

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 2021

Proper 19

THE HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)

10:00 am



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Welcome

The Word of God

Prelude

For the Beauty of the Earth
Belladonna Quartet

arr. Robert Groth

*Celebrant
People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn 390 Praise to the Lord

Lobe den Herren

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - - tion.
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - - - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A reading from Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



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Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of / God, *
and the firmament shows his / handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to a / nother, *
and one night imparts knowledge to a / nother.
- 3 Although they have no words or / language, *
and their voices are not / heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all / lands, *
and their message to the ends of the / world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the / sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its / course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it a / gain; *
nothing is hidden from its burning / heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the / soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the / innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the / heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the / eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for / ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous alto / gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine / gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the / comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant en / lightened, *
and in keeping them there is great re / ward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he of / fends? *
cleanse me from my secret / faults.

- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion / over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great of / fense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your / sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my re / deemer.

A reading from James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 675 Take up your cross
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Bourbon

Sequence Hymn 675 Take up your cross

Bourbon



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if
 2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill
 3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and
 4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and
 5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with
 2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your
 3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -
 4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -
 5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.
 2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
 3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
 4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
 5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their

life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Gail Smith

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Allan and Gayle our bishops; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love,
Hear our prayers for the church.

Silence

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom,
Hear our prayers for the world.

Silence

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

God of justice,
Hear our prayers for the earth.

Silence

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

God of peace,
Hear our prayers for this community.

Silence

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.

For the special needs and concerns, including: For those among us who are sick and infirm, especially Milt Barnes Jr., Elizabeth Beattie, Robert Blanchet, Beverly Chace, Dorothy Cross, Betty Daiute, Jack McElhinney, Ali Funnell, Marcia Galazzi, Geri Gordon, Mary Beth Guiliano, John Hollywood, Ruth Evans Jones, Billy Kirkby, Kramer Lambros, Leo Liatsos, Joe Manson, Ed Mason, Bill Nemitz, Callie O'Brian, Dianna Oliveira, Jennifer Peters, Linda Staab, Don Usher, Bill Wahlquist, Dilys, Deanie, Donna, Jack, John, Lauren, Mike, Veronica and those we now name silently or aloud, that they may be delivered from their pain and distress and restored to wholeness of life.

We invite you to add your own intercessions.
(Please unmute to add your own prayers and then mute again.)

God of mercy,
Hear our prayers for all who are in need.

Silence

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We invite you to add your own intercessions.

(Please unmute to add your own prayers and then mute again.)

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: especially for Chuck Farrell. For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

God of grace,

Hear our prayers for those who have died.

Silence

Concluding Collects

Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for the Twentieth Anniversary of 9/11

We remember, God of history and remembrance, when the towers fell and the lives were lost. We remember the numbness that overwhelmed us as we watched our screens for hours and hours. We remember, God of hope and presence, the heroes, those who rushed to help. We remember words of support and compassion from nations far and wide. We remember in part because we see the ripples of that tragic day continue to impact our world twenty years later. We call to you now in our remembrance, God of justice and of peace, may we build what has been torn down. May we mend what has been broken. May we live your love when hate seems to reign. May we bear witness to the cause of peace. Give us a will to truly pray that your kingdom may come on earth as it is in heaven. **Amen.** *(take from prayers written by Rev. Dr. Derek Webber)*

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

Almighty and Everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

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

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory:

Present Among Us

David Haas

Text: *Jesus Christ, present among us. In this place, bread, wine of grace; Jesus Christ.* In the taking, in the blessing, in the breaking, in the sharing, here before you at this table, now we dine with you. *Refrain.* In our singing, in our healing, in our giving, in our loving, here before you at this table, now we dine with you. *Refrain.* In our listening, in our seeking, in our questions, in our silence, here before you at this table, now we dine with you. *Refrain.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant: May God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to God.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, God, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus S-130 Holy, holy, holy Lord

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly,

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ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are fu - ll

21

full of your glo - ry Ho san - na in the high - est Ho san - na in the high -

32

est Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord Ho san - na

42

in the high - est Ho san - na in the high - est.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”*

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.

God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen God, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Hymn S-164 Jesus, Lamb of God

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, re deem - er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

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

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Holy Jesus, Redeemer of the World, we believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of this altar. Even while we are unable to receive you in the elements of bread and wine, we invite you to enter our hearts and be our companion along the way. As we receive you in spirit, we long to know your presence in the community of believers once again. Awaiting in hope, we rest in the faith that you are present in every moment of our lives and will never leave us comfortless. For all good things come from you O Lord, and from that goodness, lead us to the love of others. For you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

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Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

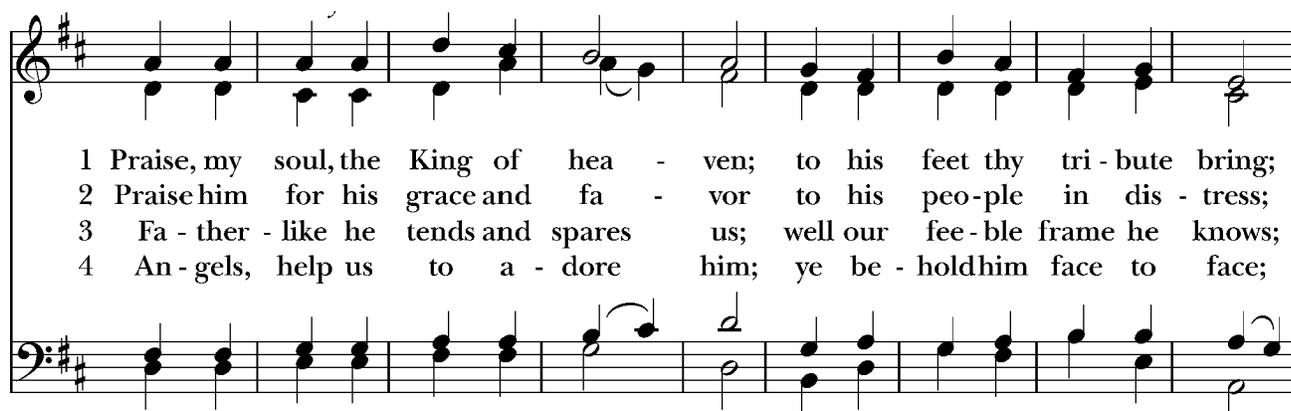
Eternal God, by grace you accept us as living members of your Son Jesus Christ, and feed us with spiritual food in this sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace to do your work of reconciliation as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit may all creation sing hymns of thanks and praise. Amen.

The Blessing

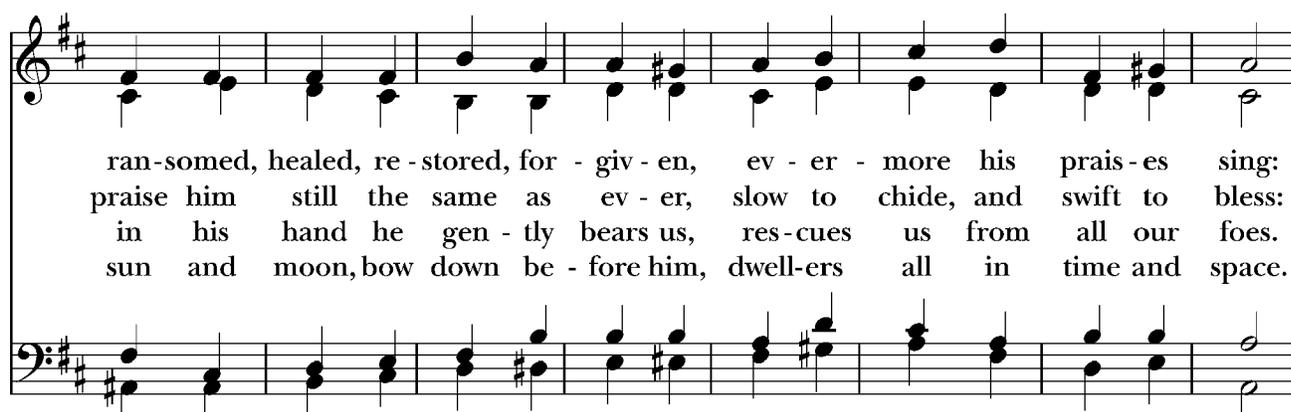
Go forth into the world in peace, be of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak. Help the afflicted. Honor all persons. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And the blessing of God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 410 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

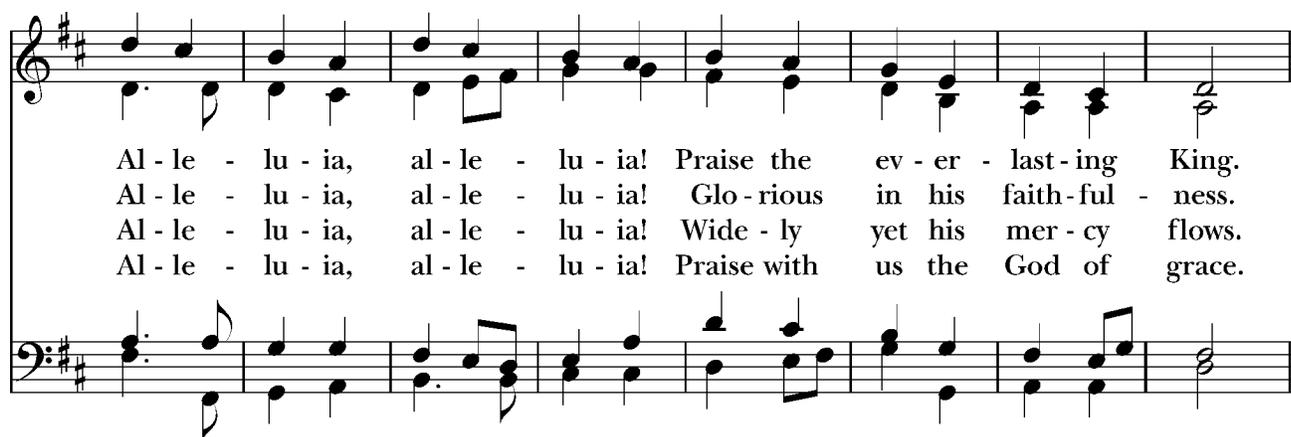
Lauda anima



1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

