
DAY OF PENTECOST
BACCALAUREATE

SUNDAY, MAY 28 • 2023 • 9 A.M.
SKOGLUND CENTER AUDITORIUM



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NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA



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Conductor, St. Olaf Band

The St. Olaf Choir

Anton Armstrong '78, *Conductor*

Tosdal Professor of Music

Conductor, St. Olaf Choir

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Associate Professor of Music

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HEARING ASSISTANCE

Skoglund Center is equipped with a hearing assistance sound system.

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THE SERVICE

PRELUDE MUSIC

Hymn for the Innocent

Julie Giroux

Fantasia in G

Timothy Mahr

OPENING HYMN *Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

The congregation shall stand.

Choir 1. Cre - a - tor Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove,
All 2. To you, the Com - fort - er, we cry;
High Voices 3. In you, with grac - es sev - en - fold,
Low Voices 4. Your light to ev - 'ry sense im - part,
All 5. Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son,
de - scend up - on us from a - bove;
to you, the gift of God most high,
we God's al - might - y hand be - hold;
and shed your love in ev - 'ry heart;
and you, of both, to be but one;
with grac - es man - i - fold re - store
true fount of life, the fire of love,
while you with tongues of fire pro - claim
your own un - fail - ing might sup - ply
that through the a - ges all a - long
your crea - tures as they were be - fore.
the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.
to all the world God's ho - ly name.
to strength - en our in - fir - mi - ty.
your praise may be our end - less song.
6. Praise to your e - ter - nal mer - it,
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.

Text: Rhabanus Maurus, 776-856; tr. composite
Music: Sarum plainsong, mode VIII

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

GREETING

L: 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

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



L: For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.



L: For the peace of the whole
world, for the well-being
of the church of God, and
for the unity of all, let us
pray to the Lord.



L: For this holy house, and
for all who offer here their
worship and praise, let us
pray to the Lord.



L: Help, save, comfort, and
defend us gracious Lord.



THE HYMN OF PRAISE: *Glory to God*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God,

heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the

Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

A - - - - men.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray ...

C: **Amen.**

The congregation shall be seated.

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-21

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: Movement III (Psalm 50)

F. Melius Christiansen (1871-1955)

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: O God of Light

The congregation shall stand.



1. O God of light, your word, a lamp un-fail-ing,
2. From days of old, through blind and will-ful a-ges,
shall pierce the dark-ness of our earth-bound way
though we re-belled, you gent-ly sought a-gain,
and show your grace, your plan for us un-veil-ing,
and spoke through saints, a-pos-tles, proph-ets, sa-ges,
and guide our foot-steps to the per-fect day.
who wrote with ea-ger or re-luc-tant pen.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Gospel is announced (John 20:19-23)

L: The Holy Gospel according to...

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the reading of the Gospel

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: *O God of Light*

3. Un - dimmed by time, those words are still re - veal - ing
4. To all the world your sum - mons you are send - ing,
to sin - ful hearts your jus - tice and your grace;
through all the earth, to ev - 'ry land and race,
and quest - ing spir - its, long - ing for your heal - ing,
that myr - iad tongues, in one great an - them blend - ing,
see your com - pas - sion in the Sav - ior's face.
may praise and cel - e - brate your gift of grace.

Text: Sarah E. Taylor, 1883–1954, alt.

Music: H. Barrie Cabena, b. 1933

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THE SERMON

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: *O Living Breath of God*

The congregation shall stand.



1. O liv - ing Breath of God, wind at the be -
2. O liv - ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the
3. O liv - ing Breath of God, bear - ing us to



gin - ning up - on the wa - ters; O liv - ing Breath of
Son came to birth a - mong us; O liv - ing Breath of
life through bap - tis - mal wa - ters; O liv - ing Breath of



God, bear - ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
God, sigh - ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:



Refrain
Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a-bun - dant.



O liv - ing Breath of God, Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe in us as we pray.

Text: Osvaldo Catena, 1920-1986; tr. Gerhard Cartford, b. 1923

Music: Swedish folk tune

VÄRVINDAR FRISKA

THE PRAYERS

L: With the whole people of God, let us pray for one another, those in need,
and all of God's creation.

L: ... Lord, in your mercy.

C: **Hear our prayer.**

The congregation shall be seated.

ANTHEM: *I Sing Because I'm Happy*

Charles H. Gabriel (1856-1932)

arr. Kenneth Padden/adapt. Rollo Dilworth

Oliver Steissberg '23, piano. Mark Jesmer '23 and Jake Olsen '24 percussion

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The congregation shall stand.

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

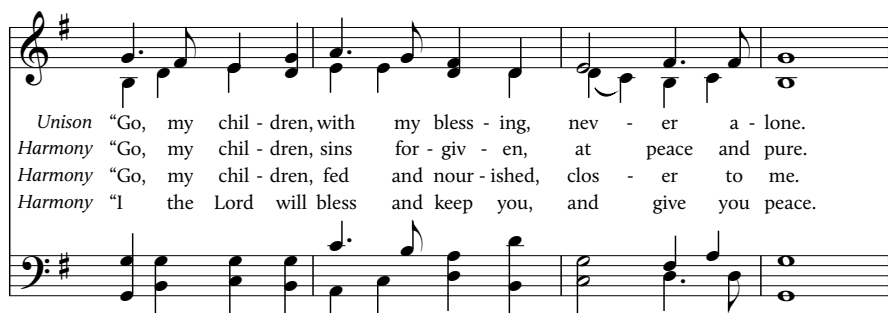
Give us today our daily bread.

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

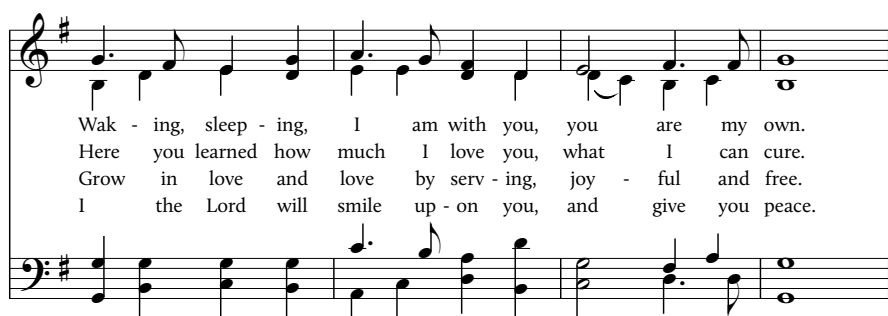
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

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

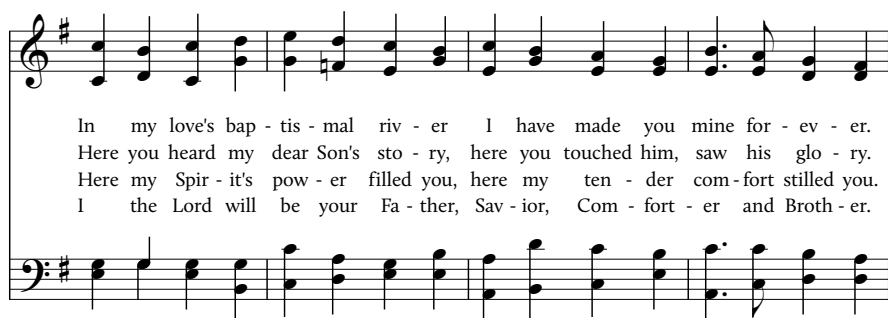
HYMN: *Go My Children, With My Blessing*



Unison "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
Harmony "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
Harmony "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
Harmony "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
 I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.
 I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
 Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1919-2008, alt.

AR HYD Y NOS

Music: Welsh Traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

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THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Alleluia! Laudamus Te

Alfred Reed

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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