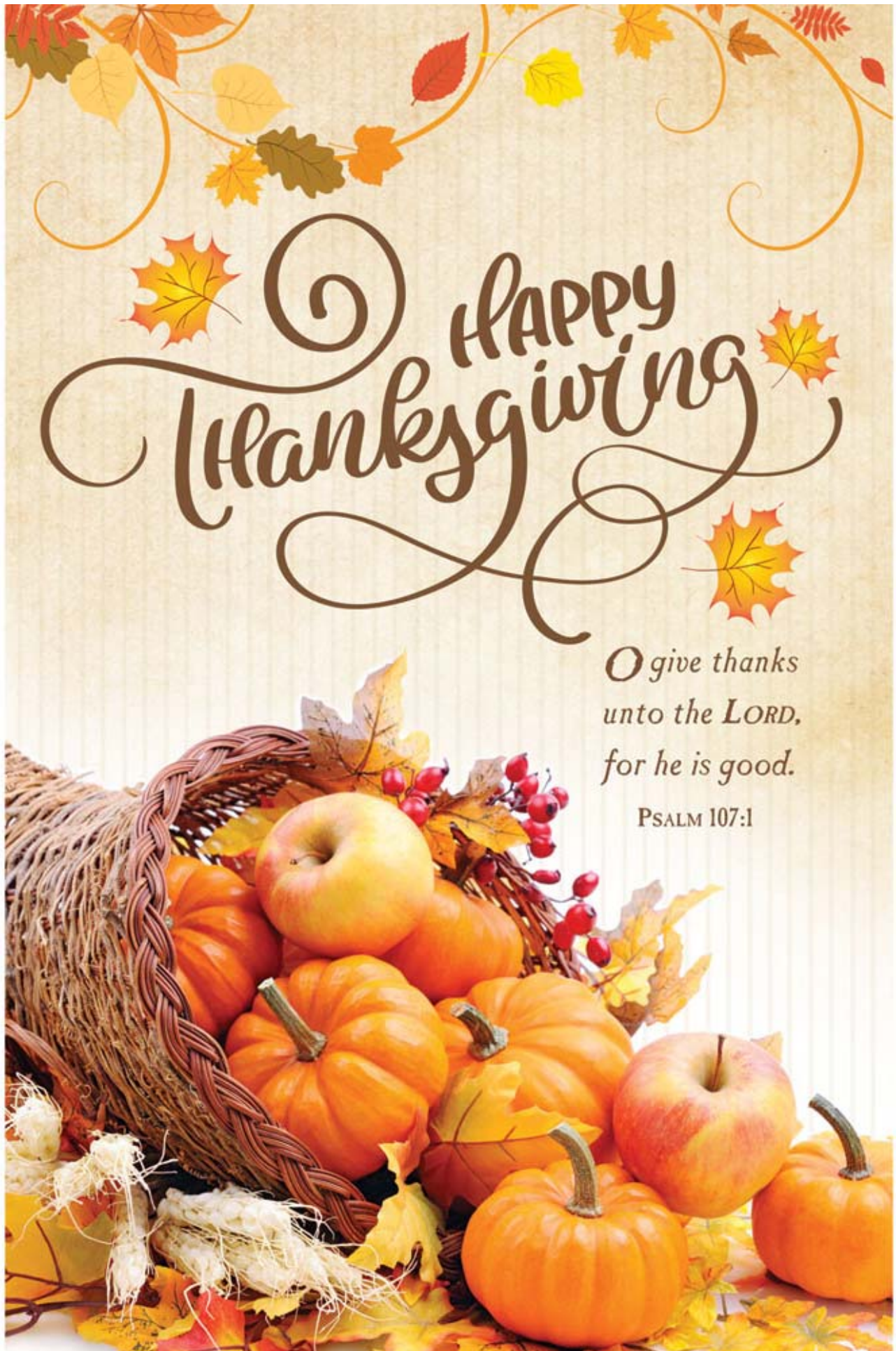


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**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**Sunday, November 20, 2022**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 29**

**The Reign of Christ**

**Thanksgiving Sunday**

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*OPENING HYMN: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”**

**V 211**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Let us gather together in thanksgiving to God.

**PEOPLE: For God has made us and the earth that nurtures us.**

Leader: Let us gather together in gratitude to one another.

**PEOPLE: For we are the bearers of divine blessing for the earth  
and its people.**

**ALL: Let us praise God; let us join hands; let us reach out in  
care and courage so that the goodness of life may be for  
all God’s children.\*\***

**\*LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison**

We thank you for setting us in communities:

for families who nurture our becoming,

for friends who love us by choice,

for strangers who welcome us into their midst,

for children who lighten our moments with delight.

We thank you for this day:

for life, and one more day to love,

for neighbors, and one more person to love and by whom be loved,

for your grace and one more experience of your presence,

for your promise: to be with us, to be our God.

For these, and all blessings, we give you thanks, eternal, loving God,  
through Jesus Christ we pray.## Amen.

*Vienna Cobb Anderson*

**\*THE GLORIA “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me” insert**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison**

Eternal God, we gather as your people to worship you. By your Spirit  
break the bonds that hold our minds captive to the petty concerns of  
our lives that we may know the freedom of new possibilities. Quiet  
the din of our distracted spirits that we may hear your gentle voice  
calling us. Transform our very lives that we may go forth from this  
hour with deeper commitment to do your will, with a firm assurance  
of your presence.\*\* Amen.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*trespasses*)

Choral Amen

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. Amen.

## **HARVEST TABLE OFFERING**

**\*HYMN:** "As Those of Old Their First-fruits Brought"

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## **THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Page 180

"When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess and you possess it and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

**HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**\*HYMN:** "O Lord My God" v. 1, 2

V 238



**THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Colossians 1:11-20 P. 1342

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**ANTHEM:** *We Praise You, O God*

Music: Netherlands Melody KREMSER

Sung by the Chancel Choir

Words: Julia Cory (1902)

**SERMON:** “Over All, In All, Beyond All”

Scott Morrow

**PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Choral Response

**THE OFFERTORY**

\*Doxology

Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts.

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

**GREETING OF PEACE** ~unison

*May the peace of God in Jesus Christ be with you always!*

**\*CLOSING HYMN:** “For the Fruit of All Creation”

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**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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**Deacon** is Peter Hall. **Greeter** is Mary Johnston.

**Guest Organist** is Heather Meachen. **Fellowship Hour** has no host.

**The fruits and vegetables** in our Thanksgiving display are given with gratitude for God's abundant blessings.

**Church Staff:** All the Members, Ministers to the World

The Reverend Scott G. Morrow, Senior Pastor

Karlee Etter, Ministry Coordinator for Children

Jeffrey Hutchins, Director of Music

Julie Schweickert, Office Manager

Todd Swarney, Sexton

**In Our Prayers This Week are:** Linda Shannon, Marcia Foulds, Marlene Bellonio, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Ellen Robert.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Bruno Juliano 11/21, Peter Struk 11/21, Rose Royka 11/25, Scott Morrow 11/26, Joan Bennett 11/26, Rob Natoli, Anna Woodruff 11/27, Cheryl Hall 11/27.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Christmas potluck dinner:** Women's Fellowship is having a Christmas potluck dinner at 6 pm on December 5th. Please email Cheryl Bogert (ca.bogert48@gmail.com or cherylbogert30@comcast.net) to let her know what you will bring by December 1st. We will need main dishes, salads, and desserts. We will also have our "tacky grab bag," so bring your gift!

Covenant to Care will be providing gifts for children this year. After 2 years of giving gift cards because of the pandemic, we will give real gifts. The Angel Tree with the children's names will be at coffee hour on Sunday, December 4th. All gifts will need to be in the church office by December 15th. If you would like to participate but will not be in church to select a child, please call the church office.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS\*

Sunday	11/20	9:30 a.m. 10:45 4:00 p.m.	WORSHIP– (In-Person & Live Stream) CONFIRMATION (K) OASIS – FriendsGiving (SGC)
Monday	11/21	9:30 a.m. 10:30 6:00 p.m.	Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) CT Record Club (CH)
Tuesday	11/22	9:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 1:00 3:30 6:00	Al-Anon (K) PLP (Library) Danish Sisterhood (K) United Girls Choir (CH, DBL, S) BIBLE STUDY (Zoom)
Wednesday	11/23	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	WINDOW MAILING CLEANING (Sang) ORGANIST SEARCH (Zoom)
Thursday	11/24		THANKSGIVING (OFFICE CLOSED)
Friday	11/25		OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday	11/26		
Sunday	11/27	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP– (In-Person & Live Stream)

\*Small print indicates non-Church function  
Bold print starts new day.

MISSION

Our church's mission is to bind ourselves with Jesus Christ in:

- Worship together;
- Nurture of Christian discipleship; and
- Compassionate service to our community and beyond.

VISION

We are a hub for the larger community as a church of action:

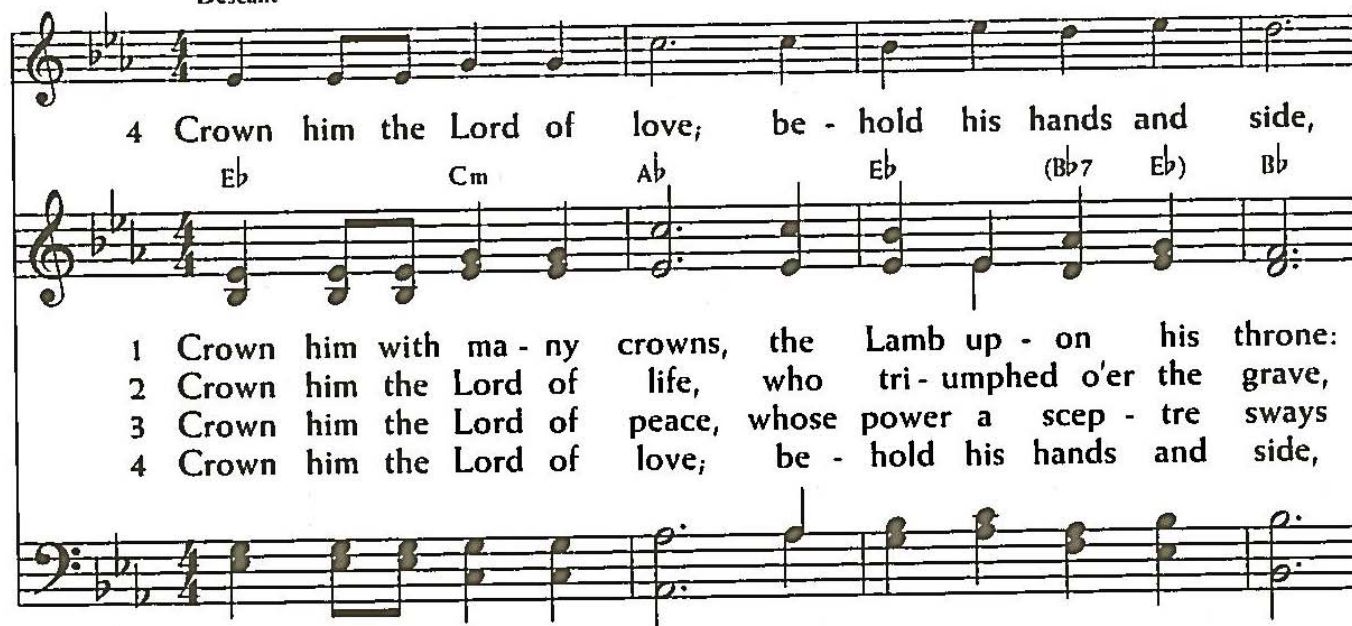
- Conducting regular, robust worship in a responsible and relevant way in an ever changing and challenging world;
- Welcoming all people from different and diverse backgrounds to become a community of disciples together; and
- Involved in purposeful action and activities through the structure of self-directed Mission Teams.

VALUES

We:

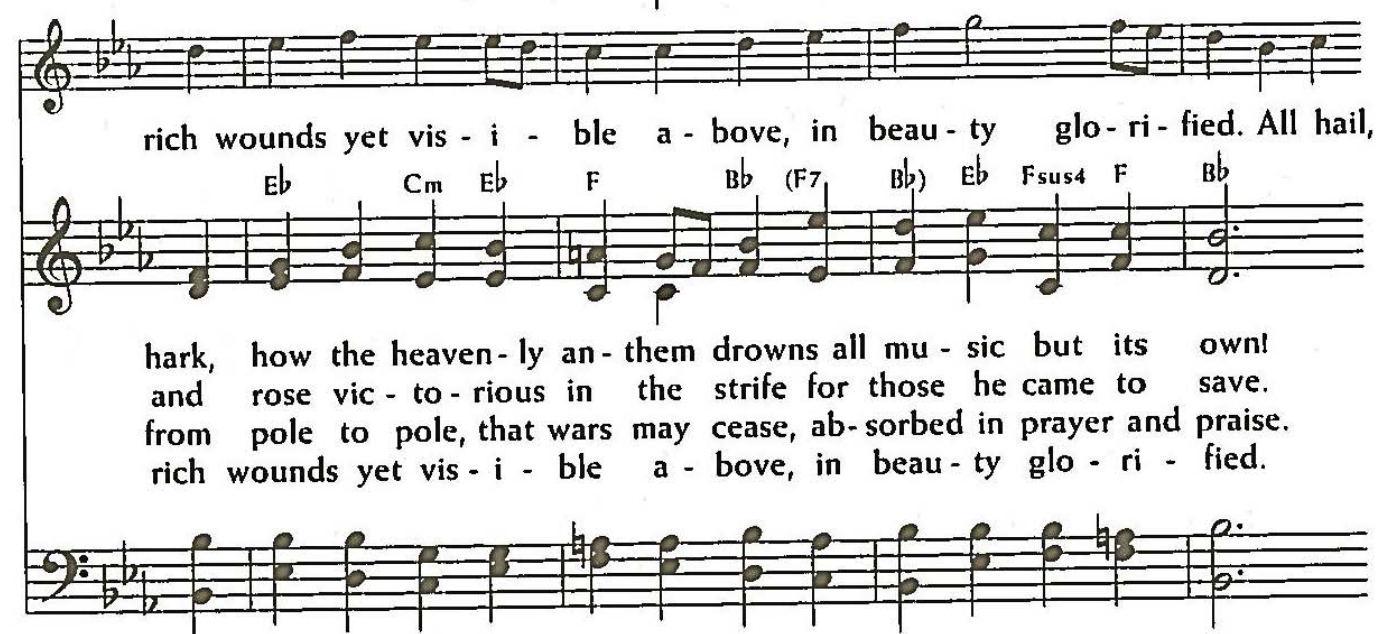
- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community; and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

Descant



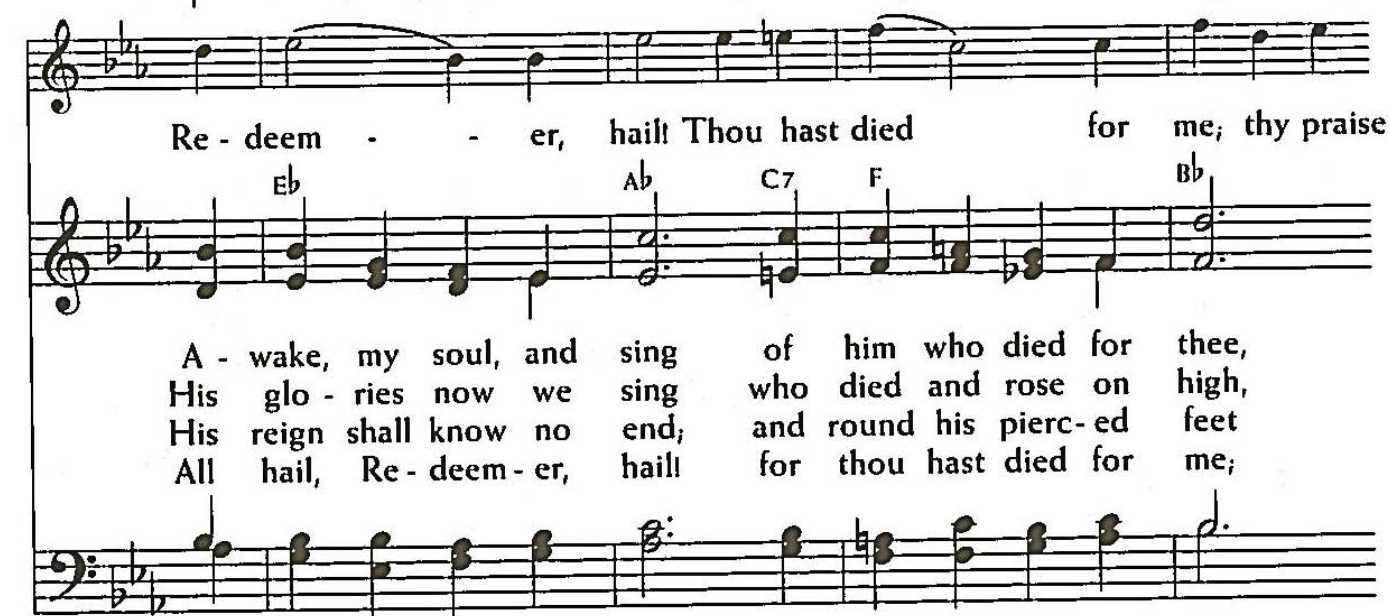
4 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,

1 Crown him with ma - ny crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne:  
 2 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave,  
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - tre sways  
 4 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,



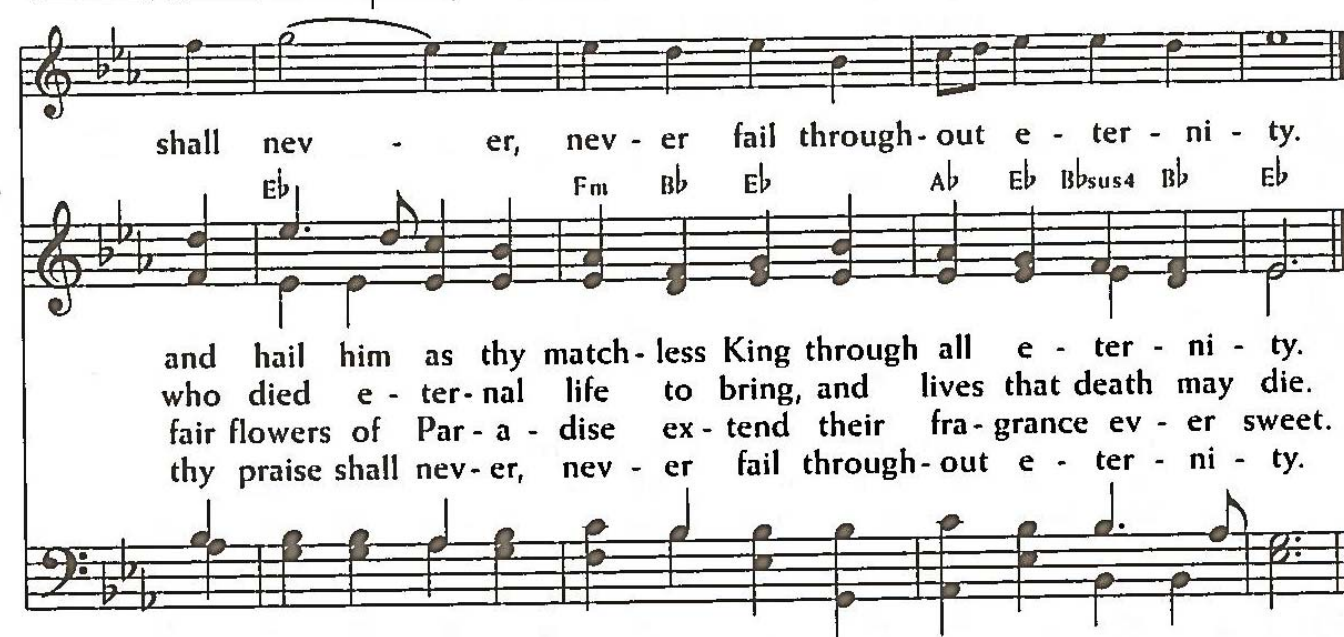
rich wounds yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied. All hail,

hark, how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!  
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.  
 rich wounds yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.



Re - deem - er, hail! Thou hast died for me; thy praise

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
 His glo - ries now we sing who died and rose on high,  
 His reign shall know no end, and round his pierc - ed feet  
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for thou hast died for me;



shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 who died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 fair flowers of Par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.  
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.




\*THE GLORIA “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
B $\flat$  F B $\flat$  F B $\flat$  F Gm F




1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)  
F B $\flat$  E $\flat$  B $\flat$  Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F $\sharp$ ) (Bm)  
C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)  
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.





1 As those of old their first-fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and field  
 2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la-bour, love, and give,  
 3 With grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to you,



to God, the giv-er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,  
 to make our life an of-fer-ing to God, that all may live.  
 not just to serve your cause, but share your love with neigh-bours too.



so we to-day our first-fruits bring: the wealth of this good land,  
 The church of Christ is call-ing us to make the dream come true:  
 O God, who gave your-self to us in Je-sus Christ, your son,



of farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.  
 a world re-deemed, by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.  
 help us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.



**Bb Eb**

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der  
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der,

**Bb F7 Bb**

con - sid - er all the works thy hand hath made,  
 I hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees;

**Eb**

I see the stars, I hear the might - y thun - der,  
 when I look down from loft - y moun - tain gran - deur

**Bb F7 Bb**

thy power through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played,  
 and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.

Refrain

**Bb Eb Bb F**

Then sings my soul, my Sav - iour God, to thee, How great thou art!

**Bb Eb**

How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - iour God, to

**Bb Eb F7 Bb**

thee, How great thou art! How great thou art!

# \*CLOSING HYMN: "For the Fruit of All Creation"

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G C (G) Am D (G) C D7 G

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bour, God's will is done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

G C (G) Am D (G) C D7 G

For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bour, God's will is done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

C (G) C G (C) Dm C Em Am (G Am) Em Am9

For the plough - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

G D G C (G) Am D (G) C D7 G

sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.





With gratitude, we  
share the names of  
those who have pledged  
to support the annual  
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