Plymouth Congregational Church

Sharing Faith's Journey



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 22, 2026

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November 22, 2026 **10:30 AM**

Reign of Christ
Thanksgiving Sunday
Enter in Prayer, Worship with Gratitude, Go Forth to Serve

Opening Voluntary *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. Joel Raney
Marisa Callan, piano; Christopher Shaw, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Mission Possible Grace Med, Stephen Slack

Introit *Word and Sign* Tice and Bergey

Word and sign; pulse and breath; bread and wine; life and death;
hear the call: calm your fear. Through it all, Christ is here.

Call to Worship Dr. Robu

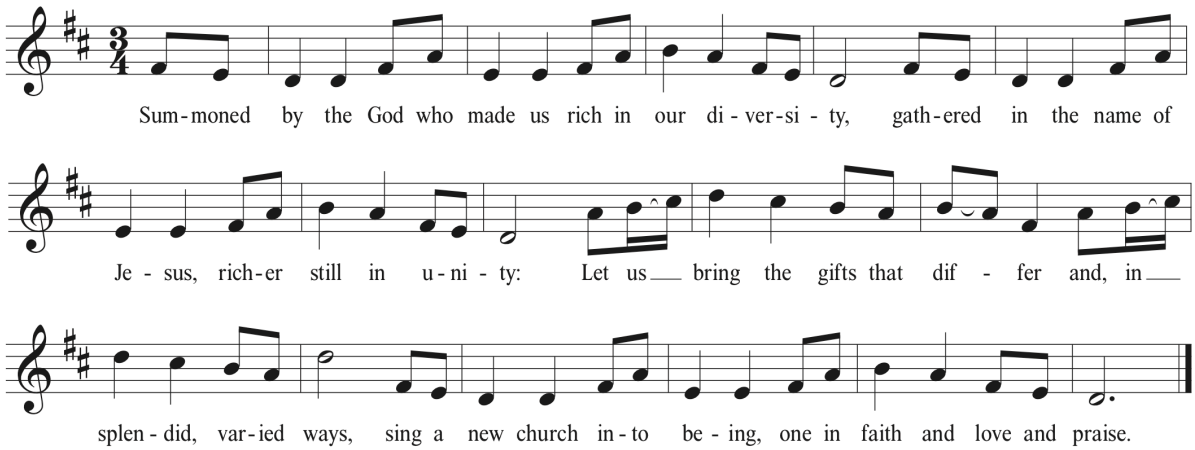
Opening Hymn *Sing to God, With Joy and Gladness* Page 7

***Responsive Reading** Cindy Perkins

One: God shepherds us towards pastures of compassion,
All: She leads us to wide, roaming fields of connection,

One: She calls us by name & blesses our lives, saying:
All: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.

***Response of Praise** *Summoned by the God* NETTLETON



***Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

Spirit of God, Holy is your wisdom. You reveal all that has narrowed our imagination, confined our worldviews, and distorted our sense of what's possible. Come and help us create anew. Within and between us, nurture our creativity in the simple and serious work of love...

...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.

Scripture Readings Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep and will sort them out. As shepherds sort out their flocks when they are among scattered sheep, so I will sort out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them into their own land, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged, and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

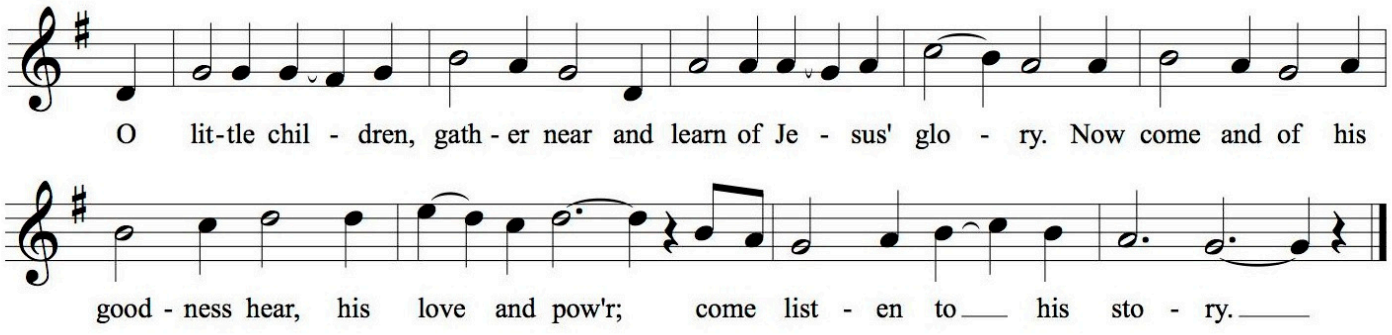
I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them; he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I the Lord have spoken.

Scripture Reading Matthew 25:31-46

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'

And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

Welcoming Song *O Little Children* BEAUTIFUL FLOWER



Sermon on the Steps Lindsay Miller

Solo *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Tom Trenney

Taylin Travnichek, mezzo soprano; Marisa Callan, piano

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not; thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.! [Refrain]

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response

Invitation to Offering

Anthem *Sing to the Lord of Harvest* Healey Willan

Chancel Choir

Christopher Shaw, organ and director

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices Your alleluias raise.
By God's command the seasons in fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest a happy song of love.

God makes the rain and sunshine, the deserts bloom and spring.
The hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them with abundance, all things with large increase;
The year is crowned with kindness, with plenty and with peace.

Bring to this holy table gifts God in goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest, the world Christ died to save;
And bring the cup of blessing, the fruit of field and vine,
And thank the God of harvest who calls us now to dine.

Sermon "Sheep Against Sheep" Dr. Robu

Celebration of Communion by Intinction

Communion Hymn *Eat This Bread* Page 8

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving
We give thanks, loving God, that you have refreshed us at your table. Strengthen our faith; increase our love for one another. As we have been fed by the seed that became grain, and then became bread, may we go out into the world to plant seeds of peace, justice, transformation, and hope. Amen.

***Hymn of Departure** *For the Fruit of All Creation* Page 9

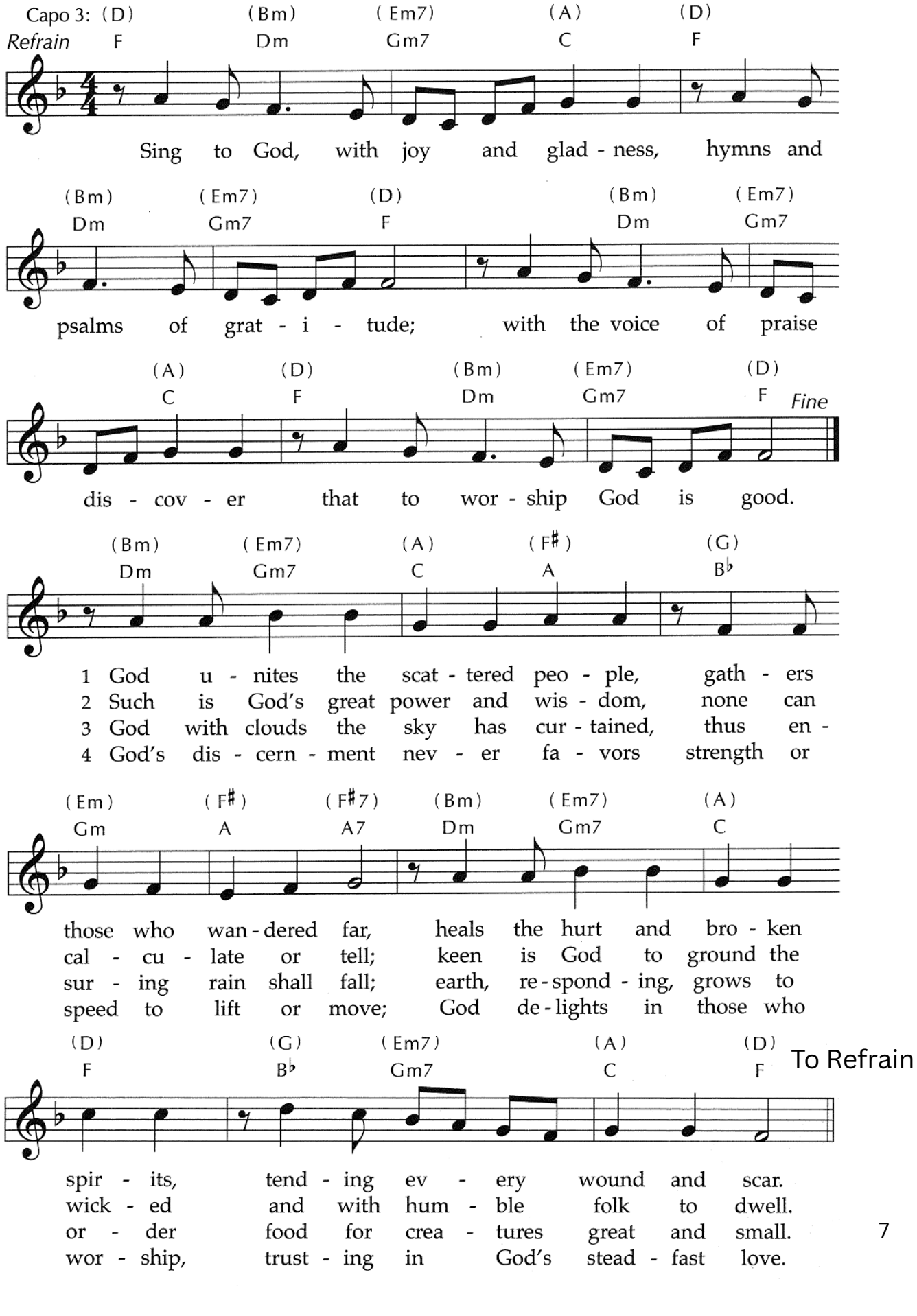
***Benediction**

Closing Voluntary *Now Thank We All Our God* arr. Karg-Elert

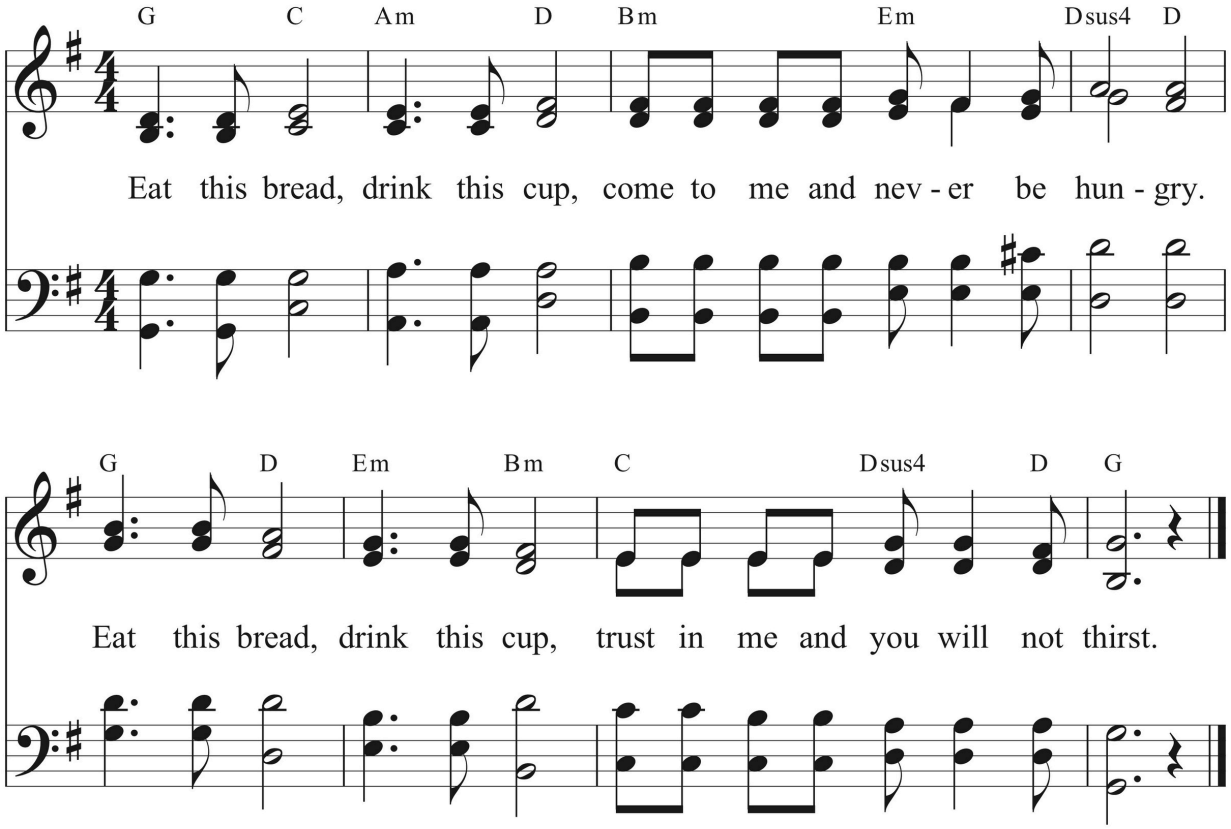
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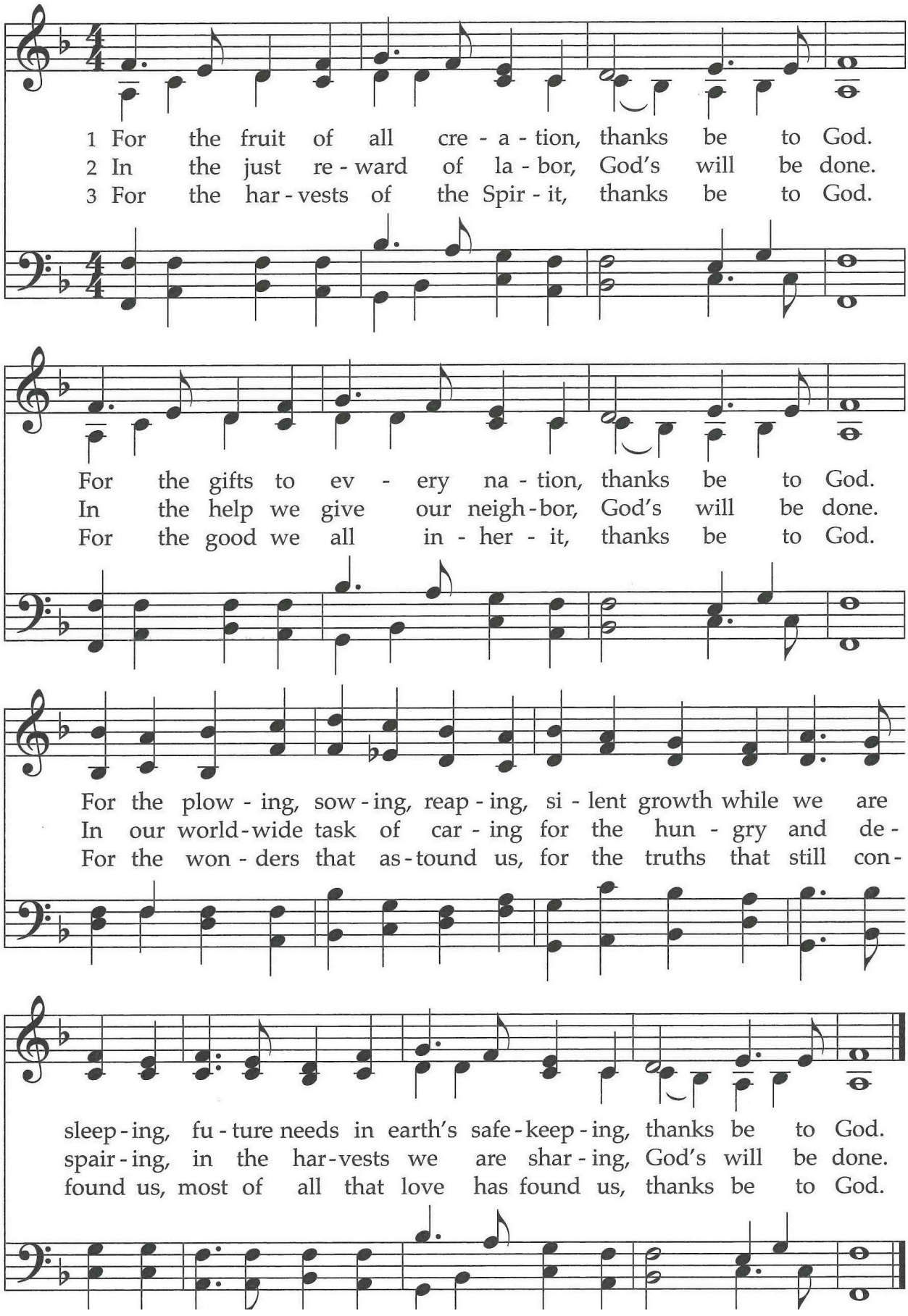
(Psalm 147)



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Note: Poinsettias will be white this year, coming from Hong’s Landscaping and Nursery.

24 plants total



*****OPERATION HOLIDAY IS UNDERWAY*****

PLEASE JOIN US IN SUPPORTING OUR NEIGHBORS

THROUGH HUMANKIND MINISTRIES HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

Drop off stations in Fellowship Hall

CELEBRATION OF SEASONAL MUSIC

Sunday, December 13th

10:30 AM

LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

December 21st

5:30 - 6:00 PM

Celebrate the Season with us!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

6 PM FAMILY SERVICE

11 PM CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

November Birthdays

Holly Yager	Nov 3
John Youle	Nov 5
Abby Arthur	Nov 17
Aiden Sprole	Nov 24

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*******NORTH PARKING LOT CLOSED FOR RESURFACING - ENTER THROUGH COURTYARD*******

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30 WORSHIP NEW MEMBER SUNDAY ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING BINGO FUNDRAISER	2 AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	★ 3 5:30 PM CABINET ELECTION DAY!	4 AEROBICS WED NIGHT DINNER GUEST: LEGACY WORKS 7 pm CHOIR REHEARSAL	5 WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	6 AEROBICS	7 ★
8 9 AM ADULT STUDY GROUP 10:30 WORSHIP FALL HYMNFEST INTREPID BRASS	9 AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	10	11 AEROBICS WED NIGHT DINNER Youth Movie Night 7 pm CHOIR REHEARSAL	12 WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	13 AEROBICS	★ 14 2ND LIGHT LUNCH 7 PM FINE ARTS SERIES JAN KRAYBILL CONCERT
15 9 AM ADULT STUDY GROUP 9:15 MISSIONS 10:30 WORSHIP 11:30 FINE ARTS + DEACONS	16 AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	17 INVESTMENT CLUB	18 AEROBICS WED NIGHT DINNER Dull Creatives 7 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL	19 WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	20 AEROBICS YOUTH GROUP HOLIDAY BREAD BAKING	21
22 9 AM ADULT STUDY GROUP 10:30 WORSHIP COMMUNION SUNDAY	23 AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	24 5:30 PM TRUSTEES	25 AEROBICS NO WEDNESDAY DINNER!L	★ 26 Building Closed THANKSGIVING DAY PRESCHOOL CLOSED	27 AEROBICS	28
29 10:30 AM WORSHIP PAGEANT REHEARSAL	30 AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING					