

# Order of Worship

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November 5, 2017    *Holy Communion*    9 & 10:30 o'clock

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**Prelude**

*Improvisation*

**For Your Reflection**

Full of love for all things in the world, practicing virtue, in order to benefit others, this man alone is happy.      — Dhammapada, ca. 5<sup>th</sup> century B.C.

The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved.

— Victor Hugo

Men can only be happy when they do not assume that the object of life is happiness.      — George Orwell

Does money buy happiness? It surely helps us to avoid certain types of pain. Yet, though buying power has more than doubled since the 1950s, the average American's reported happiness has remained almost unchanged.

— National Opinion Research Center surveys

**\*Church Bell**

(\*The congregation is invited to stand)

**\*Call to Worship**

**Liturgist:**    As we come to worship, let us leave at the door our self-centered thoughts.

**People:**      **And open our eyes to see our neighbor in worship.**

**Liturgist:**    As we come to worship, let us leave at the door our feelings of pride.

**People:**      **And open our hearts to the least of our brothers and sisters.**

**Liturgist:**    As we come to worship, let us leave outside our narrow notion of generosity.

**People:**      **And open our minds to the possibility of sharing widely.**

**Liturgist:**    As we come to worship,

**All:**            **Let us open our eyes, our hearts and our minds to the Living God in Jesus Christ!**

**\*Hymn (10:30am)**

Come, Christians, join to sing

*Madrid*

**Prayer of Praise and Invocation**

**Silent Prayer**

**Prayer of Preparation and Confession**

*Holy and compassionate God, it is so easy for us to rattle off your great commandment – to love God with heart, soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Yet we do not live it. Instead of loving you, we love the gods of our own making. Instead of loving our neighbor, we exploit, ignore, betray, and disregard one another. We are quick to*

*judge others, and slow to consider our own disobedience. Yet you see us clearly, God. So convict our hearts as only you can. And love us into a new way of being – the way you call us to be in Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## **Kyrie eleison and Words of Assurance**

### **Words of Christian Greeting**

#### **Moment for Mission**

Destiny Arts

#### **Anthem**

*Panis angelicus*

César Franck, arr. STM

Tina Harrington and Scott Foreman, duet

(1822-1890)

*Panis angelicus, fit panis hominum, dat panis coelicus figuris terminum. O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum pauper servus et humilis.*

*Lord, you are the bread of life, become bread for humankind, true bread which is the end of all empty symbols. What a marvelous thing! The Lord feeds his poor and lowly servants.*

from the Communion Service, adapt.

#### **Scripture Lesson**

Luke 12:13-21

(Pew Bible p. 737)

*Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."*

#### **Sermon "SPIRITUAL HUNGER IN AN AGE OF PLENTY"**

##### **Part 1 - MORE OF EVERYTHING EXCEPT HAPPINESS**

The Rev. Dr. William H. McNabb

#### **Offertory (9am)**

(see Anthem)

#### **Offertory (10:30am) *Draw us in the Spirit's tether***

Harold Friedell

Chancel Choir

(1905-1958)

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name, two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them: Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem.*

*As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.*

*All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be. Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.* —Percy Dearmer

**\*Doxology (10:30am)**

(Hymnal, p. 572)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

#### **\*The Great Thanksgiving**

(\*the congregation remains standing through the Sanctus)

**Minister:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Minister:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Minister:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

#### **\*Sanctus**

(sung by the Choir)

### **The Words of Institution and the 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.*

### **The Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

*(Please come forward by the center aisle to be served and return to your seats by way of the side aisles. Our communion service today is by intinction: take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup; the far right cup is grape juice. Those who wish to remain seated will be served in their seats. Please indicate to an usher your interest in being served.)*

### **The 23rd Psalm**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou annointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**\*Hymn (10:30am)**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

*Hyfrydol*

### **\*Commission and Benediction**

**Voluntary**

*Improvisation*

We are delighted and grateful that you have come to worship here this morning. We especially welcome those of you who are visitors. If you would like more information about PCC, please visit the Welcome Table after the service and speak with a member of the Welcoming Team. Welcomers can be identified by their special name tags.

Our welcomers this morning includes **Charly Taylor**.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
and for our **thankfulness for His many blessings**  
on our **45 wonderful years of marriage by Don and Lynn Nelson**.

The rose on the altar is given to the glory of God and in **celebration of the birth of Ava Jean Gardner, daughter of Elizabeth Hill Gardner and granddaughter of Susan Hill**.

Please join us after the service for coffee.

Please silence your cell phones.

This morning's greeters are **Tom & Ann Lister**. The ushers are **Rick Eigenbrode, Justin Kardel, Tom Parry and Paul Simonson**. The communion servers are **Joan Chow, Bob & Carol Leslie, and Zookie Todd**. The Board of Deacons greeters are **Julie McDonald and John Quantz**. They will be available during the coffee hour to answer questions you may have about the church.

The Clara Barton Room (outside sanctuary to the right) has closed circuit viewing of the service for parents with infants and young children.

Please ask an usher for assistance if needed.

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## *Announcements*

- **Stewardship** - Today we celebrate the official end to our Stewardship Campaign. We invite you to join us for refreshments after the service. Thanks to our Stewardship speakers Jennifer Nixon, Charlie Wood, Zookie Todd, Allison Clayshutte, Anila Bhatti and Mary Jo Cook and Dottie Hutch and Alice Cary. We have 128 pledges in so in reality the campaign is not fully over until everyone pledges. If you have not yet pledged, please do so soon to save our follow-up phone callers a call. You can pledge online at the PCC website or used one of the pledge cards that are placed in the pew racks.
- **Interested in participating in the Spring Youth Mexico Trip** – Join us at the Fall Mexico Rock held tonight at 6pm in the Guild Hall.
- **Adult Education Series:** In his best-selling, new book, *What is the Bible: How an Ancient Library of Poems, Letters, and Stories Can Transform the*

***Way You Think and Feel About Everything*** Rob Bell opens us to some fascinating, refreshing and relevant ways to read a very old book. So, you're invited to join Rev. Dr. Don Ashburn for a 4-week series of discussions based on Bell's new book – meeting in the Kettlewell Room from **11:30 am – 12:30 pm on November 5 and 12**. You don't need to know anything at all about the Bible to participate. It'd be great to purchase a copy of the book and keep up with the assigned reading. And, since the book is both thought-provoking and very clearly written, it shouldn't be hard to do so. For more information, please contact Dr. Ashburn at: [don@piedmontchurch.org](mailto:don@piedmontchurch.org), or 510-547-5700, ext. 105.

• **Join us for a Packing Party this morning!** We will be packing shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child in Guild Hall after the 10:30 service**. Everyone is welcome to participate! We will have snacks and empty shoeboxes with supplies to fill them. Plan to join us after church!

Here are other ways you can help:

- Donate small items for shoe boxes (school supplies, toiletries, socks, tennis balls, toys, games. NOTE: We cannot include toothpaste, candy or liquids in the shoeboxes).

- Donate money – Make check payable to Piedmont Community Church and put “OCC” in memo. The cost to ship each shoebox is \$9, plus we use any donated money to buy gifts to fill shoe box. You can put your contribution in the offering plate or give to Leslie. You can also mail to Leslie c/o PCC, 400 Highland Ave, Piedmont, CA 94611.

Empty shoeboxes will be available to take home and fill yourself, just be sure to bring back to church on or before November 13th. For more info go to [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org) (Operation Christmas Child is under “what we do” tab). Questions? Contact Leslie – [leslie@piedmontchurch.org](mailto:leslie@piedmontchurch.org), or 510.547.5700 x109.

• **Piedmont Forum with Dr. Martha Sommers:** On Sunday, November 12, PCC is pleased to welcome again medical missionary, and our friend, Dr. Martha Sommers. After serving for many years at hospitals in Malawi, for the past few years, Dr. Sommers has been living and working in Congo and Madagascar. She is now returning to Malawi to serve on the staff of Nkhoma Hospital. On November 12, she will speak to us briefly in worship about her experiences in the mission and medical fields. Then she will go into more detail and answer questions at a Piedmont Forum that evening from 5-6:30 pm in the CE Building Chapel. For more information, contact Dr. Don Ashburn.

• **Love's Pure Light, an Overture to Christmas.** On Friday, December 1st at 7:00 and Sunday, December 3rd at 7:30 Piedmont Community Church will present a joyous musical event and festive reception to begin the Christmas season: *Love's Pure Light*. Steve Main will lead the full choir with concert orchestra in a musical exploration of the many kinds of light that are part of the

Christmas story. *It will be magical.* You can purchase tickets on-line at the Church website or after Sunday services through December 3rd, or you can make your check to the “Piedmont Community Church”, with “Christmas concert” in the memo line, and receive your tickets by return mail. General admission tickets are \$40 each. Reserved/patron seating is \$125.

This event is unique in the Bay Area and is the largest high-quality Christmas orchestral-vocal performance in the East Bay—and it is the only event that includes a reception of this kind, all at a low price. (In comparison, music-only tickets at Grace Cathedral are \$45-60, Chanticleer charges \$51-75, and the San Francisco Symphony performs only a secular program.)

A word about our ticket prices: The actual cost of the event runs about \$80 per person, with nearly 70% going to the orchestra. The difference between receipts and actual costs is funded via patron seating, a foundation grant, and special, individual donations. Any additional shortfall is covered by the music program budget and reserves. At PCC we always pay attention to cost while still providing an exceptional musical evening and reception. We hope you will join in this one-of-a-kind holiday tradition.

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## *Weekly Calendar*

### **Sunday, November 5**

- 9:00 am          Worship service, Sanctuary
- 10:30 am        Sunday School preK - 12, Christian Education Building
- 10:30 am        Worship service, Sanctuary
- 10:30 am        Nursery care, Christian Education Building
- 11:30 am        Operation Christmas Child, Guild Hall
- 11:30 am        Adult Education, Kettlewell Room
- 6:00 pm**        Fall Mexico Rock, Guild Hall

### **Monday, November 6**

- 10:00 am        Piedmont Gardens Bible Study
- 4:30 pm        Spiritual Formation Group, Guild Parlor
- 7:00 pm        Board of Deacons, Guild Parlor

### **Tuesday, November 7**

- 11:00 am        Staff Meeting, Staff Workroom
- PHS Lunch Break    Rock Pizza Lunch
- 7:00 pm        Handbells, Murdock Room
- 7:00 pm        Small Group Bible Study

### **Wednesday, November 8**

- 2:30 pm LiveWire, Youth Room  
7:00 pm Altar Guild, Staff Workroom  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir, Lindamood Choir Room

### **Thursday, November 9**

- 7:30 am Finance Committee, Staff Workroom  
9:45 am Women's Bible Study, Guild Parlor  
7:00 pm Walking Together, Guild Parlor

### **Friday, November 10**

**office closed**

### **Saturday, November 11**

- 7:30 am Men's Bible Study, Founders' Room  
9:00 am Confirmation Retreat, Youth Room

### **Sunday, November 12**

- 9:00 am Worship service, Sanctuary  
10:30 am Sunday School preK - 6, Christian Education Building  
10:30 am Worship service, Sanctuary  
10:30 am Nursery care, Christian Education Building  
11:30 am Adult Education, Kettlewell Room  
7:00 pm Rock, Youth Room

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 5 - Operation Christmas Child

November 5 - Fall Mexico Rock

November 10 - Mexico Student Leaders Habitat Work Day

November 11 - CityTeam Volunteers

November 12 - Piedmont Forum with Martha Sommers

November 13 - Needles and Hooks Shared Interest Group

November 25 - Berkeley Men's Shelter

December 1 & 3 - Christmas Concert and Reception

December 6 - Christmas Caroling, following the Tree Lighting ceremony

December 10 - Christmas Pageant and Advent Dinner

## HAPPINESS QUIZ

Which of the following factors do you believe are significant in predicting personal happiness? Put a + sign by those factors that do effect happiness and a 0 sign by those which have no effect on happiness.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Age
- \_\_\_\_\_ Race
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gender
- \_\_\_\_\_ Having a satisfying relationship
- \_\_\_\_\_ Educational level
- \_\_\_\_\_ Intelligence
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parenthood
- \_\_\_\_\_ Income
- \_\_\_\_\_ Religious faith
- \_\_\_\_\_ Extroversion
- \_\_\_\_\_ High self-esteem
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exercise

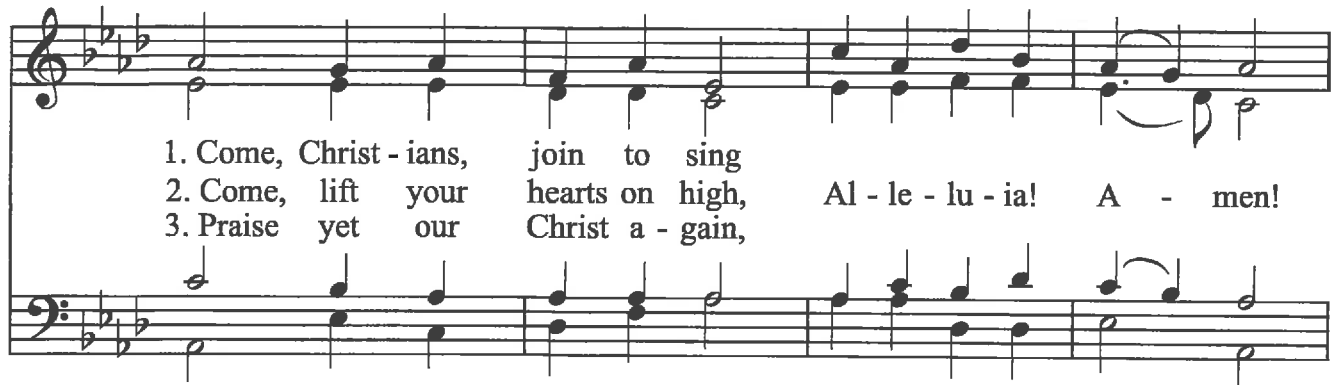


*"Frankly, Mr. Poole, I would strongly suggest you make one last, desperate bid for happiness."*



# Come, Christians, join to sing

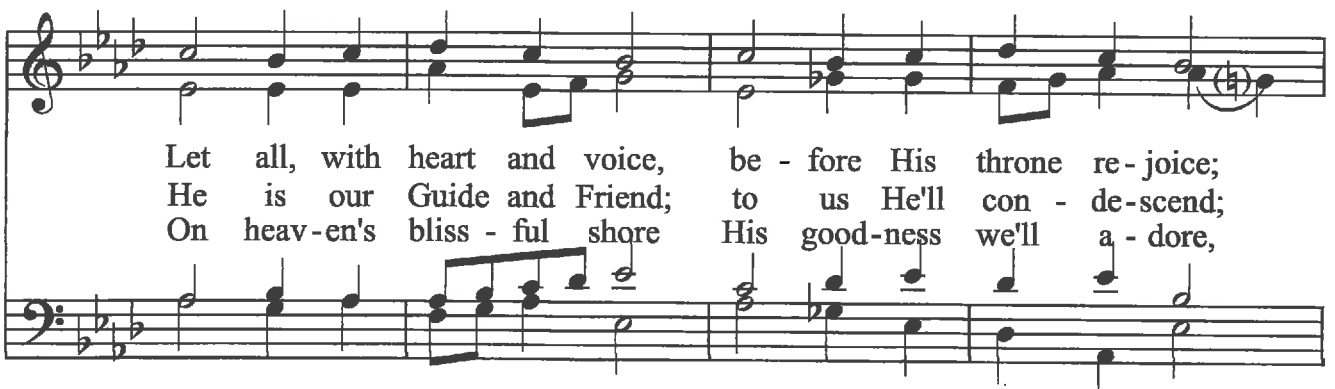
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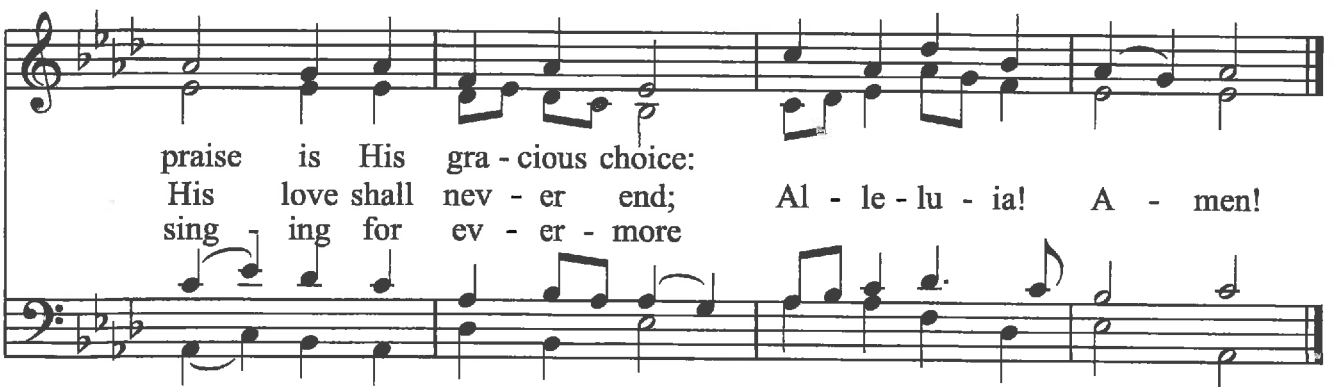
1. Come, Christ - ians, join to sing  
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain,



Loud praise to Christ our King;  
Let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Life shall not end the strain;



Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - joi - ce;  
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll con - de - scend;  
On heav - en's bliss - ful shore His good - ness we'll a - dore,



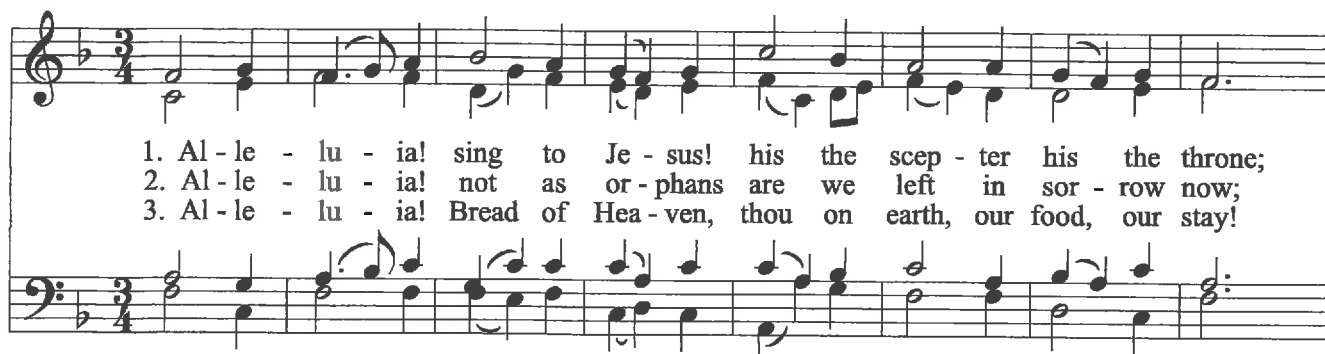
praise is His gra - cious choice:  
His love shall nev - er end; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
sing ing for ev - er - more

Words: Christian Bateman, 1843

Music: Traditional Spanish melody, arr. STM

# Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

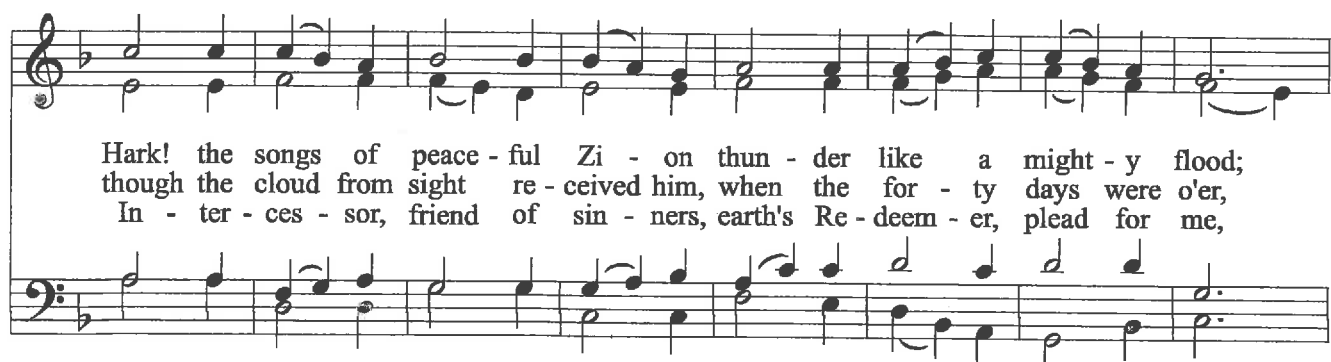
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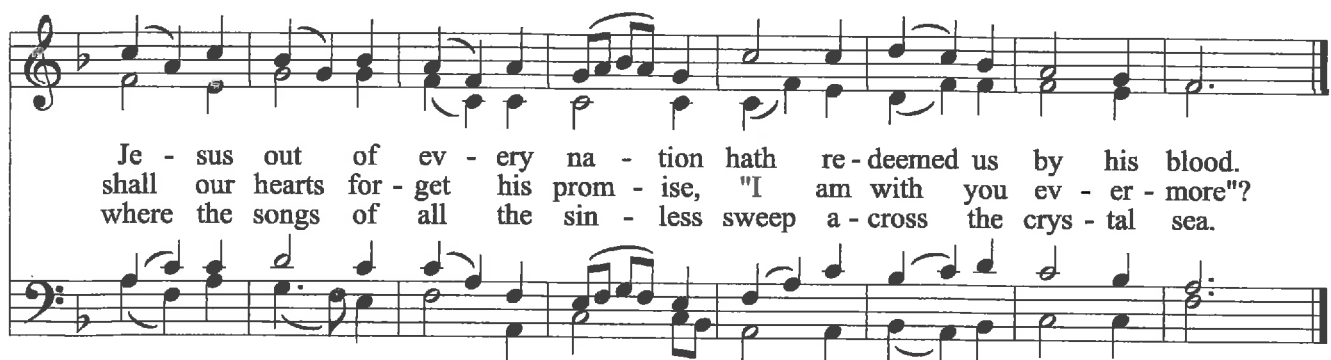
1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter his the throne;  
2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now;  
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Hea - ven, thou on earth, our food, our stay!



Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;  
Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:  
Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to thee from day to day:



Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;  
though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty days were o'er,  
In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,



Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"  
where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.