



CHRIST CHURCH

ORDER OF SERVICE

May 23, 2021

Next Week

May 30, 2021

CHRIST CHURCH | 8:30 AM

FIELDHOUSE | DOUG WILSON

CC DOWNTOWN | 9:30 AM

NSA NORTH CAMPUS | BEN ZORNES

CHRIST CHURCH | 10:30 AM

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEDITATION

- CALL TO WORSHIP -

+ ADORATION

Minister: The Lord is risen!

Congregation: He is risen, indeed!

+ SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:28-29

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!

+ PRAYER

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- CONFESSION -

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+ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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Minister: Your sins are forgiven through Christ.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

+ CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

Congregation: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty/ Maker of heaven and earth/ and of all things visible and invisible / And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God/ begotten of the Father before all worlds/ God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God/ begotten, not made/ being of one substance with the Father/ by whom all things were made/ Who, for us men for our salvation/ came down from heaven/ and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary/ and was made man/ and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate/ He suffered and was buried/ and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures/ and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father/ and He shall come again, with glory/ to judge the quick and the dead/ whose kingdom shall have no end/ And I believe in the Holy Ghost/ the Lord and Giver of Life/ who proceeds from the Father and the Son/ who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified/ who spoke by the prophets/ And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church/ I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins/ and I look for the resurrection of the dead/ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

+ RESPONSIVE READINGS

Minister: Our Lord was tempted but could not fall,

Congregation: And our Lord had bones that could not break,

Minister: Not because His bones were of a different substance,

Congregation: But rather because Scriptures cannot be broken.

Minister: And Scripture said He would see the travail of His soul and be satisfied.

Congregation: Amen.

+ PSALM

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- CONSECRATION -

+ SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 37: 1-14; Acts 2: 1-11

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

NEW MEMBERS

*(If you're interested in membership or baptism, please contact the church office:
office@christkirk.com.)*

AJ Slater Family - CCD

PROFESSION OF FAITH BAPTISM

JB Bowman - CCD

Congregational Charge: Our brother, for you Jesus Christ came to this earth, struggled and suffered; for your sake He crossed Gethsemane and went through the darkness of Calvary; for your sake He cried: 'It is finished'; for your sake He died and for your sake He overcame death; indeed for your sake, our brother, and this is what you have heard and believed. And thus the word of the apostle is confirmed: 'We love God, for He loved us first.

HOUSEHOLD BAPTISM

James Belschner - CC 2nd

Congregational Charge: Little child, for you Jesus Christ came to this earth, struggled and suffered; for your sake He crossed Gethsemane and went through the darkness of Calvary; for your sake He cried: 'It is finished'; for your sake He died and for your sake He overcame death; indeed for your sake, little child, and you—still— know nothing of it. And thus the word of the apostle is confirmed: 'We love God, for He loved us first.'

(Taken from an old French Reformed Baptism Rite)

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- COMMUNION -

THE BREAD

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THE WINE

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NEXT WEEK

CC/CCD: Doug Wilson, Ben Zornes

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 6:1-8; John 3: 1-17

MUSIC: 317, 107, 37, 288, 143, 724, 518, 733

"MAY I COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE?"

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day at Christ Church. We warmly invite to the Lord's table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the elders of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being active in a congregation which is covenantally bound to the triune God through Word and sacrament. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to the elders before or after the service.

PENTECOST 2021

INTRODUCTION

One of the common mistakes that Christians make as they think about the Holy Spirit—who was poured out upon the Church at Pentecost—is the mistake of depersonalizing Him. But the Spirit is no impersonal force, like gravity or electricity. The Holy Spirit is an eternal person, and is so personal that He is the one who shapes a collection of individuals into a personal Bride for the Son of Man. This is why we can both extend the great invitation. This is the testimony of Scripture:

“And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely” (Rev. 22:17).

This is why we are able to say, every week, come, and welcome to Jesus Christ.

THE TEXT

“For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began” (2 Tim. 1:7–9).

SUMMARY OF THE TEXT

Paul reflects on Timothy’s character with gratitude and joy, recalling the unfeigned faith that Timothy had (v. 5). This was the same genuine faith that was in his grandmother Lois first, and then in his mother Eunice (v. 5). He then urges Timothy to get out the poker, and stir up the fiery gift he had been given through the hands of Paul (v. 6). And why? Thus we come to our text. God has not given us a Spirit of fear, but rather a Spirit of power, a Spirit of love, and a Spirit of a sound mind (v. 7). The application of all this, as Paul sees it, is a refusal to be ashamed of the witness or testimony of the Lord, or ashamed of Paul’s imprisonment (v. 8). Rather, Timothy is urged to be a partaker of gospel afflictions, according to the power of God (v. 8). This gospel is the instrument of our salvation, through which God has called us with a holy calling—not according to our works, but according to His purpose and grace, and which was given to us in Christ Jesus before the world began (v. 9).

PREHISTORIC PURPOSE

Not only do you have a purpose for your life, that purpose is much older than you are. It was assigned to you—salvation and a holy calling—before the world began. It is prehistoric. It is not downstream from your first birthday. Your first birthday is millennia downstream from your purpose. Your life has a meaning that is outside the history of the world. Your meaning is anchored elsewhere, secure in the eternal counsels of the living God.

THE ALTERNATIVE TO FEAR AND SHAME

Paul reminds Timothy that he was not given a Spirit of fear (v. 7). And after he itemizes the things that the Holy Spirit does bring, he goes on to say that Timothy must not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord (v. 8), and he must not be ashamed of the fact that Paul is in prison (again).

The Spirit bestows three characteristics in this passage. They are power, love, and a sound mind.

The Spirit was displayed in power at the first Pentecost when He equipped the disciples to speak in languages they had not studied. Jesus told them to wait until the Spirit came with power (Luke 24:49), and that was what was displayed in Jerusalem that day. The gifts of the Spirit are indeed powerful. But that is not the great power He has. His great power is the power of the holy calling. He can make tawdry, dirty little sinners like us into holy saints.

Remember that the Corinthian church was not lacking in any of the spiritual gifts (1 Cor. 1:7). Paul had to devote several chapters of traffic control with regard to those gifts (1 Cor. 12-14). But even though they had all those gifts, Paul could not regard them as spiritual men, but rather as carnal. “And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ” (1 Cor. 3:1).

AFFLICTIONS OF THE GOSPEL

When someone like Paul is thrown into prison for the sake of the gospel, do you think the devil is stupid enough to grant that this is why? “Yes, we know he is a good man, and that he is bringing us good news of salvation through Christ, which a gracious God is offering us, but we want to jail him anyway. . .” Do you think that the devil is that foolish?

No. Jesus was executed for blasphemy. The charges against Paul made him out to be a pest and troublemaker. The early Christians were accused of cannibalism (because of the Lord’s Supper) and incest (because of the love between brothers and sisters). Canadian pastors get arrested because they won’t bow down in the spirit of fear that has gripped the world, but the official name for it is “denying the science.”

PUT IT ALL TOGETHER

The Spirit is the one who gives us a sound mind. One of the central aspects of having a sound mind in this world is the result of having a purpose and meaning that is grounded outside the world. So don't get tangled up in questions about whether you were predestined to reach for the pencil with your left hand or your right. You were predestined to be holy (Eph. 1:4). That is your purpose (Eph. 2:10). You were predestined to be conformed to the image of Christ (Rom. 8:23). That is your destination. And the Spirit is the one who brings you there.

No fear, and no shame. A holy calling. A sincere faith. Power, love, and a sound mind. All of it integrated together, knit together in love (Col. 2:2), as the Spirit completes the work He was sent into the world to do. Why not here? Why not now?

1. Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, The God of
 2. What God's al - might - y pow'r hath made His gra - cious
 3. *I cried to Him in time of need: "Lord God, O*
 4. *The Lord for - sak - eth not His flock, His cho - sen*
 5. Ye who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, To God give
 6. Then come be - fore His pres - ence now, And ban - ish

all cre - a - tion, The God of pow'r, the God of love, The
 mer - cy keep - eth; By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade His
hear my call - ing!" For death He gave me life in - deed And
gen - er - a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock, Their
 praise and glo - ry! Ye who the Fa - ther's pow'r pro - claim, To
 fear and sad - ness; To your Re - deem - er pay your vow And

God of our sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm my soul He fills,
 watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With - in the king - dom of His might,
kept my feet from fall - ing. For this my thanks shall end - less be;
peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's ten - der hand,
 God give praise and glo - ry! All i - dols un - der - foot be trod,
 sing with joy and glad - ness. Though great dis - tress my soul be - fell,

10
 The God who ev - 'ry sor - row stills.
 Lo! all is just and all is right.
Oh, thank Him, thank our God with me. To God all praise and glo - ry!
He leads His own, His cho - sen band.
 The Lord is God! The Lord is God!
 The Lord my God did all things well.

O God of Earth and Altar

unison

1. O God of earth and al - tar, Bow down and hear our cry.
 2. From all that ter - ror teach - es, From lies of tongue and pen,
 3. Tie in a liv - ing teth - er The prince and priest and thrall.

Our earth - ly rul - ers fal - ter; Our peo - ple drift and die.
 From all the eas - y speech - es That com - fort cru - el men,
 Bind all our lives to - geth - er; Smite us and save us all.

The walls of gold en - tomb us; The swords of scorn di - vide.
 From sale and prof - a - na - tion Of hon - or and the sword,
 In ire and ex - ul - ta - tion, A - flame with faith and free,

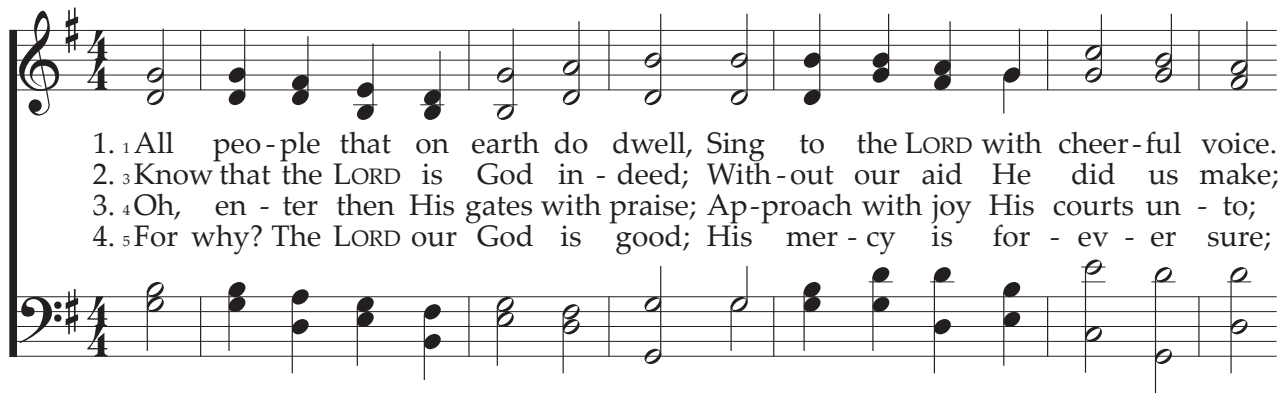
Take not Thy thun - der from us, But take a - way our pride.
 From sleep, and from dam - na - tion, De - liv - er us, good Lord!
 Lift up a liv - ing na - tion, A sin - gle sword to Thee.

Music: English traditional melody; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
 Text: Gilbert Keith Chesterton, 1906

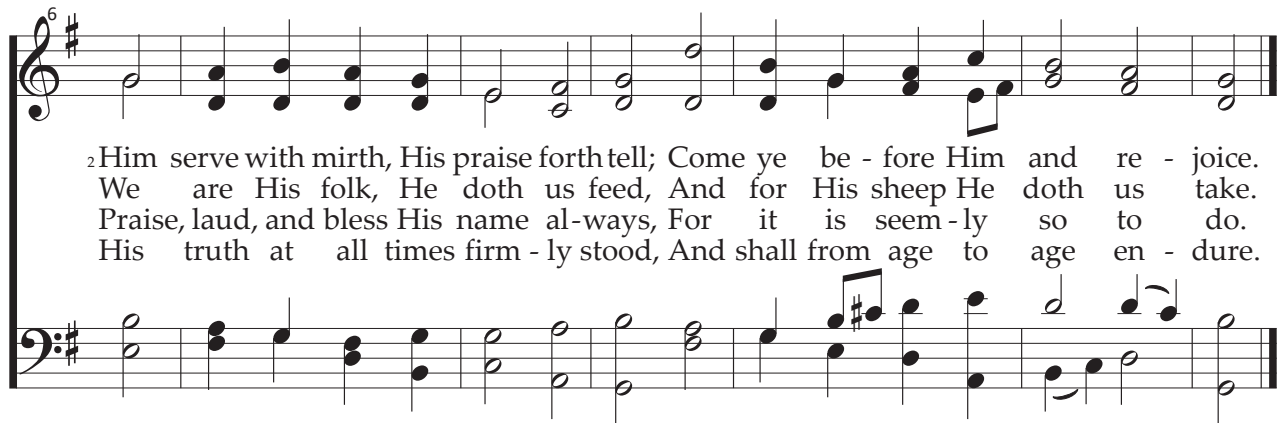
KING'S LYNN
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All People That on Earth Do Dwell

From Psalm 100



1. ¹All peo-ple that on earth do dwell, Sing to the LORD with cheer-ful voice.
 2. ³Know that the LORD is God in - deed; With-out our aid He did us make;
 3. ⁴Oh, en - ter then His gates with praise; Ap-proach with joy His courts un - to;
 4. ⁵For why? The LORD our God is good; His mer - cy is for - ev - er sure;



⁶2. Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell; Come ye be - fore Him and re - joice.
 We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.
 Praise, laud, and bless His name al-ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.
 His truth at all times firm - ly stood, And shall from age to age en - dure.

Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; alt
 Text: William Kethe, 1561; alt.

OLD HUNDREDTH
 8 8. 8 8.

Judge Me, O God, and Plead My Cause

From Psalm 43

1. ¹Judge me, O God, and plead my cause A - gainst th'un - god - ly nation;
 2. ²For Thou the God art of my strength; Why thrusts Thou me Thee fro'?

3. ³Oh, send Thy light forth and Thy truth; Let them be guides to me
 4. ⁴Then will I to God's al - tar go, To God my chief - est joy:
 5. ⁵Why art thou then cast down, my soul? What should dis - cour - age thee?
 6. Still trust in God; for Him to praise; Good cause I yet shall have.

6
 From the un - just and craft - y man, O be Thou my sal - vation.
 For th'en - e - mies op - pres - sion Why do I mourn - ing go?
 And bring me to Thy ho - ly hill, Ev'n where Thy dwell - ings be.
 Yea, God, my God, Thy name to praise My harp I will em - ploy.
 And why, with vex - ing thoughts, art thou Dis - qui - et - ed in me?
 He of my coun - t'nance is the health, My God that doth me save.

Music & text: *Scottish Psalter*, 1615

MARTYRS

8 6. 8 6.

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

From Psalm 72 portions

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does his suc - ces - sive jour - neys run;
 2. To Him shall end - less pray'r be made And prais - es throng to crown His head;
 3. *Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Dwell on His love with sweet - est song,*
 4. Blessings abound wher - e'er He reigns; The pris - 'ner leaps to lose his chains;
 5. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Pe - cu - liar hon - ors to our King;

His kingdom stretch from shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 His name like sweet per - fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
And in - fant voic - es shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
 The wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest, And all the sons of want are blest.
 An - gels de - scend with songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Music: John Hatton, 1793

Text: Isaac Watts, 1719

DUKE STREET

8 8. 8 8.

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

Cantor *Congregation*

8 9 Our Father who art in Heav-en, Hal-low - ed be Thy name. 10 Thy king-dom come.

5 8 Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heav-en. 11 Give us this day our dai-ly bread,

8 12 And for-give us our tres-pass-es as we for-give those who tres - pass a- gainst us.

10 8 13 And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de-liv - er us from e - vil; For Thine is the

12 8 king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Tradional, very ancient

Text: Holy Bible, King James Version, 1611

Cast Thy Bread upon the Waters

Ecclesiastes 11:1-2

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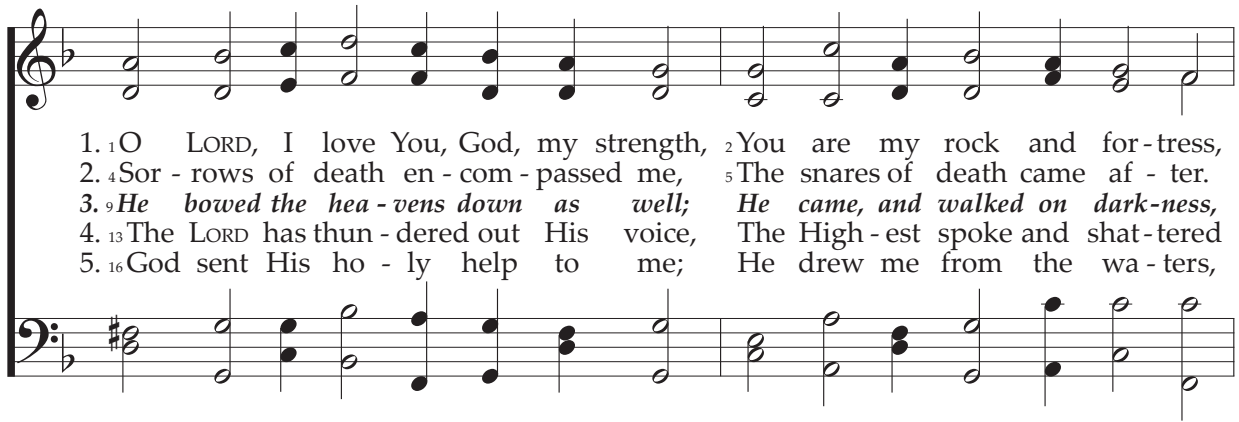
¹Cast thy bread up - on the wa - ters: for thou shalt find it af - ter
ma - ny days. ²Give a por - tion to sev - en, and al - so to eight;
for thou know - est not what e - vil shall be up - on the earth.
for thou know - est not what e - vil shall be up - on the earth.

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Text: *Holy Bible, King James Version*, 1611

O LORD, I Love You, God, My Strength

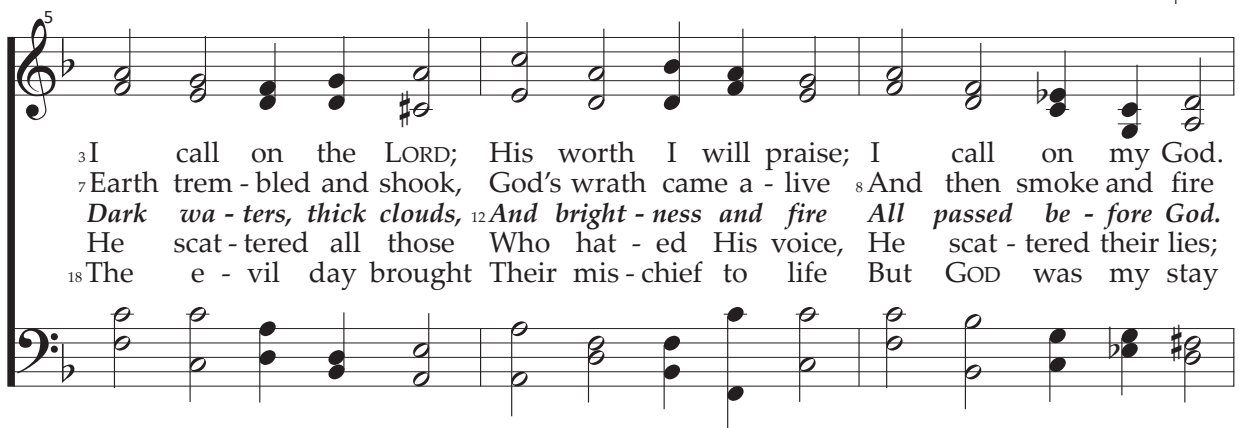
From Psalm 18:1-19



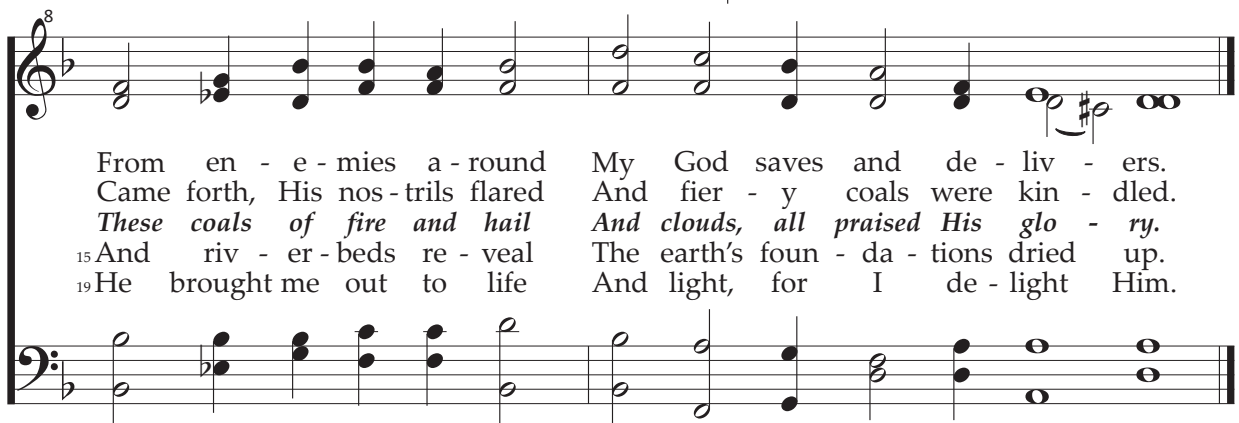
1. ¹O LORD, I love You, God, my strength, ²You are my rock and for-tress,
²⁴Sor - rows of death en - com - passed me, ⁵The snares of death came af - ter.
³⁹*He bowed the hea - vens down as well; He came, and walked on dark-ness,*
⁴¹³The LORD has thun - dered out His voice, The High - est spoke and shat - tered
⁵¹⁶God sent His ho - ly help to me; He drew me from the wa - ters,



³In You I trust, sal - va - tion's horn, My buck - ler and high tow - er.
⁶In my dis-tress, I called to God; His tem - ple heard my fal-t'ring.
¹⁰*His steed, a cher-ub, wings of wind,* ¹¹*And dark - ness His pa - vil - ion.*
All earth with hail and coals of fire, ¹⁴His ar - rows fell as light-ning,
¹⁷God saved me from my en - e - mies, Whose strength was far be - yond me.



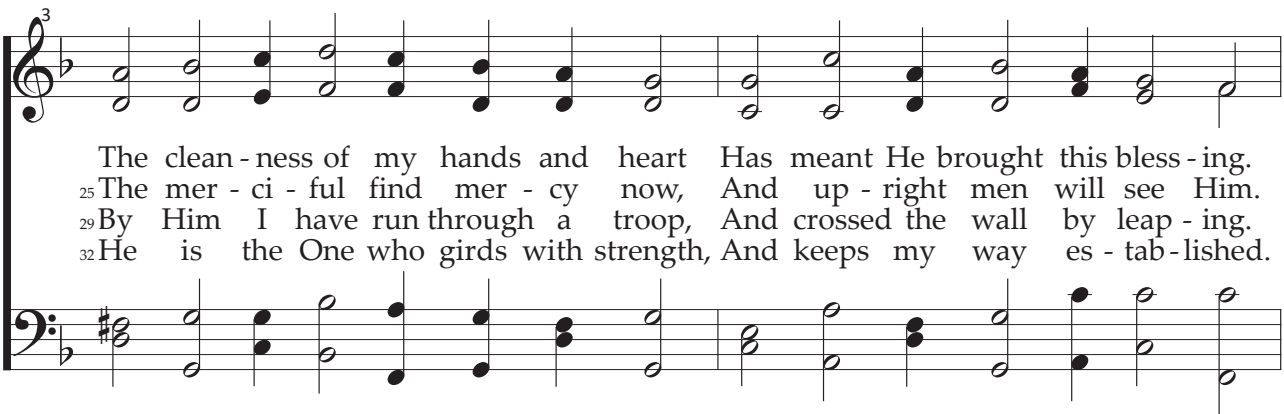
⁵³I call on the LORD; His worth I will praise; I call on my God.
⁷Earth trem - bled and shook, God's wrath came a - live ⁸And then smoke and fire
Dark wa - ters, thick clouds, ¹²*And bright - ness and fire* All passed be - fore God.
He scat - tered all those Who hat - ed His voice, He scat - tered their lies;
¹⁸The e - vil day brought Their mis - chief to life But GOD was my stay



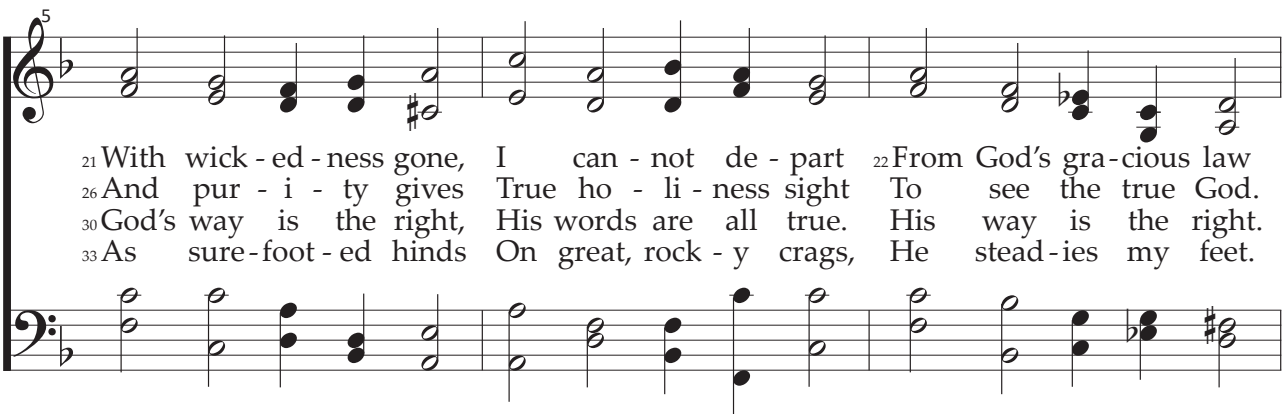
⁸From en - e - mies a - round My God saves and de - liv - ers.
Came forth, His nos - trils flared And fier - y coals were kin - dled.
These coals of fire and hail And clouds, all praised His glo - ry.
¹⁵And riv - er - beds re - veal The earth's foun - da - tions dried up.
¹⁹He brought me out to life And light, for I de - light Him.



6. ²⁰Ac-cord-ing to my right-eous-ness My GOD re-ward-ed rich-ly.
 7. ²³Up-right be-fore the Lord I stood ²⁴And this He has re-ward-ed.
 8. ²⁸My can-dle God will al-ways light, And chase a-way the dark-ness.
 9. ³¹So who is God ex-cept the LORD? Who is a rock be-side Him?



The clean-ness of my hands and heart Has meant He brought this bless-ing.
²⁵The mer-ci-ful find mer-cy now, And up-right men will see Him.
²⁹By Him I have run through a troop, And crossed the wall by leap-ing.
³²He is the One who girds with strength, And keeps my way es-tab-lished.




²¹With wick-ed-ness gone, I can-not de-part ²²From God's gra-cious law
²⁶And pur-i-ty gives True ho-li-ness sight To see the true God.
³⁰God's way is the right, His words are all true. His way is the right.
³³As sure-foot-ed hinds On great, rock-y crags, He stead-ies my feet.





For all His laws were held, My hand has held them tight-ly.
 Some think that He is hard; ²⁷Our God can break the haugh-ty.
 He is a buck-ler strong, A shield for those who trust Him.
³⁴As bows of steel are bent, He trains my hands for fight-ing.

O LORD, I Love You, God, My Strength


Cont'd, Psalm 18:35-50




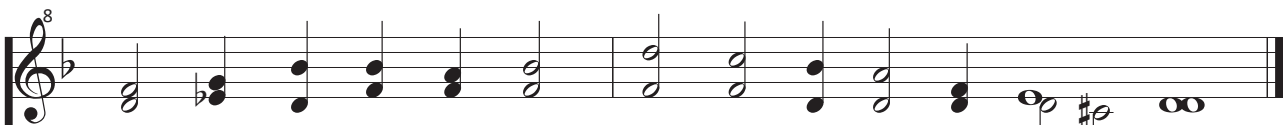
10. ³⁵ And God's right hand has held me up, And gave the shield sal - va - tion.
 11. ³⁹ For You have gird - ed me with strength, You gave me strength for bat - tle.
 12. ⁴³ And You have saved me from their wiles, The striv - ings of the heath - en,
 13. ⁴⁶ Lord God, You are the liv - ing Lord; I bless the Rock most ho - ly.


He made me great through gen - tle - ness, ³⁶ My steps now can - not fal - ter.
⁴⁰ You gave the necks of en - e - mies, Of them who dy - ing hate me.
 And You have made me head and lord Of those who have not known me.
⁴⁷ Praise Him, the God who saved me here, My shield and my a - ven - ger.

³⁷ My foes are pur - sued; They run till they fall; ³⁸ I wound - ed them there.
⁴¹ They cried out in loss But no one has heard, And God an - swers not.
⁴⁴ They hear and o - bey, Sub - mit to my name, And bow to my rod.
⁴⁸ And snatched from the fire, ⁴⁹ I thank my God now; ⁵⁰ For Da - vid is saved.

Be - fore they all could rise, So now my foes have fal - len.
⁴² I beat them fine like dust, And down to earth I cast them.
⁴⁵ The heath - en all shall fade, They are a - fraid in sec - ret.
 He shows His kind - ness now, To Christ, His seed for - ev - er.



Amen! Blessing and Glory

Revelation 7:12

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in 2/2 time, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The score is divided into three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "A - men! Bless - ing and glo - ry and wis - dom, Thanks - giv - ing and hon - or and pow - er and might, Be to our God for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men." The first system covers measures 1-4, the second system covers measures 5-8, and the third system covers measures 9-12. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures.

A - men! Bless - ing and glo - ry and wis - dom, Thanks -

giv - ing and hon - or and pow - er and might, Be to our

God for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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