

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 20, 2021

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sins.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

O God of mercy,
**we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another,
and against your good creation.**

**We have stored up treasures for ourselves
and turned away our neighbors in need.**

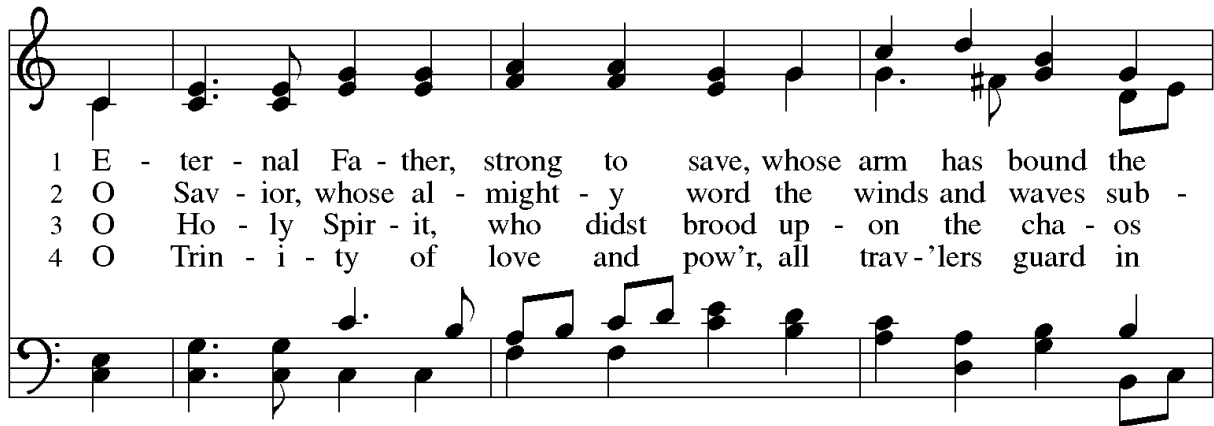
We have used our time foolishly and daily strayed from your path.

**Forgive us, that we may know true joy and freedom
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

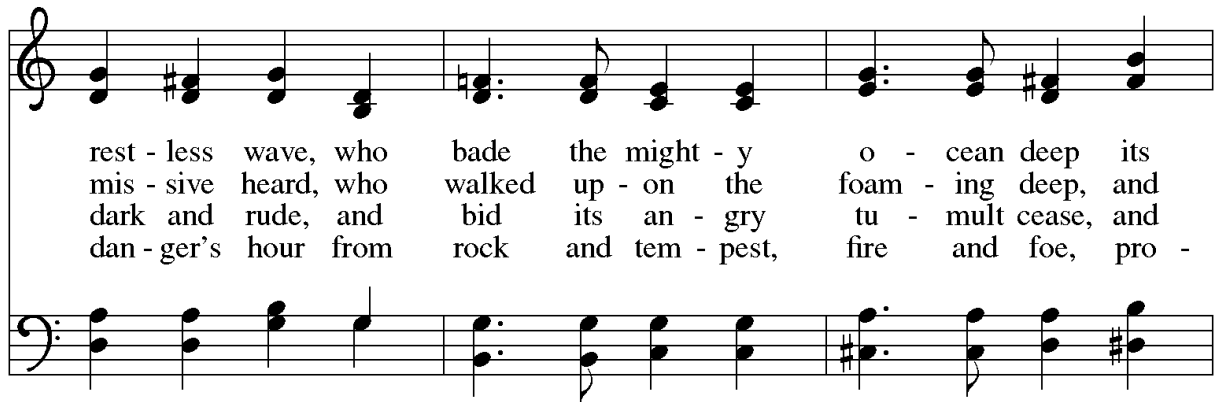
Through Jesus Christ, the true Bread of life, God has given us life and hope.
Know that your sins are forgiven and live abundantly – as we await his coming!
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

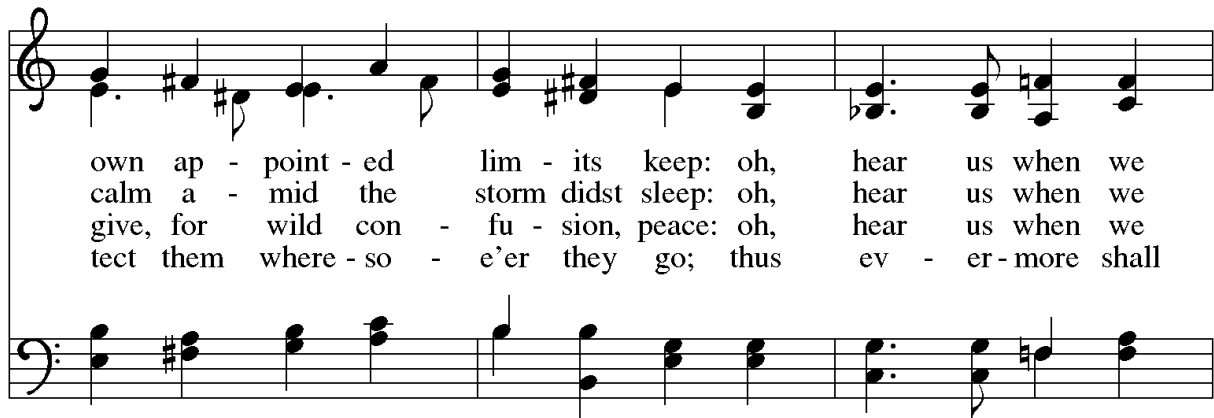
“Eternal Father Strong to Save”



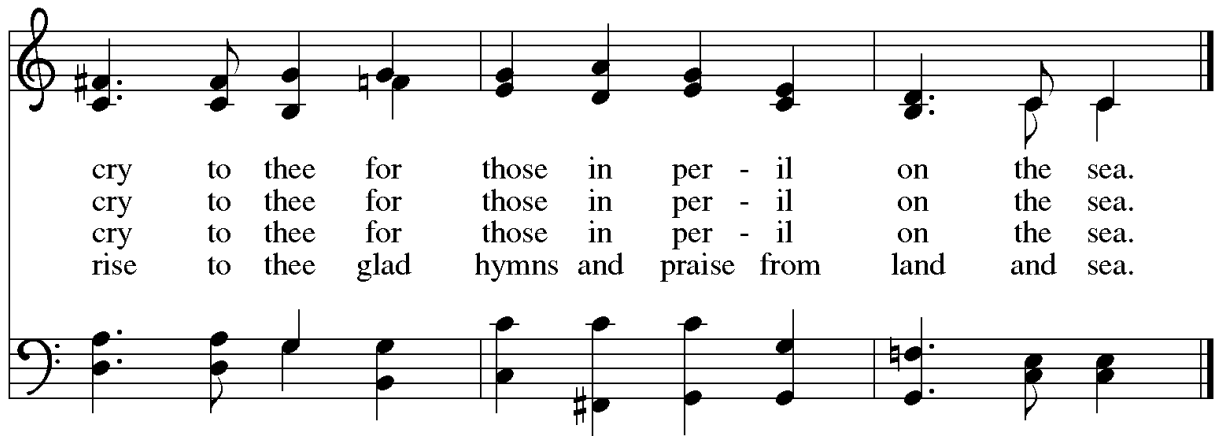
1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

A Reading from Job

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

⁷when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb?—

⁹when I made the clouds its garment,

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it,

and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?” (Job 38:1-11)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 (Read responsively)

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.

**Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
those he redeemed from trouble**

and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

**Some went down to the sea in ships,
doing business on the mighty waters;**

they saw the deeds of the LORD,
his wondrous works in the deep.

**For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,
which lifted up the waves of the sea.**

They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths;
their courage melted away in their calamity;

**they reeled and staggered like drunkards,
and were at their wits' end.**

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he brought them out from their distress;

**he made the storm be still,
and the waves of the sea were hushed.**

Then they were glad because they had quiet,
and he brought them to their desired haven.

**Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.**

Let them extol him in the congregation of the people,
and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

A Reading from Second Corinthians

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness

of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also. (2 Corinthians 6:1-13)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?” (Mark 4:35-41)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver
 2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst
 3 When at last I near the shore, and the

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me
 hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy
 fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful

roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and
 will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous
 rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Read in Unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you gather your people from every direction. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You created the waters to be the womb of creation. The heavens sing your name and the earth shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest. Guide them in their efforts to establish safety and enforce justice. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You are close to the brokenhearted and those in distress. We pray for all who suffer and especially everyone on our prayer list. Give wisdom to those who practice the medical arts and bring healing and wholeness to everyone in need. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders in the church and throughout this community. Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

(The Pastor concludes): We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

MEAL

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.

THE 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 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

There is heavenly food and drink for all. Come and be filled with new life!

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENT

TABLE BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world as you love the world. In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

SENDING HYMN

“My Life Flows On In Endless Song”

[See back of bulletin]

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Introduction to the day: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God’s word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

Altar flowers are presented in honor of Isabella and Xavier Lafko by Barbara Lafko.

Chancel flowers are presented in loving memory of our beloved brother and uncle, Ron “Buck” Reibie, by Sue, Kurt, and Juli Schenck.

Bulletins are presented in memory of our wonderful Dad, Clark “Duke” Schenck, and beloved Grandpap, Ralph Reibie, by Juli and Kurt Schenck.

STiC

Today, plan to "STiC around" after worship in the woods! We have lots of fun activities planned as we focus on all things *water*.

Just a reminder that our second fellowship event following worship at Albright's Woods Pavilion, will be Sunday, July 18! Bring the whole family and a bag lunch. As Jesus retreated from the crowds to seek solace, we will focus on all things *trees and woods*.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY at ALBRIGHT'S WOODS PAVILION (6/20/21)

9:30 AM

LECTOR: Robin Zimmerman; GREETER: Sarah Eger;

USHER: Steve Zimmerman; ALTAR GUILD: Joanne Emerich and Gwen Wehr;

COUNTERS: Joyce O'Rourke, Gloria Dierwechter, and Pat Davis

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (6/27/21)

9:30 AM

LECTOR: Gwen Wehr; GREETER: Sarah Eger; USHER: Doug Travor;

ALTAR GUILD: Joanne Emerich and Gwen Wehr;

COUNTERS: Connie Teter, Joanne Emerich, and Barb Sterner

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, June 20 9:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion at
Albright's Woods Pavilion.
Father's Day/Summer Begins

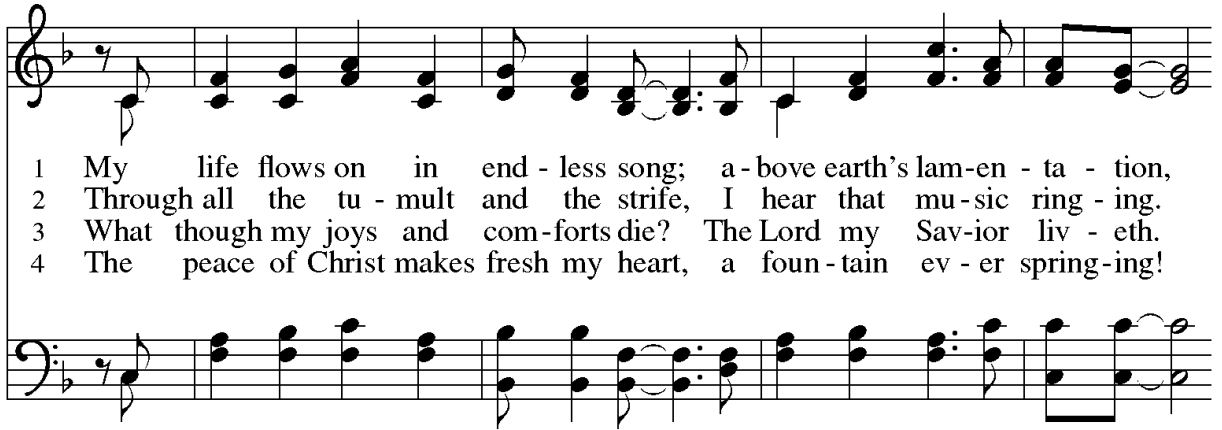
Friday, June 25 9:30 AM STiC Sojourn in Hamburg

Saturday, June 26 5:30 PM Worship

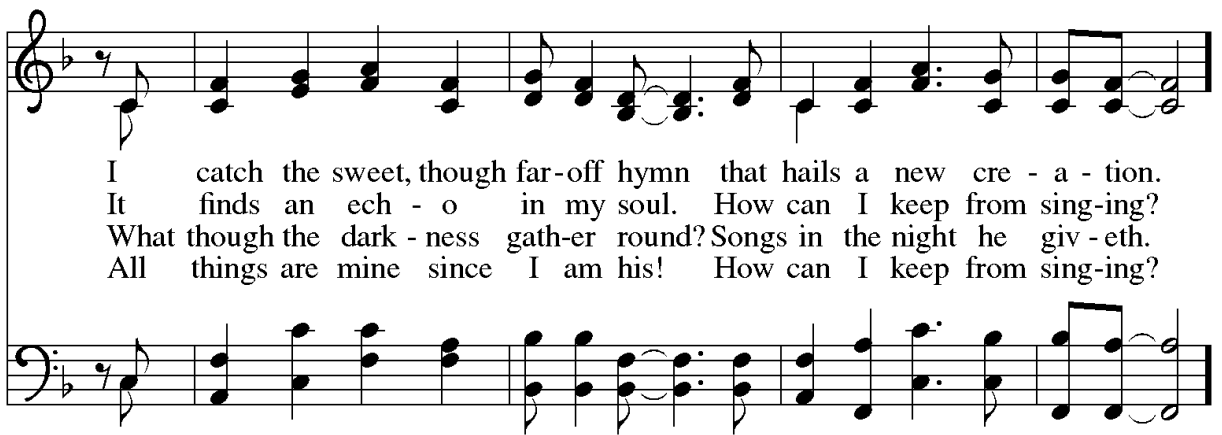
Sunday, June 27 9:30 AM Worship

SENDING HYMN

“My Life Flows On In Endless Song”

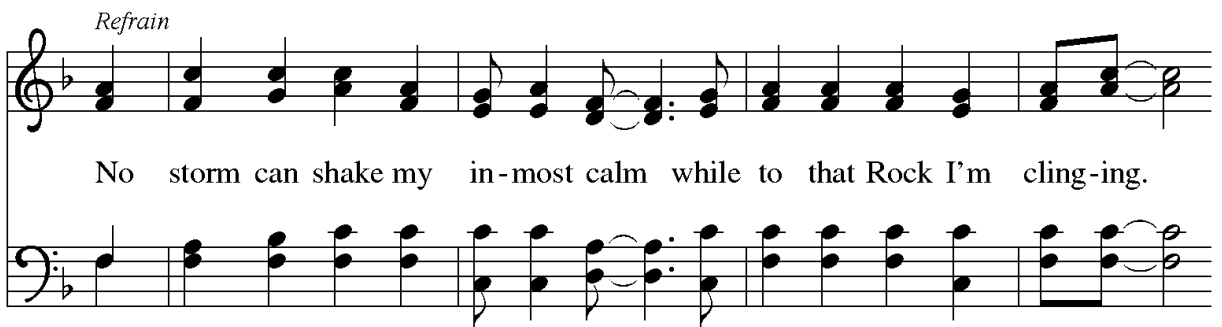


1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-i-or liv - eth.
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

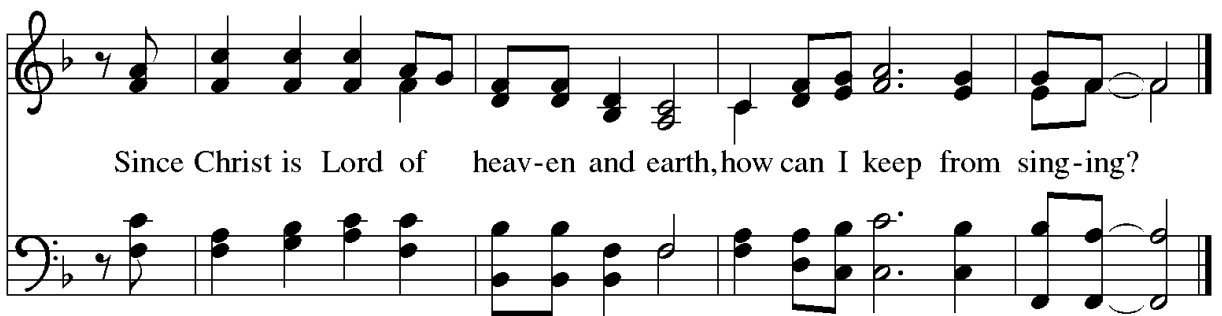


I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



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



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?