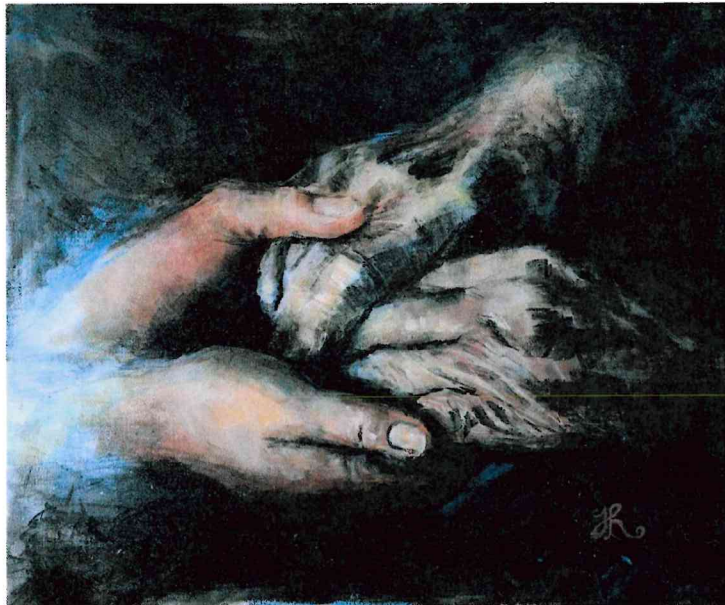


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**Sunday, February 4, 2024
5th Sunday after Epiphany
Communion Sunday**

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

O Fix Me

Orland Braithwaite

Welcome to all – especially to our guests.

Hymns labeled GTG are in the Glory to God Hymnal (purple)

Hymns labeled AAHH are in the African American Heritage Hymnal (beige)

This morning communion will be administered at stations located in the sanctuary.

There is Sunday school for children today. They will be excused after the Passing of the Peace.

**Please stand as you are able*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (from Psalm 147)

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving!

How good it is to sing praises to our God.

For God is gracious, healing the brokenhearted,
binding up their wounds.

God's understanding is beyond measure. Praise the Lord!

Gospel Praise

He's Sweet I Know

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, it's tempting to give up and give in,
to hide from the injustices of the world, to protect ourselves
and our own, to pretend to not see those who suffer around us.**

Forgive our sins of escape, of ignoring, of turning our backs
on those in need.
Forgive our sins of apathy when you call us to action.
Renew us, Holy God, by your grace.
Strengthen us to follow Christ's call. Amen.

Declaration of God's Forgiveness

Passing of the Peace/A Time for Celebration

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

(Exchange signs of Christ's peace and forgiveness with others. We greet one another as neighbors in Christ. You may say "Peace be with you," or respond, "And also with you.")

***Response GTG #377** I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

**I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.
In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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| Anthem | Lay Your Healing Hands upon Me Chancel Choir | Rollo Dilworth |
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Gospel Reading Mark 1:29-39

Message

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Affirmation of Faith (Apostle's Creed)

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

**and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn AAHH #148

How Great Thou Art

Sacrament of Holy Communion

INVITATION

GREETING

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 your thanks and praise.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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,
forever, Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

CLOSING PRAYER

Call to Offering

We are not currently passing an offering plate.

*We have placed an offering plate outside the sanctuary where you may place
your offerings or if you would like to make an offering online, scan the QR code
located in the Westminster News section of today's bulletin.*

Invitation to Offering

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn GTG #634**

To God Be The Glory

***Benediction**

Postlude

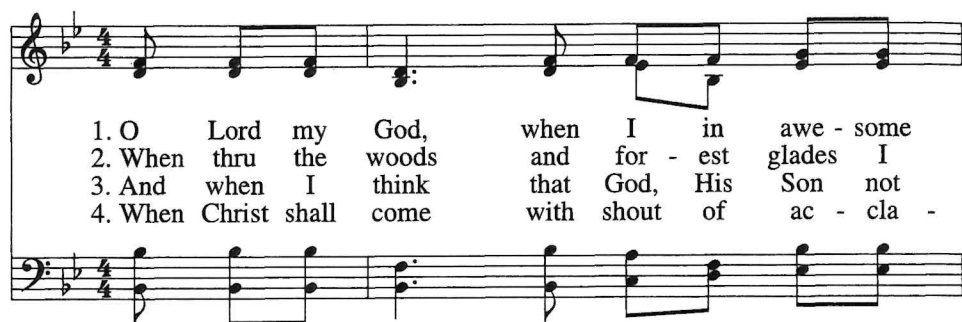
Fanfare on 'McKee'

Charles Callahan

*The organ postlude is offered as an instrumental prayer. You are invited to
remain seated; if you wish to depart, please do so quietly,
remembering those who are still worshipping.*

148 HOW GREAT THOU ART

*Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.
Psalm 111:2*



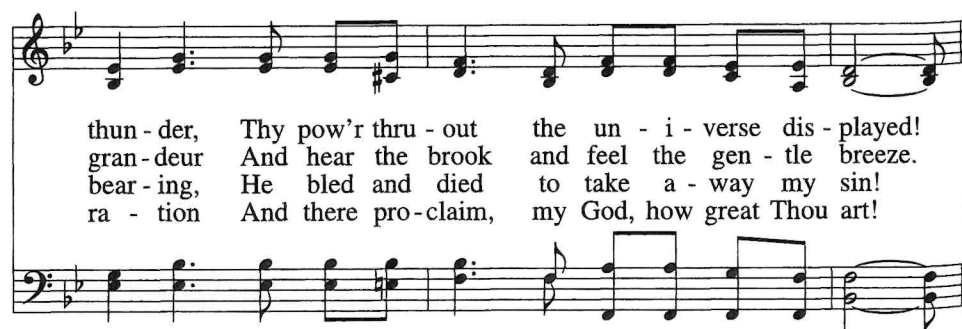
1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some
2. When thru the woods and for - est glades I
3. And when I think that God, His Son not
4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -



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!

Text: Stuart K. Hine, 1899-1989

Tune: O STORE GUD, 11 10 11 10 with refrain; Stuart K. Hine, 1899-1989

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ADORATION

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To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
 2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
 and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

TEXT: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1875
 MUSIC: William Howard Doane, 1875

TO GOD BETHE GLORY
 11.11.11 with refrain

ADORATION

Refrain



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice!



O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,



and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!