



ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 25, 2020

PRELUDE: Adagio e dolce (from *Trio-Sonata #3 in D minor*)
John Finney, organ

J. S. Bach

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 40:28, 31

**Do you not know? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God, creator of the ends of the earth.
Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.**

HYMN: Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Hymns of Truth & Light (blue hymnal), #108

Madrid

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, although there is much in our lives that is right and good,
we must also humbly confess that we fall short of your will.
We trade the dignity of life for convenience.
Our short-sighted solutions lead to long-term problems.
We choose not to see when systems of injustice have worked for our benefit.
Help us to know that your mercy is larger than the sum of our wrongs.
Be gracious to us, and make us whole in your image.
Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

GLORIA

PASSING OF THE PEACE

HYMN: Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song
Hymns of Truth & Light (blue hymnal), #230

Bridegroom

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 22:34-40

SERMON: "The Summary of the Law"

Matt Wooster

SOLO: Esurientes (from *Magnificat in D major*)
Shannon Lebrón, mezzo-soprano
*He hath filled the hungry with good things,
And the rich he hath sent empty away.*

J. S. Bach

SHARING OF CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OUR 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, for ever. Amen.

HYMN: My Life Flows on in Endless Song
Hymns of Truth & Light (blue hymnal), #427

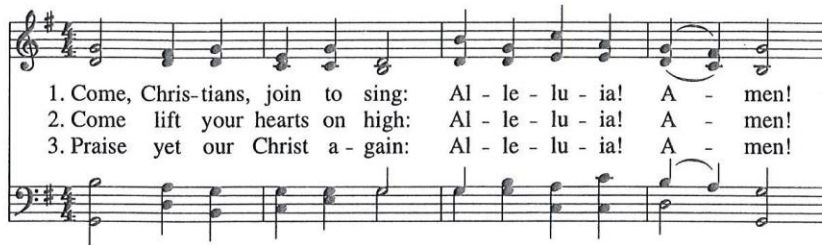
How Can I Keep from Singing

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION

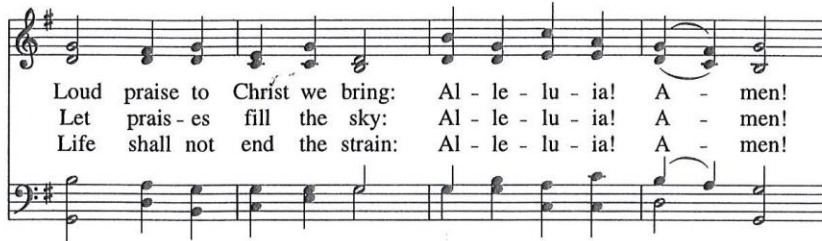
POSTLUDE: Voluntary in A

William Selby

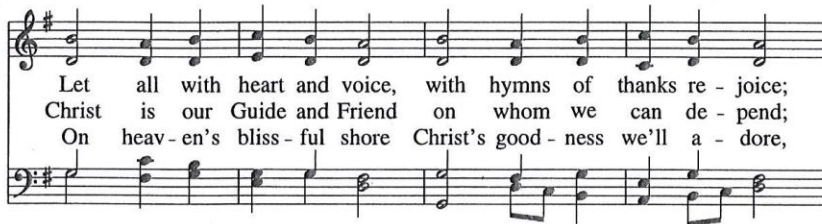
Preaching: Rev. Matt Wooster
Liturgists: Rev. Anne Marie Holloway, Rev. Judy Swahnberg
Soloists: Laurie Stewart Otten, Shannon Lebrón, Christian Figueroa, Garrett Murphy



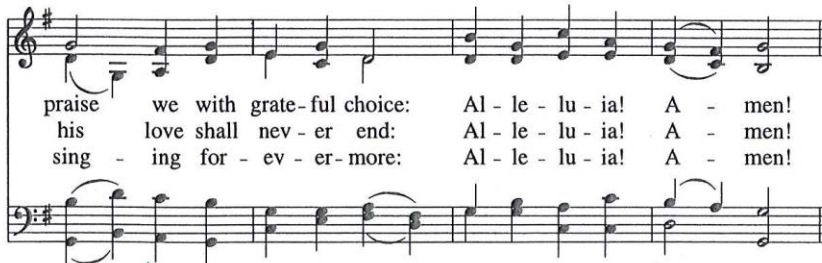
1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Loud praise to Christ we bring: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Let all with heart and voice, with hymns of thanks re - joice;
 Christ is our Guide and Friend on whom we can de - pend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore Christ's good - ness we'll a - dore,



praise we with grate - ful choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

WORDS: Christian Henry Bateman, 1843, alt.

MUSIC: Traditional Spanish melody; harm. David Evans, *Revised Church Hymnary*, 1927

MADRID
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Originally a hymn titled 'Join now in praise, and sing' by William E. Hickson, this text was rewritten by Bateman, an English Congregational minister.

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Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song 230

1. Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her
 2. To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch - es of the
 3. With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of

flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the
 Vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to our
 prayer, with the pow'r to love and wit - ness, with the

new flame's ea - ger might:
 midst as gift and sign: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 peace be - yond com - pare:

come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

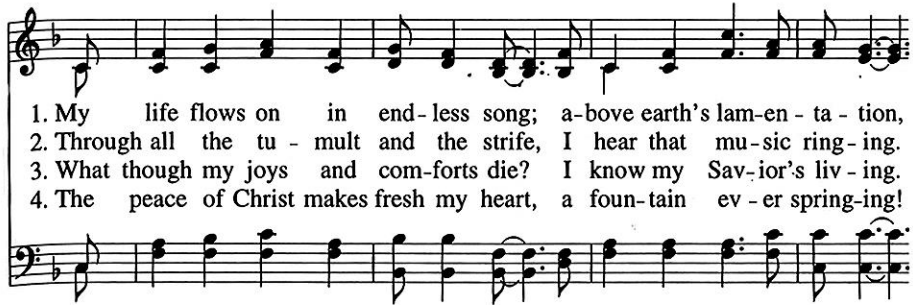
WORDS: Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1982
 MUSIC: Peter Cutts, 1969

BRIDEGROOM
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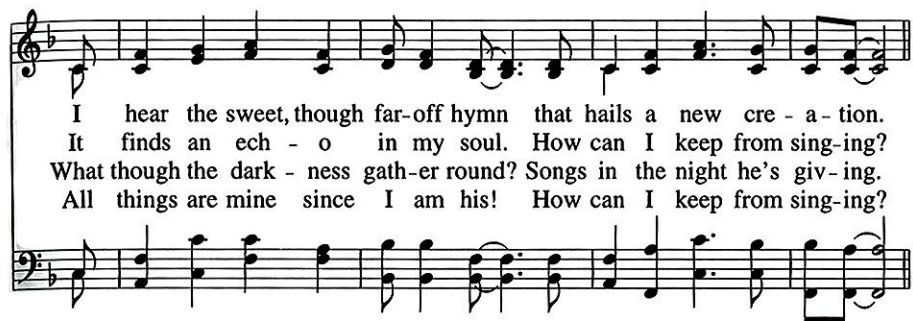
Composer Peter Cutts, coming from a United Reformed Church background in England, has served on the UCC's Andover-Newton Seminary faculty.

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My Life Flows On in Endless Song 427



1. My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
2. Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
3. What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav-ior's liv-ing.
4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

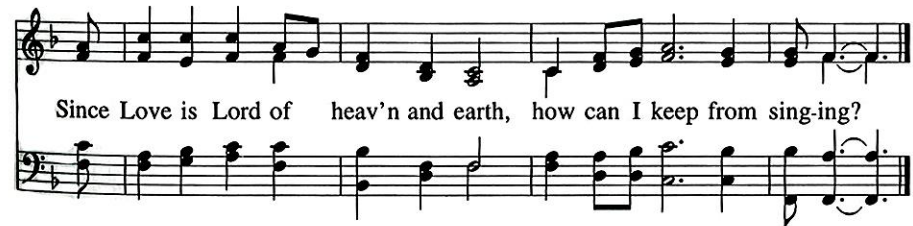


I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he's giv-ing.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

WORDS and MUSIC: Robert Lowry, 1869, alt.

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING
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