

Candlelight Service
Nelsonville Lutheran Church

July 24, 2025



Opening Prayer

100

6

10

Lord, our spi - rits lan - guish

14

18

All: Lord God we need _____ you

22

here You have seen our tears

26

You have felt our fears. O _____ Lord,

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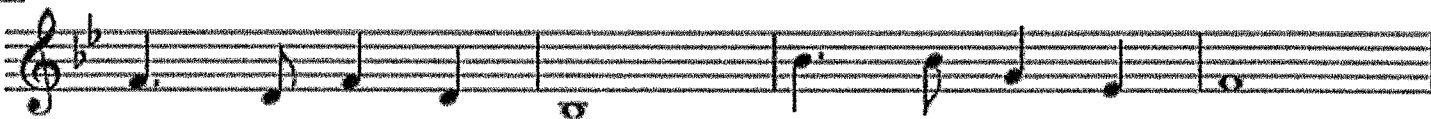
our will _____ is weak - ened.

our sins we here and now de - clare.



(Time for silent prayer)*

36



P: Here we're made a - ware All: Now we're made a - ware.

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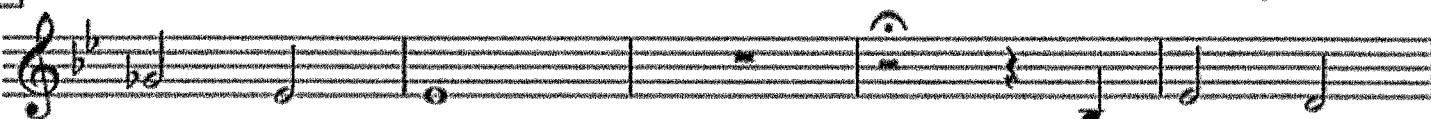
O Lord, O Lord, O Lord draw us

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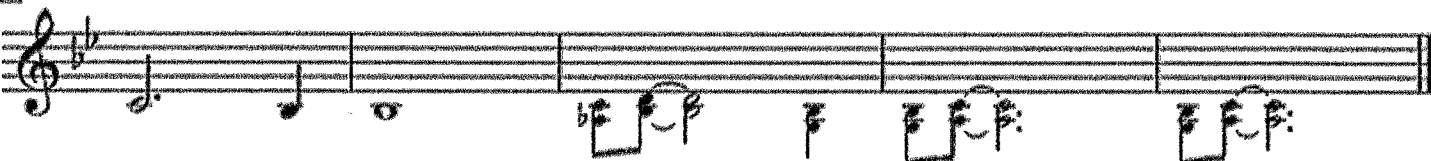
near Your ho - ly spheres Lord

51



draw us near let light and

56



hope ap - pear.

* a suggested prayer for silent reflection and confession:

"Most merciful God, I confess that I am captive to sin and cannot free myself.

I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done and

by what I have left undone. I have not kept your commandments to love you with

my whole heart and to love my neighbors as myself. I bring these things to you (),

seeking your forgiveness and guiding hand.

Kyrie

$\text{♩} = 80$



All: Lord have

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mer - cy Christ have mer - cy Lord have mer - cy for all You have

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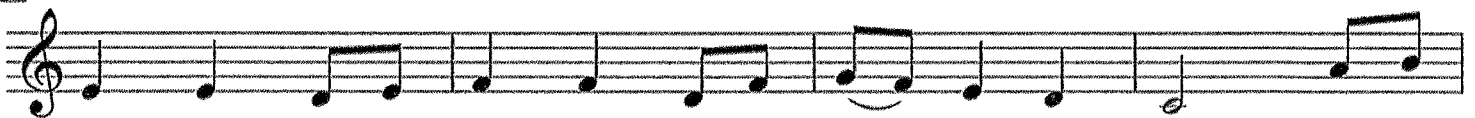
prom - ised You will hold us And will keep us one and all Lov-ing

13



Shep - herd, Ho - ly Spi - rit You will not let us fall In Your

17



good - ness You for - give us by Your name we are called. In your

21



arms, we will rest Now for - ev - er we're bless'd All our

25



hopes all our dreams are now en - fold - ed in you.

Absolution and Promise

[illegible]

P: God is

3

here Have no fear Ev - 'ry sin dis - a - pears E - ter - nal

7

love for the be - loved You are e - ver in safe keep - ing God for

1.

a tempo

The first staff of music is written on a single five-line staff with a treble clef. The key signature has one sharp (F#), indicating the key of D major. The tempo marking *a tempo* is written above the staff. The melody consists of the following notes: D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (half), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (half).

you your sins he knew yet with love You've been pur - sued here on

1.

earth not just a - bove It's grace that holds you in safe keep - ing

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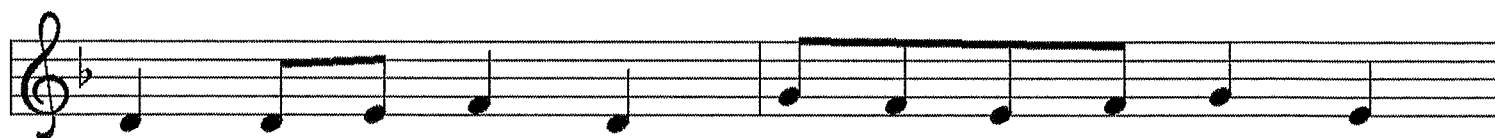
All: Now and for - e - ver Not a - part but to - ge - ther

2:

Held here now.

OPENING HYMN

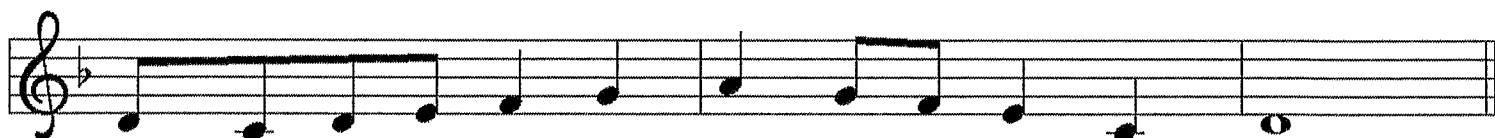
Light Shone in Darkness



1 Light shone in dark - ness at the world's cre - a - tion,
2 Light shone in dark - ness at the new cre - a - tion;
3 Light shines in dark - ness till the full cre - a - tion;



bath - ing in beau - ty na - ture's rev - e - la - tion. All that has be - ing,
Christ rose in glo - ry, won for us sal - va - tion. Sing, earth and heav - en,
Christ's bod - y, groan - ing, suf - fers trib - u - la - tion, longs for God's jus - tice,



cry in ad - o - ra - tion, "Praise for the light. A - men!"
hymns of ju - bi - la - tion, praise for the light. A - men!
glob - al trans - for - ma - tion, prays for the light. A - men!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: LUX IN TENEBRIS, Mark Sedio, b. 1954

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

ALL: God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

READINGS AND REFLECTION

Pastor Gretchen Anderson

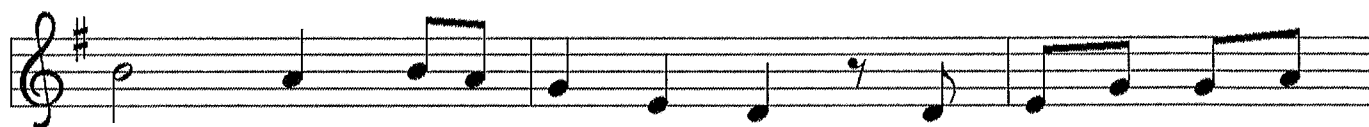
(Two minutes of silence)

A bell will mark the beginning, the middle and the end of this time.

May God guide your thoughts and bless your meditations.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



Refrain

The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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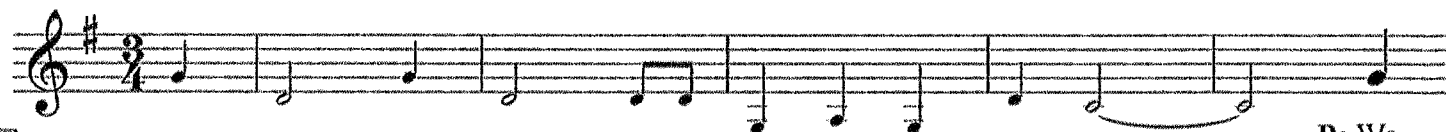
(As a spiritual discipline, ask the Holy Spirit to nudge you in offering yourself and a portion of God's many blessings God has given you for God's use in the church and world. A collection plate is available in the narthex of the church. To support the ministries during this pandemic time and as a response to God's love for you, consider using electronic giving at www.trchurch.org/electronic-giving.)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

PASTOR ENDS EACH PETITION WITH: We trust you, help us trust you more

YOUR RESPONSE: And we thank you that you hear us as we pray for one and all.


Prayers of the Church

6  P: We

11  come to You and we trust that You hear us. _____ All: God we

 thank you that you hear us as we pray for one and all.

16 (Prayer Petitions) 

17 P: We trust You,
help us trust You more... 

19  repeat as necessary
All: And we thank you that you hear us as we pray for one and all. _____

25 Last X  All: God we're grate-ful you are faith-ful these cares we place with-in Your hands. _____

30  _____ You kept Your pro-mise gave your self to one and all. _____

HOLY COMMUNION

(A note about Holy Communion: Communion will be distributed to you where you sit. There is one cup divided with a small wafer on one end and the wine on the other. Instructions will be provided for each step.)

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

All: One body.

P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

All: One cup.

P: Holy God, reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world, equipped to embody justice, peace and love.

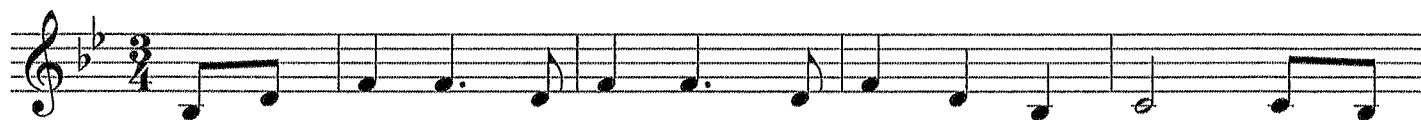
All: One Body.

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

PASTOR: Remove the foil and receive ... the Body of Christ for you
Remove the foil and receive ... the Blood of Christ for you

Benediction



P: The Lord bless - es and keeps you and shines now on you, you're made

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new here, a bless ing; words made trust-worth-y and true. In your hearts Christ shall

10



dwel there in meas - ure - less love, heav'n ly pow'r, and God's grace, in its

15



lim - it - less - ness. May you now comp-re - hend love that will ne - ver

20



end. You are blessed; we can rest, held with sweet tend - er - ness. God's

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Spir - it, here with you, dear one. You are blessed.

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Dear one love wins, dear one. A -

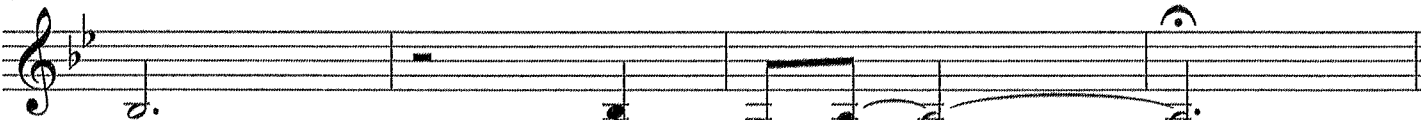
Amen

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men! let it be so! A - men! A - men! For it is

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so!