



new hope
presbyterian church

Order of Worship

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friends, this is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRELUDE *Waltz in B-flat Major, Op 39 no. 8* by Johannes Brahms

INTROIT *Surely The Presence of The Lord is in this place* by Wolfe

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ said, "This is my commandment: Love one another."

**We come to worship the God who is love,
that we may learn to love one another.**

We are glad to be gathered here as one community.

**We give thanks that God has brought us together,
that we might refresh one another.**

Peace to all who gather here,

peace this day and every day.

Let us sing praise to God

and live in love and friendship. Amen.

HYMN **#308** **O God in Whom All Life Begins**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, through your Holy Spirit you created unity in the midst of diversity; We acknowledge that human diversity is an expression of your manifold love for your creation. We confess that in our brokenness as human beings we turn diversity into a source of alienation, injustice, oppression, and wounding. We confess that our weaknesses and insensitivities stand in the way of new life in our world and we confess that we are reluctant to leave behind our anxieties and fears in order to claim your promises. Call us, O God, out of emotional poverty into the richness of life lived in love. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSIONASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news:

We are always already loved! Thanks be to God!

^CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **#300 We Are One in the Spirit; verse 4**

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES Psalm 133

FROM THE CHRISTIAN LETTERS Acts 10:44-48

FROM THE GOSPELS John 15:9-17

SERMON "Community" Rev. Sue King

^HYMN **#749 Come! Live in the Light!**

^AFFIRMATION OF FAITH From portions of *A Declaration of Faith*

We affirm that the universe exists by the power of God's Word and Spirit. God has chosen to give it reality out of the love we have come to know in Christ. It is not our faith but God's grace in Jesus Christ that justifies us and reconciles us to God. Yet it is only by faith that we accept God's grace. In Christ, God's Word of acceptance takes flesh: by grace through faith we are set right with God, adopted as children of God, not because of anything we have done, but because of what Christ has done. The Spirit enabled people of all races, classes, and nations to accept the good news of what God had done in Christ, repent of their sins, and enter the community of faith. We testify that today

this same Holy Spirit makes us able to respond in faith to the gospel and leads us into the Christian community. God created human beings with a need for community and with freedom to enter into it by responding to their Maker with grateful obedience and to one another with love and helpfulness. We believe that we have been created to relate to God and each other in freedom and responsibility. We acknowledge that Christ chooses to be known in the world through this community of ordinary people, therefore we dare not despise or abandon the church whose doors are open to all God's children. Amen.

A TIME TO GIVE THANKS

OFFERTORY *Etude in D Major, Op 46 no. 8* by Stephen Heller

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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.
Mail your contribution to 1701 Enterprise, Wichita Falls, TX 76306.

^CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **#711 Lord of All Good; verse 1**

*Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
use them your holy purpose to fulfill,
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
that our whole life is offered to your will.*

SEALING THE WORD

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

CHORAL ANTHEM *How Beautiful* by Twila Paris

THE RETELLING OF OUR SALVATION STORY

SHARING IN THE SACRAMENT

Please come down the center aisle and return by the outer aisles.

It is our practice to receive the sacrament by intinction;
partially dipping the bread into the juice before consumption.

Gluten-free bread can be requested from your server.

COMMUNION PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Almighty God, in mystery and in faith, we have kept Jesus' command. In mystery and in faith, we have eaten his body and drunk the blood of the new covenant. In mystery and in faith, we have been raised to your presence and given a foretaste of the kingdom of heaven. Until we feast at

Christ's table in heaven we continue to pray as he taught us, saying: 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 #767 **Together We Serve**

^PEACE PRAYER

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, **let me sow love;**

where there is injury, **pardon;**

where there is doubt, **faith;**

where there is despair, **hope;**

where there is darkness, **light;**

and where there is sadness, **joy.**

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled **as to console;**

to be understood **as to understand;**

to be loved **as to love.**

For it is in giving **that we receive;**

it is in pardoning **that we are pardoned;**

and it is in dying **that we are born to eternal life. Amen**

^SENDING FORTH

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Peace I Leave with You* by Glandoff

CHARGE

^POSTLUDE

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

PREACHER

The Rev. Sue King

LITURGIST

Sue Henson

COLLABORATIVE PIANIST

Alyssa Ham

ELDERS SERVING AT THE LORD'S TABLE


Jay Cantrell, Pat Osoinach, Sally Osoinach,
and Joan Pruitt

DIRECTING THE CHOIR

Pat Osoinach

CAMERA AND SOUND OPERATOR

Warren King

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

Church Calendar May 5-12

Sunday, May 5	Choir practice at 9:30 a.m. Worship at 10 a.m. Fellowship time Christian Education Classes Worship and Music 3 p.m.
Monday, May 6	Office Closed
Tuesday, May 7	Building and Grounds 6:30 p.m. John Wiedemann’s Birthday
Wednesday, May 8	Office Closed Choir rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, May 12	Choir practice at 9:30 a.m. Worship at 10 a.m. Fellowship time Christian Education Classes

This Week's Prayer Requests

Thanksgiving

Susan Harvey's pathology report revealed no cancer and is at home recovering.

Intercession

Allyn Arnold has been admitted to the hospital, awaiting test results.

George Bonnett's eye continues to heal.

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

LaRae Collins seeks discernment for doctors and physical therapist

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.

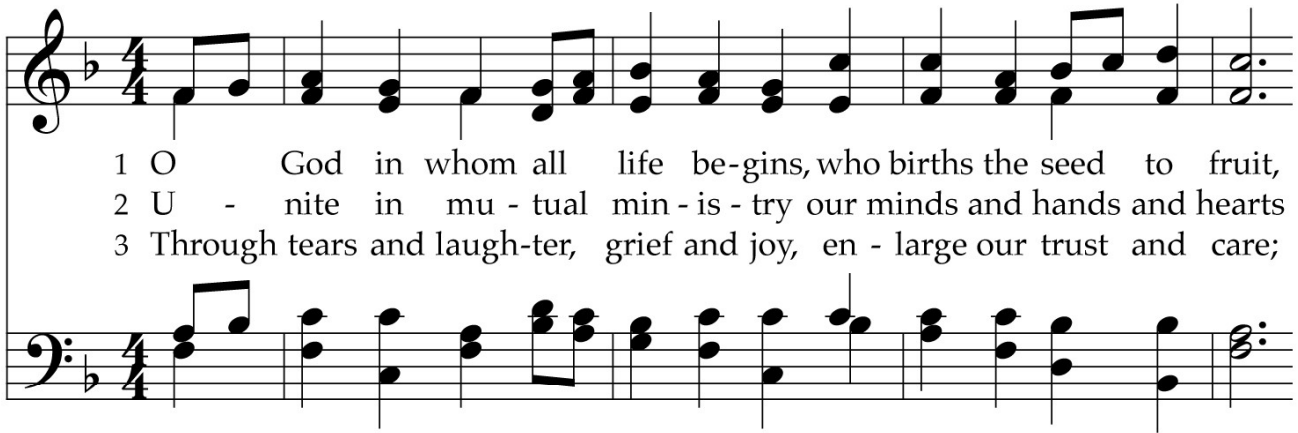
Additionally, the **Children, Parents, Teachers, and Staff of Haynes Head Start.**

Homebound Members

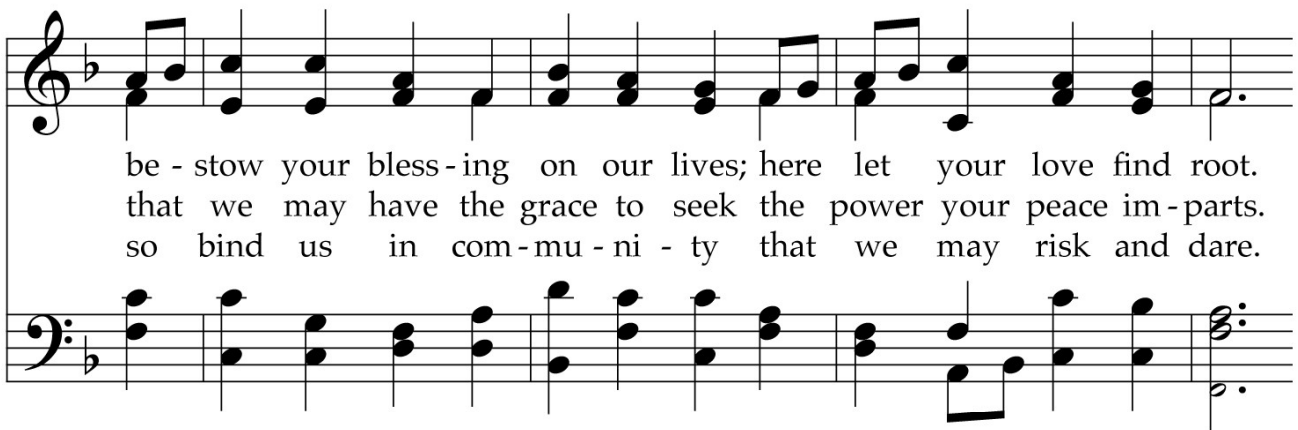
Dorothy Hughes Heather Hughes Marianne Jones Carolyn Kouri Eileen Leonard

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

O God in Whom All Life Begins 308




1 O God in whom all life be-gins, who births the seed to fruit,
2 U - nite in mu - tual min - is - try our minds and hands and hearts
3 Through tears and laugh-ter, grief and joy, en - large our trust and care;



be - stow your bless - ing on our lives; here let your love find root.
that we may have the grace to seek the power your peace im - parts.
so bind us in com - mu - ni - ty that we may risk and dare.



Bring forth in us the Spir - it's gifts of pa - tience, joy, and peace;
So let our var - ied gifts com - bine to glo - ri - fy your Name
Be with us when we gath - er here to wor - ship, sing, and pray;



de - liv - er us from numb - ing fear, and grant our faith in - crease.
that in all things by word and deed we may your love pro - claim.
then send us forth in power and faith to live the words we say.

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em)

(Bm)

(Em)

Fm

Cm

Fm



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am)

(Em)

B^bm

Fm



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am)

(Em)

B^bm

Fm



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain

(C)

(Em)

D^b

Fm



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our

(Am)

(Em)

(Am)

(Bm)

(Em)

(Am/E) (Em)

B^bm

Fm

B^bm

Cm

Fm

B^bm/F Fm



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

Come! Live in the Light!

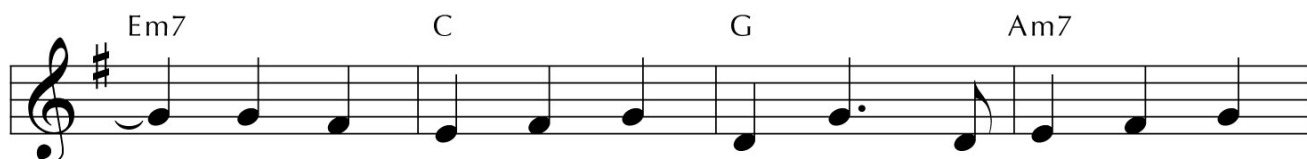
We Are Called



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that



joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

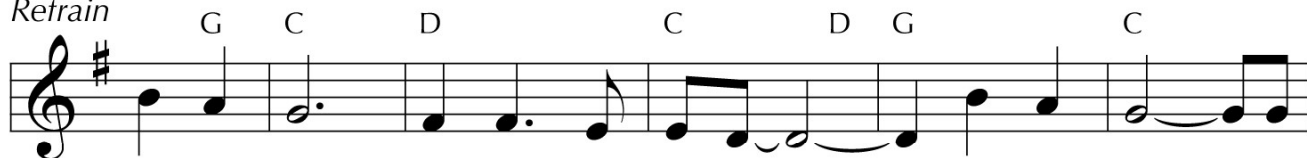


to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and



free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain



We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
 2 We give our minds to un - der - stand your ways;
 3 Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;

use them your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill,
 hands, eyes, and voice to serve your great de - sign;
 Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;

to - kens of love and pledg - es brought a - new,
 heart with the flame of your own love a - blaze,
 Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:

that our whole life is of - fered to your will.
 till for your glo - ry all our powers com - bine.
 to you with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.

Together We Serve

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Capo 3: (G)

(D)

(Em)

(Bm7)

B \flat

F

Gm

Dm7



1 To - geth - er we serve, u - nit - ed by love,
 2 We seek to be - come a bea - con of hope,
 3 We wel - come the scarred, the wealth - y, the poor,
 4 To - geth - er, by grace, we wit - ness and work,

(C)

(G)

(Am7)

(Dsus) (D)

E \flat

B \flat

Cm7

Fsus

F



in - vit - ing God's world to the glo - ri - ous feast.
 a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.
 the bus - y, the lone - ly, and all who need care.
 re - mem - ber - ing Je - sus, in whom we grow strong.

(G)

(D)

(C)

(Bm)

B \flat

F

E \flat

Dm



We work and we pray through sor - row and joy,
 We learn, year by year, to let love shine through
 We of - fer a home to those who will come,
 To - geth - er we serve in Spir - it and truth,

(G) (C)

(G)

(Am)

(D7)

(G)

B \flat

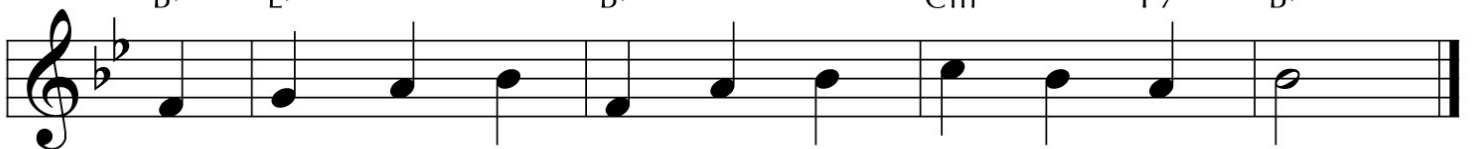
E \flat

B \flat

Cm

F7

B \flat



ex - tend - ing God's love to the last and the least.
 un - til we see Christ in each per - son we meet.
 our hands quick to help, our hearts read - y to dare.
 re - mem - ber - ing love is the strength of our song.