

***FAITH LUTHERAN
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***OUR MISSION STATEMENT
“TO KNOW AND SHARE GOD’S LOVE”
INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH!!***

***Time after Pentecost
October 4, 2026***

***Worship Time 8:00 & 10:30 am
Sunday School 9:15 am
Fellowship Time 9:15 am***

† Indicates - Please stand if comfortable

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prelude: I Surrender All

by Robert W. Thygerson

† **Call To Worship: 696 Jesus Calls Us: o'er the Tumult vs 2**

As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the
Galilean lake, turned from home and toil and
kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C: Amen.

P: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,

C: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C: Amen.

† **Hymn 803 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross***

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.



Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

The musical score for the Kyrie is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in G major (one sharp). The first system contains the lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy." and the second system contains "Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence at the end of the second system.



Come, Let Us Join

The musical score for "Come, Let Us Join" is written for a single staff in Treble clef, in G major (one sharp). The melody is a simple, four-measure phrase that serves as a call to join in the following verses.

- 1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
- 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
- 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
- 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name

The musical score for "Come, Let Us Join" continues with a single staff in Treble clef, in G major (one sharp). This section contains the lyrics for the first verse of the hymn.

ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
"Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray:

Almighty and eternal God,
**you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants.
Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your
merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of
your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen**

Choir Anthem: Welcome to Grace

by Joel Raney

First Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7

- ¹ I will sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
- ² He dug it and cleared it of stones
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded rotten grapes.
- ³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.
- ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield rotten grapes?
- ⁵ And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
- ⁶ I will make it a wasteland;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷ For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his cherished garden;
he expected justice
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness
but heard a cry!

Psalm 80:7-15 (*congregation reads the verses in bold*)

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.
⁸ **You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.**
⁹ You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.
¹⁰ **The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**
¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.
¹² **Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**
¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
¹⁴ **Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;**
¹⁵ behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] ^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God

based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.



Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah.

† Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46

[Jesus said:] ³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Then he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now

when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹ They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

'The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes'?

⁴³ "Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

P: The Gospel of our Lord

C: Thanks be to God

YOUTH MESSAGE

SERMON "God's Harvest"

† *Hymn 343 My Song is Love Unknown*



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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

† **THE PRAYERS**

P: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

† **SHARING THE PEACE**

Offertory: Grace Greater Than Our Sin

arr. Lily Topolski



Let The Vineyards

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a melody with various note values including eighth, quarter, and half notes, as well as rests. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.

C: Amen.



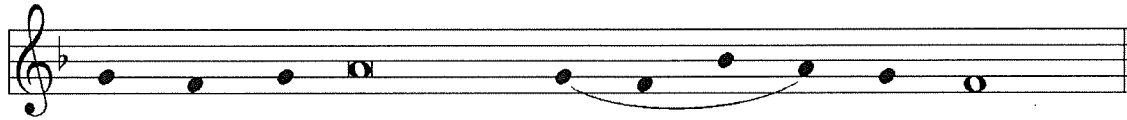
The Great Thanksgiving



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Holy, Holy, Holy

Great Thanksgiving

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

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. 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.

P: Let us join together in praying our Lord's Prayer:

C: **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**



Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion: 465, 471, 472

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

† Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray:

Sustaining God,

**C: with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the
body of Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

P: The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all
circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The God of grace bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

† Hymn 835 All Creatures, Worship God Most High!

DISMISSAL

P: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: I am the Bread of Life

by Jeffrey Honoré

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Lutheran Church. May you feel the presence of the Lord in our
midst and hear His Word spoken to your heart. For more
information contact us at faithlutheranmtvernon@gmail.com or
check out our website at FLCMTV.org. Our mission at Faith
Church is **To Know And Share God's Love.**

IF you are a ***GUEST***, you are invited to sign our guest book in the narthex with your name, and contact information, so we may give you a cordial welcome, and an invitation to return to worship with us soon. If you have children, please check out our Children's Activity Center on the wall in the narthex. Changing tables are available in Room 207 and Room 211 (Nursery). There is also a private mothers' space available in Room 214. Contact an usher if you need assistance.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is being celebrated today. The invitation to commune is extended to all Christians who are seeking to follow Jesus in their lives. We have glasses of white grape juice available for those who request it. Just ask the communion assistant as they come to you. Come join us as our brothers and sisters as we gather as God's family at His table. Infants and children may be brought to the altar for a blessing by the Pastor. Communion recipients are asked to give the communion cards to an usher when coming forward. This is the only record we have of those communing. Visitors are asked to give their home church on the reverse side of the card so we can forward notification of your communion with us

FLOWERS on the altar are given by ***Dave Keck*** to the glory of God, and the 135th anniversary of Grandmother's birthday.

"ATTITUDE of GRATITUDE"

Our Gratitude Box is ready for your notes. To celebrate the abundance we all enjoy, jot down something you are thankful for on one of our yellow slips and put it in the little blue box.

SAVE THE DATE

Faith will be hosting the Harvest Dinner (a celebration of our abundant harvest of the Knox County community gardens) again this year on Tuesday, October 13th from 5 - 6:30 pm. This is a sit-down community FREE meal. Come and bring your friends to enjoy a meal with a lot of the ingredients coming from our very own community garden as well as from many of the other community gardens of Knox County. Also watch for sign-up sheets to help with preparing and serving this meal in the next few weeks

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Photo taking in October will only be on Sundays between services. Contact Corrine or one of her team with any questions

ALTAR FLOWERS

There is an opening on October 18th for Altar Flowers. This is the last opportunity until next year.

TRUNK OR TREAT

There is a chill in the air and that can only mean one thing-IT'S TRUNK OR TREAT TIME! We will be hosting our 3rd annual Trunk or Treat on Sunday October 18th from 2 PM-4 PM. While we hope for good weather to be outside, should the weather be unfavorable we will relocate to the Fellowship Hall. The candy bowl is out for your donated candy and the sign-up sheet for those who wish to volunteer their car trunk is just above it on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY WILL BE NOVEMBER 1ST

We will honor our departed loved ones during our All Saints' Day services on November 1st. If you want to include a name in the service, please submit the name to the church office by **October 18**.

MARY MARTHA BIBLE STUDY

The journey continues! Join us on October 13th at 1 pm in room 210 for the Bible study, "Bold Faith On An Unexpected Journey" Session 2 - "Choosing loyalty, finding love." led by Kathy Noblit. Copies of the study from Gather magazine are available on the narthex bulletin board or contact Marilyn Wilford. Refreshments will be furnished by Cheryl Johnson and we look forward to sharing this special time with you!

SERVING OUR LORD TODAY

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Ushers	Rick & Patty Keaton	Art & Corrine Lund
Readers	Kathy Noblit	Stephen Volz
Communion Assist	Bette Mishey	Sally Berger
Acolyte	Melissa Dexter	Will Pletcher
Altar Guild - Kathy Noblit		
Communion Committee: - Pat Ferenbaugh		
Tellers - Mike Eesley & John Hoffman		

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Ushers	Tom Updike Will Melick	Stephen Volz Tim Williams
Reader s	Mike Eesley	Karen Greever
Acolyte	Catherine Eesley	Connor Driscoll
Altar Guild - Kathy Noblit		
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

My message for the past several weeks has been two-fold: Gratitude for your generous response to our need for additional funds AND a reminder that meeting our monthly expenses continues to be a challenge. Unfortunately, that challenge has reached a critical point once again. We are not receiving enough in weekly offerings to pay current expenses. Based on the 2026 Estimate of Spending, we need an average weekly offering of at least \$4500. Through the end of August our weekly average has been \$3700. As stewards of the congregation, the council is faced with reallocating portions of some designated funds to meet our operational expenses. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact me or any other council member. Thank you in advance for your continued stewardship and prayers in this regard.

Sally Berger,
Council President.

FAITH EVENTS

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CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 4 - 10, 2026

Today:	8 & 10:00 am	Worship/Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Sunday School
		Fellowship Time
	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
Mon	11:00 am	Jesus Calling
	7:30 pm	AA
Wed	10:00 am	Stitching Hour
	1:00 pm	Faith Women Board Meeting
	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Community Garden Meeting Rm 210
Thurs	9:00 am	SPOT (formerly TOPS)
	7:00 pm	Choir
Sat	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Ann Dice Shelter/Fellowship Hall

PLEASE PRAY FOR: MEMBERS: Bob & Kathy Atwell, Jordan & Nico Barnard, Vicki Blubaugh, Joe Curran, Al Dexter, Larry Everhard, Jan Frye, Eileen Hartman, Carolyn Jacquet, Ann Jurkowitz, Kathy Lamb, Betty McDonald, Judy Mustaine, Dan Myers, Kathy Noblit, Stan Park, Fran Smyser.

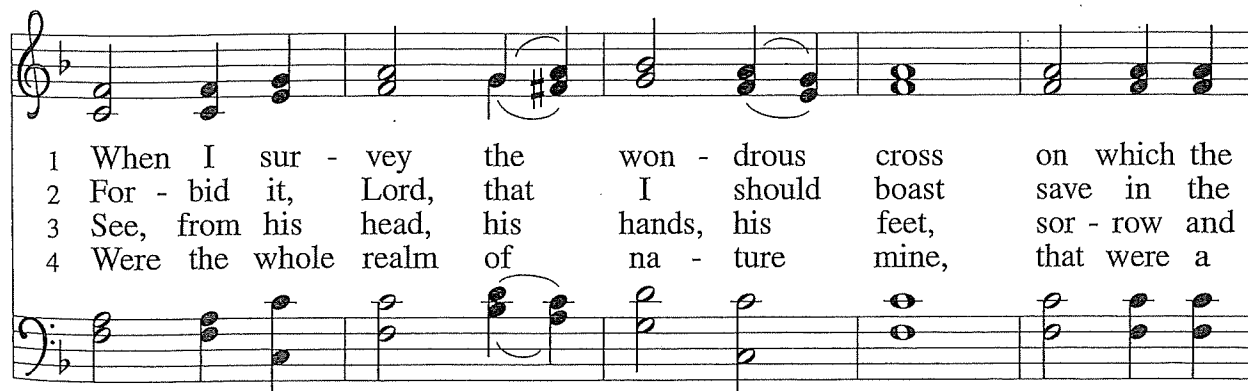
FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alan (friend of Art Schad), Linda, Marie, Linda Beach, Devin Boyer, Nora Burke & family, Purell Butts, Mike C, Aaron Everhard, Nick Frost, baby Gabriel (heart surgery, Texas), Kayla Gadd, Linda Galyon, Chester Gingerich, Grant, Lon Hamby, Susan Jeffery, John Jones, Eddie and Miranda Jones, Beth Kost, Barb, Marv & Rob Keck, Dean & Marilyn Kempton, Debra Kempton, Jerry Kies, Alan (Ann Dice's brother), Dr. William McFarren, Jim Major (friend of Pastor Mark Wildermuth), Scott Mickley, Tina Miller, Donald Morehour, Sue Moreland, Jake Morisi, Anderson O'Briskie, Philp's family (Washington State house fire), Quinton (friend of Alex Jones), Shirley Ramsay, Julie & Brian Ramsey, Bruce Renne, Jan Rice, Sam Robert, Mona Russell and Heather & Danielle, Karen Scott, Wayne Snyder, Gabe & Micah Stauffer, Willow Steiner, an 8 month old with "Spitz" cancer, Martha Stuller, Becky Thomas, Josie Watts, Pam Wolfe, Karen Zedeker, and all others on our hearts and minds.

PRAYER SHAWL RECIPIENTS (in the last three months): Marianna Wolk, Billie Maglott, Esther Gillett, Glenn Dyer, Royce Jordan, Dani Bee, Warren Blair, Barb, Brian Dodd, Barbara Mickley, Ruth, Jamie Lynn Turner.

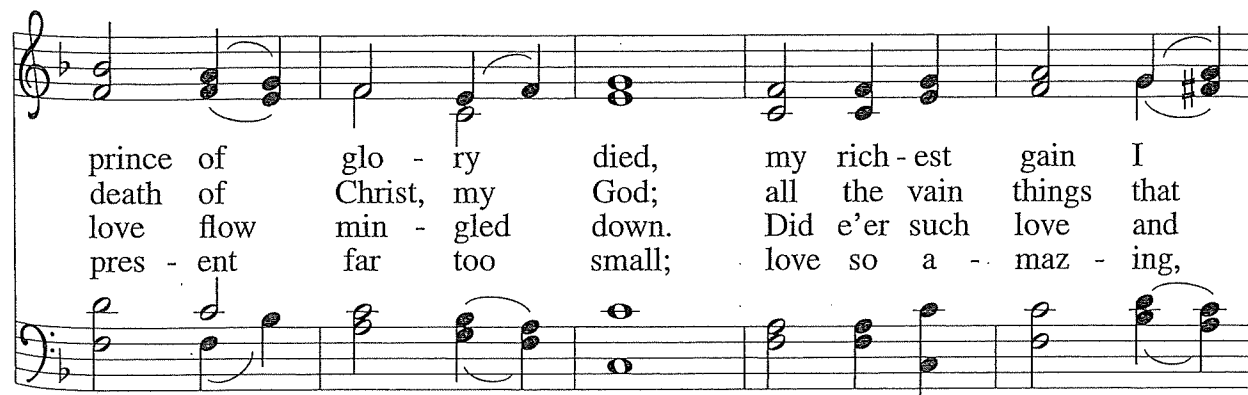
PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Gavin Thomas, Master Sargent Christopher Dominick.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
 Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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Alternate tune: ROCKINGHAM OLD

My Song Is Love Unknown

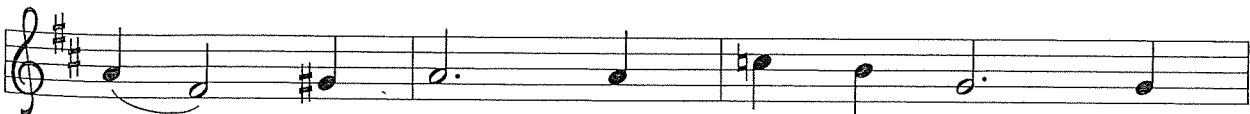
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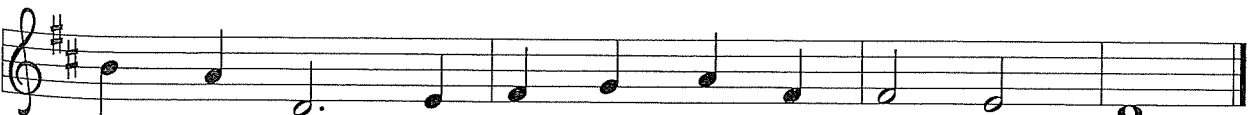
1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times we strew his way and his sweet prais - es
 4 We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made a -



me, love to the love - less shown that they might
 stow; the world that was his own would not its
 sing; re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas
 way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I that
 Sav - ior know. But, oh, my friend, my
 to our king. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is
 life to slay. Yet cheer - ful he to



for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
 friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!
 all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.
 suf - f'ring goes that he his foes from thence might free.

5 In life no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say? Heav'n was his home
 but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

6 Here might I stay and sing—
 no story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
 I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624–1683, alt.
 Music: John Ireland, 1879–1962
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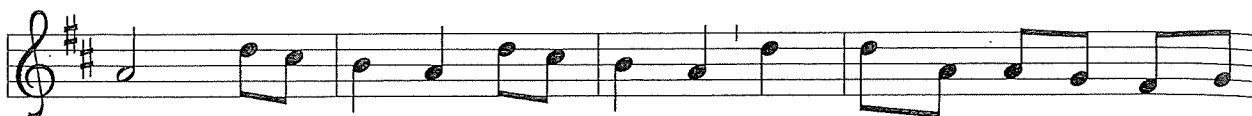
LOVE UNKNOWN
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Alternate tune: RHOSYMDRE

835 All Creatures, Worship God Most High!



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth-er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth-er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for-give, all who in pain or sor-row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth-er sun, in splen-dor
 grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,
 throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in
 grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
 clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
 care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:
 fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

- 5 And you, most gentle sister death,
 waiting to hush our final breath: Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
 fair is the night that leads us home.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,
 and worship God with humble heart: Alleluia! Alleluia!
 All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
 and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!