



The Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost

November 14, 2021, 8:45 & 11:15 am

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November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

Gathering

Prelude

It Is Well With My Soul
My, Lord What a Morning

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)
Franklin Ashdown (b. 1942)

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand.. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Entrance Hymn

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1 Through the night of doubt and sor - row, on - ward
2 One the light of God's own pres - ence on the
3 One the strain that lips of thou - sands lift as
4 On - ward, there - fore, sis - ters, broth - ers; on - ward,



goes the pil - grim band, sing - ing songs of ex - pec -
ran - somed peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the gloom and
from the heart of one; one the con - flict, one the
with the cross our aid. Bear its shame, and fight its



ta - tion, march - ing to the prom - ised land. Clear be -
ter - ror, bright - 'ning all the path we tread. One the
per - il, one the march in God be - gun. One the
bat - tle till we rest be - neath its shade. Soon shall



fore us through the dark - ness gleams and burns the
ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the faith which
glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the far e -
come the great a - wak - 'ning; soon the rend - ing



guid - ing light; pil - grim clasps the hand of
nev - er tires, one the ear - nest look - ing
ter - nal shore, where the one al - might - y
of the tomb! Then the scat - t'ring of all



pil - grim step - ping fear - less through the night.
for - ward, one the hope our God in - spires.
Fa - ther reigns in love for - ev - er - more.
shad - ows, and the end of toil and gloom.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

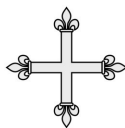
Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.



Word

First Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 16

The choir introduces the antiphon; please sing the second time. Subsequent refrains are sung only once by all, indicated by R

(8:45) Setting by Aaron David Miller

(11:15) Spoken

My heart, there-fore, is glad, and my spir - it re - joic -
es; my bod - y al - so shall rest in hope.

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

²All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.

³But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips. **R**

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. **R**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.

¹¹You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. **R**

Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us,

for after saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”

he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

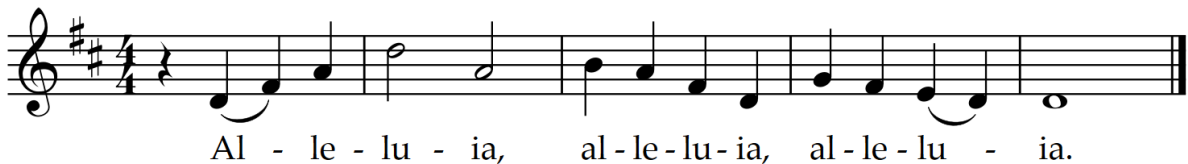
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as your are able.

(8:45)



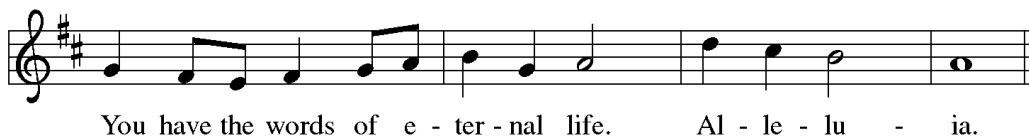
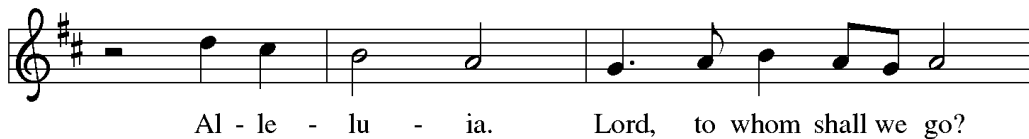
Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Choir Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to stand before the Son of Man.
(Luke 23:36)

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

(11:15)



Gospel

Mark 13:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

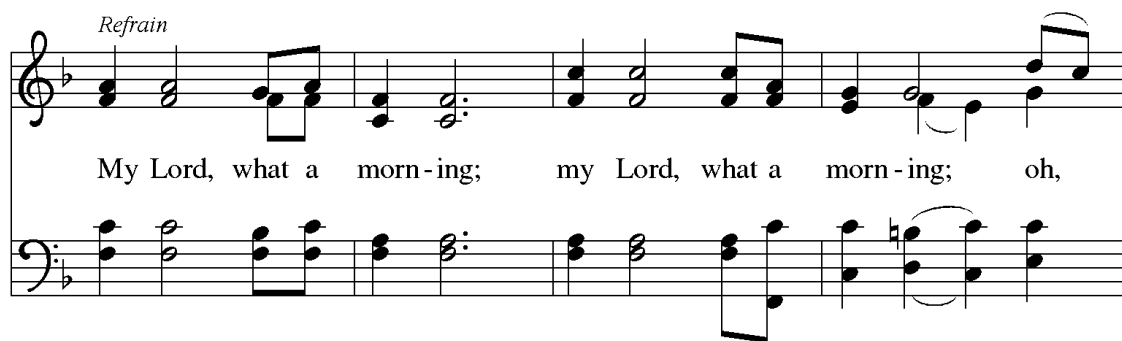
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Hymn of the Day

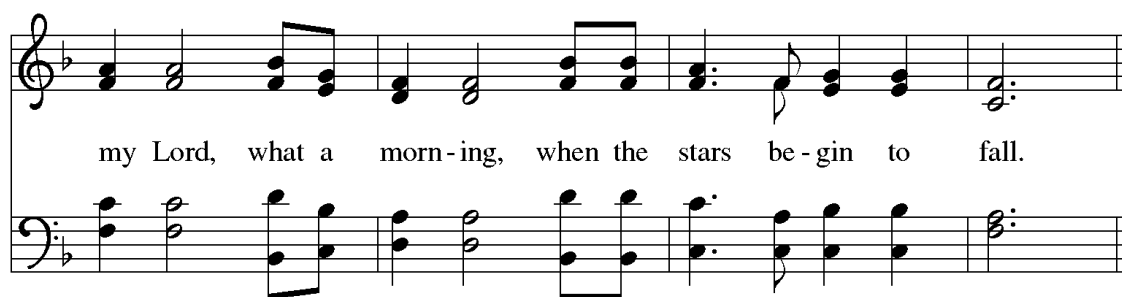
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Please stand as you are able.


Refrain



My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

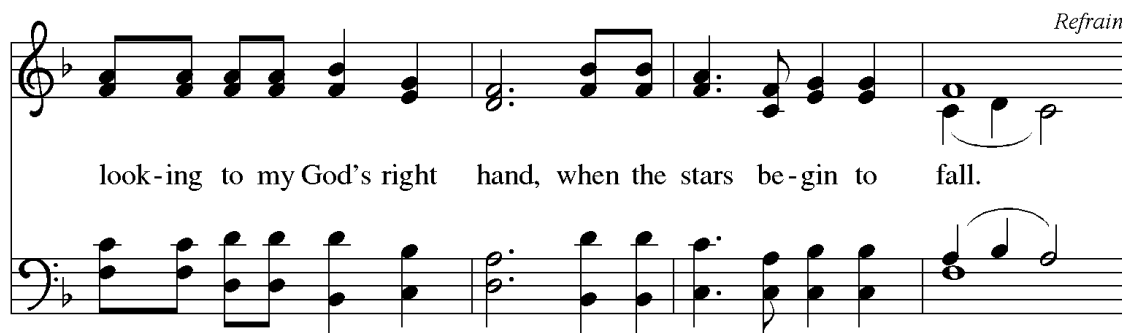


my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.



1 You will hear the trum-pet sound,
2 You will hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

Refrain



look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: BURLEIGH, African American spiritual

Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

After each portion of the prayers:

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

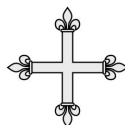
The prayers conclude:

God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Please be seated.



Meal

Offering

We invite you to give your offering online at saintlukegive.us or on the Give Plus app.
You may also mail your checks to:

Saint Luke Lutheran Church
9100 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Music at the offering
(8:45) Choral Anthem

He that raised up Jesus from the dead
will also give life to our mortal bodies, by his spirit that dwelleth in us.
Therefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoiceth,
my flesh shall also rest in hope.
Thou shalt show me the path of life;
in thy presence is the fullness of joy,
at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore. Amen.

He That Raised Up Jesus
Text: Romans 8 and Psalm 16
Music: Carlton T. Russel (b. 1938)

(11:15) Organ Voluntary
My Lord, What a Morning

Richard Billingham (b. 1934)

Please stand.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please pray in your own preferred language.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

**Padre Nuestro Que estas en los cielos
Santificado sea tu Nombre
Venga a nosotros tu Reino
Hagase tu voluntad asi en la tierra como en el cielo
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia
Perdona nuestras ofensas
Como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion mas libranos del mal
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la Gloria
Por los siglos de los siglos. Amen**

Invitation to Communion

A feast of love is offered here
for us and for all the saints.

Thanks be to God.

Communion

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond:

Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

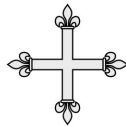
Amen.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.

Amen.



Sending

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 It is well with my soul,

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888
 Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

Dismissal

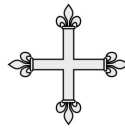
Led on by the saints before us,
go in peace to serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated during the Postlude and ushers will then dismiss each row from back to front as per safety guidelines. Thank you.

Postlude

Ebenezer

Aaron David Miller (b.1972)



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MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*
(8:45) Members of the Schola Cantorum

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at Saint Luke Lutheran

November 14, 2021

Upcoming Commemorations

Elizabeth of Hungary, renewer of society, died 1231

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

Born in Hungary, Elizabeth was betrothed to the son of the Landgrave of Thuringia, and at age four was taken to be raised with him at the Wartburg Castle. Ten years later they were married. She was very generous to the poor, and after her husband's death she lived in cruel hardship until her own death at age twenty-four.

14 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOV

8:45 am	Worship, <i>in person & streaming online</i>
10:15 am	Faith Formation Classes, <i>in person & online</i>
11:15 am	Worship, <i>in person</i>
5:00 pm	San Lucas Misa, <i>Online</i>

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NOV

8:45 am	Worship, <i>in person & streaming online</i>
10:15 am	Faith Formation Classes, <i>in person & online</i>
11:15 am	Worship, <i>in person</i>
3:00 pm	San Lucas Gospel Meditation, <i>Online</i>



The flowers about the altar today are given to the glory of God and in remembrance of William Einwaechter, by his wife, Nancy Einwaechter.

MUSIC MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

Wickre Organ Concert

November 21 at 5 PM

Thomas Sheehan, Organist and Associate Director of Music at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC, will present an innovative organ program on November 21, 2021 at 5 PM. The concert will be in person and current health guidelines will be observed (masks and social distancing required). Pieces in the program will include a transcription of the Overture to St. Paul by Felix Mendelssohn, Five Dances of Calvin Hampton, and works by Thomas Oboe Lee, Angela Kraft Cross, Trevor Weston, and Dietrich Buxtehude.

Advent Compline

December 5 at 5 PM

Join us for an Office of Compline for Advent. Compline also known as Complin, Night Prayer, or the Prayers at the End of the Day, is the final church service (or office) of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours, which are prayed at fixed prayer times. Compline tends to be a contemplative office that emphasizes spiritual peace. The service is particularly appropriate to the season of Advent and its overarching themes of waiting, preparedness, and expectation. The Schola Cantorum will sing brief musical offerings to uplift the devotional service.

The choir will sing:

Introit: Arise, the Kingdom is at Hand – Christopher Tye

Anthem: O Word, that goest Forth on High – Robert Lehman
Nunc Dimittis by Thomas Tallis

Final Choral Piece: Say to Them That Are of a Fearful Heart – Everett Titcomb

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HYMN NOTES

Through the night of doubt and sorrow

Bernhardt Severin Ingemann, 1789-1862

The Danish author of this hymn was both a scholar and a writer of popular historical novels modeled after those by Sir Walter Scott. He also edited the official Danish hymnal of 1859, where the hymn first appeared. The imagery is that of the Israelite's journey to the promised land, given a Christian interpretation, and applied to the pilgrim Church on earth. The use of the word "one" is paramount: one goal, one faith, one hope, one song, one conflict, one march, and one song of gladness at the end of the journey.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

My Lord, What a Morning

African American spiritual

The numerous apocalyptic images in this hymn have scriptural foundations. Note, for example, the symbolic "trumpet": 1 Corinthians 15:52, "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (KJV, emphasis added.) A companion text is I Thessalonians 4:16-17: "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (KJV, emphasis added).

"The falling stars" is a particularly powerful metaphor. Revelation 6:12-14 provides a stark description of the end of the world: "And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places" (KJV, emphasis added).

The anonymous hymn and the spiritual share these primary images. Another prominent image is the reference, "nations underground," a vision of global humanity on earth, under the ground of heaven, viewed from the perspective of heaven, the source of the trumpet's sound.—*C. Michael Hawn*

Peace Like a River

Horatio Gates Spafford, 1828-1888

Knowing that his friend Dwight L. Moody was going to be preaching in evangelistic campaigns in England in the fall of 1871, Horatio G. Spafford decided to take his family to England. His wife and four daughters went ahead on the SS *Ville du Havre*, and he planned to follow in a few days.

But on the Atlantic Ocean the ship was struck by an iron sailing vessel and sank within twelve minutes. Two hundred and twenty-six lives were lost—including the Spaffords' four daughters. When the survivors were brought to shore at Cardiff, Wales, Mrs. Spafford cabled her husband, "Saved alone."

Spafford booked passage on the next ship. As they were crossing the Atlantic, the captain pointed out the place where he thought the *Ville du Havre* had gone down. That night, Spafford penned the words "When sorrows like sea billows roll...it is well, it is well with my soul." - *The One Year Book of Hymns*

MUSIC NOTES

Both prelude pieces are simple arrangements of *It is well with my soul* and *My Lord what a morning* by American organists and composers Craig Philips and Franklin Ashdown.

The choral anthem today sets the words from Romans 8 and Psalm 16 for a two-part choir in a gentle manner by American composer Carlton T. Russell. The Rev. Carlton T. Russell is Professor of Music and College Organist, Emeritus at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, where he taught for 41 years. An Episcopal priest, Dr. Russell holds degrees from Amherst College, Princeton University, and The Episcopal Divinity School, and the Choirmaster (Ch.M.) certificate of The American Guild of Organists.

The postlude is a setting of the hymn tune EBENEZER. The fantasia like piece sets the hymn tune on a prominent reed sound (in our case that is the horizontal trumpet at the back of the church). The piece then develops a theme derived from the hymn tune in the accompanying foundations stops.