

A Way in the Wilderness



Wayne Presbyterian Church

Sharing the Ministry of Jesus Christ through Worship, Education and Mission



November 21, 2021

Welcome! What to expect in worship

Thank you for joining us at Wayne Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here. Worship is an opportunity to encounter God's grace. We receive grace in hearing God's Word, sacraments, music, liturgy, and in our relationships with each other. Grace also frees us from anxiety and perfectionism. Sing the wrong line of the hymn? Forget the name of the person next to you? Your child hollers during the prayers? Worry not. Here, grace abounds! Grace is God's free gift of love that sets us free, and we hope that you will feel the freedom of Christ in this service.



Liturgy

Liturgy literally means "the work of the people." We think worship should be interactive. It is designed to engage the whole person—heart, mind, soul, and body. Therefore, we sing, speak, stand, sit, eat, watch, think, and sit in silence. If worship is a performance, it is the church's performance for God. Each week we do our best to make sure that God is praised using everything we have.



Prayer

Our lives are full of lament and celebration. We therefore come to God with honesty recognizing that God wants to hear our deepest pain and most pressing questions, and loves to see the Church joyfully celebrate God's great gifts.



Offering

We give tithes and offerings as a response to God's grace in our lives. Knowing that all good blessings come from God, the offering is an opportunity to joyfully spread that blessing throughout the world. Guests are not expected or obligated to give.



Communion

Christ is the host of the communion feast. Everyone who is searching to know Christ is welcome at the table.



Childcare

We love children. As a child-cherishing church, we provide a variety of educational opportunities for children. They are welcome in the worship service or in Sunday school. We also have a lovely nursery staffed by professional childcare workers if you need a break.



Masks

With the increased rate of cases of the Delta variant, we are asking all congregants to mask while in the building for worship or other meetings.

today | christian education

CHILDREN THROUGH GRADE 5

9:00 am

Children's Program - 204

10:30 am

Children's Sunday School - Davidson Hall

Childcare available in the nursery at all services

YOUTH GRADES 6 - 12

9:00 am

Confirmation Class - 208, 209

10:30 am

MS / HS Sunday School - 208, 209

6:00 pm

Youth Group - 208, 209

ADULT ED

9:00 am

Bible Study w/ Joe Modica - Knox Rm.

5:30 pm

Companions in the Wilderness w/Rev. Katy Shevel - Fireside Rm.

this week

WEDNESDAY - WORD BEFORE WORK

(BI WEEKLY) - 6:45a - Fireside & Zoom - 6:45a /

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 9:30a - Fireside & Zoom

WEDNESDAY PSAD GROUP - 6:45 PM - Zoom

A support group for parents of adolescents and teens challenged by anxiety and depression (Parent Support for Anxiety & Depression - PSAD).

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS CONTEMPLATIVE

PRAYER TIME - 7:00-8:00PM VIA ZOOM

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7:00a

- Fireside & Zoom - David Bronkema, Ph. D.; Associate Professor of International Development; Templeton Chair for Christian Service through Entrepreneurship; Eastern University **NONE THANKSGIVING DAY,**

THURSDAY MOMS (Ministry of Motherhood)

GROUP - 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Bi-weekly. Join us and enjoy great fellowship with other parents in the Fireside or via Zoom.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, November 21, 2021 - 9:00 & 10:30 am

Christ the King Sunday

Please silence electronic devices during worship.
+This sign is an indication to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Alleluia Fanfare

Nocturne

SELAH BELL CHOIR

Fred Gramann
Chopin, arr. Robin Benton

Introit

Ye That Stand in the House of the Lord

CHANCEL CHOIR

Nelhybel

Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 93)

The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength. He has established the world; it shall never be moved;

Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting.

More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord!

Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore.

Come and worship the king!

Come, let us worship God!

+ Hymn 268 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

+ Prayer of Confession *(responsively)*

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule.

Forgive us, Lord.

We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love.

Forgive us, Lord.

We have been slow to respond in faith, and have not lived with the hope that You will never fail throughout eternity.

Forgive us, Lord.

Rule in us, that our lives would conform to your gracious will.

Amen.

+ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+ Gloria Patri (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

+ Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into

heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

----- Seating Interval -----

Anthem

Above All Praise

Felix Mendelssohn

QUARTET

Above all praise and majesty, Lord Thou reignest forevermore, Hallelujah.

Baptism 10:30 AM

Monroe Elizabeth Mabe, daughter of Matt & Megan Mabe

First Scripture Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer Concerns and Choral Orison

Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord

Mendelssohn

CHANCEL CHOIR

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *(in unison)*

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 336 *We Gather Together*

KREMSER

Announcements and Offering

Giving by text is an easy way to give. Simply text the word GIVE (not case sensitive) to our church's Giving Number (610 819 4483). If it's your first time, you'll be prompted to register before completing your gift. If you've given before, you can give immediately without having to re-enter any of your information.

Minute for Mission - WPC Book Club

Tim Pretz

Musical Offertory

The Last Words of David

Randall Thompson

CHANCEL CHOIR

He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God. And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. Alleluia. Amen.

+ Doxology (Hymn 606) and Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Second Scripture Reading: John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

My Kingdom is not from this world

CASEY THOMPSON

+ Hymn 643 Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

+ Benediction and Choral Response

May God Support You All Your Days

CHANCEL CHOIR

Bristol, Jr.

Postlude

Nun Danket Alle Gott

TIM EVERS, ORGAN

Egil Hovland

LITURGISTS

Katy Shevel

FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers today are given to the Glory of God .

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- ◆ We extend Christian sympathy to Betty Ogren and family on the death of Bill on November 16. Arrangements are pending.
- ◆ WPC Mission Partner of the week: Sherwood Soup Kitchen: The Center offers daycare for infants through 5-yr-olds, summer day camp, and a soup kitchen. During Covid the hunger ministry hands out pre-prepared food.
- ◆ PC(USA) Mission Partner of the Week: Karla Ann Koll serves as a professor of history, mission and religion at the Latin American Biblical University (UBL), an ecumenical university located in San Jose, Costa Rica. UBL's focus is on contextualized learning, which helps students affirm God's desire for fullness of life for all.

TOWH HALL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TODAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 at 11:45 AM - CHAPEL

Please join us today for a hybrid town hall meeting to ask any questions you may have regarding the upcoming pastoral transition in advance of the congregational meeting on December 12 after the 10:30 AM worship service. In order to properly plan for the town hall event, we ask that you register in advance using the Town Hall Meeting link on the WPC website at www.waynepres.org. Registrants will receive a confirmation email including a Zoom link. While we encourage participants to join us in person, you may attend via Zoom. Registration is not mandatory but will help us prepare appropriately. If you cannot attend the town hall event, please feel free to send questions to Frone Crawford, Clerk of Session, at fcrawford@fcrawfordlaw.com or any other members of Session.

2022 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE

The 2022 Stewardship Campaign is underway and **as of November 12**, \$894,000 in pledges have been received from 183 church members, an increase in total pledges of \$113,000 (43%) since Dedication Sunday on November 7 and representing about 62% of last year's participation rate. It should be noted that on Dedication Sunday, 54 EOGs were received from members representing almost \$390,000 and approximately 43% of the total amounts pledged to date. We thank you and are grateful for this commitment to Wayne Presbyterian Church. For those who have not yet done so, we encourage and ask you to please return your Estimate of Giving to the church office as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can contact Ruth Wisniewski at the church office by phone (610-688-8700) or by email ruthw@waynepres.org to indicate your Estimate of Giving. Giving envelopes are in the Connector for you to pick up today.

upcoming events

COMPANIONS IN THE WILDERNESS ADULT ED CLASS - SUNDAY EVENINGS

5:30-6:30 PM IN THE FIRESIDE RM. & VIA ZOOM

For seven consecutive Sunday evenings, Rev. Katy will introduce us to fellow companions of faith who found God with them in unexpected ways. This Sunday, Nov. 21st, we will continue our discussion of the Desert Mothers, a radically courageous group of Christian monastics of the 4th and 5th centuries. The Desert Mothers (or Ammas) left the material comforts of society behind and started new lives in the isolated desert. Even if you missed class last week, jump right in with us this week and learn about these brave women! Coffee and tea will be served in the Fireside Room. It's not too late to register online to be added to Katy's email list!

THANKSGIVING BASKETS FOR SOUTHWEST

As has been our tradition for at least the last 10 years, we are once again going to collect funds to support vulnerable citizens with Thanksgiving meals. Baskets will be distributed by Southwest CDC. For \$40, you can support a family in SW Philadelphia with a turkey and all the extras. Please send a check to the church with Thanksgiving in the memo line or give online at the website under Giving and choose Thanksgiving in the fund drop-down box.

DEACON FOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT GREAT VALLEY FOOD CUPBOARD

The food cupboard's current needs are: beef, chicken or veggie broths, oil, beef stew, cookies, crackers, shelf safe milk, and nuts. Your donations may be put in the food box in the Connector on Sundays or you may leave your donations in labelled boxes in the vestibule between the double doors coming in from the N. Wayne parking lot. The Deacons thank you for your support and generosity.

WPC IS HOSTING A BLOOD DRIVE ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22 FROM 1:30-6:30 PM

Please sign up at redcrossblood.org Sponsor-waynepres or on our church website. If you can't donate....you can still help by spreading the word through your networks and community. Thank you for your support of this important mission project!

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR / FAITH IN ACTION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27 AT OUTLEY HOUSE IN SW PHILLY

Anyone 12 or older (must have adult supervision) are welcome to come help. We will be preparing and serving lunch at the Outley House **beginning at 9:00 a.m.** (finishing by 1:00 p.m). Masks are required (plexiglass screen has been installed on the serving line!). Call Carmela Curatola with any questions at 484-463-7416. The next opportunity to serve will be Saturday, January 1, 2022.

BE A CHRISTMAS ANGEL!

You can be a Christmas Angel by providing a holiday meal and small gifts for one of our mission families. Please visit our table in the Connector in between service s through 12/12 or go to the website and search "Christmas Angels" to see our list of families.

WINGS Christmas Tea



Join us Thursday,
December 2
From 9:30 AM to
11:30 AM
in the Chapel.



Please bring in a canned good or a shelf good item for the Sherwood Soup Kitchen food pantry as a Mission contribution.

Registration closes on December 1.

Any questions, please call Robin Herbert:
RobinE225@hotmail.com or 267-474-7173



A Family Advent Celebration

Sunday, December 5
11:30am-1:00pm

Come and join the fun and fellowship.

Light lunch, carol singing and a buffet of Christmas ornaments to make!

Reservations required:

Contact Mrs. M. kelli@waynepres.org





Music Transforms

presents

Romantic Virtuosi

International Students from the Violin Studio of
Professor Eduard Schmieder, Temple University

Sunday, November 21, 2021
4:00 pm

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125 E. Lancaster Ave., Wayne, PA 19087
610-688-8700 / www.waynepres.org



preaching schedule

November 28	Katy Shevel
<i>(Communion Sunday)</i>	
December 5	Casey Thompson
December 12	Casey Thompson

coffee hour

Join us for a time of fellowship and coffee in between worship services. Meet us in the Connector at 10 am every Sunday morning!

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- Clerk of Session, Frone Crawford, fcrawford@fcrawfordlaw.com

Crown Him with Many Crowns 268

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;

hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

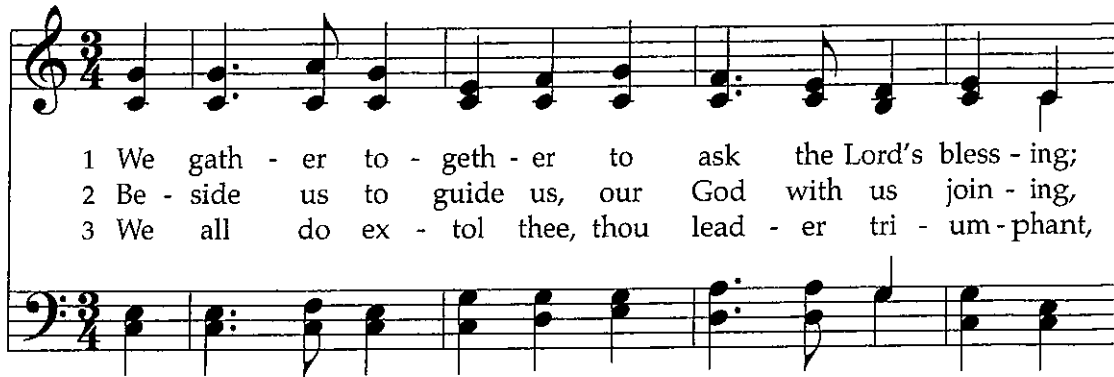
A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down-ward bends his burn-ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra-grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.

We Gather Together

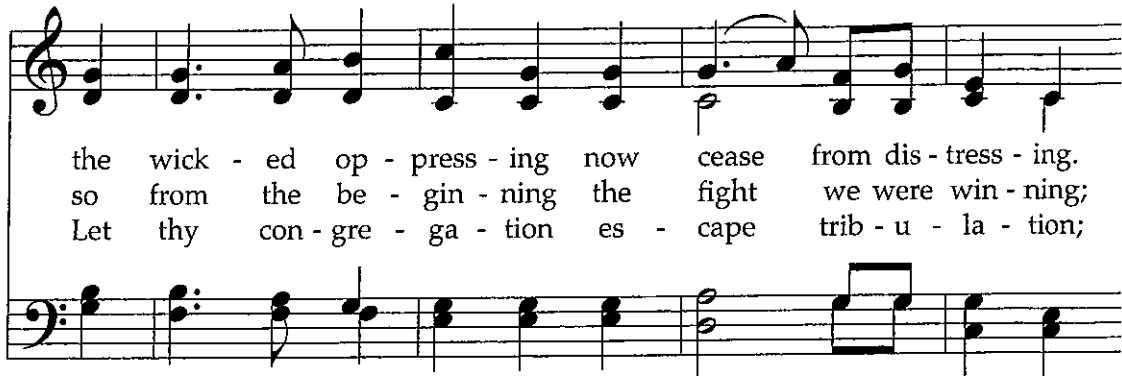
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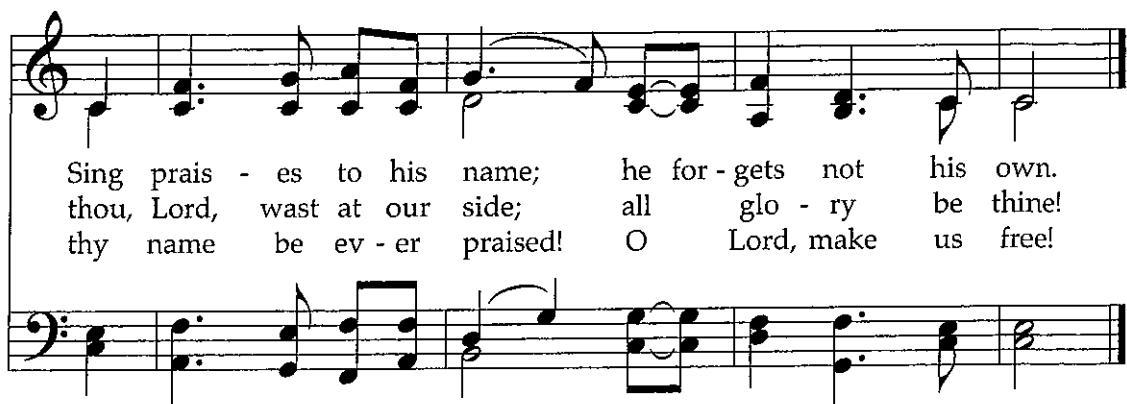
1 We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
 2 Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
 3 We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,



he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;
 or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
 and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.



the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing.
 so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;
 Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion;



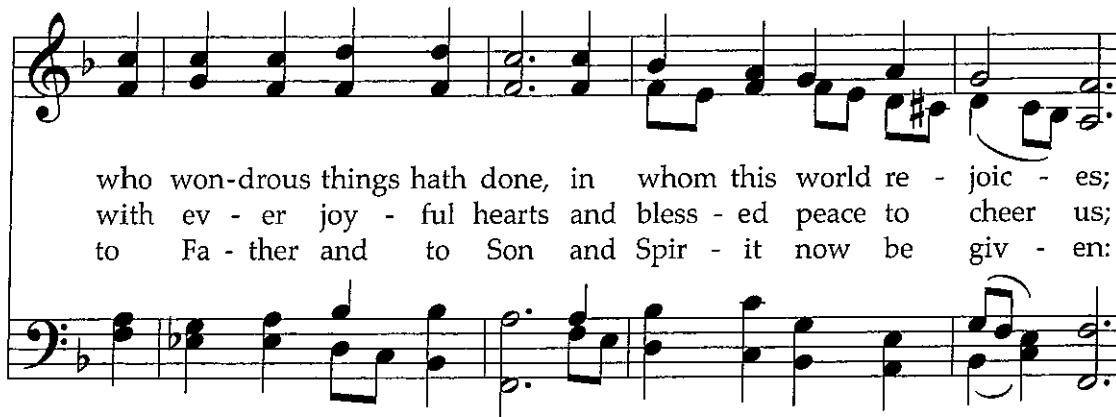
Sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
 thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glo - ry be thine!
 thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

First published among songs celebrating the end of Spanish control of the Netherlands, this text's blend of patriotism and piety has made it popular at (often ecumenical) Thanksgiving Day services. The tune is named for the Viennese arranger whose male chorus popularized it.

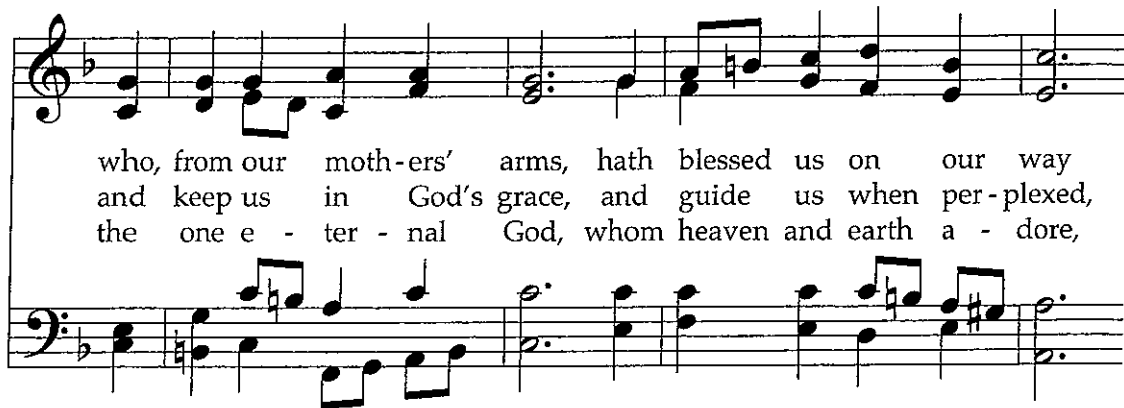
643 Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voic - es,
2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in high - est heav - en,



who won - drous things hath done, in whom this world re - joic - es;
with ev - er joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;
to Fa - ther and to Son and Spir - it now be giv - en:



who, from our moth - ers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
the one e - ter - nal God, whom heaven and earth a - dore,



with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
the God who was, and is, and shall be ev - er - more.

Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.