

"Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Believe in God; believe also in me.
(John 14:1)

May 3, 2026
*Holy Communion on the Fifth
Sunday of Easter*

(†) The congregation is invited to stand or (Sit with Gusto)
(BOLD-FACED TYPE) Congregation responds

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Silent Prayer and Time for Centering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP ***

**God is in our midst,
forming us to be God's own people.**

Though the way may be difficult,
God will be with us.

We need not fear.

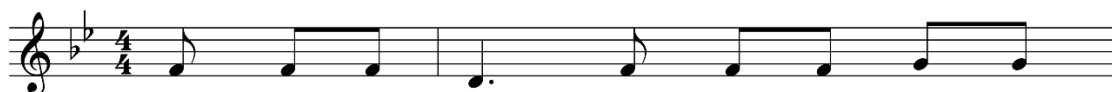
In the Lord we will take our refuge,
for God is our strength.

**Come to the Lord
who will surround you
with God's own righteousness.**

Lord, open our hearts and our spirits
so that we may faithfully follow you.

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**

How Great Thou Art



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some
 2. When thru the woods and for - est glades I
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -



won - der Con - sid - er all the worlds Thy hands have
 wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the
 spar - ing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it
 ma - tion And take me home, what joy shall fill my



made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
 trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 in That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r thru - out the un - i - verse dis - played!
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin!
 ra - tion And there pro-claim, my God, how great Thou art!



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou



art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to



Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

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† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,

you call us to trust you in every season,

yet we confess how easily our hearts become troubled.

When uncertainty comes,

we rely on our own strength

instead of resting in your promises.

We confess that we do not always see

your presence in the midst of hardship.

We forget that you are with us,

guiding us, holding us,

and preparing a way forward.

Forgive us, O God.

Steady our hearts.

Teach us to trust you more deeply,

that even in the storms of life,

we may hold fast to your love. Amen.

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Christ says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

In him, we are forgiven, restored, and made new.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

THE CHURCH HEARS THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson:

[Acts 7: 55-60](#)

*(Pg. 891) ***

ANTHEM

O Come and Dwell In Me Charles & John Wesley/ Arr. by Arlen Clarke

O come and dwell in me,
Holy Spirit of power within
and bring the glorious liberty,
from sorrow, fear, and sin.
Let all the angel throng give glory,
thanks to God on high,
while earth repeats the joyful song
and echoes to the sky.
Thy grace to sinners shown,
the heavenly angel choirs proclaim,
and cry, "Salvation to our God,
Salvation to the Lamb!"
Spirit of Holiness, let thy saints adore thee
send thy renewing power, we kneel before thee.
When heaven and earth have fled,
have fled before thy glorious face,
Sing all the saints thy love,
hath made thine everlasting praise.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

† HYMN OF PREPARATION

BE STILL, MY SOUL

FINLANDIA



1. Be still, my soul— the Lord is on thy side!
2. Be still, my soul— thy God doth un - der - take
3. Be still, my soul— the hour is has - t'ning on



1. Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;
2. To guide the fu - ture as he has the past;
3. When we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,



1. Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide—
2. Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake—
3. When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,



1. In ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re - main.
2. All now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
3. Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.



1. Be still, my soul— thy best, thy heav'n - ly friend
2. Be still, my soul— the waves and winds still know
3. Be still, my soul— when change and tears are past,



1. Through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
2. His voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
3. All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

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† **GOSPEL LESSON:**

John 14: 1-14

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PRESIDER: For the word of God in Scripture,
For the word of God among us,
For the word of God within us,

ALL: Thanks be to God!

† GLORIA PATRI

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the
Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is
now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men. A - men.

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SERMON: Ho-Soon Han

"A Faith That Holds in the Storm"

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD

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My Life Flows On

(How Can I Keep from Singing)

D G C D G

1. My life flows on in end-less song, a - bove earth's la - men -
 2. Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic
 3. What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav - ior
 4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er

G/D D G/B D G C G/D G/B G G/D D7

ta - tion. I hear the clear, though far - off hymn that hails a new cre -
 ring - ing. It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from
 liv - eth. What though the dark - ness gath - er round? Songs in the night he
 spring - ing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from

D7/G G Refrain G D Bm/D Em D G D

a - tion.
 sing - ing?
 giv - eth. No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm
 sing - ing?

G G G/B G C G Em D7 G/D D7 D7/G G

cling - ing. Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?

Congregation: Unison or parts

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 MUSIC: Robert Lowry

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

PRAYER SONG

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus 349

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus'. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: 'Turn your eyes up - on Je - sus, look full in his won - der - ful face, won - der - ful face, and the things of earth will grow strange - ly dim in the light of his glo - ry and grace.'

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SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER SONG *(see above)*

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

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THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Unison



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;



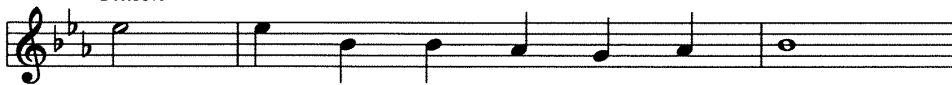
praise God, all creatures here below:

Harmony

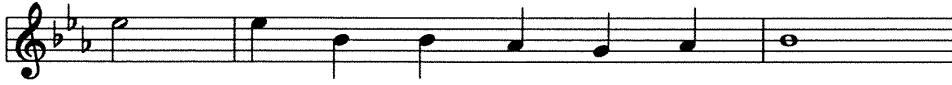


Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison



Praise God, the source of all our gifts!



Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts!

Refrain (Harmony)



Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Offertory Prayer:

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING **

The Lord be with you....

And also with you.

Lift Up Your hearts.....

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.....

It is right to give our thanks and praise

(The Celebrant continues with the prayer for the season;)

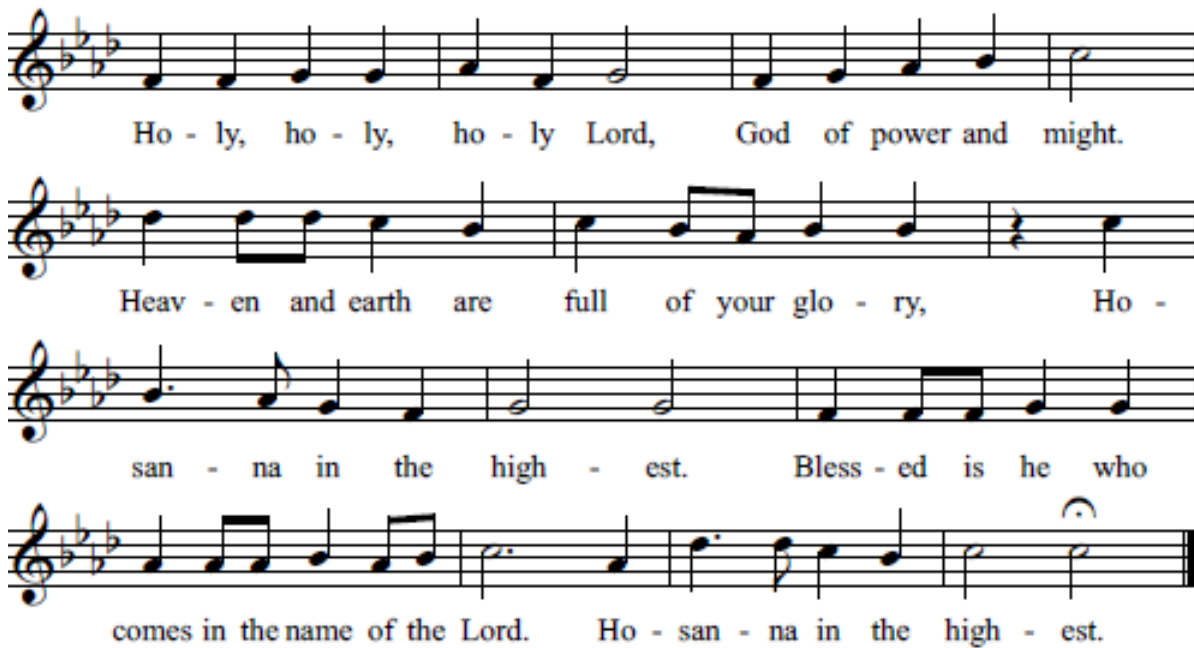
..... *and all the company of heaven*

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Great Thanksgiving Setting D, TUMH pp.23-24

Sanctus

Carlton R. Young



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

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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..... *in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.....*

Memorial Acclamation

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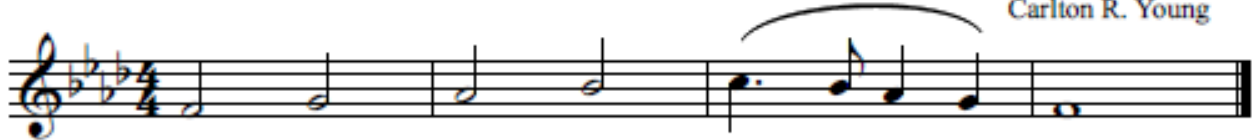
Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

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..... *all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.*

The Great Amen

Carlton R. Young



A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

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The Lord's Prayer

(UMH p. 895)

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Prayer Following Communion:

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.**

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of your Spirit,

to give ourselves for others,

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE CHURCH IS SENT TO SERVE

† HYMN OF DEDICATION

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

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C C F F/A C G/B Am Dsus D G C

1. E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2. O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the wind and waves sub -
 3. O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os
 4. O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in

Dsus D G G7/B C A7/C# D B/D#

rest - less wave, who bid the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 wild and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

Em B7/F# Em/G Am Em/B B Em C7 F

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
 calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we
 gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

D7 G G7/B C D7/F# C/G G7 C

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

Congregation: Unison or parts

WORDS: William Whiting (Gen. 1:2; Job 38:8-11; Matt. 8:23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-35)
 MUSIC: John B. Dykes

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 Voluntary

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Looking Ahead

Readings for May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

[Acts 17: 22-31 / Psalm 66: 8-20](#)

[1 Peter 3:13-22 / John 14:15-21](#)



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