

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

## *Third Sunday after Epiphany*

10:00 AM Worship Service • January 21, 2024



*As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.*

**Welcome members and guests** to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex. Please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information.

**The nursery is available**, however since there are no attendants at this time, feel free to use it as needed.

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**Enlarged print sermon copies** are available for the benefit of sight or hearing impaired worshippers. Enlarged print sermon copies are available for the benefit of sight or hearing impaired worshippers. They can be found in the narthex on the table.

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Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday 9-10:30am, 11:30am-12:15pm;

Wednesday 9:30am-12pm; Thursday 9am-12pm

Times are flexible with monthly meetings, but feel free to call for an appointment or drop in.

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## CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

*Prelude on Kelvingrove*

arr. Jason D. Payne

## GATHERING

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross,  
the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our rock and refuge,

**we pour out our hearts before you.**

**We have known you but have not always loved you.**

**We have wounded one another**

**and sinned against you.**

**We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit  
dwelling in each of us.**

**Remember your covenant.**

**Renew your creation.**

**Restore us,**

**that we might proclaim your good news to all.**

**Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.

God has spoken:

The time of grace is now.

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of † Jesus Christ,

your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

**Amen.**

*The assembly faces the processing cross.*

## GATHERING HYMN

*I Love to Tell the Story*

ELW 661

HANKEY

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

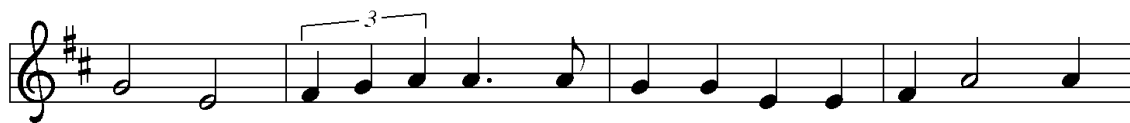
## HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



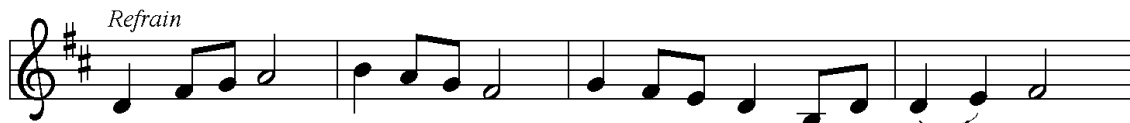
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we



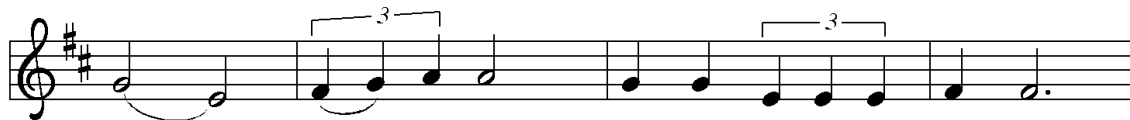
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



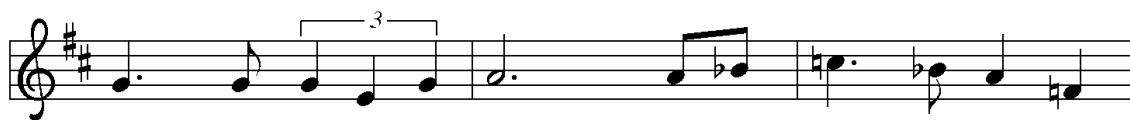
glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

*Refrain*

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Final refrain*

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on

earth, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*The assembly is seated.*

### FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

*The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"*

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed God's mind about the calamity that God had promised to bring upon them; and God did not do it.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 62:5-12** (read responsively; sing refrain as led by the choir)



For God alone I wait in silence;  
truly, my hope is in God.

**God alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**

In God is my deliverance and my honor;  
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**Put your trust in God always, O people,  
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge. R**

Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted.

Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.  
**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;**  
**though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**  
 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,  
 that power belongs to God.  
**Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,**  
**for you repay all according to their deeds. R**

**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31**

*Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW 174

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

## **Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:14-20**

*Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as “the gospel” or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 1st Chapter. **Glory to you O Lord.**

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**CHILDREN’S CHAT  
SERMON**

Pastor Tina Melusky  
Pastor John Wertz

*The assembly stands.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Will You Come and Follow Me*  
KELVINGROVE

ELW 798

**APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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**

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

*The assembly is seated.*

**RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*Day by Day*

Martin How

*Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:  
to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,  
follow thee more nearly, day by day.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

ELW 181

*The assembly stands.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Blessed are you, Holy One,  
**for all good things come from you.**  
**In bread and cup you open heaven to us.**  
Meet us at this table,  
that we receive what we seek  
and follow your Son, Jesus,  
in whose name we pray.  
Amen.

# MEAL

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (F major). The notes are: Staff 1: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 2: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 3: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 4: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4.

## PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical notation consists of five staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (F major). The notes are: Staff 1: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 2: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 3: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 4: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Staff 5: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:  
beyond the stars; beneath the sea;  
within each cell; with every breath.

**We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness:  
through the water; by night and day;  
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

**We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son:  
at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer;  
beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

**We thank you, O God.**

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:  
in our gathering; within this meal;  
among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,  
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

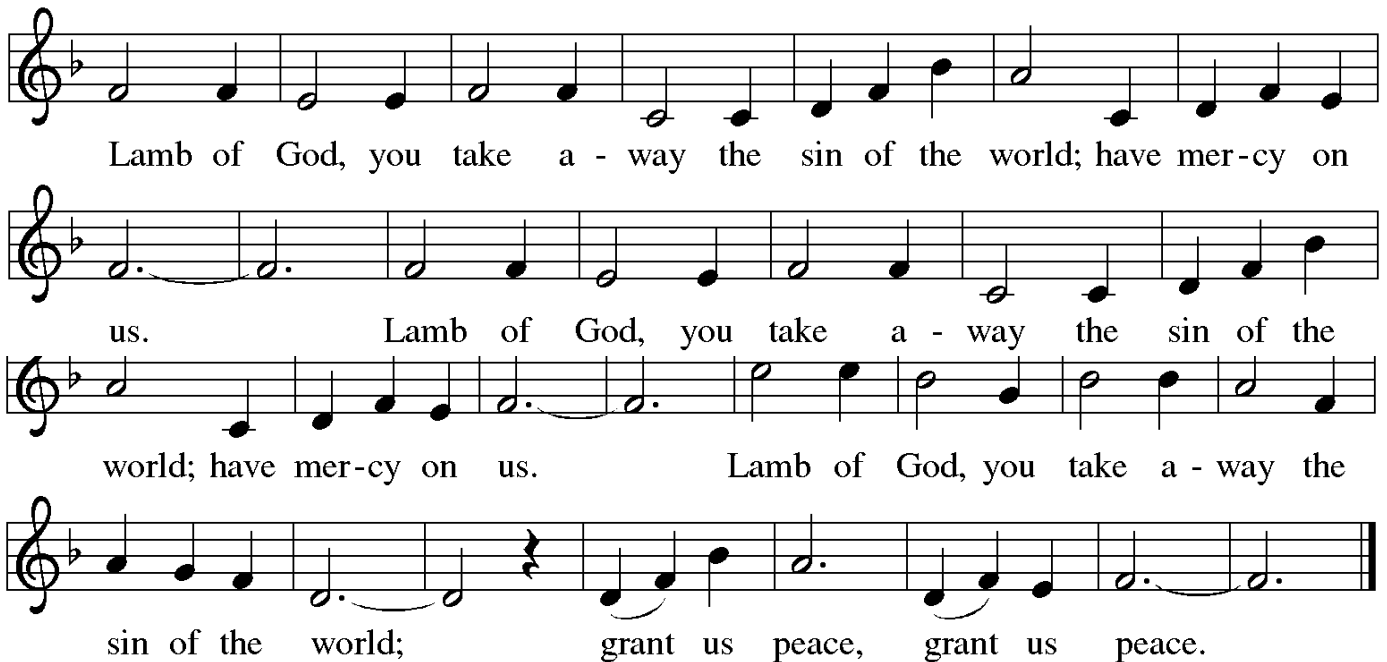
**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

*The assembly is seated.*

## AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*Communion is held around the table. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a communion cup with wine from the outside edge of the tray or a grape juice cup from the center of the tray. Recycle baskets are located outside of the sanctuary doors for your plastic cups.*

## MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*  
REPTON

ELW 580

*The assembly stands.*

## SENDING

### TABLE BLESSING

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

### BLESSING

God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, † bless you and remain with you always. **Amen**

### SENDING HYMN

*Come Share the Spirit*  
ST. PAUL'S ARDMORE

ACS 1045

The assembly turns to face the recessing cross.

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*Grand Choeur in B-flat*

Théodore Dubois

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RED FOOD BOX:** Please bring in items for our Little Red Food Box! Items needed are posted near the table in the narthex. Thank you for helping brighten the lives of our siblings in Christ!

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** Please remember to pick up your 2024 offering boxes in the church library, and save the church the cost of mailing them! If you visit any of our shut-ins, please also feel free to pick up these boxes as well and deliver them in person. And a reminder -- while we all appreciate the convenience and consistency of Vanco or other online giving, please pick up your offering boxes as well. They contain envelopes for our Lenten and Advent additional special giving, as well as other envelopes that may be used to donate to World Hunger, the school, the church scholarship fund, etc. These extra gifts help us stay on track with our budget and increase our outreach to our siblings in Christ! Thank you!

## PRAYER LIST

**ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS:** Nursing Homes/ Assisted Living: Jeanette Cantrell, Millie Christensen, Lucille Lebold, and Barbara Olson (The Chesapeake, Assisted Living Room 317); Richard Anderson, Hampton Health and Rehab, Room 226, Shirley Anderson Riverside Rehab, Yorktown, Room 1113. Shut- in at Home: Peggy Cash, Janet Edwards. Doris Moeser, The Gardens at Warwick Forest, Rm. 204.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** **Jean Wimmer**--friend of Jeannette Dail, **Heike Ahlen, and the Ahlen family**, requested by Kathy Stevens; **Matt Adamo** (Brother-in-law of Patricia) requested by Patricia Fielding; **Matt Eggars** (Sandy's nephew), requested by the Sniady family; family and friends of **Nancy Gloss**; **Loyd Rawls**, requested by Laura Davis; **Mary Lou Hubble** (Jacob's aunt), requested by the Wessler family; **Jessica Savage**, requested by the Dail Family; **Harry Hartman and Bill Wren**, requested by Anne Obara; and **Sherrie Strickland** (cousin), requested by Wendy Mynoymany. **Beth Eisdorfer**, daughter of Terri Hoffeditz.

**Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty:** James Fielding, State Dept., Myanmar; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Sierra Leone.; Eric Lindfors, Deputy Commander US Naval Forces - Korea; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National Guard, LAFB; Josh and Ellen (Davis) Badgley, State Department, Bangkok, Thailand; Michael Titus, US Navy, Naval Shipyard, Washington, DC and wife, Elisabeth Bruce.



## **Serving the Assembly**

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**Crucifer**

Emma Recupero

**Acolytes**

Karina Stevens

Samantha Henry

**Lector**

Kathy Stevens

**Ushers/Greeters/**

David Hunt

Judy Hunt

**Altar Guild**

Karoline Ardis

Steve Quist

**Camera/Livestream**

Kelly Rummel

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1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.





1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949  
 Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional  
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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call  
 2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;  
 3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin - dranc - es more sure;  
 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,



to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,  
 if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind  
 whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name,  
 in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to you,



that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.  
 its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.  
 and by our faults ob - scure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.  
 the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored done.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: REPTON, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918

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1 Come, share the Spir - it, God has called us to ven - tures  
 2 Come, drown your sins be - neath the wa - ters where life flows  
 3 Come, God in - vites us to the ban - quet that ev - 'ry  
 4 Come, let us tell the gos - pel sto - ry, how God has



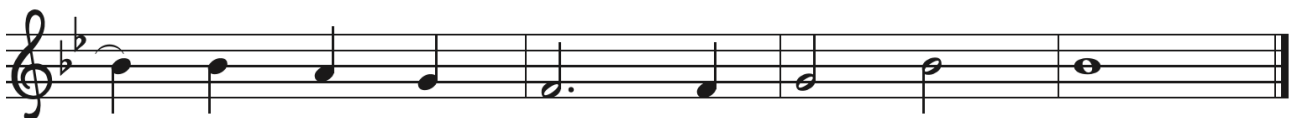
in the life of faith, to bring good tid - ings to the  
 from the gran - ite rock, the stone from which our Lord has  
 peo - ple soon will share, with shouts of joy and loud thanks -  
 giv - en us new birth and rais - es us to live for



need - y, to tell of vic - t'ry o - ver death.  
 ris - en, our cor - ner - stone and build - ing block.  
 giv - ing be - fore God's throne we will ap - pear.  
 oth - ers, to speak good news through - out the earth.



Christ speaks and all of life is new;  
 Christ speaks and rais - es from the dead  
 Christ speaks and bids us sit and dine;  
 Christ speaks and life is come a - gain.



God's word is pure and it is true.  
 all those who hear the liv - ing Word.  
 his bod - y, bread, his blood, the wine.  
 Good news, good news for ev - 'ry - one!

Text: Gracia Grindal, b. 1943, alt.

Music: ST. PAUL'S ARDMORE, Robert A. Hobby, b. 1962

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