

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in God's temple.

- Psalm 27

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND MEMORIAL FOR JENNIFER ANDERSON KOENIG

28 SEPTEMBER 2013 - 10:30 AM ✝ ST. OLAF COLLEGE

One of the great joys of Jennifer Koenig's life was to worship in Boe Memorial Chapel. Whether she was in front, leading, or in a pew with the congregation, it was, for her, meaningful and enriching. In her memory, following her example, we gather here for worship, remembering the eternal love of God, a love that is stronger than death; and sharing, as best we can with our sad hearts, the joy one of God's dear children, Jennifer, found in that love.

Hearing assistance is available. Please contact an usher for more information.

❖ indicates the congregation shall stand

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE Psalm Prelude, Set 1, No. 2

Herbert Howells

"But the lowly shall possess the land;
they will delight in abundance of peace.
Psalm 37:11

❖ GATHERING AND PROCESSION

At the sound of the bells, please stand and face the baptismal font under the balcony.

☐ People of God, we are gathered here... in a resurrection like his.

Let us pray: Eternal God, ... sighs too deep for words.

☑ O God, we praise you, we thank you, we worship you. Amen.

❖ HYMN "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET

1. O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your work be - gin,
2. Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the nar - row way,
3. O might - y Rock, O source of life, let your good Word in doubt and strife

and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine,
with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead - fast - ness, that we
be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith - ful un - to death

a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength in us up - well - ing.
may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat - ter who de - rides us.
and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you true wis - dom learn - ing.

In your ra - diance, life from heav - en now is giv - en
Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some to - ken
Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your pow - er

o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.
you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.
Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

❖ GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ℣ 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.
- ℣ Let us pray. God of grace and glory, ... in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- ✠ Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:10-12

- ℣ The Word of the Lord.
- ✠ Thanks be to God!

CHOIR "Praise to the Lord"

F. Melius Christiansen

SECOND READING 1 John 4:16-18

- ℣ The Word of the Lord.
- ✠ Thanks be to God!

❖ HYMN "Children of the Heavenly Father"

TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA

1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
2. God his own doth tend and nour - ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his child - ren sev - er;
4. Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

❖ The Gospel is announced (John 20:19-22)

- ℣ The Holy Gospel according to...
- ✠ Glory to you, O Lord

After the reading of the Gospel

- ℣ The Gospel of the Lord.
- ✠ Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

❖HYMN OF THE DAY “O Day Full of Grace”

DEN SIGNED DAG

all O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on
all How blest was that gra - cious mid - night hour, when God in our
choir Yea, were ev' - ry tree en - dowed with speech, and were ev' - ry
all When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for

earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may
flesh was giv - en; then bright - ened the dawn with light and
leaf - let sing - ing, they nev - er with praise God's worth could
us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a -

be a - bun - dant in joy this sea - son. God, shine for us
pow'r that spread o'er the dark - ened heav - en; then rose oe'r the
reach, though earth with their praise were ring - ing. Who ful - ly could
glow, all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing. and there we will

now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.
world that Sun di - vine which gloom from our hearts has driv - en.
praise the Light of life who light to our souls is bring - ing?
join God's end - less praise, with an - gels and saints a - dor - ing.

❖PRAYERS

After each petition of the prayers:

- ☐ Lord in your mercy,
- ☑ hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- ☐ ... through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- ☑ Amen.

❖PEACE

- ☐ The peace of Christ be with you always.
- ☑ And also with you.

CHOIR “Set Me as a Seal”

René Clausen

SHARING THE LORD’S SUPPER

❖THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so with you.

☐ Lift up your hearts. ☑ We lift them to the Lord.

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☑ It is right to give our thanks and praise.

❖ SANCTUS

📖 It is indeed right... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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.

❖ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

❖ THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

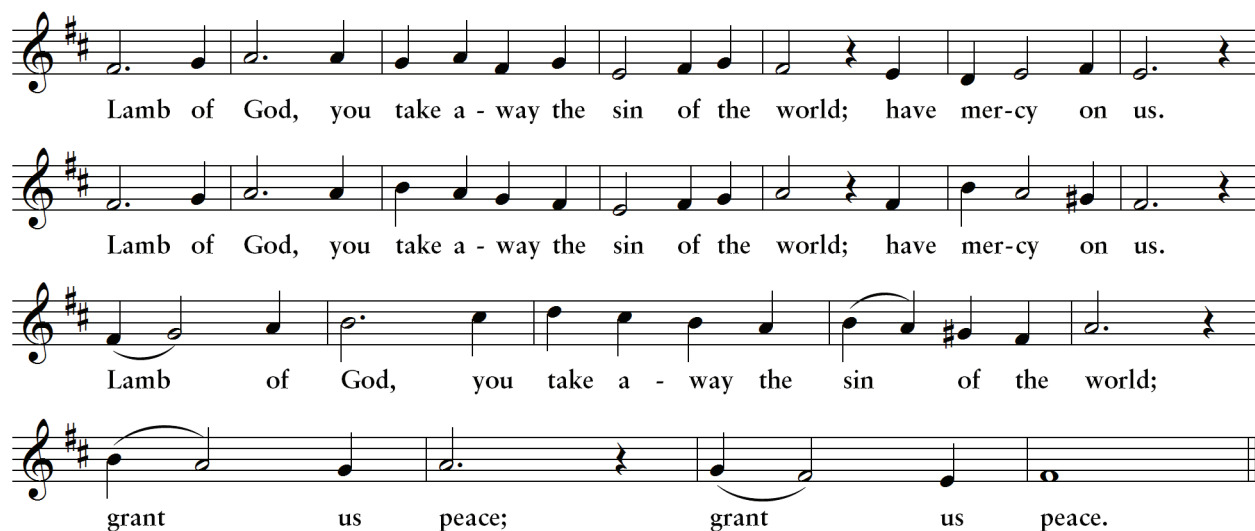
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Are you welcome to participate in Holy Communion? Yes! The Lord's Table is open to all, just as the grace and love of God are for all.

If your own faith commitments prefer that you refrain, you are invited to participate in heart and mind, reflecting on the grace of God that sustains us in life and death.

Please use the center aisle to come forward and be served at one of the stations on either side of the altar area. When you have been served use the side aisles to return to your place. The method we use today is intinction; receive a piece of bread and dip it in the cup before consuming it. If medical/health concerns give you reason to avoid the wine or bread, please remember the teaching of the Christian Church that Christ is fully present in either element alone, bread or wine. *Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available at the stations nearest the steps.*

AGNUS DEI



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

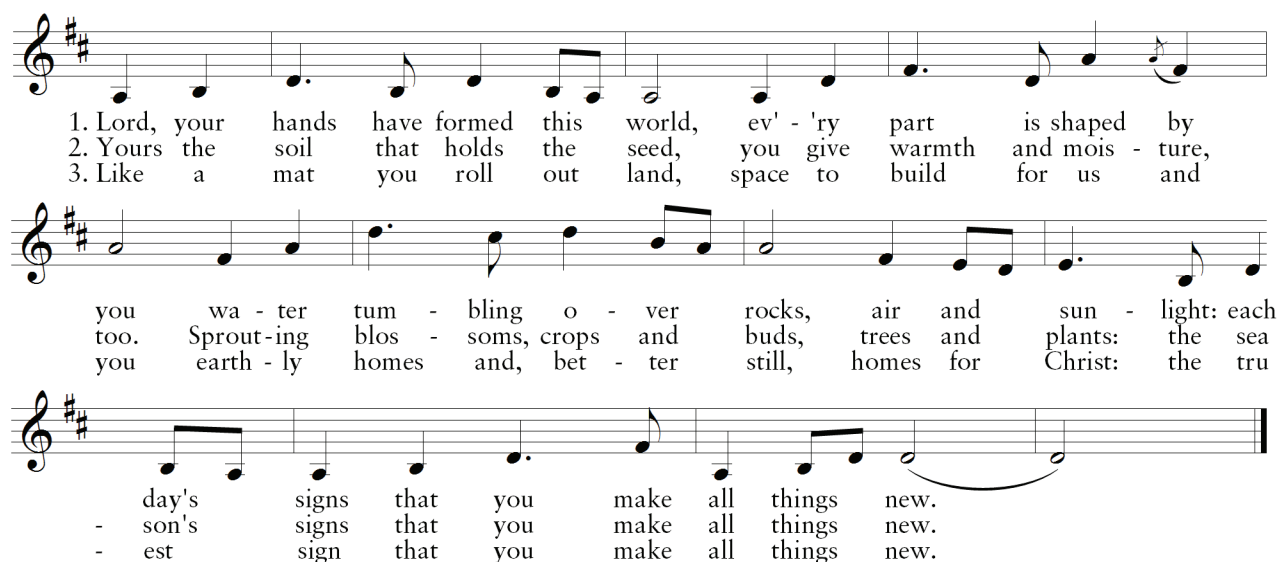
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us peace; grant us peace.

HYMN "Lord, Your Hands Have Formed"

GAYOM NI HIGAMI



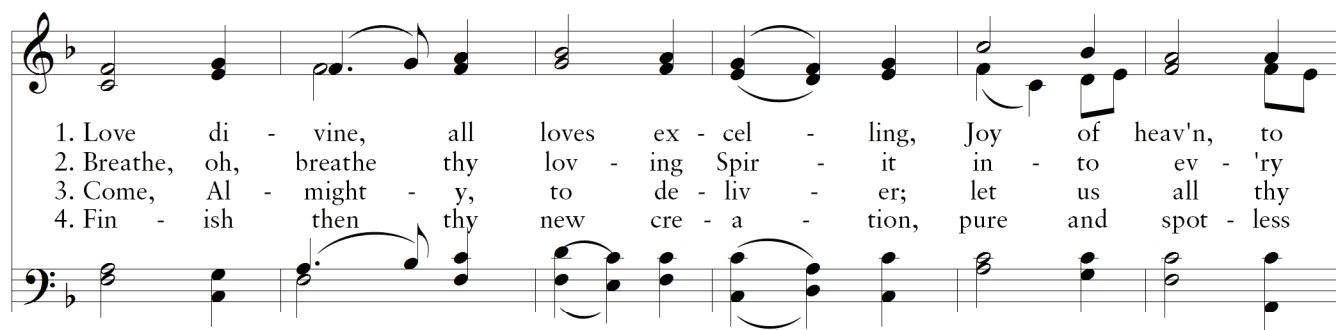
1. Lord, your hands have formed this world, ev' - 'ry part is shaped by
 2. Yours the soil that holds the seed, you give warmth and mois - ture,
 3. Like a mat you roll out land, space to build for us and

you too. wa - ter tum - bling o - ver rocks, air and sun - light: each
 you Sprout - ing blos - soms, crops and buds, trees and plants: the sea
 you earth - ly homes and, bet - ter still, homes for Christ: the tru

day's signs that you make all things new.
 - son's signs that you make all things new.
 - est sign that you make all things new.

HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

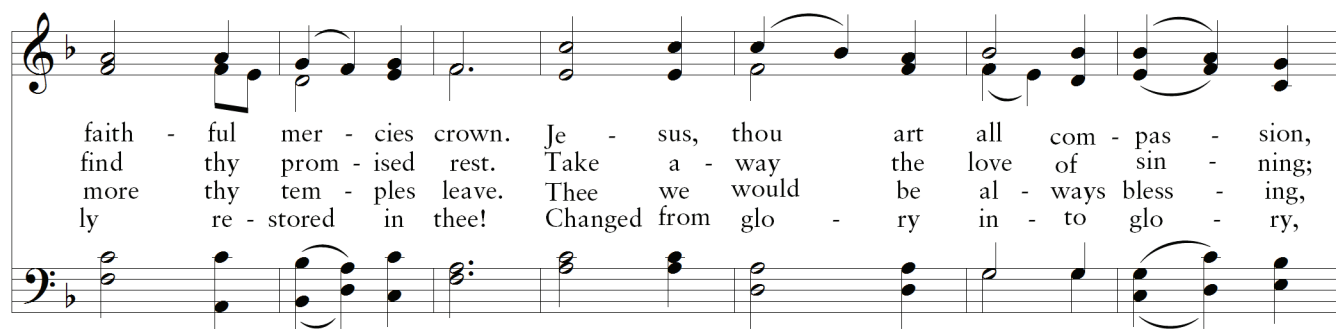
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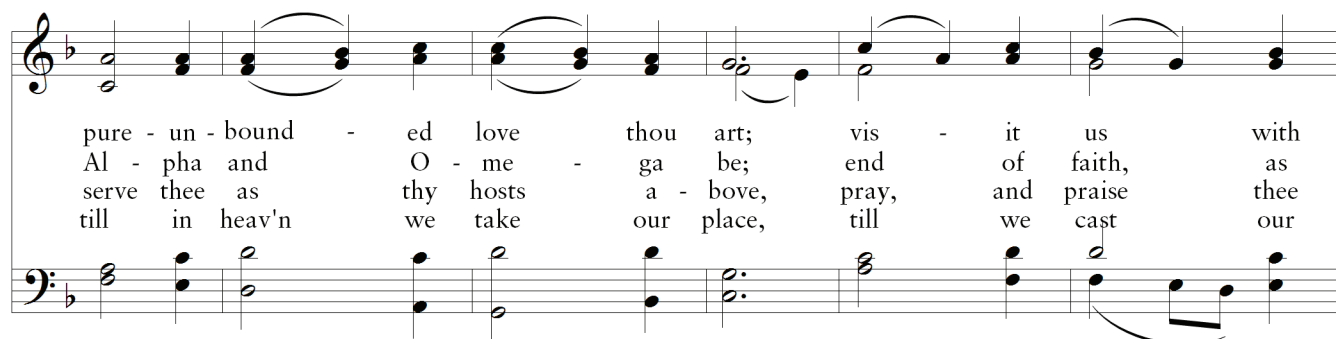
1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2. Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3. Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4. Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



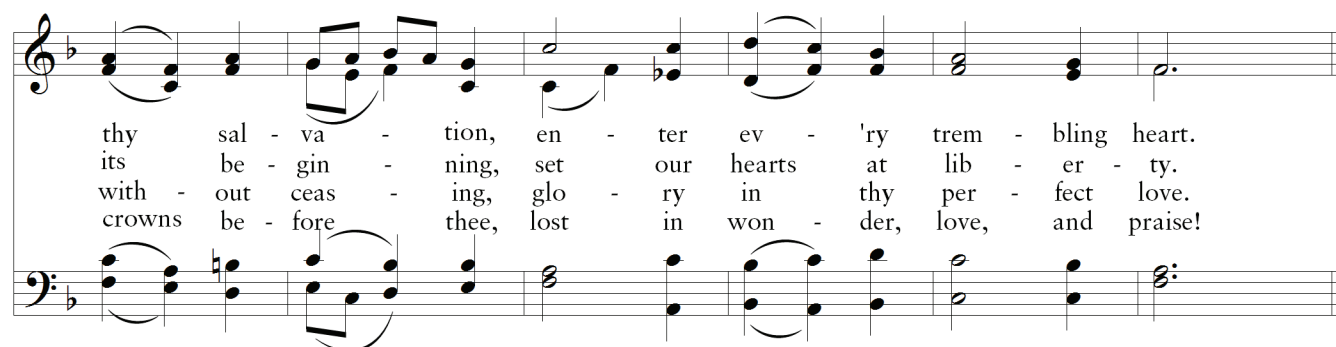
earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and ne - ver, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure - un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and we praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

HYMN "My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING



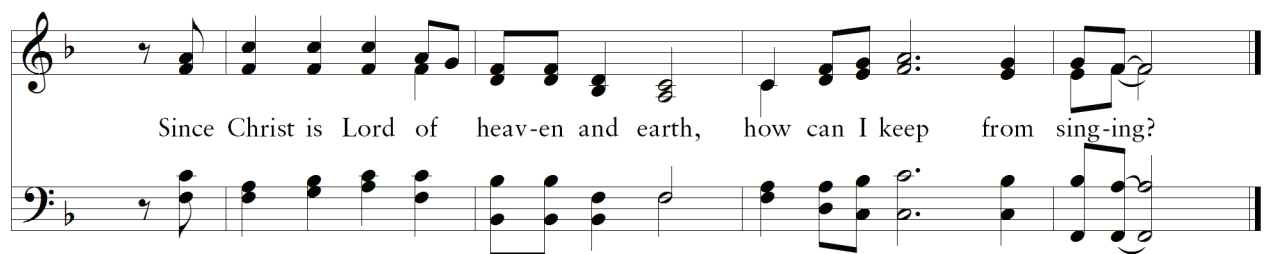
1. My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion,
 2. Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
 3. What though my joys and com - forts die? The Lord my Sav - ior liv - eth.
 4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev -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



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?

HYMN "We Praise You, O God"

KREMSER



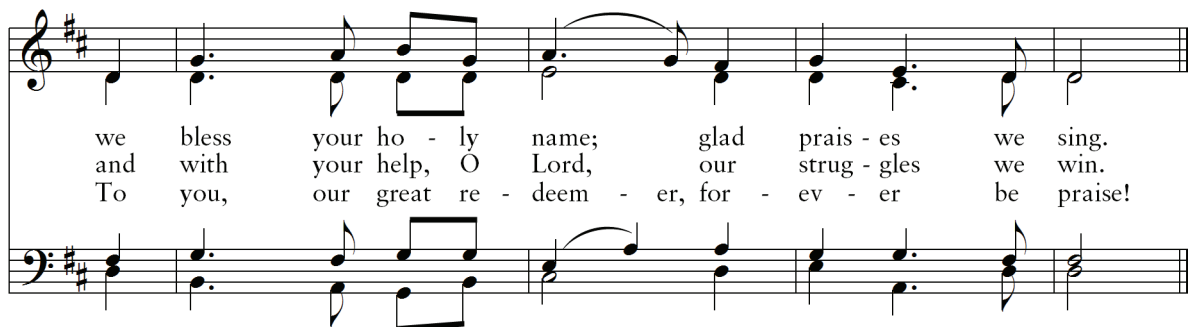
1. We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;
 2. We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;
 3. With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



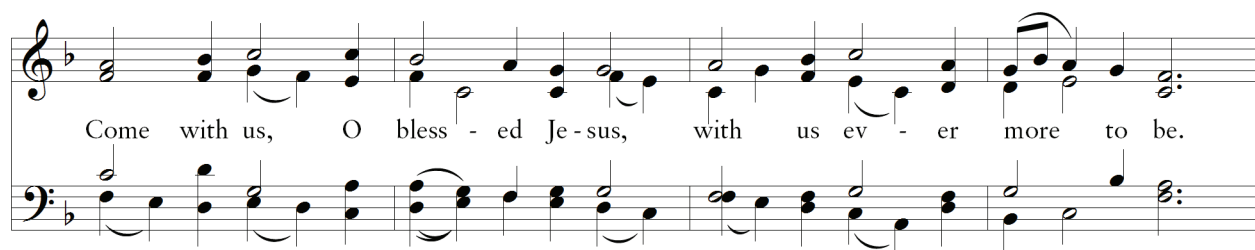
We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

HYMN "Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus"

WERDE MUNTER



Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er more to be.

The first line of the hymn is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a treble and bass staff. The melody is in the treble staff, starting on a whole note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ending with a quarter note E5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.



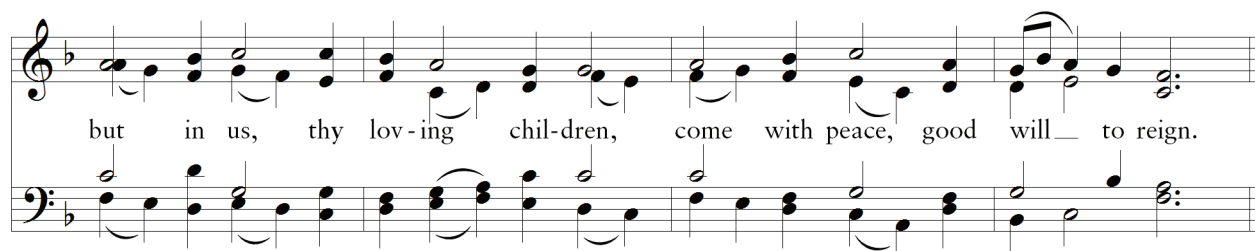
And, in leav - ing now thine al - tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee!

The second line continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody starts on a whole note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ends with a quarter note E5. The bass staff continues the harmonic accompaniment.



Let thy bright ce - les - tial chor - us nev - er cease the heav'n - ly strain;

The third line continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody starts on a whole note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ends with a quarter note E5. The bass staff continues the harmonic accompaniment.



but in us, thy lov - ing chil - dren, come with peace, good will to reign.

The fourth line concludes the hymn. The treble staff melody starts on a whole note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note D5, and ends with a quarter note E5. The bass staff continues the harmonic accompaniment.

DEPARTING TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

❖POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

☞ Let us pray.

☛ Amen.

❖COMMENDATION

☞ Let us commend Jennifer to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.
Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, our loved one, Jennifer.
Acknowledge her, we pray: a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock,
a beloved child of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your love,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the
saints in light.

☛ Amen.

CHOIR "Nunc Dimittis"

Robert Scholz

❖PRAYER

☞ Let us pray. O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot know the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is
leading us, and your hand supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

☛ Amen.

❖BENEDICTION

☞ The Lord bless you ... and give you peace

☛ Amen.

❖ RECESSIONAL HYMN “Beautiful Savior”

SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU

1. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2. Fair are the mea - dows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the spar - kling stars bloom - ing on spring;
 bright Son of God and Son of Man! high;
 Son of God and Son of Man! Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sorrow - ing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er more be thine!

POSTLUDE “A Mighty Fortress”

Johann Pachelbel

*Immediately following the service, you are invited to join David, Anders, Sylvia and family
 for light refreshments in the ballroom on the third floor of Buntrock Commons.*



The Rev. Jennifer Anderson Koenig, who served as associate college pastor at St. Olaf College for more than 15 years, died September 20, 2013, at the age of 47. In life and in death she was surrounded by the love of her family and many, many friends.

Jennifer was born in St. Charles, Illinois, and, at the age of two, moved to Geneva, Illinois with her family. She attended Geneva High School, where she served as class president for three years, was a member of the National Honor Society, competed at the Illinois State Track and Field Championships and was active in many school programs. She had a love for dance and choreography which led her to become a dance major at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. She graduated from St. Olaf in 1987. After college, she pursued a career in the arts. For three years, she performed with a professional modern dance company, Ballet Harren. She was called to the ministry, however, and in 1994 she earned her master of divinity degree from Luther Seminary, where she served for three years on the dance and fine arts committee.

Jennifer served in parish ministry in West Des Moines, Iowa at St. Mark's Lutheran Church before coming to St. Olaf in 1997. She described the St. Olaf position as her "dream call," and devoted herself to leading campus worship, preaching, and counseling students. "One of her greatest strengths was her sincere willingness to sit down and have a meaningful conversation at any time with anyone," says longtime colleague and retired College Pastor Bruce Benson. "She took a genuine interest in people's lives, and that endeared her to so many."

Koenig worked with a variety of departments across campus, from the arts to the sciences. However, the many personal relationships that she developed with students and faculty over the years are her enduring legacy. One of the spaces in Regents Hall of Natural and Mathematical Sciences is named in her honor as a gift from parents of a former student. In addition, several musical pieces, either commissioned by parents of former students, friends of the college, or friends of Jennifer, have been composed and performed in her honor.

Jennifer loved poetry and the arts. She was an avid writer of letters and notes - always seeking to honor her friends' birthdays, to comfort them in grief, or to celebrate even the most mundane things. She saw beauty, profundity, and the opportunity to ask more questions in everything she encountered. Her smile was luminous and her laugh was full-bodied, endearing, and infectious. She loved to celebrate God's creation in and with others.

Active in the community as well as on campus, Koenig mentored high school students, helped lead the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's Malaria Campaign and actively organized neighborhood gatherings where new neighbors could meet new friends.

Her CaringBridge site details her battle with glioblastoma.

Survivors include her husband David; her children Anders and Sylvia; her father, John Anderson of Geneva, Illinois; her sister Karla (Chuck) Boucek and their children Lian and Ana of Grayslake, Illinois; her father-in-law, Robert (Jan) Koenig of Grand Beach, Michigan; her sisters-in-law, Lindsey (Peter) Allen of Weston, Massachusetts, Jamie (Dan) Rau of Valparaiso, Indiana; her aunt Jean Murray of Lafayette, California; her aunt Mary Ann Bergeson of Hannibal, Missouri; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her mother and mother-in-law.

Her husband summarized the care that Jennifer received during her illness with this message on the Caring Bridge site, "Thank you, again, for giving Jennifer the peace and love that she had during her illness. She left us with the warmth of that love wrapping her soul. She was never afraid and she has all of you to thank for that."

Memorials are preferred to St. Olaf College in honor of the ministry of Jennifer Anderson Koenig.

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Pastor Matthew Marohl, College Pastor

Pastor John Gorder, Interim Associate College Pastor

Pastor Bruce Benson, College Pastor, retired

Erik Haaland, Student Congregation Intern, 2003-04

Elizabeth Musselman Palmer, Student Congregation Intern, 2005-06

Andy Nelson, Student Congregation Intern, 2006-07

Bethany Nelson, Student Congregation Intern, 2008-09

Andy Willis, Student Congregation Intern, 2009-10

Emily Haller, reader

Stacey Rudolph, reader

John Ferguson, Cantor to the Student Congregation, retired

James Bobb, Cantor to the Student Congregation

Cathy Rodland, Department of Music

The St. Olaf Choir, Anton Armstrong, conductor

Massed Choir, Anton Armstrong and Christopher Aspaas, conductors

Marty Raabe, Student Congregation Council President

Stacey Rudolph, Student Congregation Sacristan

Ushers and Communion Assistants - members of the St. Olaf College Student Body

The funerary urn was made for Jennifer by her friend and colleague Christie Hawkins.

Made from mahogany and basswood carved with a leaf pattern, the interior of the box is gilded, and the underside of the lid painted the blue of a clear sky.

Arrangements are with the Benson & Langehough Funeral Home. (www.northfieldfuneral.com)

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