

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY MAY 3RD, 2020 LITURGY

Call to Worship

THE BOOK OF PSALMS

147 Praise the LORD!
For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

☩ VERSICLE ☩ Lord, open our lips.
☩ RESPONSE ☩ **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
☩ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Spirit.
☩ **Come let us adore Him. Alleluia!**

Salutation

PHILIPPIANS 1

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

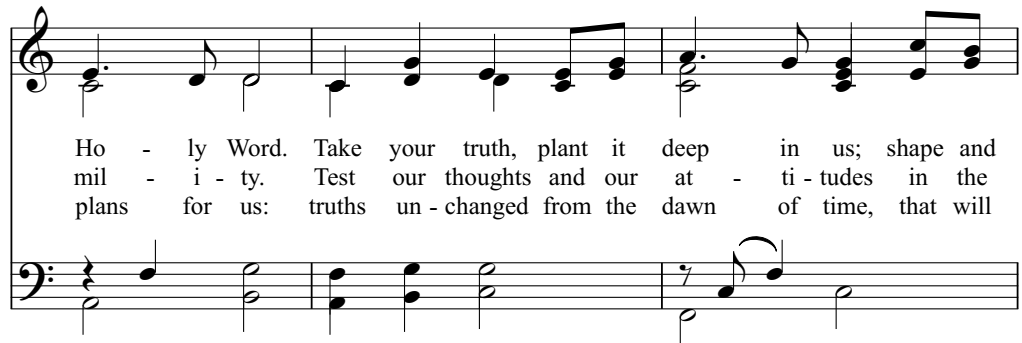
Hymn of Praise

#172 SPEAK O LORD

Unison



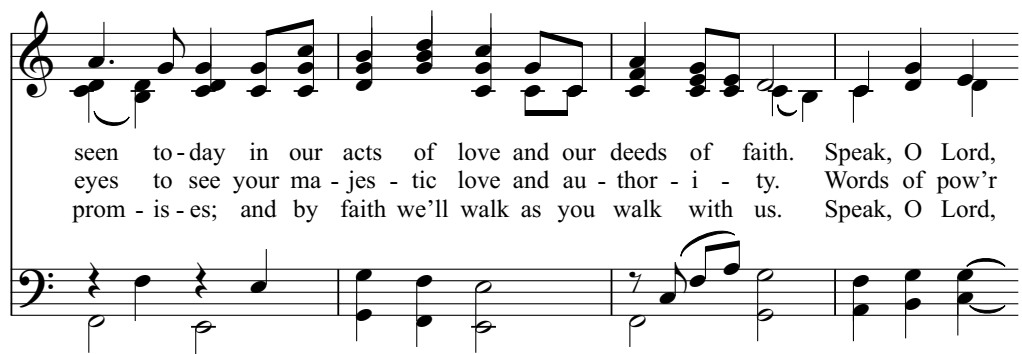
1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food of your
2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu -
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us grasp the heights of your



Ho - ly Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes in the
plans for us: truths un - changed from the dawn of time, that will



fash - ion us in your like - ness, that the light of Christ might be
ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our
ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on your



seen to - day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord,
eyes to see your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r
prom - is - es; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord,



and ful - fill in us all your pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.
that can nev - er fail, let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
'til your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

GOD CLEANSSES US

Reading of God's Law

☩ VERSICLE
☩ RESPONSE

☩ Hear now the covenant of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage." You shall have no other gods before Me.

☩ **You shall not make for yourself an idol.**

☩ You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

☩ **Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

☩ Honor your father and your mother.

☩ **You shall not murder.**

☩ You shall not commit adultery.

☩ **You shall not steal**

☩ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

☩ **You shall not covet.**

☩ Have you fully obeyed the LORD in all that He has commanded? Have you loved the LORD with all your heart, soul, mind and strength, and your neighbor as yourself?

☩ **No, but we have sinned in thought,
in word, and in deed.**

☩ Then confess your sins to the LORD, for with Him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

Confession of Sin

IN UNISON

Almighty and most merciful Father;

We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against Your holy laws.

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;

And we have done those things which we ought not to have done;

And there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent;

According to Your promises declared unto us in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake;

That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life;

To the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

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Words of Comfort

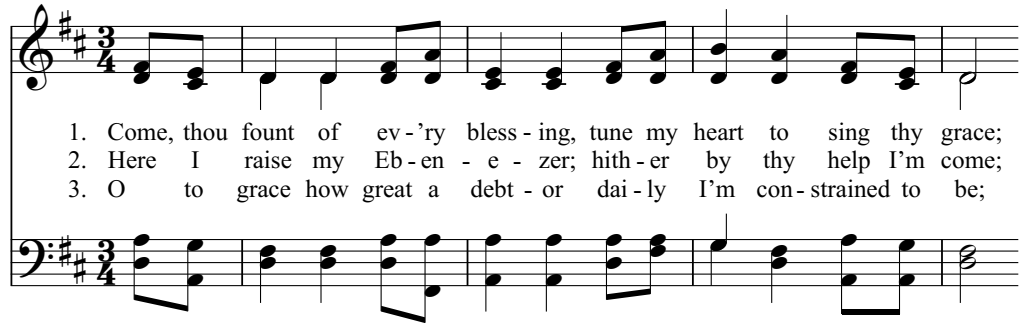
PSALM 103

- ⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- ⁹ He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
- ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- ¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
- ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
- ¹⁴ For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

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Hymn of Assurance

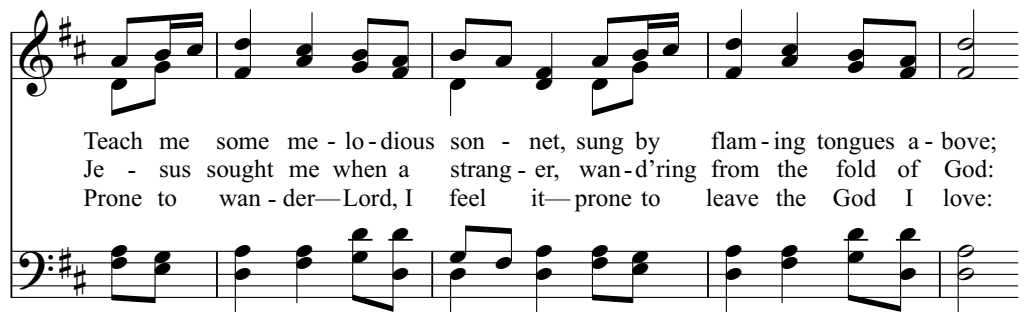
#429 COME THOU FOUNT



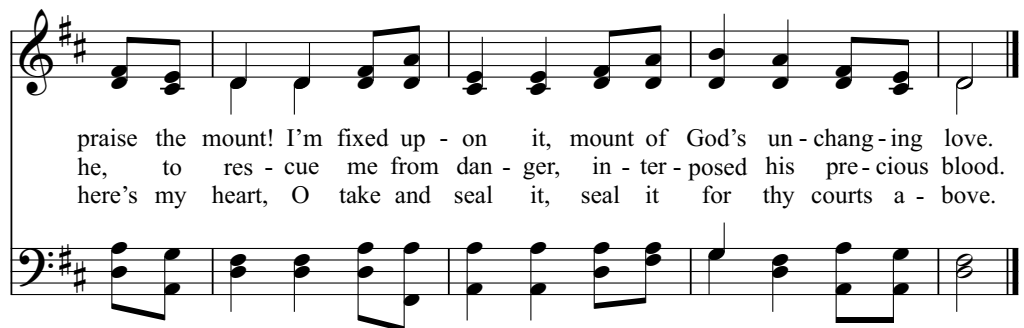
1. Come, thou fount of ev-'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:
Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Robert Robinson, 1758

NETTLETON 8.7.8.7.D.
Asahel Nettleton, 1825

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Old Testament Reading

THE BOOK OF PSALMS

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A SONG OF ASCENTS.

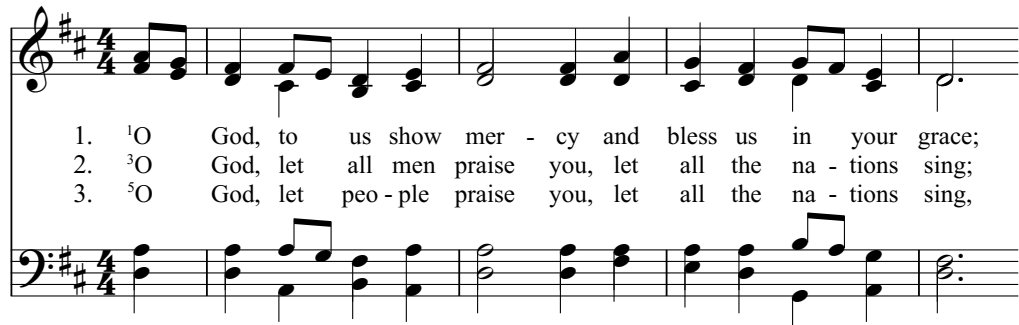
- ¹ To you I lift up my eyes,
O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
- ² Behold, as the eyes of servants
look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maidservant
to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God,
till he has mercy upon us.
- ³ Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt.
- ⁴ Our soul has had more than enough
of the scorn of those who are at ease,
of the contempt of the proud.

Ⲱ VERSICLE Ⲱ The Word of the Lord!
Ⲡ RESPONSE Ⲡ **Thanks be to God!**

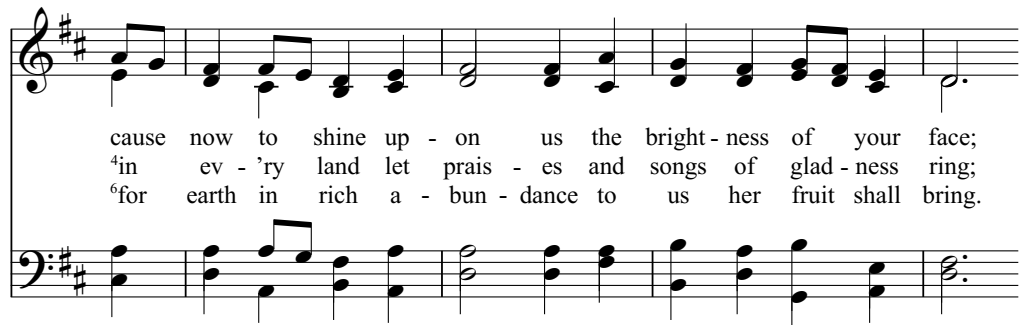
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Psalm of Preparation

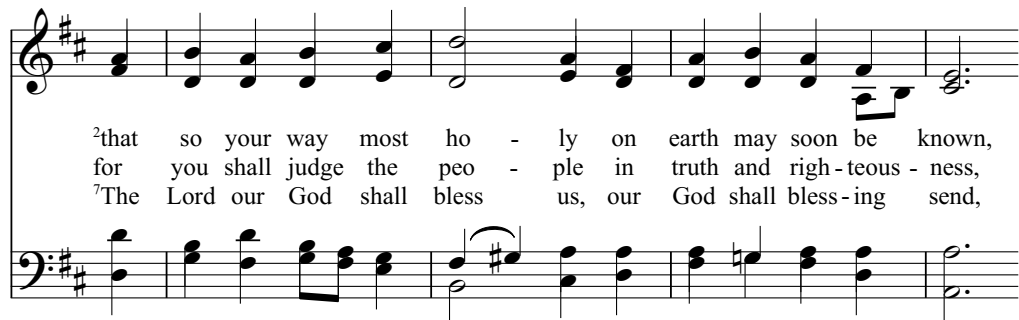
#67A



1. ¹O God, to us show mer - cy and bless us in your grace;
2. ³O God, let all men praise you, let all the na - tions sing;
3. ⁵O God, let peo - ple praise you, let all the na - tions sing,



cause now to shine up - on us the bright - ness of your face;
⁴in ev - 'ry land let prais - es and songs of glad - ness ring;
⁶for earth in rich a - bun - dance to us her fruit shall bring.



²that so your way most ho - ly on earth may soon be known,
for you shall judge the peo - ple in truth and righ - teous - ness,
⁷The Lord our God shall bless us, our God shall bless - ing send,



and un - to ev - 'ry peo - ple your sav - ing grace be shown.
and through the earth the na - tions shall your just rule con - fess.
and all the earth shall fear him to its re - mot - est end.

The Psalter, 1912; alt.
mod.

MEIRIONYDD 7.6.7.6.D.
William Freeman Lloyd, 1840
Alternate: AURELIA

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New Testament Reading

LUKE 6

³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹ And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

³² "If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵ But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶ Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

☩ VERSICLE ☩ The Word of the Lord!
☩ RESPONSE ☩ Thanks be to God!

Homily

REV. JESSE PIRSCHER

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HOMILY IS
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Hymn of Response

#476 IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
3. My sin—O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!—my sin, not in
4. O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled



sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
back as a scroll; the trump shall re - sound, and the Lord shall de - scend;



Refrain



“It is well, it is well with my soul.”
and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
“E - ven so”—it is well with my soul.



with my soul;
with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.



Horatio G. Spafford, 1873

VILLE DU HAVRE 11.8.11.9.ref.
Philip P. Bliss, 1876

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Confession of Faith

IN UNISON APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the 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.**

Closing Prayers

- ∇ VERSICLE ∇ That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States (or of this nation), and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,
- ℞ RESPONSE ℞ **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**
- ∇ That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples,
- ℞ **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**
- ∇ That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,
- ℞ **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**
- ∇ That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them,
- ℞ **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**
- ∇ That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good,
- ℞ **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**
- ∇ That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,
- ℞ **We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

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☩ VERSICLE

☩ That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife,

Ⲡ RESPONSE

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.**

☩ That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

Ⲡ **We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord, praying now even as Christ has taught us**

IN UNISON

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.

GOD COMMISSIONS US

Departing Words of Comfort

HEBREWS 13

²⁰ Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. *Amen.*