

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024 | 8 & 10 AM

The Reverend Andrew Butler, *Rector* | The Reverend Patricia Horkey, *Associate Rector*
The Very Rev. Canon John Crean, *Assisting Priest* | The Rev. Canon Charleen Crean, *Deacon*
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We acknowledge with respect the Cahuilla people as the Original Peoples of this land.

Welcome to worship at St. Margaret's! As Episcopalians, we express our love for God through our worship and it lies at the heart of who we are at St. Margaret's. Our Liturgy, including the patterns, words, and actions found below are one of the blessings of our faith. We invite you to participate as you are comfortable by **responding and reading in unison the bolded text** and to stand for portions of the liturgy as you are able. Childcare is available every Sunday, with a more structured Sunday School program offered the first Sunday of every month. Hearing devices are available in the Foyer. Join us in Karns Hall following the service for coffee and fellowship. If you are a guest, please fill out the Welcome Card in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are always welcome here.

PRELUDE

Le jardin suspendu (The Suspended Garden)

Jehan Alain

Please stand.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION · 400

All Creatures of Our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

✠ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

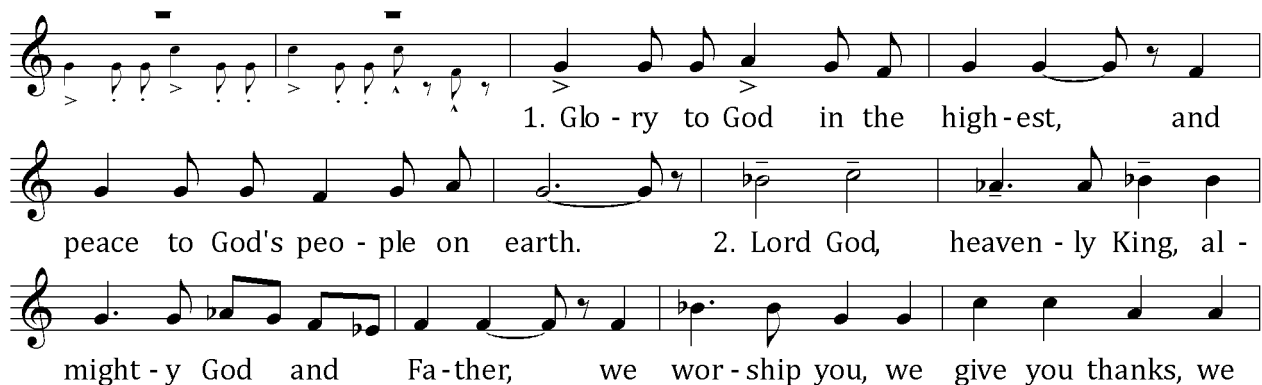
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

GLORIA · S 278

William Mathias



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" the theme of the day or season revealed in the Scriptures for the day.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Called to be God's partners in the care of our planet, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth: Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things, for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (4:5-12).

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?"

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

chant: Edward Cuthbert Bairstow

Psalms are Hebrew hymns originally meant to be sung. The antiphon is sung first by the choir then repeated by the congregation and as noted. Verses are sung by the choir.



- 1 O God, you are my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
- 2 You make me lie down in green pastures
and lead me beside still waters.
- 3 You revive my soul
and guide me along right pathways for the sake of your Name. **Antiphon**
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of God for ever. **Antiphon**

THE SECOND LESSON A reading from the first letter of John (3:16–24).

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

HYMN AT THE GOSPEL · 708
Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Sicilian Mariners

THE HOLY GOSPEL

This reading comes from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of Christ. We stand now to show the importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John (10:11–18).

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Canon John Crean

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 CE and confirmed in 381 CE, this creed reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity. The word "catholic" in this context is to be understood as universal.

Deacon

Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the ✠ resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

Intercessor and People

In the beginning, **God was.**

Here and now, **God is.**

In the future, **God will be.**

Intercessor

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire your presence and help.

You are invited to add your own prayers silently or aloud.

God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died.

You are invited to add your own prayers silently or aloud.

God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Presider

Eternal God, the light of all who know you, come and fill our hearts with your love. Help us speak when many keep silent, help us stand for what is right when many sit in indifference. Increase our faith and charity, until your kingdom comes and heaven and earth rejoice in everlasting glory; through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of compassion, have mercy upon us. Heal our relationship with all creation. Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect of the creatures who share the earth with us. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent for what we have done to harm them, and for what we have not done to help them. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may care for one another and for all your creatures, according to your will and in the fullness of your love; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

The presider then announces the good news of forgiveness ☩.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The passing of the Peace of Christ is one of the Church's most ancient liturgical practices and is a tangible reminder that we're not in this alone in this life because Christ calls us into community. Feel free to extend Christ's peace to those around you in any way you feel comfortable.

Please be seated.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est. ✠ Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being ✠ sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

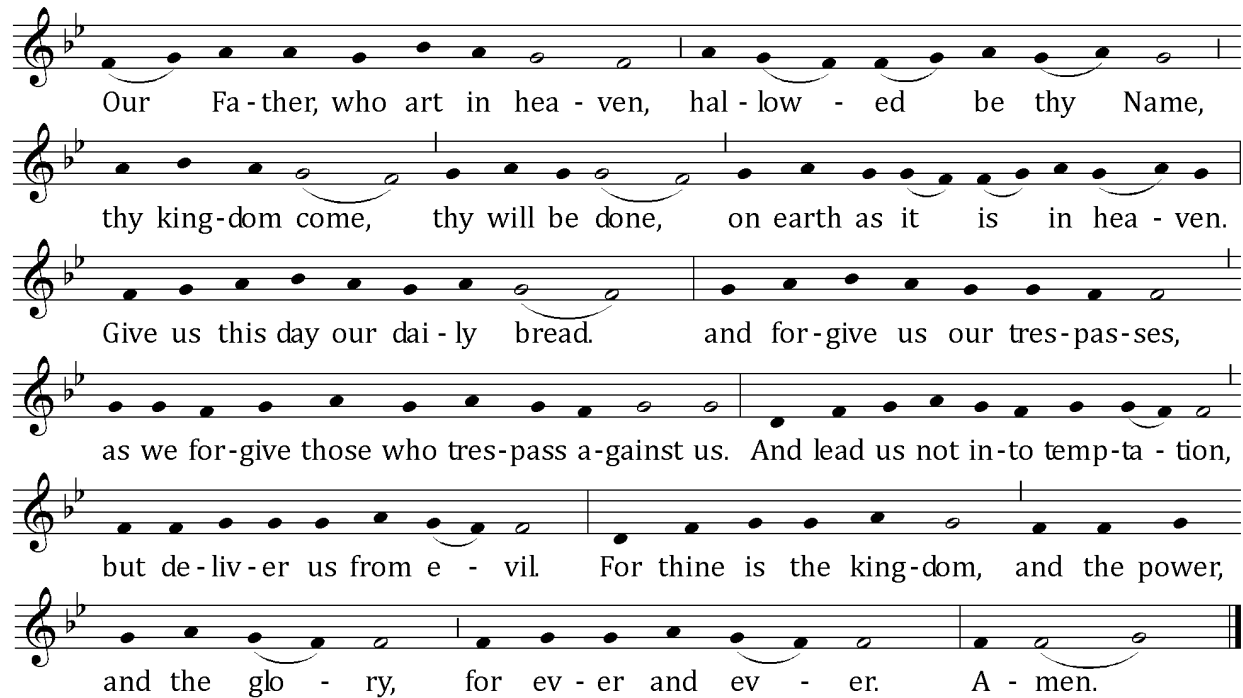
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

**The all capital letter "Great Amen" is the "people's prayer" that concludes the Eucharistic prayer, and should be said with emphasis. As the Eucharistic celebration is shared by the congregation and the presider, the Great Amen emphasizes the assent of the people to the words spoken on their behalf by the presider.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Plainsong

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:



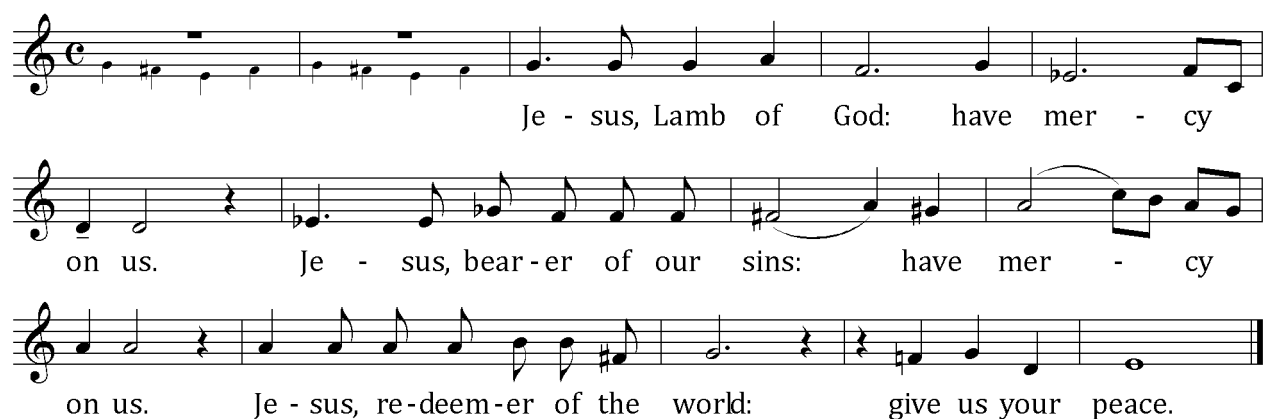
Our Fa-ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name,
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven.
Give us this dai - ly bread. and for-give us our tres-pas-ses,
as we for-give those who tres-pass a-against us. And lead us not in-to temp-ta - tion,
but de-liv-er us from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM · S 165

Mathias



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, bear-er of our sins: have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world: give us your peace.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at St. Margaret's by processing to the center aisle to receive and then return to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you would like to drink from the chalice, please say 'chalice' to the minister. Otherwise we will place the host in your hands after dipping it into the wine. Request a gluten-free host, if needed. Please cross your arms over your chest if you'd prefer a blessing.

Prayer Ministers offer Healing Prayers during this time, at stations in the outside aisles.

COMMUNION HYMN · 334

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

It is here that Eucharistic Visitors receive bread and wine to take to those who are sick or homebound.

Deacon

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread one cup.

THE BLESSING ✠

HYMN AT THE CLOSING · 398

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Forest Green

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve God's creation. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Gaudeamus

Sydney S. Campbell

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TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS
Given to the Glory of God
In honor of Cash Baxter on the occasion of his birthday,
and in memory of Stephen Barrington Baxter.



IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for these whom we know and love.

Jon O'C., Robert S., Peggy D., Roger D., Lorinda C., Butch, Randy B., David E., Ken, Jane H., Gay, Grace, Leslie, Mark, K.B., Dallas, Jerry H., Jim T., Camerone P., Greg S., Marilyn, Paula, Patricia E., Nancy B., Dan C., Bob, Jim H., David C., Nancy B., Connie V., Gisela V., Peg L, Bob G., Barb G., Fran D., Liza F., Jane D., Val D., Elaine C., Connie Lou S., Janet D., Pat S., Pat M., Cort, Celeste. George F., Judy L., Tom L.

We remember those who have died.



TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Andrew Butler, *Presider*

The Very Rev. Canon John Crean, *Preacher*

The Rev. Canon Charleen Crean, *Deacon*

Nina McGuane, *Choir Conductor* | Karen Hathaway, *Organist*

Vergers: Samantha Hirsch, Betty Baxter | *Acolytes*: Marcia Erickson-Boate, Jan Romerdahl, Steven Smith

Lectors: (8AM) Brian Cote, (10AM) Kathy Moawad, Helen Dolph

Eucharistic Ministers: (8AM) Patricia Neal Jensen, (10AM) Vince Heuring, Bruce Dolph, John Mikenas,

Mike Mullins, Sue Shigenaga, Steven Smith, Courtney White | *Prayer Station*: (10AM) Judy Burton,

George Lynch *Ushers*: (8AM) Duke Gregory, Joanne Kennedy, (10AM) Michael Stanley,

Bonnie Ortale, John Buchanan, Guin DeJarnett | *Greeters*: (8AM) Bob Kimball, (10AM) Pat Stanley,

Gene Erickson, Bruce Fowler, Douglas Cook | *Camera Operator*: John Cooke

 St. Margaret's Episcopal Church
Open Hearts, Open Doors

OPEN HEARTS, OPEN DOORS Capital Campaign

As of 4/18/24, we have raised

\$3,532,106

towards our goal of \$4,250,000, with only \$717,894 to go!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday, April 28, After both services.

Your Capital Campaign Committee invites you to a special family event. This is for all parents, grandparents and children who belong to St. Margaret's and their friends....and for anyone at St. Margaret's who loves ice cream!

Sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION · 400

All Creatures of Our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



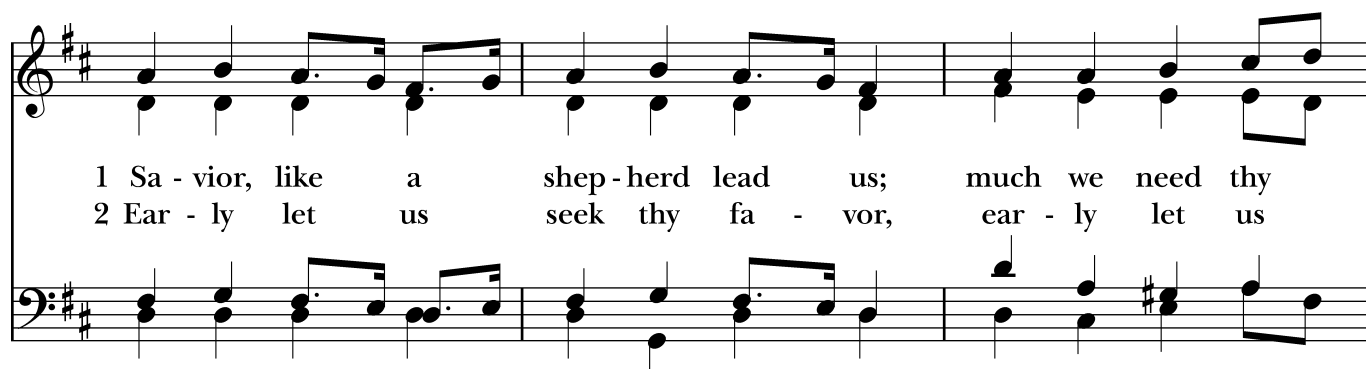
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

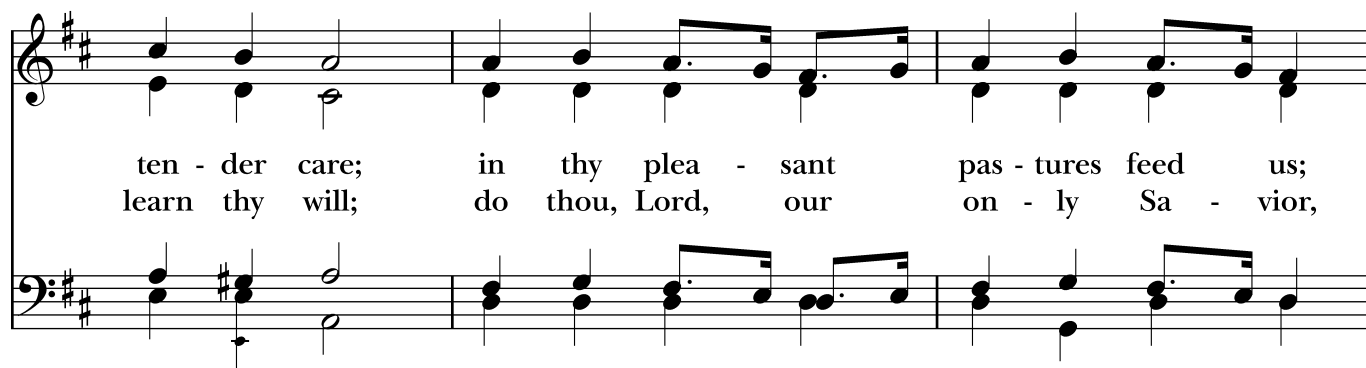
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HYMN AT THE GOSPEL · 708
Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Sicilian Mariners



1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us



ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,



for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!



Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

Words: *Hymns for the Young*, ca. 1830, alt. Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody, from *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792.

COMMUNION HYMN · 334

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -

vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spi - rit, strong and free.

Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this Eu - cha -
 by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your Bo - dy,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in

rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

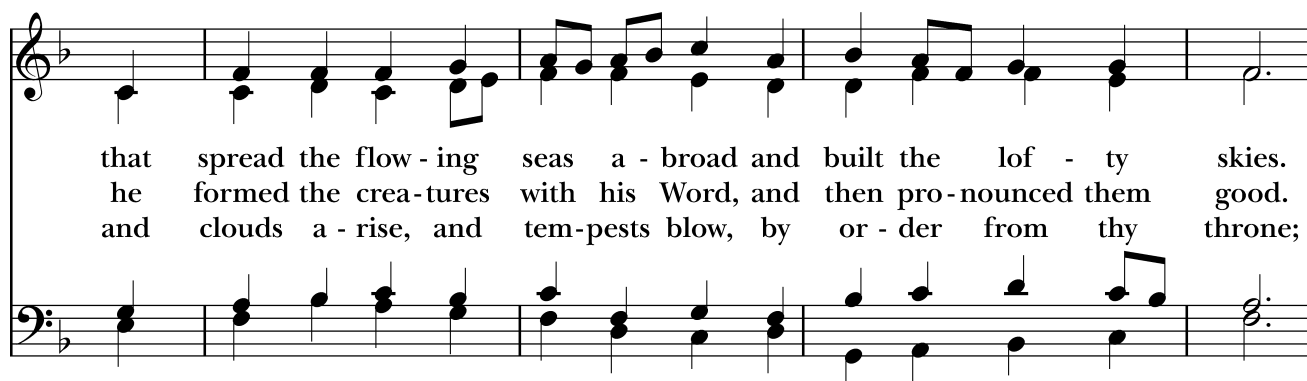
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HYMN AT THE CLOSING · 398
I Sing the Almighty Power of God

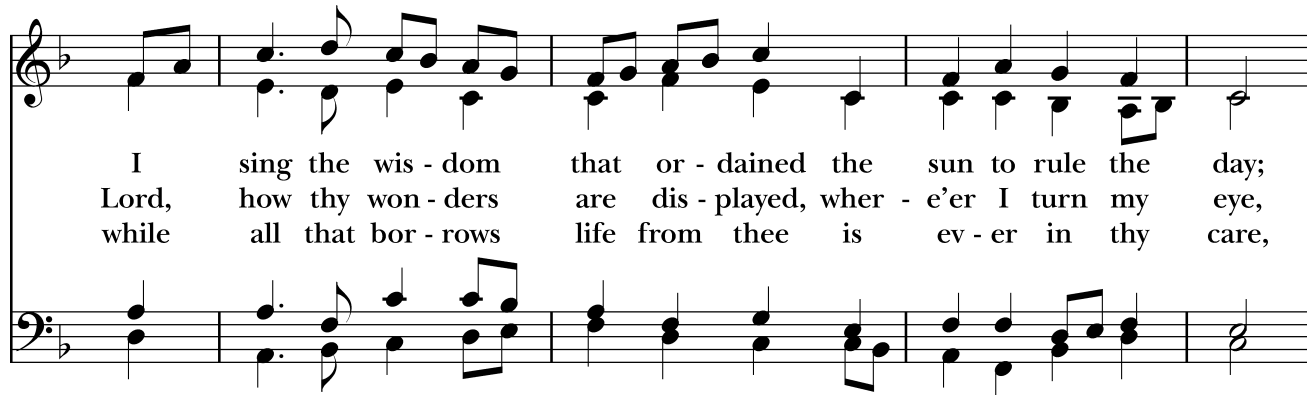
Forest Green



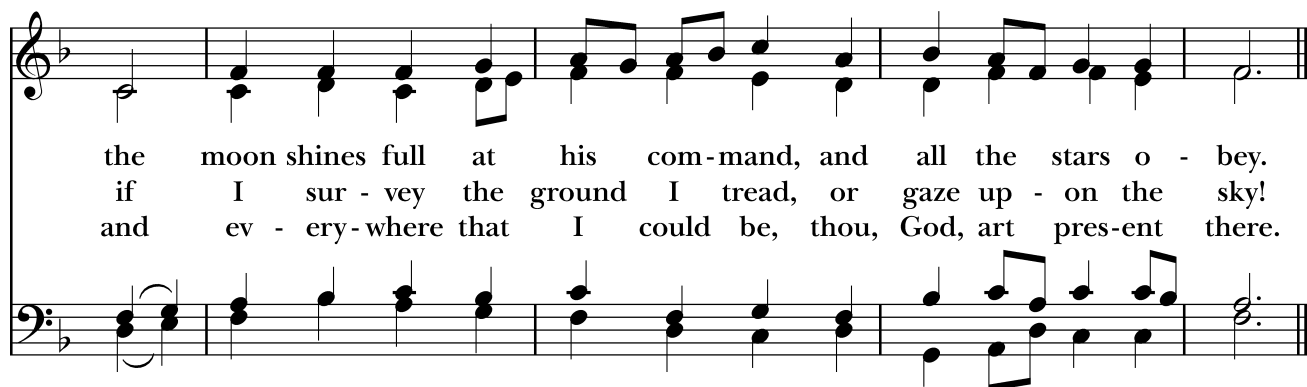
1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.
he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.
and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;
Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

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