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GATHERING

The people of God come together as the Body of Christ.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE ***"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*** Paul. R. Jantz
(Sara Smith, horn; Tim Smith, trombone)

OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
People: Worship the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing!
Leader: Know this! The Lord is God!
People: We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.
Leader: So, enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and come into the sanctuary with praise.
People: Let us give thanks to God and bless God's holy name.
Leader: For the Lord is good;
People: God's steadfast love endures forever! God's faithfulness is for all generations!
Leader: Come, let us worship God! *(adapted from Psalm 100)*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(. . . now and forever. **Amen**.)

HYMN 363** ***"Rejoice, the Lord Is King!" DARWALL'S 148TH

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

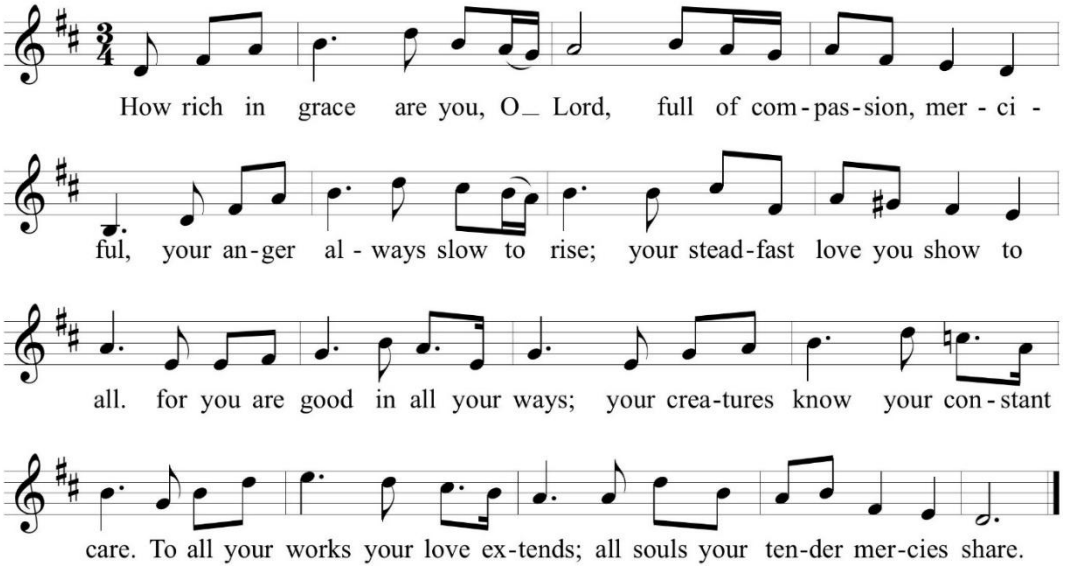
Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm.
You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead.
You love and feed and care for us, but we fail to love and serve others.
Forgive us, merciful God,
so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: . . . believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***SUNG RESPONSE** JERUSALEM



***THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

(The people exchange signs and words of Christ's peace.)

WORD

The people of God share God's story.

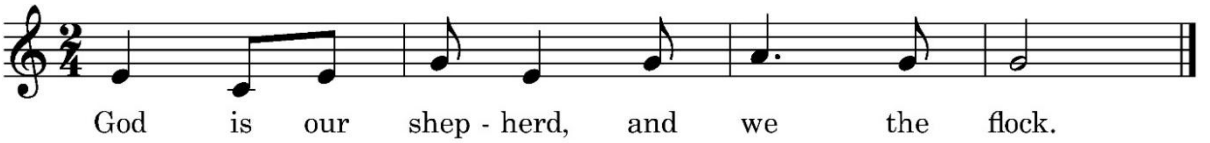
TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *Reader: Vidya Dorai*

FIRST LESSON Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

PSALM 100 Howard Hughes

(The congregation sings the refrain as directed.)



SECOND LESSON Ephesians 1:15-23

ANTHEM ***"The Lord Is a Mighty God"*** Mendelssohn, arr. Burkhardt

The Lord is a mighty God and a King above all,
from the deepest waters to the highest mountains.

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:31-46

SERMON The Reverend Judy Johnson

HYMN 353** ***" My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" SOLID ROCK

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Scan here to give by Venmo.

TABLE

The people of God respond to God's Word.

OFFERTORY ***"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"*** Wilbur Held

Because of all that God has done for us and has given to us, we respond by offering our very lives to God out of great thanksgiving. Other ways to give include online, by Venmo, or by mail at FPC, 115 W 2nd St., Frederick, MD 21701.

***DOXOLOGY** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

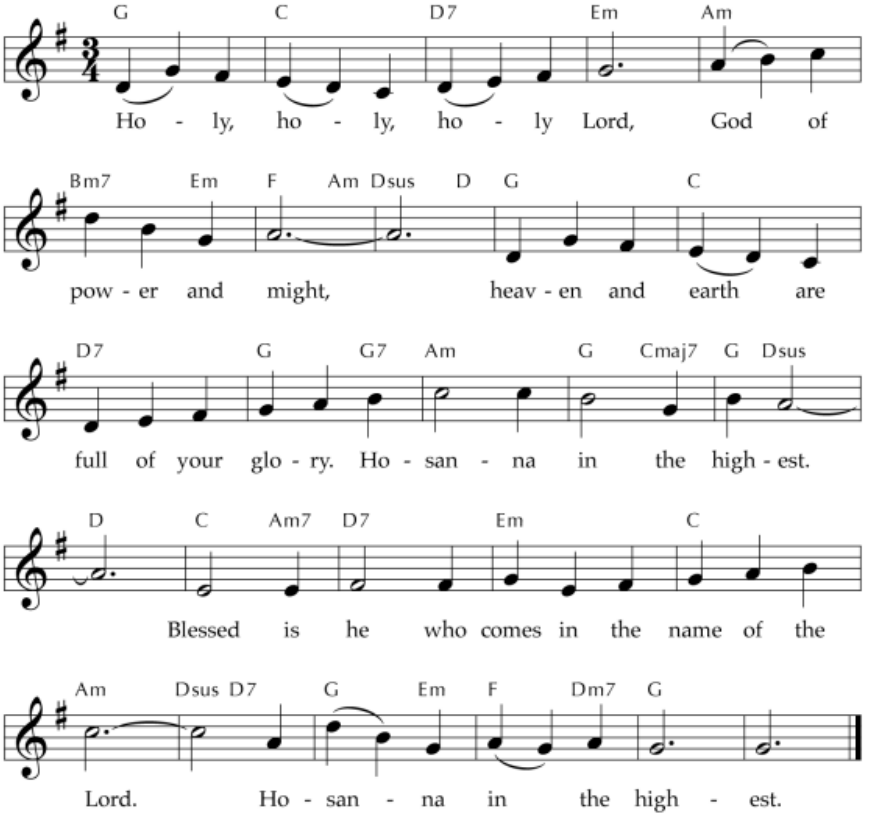
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving continues…)

Leader: … who forever sing to the glory of your name:

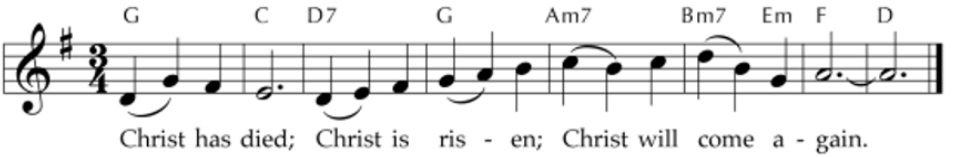
People:



(The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving continues…)

Leader: … as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

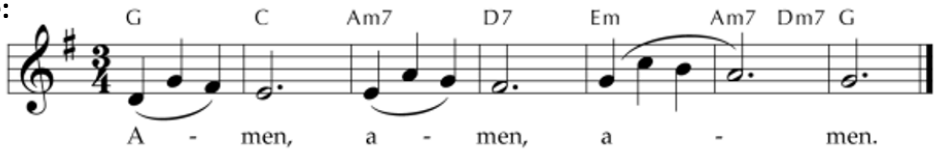
People:



(The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving continues…)

Leader: … now and forever:

People:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

As directed, those desiring to receive Communion shall come forward to any available station to receive the bread and the cup of unfermented fruit of the vine. Please receive the elements as you are served or return to your seats and take the bread and the cup once all are served. Those desiring to receive the Sacrament in their seats should inform an usher. The Sacrament will be taken to them by servers.

The elements are given with the words:

"The bread of heaven. . . . The cup of salvation**." . . . to which the people respond **"Amen."

NOTE: Gluten-free Communion wafers are available at each station.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

The congregation sings the following hymns during the receiving of the Sacrament.

HYMN 498	***"Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"***	BEACH SPRING
HYMN 769	***"For Everyone Born"***	FOR EVERYONE BORN

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(in unison)*

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
You have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for your service.
Help us who have shared Christ's body and received his cup, to be his faithful disciples
so that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom,
and our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

The people of God depart to live as God's People in the world.

HYMN** ***"Make Way" *(see next page)* Graham Kendrick

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.
May God make God's face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
May the Lord lift up the light of their countenance upon those whom you love,
both this day and forevermore.

People: Alleluia, Amen.

Leader: Having heard the good news of the Gospel,
go out to live the love and justice of Jesus,
empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve the lost and the least.

People: We have been called. Let us go in the name of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE ***" All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*** Paul. R. Jantz
(Sara Smith, horn; Tim Smith, trombone)

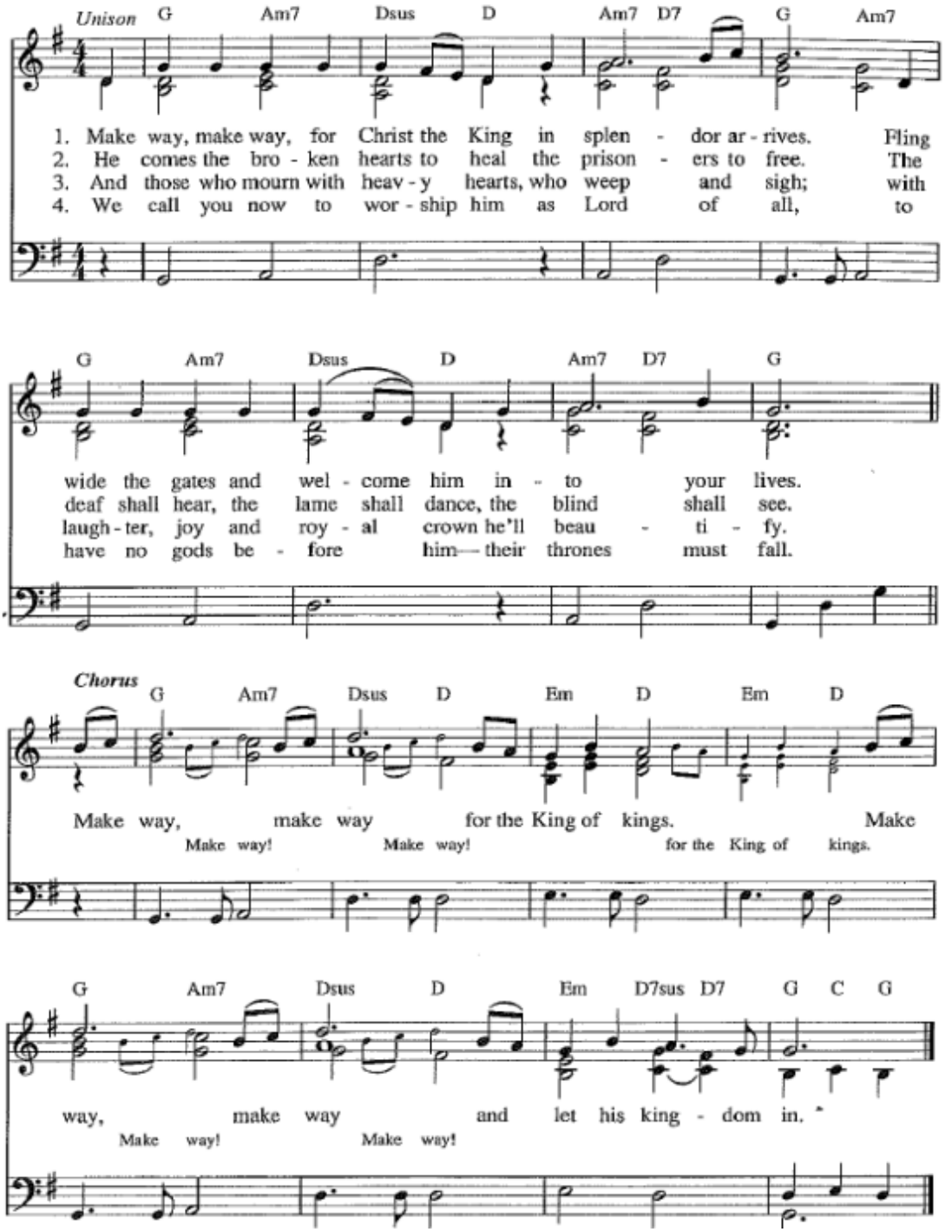
**Those who are able, please stand.*

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God
by
Robert and Becky Frasure



* Worship led by the Rev. Judy Johnson, Brian Bartoldus, Vidya Dorai, Sara and Tim Smith
* Greeters: Brenda Allen and Cathy Nivling
* Acolyte: James Kurtz
* Cantor: Andrew Sillers
* Opening Sentences: *Presbyterian Outlook*
* Prayer of Confession, Blessing and Charge: *Feasting on the Word Companion, Year A, Vol 2*
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Make Way


Unison
G Am7 Dsus D Am7 D7 G Am7
1. Make way, make way, for Christ the King in splen - dor ar - rives. Fling
2. He comes the bro - ken hearts to heal the prison - ers to free. The
3. And those who mourn with heav - y hearts, who weep and sigh; with
4. We call you now to wor - ship him as Lord of all, to
G Am7 Dsus D Am7 D7 G
wide the gates and wel - come him in - to your lives.
deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance, the blind shall see.
laugh - ter, joy and roy - al crown he'll beau - ti - fy.
have no gods be - fore him— their thrones must fall.
Chorus
G Am7 Dsus D Em D Em D
Make way, make way for the King of kings. Make
Make way! Make way! for the King of kings.
G Am7 Dsus D Em D7sus D7 G C G
way, make way and let his king - dom in.
Make way! Make way!

WELCOME

We're glad you're here

. . . to Frederick Presbyterian Church and we hope that you will continue to join in our worship and ministry.

If you are new to Frederick Presbyterian, here are some things you may like to know . . .

- **Please join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship.**
- **We welcome children to our worship services**. However, if you prefer, childcare is available for infants and preschoolers during Worship beginning at 10:15 AM.

  To reach the nursery, exit the sanctuary side door through Heritage Hall. Follow the stairs up, go through the double doors to the nursery straight ahead.
- Older children - look for the special **WORSHIP ACTIVITY BAGS and CHILDREN'S BULLETIN** in the Narthex and Heritage Hall.
- Visit our website at: **www.frederickpresbyterian.org** for more information on the life and ministry of Frederick Presbyterian Church.

Is today your first time at FPC?

We especially welcome **YOU** today!

To celebrate your visit, FPC will make a donation in your honor to a local ministry of your choice.

To choose your designated ministry, scan here:

God's Peace and Blessing be with you!



Advent Workshop – Sunday, November 29

Get ready for the season of waiting and wonder!

Join us *after worship* in Fellowship Hall – where you can choose to make an Advent wreath or an Advent ornament to take home. Bring a friend and craft with us.

Questions? Contact Lindsay at families@frederickpresbyterian.org.

STAY CONNECTED TO YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Youth Fellowship **TODAY after Worship**

lunch, pack and deliver Thanksgiving Baskets

Multifaith Community Thanksgiving Service **Monday, November 23 at 7 PM**

Jackson Chapel United Methodist Church

Men's Fellowship Breakfast Saturday, November 28 at 8:30 AM

Airways Inn Restaurant - Questions? Contact Steve Dill at dillsj@comcast.net.

Advent Workshop	Sunday, November 29 after Worship
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	Tuesday, December 1 at 10 AM
Wednesday Morning Prayer	Wednesday, December 2 at 7 AM
SONGS of the SEASON	Wednesday, December 2 at 12:15 PM
Open Door	Wednesday, December 2 at 6:30 PM
Wednesday Book Study	Wednesday, December 2 at 7 PM
New Members' Class	Sundays, December 6 & 13 at 9:30 AM
Alternative Giving Fair	Sunday, December 6 after worship

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will take a break on Nov. 24, and resume on Dec. 1.

*There will be **NO** Wednesday Morning Prayer, Open Door or Wednesday Book Study on November 25.*

The Church Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 25 – Friday, November 27.

*There will be **NO** Youth Fellowship on Sunday, November 29.*

STEWARDSHIP 2027

Our theme this year, ***"Rooted in Love, Extending Our Reach,"*** reminds us that our ministry is deeply rooted in the love of God. Like a tree with deep roots, our congregation is nourished by faith, prayer, Scripture, worship, and the relationships we share with one another.



Thank you to everyone who returned your commitment forms last Sunday! **If you were unable to be here, there is still time to submit your forms!!**

2027 Commitment and **Ways to be Involved** forms can be found on the table in Heritage Hall. You can also contact Brett Shelley at stewardship@frederickpresbyterian.org.

CONFIRMATION is the process in the Presbyterian Church (USA) through which youth are encouraged to think about what it means to be a believer. While meeting regularly with adult leaders, the youth are prepared to publicly profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and to become a member of the congregation of the church.

Confirmation is open to youth who are currently in 8th grade or older.

Confirmation classes will begin in early 2027. The group usually meets on Sunday afternoons.

Please contact Eric at ***pastor@frederickpresbyterian.org*** to register your youth for the FPC 2027 Confirmation Class.



Deadline to register is November 22.

The **Wednesday Night Book Group**, meeting from **7-8:30 PM in the Weaver Room**, will begin a Christmas-themed book on December 2. *The Advent Overture, Meditations and Poems for the Christmas Season*, written by Stuart McAlpine, will be our text from December 2 through January 13.
Books can be purchased for $10 (contact **maureenchaput@gmail.com** to order this way) from the author, or elsewhere for about $12. New members are always welcome!

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP is open to all FPC and Frederick community youth in grades 6-12. Meeting most Sunday evenings from 5:30 - 7:30 for dinner, games, Bible study and fun! *Friends are always welcome!*

TODAY after Worship		**Lunch, Pack and Deliver Thanksgiving Baskets**
Sunday, December 6	**5:30 PM**	Dinner, Music Rehearsal and Activities
Sunday, December 13	**5:30 PM**	Dinner and Angel Tree Shopping
Sunday, December 20	**5:30 PM**	Dinner, Pageant Practice and Activities



Interested in learning more about FPC?

Want to become a member?

Come to the **New Members Class**! **Sundays, December 6 and 13** - held in the Weaver Room at **9:30 AM.**

Speak to Pastor Myers or Elder Rebecca Layman for more information.

What is the Angel Tree program?

For many years, FPC has supported local children and seniors by providing Christmas gifts to those in need.

How can I help?

Take an angel from the tree in Heritage Hall to provide a gift for someone in our community.

This year the angels represent young children from the Healthy Families Program *(part of the MHS),* **local children and youth, and adults from Tranquillity** *(Assisted Living and Memory Care.)*

What do I need to know?



On the back of the angel is important information about the child or adult, such as age, sizes, etc.

Gifts are to be wrapped and returned to the tree by **December 13**.

Questions? Please contact Lisa Myers at ericlisam91@gmail.com.



Alternative Giving Fair Sunday, December 6

Come to Fellowship Hall after Worship for an opportunity to meet with some of the local mission organizations that we will be supporting during our 2026 Alternative Giving Program!!

Hear about the options available and support one or more of the FPC projects!

Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Child's Bedding



Notes on Today's Music: *Today we welcome Tim and Sara Smith, who are uplifting our musical worship with their talents on trombone and French horn. In addition to playing music together, Sara plays with the McLean Symphony Orchestra. She was also a member of the Alexandria-based Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginia (SONOVA) before moving to Frederick.*


Songs
of the
Season
Frederick Presbyterian Church
Wednesdays 12:15 - 1 pm
A free mid-day concert series of holiday music
Invite your friends!
Dec 2 Meghan Micheals, handbells
Dec 9 Kaley Harman, soprano
Dec 16 Brian Bartoldus and Eric Myers, playing seasonal favorites


MULTIFAITH COMMUNITY
Thanksgiving Service
REJOICE IN ALL THE GOOD THAT GOD HAS GIVEN TO YOU
MONDAY
NOVEMBER 23 AT 7:00 PM
JACKSON CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
5609 BALLENGER CREEK PIKE,
FREDERICK, MD 21703
Join us for prayer, music, fellowship and thanksgiving for the blessings in our lives.
SPONSORED BY THE FREDERICK AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION AND FREDERICK INTERFAITH


Frederick Presbyterian Church
Thursday, December 24, 2026
4:30 - Prelude of Music
5:00 - Christmas Eve Service for all Ages
(with Nativity play)
8:00 - Prelude of Music
8:30 - Festival of Christmas Candlelight Service
(with Communion)

2026 Alternative Giving Program
Alternative Gifts

The Mission Committee is excited to continue our Alternative Giving Program this year!

By taking part in the Alternative Gifts Giving Program, you can celebrate the holidays by extending the love and fellowship beyond your own family and friends and spreading the true spirit of the season to the ends of the earth.

This Christmas, give the gift that . . .

- changes lives
- brings help and hope to someone in need
- doesn't sit on a shelf
- helps a veteran
- fills hungry bellies
- provides pain relief



Street Dog Coalition
Vaccination for a dog

From one or more of the following FPC mission projects:

- ***Children of Incarcerated Parents***
- ***Church World Services***
- ***City Youth Matrix***
- ***Good Samaritan Ministry***
- ***Literacy Council of Frederick County***
- ***Living Water Shower Ministry***
- ***Mission of Mercy***
- ***Sleep in Heavenly Peace***
- ***Street Dog Coalition***

Children of Incarcerated Parents - *Teddy Bear*





Literacy Council
Children's Books



Mission of Mercy
Dental Supplies for Veterans

With each gift, you will receive a card to use to notify your loved one of the gift you have given in their honor.

Alternative Giving options are available for purchase in Heritage Hall before and after Worship beginning **Sunday, November 29**, and continuing every Sunday until **December 20**.

Questions? Please contact Lisa Myers at ericlisam91@gmail.com.

Order Your Poinsettias

The Christmas season is a glorious time of the year. Our worship space will be decorated for this special time of the year with poinsettias and seasonal greens. If you would like to help make this possible, consider placing a poinsettia in the church.

Complete the order form below and return it to the church office with your check by December 14.

Please reserve _____ RED Poinsettia plants at $15 each.
Checks payable to Frederick Presbyterian Church.
(memo: poinsettia)

TOTAL $_____

(Please print inforamation EXACTLY as you wish it to appear in the bulletin)

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In Memory of _____

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In Honor of _____

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To the Glory of God _____

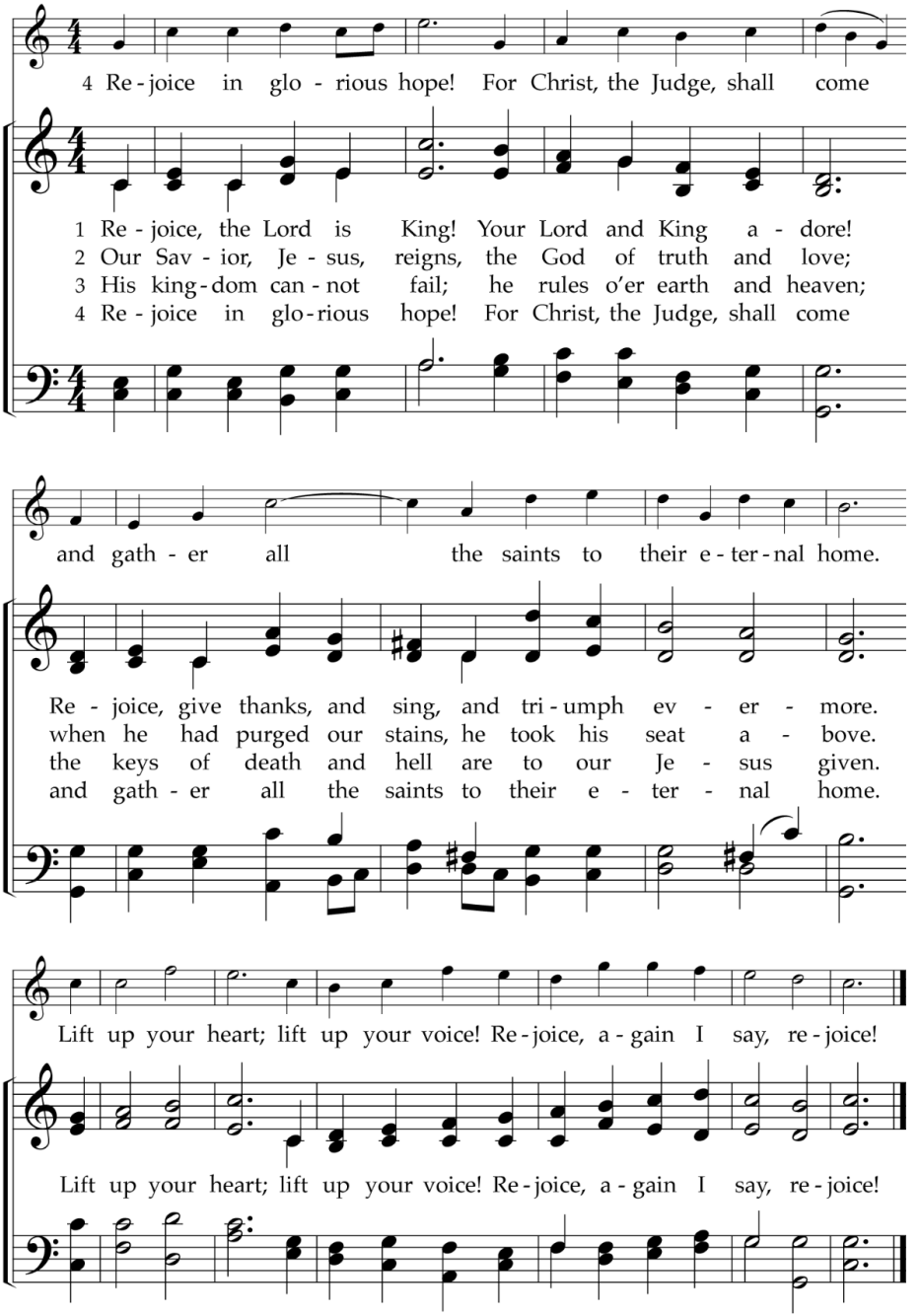
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Through the end of the year the Mission Committee is collecting WINTER COATS for distribution to those in need through the Rescue Mission's Clothing closet, also known as Rescued Treasures.

Clean out your closets and drop off those clean, gently used coats in the bin in Heritage Hall from now through December. Items should be in good condition and clean. *Coats, gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves are needed as well.* Contact Susan Mangold at 240-315-5235 for more info.

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Descant

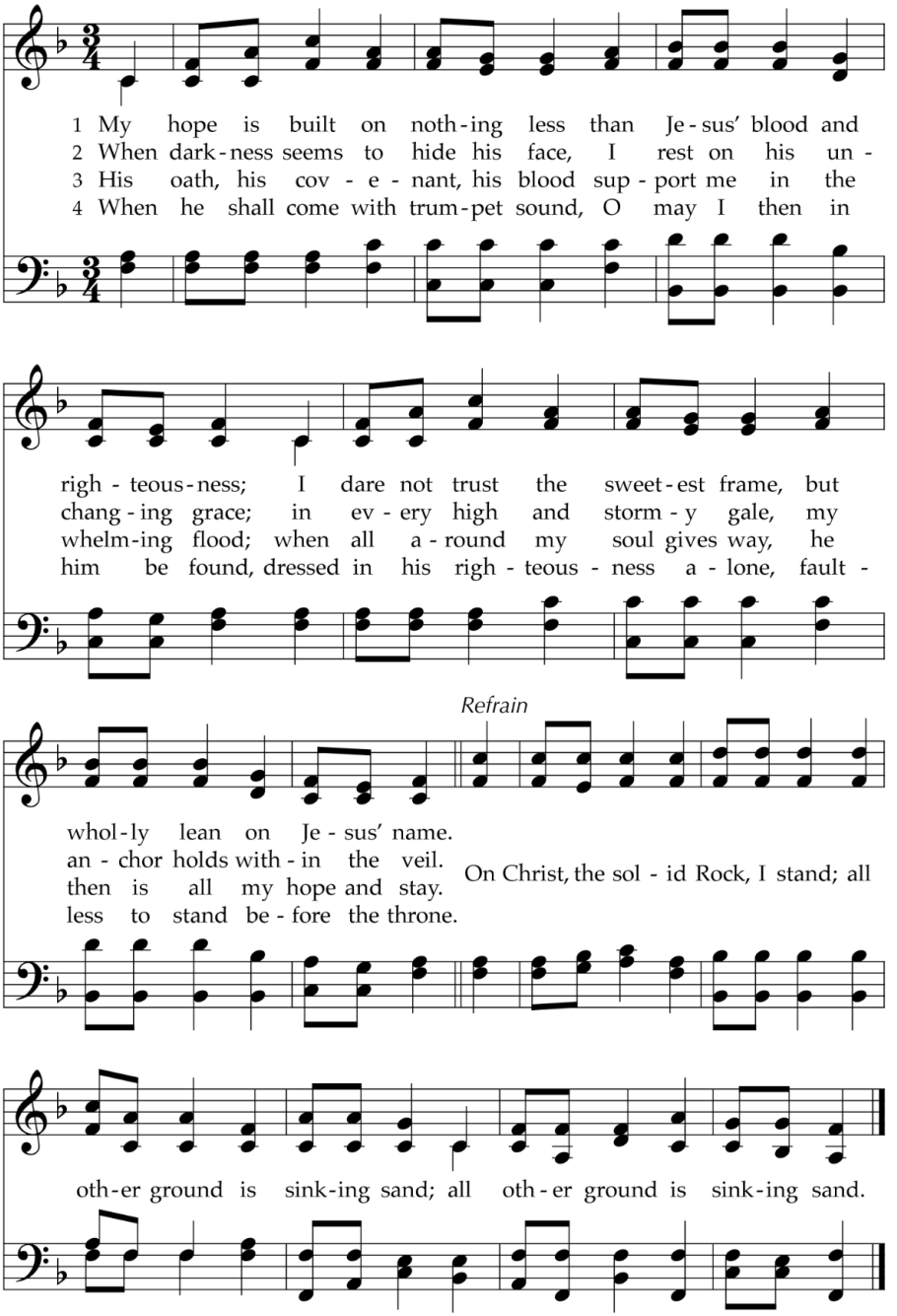


Each stanza of this enthronement text prepares for the final line of the refrain, based on Philippians 4:4. "Lord" is here a title of Christ rather than a reference to the undivided Trinity. The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) captures the mood well.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1746, alt.
MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 20th cent.
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DARWALL'S 148TH
6.6.6.6.8.8

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

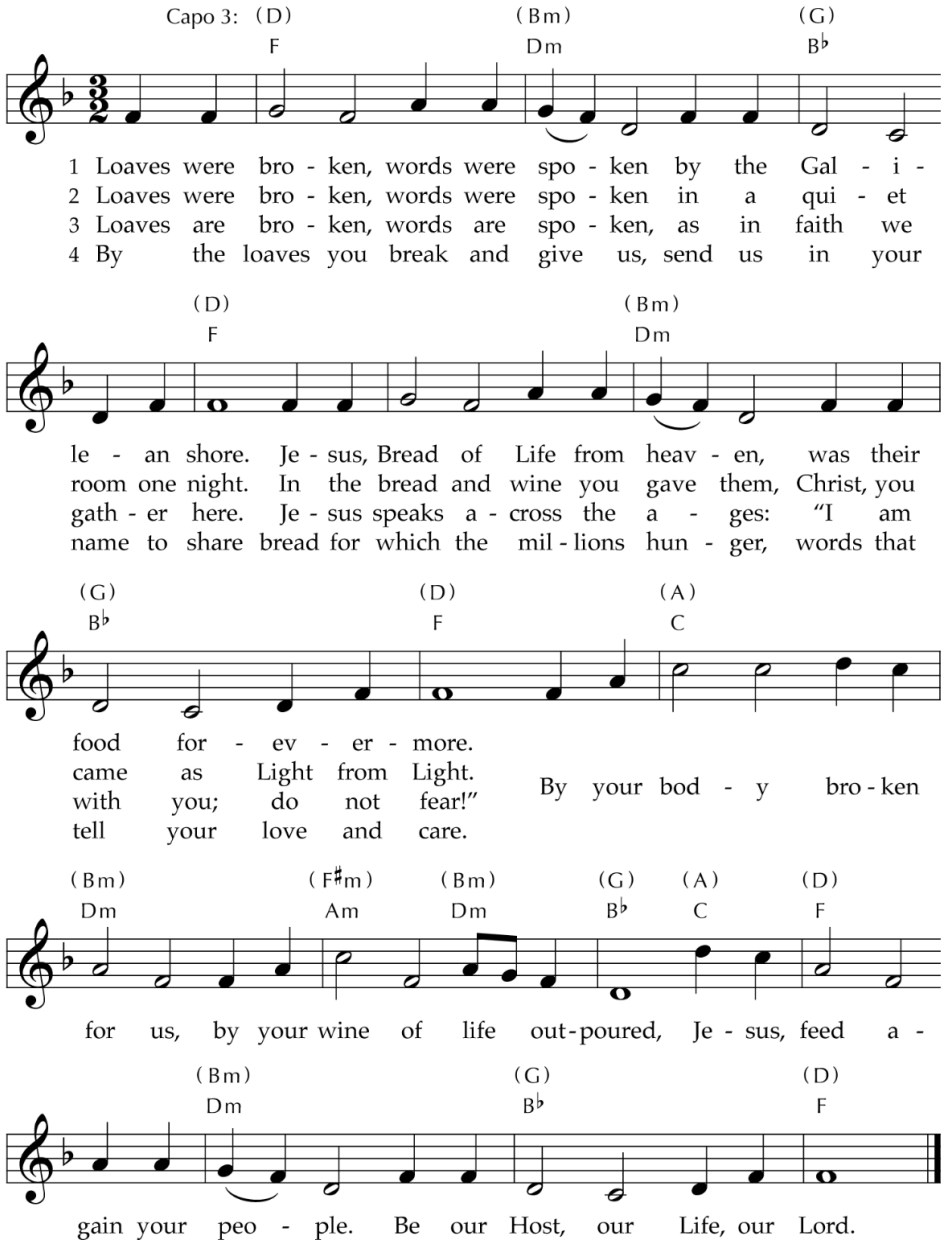


This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24–27/Luke 6:47–49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.

TEXT: Edward Mote, c. 1834, alt.
MUSIC: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863, alt.

SOLID ROCK
LM with refrain

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



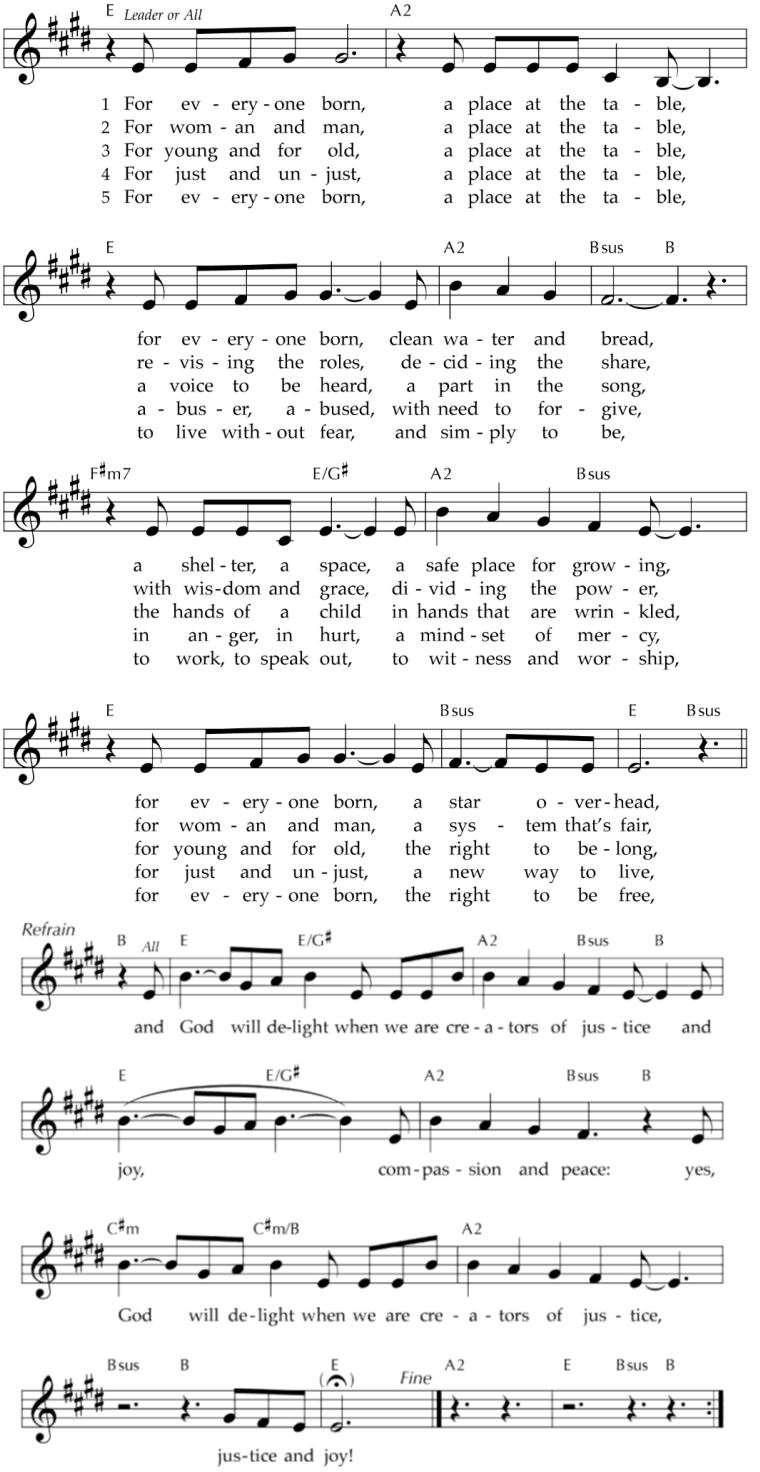
Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.

TEXT: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 2005
MUSIC: *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. James H. Wood, 1958
BEACH SPRING
8.7.8.7.D

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

SESSION

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Clerk of Session: **Terrie Oakley**

Class of 2026: Kyle Hegamyer, Adam Henson, Deb Reynolds, Ben Seibert
Class of 2027: Stephan Auderset, Ellen Dean, John Eliot, Rebeca Layman
Class of 2028: Charlie Bartoldus, Dennis Burkhart, Brett Shelley, Susan Thompson

DEACONS

Co-Moderators: **Kelley Albee, Diana Slade**

Class of 2026: Patty Burgess, Mark Hamlin, Sarah Matthews, George Stauffer
Class of 2027: Kelley Albee, Ashton Harris, Maatsi Ndingwan, Diana Slade
Class of 2028: Kathy Gould, Jeff Humbertson, Ginny Knight, Cathy Nivling

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Proclaiming the gospel through the ages, for all ages

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Frederick Presbyterian Church (USA) is a congregation committed to alive, participatory worship; local and world-wide missions; and opportunities for all ages to grow.

As followers of Christ, we seek to create a community that welcomes all. No matter your race or ethnicity, your gender identity or sexual orientation, your age, marital status, politics, or economic status, we welcome you – where you are, as you are.