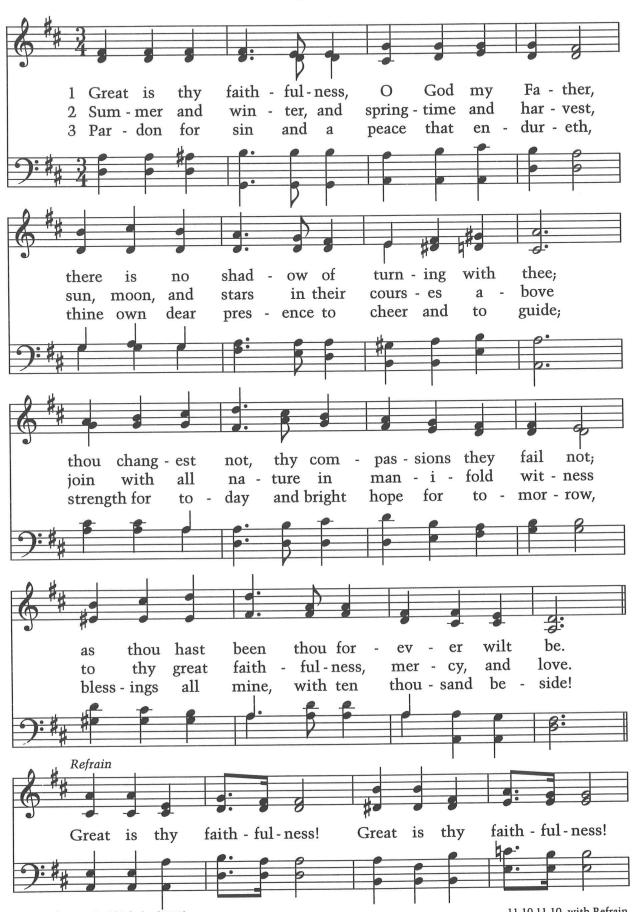


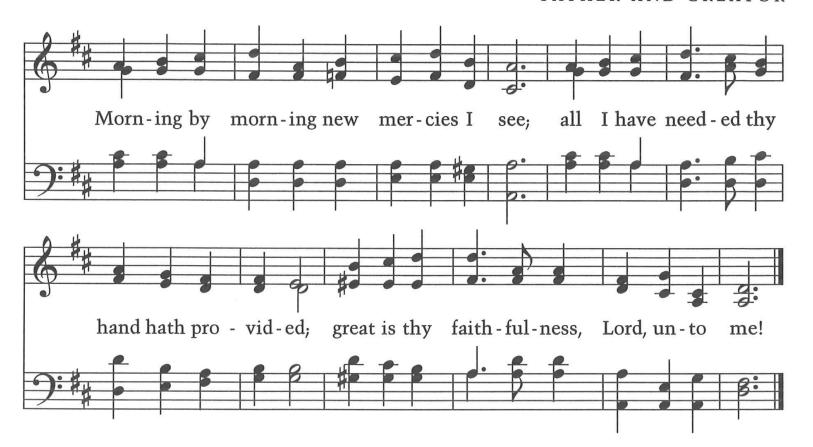
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Great Is Thy Faithfulness



TEXT: Thomas O. Chisholm (1923) TUNE: William M. Runyan (1923) 11.10.11.10. with Refrain FAITHFULNESS



CHRISTIAN UNITY

(Standing)

Almighty God, you are the one who called this universe into being. Out of nothing you created everything that is.

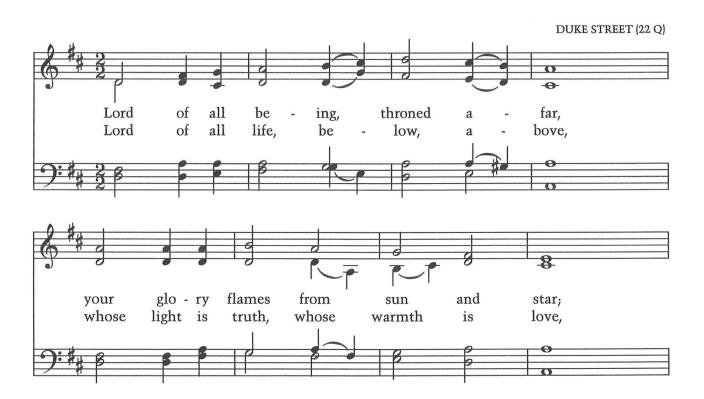
By your power you hold together all space and time and substance.

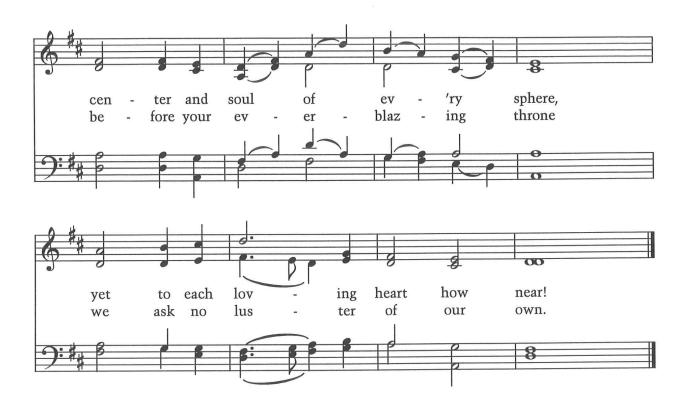
By your hand alone, Creator God, the inanimate elements became alive so that we could live and move and have our being.

We celebrate life, the precious life you have given us, and we celebrate that unity of mind and emotions, of body and soul, that you want us to enjoy and share with each other.

We rejoice in the centrality of Jesus Christ in all your works, for he was with you from the very beginning, and is supreme over all creation.

We praise you that Christ is before all things, and that in him all things hold together, especially our very fragile, vulnerable, and often broken lives.





(Kneeling or sitting)

We know that we will remain less than the whole persons you have called us to be in Christ Jesus until we acknowledge our sins to you, and so we bow before you and pray:

Almighty God, we confess that we have tried to run away and hide from you. We constantly deceive ourselves into thinking that we can live without you. We have made idols of our own achievements. We have treated other persons as though they did not bear your image. We have failed to enfold and include all persons within the outstretched and open arms of Jesus Christ, our Savior. And we have left undone those deeds of lovingkindness and godly justice that you want us to pursue in your name. Bring your Spirit upon us in a gracious, healing way. Make us agents of reconciliation as we live within your holy presence. Amen.

(Sitting)



We thank you, gracious God, for establishing the church as a single body of interdependent members, each having a place and purpose.

We know that we need each other and are called to appreciate the great variety of gifts you have given us to use.

Help us to rejoice with those who are feeling joy and delight.

Help us to sing with those who are singing your love and praise.

Help us to taste the agony of those who are hurting.

Help us to share the burden of those who are in distress.

Take away jealousy and resentment from our hearts when we see others achieving success.

Fill us with that spirit of unity in Christ that lets us see and feel and know that we all belong to you through the grace we have received.

Teach us to know and love the world-wide church called out of all peoples and nations. Make visible the unity that you desire as we express a spirit of reconciliation in all our relationships. Show us that we are part of the one and only body of Jesus Christ, unified by faith, scattered for witness and service. Lead us to appreciate the richness of our diversity and your creative power at work in our various traditions and customs. Make us all one with you by the inspiration and guidance of your Spirit.

Lead us into lives worthy of our calling in Christ, with all lowliness, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another in love, and eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. We pray for this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(The liturgist may use one or more of the following or other expressions of worship from our own and other traditions to convey our sense of unity in Christ.)

Let us sing a new hymn.

(As the liturgist directs.)

Let us pause in silence and wait upon God.

Let us stand and greet each other with the right hand of fellowship and say, "The peace of God be with you."

Let us make prayer requests for ourselves and others.

(To be included in a prayer of intercession by the liturgist.)

Let us hear the watchword for the day and reflect upon it.

Let us lift our hands in a prayer of praise.

(The liturgist offers prayer.)

Let us pray together for the grace that we need, saying:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Dear God, as we your people gather in every time and place around this wondrous earth, may we be strengthened by our awareness of one another and united by our mutual prayers.

Hear us and help us all, we pray.

Jesus Calls Us

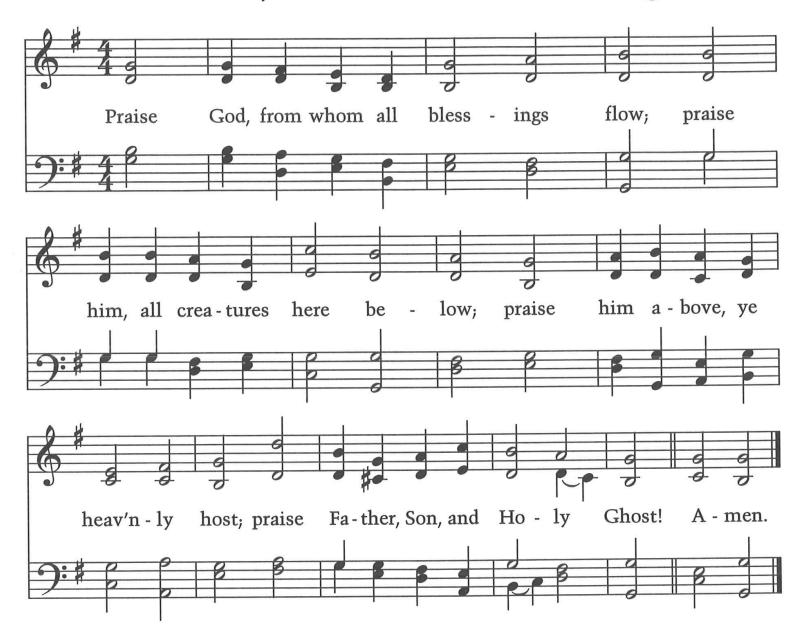
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5 Jesus calls us; by your mercies, Savior, may we hear your call, give our hearts to your obedience, serve and love you best of all.

TEXT: Cecil Frances Alexander (1852) TUNE: William Herbert Jude (1887)

817 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



TEXT: Thomas Ken (1695), alt. (1709)

TUNE: Genevan Psalter (1551), original form

L.M. OLD HUNDREDTH (22 E)



TEXT: David M. Henkelmann (b. 1932) TUNE: David M. Henkelmann (b. 1932)

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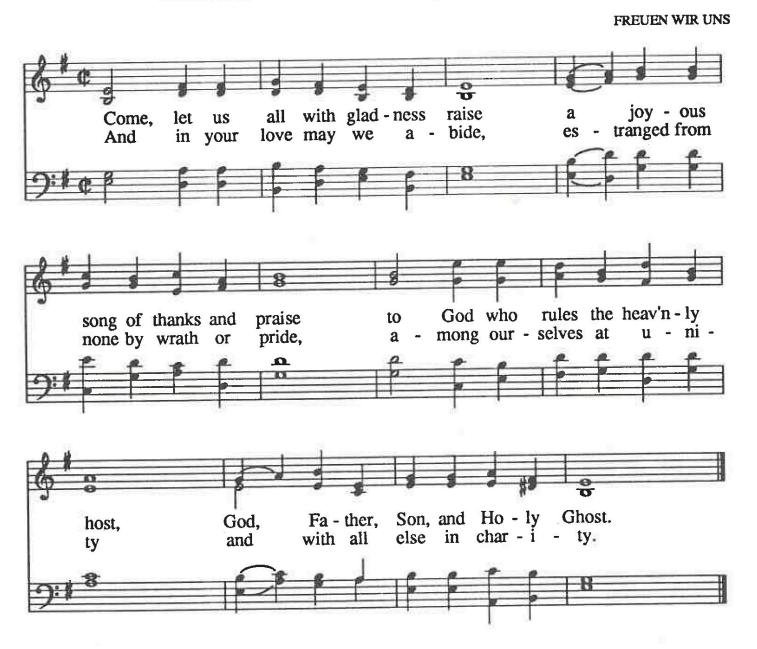
In Celebration of Unity and Renewal

(An ordained minister presides and consecrates the elements.)

Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

(Standing. The congregation gives the right hand of fellowship, signifying oneness in Christ and the desire to be at peace with one another.)



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(The Lord's Prayer may be used as a conclusion to this prayer.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

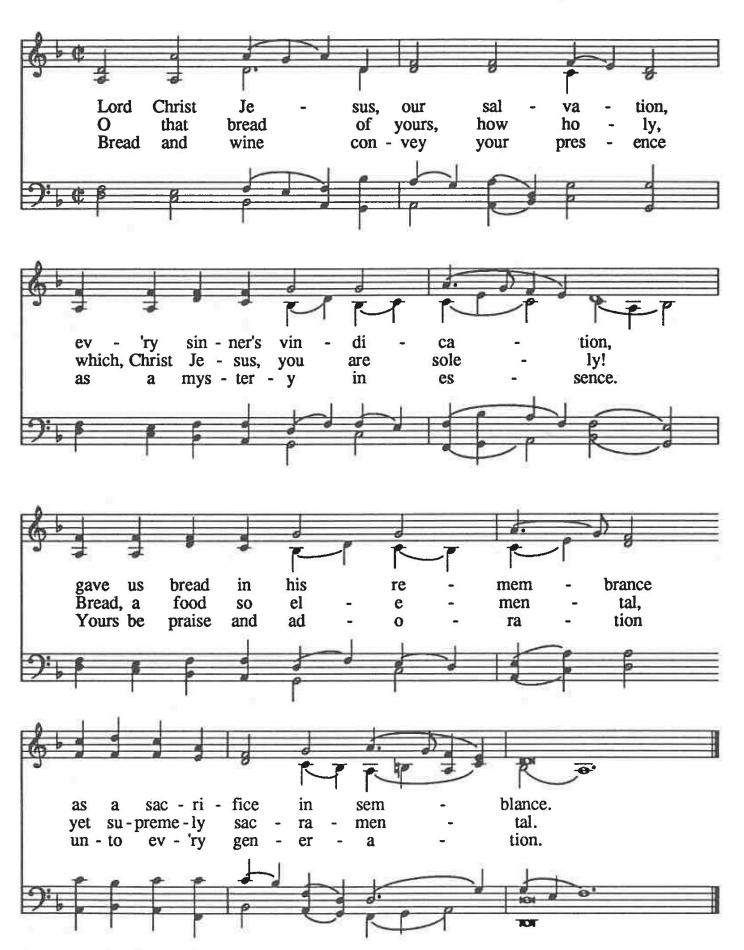
(Sitting. As the bread is served, the communicants stand to receive it.)





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(When the bread has been served, the communicants stand.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. (All partake together.)

SILENT PRAYER

By your divine presence,

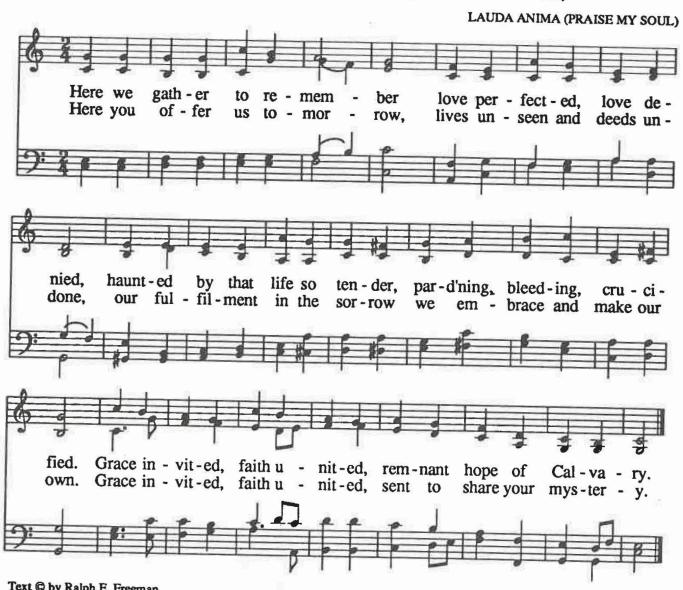
By the holy sacraments,

By all the merits of your life, sufferings, death, and resurrection,

Bless and comfort us, gracious Lord and God. Amen.

In the same way, after supper our Lord Jesus Christ took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sin. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(Sitting. As the cup is served, the communicants stand to receive it.)











Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Drink from this, all of you. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(All partake together.)

SILENT PRAYER

Christ, the Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Grant to us your peace. Amen.

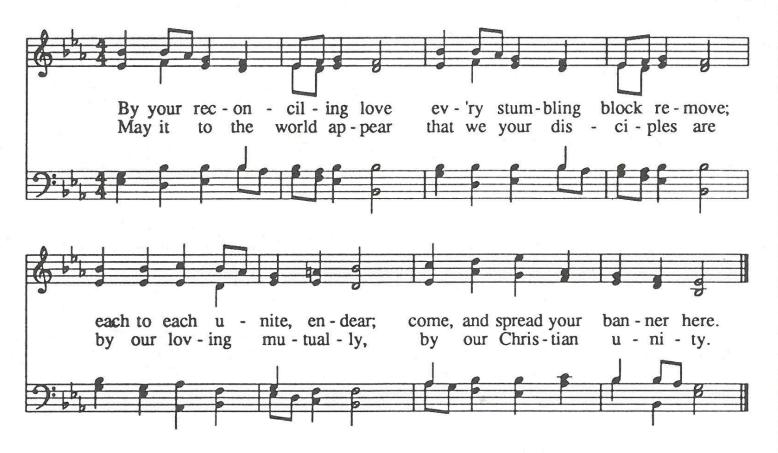


Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death,

Until he comes.

(The congregation gives the right hand of fellowship, signifying renewed dedication and unity of purpose in the service of Christ.)

HERRNHUT (11 A)

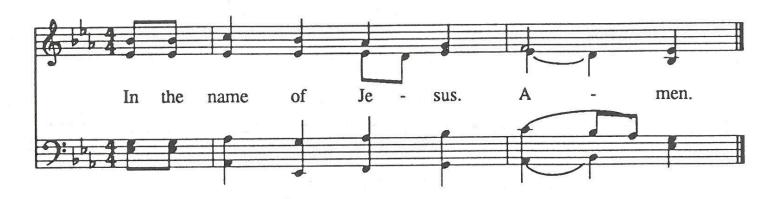


The Lord bless you and keep you;

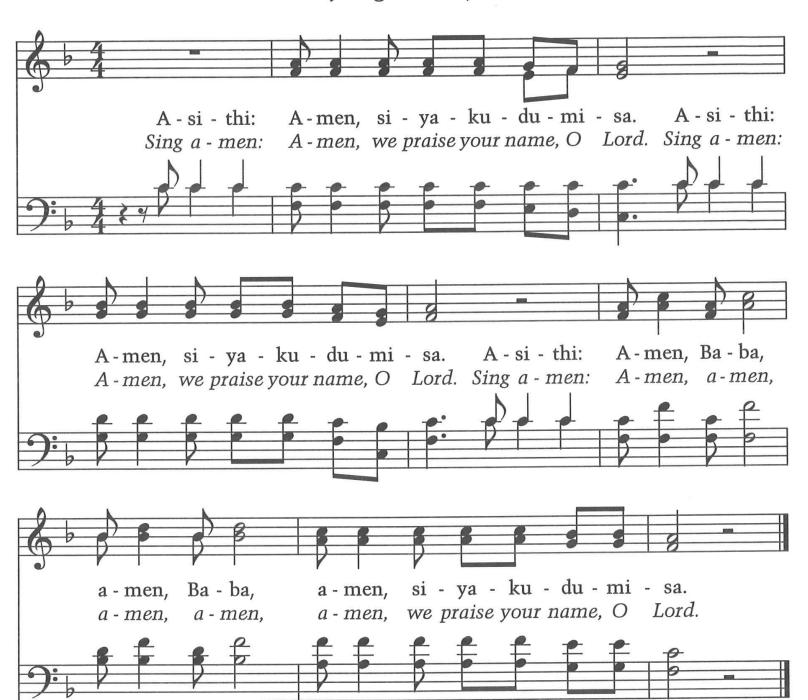
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace;

(539 B)



Asithi: Amen (Sing Amen)



TEXT: South African hymn

TUNE: S. C. Molefe. From the Lumko Song Book. Arr. Dave Dargie