

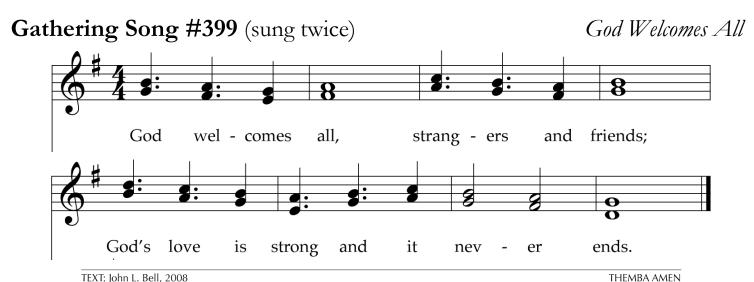


Gathering those who fear they are not enough, so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.

## Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

In the great circle, dancing in and out of time, you move now toward your partners, answering the music suddenly audible to you that only carried you before and will carry you again.

- Wendell Berry, "Our Children, Coming of Age"



TEXT: John L. Bell, 2008 MUSIC: South African song; transcr. John L. Bell, 2008 Text and Music Transcr. © 2008 WGRG, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

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#### Welcome



In a pairing that began in 1561, this paraphrase of Psalm 100 by a Scot is set to a tune that a French composer originally created for Psalm 134 in the Genevan Psalter of 1551. They have appeared together in nearly every comprehensive English-language hymnal since then.

TEXT: William Kethe, 1560 MUSIC: Attr. Louis Bourgeois, 1551 OLD HUNDREDTH

## Scripture

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.<sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. <sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

**Reflection** Megan Klose



The Communion of the Saints, for All Saints, Ira Thomas, www.catholicworldart.com

### Offering Gifts and Song #729

#### Lord, I Want to Be a Christian



The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder currently serving on Session (governing council) or other members of the congregation. At the end of each petition we will sing:



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### Prayer Concerns

Bill Kercheval, at Inova hospital following cardiac arrest

### Continued Prayers

Kris Barth, Sarah Barth, Ally Campbell, Allan Capon, John Drinkell, Neill Ferill, Steve Graff, Mike Hugo, Elina Kent, Nora Long, Rusty Lynn, Ruth Mileham, Bob Moore, Sharane Patek, Cort Peret, Ken Waugh, Christa Young

Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors James and Megan at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org.

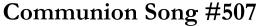
### Communion of the People

Invitation to the Table, Prayer of Thanksgiving, the Lord's Prayer

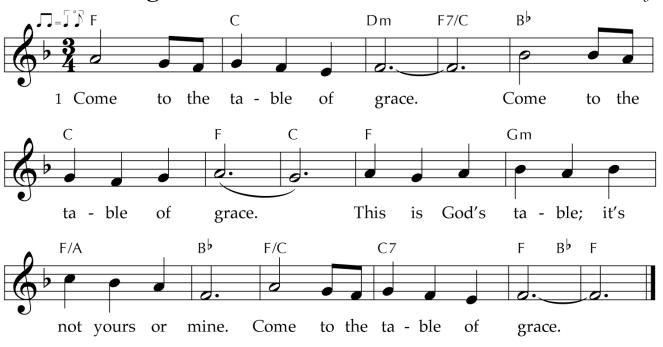
ALL: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

#### Distribution of the Elements

Communion is by intinction. Receive bread into your open hand, and dip it in the cup. Bread is gluten-free and cup is non-alcoholic. Prepacked communion packets are available for those who prefer them. Those joining us on livestream are invited to use whatever elements you have at home to join in the Lord's Supper.



Come to the Table of Grace



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# **Post-Communion Prayer**



- 1 We will go out with joy
- 2 Now an y one who's born
- 3 We will go out with joy

in the Spir-it; we will go out with God. of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy. in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.



We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God. Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy. We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.





Drawing on the phrasing of Isaiah 55:12, this joyful sending hymn was created by a musical Canadian father and daughter, beginning with the tune that emerged from a four-hand piano improvisation. The completed hymn later served as the recessional music for her wedding.

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WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY 10.6.10.6 with refrain

## Our Life Together as the Body of Christ

### The Peace

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you, everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

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## Supporting us in Worship

Music Wendy Hellmann, David Schoonover Audio/Video Xander Burdette

#### A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. If you would like to learn more about our community of faith, please visit www.fallschurchpresby.org.

## Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. Coloring sheets and crayons are available on the side table for our youngest disciples.

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, "working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church."

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