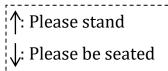


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7th Sunday of Easter
June 1, 2025
10:30 AM
Holy Communion
ELW Setting 4



**Greeting/Announcements** 

#### Prelude

Soul Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Bach

Christine Kates, organ

# Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly kneels or sits. Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

# <u>Opening Hymn</u>

When Our Song Says Peace

**ELW 709** 

## **Apostolic Greeting**

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.



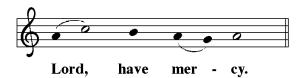


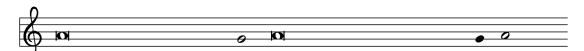
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



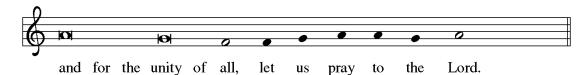


For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## **Hymn of Praise**





This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



## Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray... O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen

## The Lessons

First Lesson: *Acts* 16:16-34 L: A reading from Acts:

<sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be

saved?" <sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 97

L: We will now read the psalm responsively:

<sup>1</sup>The LORD reigns; let the | earth rejoice;

let the multitude of the | isles be glad.

<sup>2</sup>Clouds and darkness sur- | round the LORD, righteousness and justice are the foundations | of God's throne.

<sup>3</sup>Fire goes be- | fore the LORD,

burning up enemies on | every side.

<sup>4</sup>Lightnings light | up the world;

the earth | sees and trembles.

<sup>5</sup>The mountains | melt like wax

before the Lord of | all the earth.

<sup>6</sup>The heavens declare your righteous- | ness, O LORD, and all the peoples | see your glory.

<sup>7</sup>Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight | in false gods! Bow down before the LORD, | all you gods.

<sup>8</sup>Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah rejoice, because of your judg- | ments, O LORD.

<sup>9</sup>For you are the LORD, most high over | all the earth; you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.

10You who love the | Lord, hate evil!

<sup>11</sup>Light dawns | for the righteous, and joy for the hon- | est of heart.

<sup>12</sup>Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous, and give thanks to God's | holy name.

Second Lesson: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

L: A reading from Revelation:

<sup>12</sup>"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

<sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

<sup>16</sup>"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

<sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

<sup>20</sup>The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

<sup>21</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

↑GOSPEL: *John 17:20-26* 



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter.

# C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>20</sup>"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup>"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

# <u>|Sermon</u>

# ↑Hymn of the Day

#### Son of God Eternal Savior

**ELW 655** 

## Apostles' Creed

P: Let us confess our faith together with the Apostles' Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Prayers of the Church

A: In the light of Christ's resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who long for the grace of new life.

A brief silence

A: Righteous God, we bless you as the Holy One. Give the church an undivided oneness in you. God of our salvation,

# C: hear our prayer.

A: Righteous God, you desire all people to experience your love. Direct the leaders of the world, especially if this country, to use their power to promote peace among nations. God of our salvation.

# C: hear our prayer.

A: Righteous God, many are imprisoned and feel isolated from your mercy. Surround those who are ill. May your word of life free and strengthen them. God of salvation,

# C: hear our prayer.

A: Righteous God, in the waters of life you invited us to come to you. Enliven this congregation to invite others to join us in satisfying our thirst in you. God of our salvation,

## C: hear our prayer.

A: Righteous God, we remember those who have renewed and strengthened your people, and all who have died in defense of liberty. May we join all the saints in your heavenly glory. God of our salvation,

## C: hear our prayer.

A: God of mercy, we pray for all who are sick or suffering, especially..., the shut-in members of our congregation, all who are on our prayer list, and the ones we name in our hearts.

A brief silence.

A: Hear our prayers, O God, and grant us what we truly need, in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

## <u>Peace</u>

A: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

## C: And also with you.

A: Let us share God's peace.

The assembly is invited to spread God's peace in whatever way is most comfortable to them: peace sign, fist bump, elbow bump, air kiss, prayer hands with a bow, heart hands, etc.

# Offering

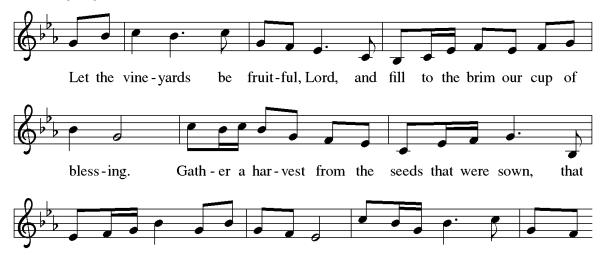
At this time we give thanks for the members of Mount Zion who are able to give financially to further our mission of spreading the Gospel in accordance with God's plan by ministering to the spiritual and human needs of all people through our gifts, talents, and our love in Jesus Christ.

# Son of God, Eternal Savior

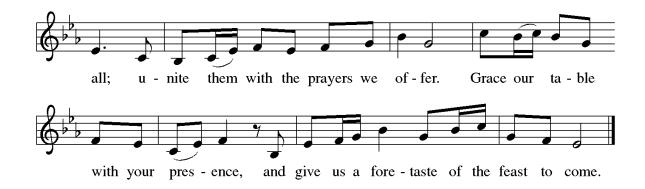
Burkhardt

# Christine Kates, organ

## <u>↑Offertory Hymn</u>



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



# Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring.
Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

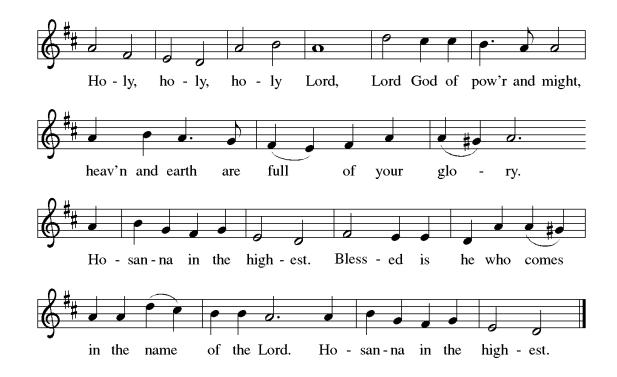
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## **Eucharistic Prayer**

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

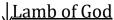
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is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

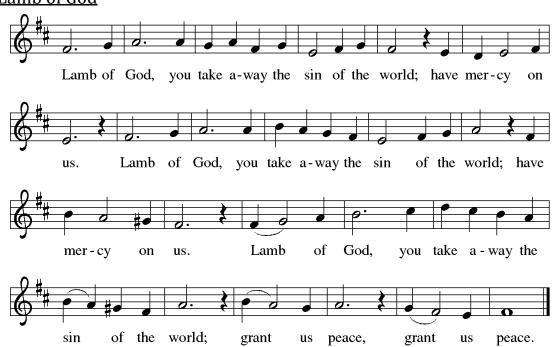
forever and ever. Amen

## <u>Invitation to Communion</u>

P: Come now faithful servant, taste and see that the Lord is good.

C: Thanks be to God.





## **Communion Meal**

We ask that anyone unable to approach the altar for communion please stay seated and notify the usher.

The pastor and assistants will gladly come down to give communion to those who remain seated.

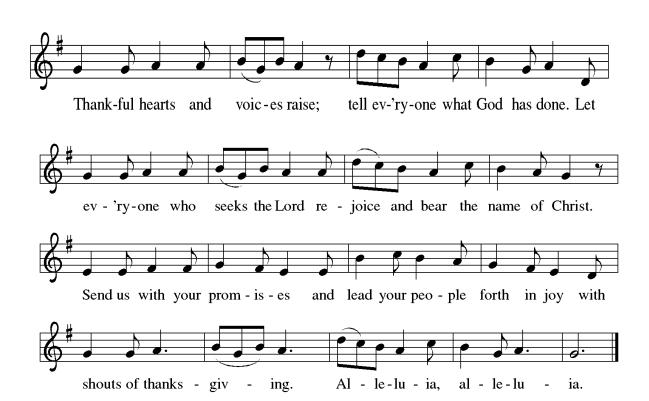
## Hymns during distribution:

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness On What Has Been Sown ELW 488 ELW 550

# ↑ Post Communion Blessing and Canticle

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

#### C: Amen.



# Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray...Living One, in the feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell others of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

#### C: Amen.

## **Benediction**

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

#### C: Amen

## **Dismissal**

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Festive Postlude Zipoli

Christine Kates, organ

The Altar Flowers today are sponsored by Jessica Nolt in honor of Merris Harvey's birthday.

## **Parish Nurse Program**

The Parish Nurse Program will be held the first Sunday of each month.

Blood Pressure screenings will be done in the Chapel area after the service.

Questions? Contact Sue Luchka at (717) 434-9581.

Deacon Ellen Doughty (Chaplain at UPMC Memorial) is in need of Spiritual Care volunteers at UPMC Memorial. You do not have to be trained in ministry to be a volunteer, just have a heart to walk alongside others of all beliefs and willingness to learn and grow. We provide training.

Spiritual Care volunteers assist with visiting patients, rounding on staff (who may suggest a patient or two for a visit), and can also assist with other things such as Tea for the Soul or Code Lavenders (both staff care items)

If anyone is interested, please go to the volunteer page for UPMC Memorial (<a href="https://www.upmc.com/locations/hospitals/memorial/about/volunteer">https://www.upmc.com/locations/hospitals/memorial/about/volunteer</a>) and fill out the online application. If a printed application is needed, please contact Rebecca Gross, Volunteer Coordinator at 717-849-5470 or grossr3@upmc.edu.

If there is a group interested, I can try to arrange to meet with everyone at the same time and will ask Rebecca if she can join us.

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# Mt. Zion Prayer List

Continue to pray for: Bonita Anderson, Fran Anderson, Jerry Arnold, Shannon Arnold, Janet Shermyer Berkheimer, Lauren Beyer, Jacklyn Billet, James Billet, Mary Bishop, Mary Sue Bottstein, Joan Brenner, Joyce Brown, Ralph Brown, Robert Brown, Sarah Brown, Scott Brown, Ted Brown, Eric Bruner, Joseph Bruggerman, Julie Christy, Jess Combs, Phyllis Comery, Ian Conover, Billee Couch, Tim Couch, Lizzy Cowit, Steven Cowit, Tana Cox, Jason Crowley, Vivian Deardorff, Lynn Deitzer, Dee DeVeny, Annie Diehl, Gerri Deller, Kendall Dellinger, Zoe Doll, Andrew Doughty, Joe Ellis, Carol Emswiler, Layla Esteves, Pastor Courtney Erzkus, Chris Farmer, Pam Fay, Dudley Fink, Jason Frederick, Martha Frederick, Scott Frederick, Jacinda Frigm, Rev. Donald & Kathy Green, Lonnie Ginter, Ronnie Ginter Jr., Gina Goodrich, Jeannie Grove, Bob Gundlach, Mary & Tom Haberkorn, Jay Hammel, Dolly Harbolt, Donna Hayes, Mike Healey, Alicia Hedrick, George Heller, Sharon Harvey, Brian Hinderer, Ruth Hoak, Bob & Sue Hoffheins, Heather Hoffman, Dennis Hummel, Carol Johnson, Chase Kessler, Jolene Klinger, Gene Krisukas, Mike Kowslik, Sarah Kuhn, Kelly Lehr, Lou Ann Leibensperger, Jean Leiphart, Heather Luchka, Dick Lynn, Bob Lyon, Fran Marple, Brad March, Sharon March, Amy Martzall, Rose McGowan, Kenneth & Sue Miller, Sally Miller, Jennifer Mitterholtzer, Jodi Mitterholtzer, Matthew Mitterholtzer, Otto Mitterholtzer, Rebecca Mitterholtzer, E.T. Moore, Angy-Mike Mossengo, David Murphy, Sandy Murphy, Ellen Myers, Karen Naugle, Tom Needhum, Sandy Nelson, Nancy & Lou Orndorff, Deb Overly, Ben Renner, Alison Reppert, Carrie Roman, Jeff Sargen, Kaeley Saylor, Joan Schildt, William Schmeed, Maxine & Larry Shaffer, Tom Shaffer, Anthony Shaw, Zach Shiffer, Rick Shreve, Heather Smith, Condoda Smith-Boyle, Heidi Snyder, Thomas Somerville, Candy Stambaugh, Judy Stambaugh, Herb Stauffer, Bud Stevens, Carol Stickles, Lisa Striebig, Debra Tracey, Tom & Carol Trainor, Micheal Tudino, Jace Valenti, Jane Van Zant, David Walker, Andrew Walter, Ruth Ward, Bob Warren, Bonnie Warren, Bill Weaver, Bruce Weaver, Dodie Weaver, Victor White, Bob Wolf, Larry Wood, Donald Zepp, Rich Zerbe, Joan & Ben Zelinski, and the shut-in members of our parish.

The Prayer List is reviewed each month. Though names may remain on the prayer list for an unlimited time, periodic updates are appreciated. Contact KATHIE BOOP (717-855-6763) for any additions or subtractions from the prayer list. If a name has been mistakenly deleted, please notify KATHIE BOOP.

**ABOUT TODAY'S THEME:** It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

#### ABOUT TODAY'S LESSONS:

**First Lesson:** Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.

**Second Lesson:** The ascended Christ, hidden from our sight, promises to come again. We eagerly pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," with all who respond to this invitation.

**Gospel Lesson:** Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.

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Current checking account balances - May 27 2025

Administration	\$ 2,455.34
Memorial	\$ 90,592.25
Pastor's Discretionary	\$ 427.51
Special Needs	\$ 46.991.07
Contingency	\$ 15.01
Rental	\$ 2,993.90
Youth	\$ 4,978.49

**Food Bank: May 2025:** Deposits \$530 Expenses \$0 Balance \$837.00

#### Total Contributions - Offering/Electronic May 25, 2025 \$ 2,495.00

Bills paid but not yet cleared bank \$ 600.55 Estimated monthly bills as of May 20, 2024 \$ 30,721.98

Thank you for remembering our consecrated commitment we made in 2024; just as God is faithful to His promises to us, we are faithful to our promises to Him.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kathy Swords, Treasurer at <a href="mtzionyorktreasurer@gmail.com">mtzionyorktreasurer@gmail.com</a>.

or call at 717-503-0527 (cell)

# 709

# When Our Song Says Peace



- 1 When our song says peace and the world says war, we will
- When our song says free and the world says bound, we will When our song says home and the world says lost, we will



sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God, sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God, sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God, God,

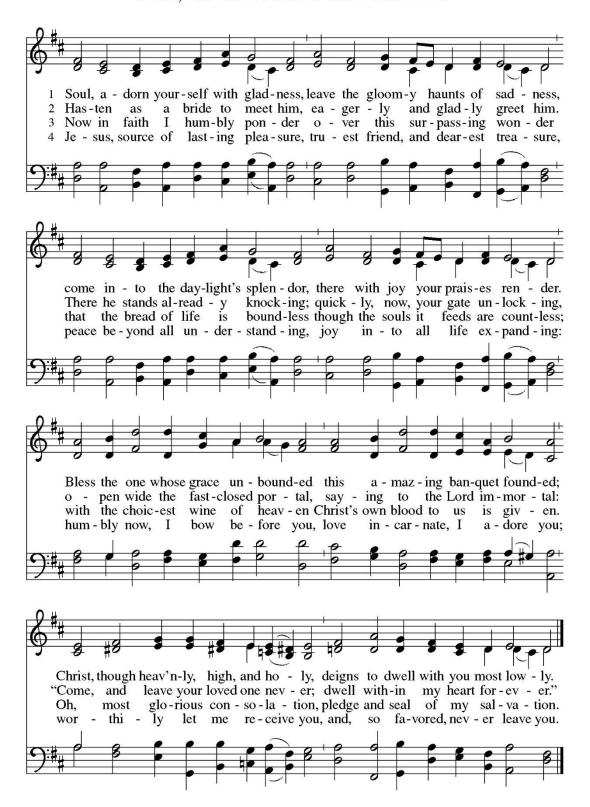


who breaks the spear and sword stills the storm of and war. o - pens pris - on brings us home at sets the cap-tives doors and free. who last, and gives a song to all.

# Son of God, Eternal Savior



# Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



# On What Has Now Been Sown



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