



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II MAY 18, 2025 10:30

Welcome to All Saints Episcopal Church! Whether you are a first time visitor or you have been a part of All Saints for generations, thank you for joining us this morning. We invite you to explore how All Saints can be a part of your journey with God.

Dear Visitors, if you are visiting, passing through, or searching for a spiritual home, you honor us by your presence. Please complete a welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher or clergy person. We are so glad you are here!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Victory

Alan Bullard (b. 1947)

HYMN #208 (*Sung by all, standing.*)

The Hymnal 1982

Antiphon (at the beginning)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

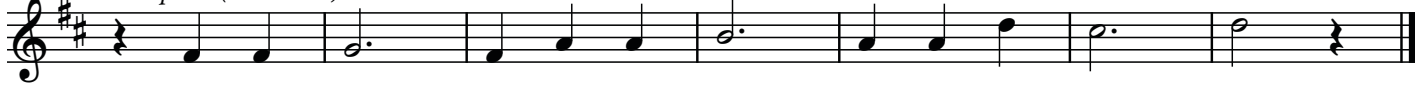


1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to - ry of life is
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their le - gions hath dis -
3 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from heaven's high por - tals
4 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread sting thy serv - ants



won; the song of tri - umph has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
- persed: let shout of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
fell; let hymns of praise his tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
free, that we may live and sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

Antiphon (at the end)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt.

Music: Victory, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. William Henry Monk (18232-1889)

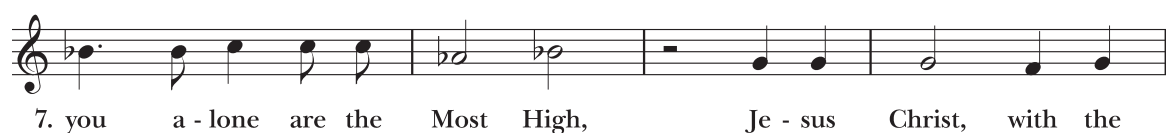
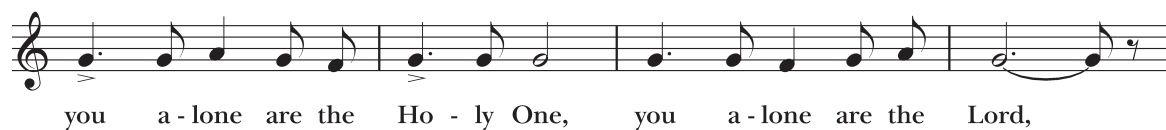
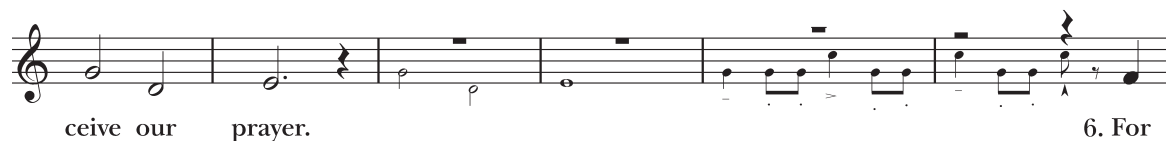
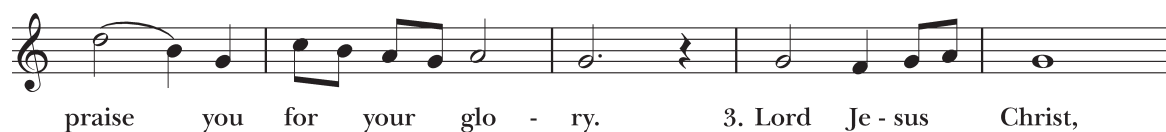
THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

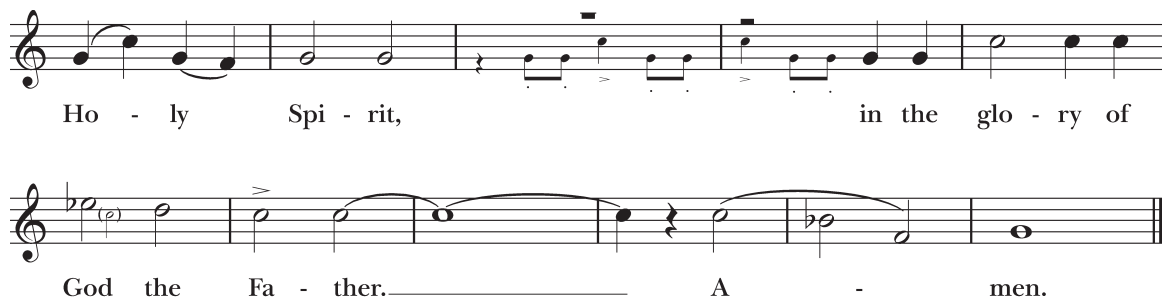
The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

JESUS SAID, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 225

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

ALmighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE FIRST READING (*Please be seated.*)

Acts 11:1-18

NOW THE APOSTLES and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



- ¹ Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
- ² Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.
- ³ Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
- ⁴ Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
- ⁵ Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
- ⁶ He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

ANTIPHON

- ⁷ Praise the Lord from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- ⁸ Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- ⁹ Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;

- ¹⁰ Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;
- ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- ¹² Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.

ANTIPHON

- ¹³ Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- ¹⁴ He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!

ANTIPHON

THE EPISTLE

Revelation 21:1-6

I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

1 O ho - ly ci - ty, seen of John, where Christ, the Lamb, doth reign,
 2 O shame to us who rest con - tent while lust and greed for gain,
 3 Give us, O God, the strength to build the ci - ty that hath stood,
 4 Al - rea - dy in the mind of God that ci - ty ris - eth fair:
 with - in whose four - square walls shall come no night, nor need, nor pain,
 in street and shop and ten - e - ment wring gold from hu - man pain,
 too long a dream, whose laws are love, whose crown is ser - vant - hood,
 lo, how its splen - dor chal - leng - es the souls that great - ly dare—
 and where the tears are wiped from eyes that shall not weep a - gain!
 and bit - ter lips in blind de - spair cry, "Christ hath died in vain!"
 and where the sun that shin - eth is God's grace for hu - man good.
 yea, bids us seize the whole of life and build its glo - ry there.

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THE GOSPEL (Please remain standing.)

John 13:31-35

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

AT THE LAST SUPPER, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

ALLELUIA (Sung by all.)

The Hymnal 1982 (#205)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE SERMON

The Rev. Ben Robertson

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*Please stand or kneel.*)

BCP, p. 392

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For Donald, our President; for Glenn, our governor; for all who serve in uniform; and for this
community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For Sean, our presiding bishop; Mark, Gayle, Bud, Susan, Ted, Shannon, and David, our bishops
and for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We give thanks for those celebrating a birthday, and we give thanks for those
celebrating an anniversary. We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

The Presider concludes with a suitable Collect.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM *(Sung by the choir.)*

Words and Music by Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

WITH A VOICE OF SINGING declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia! Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia! O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!



1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for - giv - en, loved, and free,
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are fed,
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - v - sion ends.
 4 And thus we joy we meet our Lord, His pres - ence, al - ways near,
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll go our dif - ferent ways,



in awe and won - der to re - call his life laid down for me.
 the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 That love that made us makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
 is in such friend - ship bet - ter known: we see and praise him here.
 and as his peo - ple in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt.

Music: *Land of Rest*, American folk melody

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP, p. 367

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

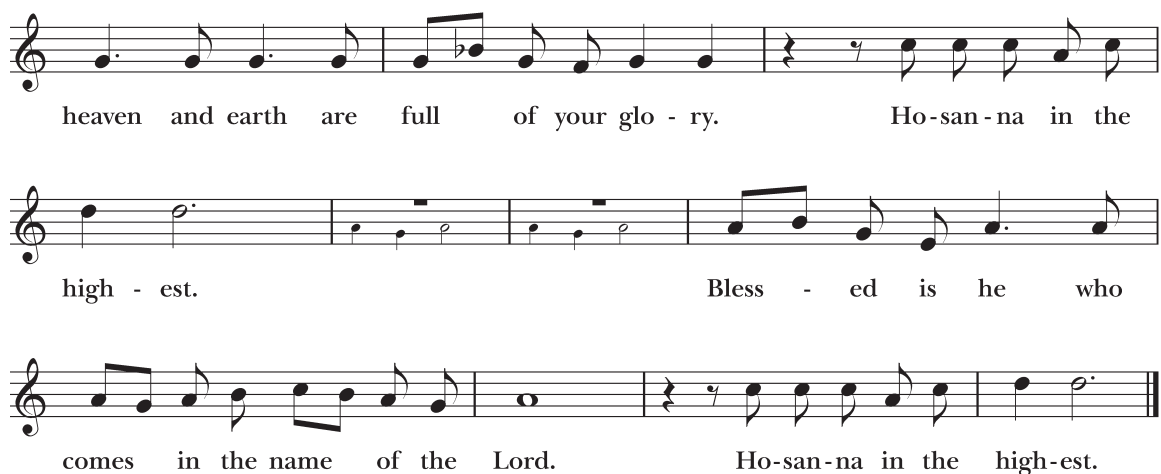
IT IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth . . . Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS (Sung by all.)

The Hymnal 1982 (S-128)

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,



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The people stand or kneel. The Presider continues . . .

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Iona Community

THIS IS THE TABLE, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before; You who have tried to follow and you who have failed; Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here.

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COMMUNION ANTHEM

15th Century Words; Music by John Rutter (b. 1945)

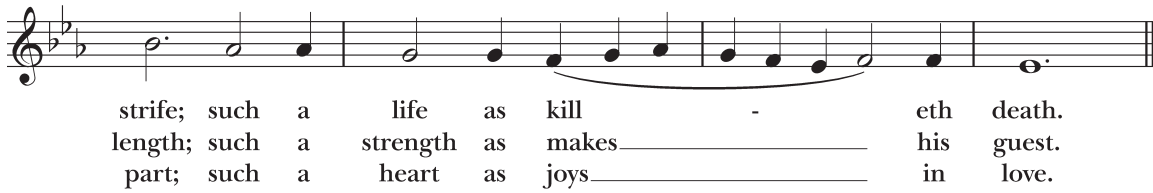
JESU, MY LOVE, my joy, my rest
Thy perfect love close in my breast
That I thee love and never rest
And make me love thee of all things best
And wound my heart in thy love free
That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

HYMN #487 *(Sung by all.)*

The Hymnal 1982

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a

way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
joy as none can move; such a love as none can



Words: George Herbert (1593-1633). Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please stand.)*

BCP, p. 365

Presider Let us pray.

ETERNAL GOD, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN #379 *(Sung by all, standing. See next page for music.)*

The Hymnal 1982

God is Love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Improvisation on "Abbot's Leigh"

Daniel Stipe

~ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGY ~

The Reverend Ben Robertson, *Presider*

The Reverend David Curtis, *Deacon*

Bari Pitts, Jane Wayland & Mark Wilcox, *Lay Ministers*

Dorothy Mulvaney, Lena O'Shea, Henry Robertson & James Segneri, *Acolytes*

All Saints Choir

Scott G. Hayes, *Choirmaster*

Daniel Stipe, *Organist*

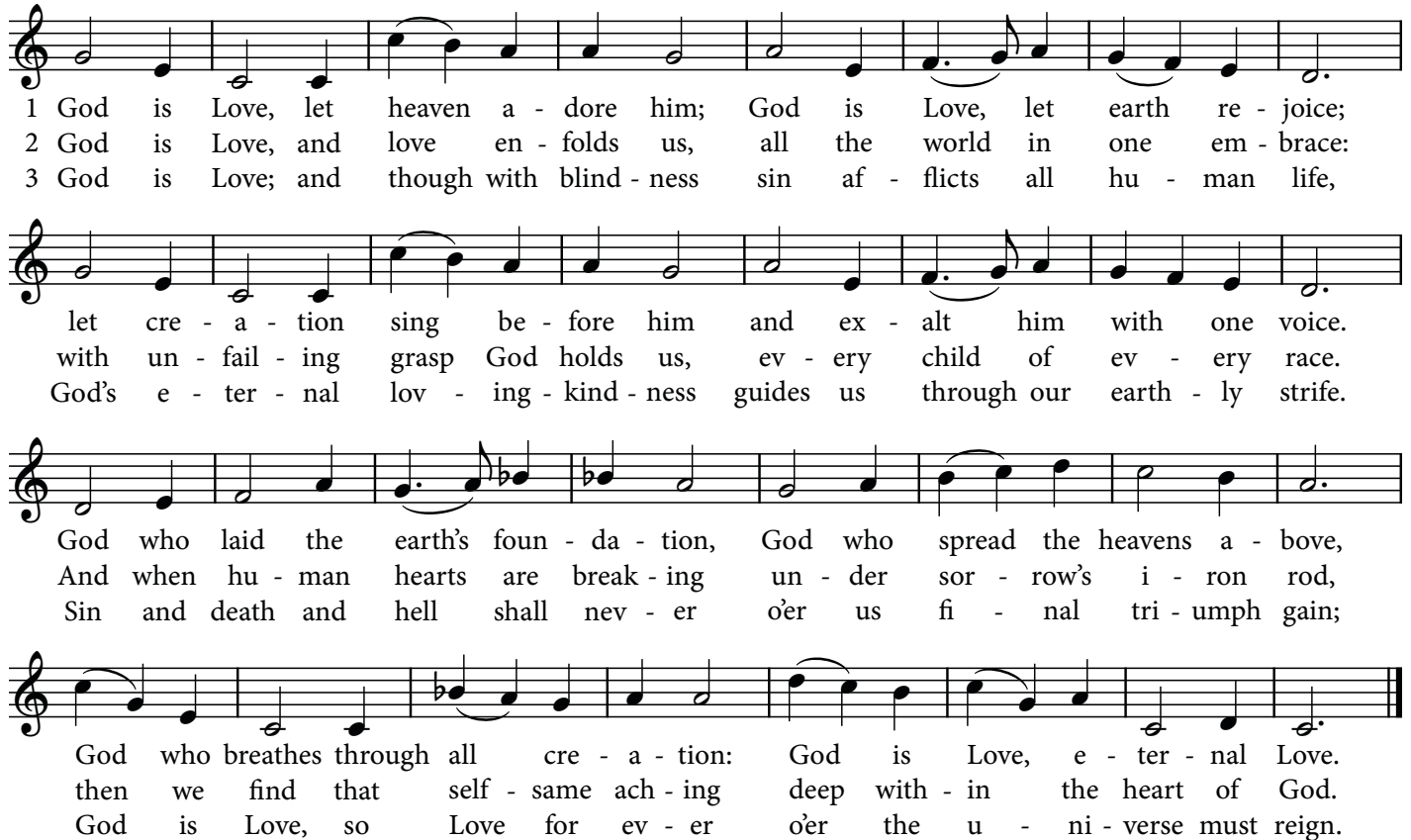
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Stephanie Biggs & Team, *Altar Guild*

Chan Dau, Dan Kniffen & Will Jackson, *A/V Team*

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~ GOD IS LOVE ~



1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let earth re - joice;
 2 God is Love, and love en - folds us, all the world in one em - brace:
 3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all hu - man life,
 let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him and ex - alt him with one voice.
 with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us, ev - ery child of ev - ery race.
 God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness guides us through our earth - ly strife.
 God who laid the earth's foun - da - tion, God who spread the heavens a - bove,
 And when hu - man hearts are break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod,
 Sin and death and hell shall nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain;
 God who breathes through all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 then we find that self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 God is Love, so Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.

Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

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