

Opening Hymn

912 Open, Lovely Doors



1 O - pen, love - ly doors, and let me come in - to God's
2 With a song I've come to greet you; come to me, dear
3 You de - serve my deep - est rev - 'rence; sanc - ti - fy me



house to - day! This is where great joys be - set me
Lord, I pray. Where you let your peo - ple meet you
through and through. Let my wor - ship in your pres - ence



more than I can sing or say. Here I view God's
heav - en's light is bright as day. Let my heart your
clear - ly show my love for you. Lord of mer - cy,



glo - rious face, see his light, re - ceive his grace.
heav - en be; Sav - ior, make your home in me.
hear my cry: lift my heart to you on high!

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Stand



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



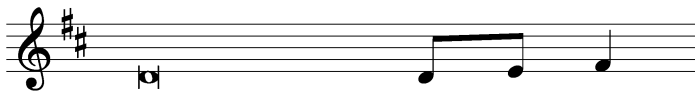
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



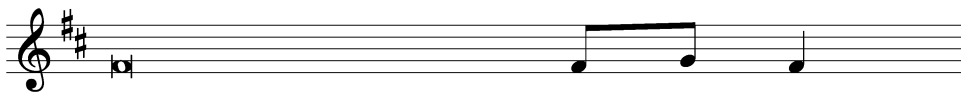
General Jesus Christ is Lord of all:



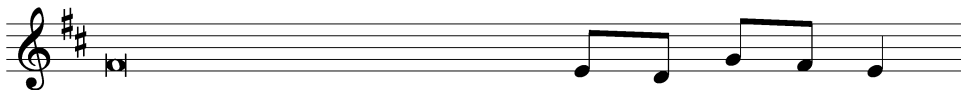
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord *Venite*

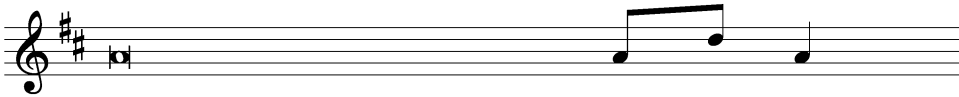
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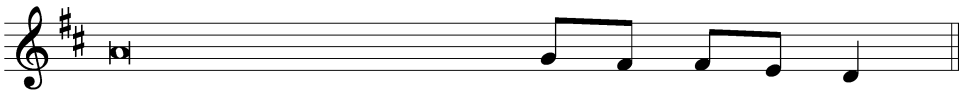
1 O come, let us sing	to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a	great _____ God
3 The sea is his, for he	made _____ it,



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of	our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great	king a - bove all gods.
3 and his hand	formed the dry _____ land.



- 1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and bow _____ down,
- 4 For he is our God,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
- 2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
- 3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of his
pasture and the sheep of his _____ hand.

Be seated

First Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12–15

¹² Observe the Sabbath day by setting it apart as holy, just as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³ Six days you are to serve and perform all of your regular work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a sabbath rest to the LORD your God. You are not to do any regular work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock or the alien who resides inside your gates, in order that your male servant and your female servant may rest like you. ¹⁵ Remember that you were slaves in the land of Egypt and that the LORD your God brought you out from there with a strong hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the day of rest.

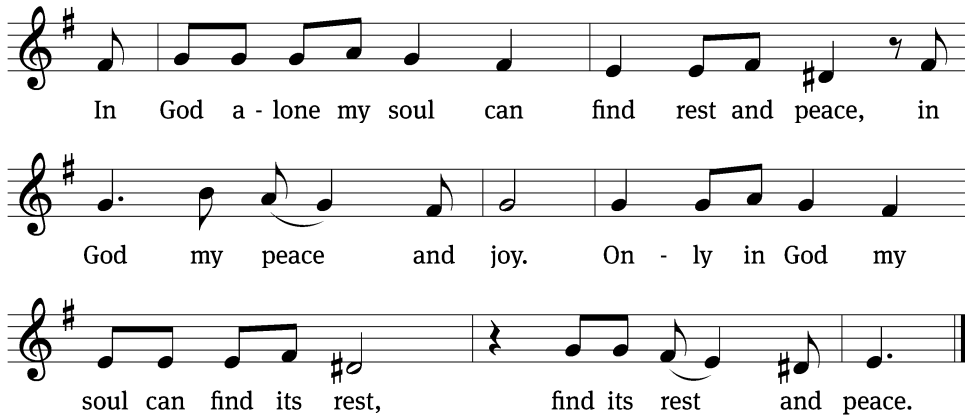
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62

In God Alone My Soul Can Find Rest and Peace

Refrain



In God a-lone my soul can find rest and peace, in
God my peace and joy. On-ly in God my
soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.

Tone



Truly my soul finds / rest in God;
my salvation / comes from him.

Truly he is my rock and my sal- / vation;
he is my fortress, I will never be / shaken.

Yes, my soul, find / rest in God;
my hope / comes from him. *Refrain*

Though your rich- / es increase,
do not set your / heart on them.

My salvation and my honor de- / pend on God;
he is my mighty rock, my / refuge.

Trust in him at all times, you / people;
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our / refuge.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,**

**as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

Second Reading

Colossians 2:13–17

¹³ Even when you were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ by forgiving us all our trespasses. ¹⁴ God erased the record of our debt brought against us by his legal demands. This record stood against us, but he took it away by nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ After disarming the rulers and authorities, he made a public display of them by triumphing over them in Christ.

¹⁶ Therefore, do not let anyone judge you in regard to food or drink, or in regard to a festival or a New Moon or a Sabbath day. ¹⁷ These are a shadow of the things that were coming, but the body belongs to Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel

Mark 2:23—3:6

²³ Once on a Sabbath day, Jesus was passing through the grain fields, and his disciples began to pick heads of grain as they walked along. ²⁴ The Pharisees said to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath day?”

²⁵ He replied to them, “Have you never read what David did when he was in need and hungry (he and his companions)? ²⁶ He entered the house of God in the time of Abiathar the high priest and ate the Bread of the Presence, which is not lawful for anyone to eat, except for the priests. He also gave some to his companions.”

²⁷ Then Jesus said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is the Lord even of the Sabbath.”

¹ Jesus entered the synagogue again, and a man was there with a withered hand. ² They were watching Jesus closely to see if he would heal the man on the Sabbath day, so that they could accuse him. ³ He said to the man with the

withered hand, “Step forward!”⁴ Then he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath day to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent.⁵ Then he looked around at them with anger, deeply grieved at the hardness of their hearts. He said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” The man stretched it out, and his hand was restored.

⁶ The Pharisees left and immediately began to conspire against Jesus with the Herodians, plotting how they might kill him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

703 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “I am this dark world’s light.



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast.”
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live.”
Look un - to me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright.”



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I’ll walk till trav - ling days are done.

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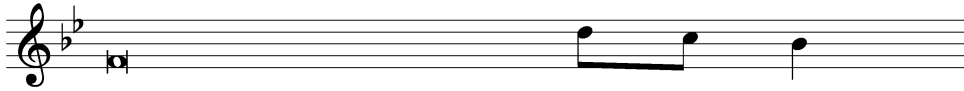
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“The Sabbath Was Made for Man”

Stand

We Praise You, O God

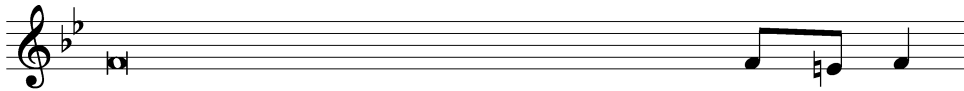
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- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
- 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,
- 3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise ___ you.



- 1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
- 2 heaven and earth are full ___ of your glo - ry.
- 3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



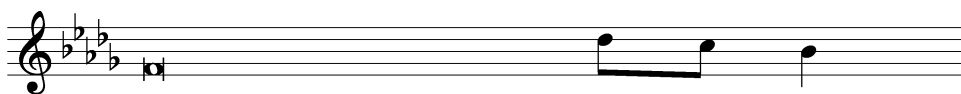
- 1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
- 2 The glorious company of apostles praise ___ you.
- 3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



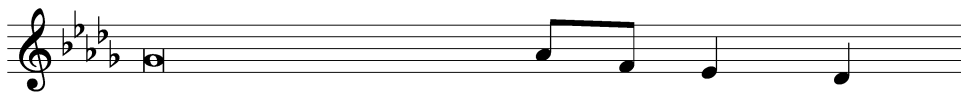
- 1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
- 2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise ___ you.
- 3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



- 4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



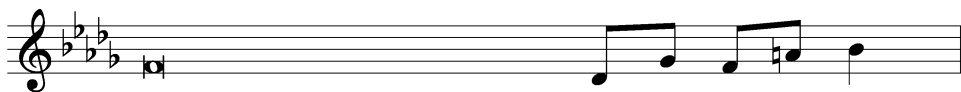
5 When you became man to set us free,
6 You sit at the right hand of God



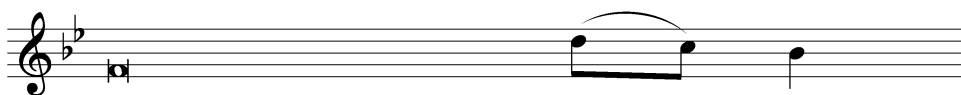
5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 You overcame the sting of death
6 We believe that you will come



5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.



7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,



7 bought with the price of your own blood,



7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

Lord, Have Mercy

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Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an - swer me.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Eternal God, your Son, Jesus Christ, is our true Sabbath rest. Help us to keep each day holy by receiving his Word of comfort that we may find our rest in him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Prayers of intercession may follow.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

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Closing Hymn

931 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise



1 Sav - ior, a - gain to thy dear name we raise
2 Grant us thy peace up - on our home-ward way;
3 Grant us thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
4 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,



with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise.
with thee be - gan, with thee shall end the day.
turn thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.
our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife.



Once more we bless thee ere our wor - ship cease,
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
From harm and dan - ger keep thy chil - dren free,
Then, when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,



then, low - ly bend - ing, wait thy word of peace.
that in this house have called up - on thy name.
for dark and light are both a - like to thee.
call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

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Getting to Know Our Congregation



Dennis Fritz, born in Milwaukee, WI, and Sue (Fischer) Fritz, born in Des Moines, IA, were both born in the same year, so it's not too surprising that they should have met in high school after Sue's family relocated to the Milwaukee area. After dating over four years and after Dennis reached age 21 in 1963, they married and settled in Cedarburg (just north of Mequon), both employed by what is now Mercury Marine. Daughter

Denise (with family now living in Phoenix) was born in 1965 and son Greg (with his wife now living in the Honolulu area) was born in 1969. Dennis enjoyed a popularity in his profession in the hot materials molding industry which gave them opportunities to live in Cedarburg, Grafton and Fond du Lac, WI; Shreveport, LA; Lake Havasu City twice, arriving in 1981 and again in 2002; Dallas (Garland), TX; Mankato, MN; Affton, MO; South County, MO; Ballwin, MO; Jackson, TN; Longmont, CO; Chihuahua, Chih., Mexico); stopping in Lake Havasu City the second time before moving to their current home off of US Hwy 60 between Brenda and Vicksburg, AZ, where they enjoy watching the Sunday morning service broadcast each week.

Sue was the loving and patient homemaker and mother, being dragged around the central US after her career at Mercury, serving as volunteer church secretary to Rev. Dr. William Kessel and Rev. John Moldstad, Jr., during their tenure at Our Saviour in LHC, secretary to AAL General Agent and agents in Louisville, CO, and St. Louis, MO, and church secretary to Rev. James Witt at Martin Luther Ev. Church (WELS) in St. Louis. After returning to LHC from Mexico, Sue owned and operated the Postal Connections mailing center franchise in the Bashas' Plaza for over 16 years. During this time, Dennis had various successes in operating Farm Bureau and MetLife Insurance agencies after retiring from Mexican activities in 2004. Finally, both Dennis and Sue retired, although Dennis did provide part time secretarial service to Our Saviour Congregation from 2015 through 2021.
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