

# East Parish United Methodist Church

Established 1834

*East Parish is a Church open to all, which nurtures and enables people to experience God's transforming love and serve others in Jesus' name.*



**March 13, 2022**  
**Second Sunday in Lent**

*The Book of Remembrance is opened to the Glory of God,  
in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. John Harold Pollard.*

## PRELUDE

*"Ave Verum"*

Wolfgang Mozart

## WELCOME

### \* OPENING HYMN *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

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#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, NRSV)

L: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

**P: Will say to YHWH, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."**

L: Because you have made YHWH your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place,

**P: No evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**

L: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

**P: On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**

L: You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

**P: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.**

L: When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.

**P: With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

#### **OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

O God, the temptations of the world loom large before us. We are enticed, cajoled, and "sweet-talked" into moving from lives of service to lives of self-centeredness. We need your healing love. As you resisted the temptations in the wilderness, help us to place our trust in you, that we may be strong in our faith and confident in our service to you through serving others. AMEN.

#### **READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE**

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

#### **SERMON**

*"Temptation "*

Rev. Nancy Wichmann

### \* HYMN

*"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"*  
(vs 1, 2, 3, 5)

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#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

You are invited to share your prayers of thanksgiving or petition. You may also send them to Pastor Wichmann at nan\_wich@bellsouth.net; indicate whether or not they should be shared.

#### **PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT**

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.



## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

In a world which values gambling, risking, taking dares, God, we come to this time of temptation. We confess that we are often enticed to take the risk for the rewards, often financial, offered if you win. Just “a dollar and a dream” and we hear the glory stories of people receiving great monetary wealth; later, we discover how many lives have been destroyed by this grand prize. Forgive us when we hunger for the wealth and power the world dangles before us. Move us from greed to gratitude for your blessings. Heal our wounded spirits and lives, so that we may fully serve you. Prepare us for this journey of discipleship and healing. In Jesus’ name, we pray. AMEN.

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God will provide for your needs. Place your trust in God. You are not alone. God is with you always. The world cannot offer to you such abiding riches as the presence of God. AMEN.

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: As we look around this wilderness, seeing even Jesus striving with the Diabolical One, let us share the peace of Christ with the words “The peace of Christ be with you always.”

P: And also with you.

## GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*“Chimes”*

### \* DOXOLOGY

No. 95

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

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### \* HYMN

*“Jesus, Tempted in the Desert”*

TFWS #2105

### \* BENEDICTION

The journey continues. God is with you. Go forth to learn, to teach, to serve. Go bringing peace and hope to all in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

### \* BENEDICTION RESPONSE *“Let There Be Peace on Earth”*

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*Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on earth, The peace that was meant to be.  
With God our Creator, children all are we;  
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.  
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.  
With ev’ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally,  
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.*

## POSTLUDE

*“Toccata #3”*

Johann Pachelbel

*\*Indicates that we rise in body or in spirit.*

### Romans 10:8b-13

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup> The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

(New Revised Standard Version)

### Luke 4:1-13

<sup>1</sup> Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, <sup>2</sup> where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” <sup>5</sup> Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. <sup>6</sup> And he said to Jesus, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. <sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” <sup>8</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”

<sup>9</sup> Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ <sup>11</sup> and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

<sup>12</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

<sup>13</sup> When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

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## Prayer List

Church of Christ and ministries  
and members of East Parish  
United Methodist Church  
All who struggle with their faith  
Family and friends of John Kelly  
Assisted Living, Nursing Home  
and Memory Care Residents  
Residents of Maris House & Link  
House  
Our members who are traveling  
Joni McPhee  
Steve Smith  
Julie Allred  
Chip & Gail (friend of Alana)  
Alan Dane (George's friend)  
Hailey Stone  
Tom (Debbie and Steve's friend)  
Sam Colby  
Jeanette Cooper Hicks  
Madolyn Lynch  
George (Debbie's cousin-in-law)  
Anita McMahon

Jean Gustavson  
Harmony Montgomery (7 yr old  
girl missing from Manchester)  
People of the Ukraine  
Children, especially orphans  
Victims of natural disasters.  
Victims of sexual abuse and  
assault  
Division in The United Methodist  
Church  
For those whose voices are so  
often ignored  
For the slain everywhere and all  
victims of violence  
Deplorable treatment of refugees  
and asylum-seekers on the  
southern border of the US  
All who have suffered with,  
because of, or died from COVID-19  
or addiction.  
For our country, desperately in  
need of unity and humanity

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Given the decrease in Covid infection rates, we are not requiring masks; rather, leaving it up to individual preferences. We do ask that you continue to maintain social distancing. Additionally, fellowship following service continues to be suspended.**

**UKRAINE HELP** – United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is soliciting donations to help with efforts in war-torn Ukraine.

<https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/982450/>

**COMMUNION OFFERING** – The Communion offering for March, the offering will be baking mixes (cookies, muffins, cakes, etc.) and toothbrushes and toothpaste. Items will be collected throughout March and delivered the first week of April. Thank you for your ongoing support of Pettengill House.

**LENTEN STUDY** – Experience Holy Friday from the perspective of those who watched Jesus die: Mary his mother; the Beloved Disciple from the Gospel of John; Mary Magdalene and the other women from Galilee; the two men, usually identified as thieves, crucified with Jesus; the centurion and the soldiers; Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus. Jews and Romans, friends and strangers, the powerful and the powerless, the hopeful and the despairing. We will be doing this study after worship March 6 – April 10.

**AFGHAN EVACUEES** – All need help with longer term or permanent housing, even just tips on where to look.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is hosting two evacuee families from Afghanistan.  
978-465-5351

First Religious Society Unitarian Universalist is hosting an evacuee family of 11. 978-465-0602.

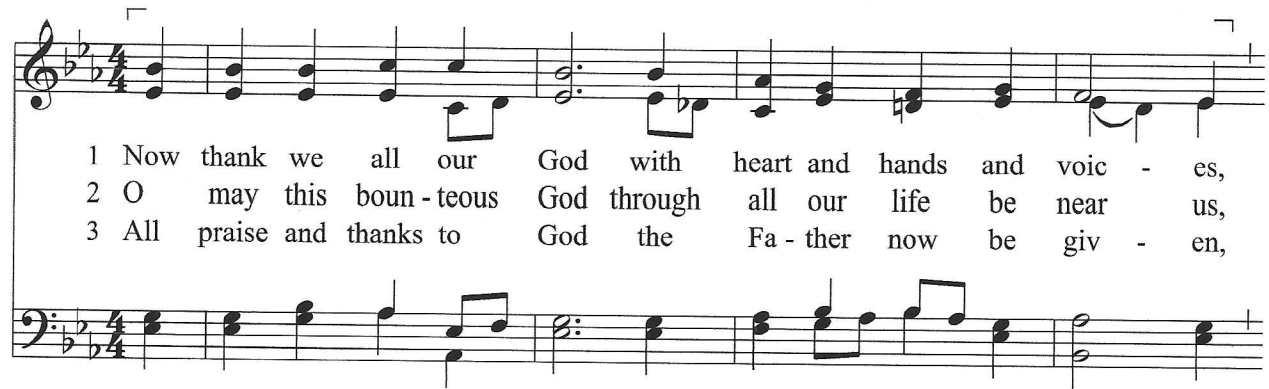
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**PRAYER LIST** – Each week we include a list of people who are in need of prayer. If we were to pray for two people each day, at the end of the week we will have each prayed for 14 people!

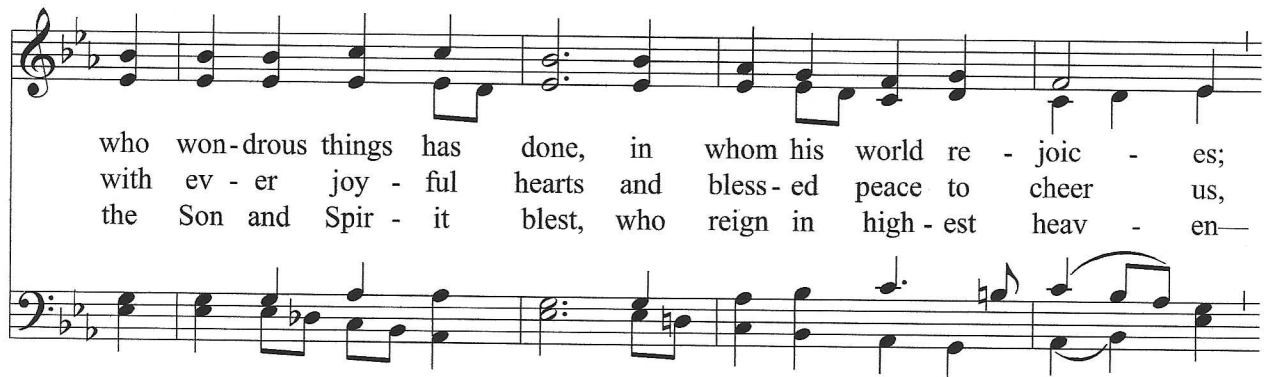
If you wish to become a member of our church family, or to be baptized, contact Pastor Wichmann at [nan\\_wich@bellsouth.net](mailto:nan_wich@bellsouth.net) or 781-697-6344.



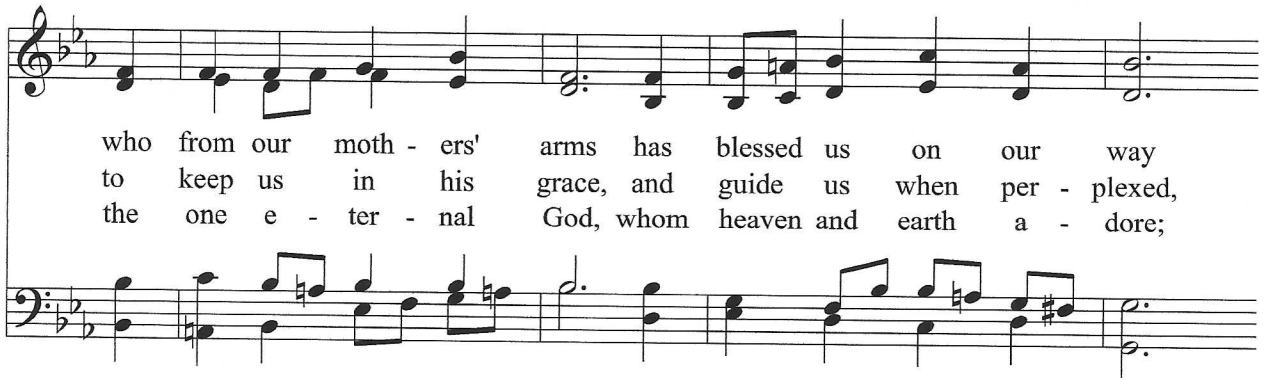
# Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
the Son and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven—



who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way  
to keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
and free us from all ills of this world in the next.  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Text: Martin Rinkart, 1636; tr. Catherine

Winkworth, 1863, alt.

Tune: Johann Crüger, 1647; harm. based on  
Felix Mendelssohn's *Lobgesang*, Opus 52,  
1840



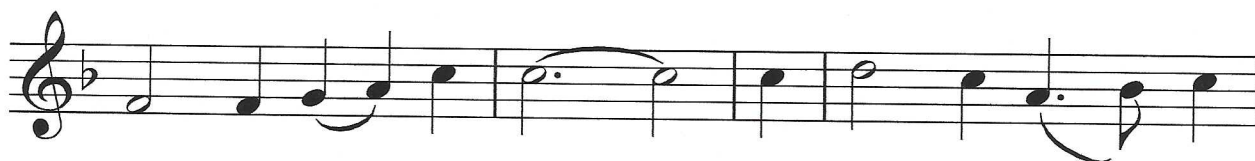
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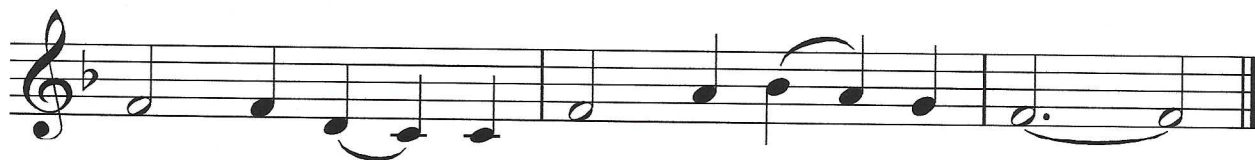
# Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days



1 Lord, who through out\_\_\_ these for - ty days\_\_\_ for  
 2 As you with Sa - tan did con - tend,\_\_\_ and  
 3 As you did hun - ger and did thirst,\_\_\_ so  
 4 And thro' these days\_\_\_ of pe - ni - tence,\_\_\_ and  
 5 A - bide with us,\_\_\_ that through this life\_\_\_ of



us didst fast\_\_\_ and pray,\_\_\_ teach us with you\_\_\_ to  
 did the vic - tory win,\_\_\_ O give us strength in  
 teach us, gra - cious Lord,\_\_\_ to die to\_\_\_ self, and  
 thro' your Pas - sion - tide,\_\_\_ for - e - ver more,\_\_\_ in  
 doubts and hope\_\_\_ and pain,\_\_\_ an Eas - ter of\_\_\_ un -



mourn our sins\_\_\_ and close by you\_\_\_ to stay.  
 you to fight,\_\_\_ in you to con - quer sin.  
 so to\_\_\_ live by your most ho - ly Word.  
 life and death, O Lord, with us\_\_\_ a - bide.  
 en - ding joy\_\_\_ we may at last\_\_\_ at - tain!



## Jesus, Tempted in the Desert

1. Je - sus, tempt - ed in the des - ert,  
 2. Je - sus, tempt - ed at the tem - ple,  
 3. Je - sus, tempt - ed on the moun - tain,  
 4. When we face tempt - ta - tion's pow - er,

lone - ly, hun - gry, filled with dread:  
 high a - bove its an - cient wall:  
 by the lure of vast do - main:  
 lone - ly, strug - gling, filled with dread,

"Use your power," the tempt - er tells him;  
 "Throw your - self from loft - y tur - ret;  
 "Fall be - fore me! Be my ser - vant!  
 Christ, who knew the tempt - er's ho - ur,

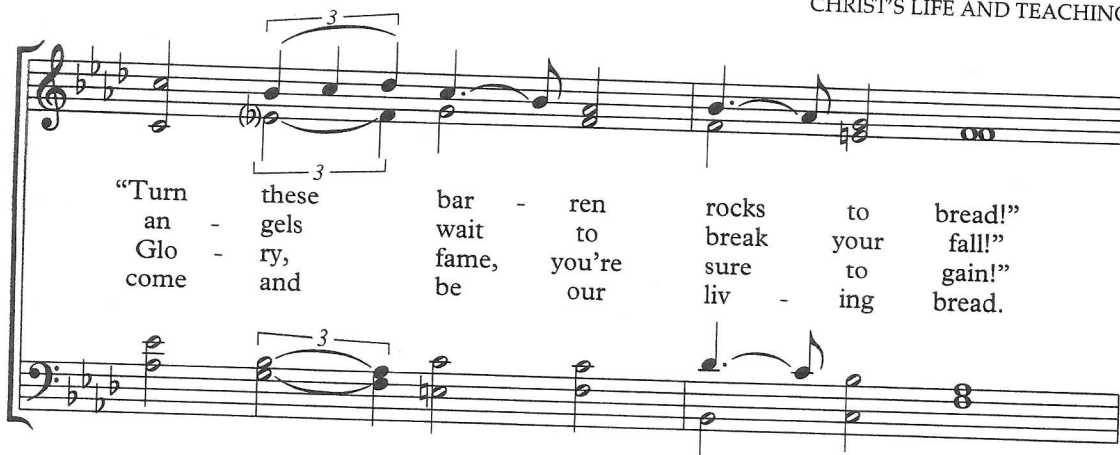
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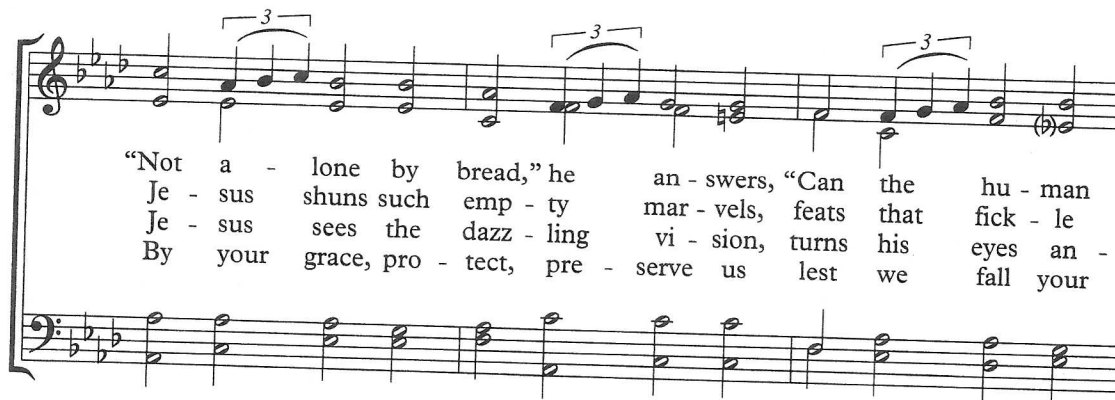
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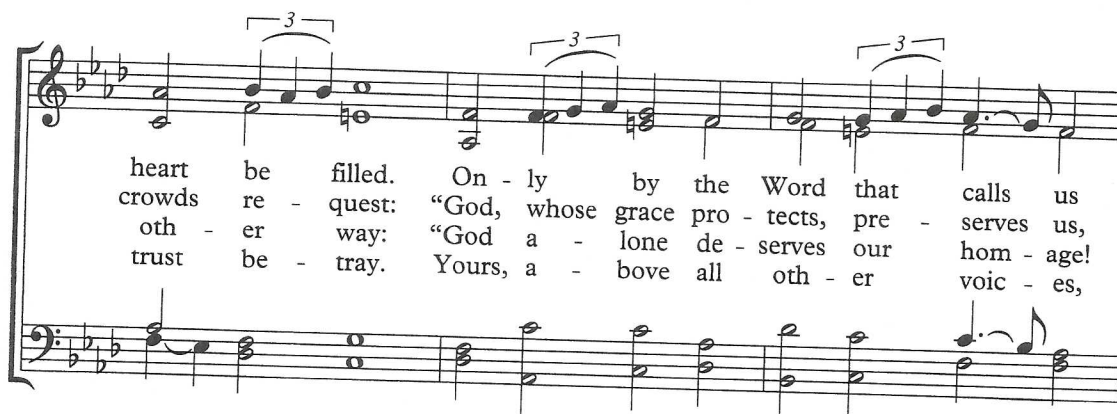
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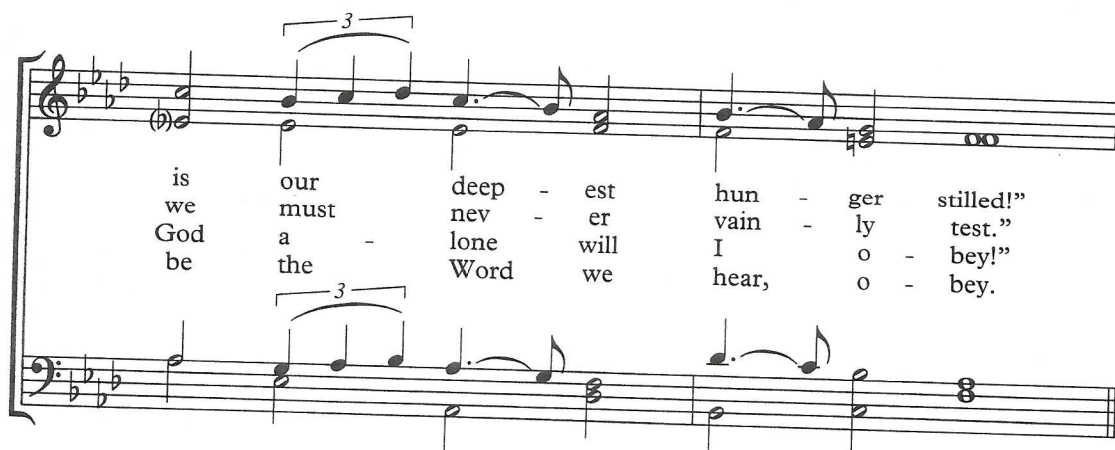
"Turn these bar - ren rocks to bread!"  
an - gels wait to break your fall!"  
Glo - ry, fame, you're sure to gain!"  
come and be our liv - ing bread.



"Not a - lone by bread," he an - swers, "Can the hu - man  
Je - sus shuns such emp - ty mar - vels, feats that fick - le  
Je - sus sees the daz - zling vi - sion, turns his eyes an -  
By your grace, pro - tect, pre - serve us lest we fall your



heart be filled. On - ly by the Word that calls us  
crowds re - quest: "God, whose grace pro - tects, pre - serves us,  
oth - er way: "God a - lone de - serves our hom - age!  
trust be - tray. Yours, a - bove all oth - er voic - es,



is our deep - est hun - ger stilled!"  
we must nev - er vain - ly test."  
God a - lone will I o - bey!"  
be the Word we hear, o - bey.