

“Growing God’s Kingdom”



THE 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

BLANKET SUNDAY

October 3rd, 2021

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TODAY’S INTRODUCTION: *Today’s gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus’ saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God’s law. Jesus’ rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?*

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 3, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PREPARATION

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE:

[Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.]

BLESSING FOR BLANKET SUNDAY

L Gracious God, as we present these gifts of our hearts and hands; quilts, school kits, and soap, we join giver and receiver, recognizing the unity of all the people of God.

C We celebrate being the children of God.

L We give thanks for the soap and the variety of gifts needed for these quilts and school kits, and the talents of the hands that sewed the quilts and the patience of those who filled and assembled the school kits. We also give thanks for the time donated by those who deliver the soap, quilts and kits to their pick-up point.

C We celebrate generosity.

L We give thanks for the fellowship of all those who work together on our projects, the laughter, the shared stories, the joy of doing something with our hands and hearts for another and the time to reflect and wonder about the recipient.

C We celebrate community.

L We send this soap, quilts, and school kits as a sign of God's love and blessing for each person who receives, trusting that these gifts will be a source of comfort and

hope in the midst of disaster and fear, a symbol of God's love to those who suffer, a reminder that each recipient is a beloved child of God. May the gifts serve a useful purpose in the life of the recipient and may it be a step in recovering one's life and be a message of caring from someone they may never meet.

C We celebrate hope in the midst of life's trials.

L We remember those who have received our gifts in the past and pray that their lives have returned to stability.

C We celebrate the gift of life.

L We ask that you bless the fruits of our labor and the whole mission of Lutheran World Relief, that together we may minister to our neighbors in need.

Bless all who give and all who receive, as we are joined together in the unity of one God, now and forever.

C Amen

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sins in the presence of one another and to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God our comforter,

C To us, our sins are known and unknown, things done and left undone. Like lost sheep, we have gone astray. Free us from our sins, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. To the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes us righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all our sins.

C Amen.

GATHERING

* GATHERING HYMN

“Blessing and Honor”

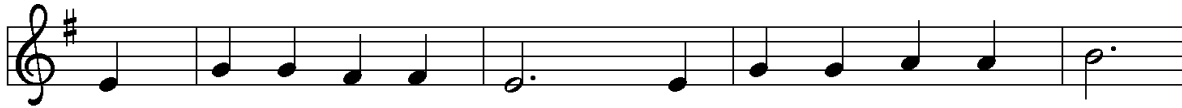
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* GREETING

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.

* KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

* CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (*In Unison*)

P Let us pray...

C **Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

Genesis 2 stresses that people are not meant to live in isolation but in relationship. Out of love for humanity, God creates them male and female, to provide companionship for each other and to become with each other "one flesh." The Hebrew words used here are ish (man) and ishshah (woman).

FIRST READING Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner.

²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken."

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 8 (*Responsively*)

¹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!?

**²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

⁹O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Quoting from the psalms, this passage from Hebrews emphasizes that Jesus, the one through whom God created everything and who sits at God's right hand, is also the one who experienced human suffering and death in order to blaze the path of salvation for us.

SECOND READING..... Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the

Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

L: The word of the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Jesus announced and enacted in history the new reality of God's surprising activity. These two stories demonstrate this new reality: Women and children are accepted and valued, not dismissed as inferior to adult men.

* GOSPELMark 10:2-16
P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this

commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Vicar Sam Leister

Vicar Sam Leister

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* APOSTLES' CREED (*In Unison*)

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, and 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 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.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

OFFERING PRESENTATION

* SUNG OFFERTORY ('vineyards')

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

* OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful God,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* HOLY COMMUNION

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 your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C Amen.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)

P Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.

P The Body of Christ given for you. (Wafer)

P The Blood of Christ shed for you. (Juice)

* COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C Amen.

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray,

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING

* BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)

* SENDING HYMN

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

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* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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NEXT WEEK’S LECTOR – Jean Compton

NEXT WEEK’S ALTAR GUILD – Tawny Mummah & Tammy Smith (9/27/21—10/31/21)

NEXT WEEK’S ACOLYTES – Olivia Mummah & Braedon Walton

NEXT WEEK’S OFFERING PRESENTERS – Evan Miller & Harrison Mummah

WELCOME TO ALL!

JUST A THOUGHT – G. K. Chesterton, English Christian Writer (1874 – 1936): A man was meant to be doubtful of himself but undoubting about the truth. This has been exactly reversed.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of Ona Stoner’s birthday by Dan and Michelle Stoner.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

PRAYER CHAIN – If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Vicar Leister at sleister@gmail.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for **one month**. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for an additional month, please contact the church office at 436-6213 or mlchurchoffice@gmail.com. If you have anyone who is a “last minute” addition after the bulletin has been printed on Fridays, please fill out an orange prayer card in the pew and lay it on the stand where the gluten free wafers are placed PRIOR to the morning worship service.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE for any change in addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or for any requests for building usage. There are a lot of activities and some coordination is needed so events are not “overbooked” in any specific areas of the church (this also applies to church groups who meet in the church). Please contact the office at 436-6213 or email mlchurchoffice@gmail.com for any changes or requests.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY NEEDS OR CONCERNS, please contact Vicar Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Vicar Leister know. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at sleister@gmail.com.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION - We will be using communion kits that are pre-packaged and sealed that include a wafer and grape juice. Each person desiring to share in the meal will take a packaged kit when you receive a bulletin.

TODAY IS BLANKET SUNDAY and along with all ELCA congregations, you are invited to make a donation to Lutheran World Relief in the special Blanket Sunday envelope that is included with your bulletin today (additional envelopes are available on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room). Please make checks payable to Messiah Women of the ELCA and place in the offering plate or give to Cynthia Smith.

OUR THANKS TO “THE NEEDLERS” for sewing all of the lovely quilts you see today and for decorating the chancel and nave this morning. The quilts on display will be donated by “The Needlers” as their Blanket Sunday offering. Blankets/quilts, school kits and soap will be taken to the Synod Office parking lot in Lewisburg on Saturday, October 9, 2021. The quilts will then be sent to Lutheran World Relief and also given to Messiah members who are now in nursing homes. The covers on the altar and lecterns were made by Carole Nace.

THE OCTOBER 2021 “MESSIAH HERALD” is now available online. Hard copies are available in the church office, Adult Sunday School Room, Kitchenette, and Fellowship Hall. If you want something placed in the Messiah Herald, please contact BOTH the church office at mlchurchoffice@gmail.com and Bob St. Clair at stclairb@embarkmail.com prior to the newsletter deadline, which is listed on the calendar in the newsletter, or online at mlcmiffintown.org. Also, if anyone would like to add or remove names from our email list, please let Bob know as well.

COPIES OF AUGUST 15, 2021 PPC MINUTES are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

OCTOBER’S “MISSION OF THE MONTH” at Messiah will be _____. The monies will be sent from Messiah directly to Lutheran Disaster Relief by way of the Upper Susquehanna Synod. In addition to your generosity, the PPC allocated funds to match congregational donations up to \$1,000.00. This is just one way in which we can continue to extend our mission in Christ’s love beyond the walls of our church building.

WEIS AND GIANT GIFT CARDS are available to purchase from the Disciples Class. This is a very important outreach ministry that helps neighbors in need in our own community. We thank each and every one for continued support of this very worthwhile project.

JAM HOUSE NEED: We need a volunteer to perform the treasurer duties at JAM HOUSE. The position requires about one hour per week to pay bills and make other financial reports. The treasurer would also need to attend our quarterly board meeting. Please contact Larry Wise at 717-436-6629 if you have an interest or know someone who does. Thank you.

MESSIAH HAS BEEN SELECTED to host a gathering with Bishop Collins on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. We will use the nave in order to space congregational groups. Please mark your calendar as this is a great opportunity to meet Bishop Collins and share thoughts and ideas with her and other Lutheran churches in Juniata County.

REMINDER: The ELCA Youth Gathering, “Boundless: God Beyond Measure,” is coming up on July 24-28, 2022. It will take place in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Registration for the ELCA Youth Gathering starts on September 22. There are registration worksheets on the gathering website on the resources page. The forms are helpful to have when sitting down at the computer to input all information for church groups, the youth, and the leaders. New this cycle is that the ELCA is taking payment online for the gathering. The getting ready material is also on the gathering website. It is helpful to use these materials with youth groups to enhance their whole gathering experience. The material is very flexible on how it can be used with groups. For more information, go to the website at www.elca.org/youthgathering

WEEKLY OFFERING REPOT:

September 26, 2021 Worship Attendance – 57

Sunday School Attendance - 19

Other Funds

Total Offering	\$2,996.00
Other Funds	<u>325.00</u>
General Fund	\$2,671.00

Benevolence	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	120.00
Lutheran Disaster	170.00
Sunday School	<u>15.00</u>
Total	\$ 325.00

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday – 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

NEW BATH-SIZE BARS OF SOAP (4 oz. to 5 oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) is continuously collected as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

COMMUNITY

HOLIDAY MEAL DONATIONS FOR THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS:

(THESE ARE THE FOODS THAT ARE HARD FOR US TO GET) – TURKEYS, TURKEY BREASTS, HAMS (3-5 LBS.), INSTANT MASHED POTATOES, CANNED SWEET POTATOES, AND FRUIT COCKTAIL, (OR A \$20 DONATION WILL PURCHASE ONE COMPLETE MEAL).

CROP WALK forms and donation envelopes are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -World Communion/Blanket Sunday.
-9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
- Monday:** -6:30 p.m., Knitters in Junior Church Room.
-6:30 p.m., Lions Club meeting in Fellowship Hall.
-7:00 p.m., AA in Youth Area.
- Tuesday:** -6:30 p.m., Gathering with Bishop Collins at Messiah.
- Wednesday:** -9:00 a.m., “The Needlers” in Fellowship Hall.
-7:00 p.m., Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary.
- Thursday:** -5:30-6:30 p.m., Girl Scout meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-2:00 p.m., CROP WALK at Walker Township Park.

PRAYER LIST

Shirley Aumiller
Steve & Linda Bahorik
Donna Barton
Donna Bell
Andy Berrier
Chrissy Berrier & family
Ken Berrier
Roxanne Boyer
Wanda Boyer
Don Bratton
Dan Brown
Charlotte Burd
Andrea Cameron
Ron Chambers
Family of Daris Ciecierski
Randy Clark
Terry & April Coder & family
Vincent Cramer
Leann Crimmel
Will DeLancy
Fred & Dot Dowling
Family of Bill Dressler
Renee Dzikowski
Tom Ernest
Neil & Pat Fisher
Janie Fogleman
Derek Fry
Bentley Fulkroad
Joan Fulkroad
Dr. Mark G. from Israel
Terri Gayer

Eddi Kay Gill
Sam & Diane Goshorn
Amy Hart
Joyce Hart
Beth Harris
Harry & Jennifer Heikes
Sue Henderson
John & Karly Henry & family
Nox Hepburn
Jay Hockenbroch
Curt & Judy Houtz
Dean Hutchinson
Brenda Imes
Annie Ingle
Doc Johnston
Guy Kerstetter
Denny King
Darvin Krouse
Pam Lawson
Chase Lehman
Michael Lozano
Carol Lyter
Zaden Mabey
Mike Maclay
Ryan Marker
Tammy Marshall
Anthony Martin
Carlen McClure
Alice McClure
Messiah Mutual Ministry
Cecilia Miller
Ellwood Miller

Larry Miller
Shirley Miller
Jim Minick
Claire Mummah
Ken Mummah
Darve Nace
Paul Ogden
Austin Parker
Noel Peachey
Rick & Audrey Peters
Kari Ann (Reagen) Petrine
Dave Phelan
Butch & Sandy Pines
Mia Raish
Betty Ranck
Keith Ranck
Mike Rhoades
Claudette Satzler
Mackenzie Shearer
Ron & Arlene Shearer
Family of Mason Snook
Mike Sparks
Andy Spigelmyer
Vicki Suoja
Dorothy Towsey
George & Kay Varner
Rich Walters
Erma Williamson
Jim Woltman
Mackenzie Wray
George Zimmerman
Linda Zimmerman

PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

Jane Marhefka – Brookline Retirement Village, 92 Village Drive, Mifflintown, PA 17059
Gail Henderson & Carol Simonton – Brookline Manor, 2 Manor Blvd., Mifflintown, PA 17059
Ruth Cisney & Ray Bramm – Honneman House, 58 Honneman House Dr., Apt. 108, Thompsontown, PA 17094
Max Ernest – 1099 William Penn Hwy., Mifflintown, PA 17059
Margaret Guss – 20 South Third St., Mifflintown, PA 17059
Mona Lawson – 2792 William Penn Hwy., Mifflintown, PA 17059
Minnie Minick – 187 JAM House Rd., Mifflin, PA 17058
Edith Nipple – 1482 William Penn Hwy., Mifflintown, PA 17059
Sieber & Ona Stoner – 23591 Rt. 35 North, Mifflintown, PA 17059
Ken Stuck – 66 Eighth St., Mifflintown, PA 17059

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Blessing and Honor

1 Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r, Wis - dom and
 2 Let all the heav - ens re - sound with his name; Let all the
 3 Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy, Ev - er de -
 4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb! Take we the

rich - es and strength ev - er - more, Of - fer to him who our
 earth sing his glo - ry and fame. O - cean and moun - tain, stream,
 scend-ing the love from on high; Bless - ing and hon - or and
 robe and the harp and the psalm; Sing we the song of the

bat - tle has won, Whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the
 for - est, and flow'r Ech - o his prais - es and tell of his
 glo - ry and praise— This is the theme of the hymns that we
 Lamb who was slain, Dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to

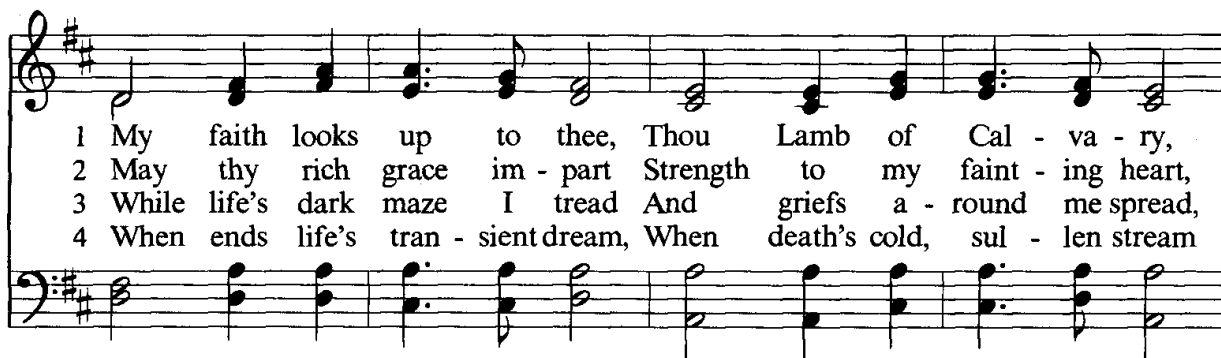
throne; Whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne!
 pow'r; Ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.
 raise; This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
 reign; Dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889, alt.
 Tune: Matthias Keller, 1813-1890

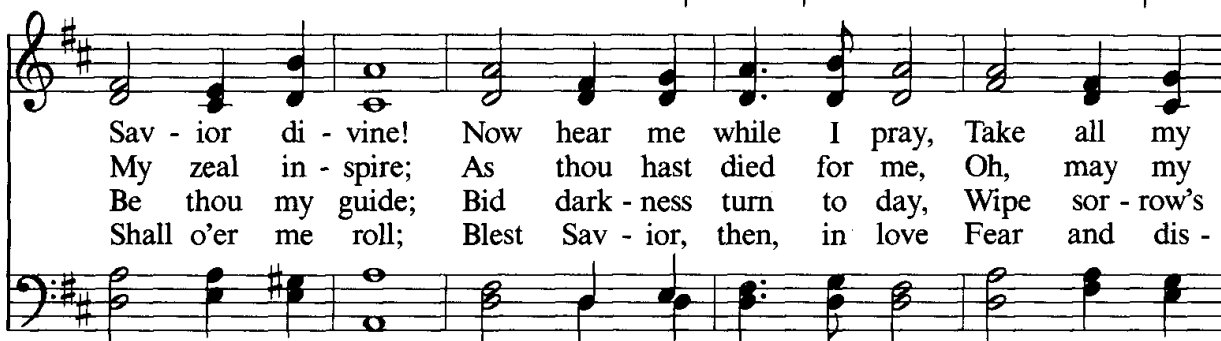
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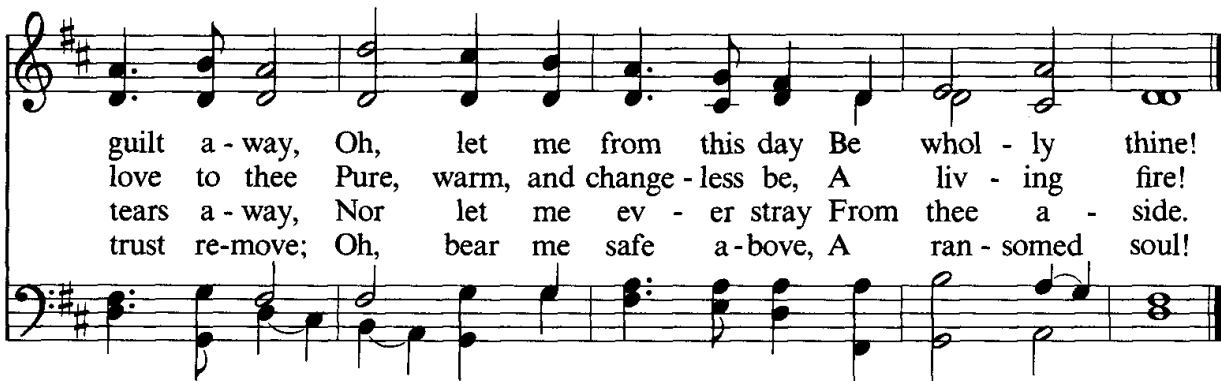
My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,
 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, Take all my
 My zeal in - spire; As thou hast died for me, Oh, may my
 Be thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's
 Shall o'er me roll; Blest Sav - ior, then, in love Fear and dis -



guilt a - way, Oh, let me from this day Be whol - ly thine!
 love to thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!
 tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
 trust re - move; Oh, bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887
 Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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For the Beauty of the Earth

Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864

Conrad Kocher, 1838

For the___ beau - ty of the earth for the beau - ty of the sky,
 For the___ beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 For the___ joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 For the___ joy of hu - man love, broth - er sis - ter, par - ent child,
 For each___ per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly giv'n,

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for the___ love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
 hill and___ vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
 for the___ mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense o sound and sight,
 friends on___ earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
 gra - ces___ hu - man and di - vine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,

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Lord of___ all to Thee___ we raise, This our hymn of grate - ful - praise.