



The Diocese of Olympia

**Electing Convention
for the Ninth Bishop Diocesan**

Saturday, May 18, 2024

St. Mark's Cathedral
Seattle, Washington

Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.

Prelude *Pièce d'orgue, BWV 572*
Call to Order

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Silence and stillness
Morning Prayer

All rise as able

Opening Verses

Bishop O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

Assembly And your glory all the day long.

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power; crown thine an - cient
2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways! From the fears that
3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton,
4. Save us from weak re - sig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore; let the gift of

Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cou - rage,
thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, (of this hour,) for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, (of these days,) for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, (king - dom's goal,) lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, (we a - dore,) serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

All are seated

Psalm 104: 1, 25, 28-29, 31, 34

The Cantor will introduce the refrain; all repeat it. The Cantor will chant the verses; all repeat the refrain as indicated.

Refrain:



Bless the Holy One, O my soul; *
O God, how excellent is your greatness;
you are clothed with majesty and splendor. *Refrain*

O Holy One, how manifold are your works; *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things. *Refrain*

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
I will sing to God as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being. *Refrain*

Silence and stillness

Reading 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Lector A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

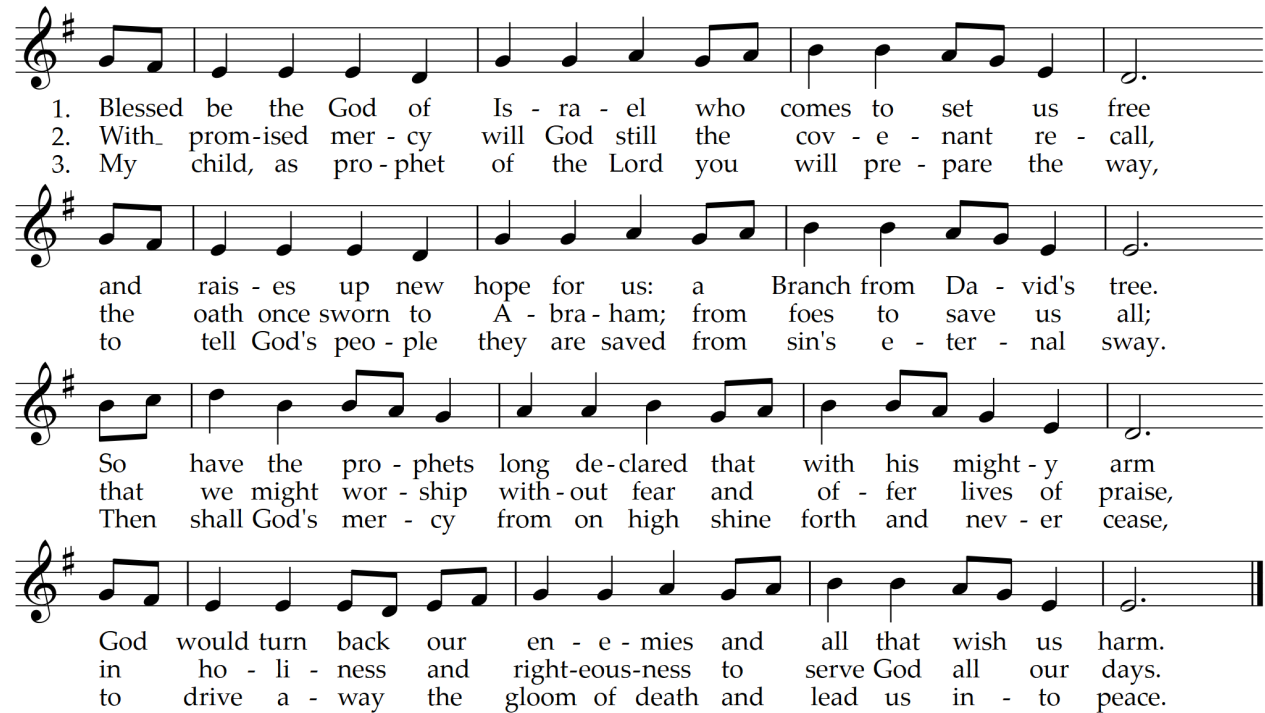
Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

At the conclusion of the reading:
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

All rise as able

The Canticle of Zechariah

The musical notation for 'The Canticle of Zechariah' is written on five staves in G-clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is a simple, folk-like tune. The lyrics are written below the staves, with some words hyphenated across lines. The text is as follows:

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free
2. With prom-ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,
3. My child, as pro - phet of the Lord you will pre - pare the way,
and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree.
the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham; from foes to save us all;
to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.
So have the pro - phets long de - clared that with his might - y arm
that we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise,
Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease,
God would turn back our en - e - mies and all that wish us harm.
in ho - li - ness and right-eous-ness to serve God all our days.
to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944); Hymn 889 in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

Music: *Kingsfold*, English folk melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); Public Domain

The Prayers

Bishop

Let us pray, in whatever is our native tongue, the words our Savior gave us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Intercessor Let us pray for Melissa, our bishop provisional, for those who serve on the diocesan staff, for the many ministries of this diocese, for the clergy and whole people of God throughout western Washington. Hear us as we pray:
Come, Holy Spirit. Come and fill the hearts of your people.

Intercessor Let us pray for the priests who have offered themselves as candidates for the office of bishop, for their families, friends, and parishes. Hear us as we pray:
Come, Holy Spirit. Come and fill the hearts of your people.

Intercessor Let us pray for this electing convention: for the Spirit's gift of wisdom as we select our next shepherd and servant. Let us pray for a spirit of good will, patience, and gentleness. Hear us as we pray:
Come, Holy Spirit. come and fill the hearts of your people.

Intercessor Let us pray for those this day who struggle with health challenges, poverty, discrimination, abuse, loneliness, and despair. Let us pray for the Spirit's life-giving presence, power, and peace. Hear us as we pray:
Come, Holy Spirit. Come and fill the hearts of your people.

Intercessor Let us offer in silence our own petitions and thanksgivings ...
Hear us as we pray:
Come, Holy Spirit. Come and fill the hearts of your people.

Collect

Bishop

Almighty God, giver of every good gift:
Look graciously on your Church,
and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this diocese,
that we may receive a faithful pastor,
who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn "Muchos resplandores," *sung in Spanish*



1. Mu-chos res-plan-do - res, só-lo u - na luz; es la luz de Cris-to. _____
 2. Mu-chas son las ra - mas, un ár - bol hay, y su tron - co es Cris-to. _____
 3. Mu-chos son los do - nes, u-no el a - mor: el a - mor de Cris-to. _____
 4. Mu-chas las ta - re - as, u-no el sen - tir, el sen - tir de Cris-to. _____
 5. Mu-chos son los miem-bros, un cuer-po hay, e - se cuer - po es Cris-to. _____

Mu-chos res-plan-do - res, só-lo u - na luz que nos ha - ce u - no. _____
 Mu-chas son las ra - mas, un ár - bol hay y en el so - mos u - no. _____
 Mu-chos son los do - nes, u-no el a - mor que nos ha - ce u - no. _____
 Mu-chas las ta - re - as, u-no el sen - tir que nos ha - ce u - no. _____
 Mu-chos son los miem-bros, un cuer-po hay y en el so - mos u - no. _____

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| 1. Many are the light-beams from the one light. Our one light is Jesus. We are one in Christ. |
| 2. Many are the branches of the one tree. Our one tree is Jesus. We are one in Christ. |
| 3. Many are the gifts given, love is all one. Love's the gift of Jesus. We are one in Christ. |
| 4. Many ways to serve God, the spirit is one; servant spirit of Jesus. We are one in Christ. |
| 5. Many are the members, the body is one; members all of Jesus. We are one in Christ. |

Words: Anders Frostenson (1906-2006), tr. Pablo D. Sosa (1933-2020)

Music: *Tjänsterna*, Olle Widestrand, harm. Skinner Chávez Melo (1944-1992)

Hymn 794 in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

Concluding Blessing

Bishop Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Bishop

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus forever and ever.

People Amen

II. Prior to a second ballot

Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, 10-12 *We have received the discerning Spirit of God*

Lectura 1 Corintios 2:1-12 *Hemos recibido el Espíritu de discernimiento de Dios*

Una lectura de la primera carta a los corintios.

Yo mismo, hermanos, cuando fui a anunciarles el misterio de Dios, no lo hice con gran elocuencia y sabiduría. Me decidí más bien, estando entre ustedes, a no saber de cosa alguna, excepto de Jesucristo y de este crucificado. Es más, me presenté ante ustedes con

tanta debilidad que temblaba de miedo. No les hablé ni prediqué con palabras sabias y elocuentes, sino con demostración del poder del Espíritu, para que la fe de ustedes no dependiera de la sabiduría humana, sino del poder de Dios.

Ahora bien, Dios nos ha revelado esto por medio de su Espíritu, pues el Espíritu lo examina todo, hasta las profundidades de Dios. En efecto, ¿quién conoce los pensamientos del ser humano sino su propio espíritu que está en él? Así mismo, nadie conoce los pensamientos de Dios sino el Espíritu de Dios. Nosotros no hemos recibido el espíritu del mundo, sino el Espíritu que procede de Dios para que entendamos lo que por su gracia él nos ha concedido.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Santa Sabiduría, Santa Palabra.

Gracias a Dios.

Silence and stillness

Collect

Let us pray.

O God our Light,

your searching Spirit reveals and illumines

your life-giving presence throughout your creation.

Shine your radiant Wisdom into our lives,

that we may discern your will as we elect a bishop in your church.

Let your Spirit of love encircle those who have presented themselves for election

And lead them with us to praise your bountiful mercy.

We ask this in the Name of the One who calls us to life,

Even Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

One God, now and forever.

Amen.

All rise as able



1. There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place,_____ and I know that it's the
2. There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive_____ till you know him in his
3. If you say he saved you from your sin,_____ now you're weak, you're bound, and

Spir - it of the Lord._____ There are sweet ex - pres-sions on each
full - ness, and be - lieve._____ You're the one to pro - fit when you
can - not en - ter in,_____ you can make it right if you will

face,_____ and I know they feel the pres-ence of the Lord._____
say,_____ "I am going to walk with Jes - sus all the way."_____
yield;_____ you'll en - joy the Ho - ly Spir - it that we feel._____

Refrain

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, Sweet Heav-en-ly Dove, stay right here with us,____

fill-ing us with your love. And for these bless-ings we lift our hearts in praise; with-out a
doubt we'll know that we have been re - vived when we shall leave this place._____

Words and Music: Doris Akers (1922-1995)
Hymn 752 in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

III. Prior to a third ballot

Reading Colossians 1:9-12 *May you be filled with the knowledge of God's will*

A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

We have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to God who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

At the conclusion of the reading:
 Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

Collect

Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light:

Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery;

by the effectual working of your providence,

carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation;

let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up,

and things which had grown old are being made new,

and that all things are being brought to their perfection

by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

All rise as able



1. Come and seek the ways of Wis-dom, she who
2. Lis - ten to the voice of Wis-dom, cry - ing
3. Sis - ter Wis-dom, come, as - sist us; nur-ture



danced, when earth was new Fol - low close - ly what she teach - es, for her
 in the ma - rket-place. Hear the Word made flesh a - mong us, full of
 all who seek re - birth. Spi - rit - guide and close com - pa - nion, bring to



words are right and true. Wis - dom clears the path to jus - tice, show - ing
 glo - ry, truth and grace. When the word takes root and rip - ens, peace and
 light our sa - cred worth. Free us to be - come your peo - ple, ho - ly



us what love must do.
 right - eous-ness em - brace.
 friends of God and earth.

IV. Prior to a fourth ballot

Reading Luke 22:24-27 *I am among you as one who serves*

Rōdoku Ruka 22:24-27 *Watashi wa tsukaeru mono to shite anata gata no ma ni imasu*

Ruka no fukuonsho no rōdoku.

²⁴ また彼らの間で、やがて実現する御国でだれが一番偉いかということで議論が起こりました。

²⁵ イエスは、それを見て言われました。「この世では、王や高官たちが支配者として権力をほしいままにしています。

²⁶ だが、あなたがたの間では違います。一番よく人に仕える人こそ、よく人を治める人になるのです。

²⁷ この世では、主人が食卓に着き、召使に給仕をさせます。しかし、あなたがたの間では、このわたしが給仕をするのです。

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, "The kings of the gentiles lord it over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather, the greatest among you must become like the youngest and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Seinaru Chie, Seinaru Kotoba.

Kamisama ni kansha shimasu

Silence and stillness

Collect

Let us pray.

O Most High God

Who dwells among us here on earth:

We pray that you will send us a chief priest and pastor

Who will feed and tend the flock of Christ,

Nourishing your people with the riches of your grace;

A servant who scorns worldly ambition

And conforms their life to the poor and humble Christ,

In whose Name we make this prayer.

Amen

All rise as able



1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by change but spi - rit - led,
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic-tims of in - jus - tice cry
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise! A car-ing church that longs to be
4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the fe - ver in our blood,
5. We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o - be - dience to our Lord:



1. must claim and test its her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
2. for shel - ter and for bread to eat, and nev - er live un - til they die.
3. a part - ner in Christ's sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
4. and teach us how to share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
5. to care for all with - out re - serve, and spread Christ's li - ber - a - ting word.

V. Prior to a fifth ballot

Reading Ephesians 2:17-22 *A preacher of peace and reconciliation*

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Christ Jesus came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

Collect

Let us pray.

Gracious God,

grant to your church gathered here,

the Wisdom which comes down from heaven:

that the gospel of peace may not be bound but have free course

and be preached with joy by the one we elect as bishop.

Send us a preacher of humble eloquence, steeped in the knowledge of your word,
 who will enlighten your people and lead them to serve you and their neighbors in peace.
 We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever.

Amen.

All rise as able

1. Se - ka - i no to - mo - to te o tsu - na - gi,
 2. Man - y are the tongues we speak, scat - tered are the lands,
 3. Na - ture's se - crets o - pen wide, chang - es nev - er cease.
 4. Grant, O God, an age re - newed, filled with death - less love;

Jyu - ji - ka no mo - to ni ta - tsu wa - re - ra,
 yet our hearts are one in God, one in love's de - mands.
 Where, oh where, can wea - ry souls find the source of peace?
 help us as we work and pray, send us from a - bove

Ka - mi no mi - ku - ni o me a te to shi,
 E'en in dark - ness hope ap - pears, call - ing age and youth:
 Un - to all those sore dis - tressed, torn by end - less strife:
 truth and cour - age, faith and power, need - ed in our strife:

Shu Ye - su no mi - chi o su - su - mi yu - kan.
 Je - sus, teach - er, dwell with us, for you are the Truth.
 Je - sus, heal - er, bring your balm, for you are the Life.
 Je - sus, Mas - ter, be our Way, be our Truth, our Life.

Translation of stanza 1:

Here, O Lord, your servants gather,
 hand we link with hand;
 looking toward our Savior's cross,
 joined in love we stand.
 As we seek the realm of God,
 we unite to pray:
 Jesus, Savior, guide our steps,
 for you are the Way.

Words: Tokuo Yamaguchi (b. 20th c.), tr. Everett M. Stowe (b. 20th c.)

Music: Isao Koizumi (1907-1992)

Hymn 793 in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

VI. Prior to a sixth ballot

Reading Philippians 4:4-7 *Do not be anxious: Let your requests be made known to God*

A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified,
receive our supplications and prayers,
which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church,
that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you;
through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.

Amen.

All rise as able

1 O day of God, draw nigh in beau - ty and in power, come
 2 Bring to our trou - bled minds, un - cer - tain and a - fraid, the
 3 Bring jus - tice to our land, that all may dwell se - cure, and
 4 Bring to our world of strife thy sov - ereign word of peace, that
 5 O day of God, draw nigh as at cre - a - tion's birth, let

1 with thy time - less judg - ment now to match our pres - ent hour.
 2 qui - et of a stead - fast faith, calm of a call o - beyed.
 3 fine - ly build for days to come foun - da - tions that en - dure.
 4 war may haunt the earth no more and des - o - la - tion cease.
 5 there be light a - gain, and set thy judg - ments in the earth.

Upon the election of the bishop and after their consent

All rise as able

1. Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices,
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

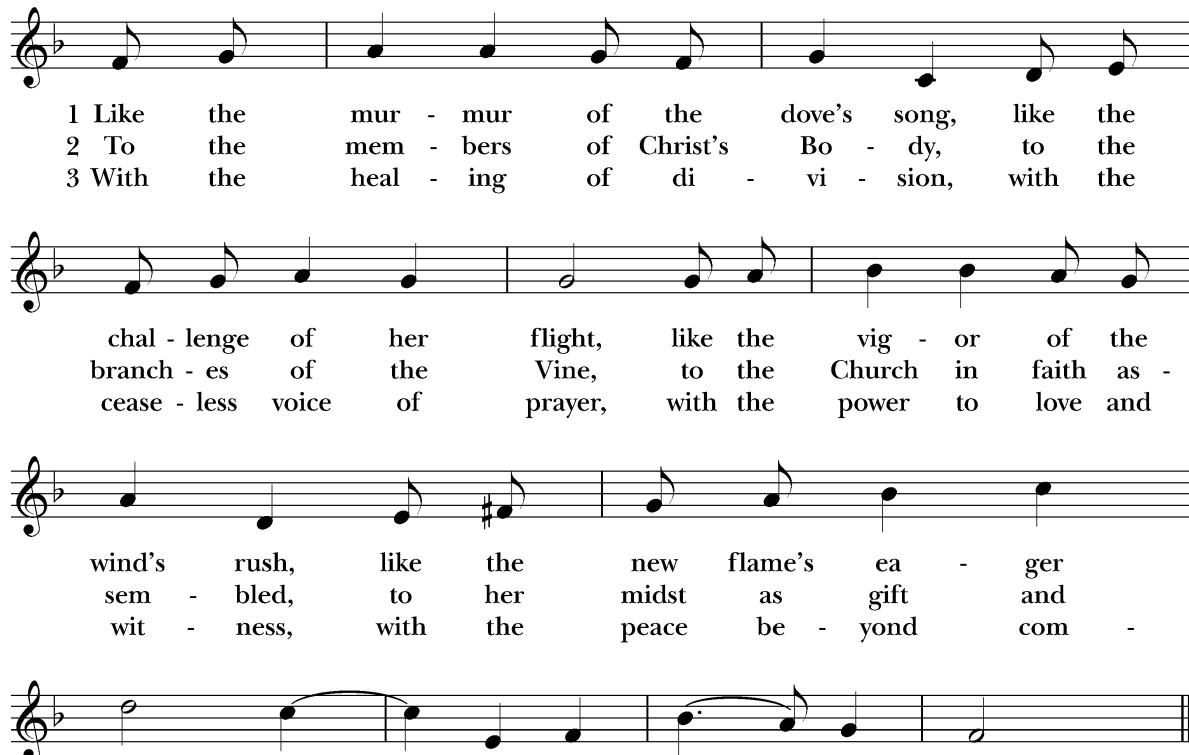
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
with ever-joyful hearts, and blessed peace to cheer us,
the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,

who, from our mother's arms, hath blest us on our way
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all harm, in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

Words: Martin Rinkhart (1586-1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Hymn 839 in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*
Music: *Nun danket*, Johann Crüger (1598-1662), harm. William H. Monk (1823-1889), after Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Additional hymn



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the
 2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the
 3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the

chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the
 branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -
 cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and

wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger
 sem - bled, to her midst as gift and
 wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -

might: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
 sign: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
 pare: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.

Additional music credits

“God of grace and God of Glory”

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969); Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932); Hymn 594 in *The Hymnal 1982*

“Come and seek the ways of Wisdom”

Words: Ruth C. Duck (b. 1947); Music: *Julion*, David Hurd (b. 1950); Hymn 60 in *Voices Found*

“The Church of Christ in every age”

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000); Music: *Dunedin*, Venon Griffiths (1894-1985); Hymn 779 in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*