



November 20, 2022

Glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

The Love of God

Mark Hayes

Katia Dinas

*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear,
though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Psalm 46:1-3*

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Kathleen Ferguson, Lay Liturgist

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: **The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

Leader: Come, behold the works of the Lord.

People: **The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

◆ OPENING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

GTG 263

CORONATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

We know that we have not lived as God hopes. But however fragmented we become, God longs to hold us together in grace and peace. Let us come with our prayers of confession and need to the One who prepares the way for our words.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In these moments, Remembering God, we bring to you all the ways we have not lived as your people. We stand by watching while those in need struggle to survive; we cast our lots with those who worship power and success; we offer judgment rather than words of grace to those who care for us; we scoff at your words which call us to a different lifestyle. Forgive us, God of Mercy, for not knowing what we do to you, to others, to ourselves. Speak to us through Jesus Christ, our King and our Savior, who bears words filled with your tender mercy and gracious hope. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

This is the good news: God remembers – not our sins, not our foolish lives, not our rebellion!

God remembers us and God redeems us!

God prepares the way for us – the way to grace, to hope, to new life.

Joyfully, we offer our thanks to God!

◆ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and
to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

I Am Light, I Am Life, I Am Love

Mary McDonald

Katelyn Spivey, Director

*At this table, come and dine, feast on bread, partake the wine. Do this in remembrance of Me.
This, my body and my blood, for the weary soul outpoured. Do this in remembrance of Me.*

*I was given for you. Come and taste of the Father's love. As you drink from the cup,
remember the blood shed for you. I am Light. I am Life. I am Love.*

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*I was given for you. Come and taste of the Father's love. As you drink from the cup,
remember the blood shed for you. I am Light. I am Life. I am Love.*

*Let us break bread together on our knees. Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Ephesians 4:1-16

SECOND READING

Luke 1:68-79

SERMON

"Eternally Loved, Intentionally Loving"

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

RESPONDING

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed, *Traditional*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

◆ HYMN OF MEDITATION

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

GTG 260

HYFRYDOL

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord,**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Joyfully, we lift our songs of praise . . . who forever song of your joy:

Holy, Holy, Holy

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, God who remembers us, . . .
. . . that mysterious story we call faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

As we come to this table of peace . . . God in community, Holy in One. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All believers of Jesus Christ, young and old, are invited to receive. Please wait and we will eat and drink together.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, send us out from this table to answer our Lord's summons into new life and to follow him with joy and gladness. Set our feet in his holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life and all we do may show forth his love. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

OFFERING AND DEDICATION OF PLEDGES

Offertory *Anitra's Dance* (from Peer Gynt) Edvard Grieg

Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* GTG 606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

**Whether out of our scarcity, or from our abundance, we pray that these offerings and
pledges might offer life instead of despair, hope instead of grief,
grace instead of fear to our sisters and brothers around us. In the name of
Jesus and trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate ourselves to your mission. Amen.**

SENDING

◆ HYMN OF DEDICATION

Take My Life

GTG 697

HENDON

◆ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

◆ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

You Shall Go Out with Joy

GTG 80

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before
you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.**

◆ Stand as you are able

GTG-Glory to God Hymnal

Online giving is now available. Just scan the QR Code to the right with your smart phone or go to our website and click the "Give Now" button www.FaithUnited-pc.com You will have the option to set up your giving profile. This will make it easy to login anytime you are ready to give, even designated giving like Special Offerings, Building Repairs or the Garage Fund.

You can also select to donate the 2% fee so Faith United does not incur it.



PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz, Mike Jones, Dennis Van Deventer, George & Mozelle Mills,
Greg Kaut (George & Moselle's son-in-law, David Duell

Homebound or Recovering: Freddie Simmons, Charley Rae Furrh (Terri Russell's cousin)

Brighten a *child's holiday.*

TOY DRIVE

Each donated toy gives hope to a child of opening up at least one gift this holiday season.

Help by donating new unwrapped toys for children ages 1-18. Collect toys based on what you think a child or teenager would like or refer to our Most-Needed Toy list below.




Metrocrest Santa Store 2022!

Bring your New unwrapped gifts and put them in the designated location at the church.


If you cannot participate this way, call the church office for assistance. We will deliver the gifts to the Store on or shortly after Monday, 12/12.

Thank you for your donations!



MOST-NEEDED TOY ITEMS

- Sports & college apparel
- Electronics, video & board games
- Gym bags & sports equipment
- Wallets, jewelry, & watches
- Leggos
- Hair dryer, flat & curling irons
- Nail & cosmetic sets
- Perfume/cologne sets (AXE sets)
- Wal-Mart & Amazon gift cards
- Disney themed items
- Marvel themed items



Decorating for Advent at FUPC Saturday, 11/26, 9 a.m.

We will be decorating the inside of the building for Advent on Saturday, 11/26 at 9 a.m. This will include setting up the tree in the sanctuary and Narthex, placing the dedicated poinsettias on the chancel and other decorations of the season. Many hands make light work!



Stewardship 2022

Eternally Loved, Intentionally Loving

It's pumpkin spice season so it must also be stewardship season! As we near the end of 2022 and look forward to 2023, our church continues to face many challenges. This is not a time to pull back in fear, but a time to lean into the promises of God. Our giving is ultimately not about us, or the church or the church budget. We give because God has eternally loved us in Jesus Christ. This is the source of our hope. Yet, there is also a practical side to giving - ministry costs money and the costs of ministry are rising like everything else.

Today, November 20 is Commitment Sunday as we commit ourselves through our 2023 financial pledges to following Jesus in God's mission. Extra pledge cards and envelopes are available at the usher's table. You may mail your 2023 pledge card to the church office in the envelope provided or place them in the offering trays as directed. We offer and give what we have trusting that Jesus will multiply our giving! Consider an increase in your regular giving to help us be faithful in our neighborhood!

OPENING HYMN

263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant

4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;
 2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran-somed from the fall,
 3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
 4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj - es - ty as - crite, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

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Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
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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

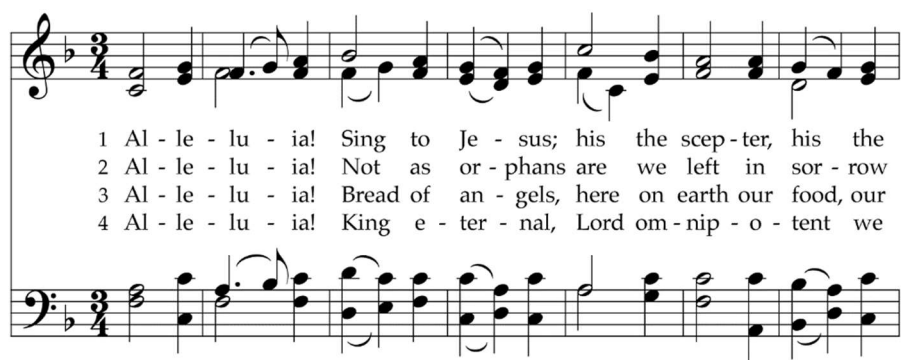
MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793; desc. Michael E. Young, 1979

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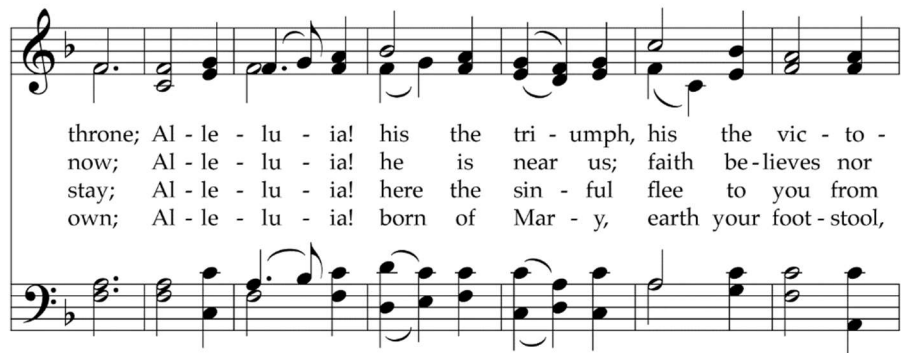
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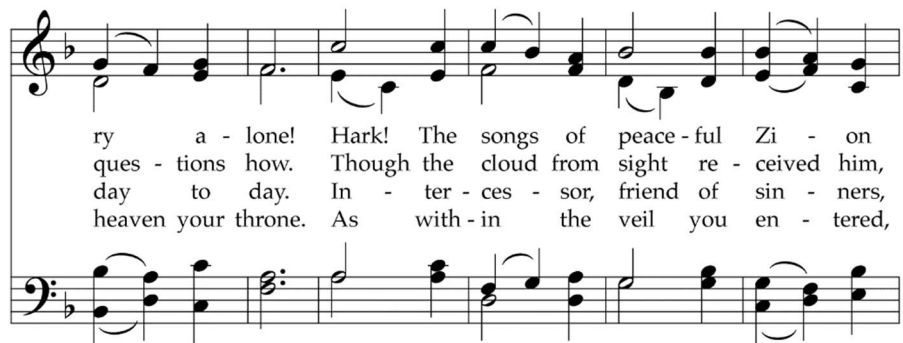
HYMN of MEDITATION – GTG 260 – Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



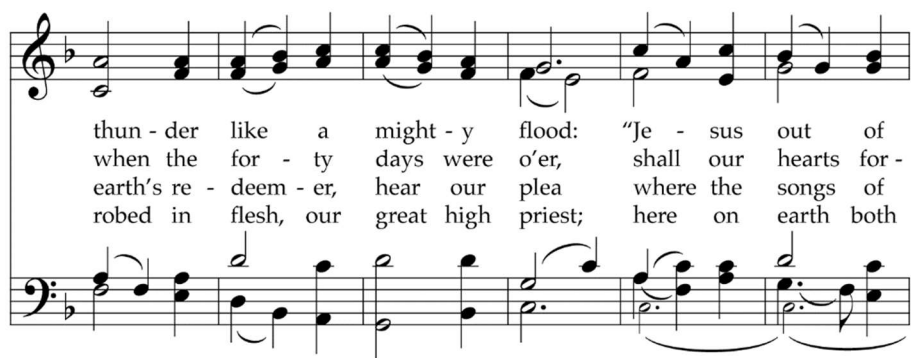
1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we



throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -
 now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lies nor
 stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from
 own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,



ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on
 ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,
 day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,
 heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,



thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our hearts for -
 earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the songs of
 robed in flesh, our great high priest; here on earth both

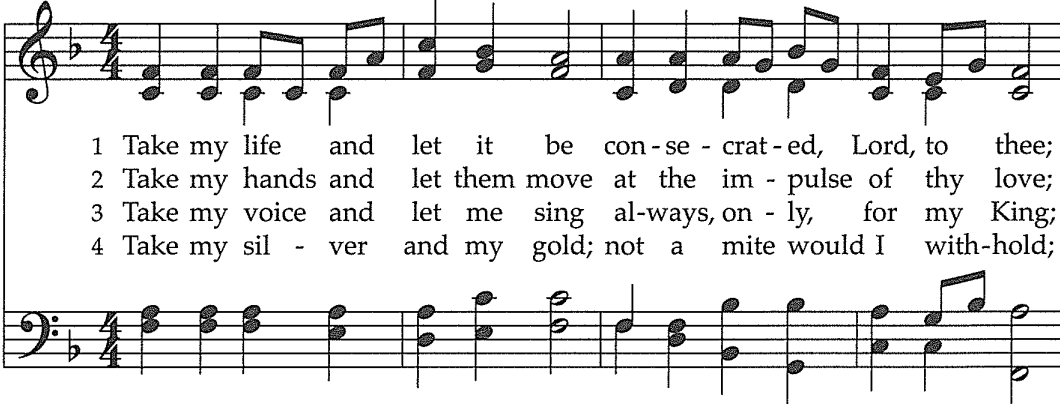


ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
 get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

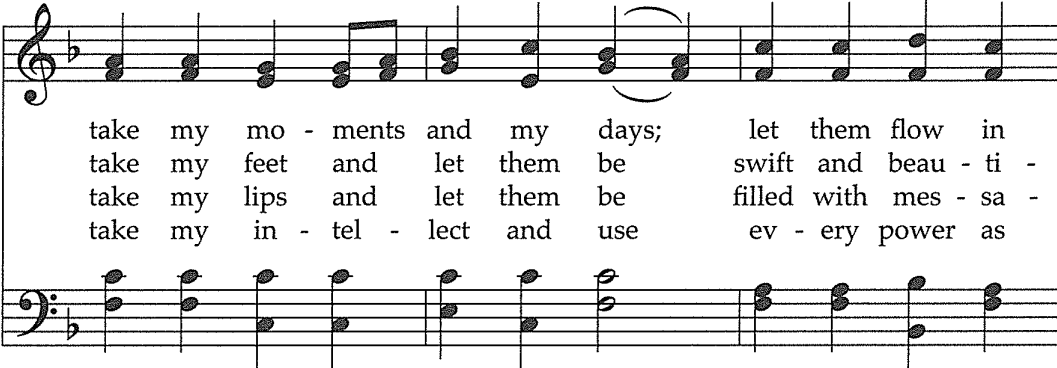
HYMN of DEDICATION

Take My Life


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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat-ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

FUPC Choir and Music leadership

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Katia Dinas, Pianist

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Lois Norton
Barbara Ritchie
Gerry Shotswell
Katelyn Spivey

Alto

Patti Sloey
Jessica Stottlemeyer
Renee Wensley

Tenor

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Kyle Feather
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Bass

Hawkins Burns
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Zachary Rohwer

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Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie, Moderator of Session
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