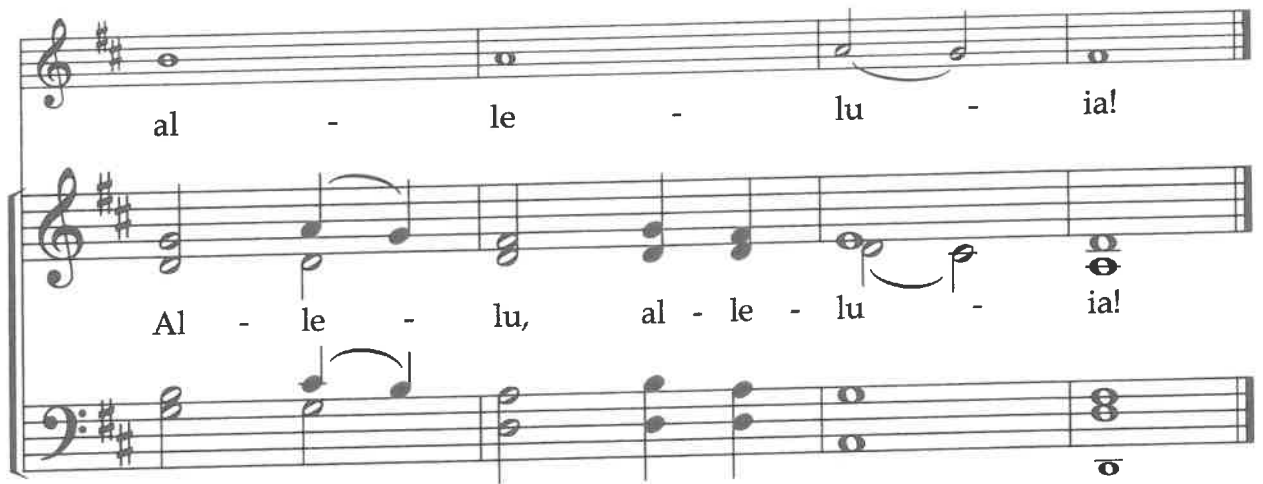
and seek, but its and by righ - teous - ness,  
 you shall find;  
 ev - ery word

The author and composer wrote the first stanza and folk-style tune after attending a Bible study on Matthew 6:33. The later stanzas, based respectively on Matthew 7:7 and Matthew 4:4, emerged anonymously. Such meditative singing of scripture is an important form of sung prayer.



al - le - lu - ia,

and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.  
 knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.  
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.



al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

## SPANISH

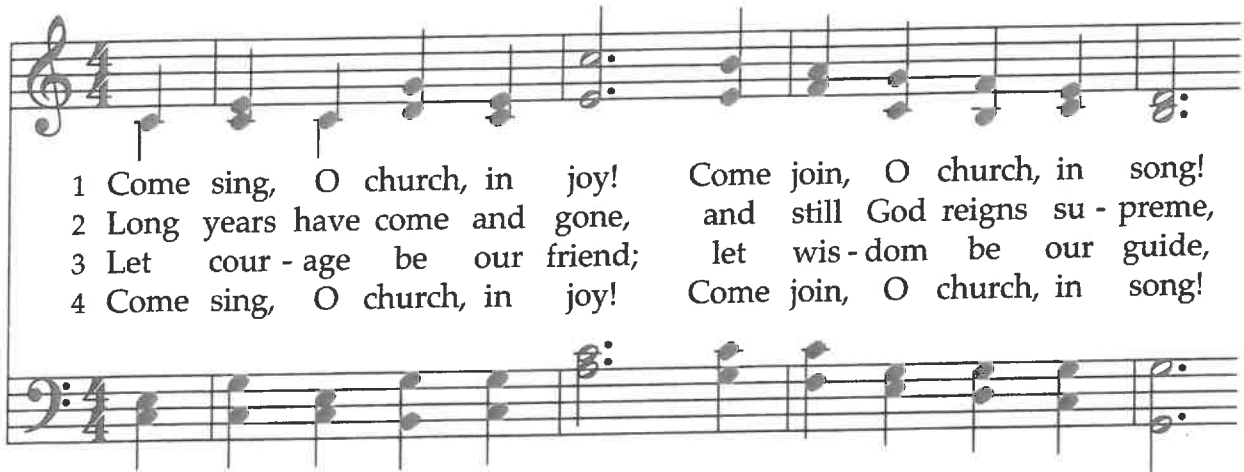
- 1 *Busca primero el reino de Dios  
 y su perfecta justicia,  
 que lo demás lo añadirá el Señor.  
 Alelu, aleluya.*

## KOREAN

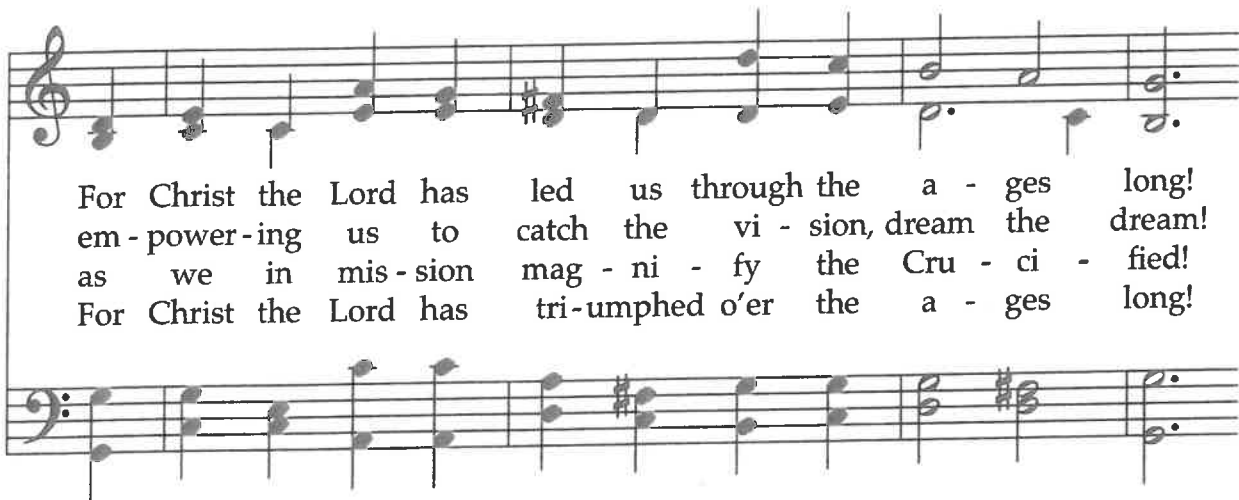
- 1 너희는 먼저- 주의 나라와  
 그의를 구하-면  
 이모든것 네게 더하시리라  
 알렐-루 알렐루야



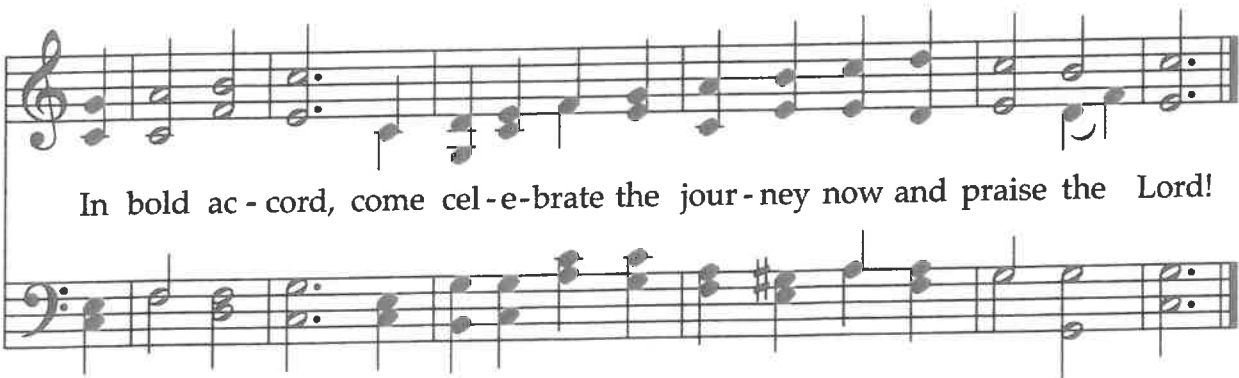
## 305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!



1 Come sing, O church, in joy!      Come join, O church, in song!  
 2 Long years have come and gone,      and still God reigns su - preme,  
 3 Let cour - age be our friend;      let wis - dom be our guide,  
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy!      Come join, O church, in song!



For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!  
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!  
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!  
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!



In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!