Order of Worship

February 4, 2018 *Holy Communion* 9 & 10:30 o'clock

Prelude *Improvisation*

For Your Reflection

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For everything in the world— the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does— comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever. — 1 John 2:15-17

I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the Evil One. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. — John 17:14-16

Our labor here is brief, but the reward is eternal. Do not be disturbed by the clamor the the world, which passes like a shadow. Do not let the false delights of a deceptive world deceive you. — St. Clare of Assisi

We ought to love what Christ loved on earth, and to set no store by those things which he regarded as of no account. — The Curé d'Ars

***Church Bell** (*The congregation is invited to stand)

***Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Liturgist: Cry to the Lord in your trouble,
People: And God will deliver you from your distress.
Liturgist: God's steadfast love endures forever;
All: Let us praise the Lord!

***Hymn 26** (10:30am) Praise, my soul, the King *Lauda anima*

Prayer of Praise and Invocation

Silent Prayer

Prayer of Preparation and Confession

Mighty and merciful God, in our minds, we believe we are attentive to those who are hungry or thirsty. We welcome strangers we encounter. We are caregivers for those who are ill and friends to those who are imprisoned. But in our hearts, we know that we more often avert our eyes. We pretend not to see the homeless person. We avoid those who are different and stay away from those who are suffering because we don't know what to say.

Forgive us, God, for when we did not recognize you in the face of a stranger – for when we failed to care for those in need. Open our hearts so that we might see the stranger with your eyes and strive to be your hands and feet in this world. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Kyrie eleison and Words of Assurance

Words of Christian Greeting

Anthem *My Lord what a morning* arr. Mark Hayes
Tina Harrington, alto *–Trad. Spiritual*

My Lord what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.
Done quit all my worldly ways, joined that heavenly band.

Scripture Lesson Philippians 2:25-30; 3 (Pew Bible p. 831)

25Still, I think it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus—my brother and co-worker and fellow soldier, your messenger and minister to my need; 26for he has been longing for all of you, and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. 27He was indeed so ill that he nearly died. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, so that I would not have one sorrow after another. 28I am the more eager to send him, therefore, in order that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. 29Welcome him then in the Lord with all joy, and honor such people, 30because he came close to death for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for those services that you could not give me.

3Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is not troublesome to me, and for you it is a safeguard. 2Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of those who mutilate the flesh! 3For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh—

4even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: 5circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. 7Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. 8More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

9and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. 10I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his

death, 11if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. 12Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

15Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. 16Only let us hold fast to what we have attained.

17Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. 18For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. 19Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. 20But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. 21He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

Sermon "DEEP JOY FOR A SHALLOW WORLD"
Part 3 – Resident Aliens
The Rev. Dr. William H. McNabb

Offertory (9am) (see Anthem)

Offertory (10:30am) *Magnificat* (the song of Mary) Herbert Sumsion
Chancel Choir (1899-1995)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my savior. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth, all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him, throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm. He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He, remembering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and to his seed forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen *.–Luke 1:46-55, and Gloria*

***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) For all the saints *Sine nomine*

***Commission and Benediction**

Voluntary *Improvisation*

Upcoming Sermon Series:
DEEP JOY FOR A SHALLOW WORLD
February 4 - Part 3 – Resident Aliens
February 11 - Part 4 – The Secret

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 include **Joan Chow**.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in **honor of Kfumbi Njewa, our brother from Kafita, on his 80th birthday from the PCC Congregation.**

Please join us after the service for coffee.

Please silence your cell phones.

This morning's greeters are **Julie McDonald & Tom Parry.** The ushers are **Anne Conneely, Dana Gordon-Colton, Pat Leicher,** and **Steve Wuebbens.** The communion servers are **Bob Leslie, Lisa Lindsley, Lynn Nelson,** and **Kate Sovocool.** The Board of Deacons greeters are **Lisa Lindsley** and **Linda McClain**. 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.

Announcements

• **Lenten Gatherings** This March, you are invited to join Dr. Don Ashburn for 4 weeks of prayer and conversation, based on Adam Hamilton's best-selling book, 24 Hours That Changed the World. The book helps us to relive the one day in history that changed everything, and to experience and understand the significance of Jesus' final hours for us today. Participants should purchase and bring a copy of the book to the first meeting. Lenten Gatherings will take place on Thursday evenings; March 1, 8, 15 and 22, from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Christian Education Building Chapel. For more information, or to order a copy of the book (which is available online), contact Dr. Ashburn at don@piedmontchurch.org

• **Ash Wednesday Dinner** We are now accepting reservations for a dinner, provided by Loaves and Fishes, held Wednesday, February 14 in Guild Hall, 6:15 pm. This event precedes the Ash Wednesday service, which begins at 7:30 pm. Enjoy fellowship with friends on this day, marking the beginning of Easter preparation. Adults 18 and older, $15 before February 11. $20 thereafter. Children

10 to 17, $5. Macaroni and cheese meal provided free to children under 10. Sign up available following Sunday services, or contact Jean Leahy at (510) 547-5700 or Jean@PiedmontChurch.org

• **Project Peace Community Service Day** Project Peace brings together local faith-based organizations and nonprofits to serve our community. Please volunteer Saturday, February 24, 9 am - 12 noon. Opportunities include Neonatal ICU hat knitting for Children's Hospital, Berkeley Women's Shelter, CityTeam Oakland, Harbor House Oakland, Piedmont Avenue Elementary School and YEAH - Berkeley (homeless shelter serving youth from 18-25 years). Additional information and sign-ups will be available in the courtyard after services or contact Selma Chin at (510) 290-5732 or selmachin@yahoo.com. For additional information about Project Peace Eastbay, visit projectpeaceeastbay.org

• **Advanced Missions Opportunity for Students, Africa** We are all aware of the impact our Student Ministries Mexico Missions trips have on those who participate. We will be offering the next step in service missions this summer as we travel to Africa. The three-week trip this June will focus on serving at orphan feeding centers, a school for the blind, rural hospitals and visiting our sister church, Kafita, in Malawi. More info to come. Informational meeting will be announced for the end of January. Contact Rev. Scott Kail at Scott@PiedmontChurch.org

• **Dinner & Bocce Ball at Galileo Club** Our February Adult Fellowship adventure will take place at the Historic Richmond Galileo Club, 371 S.23rd / Galileo Club Way, on Friday, February 9, 7 pm. Enjoy a Spaghetti and Meatball Valentine Dinner, including salad, rolls, wine and dessert. Try your hand at the grand ole Italian game of Bocce Ball on their indoor courts or remain in the dining room for fellowship. Cost is $23 per person. No-host cocktails begin at 6 pm. For questions, contact Wayne Guidici at (510) 501-0646 or fdsternwheeler@yahoo.com. Sign up available following Sunday services, or contact Jean Leahy at (510) 547-5700 or Jean@PiedmontChurch.org

• **Kidz Club** Our next meeting is February 9, 3:30 pm, in the Youth Room. We will be getting ready for our Lenten Food Drive. We will be collecting donations (food and money) for the Alameda County Community Food Bank starting February 14. We will also make valentines and continue with our half court basketball contest. Future meetings: March 16, April 13, May 18. Contact Leslie Quantz at Leslie@PiedmontChurch.org

• **Family Fellowship Pizza Party** Children's Sunday School will be having pizza after 10:30 am services on Sunday, February 25 in the Christian Education Building. Plan to stay and enjoy pizza and conversation. Contact Leslie@PiedmontChurch.org

• **Volunteer Seamstresses and Tailors** are needed to sew simple curtains for the Mexico Mission trip. Each of the 18 houses we build have two windows supplied with custom curtains. The families greatly appreciate the curtains, which help to make the houses we build feel like homes. The curtains require minimal sewing skills – all straight seams. Fabric and instructions are provided. Curtains must be completed by Sunday, March 25. Fabric donations are also appreciated. Each set of curtains needs two 1-yard by 1-yard panels. Contact Ann Lin at (510) 654-1775 or annlin@pacbell.net to sew or donate.

• **Service Opportunities with Tiny Time Commitments** Many of our volunteer activities take minimal time and effort and are great ways to get to know folks at the church in small settings. New members will enjoy this easy way to contribute to their church and meet new friends.

* Usher or greet at the 10:30 am service (simple training sessions available).
  Check your calendar and sign up after church
* Help to set up for church dinners (next one is February 14).
  Contact Jay Foreman – jayforeman777@yahoo.com
* Help in the kitchen with our volunteer cooking crew, Loaves and Fishes (February 14).
  Contact Steve Wuebbens – sawuebbens@gmail.com
* Provide a meal through our Food Angels for a member going through a difficult time.
  Contact Linda Rice – ljrice@sbcglobal.net
* Spend a few hours at a church work day (next one March 24).
  Contact Lynn Nelson – lnelson480@gmail.com

• **Inspiring News** In the February edition of The Messenger, we met Rev. Maggi Henderson of Old First Presbyterian Church in San Francisco. Her inspiring story of the impact Piedmont Church had on her as a youth is a great example of the content we seek for the newly-designed monthly newsletter. If you would like to share your personal story about the way in which Piedmont Community Church has impacted your life - or if you wish to suggest a feature about a fellow congregant - contact Michael Barber at Michael@PiedmontChurch.org or call (510) 547-5700 ext. 104

• **Follow Us on Facebook** Visit, watch and share at facebook.com/PiedmontCommunityChurch

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Weekly Calendar

Sunday, February 4

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

Monday, February 5

10:00 am Piedmont Gardens Bible Study
4:30 pm Spiritual Formation Group, Guild Parlor
6:30 pm Marvel Movie Mondays, Youth Room
7:00 pm Board of Deacons, Guild Parlor
7:00 pm Treasure Sale Staff meeting, Staff Workroom

Tuesday, February 6

11:00 am Staff Meeting, Staff Workroom
PHS Lunch Break Rock Pizza Lunch
6:30 pm Handbells, Clara Barton Room
7:00 pm Small Group Bible Study

Wednesday, February 7

2:30 pm LiveWire, Youth Room
7:30 pm Chancel Choir, Lindamood Choir Room

Thursday, February 8

9:45 am Women's Bible Study, Guild Parlor
7:00 pm Walking Together, Guild Palor

Friday, February 9

3:30 pm KIDZ Club, Youth Room
7:00 pm Adult Fellowship

Saturday, February 10

7:30 am Men's Bible Study, Founders' Room
9:00 am New Member Gathering, Guild Parlors

Sunday, February 11

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 New Member Gathering, Guild Parlor
7:00 pm Mexico Rock, Guild Hall

Upcoming Events:

February 9 - KIDZ Club
February 9 - Adult Fellowship
February 14 - Ash Wednesday dinner & worship service
February 25 - Family Fellowship Pizza

YOUTH MEXICO SERVICE TRIP

TREASURES SALE

DONATIONS NEEDED!

March 3 - 7

DONATION INFO:

WHAT: ***Must be Clean, Gently Used, & Working***
Antiques, Artwork, Belts, Bikes, Books, China, Crystal, CDs, Collectibles, Dishes, DVDs, Furniture, Games, Garden Supplies, Hats, Holiday Items, Housewares, Jewelry, Lamps, Linens, LPs, Luggage, Musical Instruments, New Items, Pet Supplies, Purses, Puzzles, Rugs, Scarves, Silver, Small Appliances, Sports Equipment, Stereo Equipment, Throw Pillows, Tools, Toys, Flat Screen TVs only

WHAT NOT: Clothing, Computers & Equipment, Ski Equipment, Mattresses, Bed Pillows, Large Appliances, Extra Large Furniture, Harlequin Novels/Condensed Books, Magazines, VHS Tapes, Car Seats, Cribs, Large Exercise Equipment

WHERE: Piedmont Community Church Guild Hall, 400 Highland Ave.

WHEN to DONATE: March 3-7 Sat. & Sun. 9-2, Mon-Wed. 9-7
NO DONATIONS AFTER WEDNESDAY!!

HOW: Limited Pick Ups by Appointment ONLY. Call 547-5700 and leave a message for Scott Kail's interns.

Treasures Sale March 10, 9-3 and March 11, 9-2

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven 26

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Psa. 103:2

Psalm 103
Henry F. Lyte, 1834

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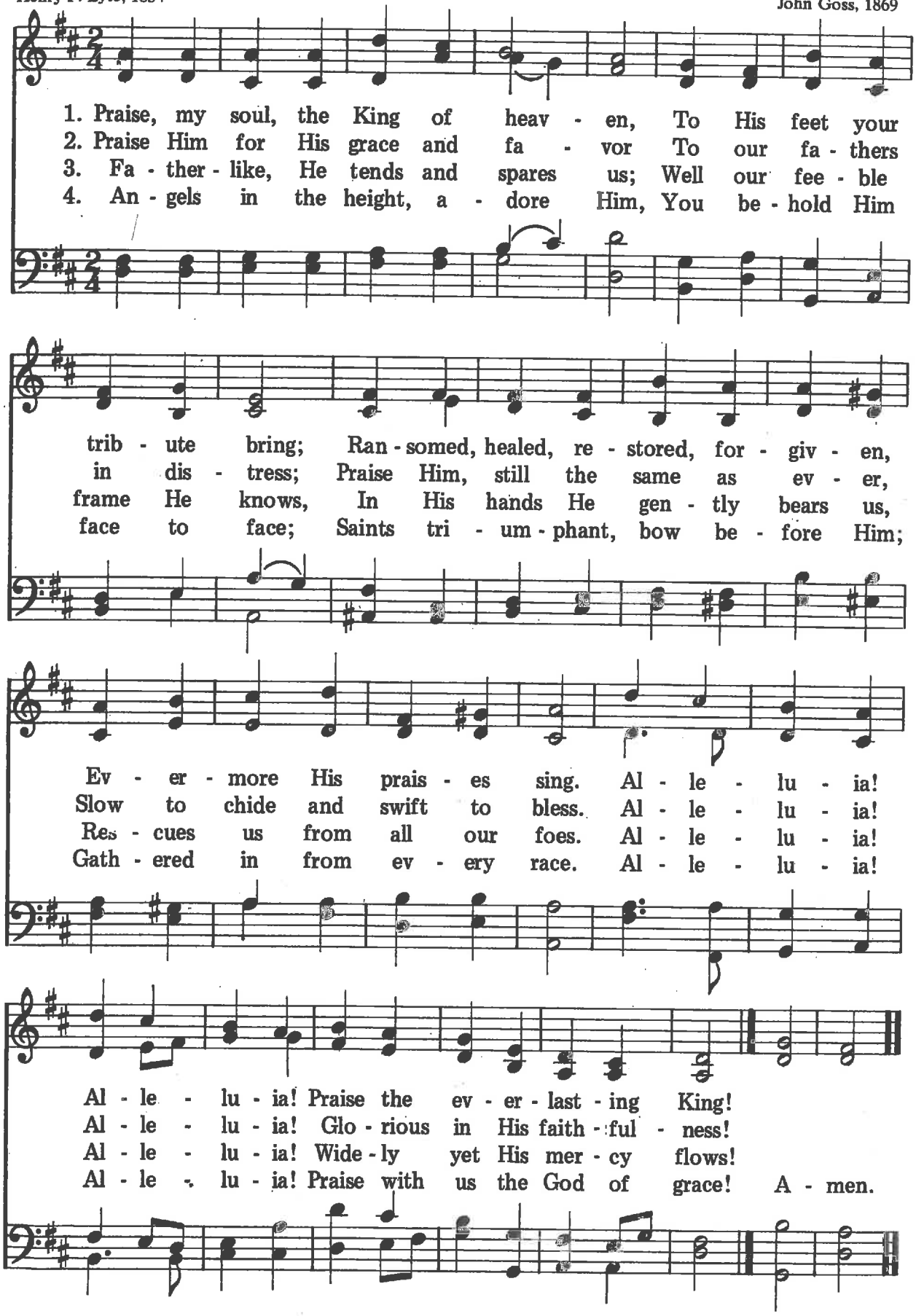
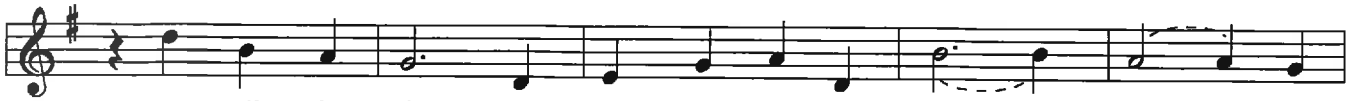
John Goss, 1869

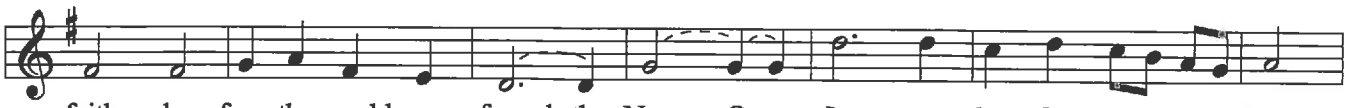


For All the Saints

Sine nomine



1. For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who thee by
2. Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might: thou, Lord, their
3. And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the
4. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through gates of



faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy Name, O Je - sus, be for ev- er blest.
Cap - tain in the well - fought fight; thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
ear the dis-tant tri - umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
pearl streams in the count - less host, sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho- ly Ghost,

Al - - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897)
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); Meter: 10 10 10 with Alleluias