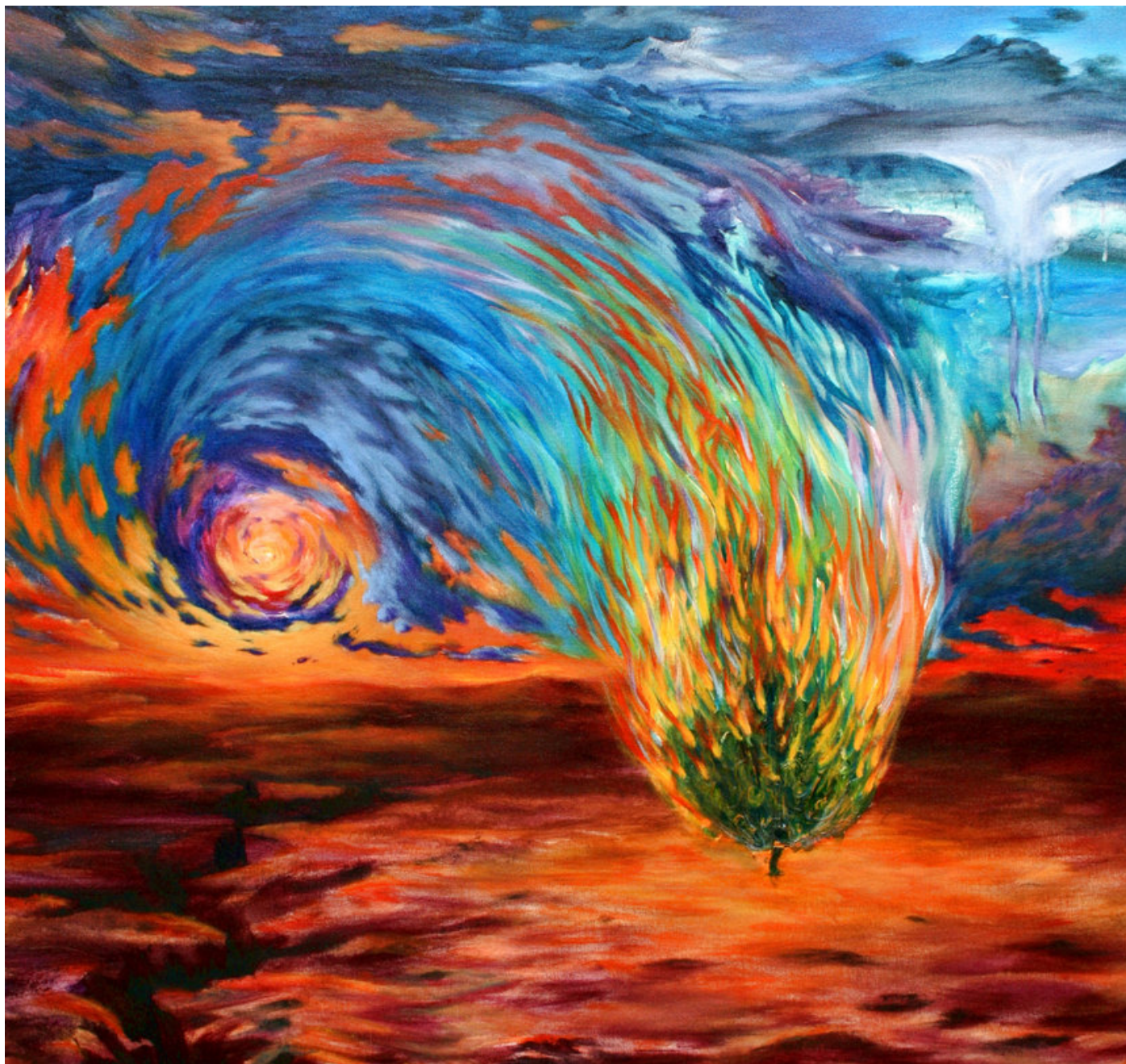


September 3, 2023



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10:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 3, 2023

Processional

Welcome and Announcements

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Greet one another with the Peace of Christ

“The Peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

Preparation for Worship

Tread softly! All the earth is holy ground.

Christina Rossetti

Prelude

Meditation on “Be Thou My Vision”

Robert Lau

Introit

Now Let Us Gather

Call to Worship

Psalm 105

One: Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;
make known among the nations what he has done.

All: Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

One: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the
Lord rejoice.

All: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

One: Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the
judgments he pronounced,

**All: you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen
ones, the children of Jacob.**

One: He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

**All: He remembers his covenant forever, the promise he made,
for a thousand generations.**

***Hymn of Praise #482**

Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty

(music at end of bulletin)

Call to Confession

One: God knows who we are and of what we are made. He knows our strengths, our weaknesses, our triumphs, and our failings. He has shown us mercy in generations past and will show us that same mercy in years to come. Let us bring our broken hopes and unfilled dreams before him, and be refreshed for the journey through His forgiving love.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of history and hope, we often lose hope because we depend on ourselves and are limited by our weaknesses and inadequacies. Forgive us and teach us to give it all up to you. It is not our strength but yours that will carry us as we pilgrim through the holy ground that lies before us.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven and healed.

*Gloria #579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Anthem

Halle, Halle, Halle

Marty Haugen

*Halle, halle, hallelujah,
Halle, halle, hallelujah,
Halle, halle, hallelujah,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

*O God, to whom shall we go?
You alone have the words of life.
Let your words be our prayer*

*And the song we sing:
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

*Halle, halle, hallelujah,
Halle, halle, hallelujah,
Halle, halle, hallelujah,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Lord, you called Moses from the heart of the fire. Ignite our hearts with your fire of love so that your word will light our path and direct our ways as as navigate the wildness in our lives.

Scripture Reading *Exodus 3:1-15 (selected verses)* O.T. Page 50

And Moses was herding the flock of Jethro his father in law, Priest of Midian, and he drove the flock into the wilderness and came to the Mountain of God, to Horeb. And the Lord's messengers appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of the bush, and he saw, and look, the bush was burning with fire and the bush was not consumed. And Moses thought, Let me, pray, turn aside that I may see this great sight, why the bush does not burn up. And the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, and God called him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses", And he said, "Here I am Lord", and He said, "Come no closer. Take off your sandals from your feet for you are standing on holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your Father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob". And Moses hid his face for he was afraid to look upon God. And the Lord said to him, "I indeed have seen the abuse of my people that are in Egypt, and its outcry because of its taskmasters. I have heard, for I know its pain. And I have come down to rescue it from the hand of Egypt. And now go, that I may send you to Pharaoh, and bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt." And Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and that I should bring out the Israelites from Egypt?" And God said "I will be with you and this is the sign that I myself have sent you. When you bring the

people out of Egypt you shall worship God on this mountain.” And Moses said to God, “Look, when I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you’, and they say to me, ‘What is his name?’ What shall I say to them?” And God said to Moses “I will be who I will be. That is my name forever and thus I am invoked in all ages.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Larry Vilaro

Prayers of the People

*After each petition please say, “God of Life and Hope,”
and all respond, “Hear our Prayer.”*

Call to Offering

Offertory

Menuet

Jean Henry d’Anglebert

***Doxology #591**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

The living Lord is completely dedicated to us. From Generation to Generation. God is the God of Abraham, Issac, Jacob, and Moses. He is more than that, he is our God. The ground of the past, present, and future is holy, because God is the holy fire that leads us through the wilderness. May we be as dedicated to each other as Christ is to us in the years to come.

***Communion Hymn #507**

(music at end of bulletin)

I Come with Joy

Call to the Table

One: We come to the Lord's supper together as children of our one God.

All: Jesus makes the guest list, not us. Our family, chosen by God, is gathered from west and east, and includes everyone, even the lowest and the least. All are welcome here, the youngest and oldest, the rich and the poor, hurting and the hopeless.

One: People are welcome from east and west and north and south and from every tongue and tribe and nation. Jesus, when he was resurrected from the dead, revealed himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread around a table.

All: May we see the face of God today in each other as we come to the Lord's Supper.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Sharing the Bread

Sharing the Cup

The outer ring contains wine, the inner rings contain grape juice.

Response of Thanksgiving

We give thanks for the bread which we have broken and the cup which we have shared. We give thanks for Your sure provision for our lives. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** (*music on page 8*)

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

***Blessing**

***Amen**

***Postlude**

Rise Up and Serve the Lord

Patricia Lou Harris

*We invite all to stand in body or in spirit.

THANK YOU

- Pastor: Rev. Larry Vilardo
- Music Director: Nicki Kerns
- Lector: Lee Duffus
- Greeters: Jeff and Patti Lawton
- Usher: Pete Halper
- Coffee: Larry and Lorraine Vilardo
- Flowers: Joanne Clever

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

(Psalm 105)

Refrain Capo 1: (D) (D/F#) (G) (A7sus) (A)
 Eb Eb/G Ab Bb7sus Bb

The stead - fast love of the Lord nev - er ceas - es; God's

(D) (D/F#) (G) (A7sus) (A7)
 Eb Eb/G Ab Bb7sus Bb7

mer - cies nev - er come to an end. They are

(G) (A) (F#m7) (Bm7) (Em7)
 Ab Bb Gm7 Cm7 Fm7

new ev - ery morn - ing, new ev - ery morn - ing; great is your

(A7sus) (A7) (D) (A/C#)(Bm7) (Em7) (A7sus) (A7) (D)
 Bb7sus Bb7 Eb Bb/D Cm7 Fm7 Bb7sus Bb7 Eb

faith - ful - ness, O Lord, great is your faith - ful - ness.

Announcements

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

We look forward to getting to know you better. Please fill out a visitor welcome card found in the pew pockets in front of you. After worship, please join us for coffee, tea, and juice in the Magnolia Courtyard. We are glad you are here!

Deacons

The Board of Deacons relies on the generosity of members and friends of the congregation to provide financial support for their endeavors. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes in the pews to designate your contribution to the work of the Deacons.

A Fond Farewell to Our Friends, Truett and Carol Bobo

In appreciation for all they have done, we have scheduled a goodbye event on Sunday September 10th following worship in the fellowship hall. The committee will supply a succulent spiral ham and an awesome carrot cake. Please bring a salad or side dish to enjoy. We will also make available stationery and markers so that you can write up your thanks and blessings to share with our beloved friends. See you there.

Happy Hour, September 21, 5pm

We meet for a happy hour on the third Thursday of every month. Join us at Woodhouse Brewery, which has a welcoming setting, plenty of space indoors and out, drinks of all kinds, and food by Sampa Brazilian Kitchen. 119 Madrone, just off River St. (adjacent to Dignity Health Physical Therapy).

Book Club, Monday, September 25, NOTE TIME CHANGE...

2pm, Fireside Room

We will discuss Ryan Althouse's book: "The Expanse: Homos, Hobos, and the Holy Hereafter."

All Church Retreat
Saturday and Sunday, October 7th and 8th
at Redwood Glen on Bean Creek Road in Scotts Valley

The retreat begins with breakfast Saturday morning,
and ends after worship service Sunday morning.

Saturday night lodging cost is \$129 per person/double occupancy,
\$140 per person/single occupancy.

Lodging prices include 4 meals.

If you choose not to spend the night, you can join us for the daytime
activities and meals.

Daytime only costs are:

Day Use Fee: \$12

Breakfast: \$10

Lunch: \$12

Dinner: \$14

Please indicate your participation choices below.

Name: _____ # of attendees _____

Overnight? Yes ___ No ___

Saturday Breakfast? Yes ___ No ___

Saturday Lunch? Yes ___ No ___

Saturday Dinner? Yes ___ No ___

Sunday Breakfast? Yes ___ No ___

*Please place reservation slip in the collection plate or give to George
Bunch. Make payments to Trinity Presbyterian Church.
Indicate "Retreat" in the memo line.*

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8

Joachim Neander, 1680

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665Harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

Desc. Craig Sellar Lang, 1953

Descant

3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1. Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy
 reign - eth, Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yea, so
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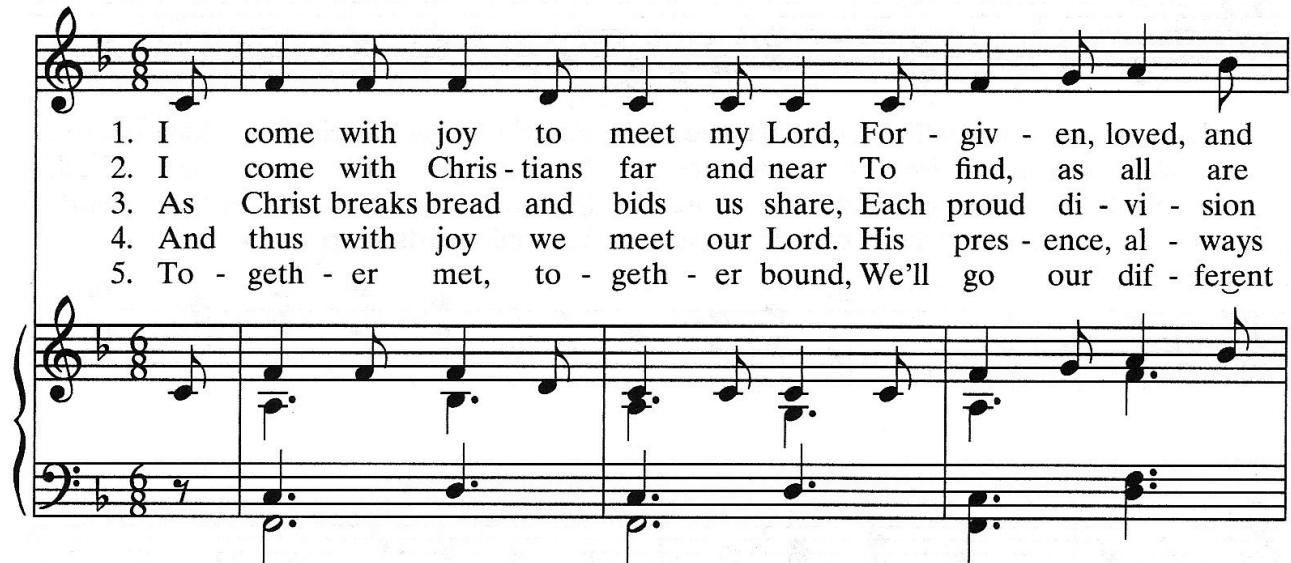
I Come with Joy

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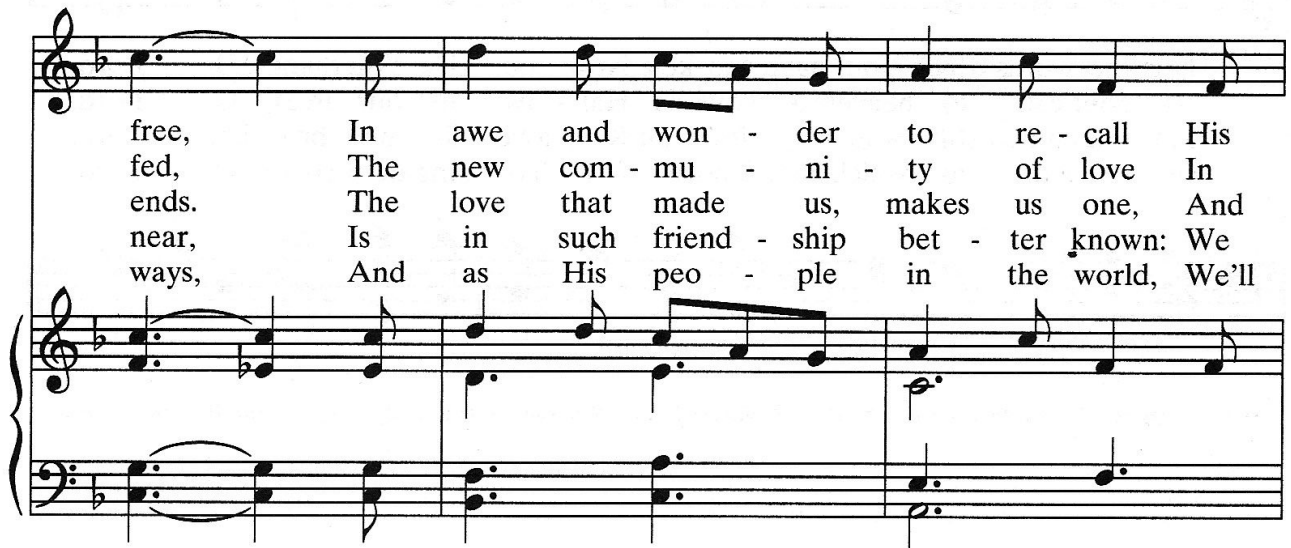
DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6

Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1977

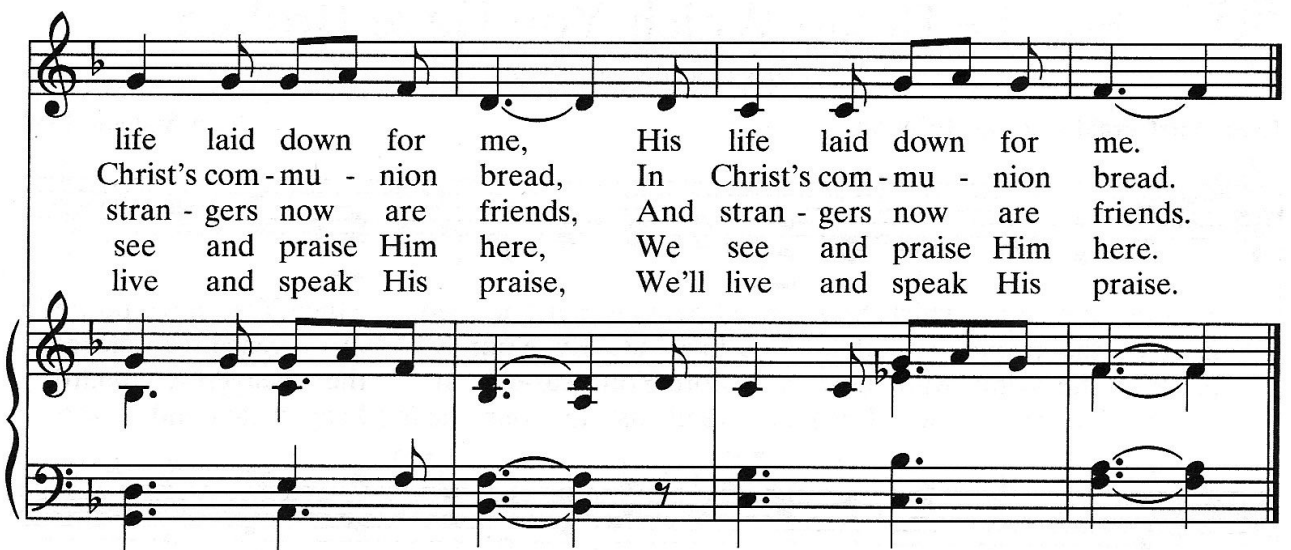
American folk melody
Arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977



1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, For - giv - en, loved, and
2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To find, as all are
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, Each proud di - vi - sion
4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence, al - ways
5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, We'll go our dif - ferent



free, In awe and won - der to re - call His
fed, The new com - mu - ni - ty of love In
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, And
near, Is in such friend - ship bet - ter known: We
ways, And as His peo - ple in the world, We'll



life laid down for me, His life laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
stran - gers now are friends, And stran - gers now are friends.
see and praise Him here, We see and praise Him here.
live and speak His praise, We'll live and speak His praise.