



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 8, 2026

Preparation For Worship

*As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and forever. Amen.*

– Book of Common Prayer

Voluntary

Praeludium in A Minor

Georg Böhm
(1661-1733)

Greeting

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

Introit

This is the Day

Lesley Garrett
(b. 1959)

This is the day that the Lord has made;
We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118-24

✠ Opening Sentences

✠ Hymn 401 [\(see page 10\)](#)

Gather Us In

GATHER US IN

✠ Prayer of Confession

Holy God,
you are light and truth.
We confess that we often dwell in darkness and falsehood.
Sin drives us into ourselves and away from you.
We almost come to believe that it is possible for us to make it on our own.
But when we are honest, we see the errors of our ways.
Walking away from you leads only to our ruin.

Turn us around.
Capture our hearts.
Cleanse our spirits.
In your light, may we see who we are.
In your truth, may we see who we can become,
as we seek to follow Jesus Christ.

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.

Children's Chapel meets in Room 203.

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading

John 4:5-30

N.T. pgs. 94-95

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

Anthem*Come and Taste*

arr. Alice Parker

Come and taste along with me
 Consolation flowing free,
 From the Father's wealthy throne,
 Sweeter than the honeycomb.

I'll praise God and you praise God,
 And we'll all praise God together;
 We'll praise the Lord for the work that He has done,
 And we'll bless His Name forever.

All that come with free good will
 Make the banquet sweeter still;
 Now I go to Mercy's door,
 Asking for a little more.

Goodness, running like a stream
 Through the new Jerusalem,
 By a constant breaking forth
 Sweetens earth and heaven both.

O return, ye sons of grace,
 Turn and see God's smiling face.
 Hark, He calls the wayward home,
 Then from Him no longer roam.

John Leland (~1503-1552)

Sermon

Water-Washed and Spirit-Born
silence and stillness

John W. Wurster

‡ **Hymn 476** ([see page 11](#))

Crashing Waters in Creation

CRASHING WATERS

The Sacrament of Baptism

Benjamin James Goodman

Presentation**Questions****The Apostles' Creed**

Do you believe in God?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Baptism

Welcome

Baptism Response *(sung twice)*

Howard Hughes, SM

*1. You have put on Christ, in him you have been bap - tized.
 2. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**May be sung in canon.*

Text: *Rite of Baptism for Children*, © 1969, ICEL
 Music: Howard Hughes, SM, © 1977, ICEL

Prayers of the People

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.

Offering

Gifts may be given any time at saintphilip.net

Offertory

Ah, Holy Jesus

arr. Susan Ullom Burns

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
 That we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
 By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
 O most afflicted!

Johann Heermann (1630)
 Transl. Robert Bridges (1897)

✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Gracious God,
 who holds us and keeps us in all things.
We offer our thanks for your faithfulness to us,
for the grace that surprises us,
and for the love that sustains us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✦ Hymn 490 ([see page 12](#))*Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*

BEACH SPRING

✦ Charge and Blessing

Benediction Response*Go Now in Peace*Natalie Sleeth
(1930-1992)**Voluntary***Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux*Jean-François Dandrieu
(1682-1739)**SERVING TODAY****Pastors**

Keatan King | Omar Rouchon | John Wurster

Liturgist

Nancy Johnson

MusiciansMatthew Dirst, organist | St. Philip Children's Music & Ukulele Ensemble | St. Philip Choir
Bell Canto Handbell Ensemble | Ann Frautschi, flute | Justin Langham, director of music**WORSHIP NOTES**

The Session presents for baptism today Benjamin "Benny" James Goodman, born July 1, 2025. He is the son of Michelle and James Goodman and the grandson of Melissa and Guy Aldrich.

Today's Lectionary readings:

- Exodus 17:1-7 – *The people thirst and quarrel; God gives them water from a rock.*
- Psalm 95 – *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, the rock of our salvation.*
- Romans 5:1-11 – *Justified by faith, we have peace with God through Jesus Christ.*
- John 4:5-42 – *Jesus offers living water to a Samaritan woman at the well.*



ORFF INSTRUMENT WORKSHOP
FOR CHILDREN (KINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE)
SUNDAY, MARCH 22 | AFTER WORSHIP
[SECOND FLOOR OF ADMINISTRATION BLDG]

LED BY:
JULIE HOELTZEL
HOUSTON-BASED OPERA SINGER,
WORSHIP LEADER, AND TEACHER
SAINTPHILIP.NET

EASTER LILIES – Lilies from the Brookwood Community will again be delivered to St. Philip to adorn our Sanctuary for our Easter services.

We invite you to contribute to our flower fund and dedicate a lily to someone this Easter. Donations may be made for any amount either through our website—saintphilip.net, choosing Giving tab> Make A Contribution > choose the Flowers fund option from the menu (include the information below in the Note section; or by sending a check to the Church Office or dropping it in the offering plate with completed information below. Mailed dedications should arrive by **March 30**. Thanks for your help in continuing this holiday tradition!

The list of donors and memorials/honors will appear in the bulletin and the Philip-Eye following Easter.

Name(s) of Donors _____

Who are Lilies (circle one) in Memory or Honor of: _____

MUSIC NOTES

Despite its title, Böhm's **Praeludium in A Minor** is more of a prelude and fugue with two clearly defined sections. Its virtuosic opening yields quickly to a more highly developed fugue, whose searching principal theme reinforces the rhetorical function of fugue: as contrapuntal research into that subject's musical potential. Jean-François Dandrieu, organist of the *Chapelle royale* under Louis XV, left a large body of music for the instrument, including short versets in the French "classic" manner, with titles that specify both musical character and specific stop combinations. A "grand jeux" calls principally for the reed voices of the organ, which are typically colored with mutations and foundation stops. This particular **Grand Jeux** comprises a short but dramatic opening and a sprightly fugue.

Today's **introit** features both the children of St. Philip and our ukulele ensemble in a rendition of an old favorite. Based on Psalm 118:24, the text and spirit of the music is an expression of gratitude and joy for each day being a gift from God, regardless of circumstances. The world welcomes and is in constant need of such reminders, and now more than ever.

A fitting pairing, "**Come and Taste**" combines a relatively obscure shape-note melody called *Farabee* with selected verses by John Leland. Leland was an 18th-century Baptist minister from New England who played a key role for religious liberty, actively advocating for the full separation of church and state and promoting equally free practice of all religions in the U.S. Our **anthem** sets his words in a spirited arrangement by Alice Parker—each verse filled with welcoming and inclusive language.

The hymn text of "**Ah, Holy Jesus,**" using imagery from Isaiah 53 among other passages, depicts the doctrine of Christ's atonement, dying for the sin of the world on the cross. Originally drawn from an 11th century Latin meditation, the tune and harmonization by Johann Crüger (1640) has become standard, and is also prominently displayed in Bach's *St. Matthew Passion*, BWV 244. Today's offertory adapts the same tune in a reflective arrangement for handbells with an added flute obbligato.

—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, 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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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 Nikiporov, pianist

Sunday,
May 24 | 3 pm

Free Admission

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Kids Against Hunger. PACKING SESSIONS



THE NEXT PACKING SESSION IS:
SUNDAY, MARCH 22
9:30 AM-10:30 AM | DINING ROOM

SPOTS ARE LIMITED!
EMAIL KEATAN@SAINTPHILIP.NET
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE.

UPCOMING PACKING SESSIONS:
SUNDAY, APRIL 26 AT 9:30-10:30 AM

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Thursday Evening Circle – Tues., Apr. 7 (1X)

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.



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.



DAILY E-VOTIONS FROM JOHN WURSTER

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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. 15 – Holocaust remembrance speaker Sandy Lessig in recognition of Intl. Holocaust Remembrance Day with introduction by Dr. Ruena Wood. 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 – TODAY – 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.

The **PEACEMAKING AND SOCIAL JUSTICE** Committee Meeting follows worship **today** in Room 205. All are welcome to participate. Questions? Contact Denise Wilborn, moderator, dwilborn55@gmail.com. Please Note - P&SJ Meetings are now the 2nd Sunday of the month.

CALLING *ALL* DEACONS – Have you been ordained as a Deacon in the Presbyterian Church (USA)? Regardless of where you have served or how long it has been, we are inviting you to consider what this ministry could look like for you in this season at St. Philip. All Deacons are invited to a brief presentation and conversation on **Sunday, Mar. 22** after worship in the Dining Room. A light lunch will be served. Please contact omar@saintphilip.net to RSVP or if you have any questions.

THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE: LIFE IN BETWEEN



WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 18
[6 PM | DINING RM]

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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 401

Gather Us In

1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

Hymn 476

Crashing Waters in Creation

Capo 1: (Em) (F#dim7) (Em)
 Fm Gdim7 Fm



1 Crash - ing wa - ters at cre - a - tion, or - dered
 2 Part - ing wa - ter stood and trem - bled as the
 3 Cleans - ing wa - ter once at Jor - dan closed a -
 4 Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end - ing, quench the

(D#dim7) (Em)
 Edim7 Fm



by the Spir - it's breath, first to wit - ness
 cap - tives passed on through, wash - ing off the
 round the One fore - told, o - pened to re -
 thirst and flood the soul. Well - spring, Source of

(F#dim7) (Em) (Am) (B) (Em)
 Gdim7 Fm Bbm C Fm



day's be - gin - ning from the bright - ness of night's death.
 chains of bond - age: chan - nel to a life made new.
 veal the glo - ry ev - er new and ev - er old.
 life e - ter - nal, drench our dry - ness; make us whole.

Like the Thanksgiving Over the Water in the rite of Baptism, this text by a United Church of Canada minister recalls significant events in salvation history involving water. The final stanza is a prayer to Christ, the Living Water (John 4:10, 14), to quench our spiritual thirst.

TEXT: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1987
 MUSIC: William A. Cross, 1992
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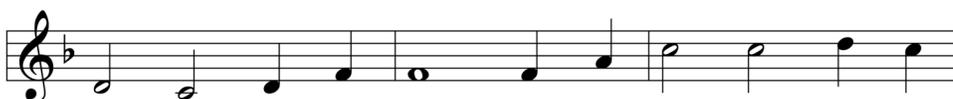
Hymn 490

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

1 Wash, O God, your sons and daugh-ters, new - born crea - tures
 2 Ev - ery day we need your nur - ture; by your milk may
 3 O how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - i - mag - ined,



of your womb. Num-ber them a - mong your peo - ple, raised like
 we be fed. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of
 all your ways! To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our



Christ from death and tomb. Weave them gar - ments bright and
 bless - ing, liv - ing bread. God, re - new us; guide our
 lives we wor - ship, praise! We your peo - ple stand be -



spark-ling; com- pass them with love and light. Fill, a - noint them;
 foot - steps, free from sin and all its snares, one with Christ in
 fore you, wa - ter-washed and Spir - it - born. By your grace, our



send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.
 liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.
 lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate us; God, trans - form!

This text incorporates many of the images associated with the water of baptism in the Thanksgiving Over the Water in *The Book of Common Worship*, especially nourishment, the calling forth of life, cleansing and renewal, freedom from bondage, and sharing in Christ's resurrection.

TEXT: Ruth Duck, 1987, rev.

MUSIC: *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. James H. Wood, 1958

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BEACH SPRING

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