

*The*  
**CONSOLATION**  
*of*  
**CHRIS**

ROGER PAYNE     *Philippians 2:1-11*



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# WELCOME

## TO REFORMATION COVENANT CHURCH

**WE** ARE GLAD YOU ARE JOINING US TODAY as we worship our great and gracious God, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If this is your first time with us, allow us to introduce ourselves.

**Worship Service.** Our weekly service follows a responsive pattern of worship found in Scripture, as a dialogue or conversation between the Lord and His people. Here God meets with us, speaks to us, and blesses us; we speak and respond back to Him in praise, thanksgiving, and renewed commitment.

**Communion.** Each week at RCC we celebrate the Lord's Supper, receiving bread and wine as covenantal tokens of Jesus' body and blood. Christians – young or old – who are baptized, and are in good standing in Christ, are invited to partake.

To facilitate Communion distribution, we encourage a representative of each household or group to come forward using the outer aisles to receive the Communion elements. Gluten-free bread is available on the pulpit side.

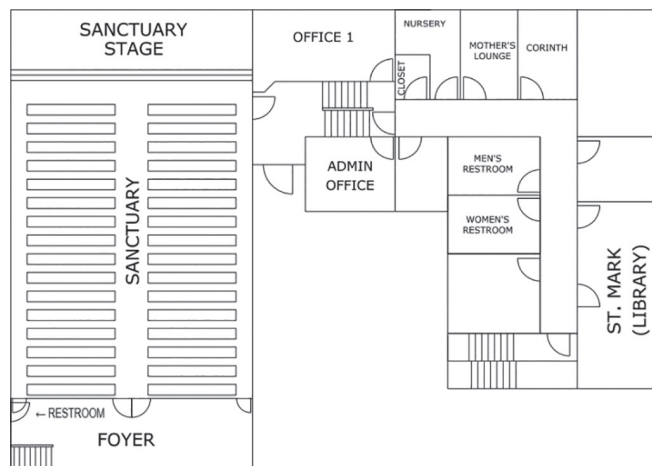
**Nursery.** We love having children involved in the whole service. Please don't worry if someone with you is wiggly – we are glad to have you all worshipping with us! During the sermon, nursery care is available for children two and under. There is a Nursing Mother's

room located adjacent to our Nursery, if you feel you need quiet or privacy. A video feed of the service can be viewed here, as well as in the Fellowship Hall below the sanctuary.

**Restrooms.** Restrooms are located down the stairs from the Foyer and in the educational wing.

**Weekly Meal.** Every week RCC hosts a weekly Agape meal after the service (served as a potluck). We always have plenty of food, and would love for you to join us for fellowship after worship!

**Contact.** If you would like us to contact you this week, please leave your name, phone number, and/or email below. Feel free to give this to one of our Greeters, Deacons, or Elders.



*SOLI DEO GLORIA* ~ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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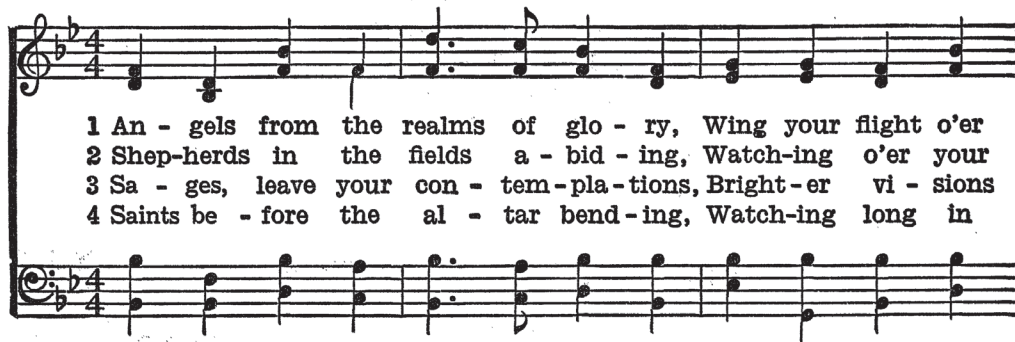
### Angels from the Realms of Glory

Matt. 2: 2

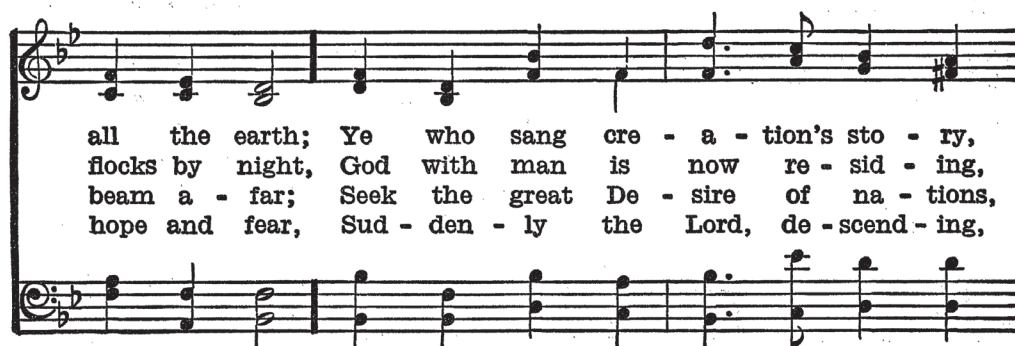
James Montgomery, 1816, 1825, ab.

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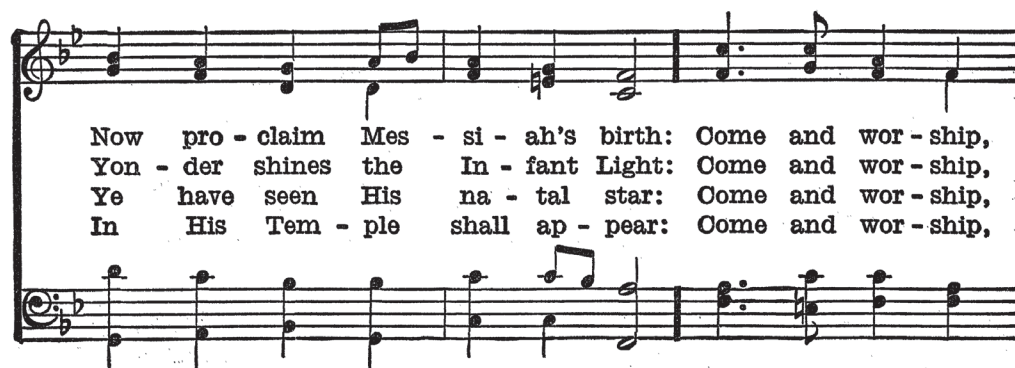
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Henry Smart, 1867



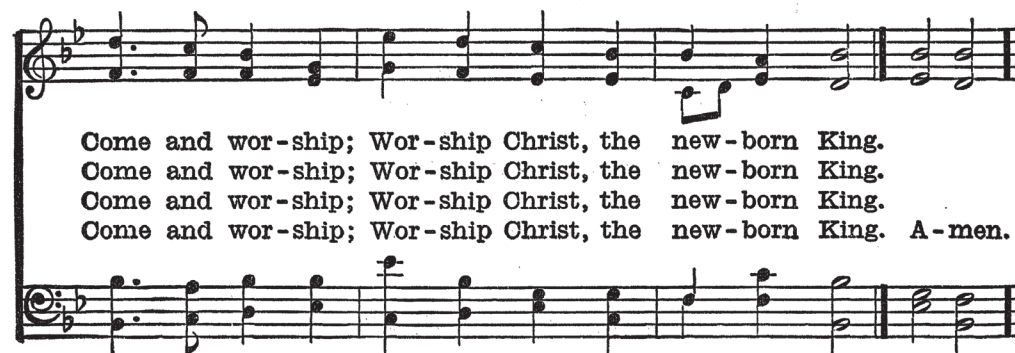
1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er  
2 Shep-herds in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch-ing o'er your  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem-pla-tions, Bright-er vi - sions  
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend-ing, Watch-ing long in



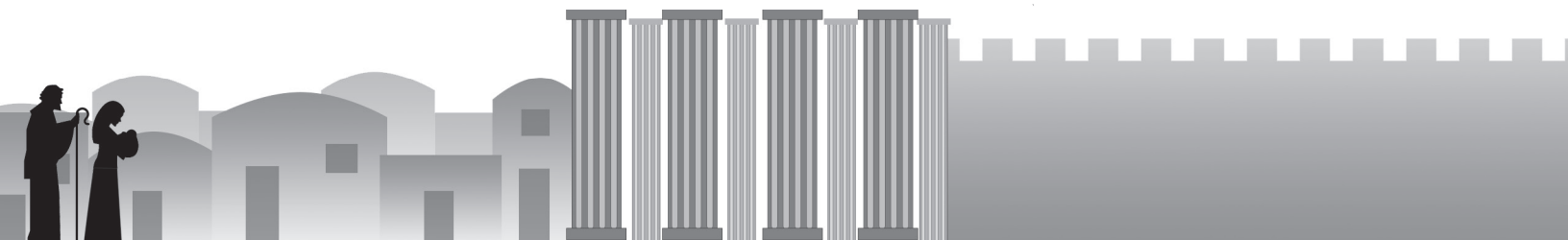
all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
flocks by night, God with man is now re - sid - ing,  
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,  
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth: Come and wor - ship,  
Yon - der shines the In - fant Light: Come and wor - ship,  
Ye have seen His na - tal star: Come and wor - ship,  
In His Tem - ple shall ap - pear: Come and wor - ship,



Come and wor-ship; Wor-ship Christ, the new-born King.  
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Come and wor-ship; Wor-ship Christ, the new-born King. A-men.



Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

PASTOR GREETS

☞ Congregation: Amen!

*Matthew 28:19*

CONGREGATION  
RESPONDS

The LORD be with you!

*Ruth 2:4*

☞ And also with you!

Unto us a Child is born;

☞ Unto us a Son is given.

And the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called,

☞ Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace! *Isaiah 9:6*

# THE LORD

## CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST

*purification offering, gift of glory*

“He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.”

*John 1:10–11*

SILENT CONFESSION

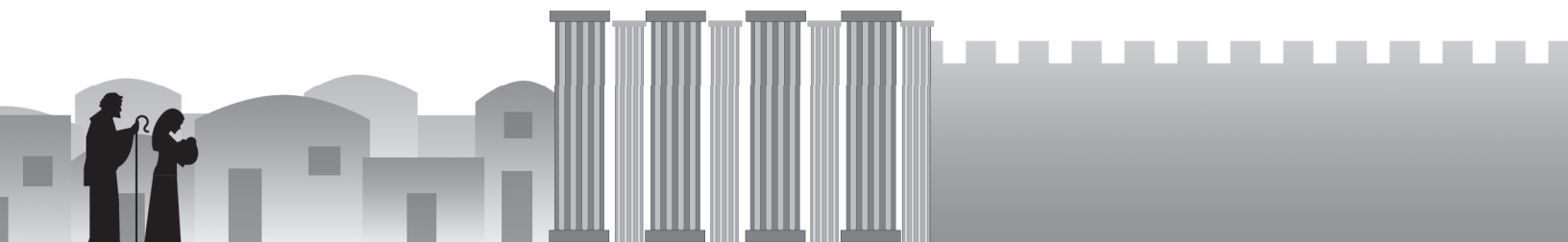
☞ O God, we confess that too often we live as if the Light had never defeated the darkness in the world or in us. We walk in sin and blindness, and ignore Jesus whom you sent to be among us, and to be in us. Forgive us, O Lord, for not receiving You and not opening our eyes to Your coming. Come to us anew, and by Your grace, empower us to receive You with joy, as the shepherds; with gratitude, as Simeon; with obedience, as Mary; with love, as You have loved us. Even so: come, Lord Jesus. ☞ Amen

JOINT CONFESSION

“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”

*John 1:12–14*

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for your sins and to be raised for your justification; and for His sake forgives you all your sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ☞ Amen





Hal - le - lu - yah! Praise to God the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it!

Glo - ry to You, O Lord, both now and for - ev - er, Hal - le - lu - yah!

# THE LORD

CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

*ascension, offering, gift of knowledge*

## SURSUM CORDA — lift up your heart

Lift up your hearts!

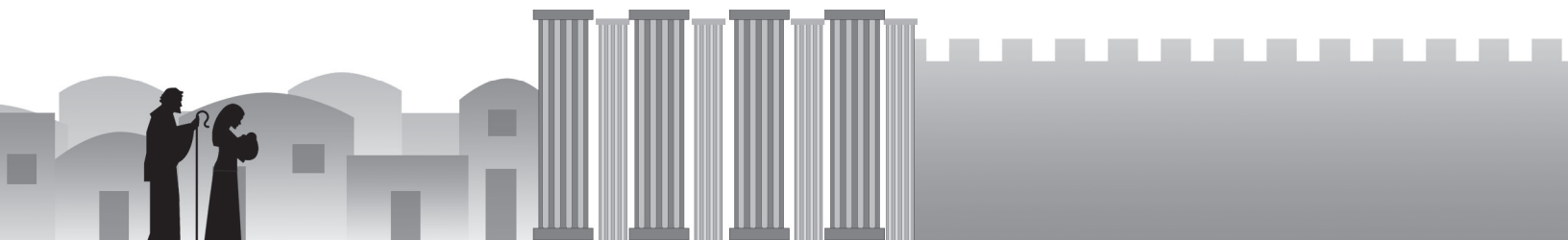
*J.B. Jordan*

We lift them up to the Lord!

PASTOR LEADS LIFTING  
UP OF YOUR HANDS

Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God!

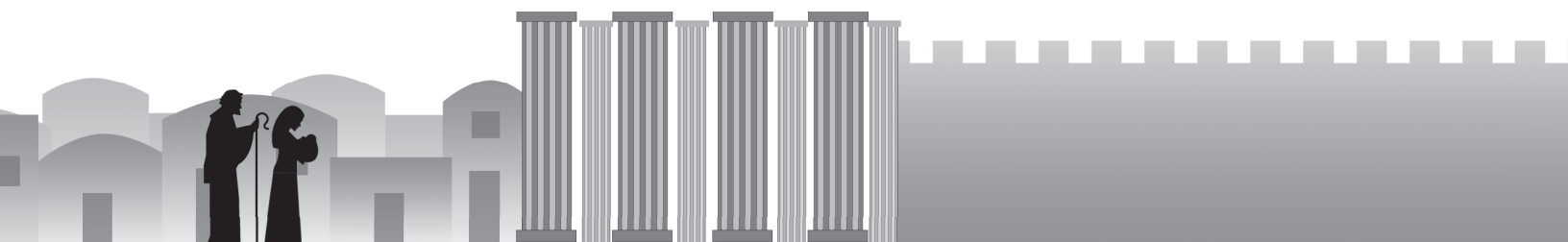
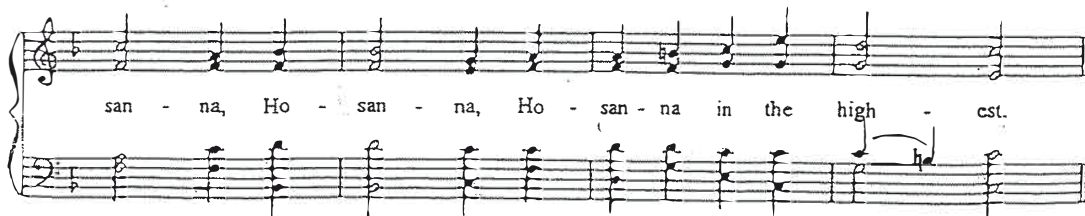
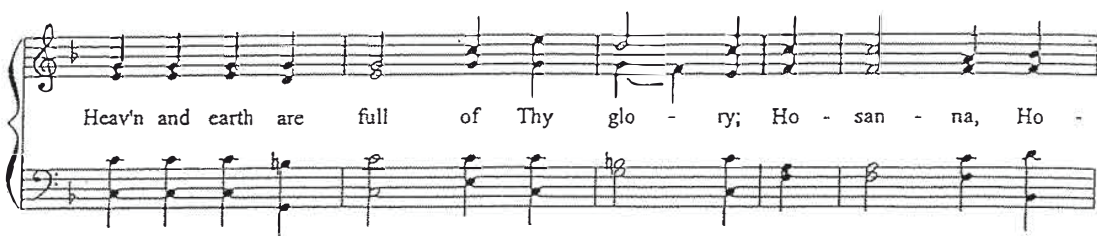
It is pro - per and right to do so.



It is truly proper, right, wholesome, and beneficial that we should at all times, and in all places, give praise unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore worshipping Thee!

PASTOR SPEAKS

## SANCTUS





# Immanuel, We Sing Thy Praise

GERMANY (L. M.)

William Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

Paul Gerhardt, 1653

tr. Ludolph E. Schlicht, 1714-1769



1. Im - man - u - el, we sing Thy praise; Thou Prince of life, Thou  
2. E'er since the world be - gan to be, How many a heart hath  
3. Now art Thou here: we know Thee now: In low - ly man - ger  
4. Now fear - less - ly I come to Thee: From sin and grief O



Fount of grace, With all Thy saints, Thee, Lord, we  
longed for Thee! And Thou, O long ex - pec - ted  
li - est me Thou: A Child, yet mak - est all things  
set me free! Turn wrath a - way, dread death de -



sing; Praise, hon - or, thanks, to Thee we bring.  
guest Hast come at the last to make us blest.  
great; Poor, yet the earth Thy robe of state.  
stroy, And turn my sor - row in to joy.



## PSALM 97

PASTOR STARTS  
CONGREGATION  
RESPONDS

- <sup>1</sup> The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice;  
☞ Let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.
- <sup>2</sup> Clouds and darkness are round about him:  
☞ Righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.
- <sup>3</sup> A fire goeth before him,  
☞ and burneth up his enemies round about.
- <sup>4</sup> His lightnings enlightened the world:  
☞ The earth saw, and trembled.
- <sup>5</sup> The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,  
☞ At the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- <sup>6</sup> The heavens declare his righteousness,  
☞ And all the people see his glory.
- <sup>7</sup> Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols:  
☞ Worship him, all ye gods.
- <sup>8</sup> Zion heard, and was glad;  
☞ And the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O Lord.
- <sup>9</sup> For thou, Lord, art high above all the earth:  
☞ Thou art exalted far above all gods.
- <sup>10</sup> Ye that love the Lord, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints;  
☞ He delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
- <sup>11</sup> Light is sown for the righteous,  
☞ And gladness for the upright in heart.
- <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous;  
☞ And give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.





# PSALM 97

THRONE. 11. 10. 11. 6.

1. <sup>1</sup>Je - ho - vah reigns; let all the earth be joy - ful.  
 2. <sup>6</sup>His right - eous - ness the heav - ens are pro - claim - ing;  
 3. <sup>10</sup>Let all of you that love the LORD hate e - vil.

And let the man - y is - lands all be glad.  
 His glo - ry all the men of earth be - hold.  
 He guards the lives of all His faith - ful ones.

<sup>2</sup>Bil - low - ing clouds and dark - ness swirl a -  
<sup>7</sup>Let them be shamed who serve and boast of  
 And from the hand of men who would do

round Him; His throne is truth and right.  
 i - dols; Let gods bow down to Him!  
 e - vil He sure - ly res - cues them.

<sup>3</sup>Be - fore Him burns a fire, His foes con - sum - ing.  
<sup>8</sup>When Zi - on heard these things, she was made mer - ry;  
<sup>11</sup>For light is cast like seed the right - eous,

<sup>4</sup>His light - nings lit the world; earth trem - bling saw.  
 Your judg - ments, LORD, make Ju - dah's daugh - ters glad.  
 And glad - ness for the firm and true in heart.

<sup>5</sup>Be - fore the LORD the hills like wax have  
<sup>9</sup>For o - ver earth You are the LORD, the  
<sup>12</sup>Loud - ly re - joice, you right - eous, in Je -

melt - ed - Great Lord of all the earth.  
 High - est, And far above the gods.  
 ho - vah! And thank His ho - ly name!



**PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11***New King James Version (NKJV)*

Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, <sup>2</sup> fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

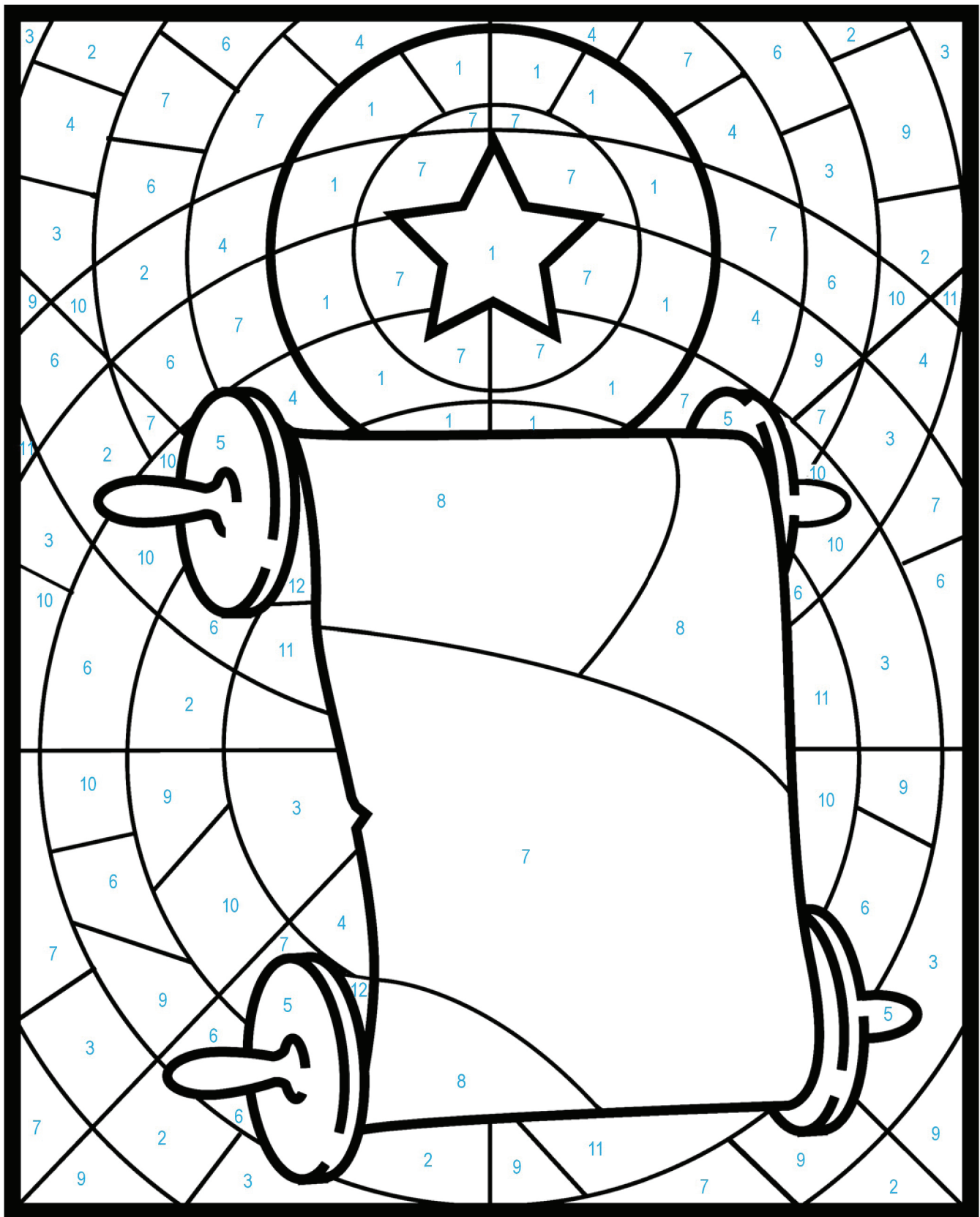
<sup>5</sup> Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, <sup>7</sup> but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**THE CONSOLATION  
OF CHRIST**

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1. Yellow 2. Red 3. Dark Blue 4. Orange 5. Gold 6. Light Blue 7. Light Yellow 8. Tan 9. Purple 10. Pink 11. Green 12. Grey

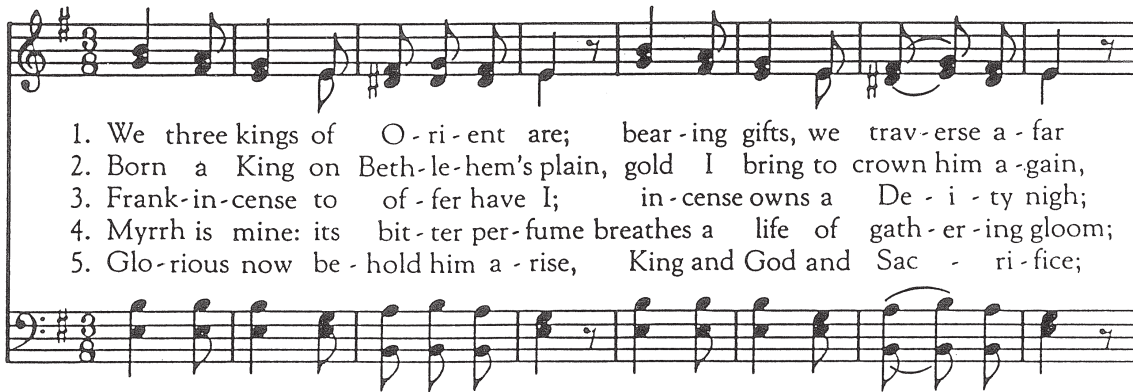


## RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD - TRIBUTE OFFERING

"Give to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts. O, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth."

*Psalm 96:8-9*

PLEASE BRING  
FORWARD YOUR  
TITHES AND  
OFFERINGS DURING  
THIS SONG



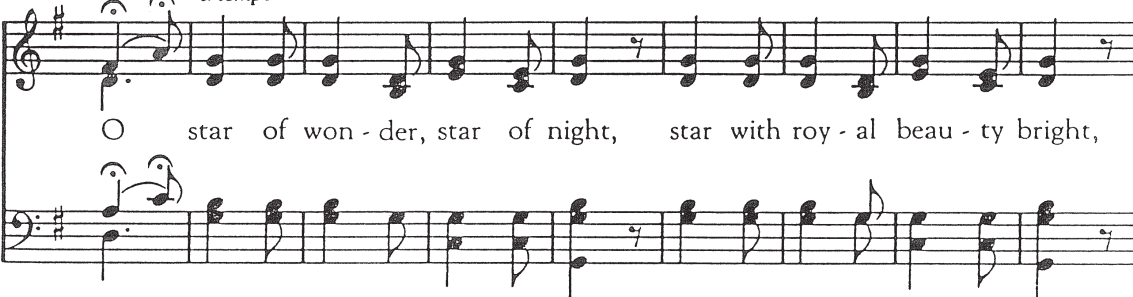
1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts, we trav - erse a - far  
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain,  
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;  
4. Myrrh is mine: its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;  
5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice;



1. field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
2. King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.  
3. prayer and prais - ing, voic - es rais - ing, wor - ship him, God on high.  
4. sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
5. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Peals through the earth and skies.

*Refrain*

*a tempo*



O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.



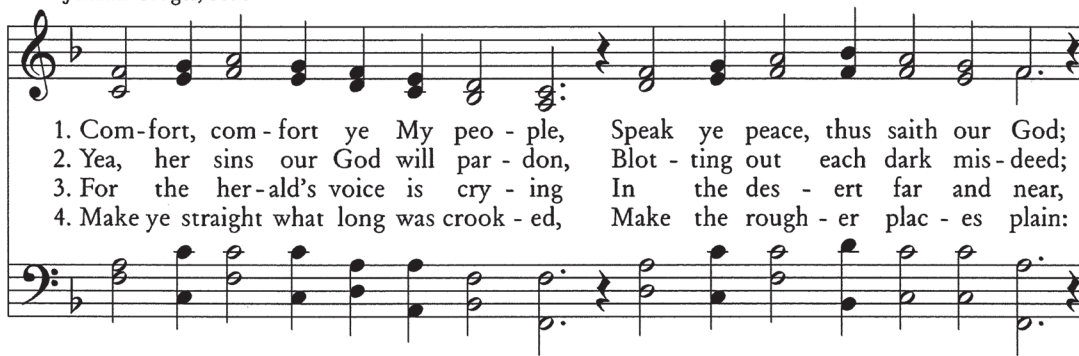


## SONG OF SUPPLICATION

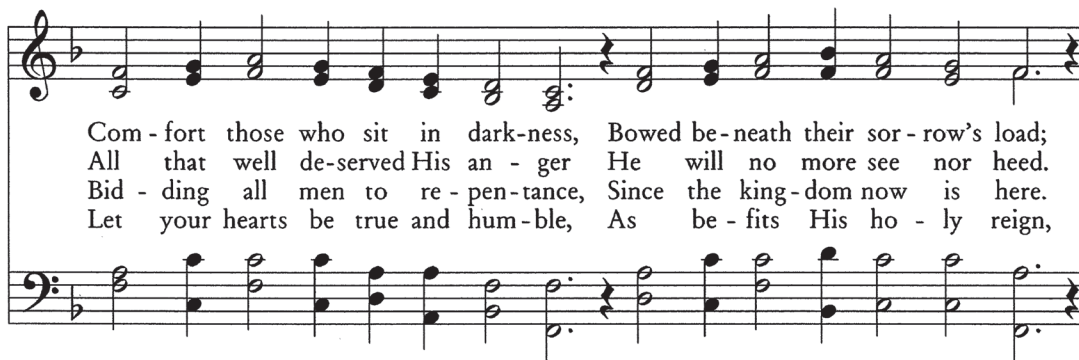
If you have a prayer request for the public prayer, please fill out a prayer card and pass it to the center aisle at this time. Someone will collect the cards during this song.

FILL OUT  
& SUBMIT  
PRAYER CARDS

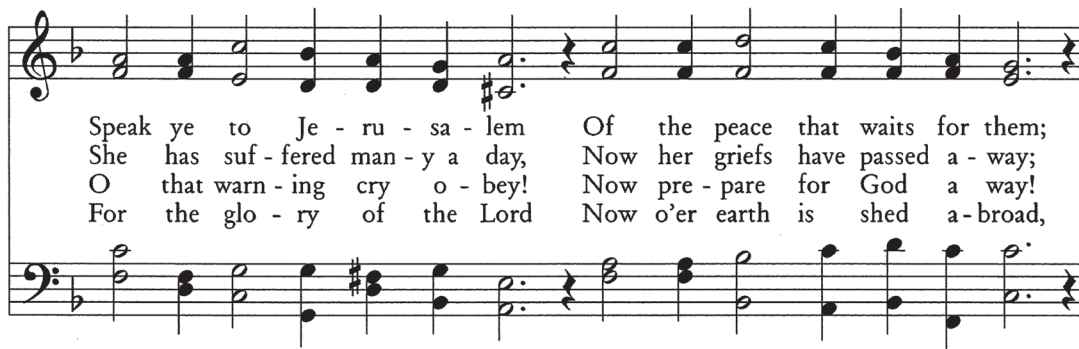
### Comfort, Comfort Ye My People



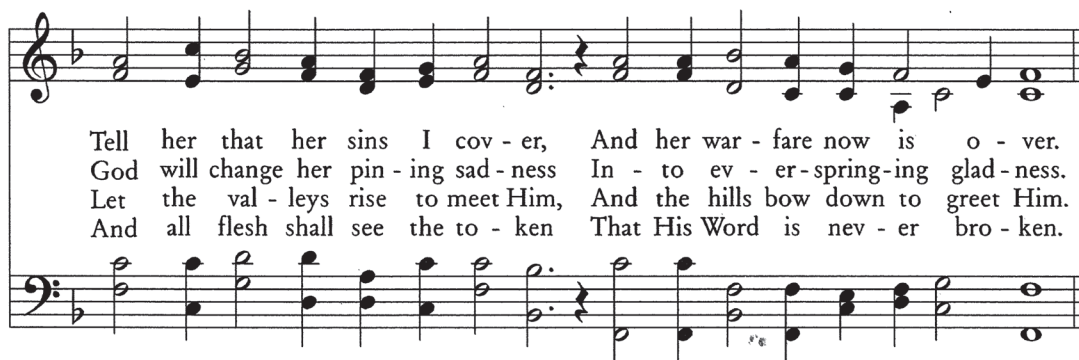
1. Com-fort, com-fort ye My peo-ple, Speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
2. Yea, her sins our God will par-don, Blot-ting out each dark mis-deed;  
3. For the her-ald's voice is cry-ing In the des-ert far and near,  
4. Make ye straight what long was crook-ed, Make the rough-er plac-es plain:



Com-fort those who sit in dark-ness, Bowed be-neath their sor-row's load;  
All that well de-served His an-ger He will no more see nor heed.  
Bid-ding all men to re-pen-tance, Since the king-dom now is here.  
Let your hearts be true and hum-ble, As be-fits His ho-ly reign,



Speak ye to Je-ru-sa-lem Of the peace that waits for them;  
She has suf-fered man-y a day, Now her griefs have passed a-way;  
O that warn-ing cry o-bey! Now pre-pare for God a way!  
For the glo-ry of the Lord Now o'er earth is shed a-broad,



Tell her that her sins I cov-er, And her war-fare now is o-ver.  
God will change her pin-ing sad-ness In-to ev-er-spring-ing glad-ness.  
Let the val-leys rise to meet Him, And the hills bow down to greet Him.  
And all flesh shall see the to-ken That His Word is nev-er bro-ken.



## THE GREAT PRAYER

CONCLUDING WITH 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, forever. Amen.

*Matthew 6:9-13*

CONGREGATION  
PRAYS ALONG  
WITH PASTOR



COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE

*peace offering, gift of life*

### PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust in Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized and are in good standing in the Church of Jesus Christ are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.

Leader: Christian, in Whom do you believe?

LEADER BEGINS

☪ 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 hades; 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 living 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

*The Apostle's Creed*

CONGREGATION  
RESPONDS



# EUCHARIST DISTRIBUTION SONG

1. This lit - tle Babe so few days old Is come to  
 2. With tears He fights the and wins the field, His nak - ed  
 3. His camp is pitch - ed in a stall, His bul - wark  
 4. My soul with Christ join thou in fight; Stick to the

rif - le Sa - tan's fold; All hell doth at  
 breast stands for a a shield; His bat - tering shot  
 but a that bro - ken wall; The crib His trench,  
 tents that He hath pight. With - in His crib

His pres - ence quake, Though He him - self looks for cold do  
 are bab - ish cries, His ar - rows looks of weep - ing  
 hay - stalks his stakes; Of shep - herds he his mus - ter  
 is sur - est ward; This lit - tle Babe will be thy

shake; For in this weak un - arm - ed wise  
 eyes; His mar - tial en - - signs Cold and Need,  
 makes; And thus, as sure his foe to wound,  
 Guard. If thou wilt foil thy foes with joy,

The gates of hell he will sur - prise.  
 And fee - ble Flesh his war - rior's stead.  
 The an - gels' trumps a - lar - um sound.  
 Then flit not from this heav'n - ly Boy.



### FINAL SCRIPTURE READING

CONGREGATION  
STANDS

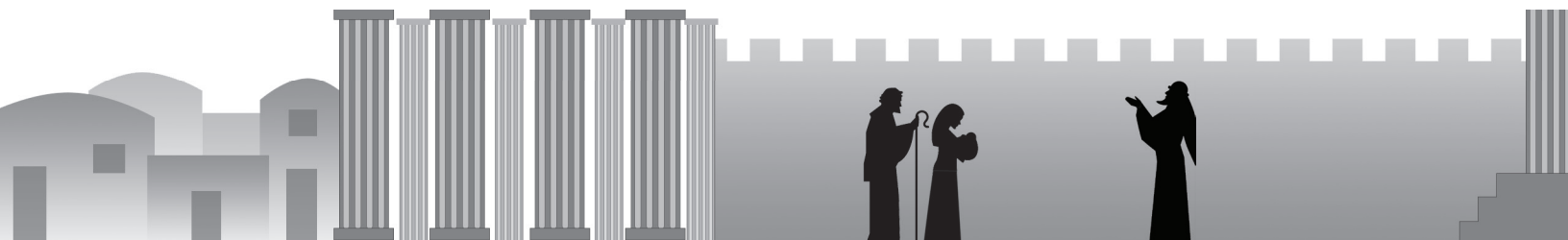
John Morison, 1784, alt.

ZERAH C. M. with repeat  
Lowell Mason, 1837

1. To us a Child of hope is born, To us a Son is giv'n,  
 2. His Name shall be the Prince of Peace, For ev - er-more a - dored,  
 3. His pow'r, in-creas-ing, still shall spread, His reign no end shall know;  
 4. To us a Child of hope is born, To us a Son is giv'n,

Him shall the tribes of earth o - bey, Him all the hosts of heav'n;  
 The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - lor, The great and might - y Lord;  
 Jus - tice shall guard his throne a - bove, And peace a - bound be - low;  
 The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - lor, The might - y Lord of heav'n;

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## BENEDICTION

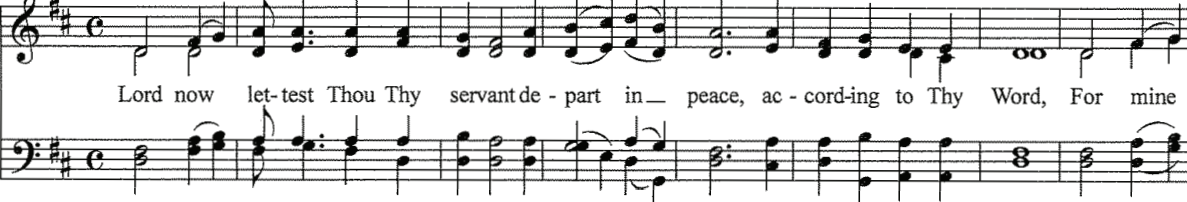
"Then Aaron lifted his hand toward the people, blessed them, and came down from offering the purification offering, the ascension offering, and peace offerings."

*Leviticus 9:22*

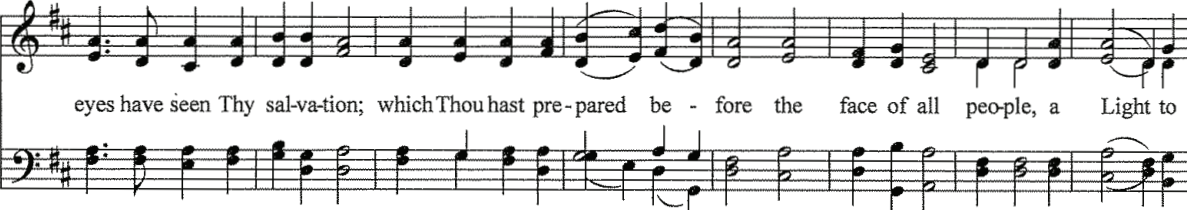
### Nunc Dimittis

Ancient Plainsong  
Based on Psalm Tone 5  
arr. Valerie Lortz


Luke 2:29-32



Lord now let-test Thou Thy servant de - part in — peace, ac - cord-ing to Thy Word, For mine



eyes have seen Thy sal-va-tion; which Thou hast pre-pared be - fore the face of all people, a Light to



ligh - ten the Gen - tiles and the Glo - ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra - el.



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.



DOCTRINE

Sermon: "The Consolation of Christ" Roger Payne  
Next Week: John Unger

Greeters: John & Sandy  
Next Week: Diana & Grace

FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, Dec. 30: New Year's Breakfast Agape!  
Tuesday, January 1: Church Office Closed for New Years Day  
Jan. 19: Roe v. Wade March at Pioneer Courthouse Square 2:30 PM

BREAKING OF BREAD

Agape Cleanup: J&A Cone, Poindexter, Fukuda, Smith  
Next Week: T. Cone, D&S Dau, P. Forster, Jackson

PRAYER

Worship

Prayer for Wisdom and guidance for our Elders and Deacons.

Mission

Prayers for Early Rain Covenant Church in China, as officials have begun arresting church leaders and members. Prayers for comfort and strength to persevere for all who have been arrested or harassed by the police.

Prayers for the church in Poznan, Poland as they go through a mid-week study on how to read the Bible. Prayers that the people attending these meetings would grow in the faith, especially some new people who have been attending.

Discipleship

Prayers for the Women's Bible Study. Prayer that it will bear fruit in the lives of everyone who attends.

Prayer for the Young Men's Book Study, that it would be a blessing to all who attend.

Community

Prayers for comfort for the Shaw clan at this time, as they mourn the passing of Lois Shaw.

Prayers for the Cogbill family, that their house in Texas would sell soon and that their move would go well.

Prayers for the Hughes as they make preparations to move during the second weekend in January. Prayers that the move would go well.

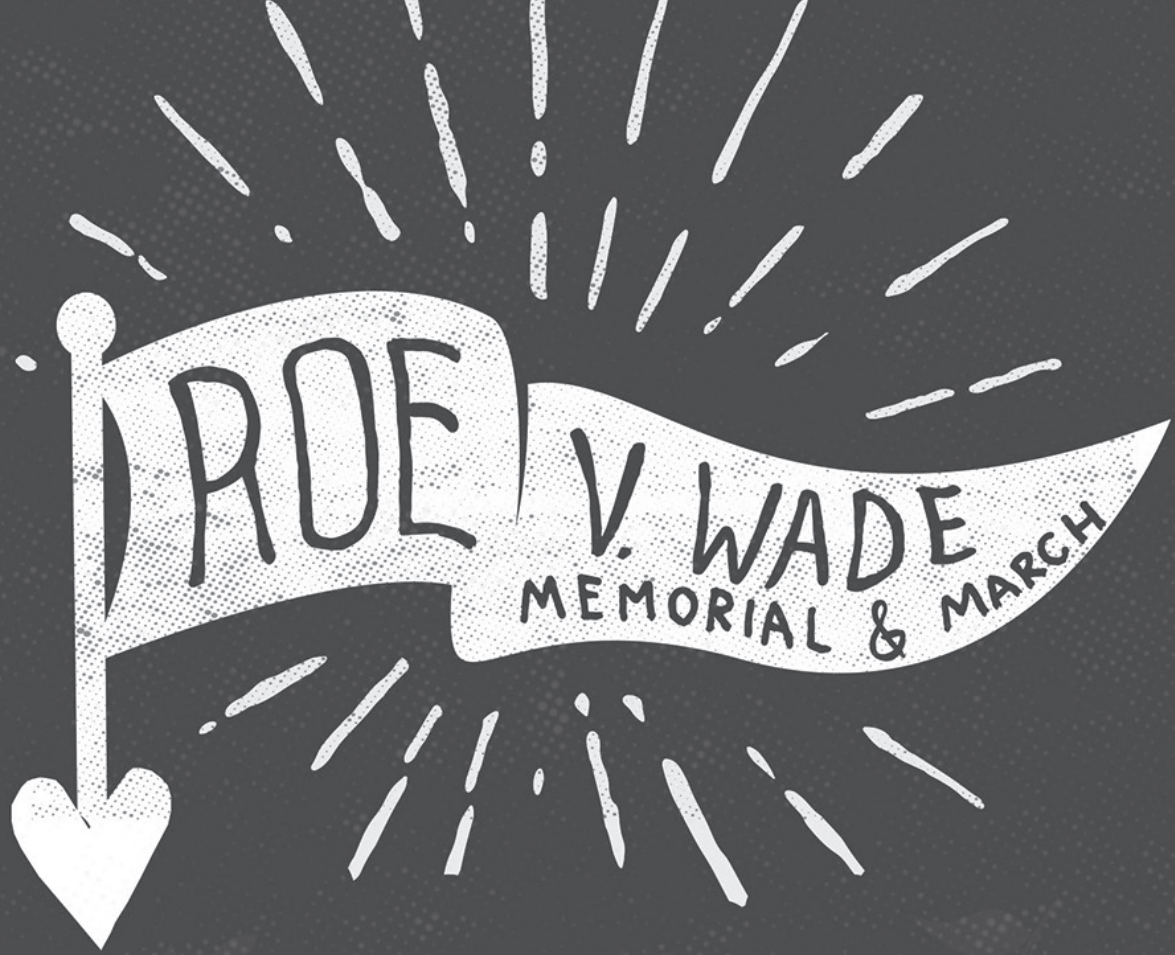
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

THIS WEEK

No Birthdays or Anniversaries this week

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, January 6: Pam Forster  
Monday, January 7: Daniel Cone  
Friday, January 11: Adam Hayes



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