

Service for the Lord's Day

Pre-Service Music Variations on *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* Johann Pachelbel
Hayden Glasgow, Organ Scholar

Concerns of the Congregation

Call to Worship Psalm 105 Marney Weis

One: Praise the LORD.

All: Praise the name of the LORD;

One: praise him, you servants of the LORD,

**All: you who minister in the house of the LORD,
in the courts of the house of our God.**

One: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;

All: sing praise to his name, for that is pleasant.

Prelude A Mighty Fortress Lee Scott
Hayden Glasgow, Organ Scholar

Ringing of the Revere Tower Bell

Let the ringing of the bell call our attention away from ourselves and
onto the living Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***Hymn #35** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***Invocation** Marney Weis

*Prayer of Confession

All: Lord, this world is so broken. The earth cries out in pain, and so do our own hearts. Out of the depths we cry to you. We recognize that we each bring our own mistakes, our own selfishness, and our own sin to add to the seemingly unbearable pain of the world. Oh Lord, hear our voices and let your ears be attentive to our cry for mercy – for ourselves and for the world. With you, there is forgiveness. Therefore, we wait in the sure hope of your unfailing love, knowing that you redeem us from all our sins. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

***Moments of Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon** Psalm 116:5, Colossians 1:13-14

One: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. In Christ we are forgiven! This is the Good News!

All: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri #575** Glory Be to the Father

Anthem How can I keep from Singing Arr. Bradley Ellingboe
Covenant Choir

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real, tho' far off, hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing!
It sounds and echoes in my soul. How can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

What tho' the tempest 'round me roar, I hear the truth. It liveth.
What tho' the darkness 'round me close, songs in the night, the night it giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Offertory Gabriel's Oboe Ennio Morricone
Carl Colvin, Oboe

***Doxology #572** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn #385**

Take My Life and Let it Be

Scripture Lesson

Philippians 1:12-18

Rev. Dr. Robert C. Anderson

Pew Bible pg. 830; Large Print Bible pg. 1827

Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

One: This is God's Word for God's People.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Trusting the Providence of God

Rev. Dr. Robert C. Anderson

***Hymn #422**

Give to the Winds Your Fears

***Benediction**

Postlude

Menuet Gothique, from *Suite Gothique*

Léon Boëllmann

Andrew Hackett, Organist

*Those who are able, please stand.

Today we welcome oboist Carl Colvin. Carl is an oboist, poet, and literary editor residing in Harrison, Ohio. He works as a reed maker for Jennet Ingle Reeds. He received his masters and performance certificate in Oboe Performance from DePaul University.

35 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory . . . 1 Tim. 1:17

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Walter C. Smith, 1867

Traditional Welsh hymn melody

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small,
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - eth Thee.
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee! A - men.

GOD THE FATHER

385 Take My Life and Let It Be

Ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body . . . I Cor. 6:20

Frances R. Havergal, 1874

HENDON 77777

Henri A. César Malan, 1827



1. Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat-ed, Lord, to Thee; Take my hands and
2. Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau-ti - ful for Thee; Take my voice and
3. Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes-sa - ges for Thee; Take my sil - ver
4. Take my love, my God, I pour At Thy feet its treas-ure store; Take my-self and



let them move At the im-pulse of Thy love, At the im - pulse of Thy love.
let me sing Al-ways, on - ly, for my King, Al-ways, on - ly, for my King.
and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold, Not a mite would I with-hold.
I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee, Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.



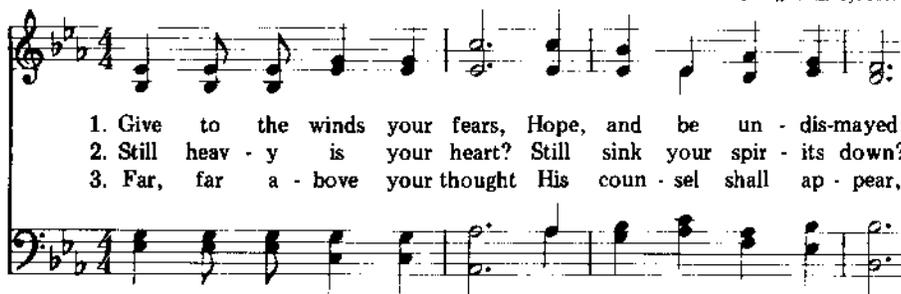
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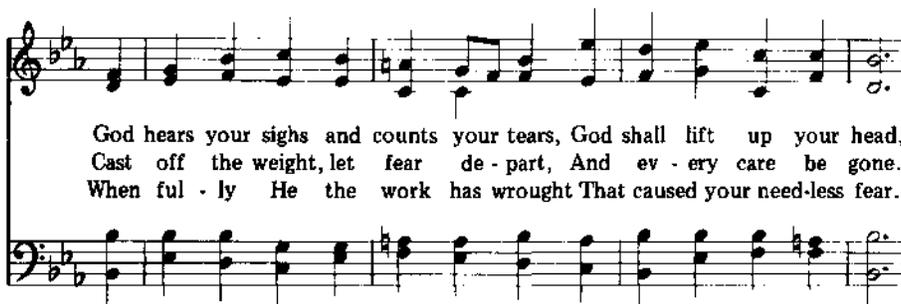
Paul Gerhardt, 1653
Trans. by John Wesley, 1739
Based on Psalm 37

Commit thy way unto the Lord . . . and He shall bring it to pass. Psa. 37:5

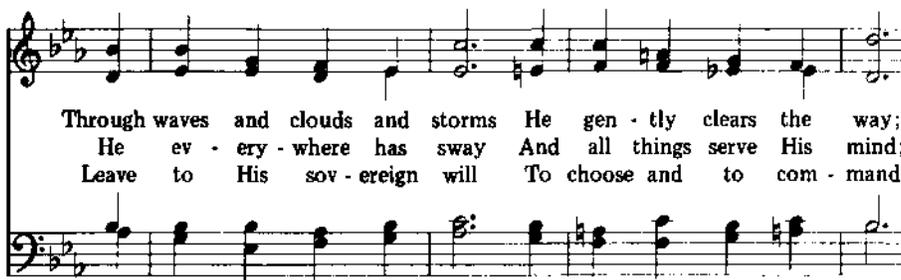
DIADEMATA S.M.D.
George J. Elvey, 1868



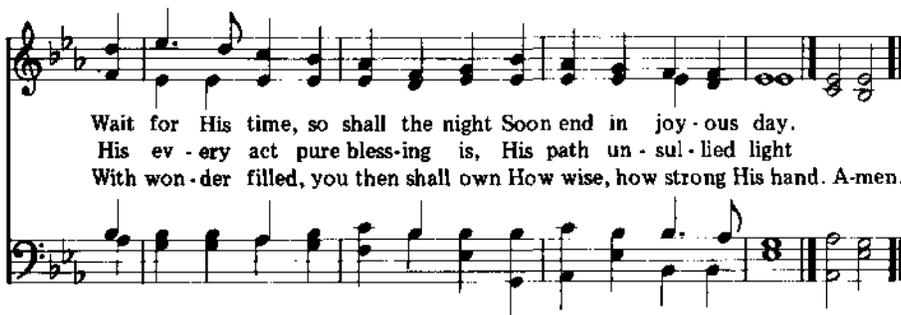
1. Give to the winds your fears, Hope, and be un - dis-mayed;
2. Still heav - y is your heart? Still sink your spir - its down?
3. Far, far a - bove your thought His coun - sel shall ap - pear,



God hears your sighs and counts your tears, God shall lift up your head,
Cast off the weight, let fear de - part, And ev - ery care be gone.
When ful - ly He the work has wrought That caused your need-less fear.



Through waves and clouds and storms He gen - tly clears the way;
He ev - ery - where has sway And all things serve His mind;
Leave to His sov - ereign will To choose and to com - mand:



Wait for His time, so shall the night Soon end in joy - ous day.
His ev - ery act pure bless - ing is, His path un - sul - lied light
With won - der filled, you then shall own How wise, how strong His hand. A-men.

This tune in a lower key. No. 519

COMFORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT

This Week at CFPC

Sunday, July 24

9:15 AM — Choir Rehearsal
9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM — Worship
11:30 AM — Fellowship Time

Monday, July 25

VBS — 10:30 AM in Metzger Hall

Tuesday, July 26

VBS — 10:30 AM in Metzger Hall

Wednesday, July 27

VBS — 10:30 AM in Metzger Hall
12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Friday, July 29

Courier Deadline

Saturday, July 30

7:30 AM — Men’s Bible Study in the Chapel
9:30 AM — Confirmation Class

Planning Ahead at CFPC

Sunday, July 31

9:15 AM — Choir Rehearsal
9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM — Worship
10:30 AM — Confirmands received in worship
11:30 AM — Fellowship Time

Wednesday, August 3

12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Saturday, August 6

7:30 AM — Men’s Bible Study in the Chapel



Confirmation Class, this Saturday — July 30, 9:30 AM to 3 PM

A Confirmation Class will be held on Saturday, July 30 beginning at 9:30 AM. If you have not already registered please contact Genita Heidenreich at genita@covfirstchurch.org. These young new members will be received into worship on Sunday, July 31!

Looking Ahead to Sunday, July 31

Next week we will celebrate our Confirmation Class members profession of faith and reception into membership. This will be a Sunday to celebrate but also have deep reflection. The sermon will take us to a new paragraph in Philippians 1 that provides a glimpse of God's Providence — the way God is always working in "the background" to bring about his purposes for our lives and the world. We see this wonder of Providence manifest in our children as they grow in Christian families and congregation to the place where they make their witness as one of the followers of Jesus. This service will be a time for you to renew your own baptism and faith in Christ Jesus.

Be sure to be here on August 7 for the Lord's Supper led by Dr. Anderson and guest preacher Dustin Ellington. Join us for the special fellowship dinner Sunday evening; see the sign-up information on the back of the welcome insert in today's bulletin for details!