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Sunday, May 19, 2024

10:00AM

Day of Pentecost

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Variations on 'Veni Creator'

Wilbur Held

Welcome to all – especially to our guests.

Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Pad, located in each of the pews.

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

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

Children are excused to Sunday School after the Passing of the Peace.

**Please stand as you are able*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (based on Acts 2:1-4)

All together in one place;

they heard the rush of a violent wind;

it filled the entire house.

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them;

they were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel Praise

Holy Spirit, Rain Down

Gospel Choir

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful Savior, we become so busy with life and so distracted by our environment that we forget your love and your grace.

We take what is temporary and make it our foundation for life and our purpose. We forget your gift of eternal life and the news of your Kingdom and become overly fixated on to-do lists, entertainment, and our reputation among our peers.

Lord, forgive us and bring us back into your fold for we have wandered again. Remind us of your grace and your love. Ground us in your mercy and grant us good thoughts and help us to stand on your promises. Help us to remember what is temporary and to prioritize what is eternal. Take from us our spirit of anger, greed, and pride and give us the spirit of love, kindness, and humility.

Lord, thank you for your everlasting forgiveness and for not only being our savior but also calling us friends. 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 #591

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! (3X)
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
(Sung twice)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

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

Second Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Anthem

There's a Spirit Here
Chancel Choir

John Miller

Message

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)**

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

***Hymn GTG #308**

O God in Whom All Life Begins

Call to Offering

*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

Organ Offertory

'Dove of Peace'

arr. Gilbert Martin

***Doxology GTG #606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
**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.**

Prayer of Dedication

Mission Commissioning

Prayers of the People

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.**

WE GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn AAHH #373**

Standing on the Promises

***Benediction**

Postlude

Grand Choeur

Theodore Dubois

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.

Worship Leaders:

The Rev. Dakota Whitaker, Pastor/Head of Staff

Dalos Grobe, Chancel Choir Director/Organist

Victor Boyd, Gospel Choir Director

Angel Zama, Liturgist

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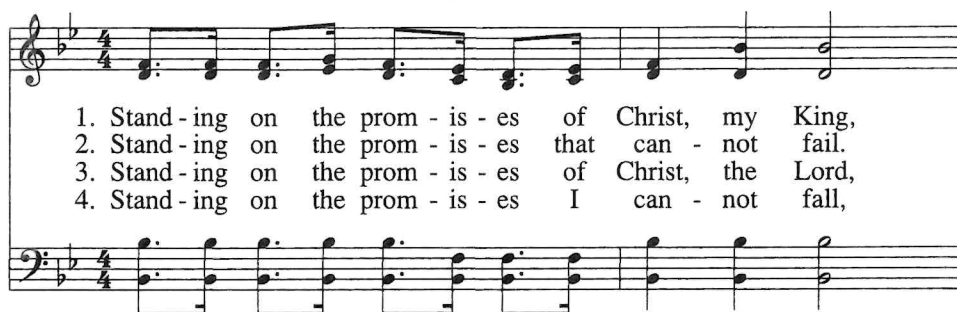
Today's Anthem

There's a Spirit here, Holy Spirit here, flowing fresh and free, washing over me, soon the world will see it's the Spirit of the Lord. There's a Presence here...Oh there's Glory here, Blessed Glory...There's a Witness here, Holy Witness...There's Forgiveness here, sweet Forgiveness...Oh there's Mercy here, tender Mercy...It's the Spirit of the Lord.

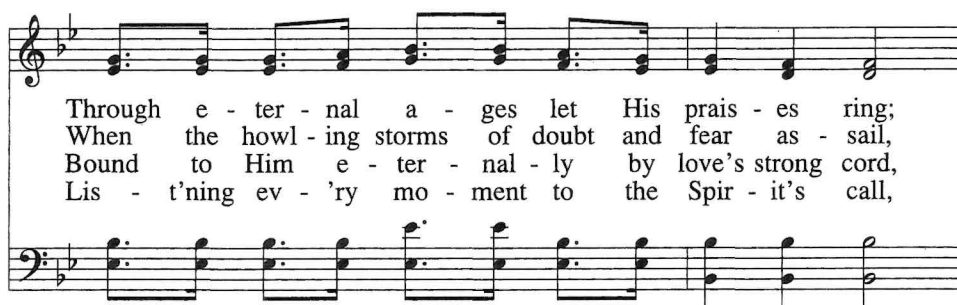
373 STANDING ON THE PROMISES

Not one of all the good promises that the LORD had made to the house of Israel had failed; all came to pass.

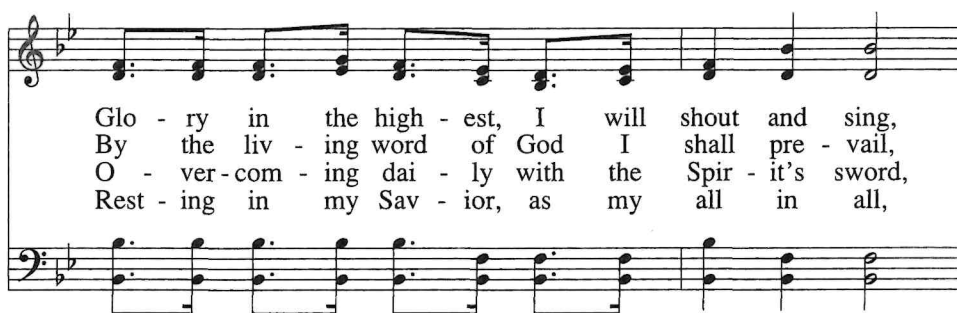
Joshua 21:45



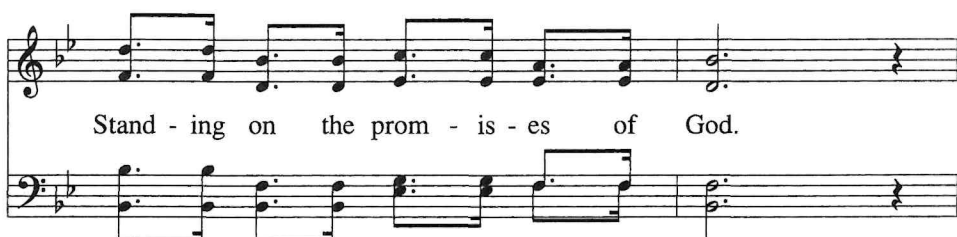
1. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ, my King,
 2. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es that can - not fail.
 3. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ, the Lord,
 4. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es I can - not fall,



Through e - ter - nal a - ges let His prais - es ring;
 When the howl - ing storms of doubt and fear as - sail,
 Bound to Him e - ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord,
 Lis - t'ning ev - 'ry mo - ment to the Spir - it's call,



Glo - ry in the high - est, I will shout and sing,
 By the liv - ing word of God I shall pre - vail,
 O - ver - com - ing dai - ly with the Spir - it's sword,
 Rest - ing in my Sav - ior, as my all in all,

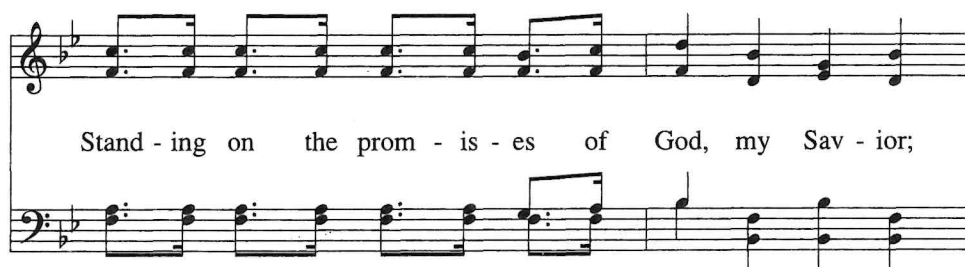


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Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God, my Sav - ior;

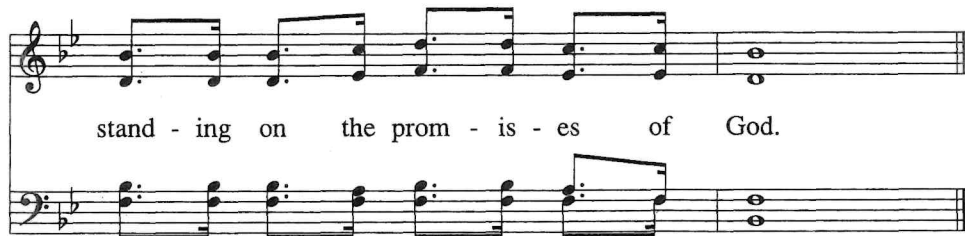


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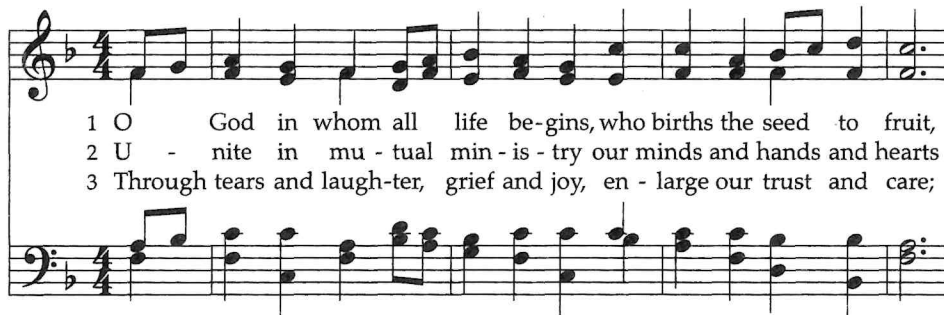
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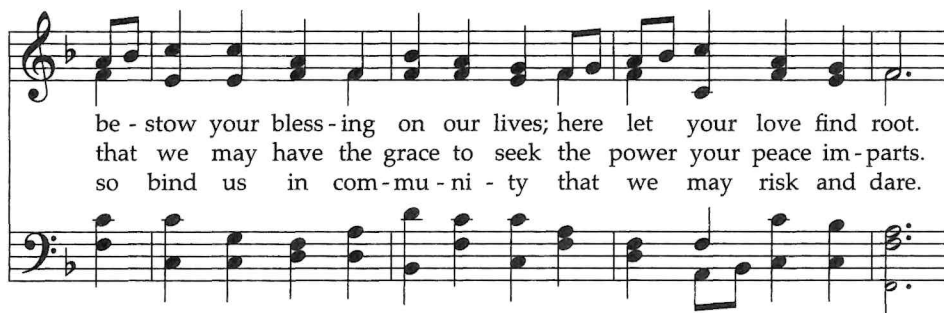
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O God in Whom All Life Begins 308



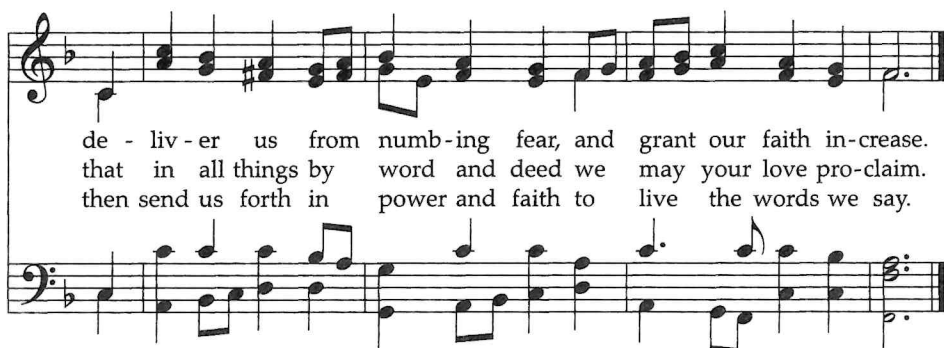
1 O God in whom all life be-gins, who births the seed to fruit,
 2 U - nite in mu - tual min - is - try our minds and hands and hearts
 3 Through tears and laugh-ter, grief and joy, en - large our trust and care;



be - stow your bless - ing on our lives; here let your love find root.
 that we may have the grace to seek the power your peace im - parts.
 so bind us in com - mu - ni - ty that we may risk and dare.



Bring forth in us the Spir - it's gifts of pa - tience, joy, and peace;
 So let our var - ied gifts com - bine to glo - ri - fy your Name
 Be with us when we gath - er here to wor - ship, sing, and pray;



de - liv - er us from numb - ing fear, and grant our faith in - crease.
 that in all things by word and deed we may your love pro - claim.
 then send us forth in power and faith to live the words we say.