



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST THE SEASON OF CREATION

EVENING PRAYER AND HOLY EUCHARIST, IN THE CELTIC TRADITION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026

5:00 P.M.

OUR MISSION:

We are called to be disciples of Christ,
revealing his life, love, and light to the world.

OUR VISION:

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church is a
welcoming, inclusive faith family; sharing and
teaching the love of Jesus Christ through our
worship, actions, and outreach: transforming
ourselves and the world.

NUESTRA INVITACIÓN:

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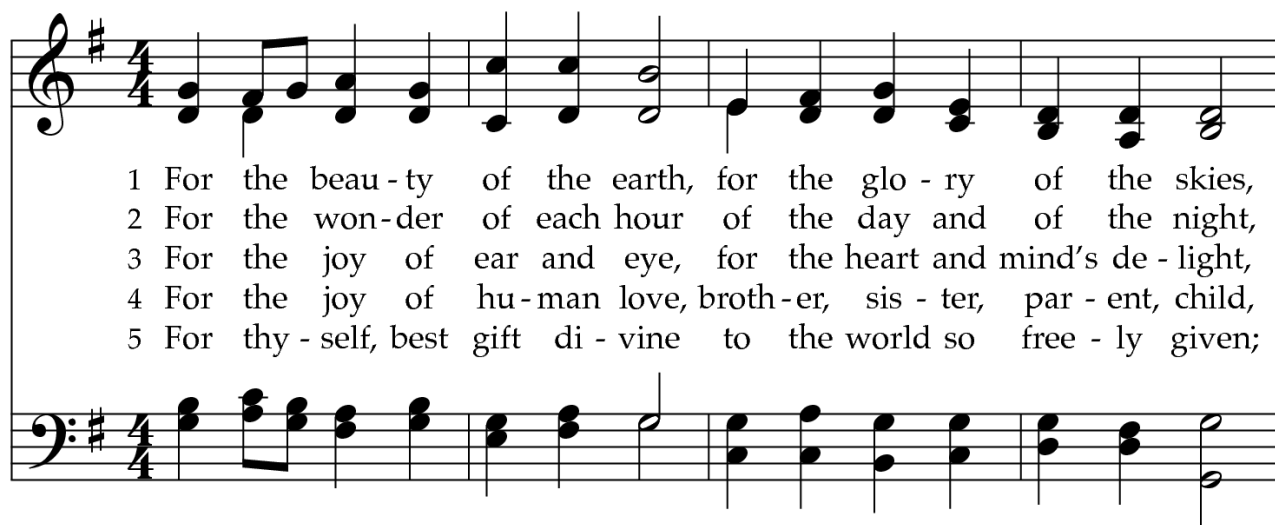
GATHERING MUSIC

OPENING HYMN (see next page)

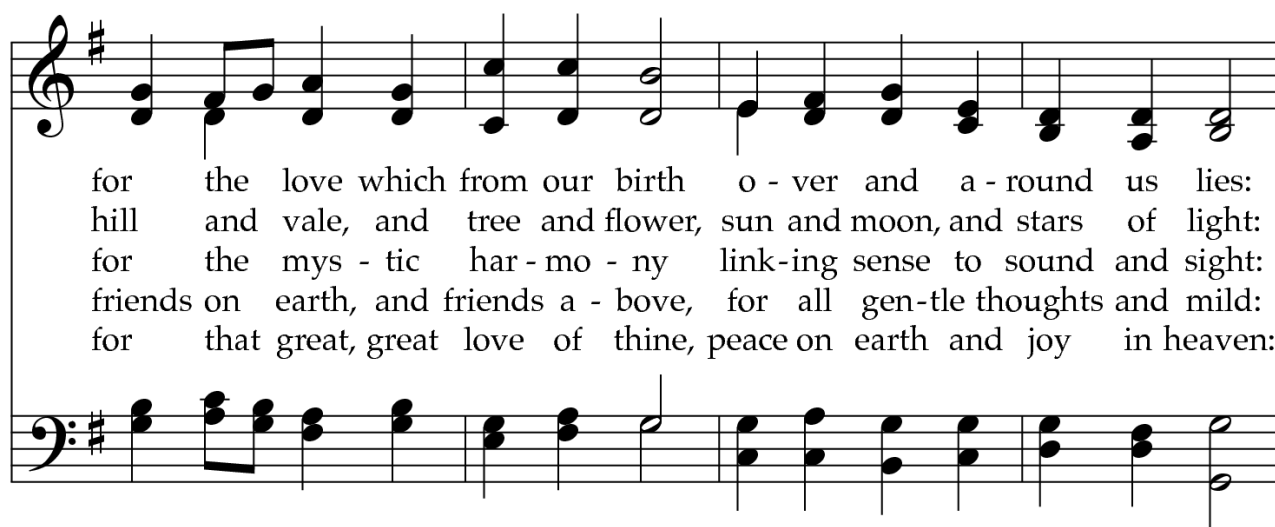
“For the Beauty of the Earth”

DIX, 7.7.7.7.7.7;
words, Folliott Sanford Pierpoint (1835-1917);
music, Conrad Kocher (1786-1872)

Please stand, as able.



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Presider Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"A California Benedicite"

words, adapt. Bill Doggett (b. 1956); music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

During the music, the candles are lit.

The musical score is written for two parts: Cantor and People. It is in 6/8 time and B-flat major. The Cantor part begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The People part begins with a bass clef and the same key signature. The lyrics are: "O give thanks to our God who is good: Whose love en - dures for ev - er. Give to our God your thanks and praise." The score includes a repeat sign at the beginning of the Cantor part and a double bar line at the end of the People part.

Cantor: O give thanks to our God who is good: Whose love en - dures for ev - er.

People: Give to our God your thanks and praise.

² You sun and moon, you stars of the western sky:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

³ Sunrise and sunset, night and day:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

⁴ All mountains and valleys, desert and grassland, beaches, chapparal, sand dunes and forests:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

⁵ You live oaks and gray pines, sequoia and ocotillo, sage and sugarbush:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

⁶ Gray whales and humpbacks, otters and sea lions, crabs and kelp, garibaldi and grunion:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

⁷ Jackrabbits and coyotes, bighorns and tortoises, deer and condors, roadrunners and mountain lions:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

⁸ You native peoples and immigrants, people of all genders and ages, all who inhabit this blessed place:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

⁹ All you saints and martyrs of the Golden West:

Give to our God your thanks and praise.

THE ACCLAMATION

Presider The God of love is with us.

People The Spirit of love is in us.

Presider Blessed be the Lord, creator of heaven and earth.

People Whose glory endures forever.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

GRANT us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 33:7-11, *God's Justice and Mercy*

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

YOU, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 119:33-40: *Legem pone*;
music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

Antiphon sung first by cantor, then by all:

Antiphon:

Give me und-er-stand - ing, and I shall keep your law.

Verses:

All sing the bolded lines as indicated:

³³ Teach me, O Lord, the way of your / statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the / end.

³⁴ Give me understanding, and I shall keep your / law; *
I shall keep it with all my / heart.

³⁵ Make me go in the path of your com- / mandments, *
for that is my de- / sire.

- ³⁶ Incline my heart to your de- / crees *
and not to unjust / gain.
- ³⁷ Turn my eyes from watching what is / worthless; *
give me life in your / ways.
- ³⁸ Fulfill your promise to your / servant, *
which you make to those who fear / you.
- ³⁹ Turn away the reproach which I / dread, *
because your judgments are / good.
- ⁴⁰ Behold, I long for your com- / mandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my / life.

Antiphon:



THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:8-14, *Love for One Another*

A reading from the letter to the Romans.

OWE no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able, for the Gospel.

THE GRADUAL

LASST UNS ERFREUEN, 8.8.4.4.8.8. with refrain;
words, attr. St. Francis of Assisi (ca. 1182-1226); music, anon. 17th c.

Verses 1 and 2 before the Gospel, verse 3 after.

1. All crea-tures of the earth and sky, come, kin-dred, lift your voi-ces high,
2. Swift rush-ing wind so wild and strong, white clouds that sail in heav'n a-long,
3. Em-brac-ing earth, you, day by day, bring forth your bless-ings on our way,

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20, *Reproving Another Who Sins*

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following verse 3 of the Gradual, please be seated.

THE SERMON

THE IONIAN CREED

Please stand, as able.

WE believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of all humanity. We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree. A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief, he died alone and forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death. On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present throughout all ages, and his kingdom will come on earth. We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit burning with Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of all resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Intercessor Creating God, even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she places her young near your altar. You are attentive to all you have made. Help us provide refuge to every animal and plant with whom we live. Help us be attentive to all you have made. God, who listens to every living thing,

People Help us listen as you do.

Intercessor Creating God, when Jesus cried out and gave up his Spirit, the earth shook and the rocks split. You are known by the whole of creation that listens to you. You are present in your creation and seek to heal her wounds. You can be found walking in the garden. Open our eyes to see you, the gardener. God, to whom all creation responds,

People Help us respond to you.

Intercessor Creating God, we often abandon your creation and cause its wounds. Help us to follow in your footsteps and learn to walk in the garden like you. Help us, and heal all your children who suffer in body, mind, and spirit: the poor, the hungry, the sick, the oppressed, those in prison and those in recovery programs. Help those in any need or trouble, especially _____

A period of silence is kept.

Intercessor God, who is present with your creation,
People Help us be present too.

Intercessor Creating God, who hears every voice, knows each cry of injustice, and is attentive to the suffering of the earth and its inhabitants: teach us to listen. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may listen to the world you have created and not close ourselves off from it. Reveal to us the ways in which we have failed to hear your voice in how we treat the earth. Bring into your loving embrace all those who have died, especially _____.

A period of silence is kept.

Intercessor God, who listens to every living thing,
People Help us listen as you do.

Presider Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is kept.

People Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Following the peace, please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY HYMN

“If You Believe and I Believe”

words and music, trad. Zimbabwean

Chord progression: G, C, D, G, C, D, G

If you be - lieve and I be - lieve and we to - geth - er pray,

Chord progression: G, C, D, G, C, D, G

the Ho - ly Spir - it will come down and set God's peo - ple free,

Chord progression: G, Bm, Am, G, D, G, Am, G/D

and set God's peo - ple free, and set God's peo - ple free;

Chord progression: D7, G, C, D, G, C, G/D, D7, G

the Ho - ly Spir - it will come down and set God's peo - ple free.

PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD HUNDREDTH, 8.8.8.8;
words, William Kethe (d. 1594);
music, attr. Louis Bourgeois (ca. 1510-1561)

Please stand, as able.

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low,
praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly right and good for us to give thanks to you always and everywhere, holy Lord, Almighty and eternal Father, Maker of all and Author of creation. In your loving-kindness, you brought the whole creation into being and blessed its goodness, fashioning all living things from the dust of the earth and making us in your own image. And just as through your beloved Son you created the human race, so also through him with great goodness you formed it anew. Through him the Angels praise your majesty, Dominions adore and Powers tremble before you; the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim worship together with exultation, and heaven and earth, sun and moon, sea and sky, plants and animals, and all you have created declare the majesty of your goodness. And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:

F C Dm Bb C(sus4) C
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 F C Dm Bb F
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 Dm Gm Dm Bb
 Hea - ven and earth, hea - ven and earth, they are both full of your glo - ry;
 Dm Gm Dm Bb C(sus4)
 Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the high - est hea - ven.
 F C Dm Bb C(sus4) C
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord,
 F C Dm Bb F
 Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the high - est hea - ven.

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Following a brief silence, the Presider leads:

People Recalling now his suffering and death, and celebrating his resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Made one with him, and one with each other, we offer these gifts, and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this memorial of our redemption. Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness, that we may follow in the way of Christ and grow more and more into salvation. And in the age to come, when you return in glory, may we join _____ and all the saints in the chorus of your eternal praise.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Presider continues:

COME to this table, those who have much faith and those who would like to have more; those who have been to this sacrament often and those who have not been for a long time; those who have tried to follow Jesus and those who have failed. Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer - cy, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

*Please be seated once you receive Communion.
All are welcome to receive at St. Bartholomew's.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand, as able.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, in love you have called us to be your people, and with love you have given us this bread and this wine; may this holy meal refresh us as a gentle and steady breeze, that renewed in your Holy Spirit, we may go forth into the world to serve your people; in the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank you for your participation in today's service; your presence is a blessing to us.
"All are welcome. No exceptions."*

BLESSING OF BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

WATCH over your children, O Lord, as they mark this day; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Please stand, as able.

CLOSING HYMN (see next page)

“Earth and all Stars”

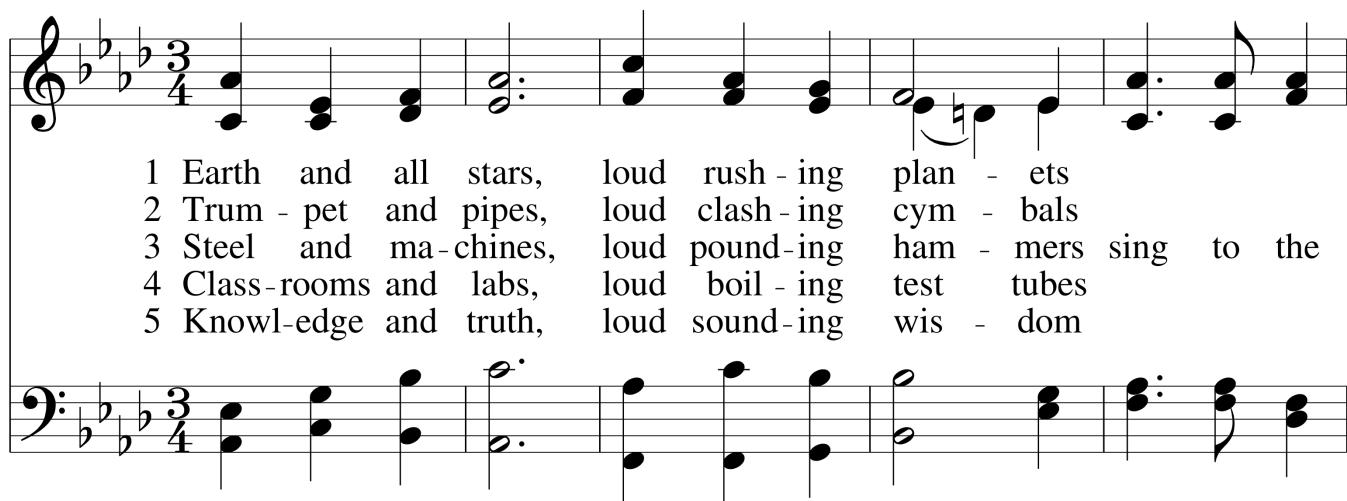
EARTH AND ALL STARS, 4.5.7.4.5.7 with refrain;
words, Herbert Brokering (1926-2009);
music, David Johnson (1922-1987)

THE DISMISSAL

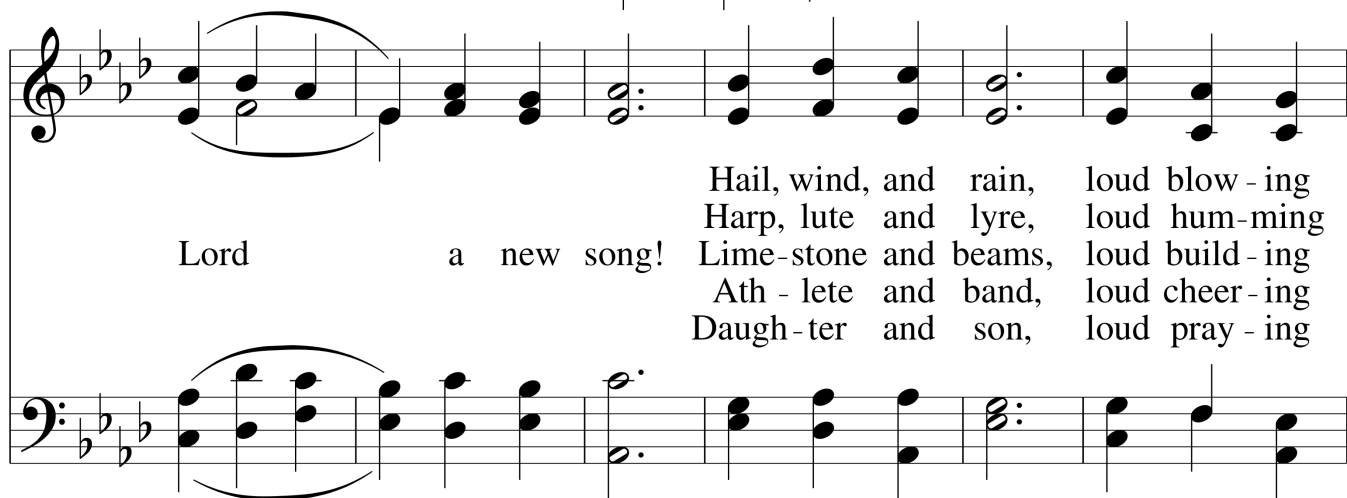
Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.





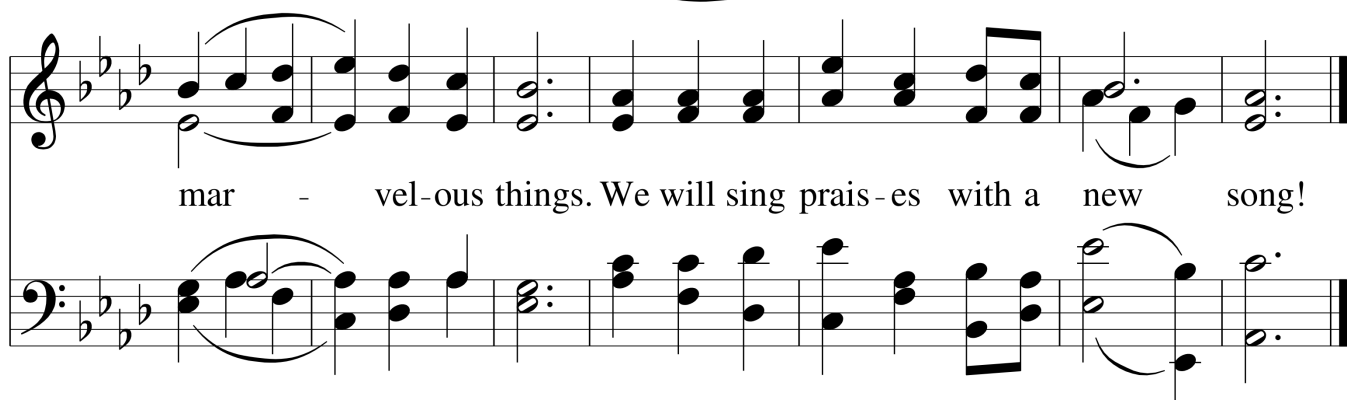
1 Earth and all stars, loud rush - ing plan - ets
 2 Trum - pet and pipes, loud clash - ing cym - bals
 3 Steel and ma - chines, loud pound - ing ham - mers sing to the
 4 Class - rooms and labs, loud boil - ing test tubes
 5 Knowl - edge and truth, loud sound - ing wis - dom



Lord a new song! Hail, wind, and rain, loud blow - ing
 Harp, lute and lyre, loud hum - ming
 Lime - stone and beams, loud build - ing
 Ath - lete and band, loud cheer - ing
 Daugh - ter and son, loud pray - ing



Refrain
 snow - storm
 cel - los
 work - ers sing to the Lord a new song! God has done
 peo - ple
 mem - bers



mar - vel - ous things. We will sing prais - es with a new song!