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**TRANSGENDER DAY
OF REMEMBRANCE**

TWENTY-THIRD Sunday after Pentecost



November 16, 2025

10:00 am

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

PRELUDE

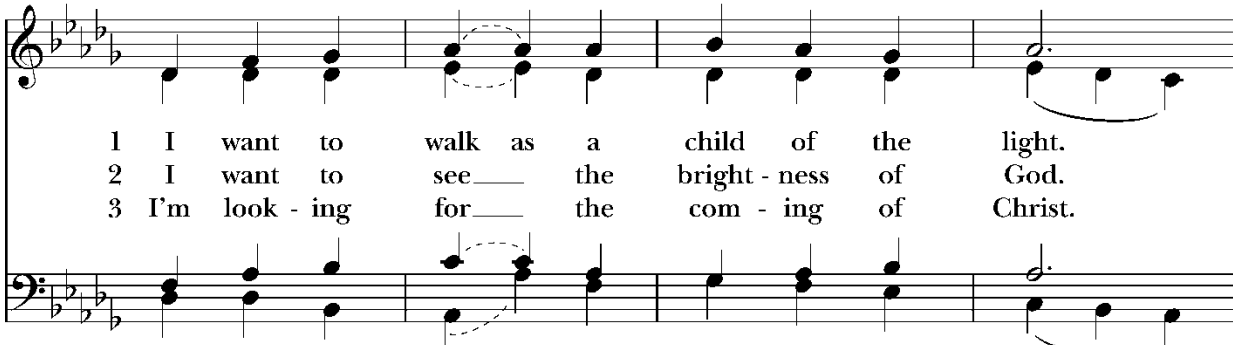
WELCOME

The Rev. Jon M. Richardson

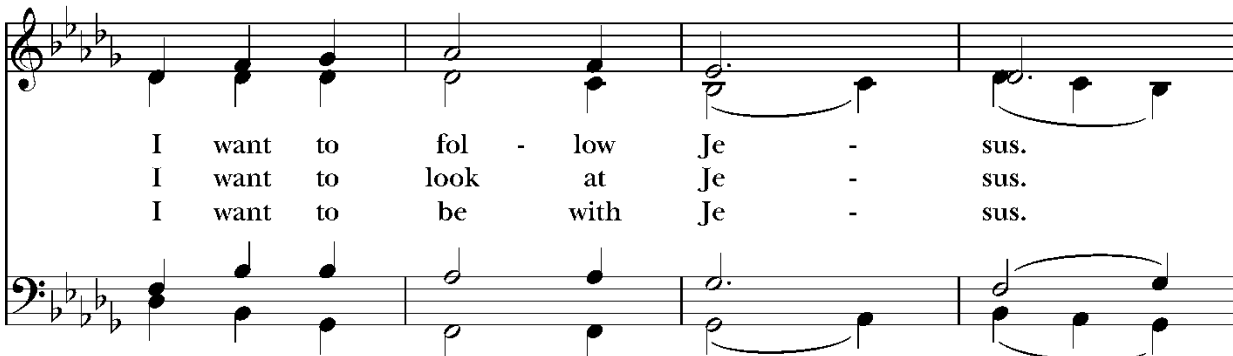
OPENING SONG (*All rise.*)

I want to walk as a child of the light

The Hymnal 1982 #490



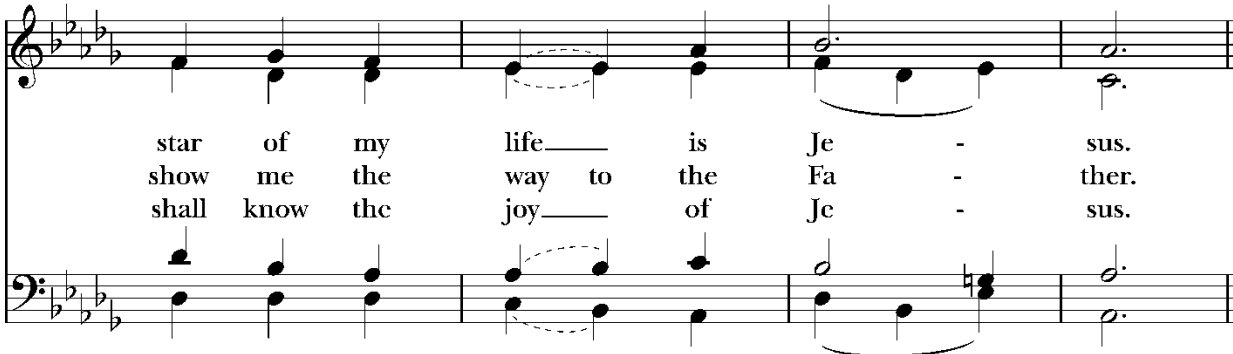
1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the bright - ness of God.
 3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run with pa - tience the race, we



star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

***People:* Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Priest: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Savior.
Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to God

Francisco Manoling

Sung twice.

C G/B Am C/G F F/G C F/G

Glo-ry to God in the highest _____ and peace to God's peo-ple on earth _____

9 C G/B Am C/G Dm7 F/G C F/C C

Glo-ry to God in the highest _____ and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. _____

Detailed description: The image shows two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn, with lyrics 'Glo-ry to God in the highest _____ and peace to God's peo-ple on earth _____'. Above the staff are the chords: C, G/B, Am, C/G, F, F/G, C, and F/G. The second staff continues the melody, with lyrics 'Glo-ry to God in the highest _____ and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. _____'. Above the staff are the chords: 9 C, G/B, Am, C/G, Dm7, F/G, C, and F/C C. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests indicated by lines.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: God be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

from TransEpiscopal

God of liberation, lift up, we pray, all our trans and nonbinary siblings who have gone before us, people on whose pathbreaking shoulders we stand. Be with us as we mourn your beloved ones lost to violence. Bind us together in Beloved Community and strengthen us for the ongoing work of eradicating the intersecting evils of transphobia, transmisogyny, racism, sexism, and classism. May light perpetual shine upon those we have lost, may their names be for a blessing, and may we be inspired and energized to join in co-creating a world in which the dignity of all our humanity and of all creation is safeguarded and is honored. In your holy name we pray. **Amen.**

TRINITY KIDS INVITATION

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

MALACHI 4:1-2a

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Malachi.

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

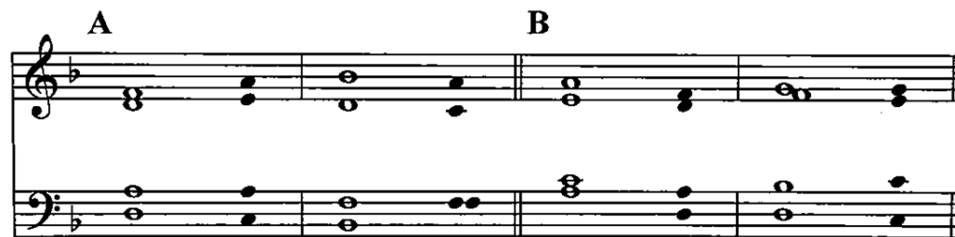
***People:* Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 98

from The Saint Helena Psalter

The text of the psalm will be chanted by the choir. All are invited to join on the antiphon.

Antiphon:



- 1 Sing a new song to God, *
who has done marvelous things.
- 2 With your right hand, O God, and your holy arm *
you have won for yourself the victory. **-ANT**
- 3 You have made known your victory; *
Your righteousness have you openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **-ANT**
- 5 Shout with joy to God, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to God with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song. **-ANT**
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before God who reigns in majesty.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein. **-ANT**
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before God, who will come to judge the earth.
- 10 God shall judge the world in righteousness *
and the peoples with equity. **-ANT**

Reader: A reading from the second letter to the Thessalonians.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

sequence Hymn *(Please rise.)*

Into My Heart

The Faith We Sing #2160

Sung twice.

The musical score is written for two staves (treble and bass clef) in 6/4 time. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The first system of music has the following lyrics: "In - to my heart, in - to my heart, come in - to my heart, Lord Je - sus;". Above the first staff, the chords F, C, C7, and F are marked. The second system of music has the following lyrics: "come in to-day, come in to stay, come in - to my heart, Lord Je - sus.". Above the first staff, the chords Bb, F/A, C7sus/G, C7/G, C7, F, Bb, F/A, C7/G, C7, F/A, C, C7, and F are marked.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

***People:* Glory to you, O Christ.**

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

***People:* Praise to you, O Christ.**

sermon

The Rev. Jon M. Richardson

Nicene creed *Please rise.*

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,
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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A Litany for Social Justice

*Office of Young Adult and Campus Ministries of the Episcopal Church
And International Transgender Day of Remembrance Prayer by Robert Shine*

Intercessor: Creator of All, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore, in confidence and trust we pray for the Church.
God, enliven the Church for its mission:

***People:* That we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.**

Intercessor: Breathe fresh life into your people.

***People:* Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

Intercessor: Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

***People:* That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

Intercessor: Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

***People:* Teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

Intercessor: God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others,

***People:* That all may act with integrity and courage.**

Intercessor: Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

***People:* May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.**

Intercessor: In anticipation of the International Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20th, we also offer this prayer to you today.

Compassionate God, We know that throughout all we experience, you are with us. Today, we take time to honor and uplift the lives of our transgender siblings who have gone before us. We hold those who suffered violence, discrimination, and prejudice in our hearts. We remember and honor the lives they lived with courage and resilience. May their memories be a blessing and a call to action.

Grant us the strength to stand in solidarity with the transgender community and all who face oppression, to be allies and advocates in their struggle for acceptance, equality, and safety. May we confront prejudice and ignorance with understanding and compassion, committing ourselves to justice in their names.

We pray for healing for those who mourn, for peace in the hearts of those who live in fear, and for the wisdom to nurture a world where every person is celebrated, protected, and loved as exactly the person You created them to be.

In their memory, may we create a world that embraces every soul in its fullness. We ask that you guide us to let our love be louder than hatred, our hope stronger than despair, and our actions rooted in a deep commitment to a future where every life can flourish in dignity and pride. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

(Silence may be kept.)

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us

through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love

and serve only your will. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Please greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY INVITATION

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OFFERTORY

Spirit Divine
(The Trinity Choir)

Nancy Ruth Durance

*Open my eyes that I may see
Glimpses of truth thou hast for me
Place in my hand the wonderful key
That will unclasp and set me free*

*Silently, I wait for thee
Ready, my God, thy will to see
Open my eyes, illumine me
Spirit divine*

*Silently I wait for thee
Ready my God thy will to see
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine*

*Open my way that I may bring
Trophies of grace to Christ, my King
Echoed in love thy word shall out-ring
Sweet as a note thy angel sing*

*Open my mind that I may read
More of thy love in word and deed
What shall I fear when thou dost lead
Only for life from thee I plead*

*Silently I wait for thee
Ready, my God, thy will to see
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine*

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE ✠

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Eucharistic Prayer 3 from Enriching Our Worship

Presider: God be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

***People:* We lift them to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to Christ our God.

***People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

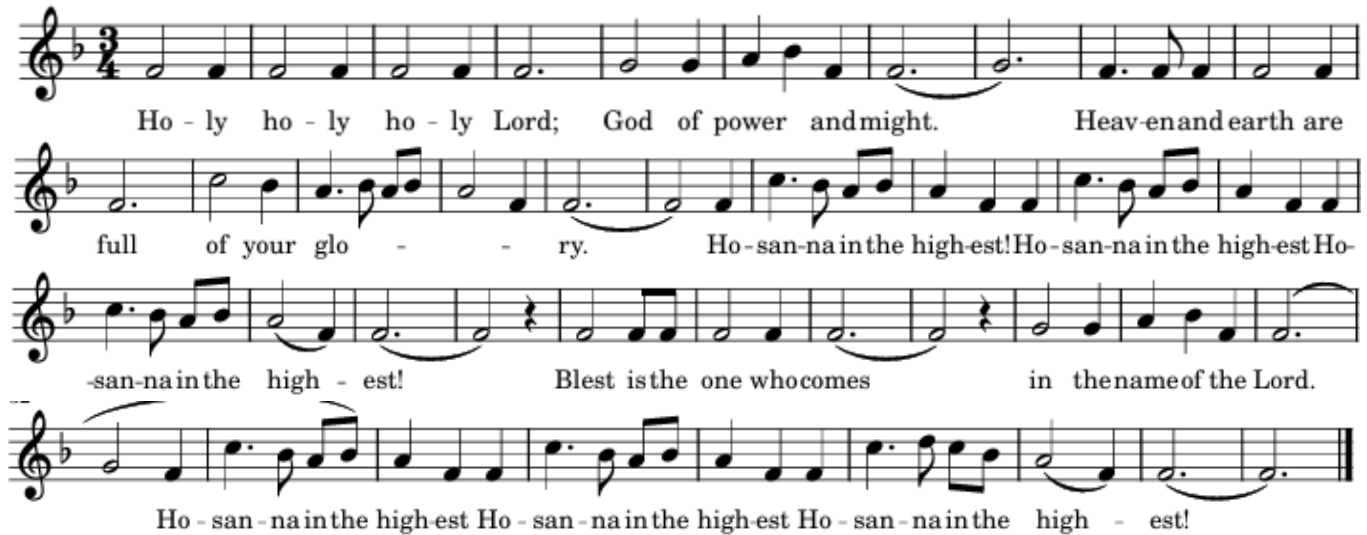
All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

sanctus

Sanctus

Mark Miller



Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before dying for us Jesus took bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

All Creation Sings

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

***People:* We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Be — known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. al - le -

5 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Be known to us, Lord

10 Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

14 lu - ia, al - le - lu — ia, al - le lu - ia.

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Receive this gift in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed in him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The priest will invite everyone to come forward for communion. The ushers will direct you when it is time. At Trinity we offer both fresh bread and gluten free crackers. In solidarity with our siblings in recovery, we serve only non-alcoholic wine. All are welcome.

Steal a - way, steal a - way, steal a - way to Je - sus!

The first system of the hymn 'Steal Away' is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two staves, treble and bass. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, featuring a series of eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Steal a - way, steal a - way home, I ain't got long to stay here!

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. It ends with a double bar line and the word 'Fine' written above the treble staff.

1. My Lord— calls me, He calls me by the thun - der;
2. Green trees are bend - ing, Poor sin - ner stands a - trem - bling;
3. Tomb stones are burst - ing, Poor sin - ner stands a - trem - bling;
4. My Lord— calls me, He calls me by the light - ning,

The third system contains four verses of lyrics. The musical notation is sparse, with notes placed below the lyrics to indicate the rhythm and pitch for each line. There are dashed lines above the first and third lines of lyrics, likely indicating a melisma or a specific musical phrase.

The trum - pet sounds with - in - a my soul, I ain't got long to stay here.

The fourth system continues the melody and accompaniment. It ends with a double bar line and the initials 'D.C.' written above the treble staff.

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Harmony

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, O

Fine

my Lord, what a morn-ing, When the stars be-gin to fall.

Unison

1. You'll hear the trum - pet sound,
2. You'll hear the sin - ner mourn,
3. You'll hear the Chris - tian shout, To wake the

na - tions un - der - ground, Look - ing to my God's right

D.C.

hand, When the stars be - gin to fall.

Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please rise.)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Surely it is God who saves me

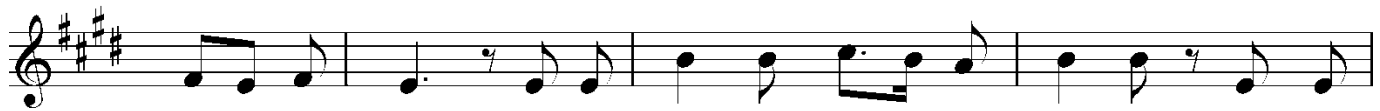
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1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust-ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de-fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - jice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi-on, lift your voice in sing-ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

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Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

***People:* Thanks be to God.**



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