



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 1, 2026

Preparation For Worship

*So some have come who need your help and some have come to make amends,
as hands which shaped and saved the world are present in the touch of friends.
Lord, let your Spirit meet us here to mend the body, mind, and soul,
to disentangle peace from pain, and make your broken people whole.*

- John Bell, Hymn 797

Voluntary

Wondrous Love: Variations for Organ

Daniel Pinkham
(1923-2006)

Greeting

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Introit

Adoro Te Devote (excerpt)

arr. Stephen Caracciolo

*Adoro te devote, latens Deitas,
Quae sub his figuris verelatitas;
Tibi se cor meum totum subjicit,
Quia te contemplans totum deficit.*

*Visus, tactus, gustus in te fallitur.
Sed auditu solo tuto creditur
Credo quidquid dixit Filius:
Nil hoc verbo veritatis verius.*

I devoutly adore you, hidden deity,
Who are truly hidden beneath these appearances.
My whole heart submits to You,
Because in contemplating You, it is fully deficient.

Not to sight, or taste, or touch be credit
Hearing only do we trust secure;
I believe, for God the Son has said it:
Word of truth that ever shall endure.

Thomas Aquinas (~1264)

✦ Opening Sentences

✦ Hymn 393 [\(see page 11\)](#)

O Day of Rest and Gladness

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✦ Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
 your giving is without end;
 but we struggle to receive all that you offer.
 We misuse your gifts,
 ignoring your intents,
 and refusing your abundance.
 We hoard what you would have us share,
 and we throw away what you would have us keep.
 Forgive us and help us discern your priorities.
 Govern our hearts with your spirit,
 so that we can live into the fullness of the gospel,
 and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

silent prayer

✦ Response

Justin Langham

Lord, Je - sus Christ, ___ Lamb of God, ___ Have mer-cy on
 us. ___ Lord Je - sus Christ, ___ Lamb of God, ___ Have mer-cy on us.

✦ Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the Good News. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

✦ Response

John Weaver

Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the
 Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be - gin-ning, is
 now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

✦ The Peace

Peace be with you. **Peace be with all.**

Signs of peace and reconciliation may be exchanged.

Conversation with Children

Infants - Age 4 may go to the Nursery in Room 106.

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

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Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!****Anthem***Gracious Spirit, Dwell in Me*K. Lee Scott
(b. 1950)

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me,
I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see,
I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal,
Thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek,
For Christ, my Savior, speak.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me,
I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly,
Make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would
And cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be
Give him who gave me thee.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me,
I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see,
I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear,
Thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly,
Speak Christ's sincerity.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me,
I would mighty be;
Help me now thy power to see,
I would be like thee;
'Gainst weapons hell can wield,
Be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord,
Thine the victory.

Verses 1-3 Thomas T. Lynch (1818-1871)
Verse 4 by K. L. S.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

N.T. pg. 3

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!****Sermon**

The Temptations

John W. Wurster

silence and stillness✠ **Hymn 166** ([see page 12](#))*Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days*

ST. FLAVIAN

Mission Update

Christian Community Service Center

Offering*Gifts may be given any time at saintphilip.net***Offertory***Wondrous Love*Louie L. White
(1921-1979)**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper****Invitation to the Lord's Table**

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
let those who have no money come and eat.
**God will satisfy our souls with a rich feast,
and we will bless the Lord as long as we live.**

Isa. 55:1; Ps. 63:4-5

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
 Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O God, Creator of our wilderness world,
 O God, Savior of the lost,
 O God, Comforter of the sick and suffering,
 we give you thanks for your everlasting might;
 we glorify you for your covenant of mercy.
 For forty days you cleansed the earth with the waters of the flood.

We praise you, O God.

For forty days you illumined Moses with the words of your law.

We praise you, O God.

For forty years you fed your people with manna from heaven.

We praise you, O God.

You became truly human in Jesus our brother.

For forty days, with fasting and prayer,
 he renounced the power of the devil.

We extol his life. **Amen.**

We lament his death. **Amen.**

We celebrate his resurrection. **Amen.**

Transform us, O God, with your lively Spirit.

Make this food into manna for our journey,
 the body and blood of your Son.

Save us, O God.

Grant us with the Ninevites forty days of repentance.

Save us, O God.

Teach us your words of wisdom and justice.

Save us, O God.

Renew the whole earth with baptismal grace.

Save us, O God.

At the last, lead all your pilgrim people
 through our deserts to your Easter garden.

To you, O God, Creator, Savior, Comforter,
 be our worship and praise, adoration and thanksgiving,
 now and forever. **Amen.**

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.**

The Breaking of Bread and the Sharing of God's Gifts

Communion Music

Blute nur, du liebes Herz!
From *St. Matthew Passion*, BWV 244

Johannes S. Bach
(1685-1750)

<i>Blute nur, du liebes Herz!</i>	Bleed out, you loving heart!
<i>Ach! Ein Kind, das du erzogen,</i>	Alas! A child that you raised,
<i>Das an deiner Brust gesogen,</i>	That nursed at your breast,
<i>Droht den Pfleger zu ermorden,</i>	Threatens to murder its caretaker,
<i>Denn es ist zur Schlange worden.</i>	Since it has become a serpent.

Picander (Christian Friedrich Henrici), 1727

✦ Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks and praise, O God,
that you have fed us with your mercy
and poured out your Spirit in this place.
**Continue to nourish and fill us each day,
that we may live as your beloved people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

✦ Hymn 215 ([see page 13](#))

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

✦ Charge and Blessing

Please be seated in silence for the closing voluntary, or kindly depart quietly.

Voluntary

Dialogue sur la Trompette et la Chromhorne

François Couperin
(1668-1733)

SERVING TODAY

Pastors

Keatan King | Omar Rouchon | John Wurster

Liturgist

Kate Burkart

Musicians

Matthew Dirst, organist | Tessa Larson, Sarah Neal, Thomas O'Neill, Daniel Boyd, & David Le: small ensemble | St. Philip Choir | Tessa Larson, soprano | Justin Langham, director of music

WORSHIP NOTES

To receive communion today, please come forward via the center aisle, receive a piece of bread. The bread may be dipped in the chalice of grape juice and consumed or you may take a small cup of grape juice from the tray. You may return to your pew via the side aisles. Gluten-free bread is available; just ask the servers as you come forward. Those with mobility challenges may receive communion in their seats; just signal the servers. Because the table of Jesus Christ is open to all, everyone is welcome to receive communion today.

An additional offering is received when communion is celebrated. Gifts brought forward during today's final hymn support Christian Community Service Center. Christian Community Service Center is a community-based nonprofit organization serving central and southwest Houston. A coalition of 40 churches, volunteers and donors unite in their mission to serve the poor, hungry, disabled and otherwise needy while respecting their religious, ethnic or cultural differences. CCSC was created out of faith and founded in the belief that we are called to help all God's children heart to heart and hand in hand. St. Philip volunteers each year with the back-to-school and jingle bell express events. Visit ccschouston.org for more information. Communion offering gifts may also be made up until March 25 through the church website. Anyone may donate online by going to the saintphilip.net homepage and selecting the tab *Giving* and then *Make a Contribution*, please indicate it is the *Communion* as the fund.

Today's Lectionary readings:

- Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 – *The man and woman disobey God, eating forbidden fruit.*
- Psalm 32 – *My sin tormented me; but when I confessed, God forgave me.*
- Romans 5:12-19 – *Sin and death came from Adam; grace and life come from Christ.*
- Matthew 4:1-11 – *Jesus spends forty days in the wilderness and is tested by the devil.*

MUSIC NOTES

Wondrous Love, one of the best-known of shape-note hymn melodies, provided inspiration for today's **opening voluntary** and **offertory**. Invented in England, the practice of shape-note singing refers to musical notation that uses various shapes for the notes of the solfège system. Choral and congregational music notated in this manner include dozens of 19th-century songbooks and hymnals, including *Southern Harmony*, the best-known shape-note source still in use.

Louie L. White's lush setting of *Wondrous Love*, from his 1976 *Reflections on Southern Hymn Tunes*, combines it artfully with a related hymn melody. Boston organist and composer Daniel Pinkham treated it to a concise series of variations that explore different textures and colors of the organ.

Our choral music draws upon *Adoro te devote* ("I devoutly adore you"), a 13th-century prayer by Italian priest and philosopher Thomas Aquinas, who intended it for his own private use in daily adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. From its quiet beginnings, today the plainchant is widely incorporated into public worship in a variety of hymn and choral arrangements. Our **introit** highlights the first two stanzas of the original Latin

set to music by composer and arranger Stephen Caracciolo, while today's **anthem**, a choral classic combining the chant melody with words by English poet Thomas Lynch, reflects both the simplicity and introspection of the season of Lent, and with Aquinas' original intent.

J. S. Bach's *St. Matthew Passion*, BWV 244 is widely regarded as one of the great masterpieces of Baroque sacred music. From Part One, *Blute nur, du liebes Herz!* is sung as a lament over Judas's betrayal, symbolizing grief of Jesus over a trusted "child" (Judas) who has turned into a "serpent" and betrayed him.

Our **closing voluntary** comes from the *Mass for the Parish* by François Couperin, longtime organist at St Gervais in Paris and harpsichordist to Louis XIV. The tradition of the "organ mass" began about a century before Couperin's day, as organists began to play polyphonic versets on Gregorian chant melodies in alternation with sung chant. For the Kyrie portion of this organ mass, Couperin provides a dialogue between the reed stops (trompette & chromhone) of the organ.

- Notes by Matthew Dirst & Justin Langham

IN OUR PRAYERS

St. Philippians and their families – Ned & Mary Benson; Charlotte Kibler; Laney Miller; Joyce Fugit; Jan Meyer; Kay Cash; Emily Estill; Joy Maguire; Bonnie Moore; David Winship; Bob Ardell; Diane Clarke; Mary Herlitz; Dick Nunn; Nancy E. Johnson; Eleanor Grant; Judy Nunn; Jacqueline Hamilton Taylor; Don Padgett; Arlette Keene; Mezgebe Gebray; Bill Davis – brother of Meg Scott-Johnson; Lara Bain-niece of Jo Helland; Jonathan Castro brother of David Castro; Susan Everhart – niece and Lisa Marcelletti – cousin of Nancy E. Johnson; Kathy Bailey and family – sister of Peg Palisin; Jo Hadley Smith – cousin of William Rowe; Katie Forbes – daughter of Marise Robbins-Forbes; Ann Perenyi – mother of Lad Perenyi; and Ann Perkins Cloud – cousin of Stephen Paine.

Homebound – Elizabeth Arp; Beverly Baker; Carolyn Keeble; John Bobbitt; Joan Boelens; Joe Harwood; Kathryn Harwood; Jan Ostendorf; Joyce Randolph; Lorraine Scott; Sondra Sullivan; and Mary Sinderson.

Friends of St. Philippians – Christiane Richter – friend of Roderick James; Ann Swanson – friend of Deborah Unruh; Kitty Manson and family; Tanya Voinche, Sidney Roach, Fatima Robinson, and Joyce Freudenberg – friends of Stephen Paine; Mary Ann Thomas; Erin McDougal and Marianne Keeswood – friends of Kate Burkart; Elaine Ende – friend of Beth Atkinson; Carter Lindley, Tandi Porter, Audrey Eubank Harris, Jay Stokes & Anna Domonte, friends of Curt & Sharon Webb; Marianne Hash – friend of Jane Cooper; Mary Watters and Mindy Cooper-Smith – friends of Bill and Jacqueline Hamilton Taylor; Kenneth and Donna Benton – friends of William Rowe; Patty Ryan and Tom Barnett – friends of Robin and Gary Willis; and Shirley Stubblefield – friend of Barbara Runge.

If you have a pastoral care need or a prayer request you would like to share, please email: deacons@saintphilip.net

Prayer List is a powerful tool for bringing comfort, healing, and peace to those in need. So, let's keep it up to date and continue to lift up our brothers and sisters in prayer.

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MAY 28 - 31

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PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Thursday Evening Circle – Mar. 5

meets 1st Thursday of each month at 7 PM in the Dining Room. Sarah Victorian sarah.m.0617@gmail.com

Monday Morning Saints – Mar. 9

meets 2nd Monday of each month at 10 AM in the Dining Room - Tricia Tolbert phtolbert@gmail.com

The Hallmark Circle – Mar. 11

meets 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM - contact Sue Shirley-Howard sue@fluencyhouston.com for location

Sunday Circle – Mar. 15

meets 3rd Sunday of each month after worship in the Dining Room. Jan Meyer jmeyer9990@gmail.com

One More Chance Study for Everyone – Mar. 22

Meets 4th Sunday of each month at 10 AM in the Library. Lee Ardell leardell@gmail.com



LENT AT ST. PHILIP

**MID-WEEK WORSHIP
WEDNESDAYS AT 12 PM**
February 25 through March 25

Guest preachers from across the area will lead us.
Lunch will be available in the gathering area at 12:30.

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**LECTIO DIVINA
PRAYER GROUP
MONDAYS, 9-9:20 AM**
February 23 through March 30

GUIDED BY KEATAN KING VIA ZOOM.
Meditative reflection via the four cycles of
Lectio Divina (read, reflect, respond, rest).
Email Keatan@saintphilip.net to receive zoom link.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES START AT 9:45 AM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

GODLY PLAY – Ages 3 – Kindergarten – ROOM 103

CHILDREN: Grades 1-4 – Room 105

YOUTH – Grades 5-12 – DINING ROOM – Watch email and website for new schedule.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – ROOM 204 – We are studying Isaiah in Volume 2, *Prophets*, in Dr. Robert Alter's *The Hebrew Bible: A Translation with Commentary* (2019). Join us as we seek to deepen our understanding of God's faithfulness to all God's people. All are welcome.

CHURCH & SOCIETY – ROOM 201 – Join us from **9:30 – 10:40 AM** with presentations in person and by Zoom. **Mar. 8** – St. Philip Mission Partner – Christian Community Service Center Helping Houston Families Move Forward presented by Michelle Shonbeck - President & CEO. The mission of CCSC is to serve the poor, hungry, disabled and otherwise needy while respecting their religious, ethnic or cultural differences. CCSC services include food pantry and clothing, utility bill and rental assistance, workforce development, and youth services. If you would like the Zoom link for the classes, email: jshartman01@gmail.com.

WHO ARE WE ANYWAY? – Room 202 – What's a Presbyterian to think and do amidst the growing influence of a brand of Christianity that is increasingly aggressive and political, strident and cruel? Join us for an exploration and affirmation of Presbyterian beliefs as we study *Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America*, a new book from Presbyterian ministers Ted Foote and Alex Thornburg. Copies of the book are available Sundays in the Gathering Area or during the week in the Church Office. Keatan King and John Wurster will lead discussions of the book during the Sunday School hour continuing through the Sundays in Lent.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL – In the Children's Chapel, our young disciples learn the whos, whats, wheres, whens and whys of worship in the chapel, while also praying, seeing and hearing God's word at an age-appropriate level. Children return to join the congregation in the first few pews on the lectern side of the church for the last hymn. The Children's Chapel is held every 2nd and 4th Sunday when we have Sunday School classes. Children are able to participate in this during the worship service.

ST. PHILIP DURING THE WEEK

LAMBETH STUDY – Keatan King leads young adults in study on the first Monday of the month evening at 7:00 PM via Zoom. It is a time of study, reflection, and prayer. If you would like more details, email Keatan at: keatan@saintphilip.net.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDY GROUP – This group meets for an hour once a month on Zoom to read and discuss social justice issues of concern in today's world. Our current topic is Christian Nationalism, one definition of which is "that America is God's chosen nation and should be defended and governed as such." Attitudes already influencing our legislators include opposition to gay rights, opposition to gun safety efforts, promotion of Christian religion in schools and libraries, book bans, etc. Our current study book is Brian Kaylor's *Baptizing America; how mainline Protestants helped build Christian Nationalism*. Interested persons can contact Sara Jean Jackson sjj10223@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK CLUB – This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. The next meeting is **Mar. 12** at 7:00 PM. *Everyone Knows but You: A Tale of Murder on the Maine Coast* by Thomas Ricks. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nina Lambright at: nml@lambrightlaw.com.

PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP – Men of all ages are welcome to participate in this self-led group. The Men's Weekly Fellowship meets each Friday in person in the office Conference Room and via Zoom at 11:45 AM. We are learning from *Too Busy Not to Pray* by Bill Hybels. If you would like to join them please contact Gary Gardner at: ggardne148@aol.com.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY – Wednesday Bible study with John Wurster meets weekly at 9:30 AM, and is a hybrid format with an in-person option in the Office Conference Room and also a Zoom option. Bible novices, Bible experts, and everyone in between is welcome! To get on the list for the Zoom links, send a note to: john@saintphilip.net.

MARCH MATTERS

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, MARCH 3



VOTE

IMPORTANT 2026 DATES

February 17-27
Early voting period

Tuesday, March 3
Primary Election Day

Tuesday, May 26
Runoff election (if needed)



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IMPACT



ST. PHILIP
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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MUSIC AT ST. PHILIP

SPRING 2026 MASP CONCERTS



FORT BEND BOYS CHOIR

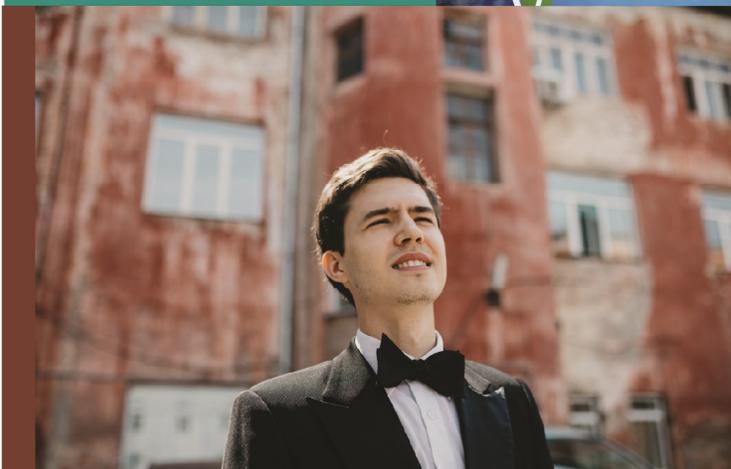
Bill Adams, director

Sunday,
March 29 | 3 pm

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

St. Philip Music Program
presents Haydn's Creation
during worship service.

Sunday,
April 19 | 11 am



GUEST PIANO RECITAL

Osip Nikiforov, pianist

Sunday,
May 24 | 3 pm



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Welcome to Worship at St. Philip
Please register your attendance by scanning the QR code or by visiting the Live Stream tab at saintphilip.net.

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST,
we seek to be an inclusive,
grace-filled community,
engaging the world with open minds,
willing hands and generous hearts.

WE LONG
for deeper faith,
vibrant hope
and boundless love
for everyone, every day, everywhere.

Thank you for joining us today! We hope that you find our worship together to be joyous, meaningful, and thought-provoking. **Children of all ages** are welcome to worship with their families. Activity bags containing worship aids for children are available in the narthex on the way into the sanctuary.

Nursery care is available throughout the morning from 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Infants to age 4 are invited to our Nursery which is staffed by professional childcare providers. Please find our Nursery has returned to the Education Bldg. and can be accessed from the hall off the Gathering Area on the first floor. An usher or a greeter will be happy to direct you there.

A Hearing Loop is installed within the sanctuary. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a telecoil, please activate your “T switch” to hear the worship service most clearly. If you need assistance with hearing the service clearly and do not have a t-coil equipped hearing aid, please ask an usher for wireless headphones. **LARGE PRINT COPIES OF TODAY’S BULLETINS ARE IN THE NARTHEX.**

Connect with St. Philip through saintphilip.net and our social media. To join our e-mail list for regular news updates, send a note to lorrie@saintphilip.net.

If you are interested in joining St. Philip Presbyterian Church by profession of faith, by reaffirming your faith, or by transferring your membership, please speak with one of the ministers today or call the church office during the week. **The Session meets the third Sunday of each month after the 11:00 worship service in Room 100 for the purpose of receiving new members.**

Worship with us, whenever, wherever. Our 11:00 AM Sunday service is live-streamed at saintphilip.net. Services can be viewed live or later in our video archives.

Contributions, pledge payments, communion gifts and other donations to support the Church can be made anytime through our website, or sent to the Church Office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056. To make stock contributions contact Denise Ferrell at denise@saintphilip.net.



St. Philip Day School is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to providing high-quality childcare at no cost to low-income families. (www.stphilipdayschool.org) To support the school, **please make all contributions directly to St. Philip Day School**, rather than to St. Philip Presbyterian Church. Please make checks payable to “St. Philip DAY SCHOOL” You are welcome to leave in the church offering plate or mail to St. Philip Day School, 4807 San Felipe, Houston, 77056. If you have any questions, please contact Candice Harris, Program Director, at:

Director@stphilipdayschool.org.

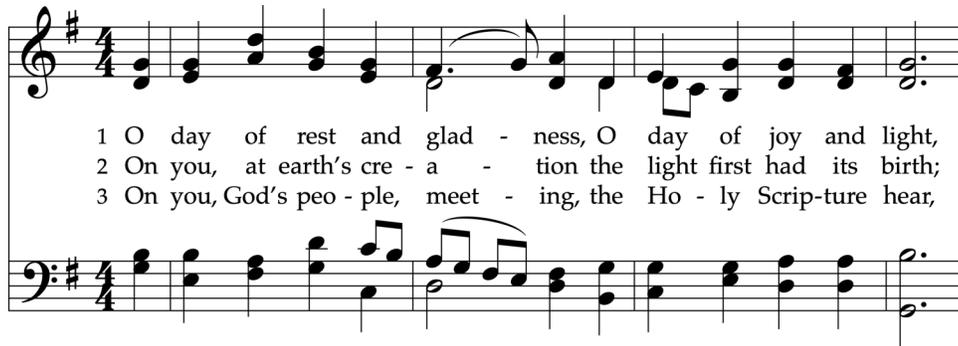
Lost & Found—did you leave a pair of glasses, umbrella, or other item during worship? There is a canvas basket in the library where these items may be found. Jewelry, phones and more valuable items are turned into Lorrie Castle in the Church Office, lorrie@saintphilip.net or 713-622-4807.

I Give Electronically—in response to parents’ hopes that their children might be able to see their ongoing commitment to St. Philip and with the intent to better represent the totality of our giving as a congregation, we have available in the pews giving cards that can be placed in the offering plate by our electronic givers.

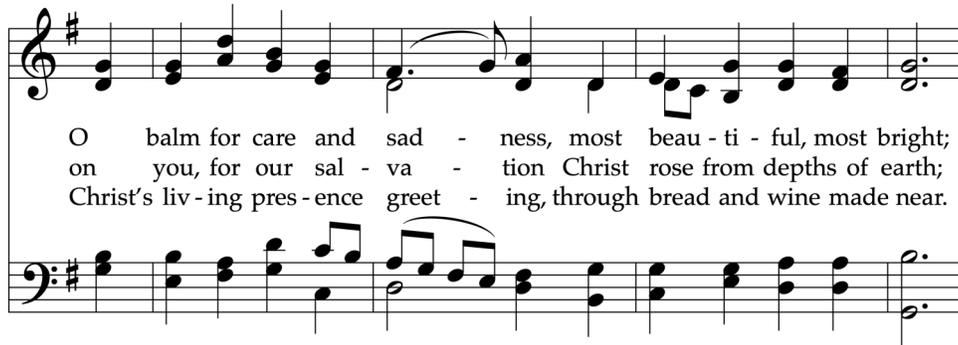


Nametags—Please wear your nametags not just in the sanctuary, but as you socialize before and after worship and at other events. To make it easier, if you don't want to bring your nametag home, there are labeled wicker BASKETS by several exit doors for you to return your nametag at the last possible moment! Those returned tags will be replaced on the boards in the narthex before the following Sunday morning. Visitor nametags are available in the pews and from an usher.

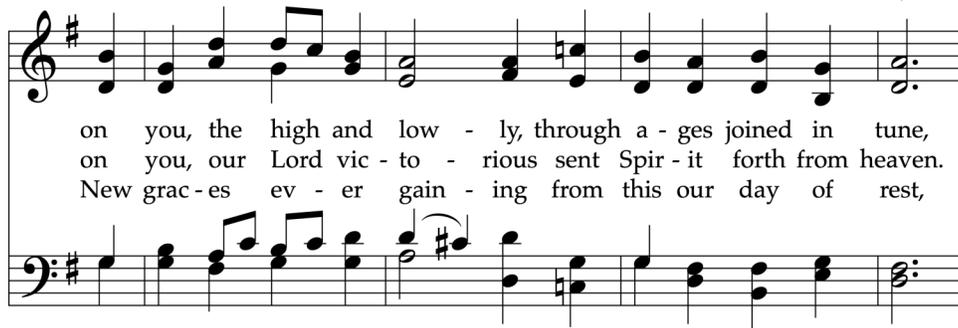
Hymn 393

O Day of Rest and Gladness


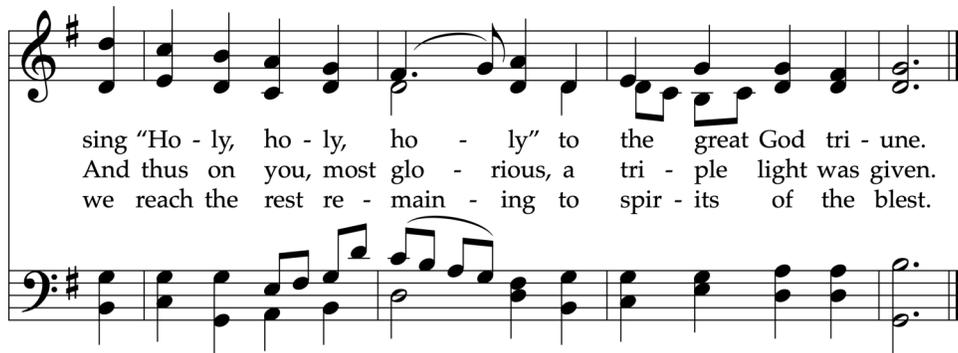
1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion the light first had its birth;
3 On you, God's peo - ple, meet - ing, the Ho - ly Scrip-ture hear,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
on you, for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
Christ's liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through bread and wine made near.



on you, the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious sent Spir - it forth from heaven.
New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



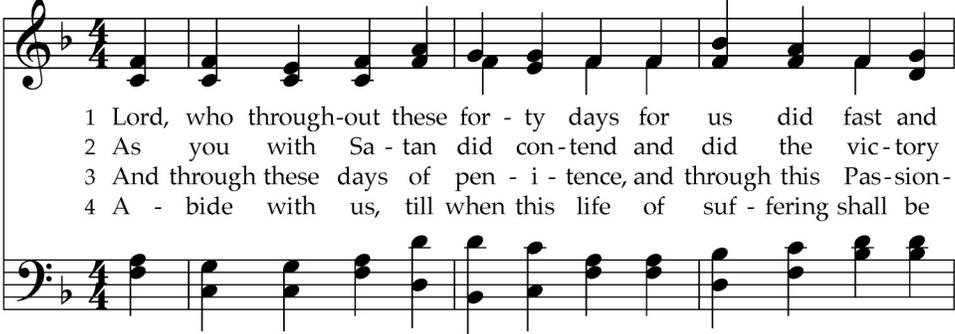
sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly" to the great God tri - une.
And thus on you, most glo - rious, a tri - ple light was given.
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

In this text the first day of the week represents a threefold commemoration of Creation, Resurrection, and Pentecost—each an encounter with Trinitarian activity centered on one of the Three Persons. The tune name recalls the secular German song adapted for use with several hymns.

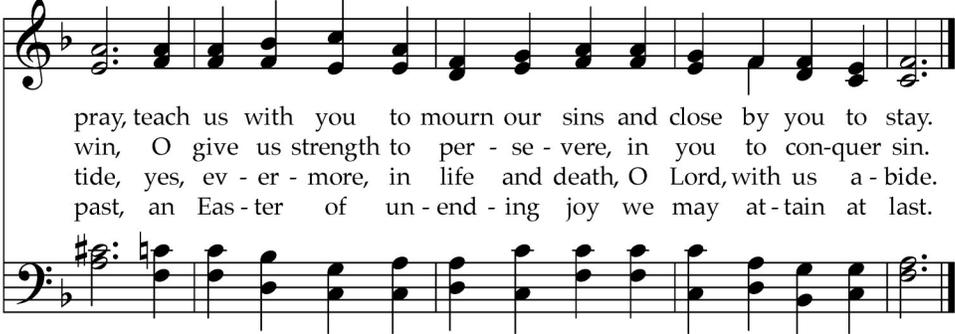
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Hymn 166

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days


1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and
 2 As you with Sa - tan did con-tend and did the vic-tory
 3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas-sion-
 4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be



pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.
 win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con-quer sin.
 tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
 past, an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last.

Like many of this author's hymns, this text was written primarily for children but works equally well in reminding adults how Lent connects us with Christ's temptation in the wilderness and prepares us for Easter. The 16th-century English psalm tune provides sturdy support.

TEXT: Claudia F. I. Hernaman, 1873, alt.
 MUSIC: *Day's Psalter*, 1562

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Hymn 215

What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



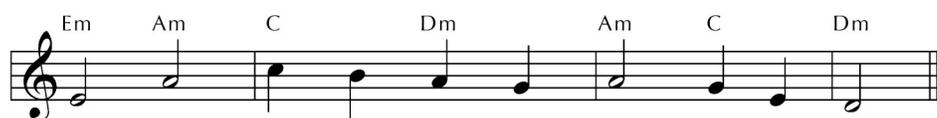
soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of
 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
 AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
 be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!
 sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
 on; and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on.

With its ballad-like repetitions before and after each stanza's central narrative lines, this meditative text needs performance in order to be effective. Its haunting melody proves the means of convincing us that the only adequate response to "wondrous love" is to "sing on."

TEXT: American folk hymn, c. 1811
 MUSIC: Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. Carlton R. Young, 1965
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