

October 22, 2023



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10:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 22, 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

Prelude

Little Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach

Introit

Surely the Presence

Call to Worship

One: Oh, God of Steadfast Hope, we come to you this day in worship,

All: **That you might place us in the palm of your hand and grant us peace.**

One: Oh, Word of Joy, remind us this day what brings real joy,

All: **So that we can become true servants of hope.**

One: Oh, God of Community, bless us with your living presence,

All: **That we may show forth your grace and glory to a world in crisis.**

***Hymn of Praise #539 (*Gather Hymnal*)**

Gather Us In

Call to Confession

(Psalm 34:18)

One: God is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us confess before God and one another, praying together:

Prayer of Confession

All: O God, you call us to follow you each day, but we get so distracted by the myriad of glittering things this world provides. Our fears overwhelm us and we turn to worship at the altars of wealth and power, pride and ambition, privilege and self. Forgive us. Remind us again that you have created us in your image, that with you is life abundant, and with you we are made new each morning. May we give ourselves to you - fully, confidently, faithfully as we serve our neighbors without partiality in your name. Amen.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news: we are God's beloved, created in the image of the Holy One. God claims us as God's own and forgives us, granting grace and peace to all.

All: God hears our prayers, forgiving us, healing us, restoring us. Thanks be to God!

*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

Cantate Domino

Chepponis

*Cantate Domino, cantate Domino,
Cantate Domino canticum novum.
Sing to the Lord, oh sing a new song,
Sing to the Lord, oh sing a new song.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Cantate Domino canticum novum.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Cantate Domino canticum novum.*

*Cantate Domino, cantate Domino,
Cantate Domino canticum novum.
Sing to the Lord, oh sing a new song,
Sing to the Lord, oh sing a new song.
Alleluia!*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 45:1-7
Matthew 22:15-22

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

What Is Essential to Life

Rev. Nan Swanson

***Hymn #483**

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

(music at end of bulletin)

Prayers of the People

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

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Offertory

Lyric Piece

Edvard Greig

***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**

All: You do not choose favorites, Holy God, but pour out your blessings on all your children, trusting that we will empty our hearts, our lives, our treasure in meeting the needs of those around us. Bless these gifts, and use them to bring healing and hope to your people. Amen.

***Closing Hymn #420**

God of Grace and God of Glory

(music at end of bulletin)

***Blessing**

***Amen**

***Postlude**

Rejoice With a Song

Edward Broughton

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

THANK YOU

Pastor: Rev. Larry Vilaro
Guest Preacher: Rev. Nan Swanson
Music Director: Nicki Kerns
Lector: Lee Duffus
Greeters: Charlie and Gwen May
Usher: Pete Halper
Flowers: Charlie and Gwen May
Coffee: Pete Halper

We Welcome Rev. Nan Swanson

Nan grew up in Texas, went to college in Oklahoma, went to work in Washington, D.C., and moved to California in 1976. She and her husband, Rollin, have 3 children, 7 grandchildren, and a marriage central to their life. She has served the Presbytery of San Jose with great joy and fulfillment since the 1980s. A great fan of Trinity, she is happy to be with us once again.

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!

Stewardship Sunday, October 29

Join us as we celebrate the culmination of our Stewardship campaign with a wonderful potluck after the worship service. There will be a carved pumpkin contest: bring your best carved pumpkin to share. Prizes! Contact Michael Christie for information.

Memorial Service for Kostas Spalaris, November 4, 1pm

We will have a service in the Sanctuary, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall.

Retirement Reception for Executive Presbyter Rev. Joey Lee

You are invited to a reception in honor of Joey Lee, November 4, 2pm - 4pm. Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 Fremont Ave, Sunnyvale. Refreshments and light fare. RSVP needed, see Jana or Ellen.

Be Part of the Solution to the Housing Problem

Please consider joining the team of dedicated Trinity volunteers who provide lunches for the volunteer construction workers who are building new homes in the Live Oak neighborhood. It's an easy, yet important way to participate in the great work of Habitat for Humanity in our community. The next available dates are November 7 and December 5. Contact Lee Duffus for further information at leeduffus@gmail.com or a text at 831-295-3025.

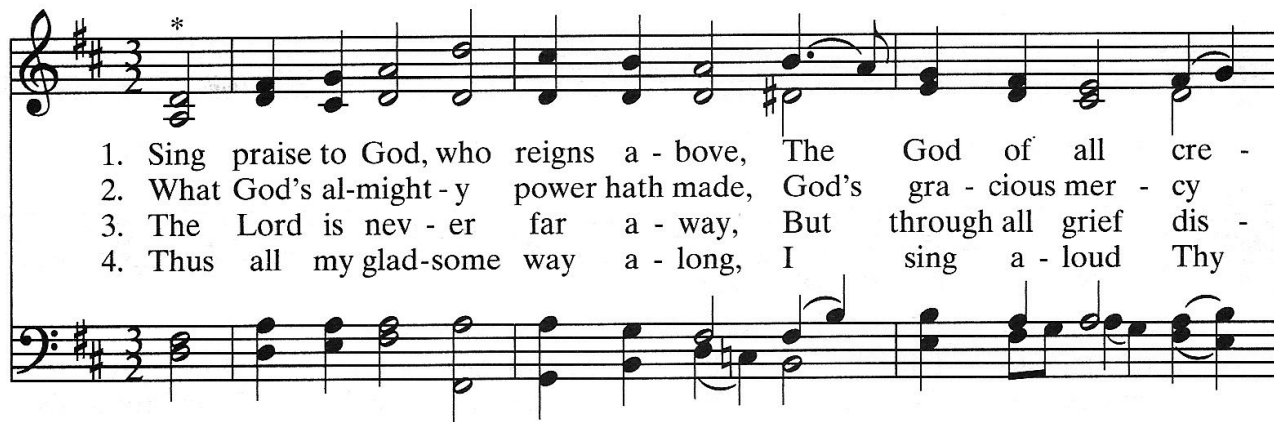
483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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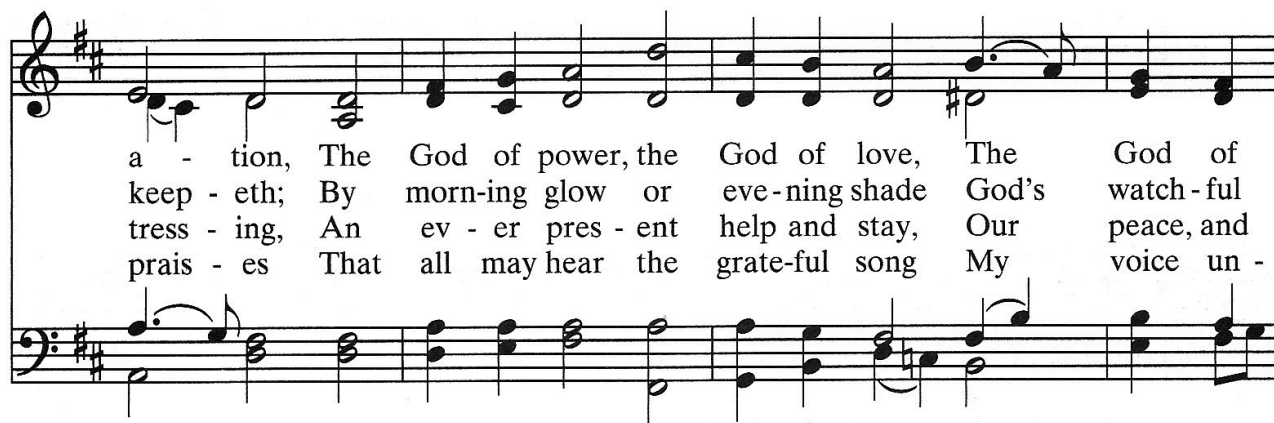
Johann Jacob Schütz, 1675

Trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox, 1864; alt.

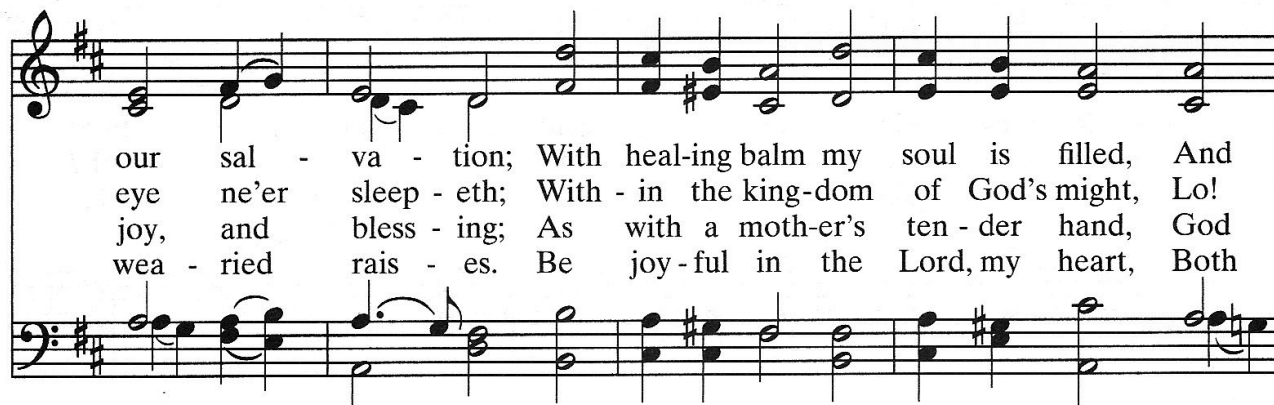
Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesang*, 1566

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1. Sing praise to God, who reigns a - bove, The God of all cre -
 2. What God's al-might - y power hath made, God's gra - cious mer - cy
 3. The Lord is nev - er far a - way, But through all grief dis -
 4. Thus all my glad-some way a - long, I sing a - loud Thy



a - tion, The God of power, the God of love, The God of
 keep - eth; By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade God's watch - ful
 tress - ing, An ev - er pres - ent help and stay, Our peace, and
 prais - es That all may hear the grate - ful song My voice un -



our sal - va - tion; With heal - ing balm my soul is filled, And
 eye ne'er sleep - eth; With - in the king - dom of God's might, Lo!
 joy, and bless - ing; As with a moth - er's ten - der hand, God
 wea - ried rais - es. Be joy - ful in the Lord, my heart, Both



ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stilled:
 all is just and all is right:
 gent - ly leads the cho - sen band: To God all praise and glo - ry!
 soul and bod - y take your part:

*May be sung in unison.

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God of Grace and God of Glory

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Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt.

John Hughes, 1907

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Thy peo - ple
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn Thy Christ, as -
 3. Cure Thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to
 4. Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that

pour Thy power; Crown Thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail Thy ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 Thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 they may be Ar - mored with all Christ - like gra - ces,

Bring its bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Pledged to set all cap - tives free. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal, Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal.
 That we fail not them nor Thee! That we fail not them nor Thee!