



September 24, 2023
17th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 a.m.

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 with Song

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather



1 Here, O Lord, your ser - vants gath - er, hand we link with hand;



look - ing toward our Sav - ior's cross, joined in love we stand.

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MUSIC: Japanese gagaku mode, Isao Koizumi, 1958
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Welcome

Diane Maloney

* Opening Song #596

You Are Holy

The musical score is written on ten staves in a 2/2 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand. Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness; you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! Sing ho - san - na in the high - est! Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

TEXT: Per Harling, 1990; Spanish trans. Raquel Gutiérrez-Achon, 1991, alt.
MUSIC: Per Harling, 1990
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Irregular

Opening Prayer

Diane Maloney

Silence

** Please stand in body or spirit.*

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

It's Not Fair!

Yena Hwang

Response Song #36 and Offering

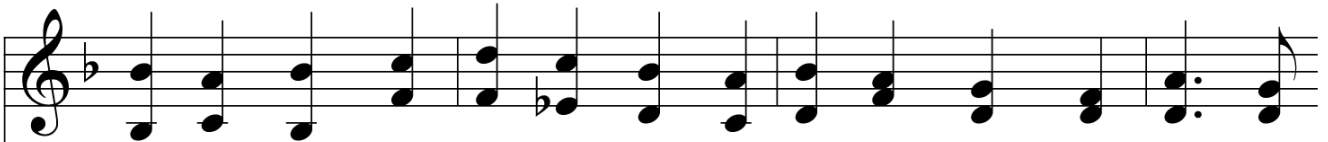
For the Fruit of All Creation



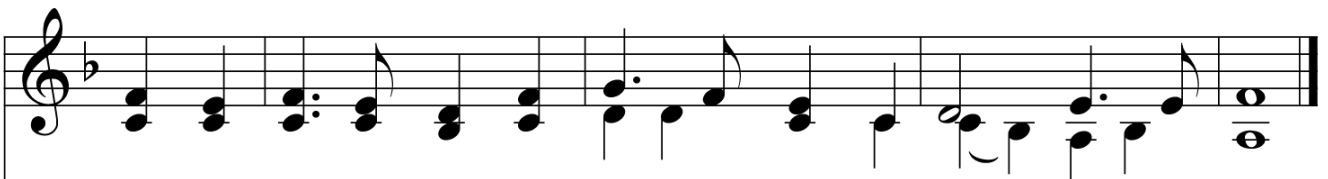
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -



sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

TEXT: Fred Pratt Green, 1970, alt.
 MUSIC: Welsh melody, c. 1784
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Our Life Together as the Body of Christ

Diane Maloney

Prayers of the People

Lynn Wagner

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder currently serving or has previously served on Session. At the end of each petition, we will sing:



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits; tru-ly my hope is in you.

The full prayer list can be viewed by scanning the QR code.



Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena 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

*Bread is gluten-free and cup is non-alcoholic. Communion is by intinction.
Receive bread into your open hand and dip it in the cup.*

Post-Communion Prayer

Yena Hwang

* Sending Song #539

We Will Go Out in Joy



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



Al - le - lu - ia! We will go out with joy.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY
10.6.10.6 with refrain

The Peace

Yena Hwang

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Go into the world knowing that the grace, love, and protection of the Holy One goes with you.

ALL: Amen.

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Supporting us in Worship

Worship Leaders

Diane Maloney, Lynn Wagner

Music

Lonnie Bickel

Audio/Video

Alex Hess

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.

Sunday Spiritual Growth Opportunities

September 24

- **Matthew 25 Group**, 9:30 a.m., Library. Begins today and meets through Nov. 26. Join as your schedule allows to discuss *Notes of a Native Son*, by James Baldwin.
- **Youth Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Third Floor**. Using videos from the Bible Project, we'll discuss particular Bible stories and what they mean to us and our lives. Breakfast snacks included. For grades 6-12.

October 1

- **Connecting Faith & Justice**, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall. Using the lectionary as a jumping off point, we will actively engage the intersection of faith and justice, and explore why our faith compels us toward justice. Begins Oct. 1 and meets through Nov. 19.
- **Matthew 25 Group**, 9:30 a.m., Library, *Notes of a Native Son*
- **Youth Sunday School**, 9:30 a.m., Third Floor

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