



new hope
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Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friends, this is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRELUDE *Epilogo* from "Escenas Románticas" by Enrique

INTROIT *Harmonia Mundi* by Vicar

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Creator has planted seeds in all of us.

May we nurture good deeds and loving-kindness.

Jesus is calling us to bear spiritual fruit.

May we bless and build up others for the reign of God.

The Holy Spirit moves in us, encouraging us to grow.

**May we be nurtured, may we be blessed,
and may we grow in this time of worship.**

^HYMN **#22** **God of the Sparrow**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CHURCH'S PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, You have searched us and known us. You know when we cultivate kindness, and our lives bear fruit that blesses the world. You know, too, when we sow seeds of discord, and our actions choke out generosity and grace. When we produce more weed than fruit, forgive us. Forgive our selfish ways. Plant within us gifts of love and mercy, so that we might live faithfully in your kingdom, bearing fruit that enriches the lives of all Your children, and bringing honor and glory to Your name. Amen

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news:

We are always already loved! Thanks be to God!

^CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **#664** **Morning Has Broken (verse 1)**

*Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*

CHORAL ANTHEM *All Earth Rejoice* by Vivaldi

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES Psalm 104:1a,10-24

FROM THE GOSPELS Mark 4:1-20

SERMON “Cultivating the Soil” Rev. Sue King

^HYMN **#32** **I Sing the Mighty Power of God**

^AFFIRMATION OF FAITH From *The Confession of 1967*

God’s sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of man’s mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men. The power of God’s love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love. God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealings with men. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator.

A TIME TO GIVE THANKS

OFFERTORY *Spring* by Jason Tonioli

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You may place a contribution in the plate at the sanctuary door.
Set up a recurring contribution through your bank.
Use the green Give Now button on our website.
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^CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **#614 Great Are You Lord**

*Great are you , Lord: you are holy and just;
by your power we trust in your love.
Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true;
by your mercy you prove you are love.
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory!
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice:
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!*

^PASTORAL AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

^HYMN **#80 You Shall Go Out with Joy (from Isaiah 55:12)**

^PEACE PRAYER *Growing a Peace Garden* by Anne Osdieck

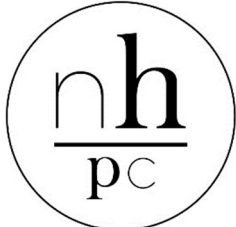
**Sow some seeds
(hardy ones like mercy and forgiveness)
Feed them with love.
Sprinkle them with truth.
Weed them every day. Give them room to grow.
Wait.
Share the goodness with everyone you know.**

^SENDING FORTH

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Song of Hope* by Argentine Folk Song

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

^POSTLUDE

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

PREACHER

Rev. Sue King

LITURGIST

Leslie Adkins

COLLABORATIVE PIANIST

Alyssa Ham

CAMERA AND SOUND OPERATOR

Jo Ann Gonzales-Johnston

DIRECTING THE CHOIR

Pat Osoinach

FLORAL ARRANGERS

Kelli, Noah and Luke Busby



Office Hours Mon & Wed- CLOSED, Tues/Thurs/Fri- 9:15 am-4:00 pm

Church Calendar Apr 21-28

Sunday, Apr 21

Choir practice at 9:30 a.m.
Worship at 10 a.m.
Fellowship time
Christian Education Classes
Deacons 12:15 p.m.
Faith Mission Dinner 5:30 p.m.

Monday, Apr 22

Noah Busby's Birthday
Earth Day Presentation 12:00 p.m.
Office Closed

Wednesday, Apr 24

Office Closed
Choir rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Apr 27

Mobile Food Ministry 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, Apr 28

Choir practice at 9:30 a.m.
Worship at 10 a.m.
Fellowship time
Christian Education Classes
Mission 12:15 p.m.

Topics Class Schedule

April 21st- The Use of Symbolism in the Gospel of John

April 28th- Reading the Psalms

This Week's Prayer Requests

Thanksgiving

Joe Gonzales is home recovering from colon surgery.

Wanda Gonzales will not require surgery on her wrist.

Intercession

Allyn Arnold is recovering from double heart bypass surgery.

George Bonnett's eye continues to heal.

Karen Bracewell is recovering from two broken hips and a broken wrist.

LaRae Collins continues to receive physical therapy.

Wanda Gonzales is recovering from a broken left wrist.

Bob Hardy is recovering from knee surgery.

Susan Harvey is recovering from lump removal surgery. We hope that the lump is benign.

Carolyn Kouri is receiving outpatient physical therapy.

Jeannine Morris' grandson, Hayes, continues his journey to full health.

Micheal Smith's grandson, Matthew, cousin, Robert, and friend, Heath as they heal.

Don Stribling's sister, Lee, fell and fractured her C1 vertebrae, and is going to be in a brace for 6 weeks.

Additionally, the **Children, Parents, Teachers, and Staff of Haynes Head Start.**

Homebound Members

Dorothy Hughes Heather Hughes Marianne Jones Carolyn Kouri Eileen Leonard

Our Ongoing Prayer Concerns are listed in the March New Hope News.

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God of the Sparrow

C Em Am Dm G

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the

C F E7 Am Em F Em

swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy

Am Dm Gsus G C

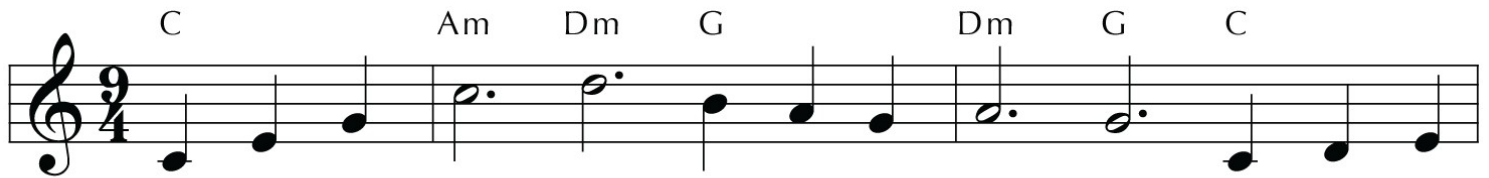
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How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

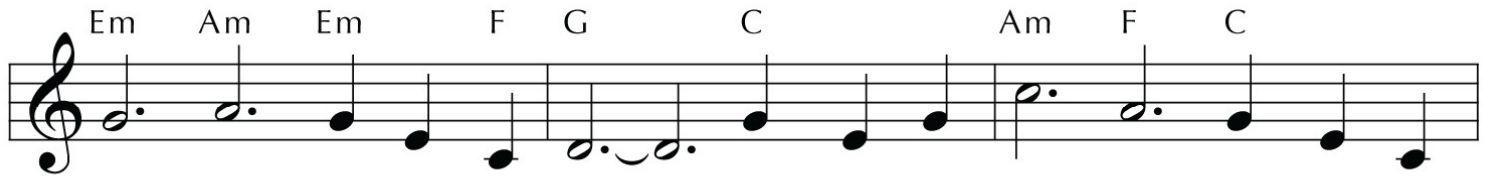
Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Morning Has Broken

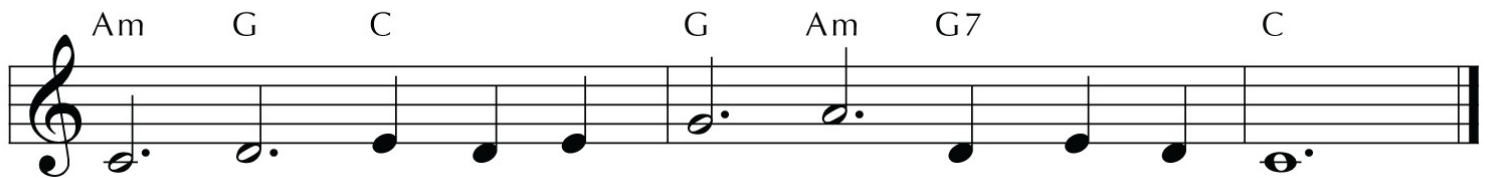
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1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

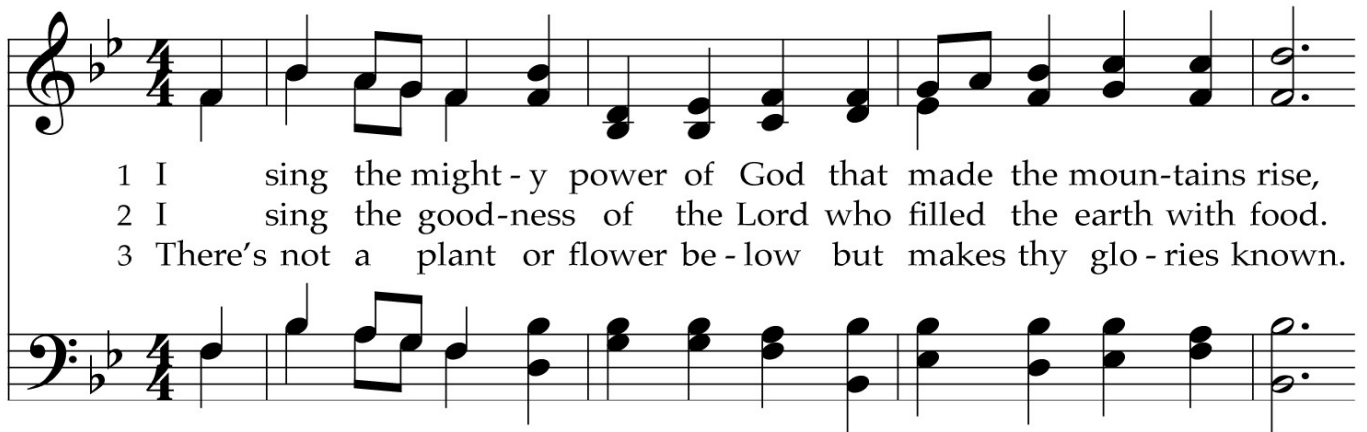


spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery

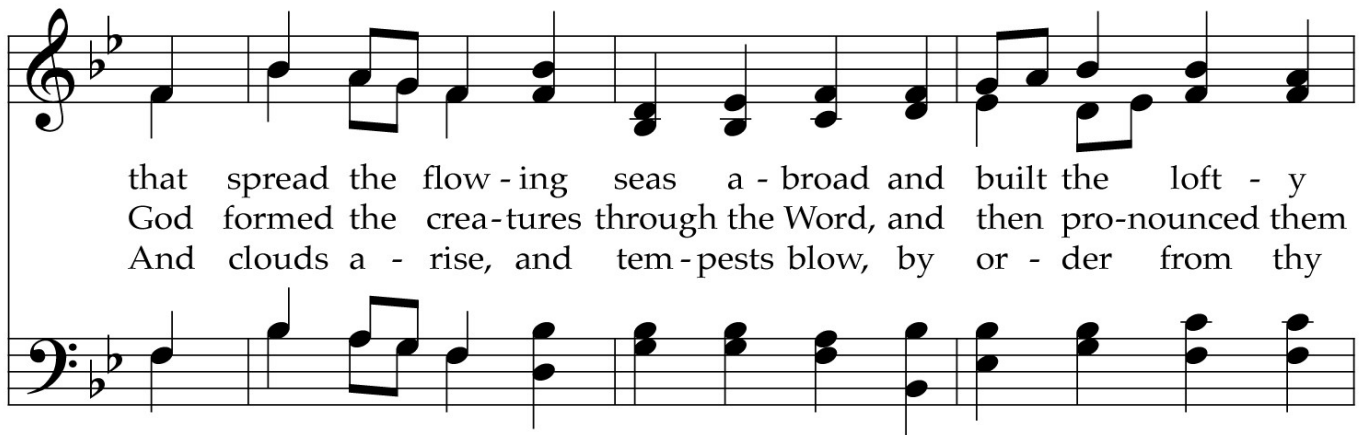


morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

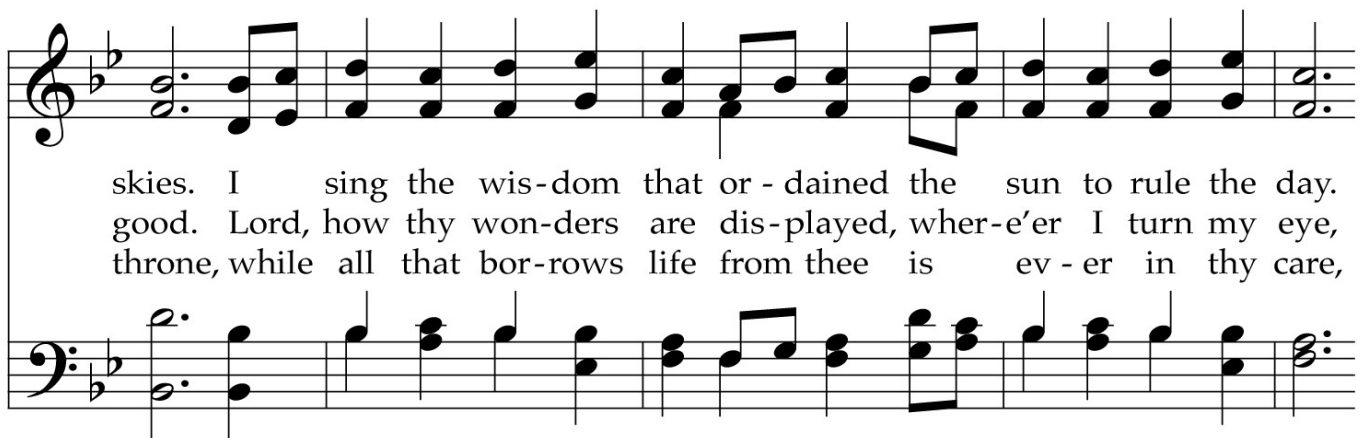
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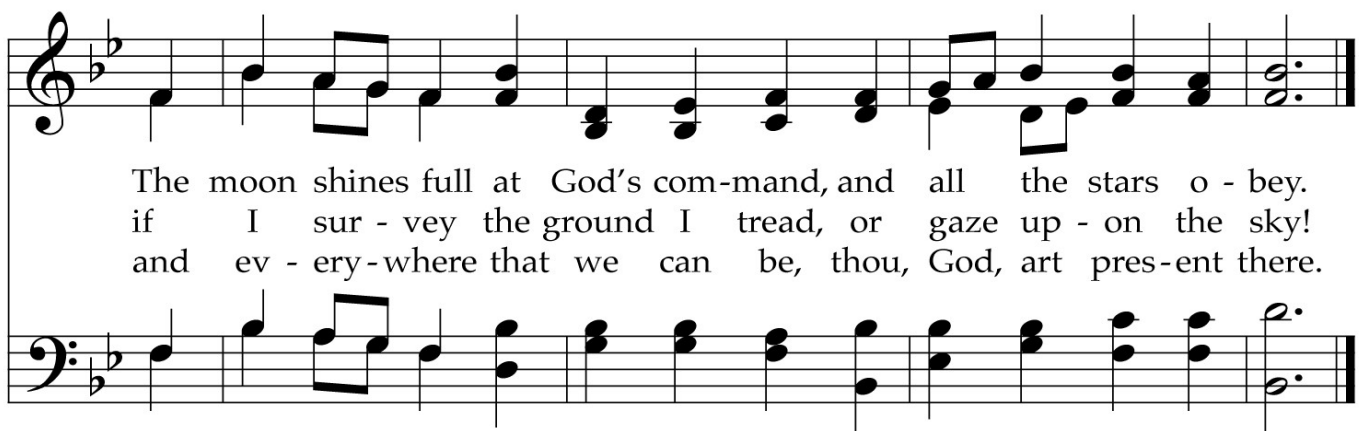
1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy



skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

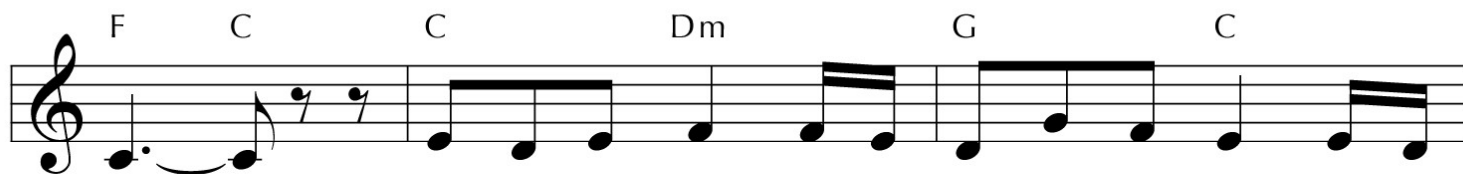
Great Are You, Lord

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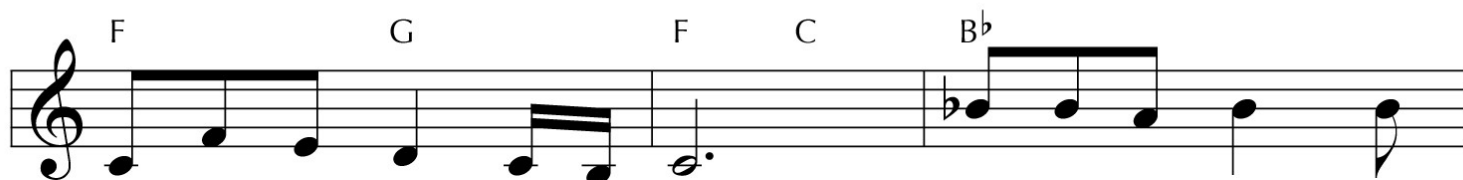
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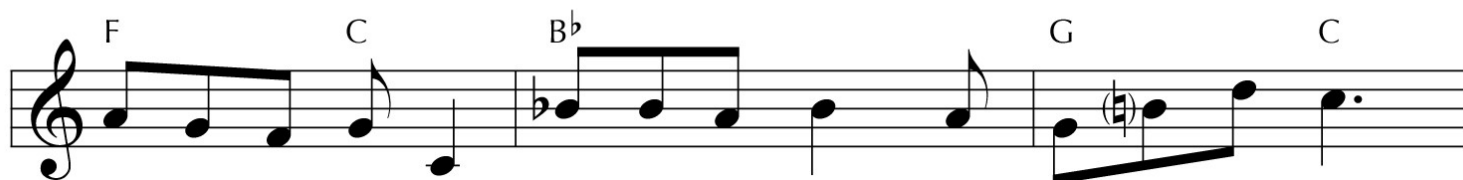
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mer - cy you prove you are love. Great are you, Lord, and



wor-thy of glo - ry! Great are you, Lord, and wor-thy of praise.



Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice:



great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

You Shall Go Out with Joy

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The Trees of the Field

Em B7 Em B7 Em

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

G C G D

the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be -

B N.C. Em B7 Em

fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the

B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em

trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

D7 N.C. G C G D

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;

D7 G D7 G

the trees of the field will clap their hands;

C G D

the trees of the field will clap their hands

B7 Em B7 Em

while you go out with joy.

*Clap hands.