

THIS GENERATION

A black and white photograph of an hourglass with a wooden frame, resting on a bed of smooth, rounded stones. The hourglass is tilted slightly, and the sand is visible flowing from the top bulb to the bottom bulb. Inside the glass bulbs, there is a faint, ethereal landscape scene, possibly a field or a body of water with a distant shore. The background is a soft-focus field of similar stones.

MATTHEW 24

DEVIN SMITH

REFORMATION COVENANT CHURCH
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WELCOME

TO REFORMATION COVENANT CHURCH

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE JOINING US TODAY as we worship our great and gracious God, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If this is your first time with us, allow us to introduce ourselves.

Worship Service. Our weekly service follows a responsive pattern of worship found in Scripture, as a dialogue or conversation between the Lord and His people. Here God meets with us, speaks to us, and blesses us; we speak and respond back to Him in praise, thanksgiving, and renewed commitment.

Communion. Each week at RCC we celebrate the Lord's Supper, receiving bread and wine as covenantal tokens of Jesus' body and blood. Christians – young or old – who are baptized, and are in good standing in Christ, are invited to partake.

To facilitate Communion distribution, we encourage a representative of each household or group to come forward using the outer aisles to receive the Communion elements. Gluten-free bread is available on the pulpit side.

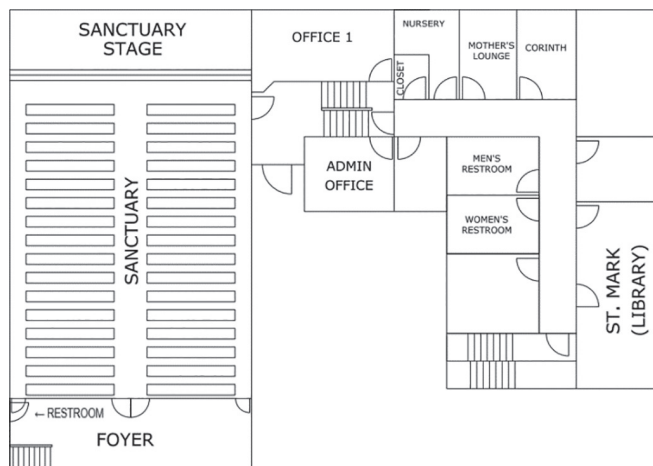
Nursery. We love having children involved in the whole service. Please don't worry if someone with you is wiggly – we are glad to have you all worshipping with us! During the sermon, the nursery room is available for children three and under. There is a Nursing Mother's room located adjacent to our

Nursery, if you feel you need quiet or privacy. A video feed of the service can be viewed here, as well as in the Fellowship Hall below the sanctuary.

Restrooms. Restrooms are located down the stairs from the Foyer and in the educational wing.

Weekly Meal. Every week RCC hosts a weekly Agape meal after the service (served as a potluck). We always have plenty of food, and would love for you to join us for fellowship after worship!

Contact. If you would like us to contact you this week, please leave your name, phone number, and/or email on a visitor card, and give it to one of our Greeters, Deacons, or Elders.



SOLI DEO GLORIA ~ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY!

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Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL (6 6. 6 6. 4 4. 4 4)
John Darwall, 1770

Charles Wesley, 1746; alt.

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
2. Je - sus the Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and love: When
3. *His king - dom can - not fail. He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The*
4. He sits at God's right hand Till all his foes sub - mit, And
5. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, And

joice, give thanks, and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more.
He had purged our stains, He took His seat a - bove.
keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus giv'n. Lift up your
bow to His com - mand, And fall be - neath His feet.
take His ser - vants up To their e - ter - nal home.

heart, Lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

PASTOR GREETS

☞ Congregation: Amen!

Matthew 28:19

CONGREGATION
RESPONDS

The LORD be with you!

Ruth 2:4

☞ And also with you!

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

☞ Let us kneel before Yahweh our Maker!

For he is our God;

☞ And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. *Psalm 95:6-7*



CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST

purification offering, gift of glory

“When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people, if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

2 Chronicles 7:13–14

Beloved, our Lord has invited us to draw near to him with an honest heart. He has graciously promised to receive all those who come to him with heavy burdens of guilt and shame. Therefore I exhort all who are here today to accompany me with a pure heart and a humble voice, unto the throne of heavenly grace.

SILENT CONFESSION

☞ Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

JOINT CONFESSION

“Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them. Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God.”

Ezekiel 36:25–29

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for your sins and to be raised for your justification; and for His sake forgives you all your sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. ☞ Amen



Hal - le - lu - yah! Praise to God the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it!

Glo - ry to You, O Lord, both now and for - ev - er, Hal - le - lu - yah!

THE LORD

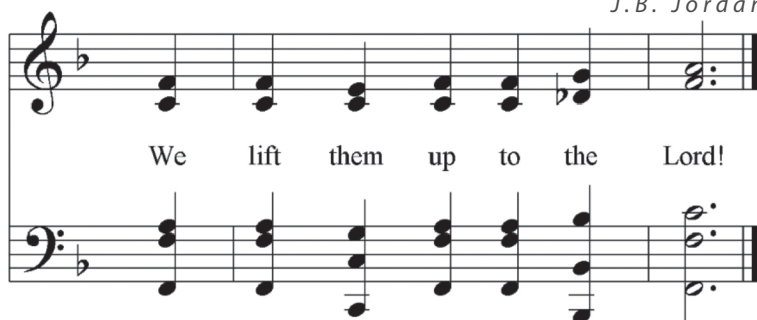
CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD
ascension offering, gift of knowledge

SURSUM CORDA — *lift up your heart*

Lift up your hearts!

J.B. Jordan

PASTOR LEADS LIFTING
UP OF YOUR HANDS



We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God!



It is pro - per and right to do so.

It is truly proper, right, wholesome, and beneficial that we should at all times, and in all places, give praise unto Thee, O LORD, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore worshipping Thee! PASTOR SPEAKS

Franklin Sanctus

Text: Isaiah 6:3, Revelation 4:8, Matthew 21:9

Gregory D Wilbur, 2009

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly,

God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - God of pow'r and might, - Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho san-na in the

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who high - est. Bless - ed is He who

comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho san-nah in the

san - na in the high - est, Ho - san-na in the high - est. A - - men. high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est. A - - men.

I Will Sing My Maker's Praises

SOLLT ICH MEINEM GOTT (8 7, 8 7, 8 7 8, 7 7)
Johann Schop, 1641

Paul Gerhardt, 1659
tr. composite

1. I will sing my Mak - er's prais - es
2. Yea, so dear He did He so - tecm me
3. *All that for my soul is need - ful*
4. *When I sleep, He still is near - me,*
5. As ther nev - er cold - ness,
6. Since, then, nei - ther change not cold - ness,

And That He O'er Whol In in His with

Him most joy - ful be, He loved so well
Son He care - ful - nides,
low - ing His guard - ian
from a way - ward child,
Fa - ther's love can be,

For in all things I see
He hath giv - en to re -
Nor of that is He im -
And new gifts and bless - ings
For the prod - i - gal still
Lo! I lift - i - gal hands with

tra - ces deem me
beed - me
cheer - ful
yeam - eth,
bold - ness,

Of His ten - der love to me
From the quench - less flames of hell.
When my bo - dy needs be - sides,
When the morn - ing streaks the sky,
Long - ing Thy child I be - come to - ciled,
As Thy I come to Thee.

Noth - ing Thou
O When my
Were it
So Grant my
Grant me

else than love could move Him
Spring of bound - less bless - ing
strength can - not a - nail me,
not for God's sins and pray Thee,
man - y O God, I pray Thee,

With How When Had Find That such sweet
could my pow'rs
His coun - ter -
I ten - der,
may with

ten - der care mind
fee - ble more,
do no more,
naute par - doning God,
all my might,

Ev - er - more to raise and bear
Of Thy depth the bot - tom find
Doth my God his strength had
Here my guide, I with
Chas - tening frail - ty time, His rod, and
All my trail - ry time, and night,

All Tho' who try to serve and love Him.
In my ef - fers were un - ceas - ing?
Ever need he doth not fail me.
Not, the end of my af - fli - ction.
Love in venge - ance, with His ter - rors, And,
and trust thee and o - bey Thee

All things else have
All things else have
All things else have
All things else have
And, things else when this brief

but but their day, Gods great love a - bides for aye.
but but their day, Gods great love a - bides for aye.
but but their day, Gods great love a - bides for aye.
life is o'er, Praise Gods great love and Thine ev - er - more.

PSALM 95

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! PASTOR STARTS

☞ Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! CONGREGATION
RESPONDS

For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

☞ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

☞ Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

☞ Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as
on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they
had seen my work.

☞ For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people who
go astray in their heart, and they have not known my ways."

Therefore I swore in my wrath,

☞ ALL: "They shall not enter my rest."

O Come, Let Us Sing unto the LORD

Psalm 95

Thomas Tallis, *The Dorian Service*, c. 1550

tr. Miles Coverdale, 1535

Full

O come, let us sing un - to the LORD; let us heart-i - ly re-joyce in the strength of our sal - va - tion.

Let us come be-fore His pres-ence with— thanks-giv - ing; and show— our-selves glad— in Him with—

Men *Women* *Men*

psalms. For— the LORD is— a great God; and— a great King a - bove all gods. In— His hand are all the

Women *Men* *Women*

cor-ners of the earth; and the strength of the hills is His al-so. The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands pre-par-ed

Men *Women* *Men*

the dry land. O— come, let us wor-ship and fall down, and kneel be - fore the LORD our— Mak-er. For

Women *Full* *Men*

He is the Lord our God; and we are the peo-ple of His pas-ture, and the sheep of His hand. To -

CONTINUE

Women

day if ye will hear His voice, hard - en not your hearts as in the pro-vo-ca - tion, and as in the day of

Men *Women* *Men*

tempta - tion in the wil-der-ness; When your fa-ters tempt - ed Me, prov - ed Me, and saw — My works. For-

Women

ty years long was I griev-ed with this gen-er - a-tion, — and said, It is a peo-ple that do err in their hearts, for

Full

they have not known My ways: un - to whom I swore in My wrath, that they should not en-ter

in-to My — rest. Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son, and to the — Ho - ly Ghost;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is — now and ev-er shall be, world with-out — end. A - men.

MATTHEW 24

English Standard Version (ESV)

Jesus left the temple and was going away, when his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. ² But he answered them, "You see all these, do you not? Truly, I say to you, there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

³ As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" ⁴ And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁵ For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. ⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹ "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. ¹⁰ And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹ And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. ¹² And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³ But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

¹⁵ "So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), ¹⁶ then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁷ Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, ¹⁸ and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. ¹⁹ And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! ²⁰ Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. ²¹ For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. ²² And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. ²³ Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There he is!' do not believe it. ²⁴ For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵ See, I have told you beforehand. ²⁶ So, if they say to you, 'Look, he is in the wilderness,' do not go out. If they say, 'Look, he is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. ²⁷ For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ²⁸ Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

²⁹ "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ³⁰ Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹ And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

³² "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ³³ So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁴ Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³⁵ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁶ "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. ³⁷ For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. ⁴² Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

⁴⁵ "Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom his master has set over his household, to give them their food at the proper time? ⁴⁶ Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. ⁴⁷ Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. ⁴⁸ But if that wicked servant says to himself, 'My master is delayed,' ⁴⁹ and begins to beat his fellow servants and eats and drinks with drunkards, ⁵⁰ the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know ⁵¹ and will cut him in pieces and put him with the hypocrites. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

THIS GENERATION

DEVIN SMITH | AUGUST 28

SERMON NOTES

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD - TRIBUTE OFFERING

"Give to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts. O, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth."

Psalm 96:8-9

PLEASE BRING
FORWARD YOUR
TITHES AND
OFFERINGS DURING
THIS SONG

Edward Mote, c. 1834; st. 1, arr.

ST. PETERSBURG 8. 8. 8. 8. 8. 8.
Dimitri Bortniansky, 1752-1825

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je - sus' blood and right-eous-ness;
2. When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest up - on un - chang-ing grace;
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood Sup - port me in the whelm-ing flood;
4. When I shall launch in worlds un - seen, O may I then be found in him;

I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But whol-ly lean on Je - sus' Name.
In ev - 'ry rough and storm-y gale My an-chor holds with-in the veil.
When all a-round my soul gives way, He then is all my Hope and Stay.
Dressed in his right-eous-ness a - lone, Fault-less to stand be - fore the throne.

REFRAIN

On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand. A - MEN.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 3/4 time. It features a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The score includes a main melody and a refrain, with lyrics provided for each part.

THE GREAT PRAYER

CONCLUDING WITH 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 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.

Matthew 6:9-13

CONGREGATION
PRAYS ALONG
WITH PASTOR



COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE

peace offering, gift of life

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Congregation of the LORD Jesus Christ, the LORD has prepared His table for all who love and trust in Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized and are in good standing in the Church of Jesus Christ are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the LORD our God will call.

Leader: Christian, in Whom do you believe?

LEADER BEGINS

CONGREGATION
RESPONDS *(next page)*

I Believe in One God

The Nicene Creed

John Merbecke, 1510-1585

The Communion Service

according to *The Book of Common Prayer*, 1550, alt.

The Book of Common Prayer



I be-lieve in one God The Fa-ther Al-might-y, Mak-er of heav'n and earth, And of all things vis-i-ble and in-vis-i-ble;

and in one Lord Je-sus Christ, The on-ly be-got-ten Son of God; be-got-ten of His Fa-ther be-fore all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, ver-y God of ver-y God; be-got-ten, not made: be-ing of one sub-stance with the Fa-ther;

by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our sal-va-tion came down from heav-en, and was in-car-nate by the

Ho-ly Ghost of the vir-gin Mar-y, and was made man; and was cru-ci-fied al-so for us un-der Pon-tius Pi-late;

He suf-ered and was bur-ied; and the third day He rose a-gain ac-cord-ing to the Scrip-tures: And as-cend-ed in-to heav-en,

And sit-teth at the right hand of the Fa-ther: And He shall come a-gain, with glo-ry, to judge both the quick and the dead:

Whose king-dom shall have no end. And I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Ghost, the Lord, and Giv-er of Life, Who pro-ceed-eth

from the Fa-ther and the Son; Who with the Fa-ther and the Son to-geth-er is wor-shipped and glo-ri-fied;

Who spake by the Proph-ets And I be-lieve one ho-ly cath-o-lic and ap-os-tol-ic Church: I ac-knowl-edge one bap-tism

for the re-mis-sion of sins: And I look for the res-ur-rec-tion of the dead: And the life of the world to come. A - men.

EUCCHARIST DISTRIBUTION SONG

Now Shall My Inward Joys Arise

AFRICA (C.M.)
William Billings, 1778

Isaac Watts, 1707
From Isaiah 49

1. Now shall my in - ward joys a - rise,
2. God on His thirs - ty Zi - on hill,
3. Why do we in - dulge our fears,
4. Can a kind wo - man e'er for - get
5. "Yet," saith the LORD, "Should na - ture change
6. "Deep on the palms of both My hands

(Melody)

And burst in - to a song
Some mer - cy drops has thrown,
Su - spi - cions and com - plaints?
The in - fant of her womb,
And mo - thers prove,
I have en - grav'd Her name;

Al - migh - ty love in - spires my heart,
And sol - emn oaths have bound His love
Is He a God, and shall His love
A - mong a thou - sand ten - der grace
Zi - on still dwells up - on the thoughts
My hands shall raise Her ru - in'd Heart, walls,

And plea - sure - tunes my tongue.
To show'r Sal - va - tion down.
Grow wear - y of His saints?
Her suck - ling have no room?
Of Ev - er - last - ing Love."
And build Her bro - ken frame."

Pastor: As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes.

☞ ALL: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ is reigning, and Christ will come again. Amen.



FINAL SCRIPTURE READING

CONGREGATION
STANDS

O Sing a New Song to the LORD

DESERT (C.M.)
Thomas Jarman, c. 1803*The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973*

Psalm 98

I.O sing a new song to the LORD For

won, vic - - - - - tor - y have won.
vic - - - - - tor - y have won.
vic - - - - - tor - y have won.
vic - - - - - tor - y have won.

wonders He has done, For won - ders He has done;

His right hand and His ho - ly arm

vic - tor - y have won, The vic - tor - y have won,
The vic - tor - y have won, The vic - tor - y have won,
The vic - tor - y have won, The vic - tor - y have won,
The vic - tor - y have won, The vic - tor - y have won.

2. The great salvation wrought by Him
Jehovah has made known.
His justice in the nations' sight
He openly has shown.
3. He mindful of His grace and truth
To Israel's house has been.
The great salvation of our God
All ends of earth have seen.
4. O all the earth, sing to the LORD
And make a joyful sound.
Lift up your voice aloud to him;
Sing psalms! Let joy resound!
5. With harp make music to the LORD;
With harp a psalm O sing!
With horn and trumpet raise a shout
Before the LORD, the King.
6. Let seas in all their vastness roar,
The world, its living horde.
Let rivers clap, let mountains sing
Their joy before the LORD!
7. Because He comes, He surely comes,
The judge of earth to be!
With justice He will judge the world,
All men with equity.

BENEDICTION

"Then Aaron lifted his hand toward the people, blessed them, and came down from offering the purification offering, the ascension offering, and peace offerings."

Leviticus 9:22

The Doxology

OLD 100TH
Genevan Psalter, 1551
Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

Thomas Ken (1769)

1. Praise God, from Whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: Praise Fath - er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost! A - men

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp). It consists of two systems of staves. The first system contains the first two lines of the doxology, and the second system contains the last two lines. The lyrics are printed below the corresponding vocal parts.