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PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. You can share a prayer request online in the comments section (YouTube) or by contacting the church by email or phone with your request.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
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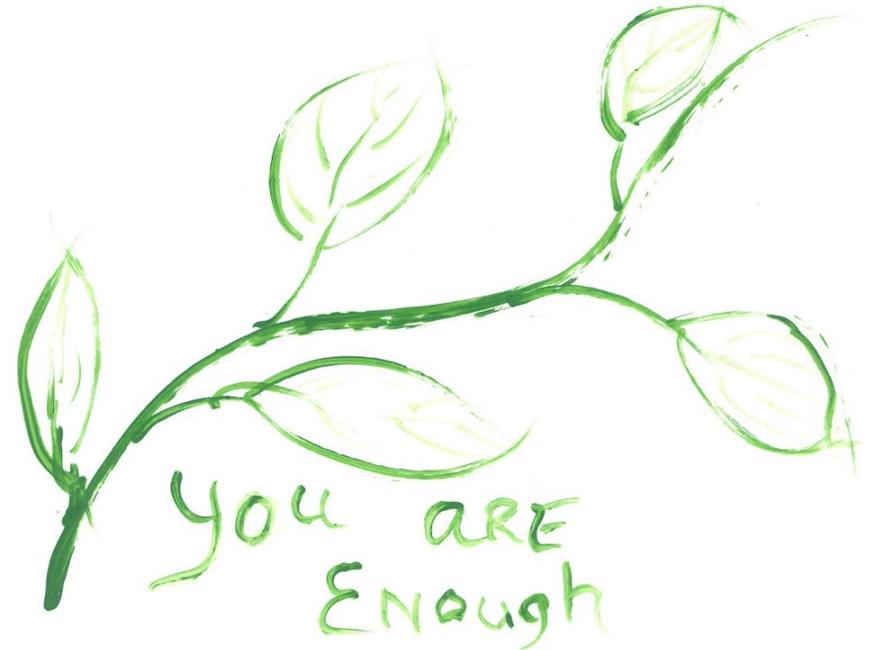
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Online Worship

Easter Sunday

April 9th, 2023

10:00 AM

If you are joining us online, please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

* Please rise in body or spirit.

If the text is bolded, everyone is invited to say the words in unison.

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Be Not Afraid (3x) #243

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: What are you looking for?

All: The light before dawn.

One: What are you looking for?

All: A reason to hope.

One: What are you looking for?

All: Joy after grief and flowers after winter.

One: What are you looking for?

All: A place to belong.

One: What are you looking for?

All: We are looking for the Messiah.

One: Good news! Come in, Love is alive, He is risen...

All: He is risen indeed! God is alive in this place.

***HYMN** Jesus Christ is Risen Today #232

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God of resurrection,

We confess, like a dog with a bone, we run aimlessly.

We chase our tails, looking for things that provide answers to the suffering of the world, looking for comfort in the midst of our longest nights.

You meet us in the darkness before dawn, you meet us in the dark nights of our soul...but we mistake you for the gardener.

Forgive us for seeking after worldly things.

Forgive us for forgetting to seek you.

Forgive us for fleeing and believing in death over life

One: Help us to seek and expect you in the midst of the brokenness. Help us to, in our dark moments, call out to you as teacher and friend.

Help us to pray with the belief of the women who ran to the men and say: He is risen...

All: He is risen indeed! Speak to us. Call us by name, that we might recognize you in our midst.

With hope and gratitude we pray, amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Family of faith, No matter how many times we lose sight of God, God never loses sight of us. No matter how many times we believe that God can't show up in a situation, God can and will. We might spend our whole lives, each and every day seeking, but we are always found. So hear and believe the good news of the gospel, the good news proclaimed in Christ's birth, life, and death is powerful...but the good news would not be good if it weren't for resurrection:

All: We are saved by grace through faith. We belong to God. We are not alone. We are forgiven.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

You are invited to bless those around you with the words, "**The peace of Christ be with you.**" In response you may say "**And also with you!**" (You may pass the peace in the comments section.)

RESPONSE God Welcomes All (4x) #399

SCRIPTURE READINGS Joan Johnson
Old Testament Reading Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

Children are invited to gather in the narthex for Children's Church.

SERMON "Who & What Are You Looking For?: Looking For Life In All The Places"

Rev. Brett M Foote

New Testament Reading

John 20: 1-16,18

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

One: Let us confess our faith together using these words- We believe in resurrection—

All: mysterious, beyond our understanding, and yet, like tulips after the snow: real.

One: We believe in Easter morning—

All: in the promise of a God who would roll back every stone to return to us.

One: We believe in Jesus—

All: who calls us by name and asks, "Who are you looking for?"

One: So we look—

All: for justice, for mercy, for God in our midst.

One: And as we look, we sing, "Alleluia!" Amen.

***HYMN** Thine is the Glory #238

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Alex Sandor

***RESPONSE**

#607

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ all people, here below.

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of the resurrection who calls us to look for life and love in all we do and encounter. May we be good stewards of these gifts and may we be loving neighbors. May all those who have been pushed aside find in us good friends and companions on the journey. As we give of our time, talents, or treasures, may we practice resurrection. Help us to be Christians, little Christs out in Superior. Help us to connect with, serve, and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth and the rest of the Northland may know your resurrection love. Amen.

Prayers to be Shared Please email or call the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section. (YouTube)

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

*CLOSING HYMN Christ is Risen, Shout Hosanna! #248

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Alex Sandor

Some of the prayers adapted by Pastor Brett from a prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say,
'His steadfast love endures for ever.'
The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.
The Lord has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 20: 1-16,18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 4/9

6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service
8 AM Easter Breakfast
8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
9:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 AM Morning Worship
10:15 AM Children's Church

MONDAY 4/10

Office Closed
4-8:30 PM Piano Lessons
5 PM Finance Committee

TUESDAY 4/11

3:45-7:30 PM Piano Lessons
4 PM Pickleball
4:45 PM CYF Committee
6 PM Book Club

WEDNESDAY 4/12

9:30 AM PW Meeting
12 PM Staff Meeting
2-6 PM CSA Pickup
3-4 PM Planning AHEAD Workshop
4-4:45 PM Piano Lessons

THURSDAY 4/13

5 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal
6 PM Buildings and Grounds
7 PM AA Meeting

FRIDAY 4/14

SATURDAY 4/15

Birthdays This Week

4/9 Lisa Palmer
4/11 Pastor Charlotte Frantz
4/11 Erin Lanigan
4/11 Janet Heckman
4/12 Bob Goodin
4/12 Devon Ziebell
4/12 Nicholas Anderson
4/14 Tom Jacobson
4/14 Larry Johnson

LOOKING AHEAD

April 19	Mental Health First Aid
April 28	UPBeat Deadline
April 30	Softball Meeting & Practice

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE?

At United Presbyterian Church, we offer many opportunities to give of yourself to glorify God. From signing up to volunteer to donating financially, if you'd like to support the mission and vision of the church you can do so at the following link:

<https://www.upc-superior.com/donate>



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Thursday, April 6th, Douglas County is at a Low COVID-19 Community Level. At this level, the Session-approved guidelines recommend that our community members stay up to date on vaccinations, mask in spaces with older folks and other potentially immunocompromised individuals, and stay home when sick.

LITURGIST & COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP

There are two sign up sheets at the back of the Narthex, one to sign up to host our coffee hours following the service, and one where you can sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship services. These are both great opportunities to get involved with the church!

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST:

Thank you to Chef Cam for an AMAZING Easter breakfast. We hope you all enjoyed it. ☺

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY: April 12th, 19th, and 26th; May 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th

Join us in April and May as we learn to plan AHEAD. The 7-session workshop, taught by Chelsea Thompson, covers the topics of getting started, handling financial changes, advance medical and legal directives, estate planning, choices in end-of-life care, final wishes, and understanding grief. **All sessions are from 3-4 PM in the UPC Youth Room.**

FIRST ADVENTURE OF 2023: May 8th at 4:00 PM

The Adventure Group is back at it! We will meet in **Canal Park** to walk around and enjoy the Spring air. We plan to find a place to eat and enjoy a beverage. If you need a ride, carpooling will be available at the church at 3:30 PM.

SPRING CLEAN UP AT UPC: May 21st following church service

Please join us as we freshen up the church for the upcoming season.

Join us for pickleball every **Tuesday from 4-6 PM.**

Volleyball has been canceled for Easter Sunday but will resume on April 16th.

BUMP SET SPIKE BY JAY

We had some good UPC Volleyball games! Our Co MVPs of the week were Keaton P. and Jeff O.

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

The Community Garden Team is happy to report that all gardening containers have been adopted! Many thanks to all those who have volunteered to be gardeners this year. It will be wonderful to see all the tomatoes, lettuce, potatoes, onions, green beans, carrots, rutabaga, zucchini, beets, and rhubarb springing up in the coming months and, upon their harvest, to have these veggies used for our Community Dinners.

Mark your calendars: The team is hosting a potluck for everyone in the congregation on Sunday, May 7, after the service. More details will be available in next week's bulletin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

We are currently accepting: **mittens, hats, scarves, hand warmers, coats, toiletry items (toothbrushes, toilet paper, bars of soap, etc.), and non-liquid, sealed food items.** Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. Thank you for your donations!

NURSERY AVAILABILITY

Our nursery is staffed 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old. Stop by the Nursery and meet Iris, our Nursery Coordinator and her volunteer assistants. Once checked in, your young ones can play in a safe environment during worship.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

After the Passing of the Peace portion of our service, children ages 5 through 5th grade are invited to Children's Church! This is a time designed specifically for our young ones to learn and grow in their faith. Children's Church takes place in the Youth room, which is next to the Nursery. Children's Church will not meet for the month of May — we will resume on June 4.

SECOND SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Every second Sunday of the month there is a Bible study for our high school students. Easter is the second Sunday in April, therefore our next and last meeting will be April 16.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adolescents ages 12-18. You'll build skills and confidence you need to reach out and provide initial support to young people who are struggling. You'll also learn how to help connect them to appropriate support. This training will take place on April 19 from 8a-4p here at UPC. Lunch and refreshments will be provided and spots are limited. To register go to: <https://go.wisc.edu/yk82kk>. If you need assistance with registering please connect with Laura after the service or call Tiff during open office hours.

SUMMER CAMP

Clearwater Forest offers summer camp opportunities for a variety of ages! The theme this year is: What's in a Name. If you would like more information please visit: <https://clearwaterforest.org/summer-camp/>. There is a camp scholarship available through our presbytery. Please connect with Laura after the service or send an email to lmfoote.upc@gmail.com if you have any questions.

SOFTBALL

Softball season is almost here! If you are looking for some summer fun come out and join the team! No previous experience needed. There will be an informational meeting and practice after the service on April 30. Our meeting will take place in the Youth Room, and then we'll head to the gym for practice. We will also be practicing on May 7 and May 14 at 4p in the gym. If you are not available for the meeting, but would like more information, connect with Jill or Laura after the service or send an email to lmfoote.upc@gmail.com.



Easter Resurrection Garden

April 9th, 2023



*Contributions were given by the following
in memory of or in honor of their loved ones.*

*In Memory of **Eileen Erickson***

*Given by an inspired and appreciative
congregation.*

*In Memory of **Lorraine and Marian Ellison***

Given by a grateful congregation.

*In Memory of **Bud and Virginia Hart***

Given by Debbie Bergstrom and Becky Kirk.

*In Memory of **Tim Bergstrom***

Given by his family.

*In Memory of **Earl and Elaine Hecht, & Joe and Marilyn Wornock***

Given by Dean and Cathy Hecht.

*In Memory of **Helen Blair***

Given by Karen Slattery.

*In Memory of **Bob and Joyce Downs***

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*In Memory of **Wayne Luoma***

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*In Memory of **Vern and Ruth Rogers***

Given by Cliff and Jackie Pananen.

*In Memory of **John and Jennie Pananen***

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*In Memory of **Parents - Emmanuel and Mary Olson,
and Sister - Debi Olson***

Given by Sandy and Chuck LeMieux.

*In Memory of **Parents - Loyd and Goldie LeMieux***

Given by Sandy and Chuck LeMieux.

*In Memory of **Thomas and Dorothy Thompson***

Given by Jim Thompson.

*In Memory of **Great Grandfather - William Duffy***

Given by Tiff Willie.

*In Memory of **Ruth and Herb Brumel***

Given by Bev and Ron Underdale.

*In Memory of **David Piggott and Dorothy Farmer***

Given by Tom and Phyllis Flaherty.

*In Memory of **Mimi Robertson***

Given by David Robertson.

*In Honor of **Ken and Marianne Aker***

Given by David Robertson.

*In Honor of **our Children and their Families***

Given by Tom and Phyllis Flaherty.

*In Honor of **Donna Okash***

Given by her family.



Be Not Afraid

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Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured,
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
un - to Christ, our heav-en-ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's King,
Praise our God, ye heav-en-ly host,

suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing.
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

God Welcomes All 399

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

238 Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering Son; end - less is
2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

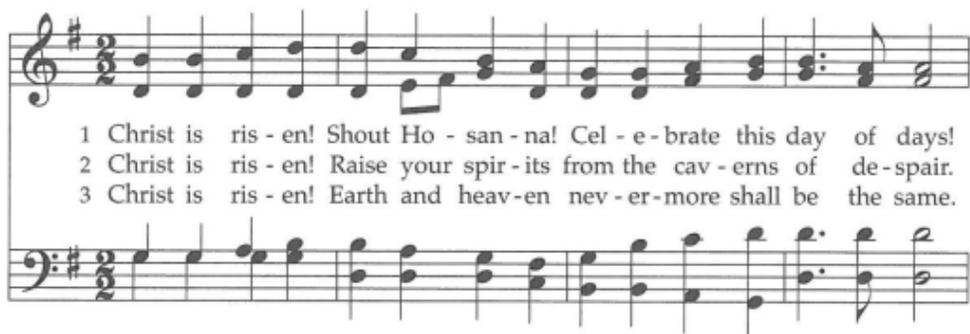
the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - quers

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

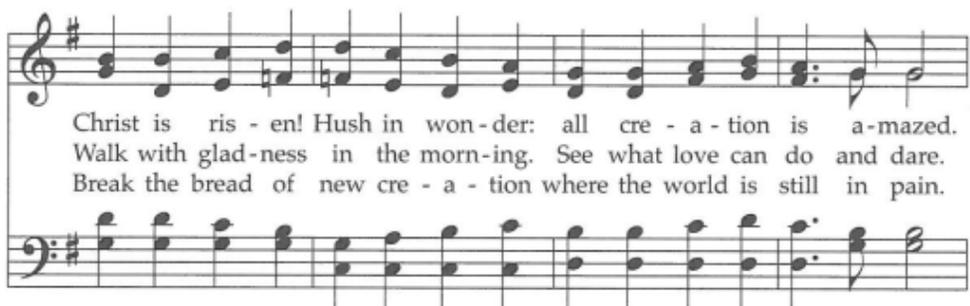
Refrain
where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

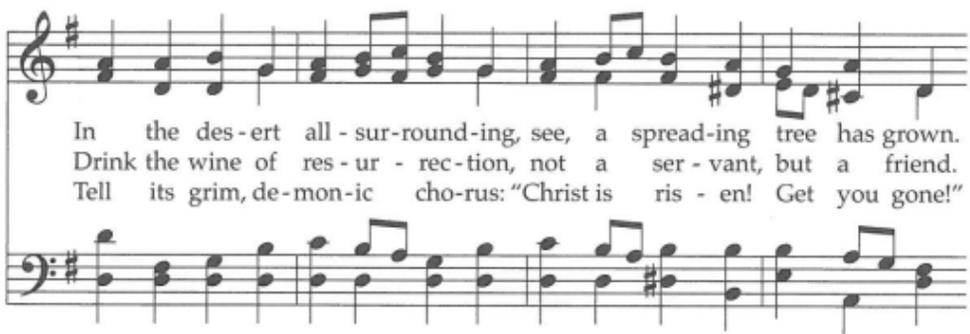
Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248



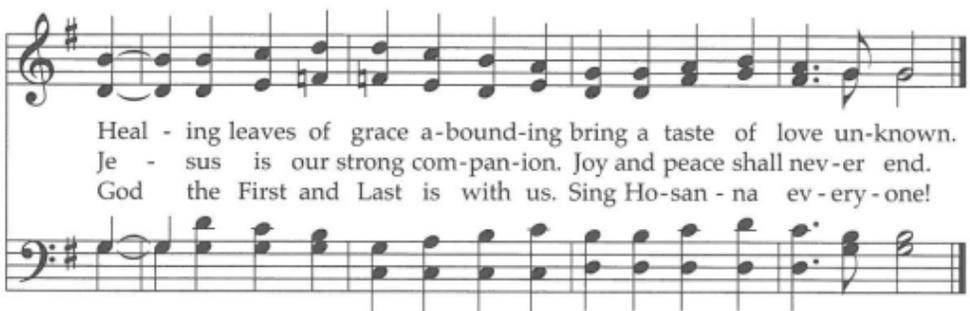
1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.
3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.



Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.



In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.
Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.
Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"



Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.
Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!