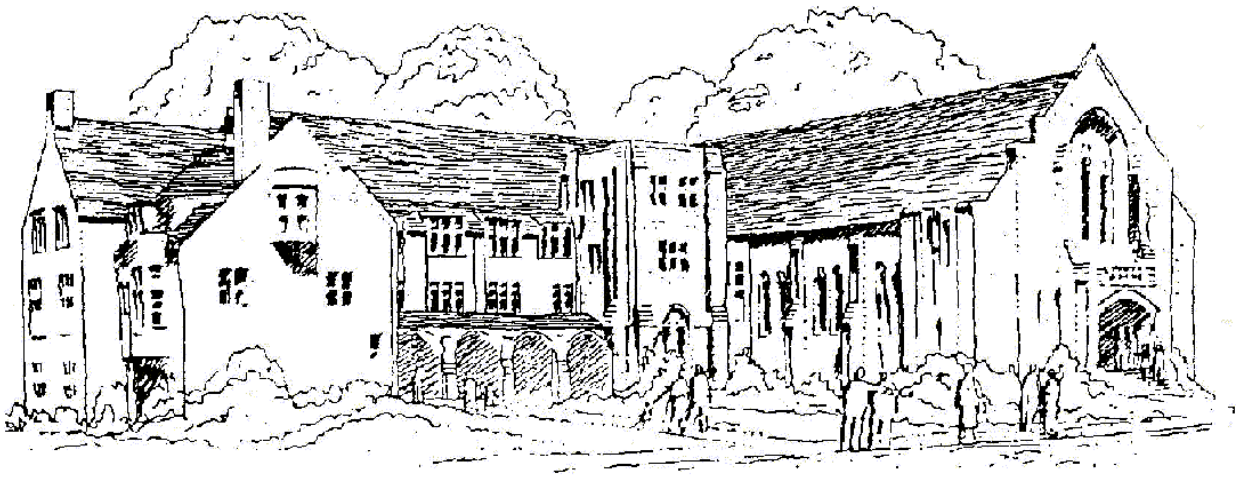
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Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." Therefore, this place of sanctuary is free of violence in all its forms, including verbal violence and firearms. University Baptist Church is a member of the American Baptist Churches/USA, the Alliance of Baptists, the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists, and the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America. Our intention at University Baptist Church is to use inclusive language in our worship.

Let us acknowledge the land beneath our building that is home and community and life, that is the sacred homeland of the Dakota people. Together let us acknowledge the displacement that occurred, and let us ask the Spirit of God to guide us as we work to repair the harm it has caused and to create a future of greater justice.

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University Baptist Church

November 22, 2026 ***Reign of Christ Sunday*** **10:00 am**

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Ringing of the Hour

Welcome!
¡Bienvenidos a la casa de Dios! Добро пожаловать! Dobro pozhalovat! 欢迎！ Huānyíng!
「ようこそ！」 Youkoso! Willkommen! Bienvenu!

PRELUDE ***Basse de Trompette*** de Grigny

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: By grace, we gather today, singing joyfully to our Creator and out to all the earth as we strive to be God's faithful people!

Many: We seek to serve God with enlightened hearts, opening our eyes to the hope that is possible in our world.

One: To live as Jesus taught, may we walk in a spirit of wisdom to heal the injustices of our society.

Many: How might we shape our days to uplift the marginalized—those who are burdened by depression, oppression, and discrimination; those who lack housing, food, healthcare, or a living wage?

One: May we feed them with justice so they are no longer diminished, but strengthened—experiencing a life of abundance on this earth beyond what they could ever imagine!

All: Let us be a righteous people, marked by steadfast love and faithfulness, worthy of praising God through all generations.
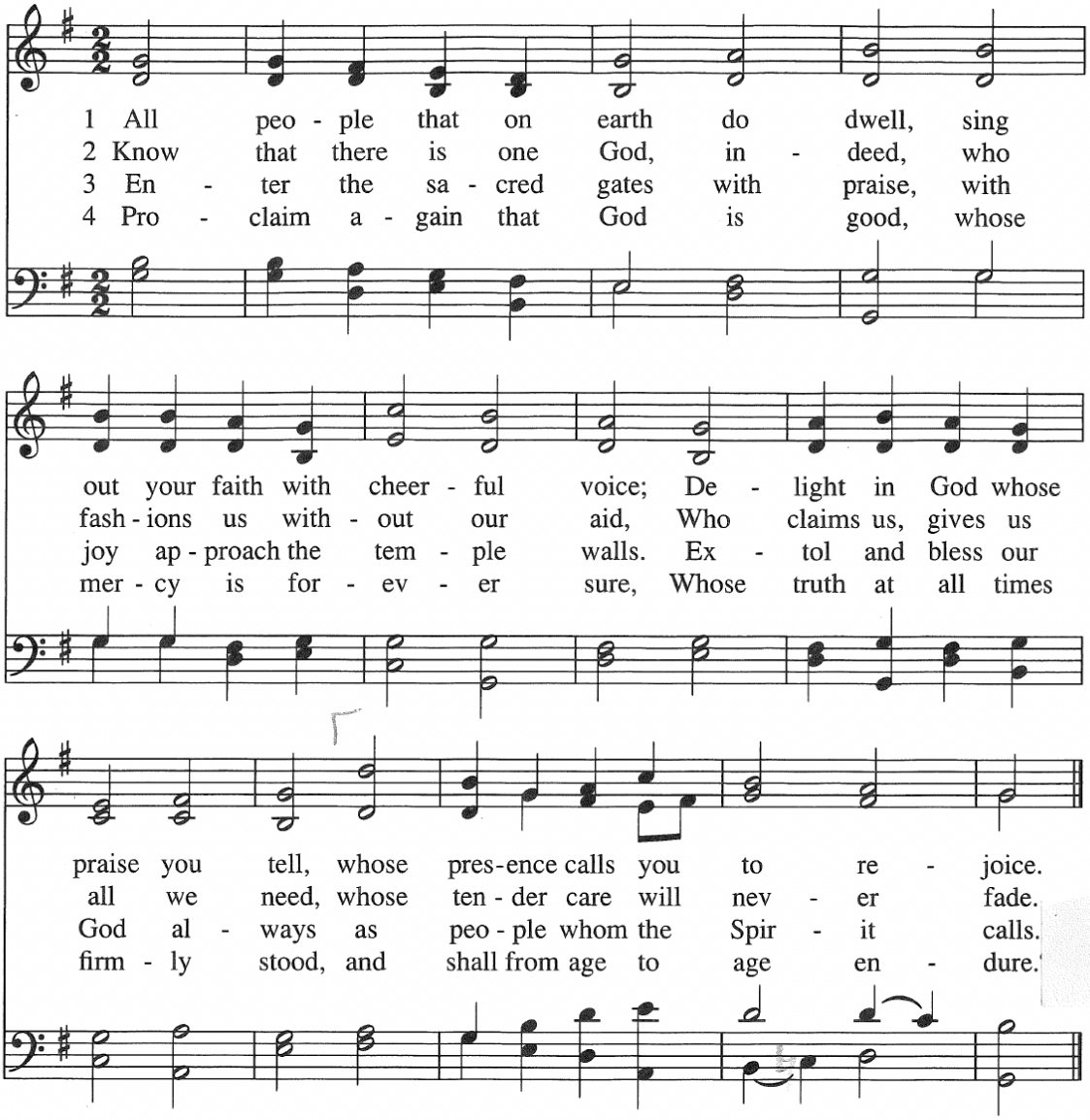
*(*Stand as you are willing and able)*

*OPENING HYMN ***All People That on Earth Do Dwell*** OLD HUNDREDTH
New Century #7

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

William Kethe, 1561
Adapt. Thomas H. Troeger, 1992

Ps. 100



Old Hundredth *is perhaps the best known and most widely used of all psalm tunes. It came into English use in 1561 with Kethe's paraphrase of Psalm 100 and has been associated with it ever since.*

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.
Attrib. to Louis Bourgeois (c. 1510–c. 1561)
Trente quatre Pseaumes, *Geneva, 1551*

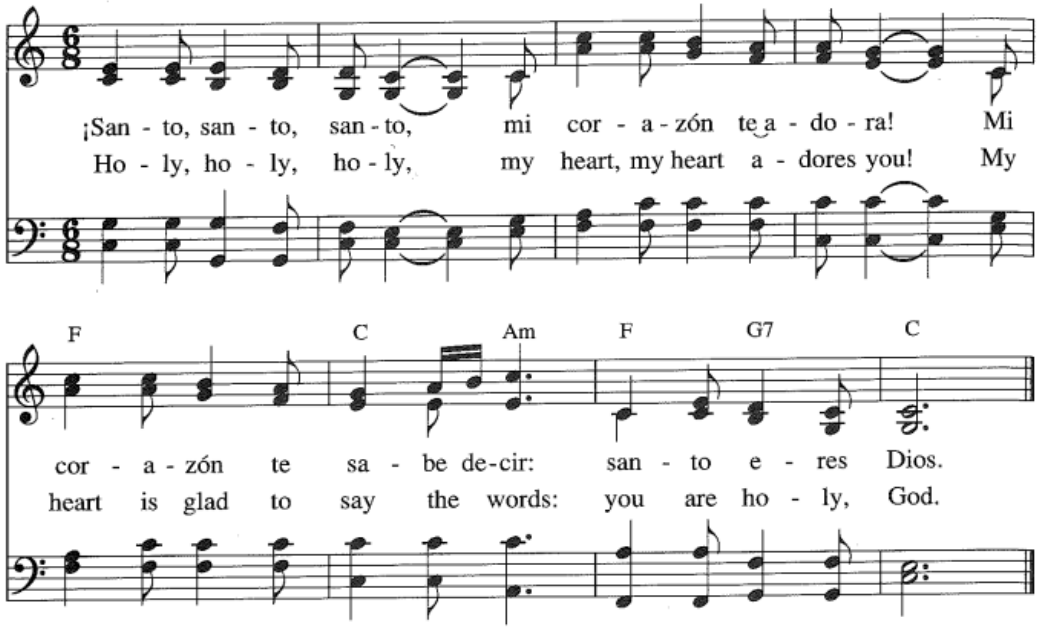
PASSING OF THE PEACE

Peace Be With You!

¡La paz sea contigo! Мир вам! Mir vam! Pace!

愿和平与你同在 yuàn hé píng yú nǐ tóng zài

「平和がありますように！」 Heiwaga arimasu youni!



CELEBRATING CHILDREN

Children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to join in the children's time during the singing of "Santo, santo, santo." After this time, they can exit to the left for children's Sunday school or return to sit with their adults.

ATTENDING TO THE WORD
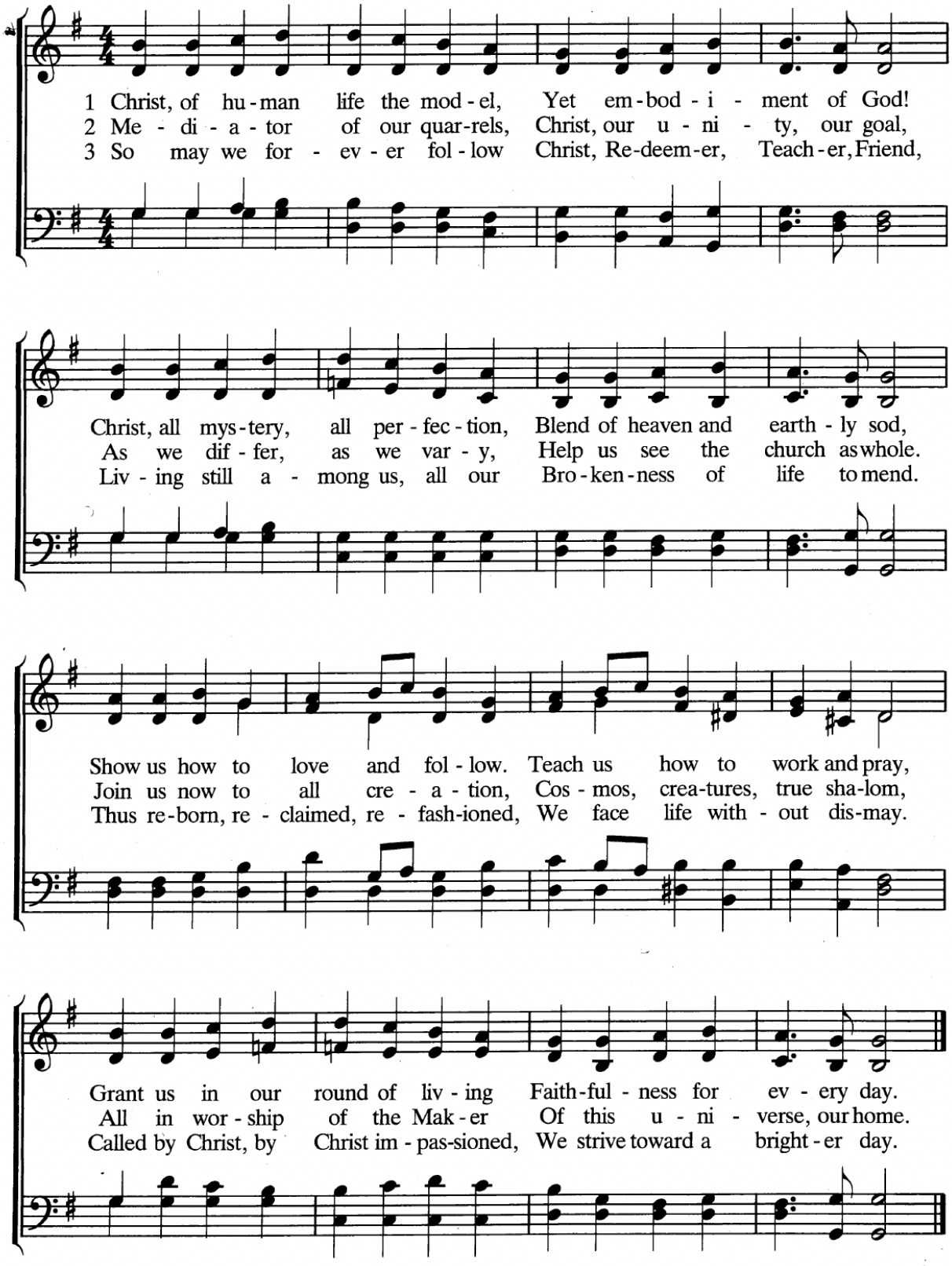
SCRIPTURE Matthew 25:31-46 Page NT 28 in your pew Bible

SERMON Brittany Monson-Moffatt

BRIEF SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

*HYMN ***Christ, of Human Life the Model*** HYMN TO JOY
A Singing Faith #37

37 Christ, of Human Life the Model



Jane Parker Huber, 1981

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HYMN TO JOY 87 87 D
Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Arr. by Edward Hodges (1796–1867)

PRAYING TOGETHER

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Loving God, we honor you, and we honor all that you have made. Renew the world in the image of your love. Give us what we need for today, and a hunger to see the whole world fed. Strengthen us for what lies ahead; heal us from the hurts of the past; give us courage to follow your call in this moment. For your love is the only power, the only home, the only honor we need, in this world and in the world to come. Amen.

GIVING BACK FOR GOD'S WORK

OFFERING

We welcome your financial support of the mission and ministry of University Baptist Church. You can give conveniently on our webpage www.ubcmn.org or, if you want to avoid processing fees, you can mail a check to University Baptist Church - 1219 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414. You can also set up a direct payment from your bank (it's free). Or you can put your offering (marked in an envelope or on your check) in the offering plate. Thank you for your support. See below for mission offerings.
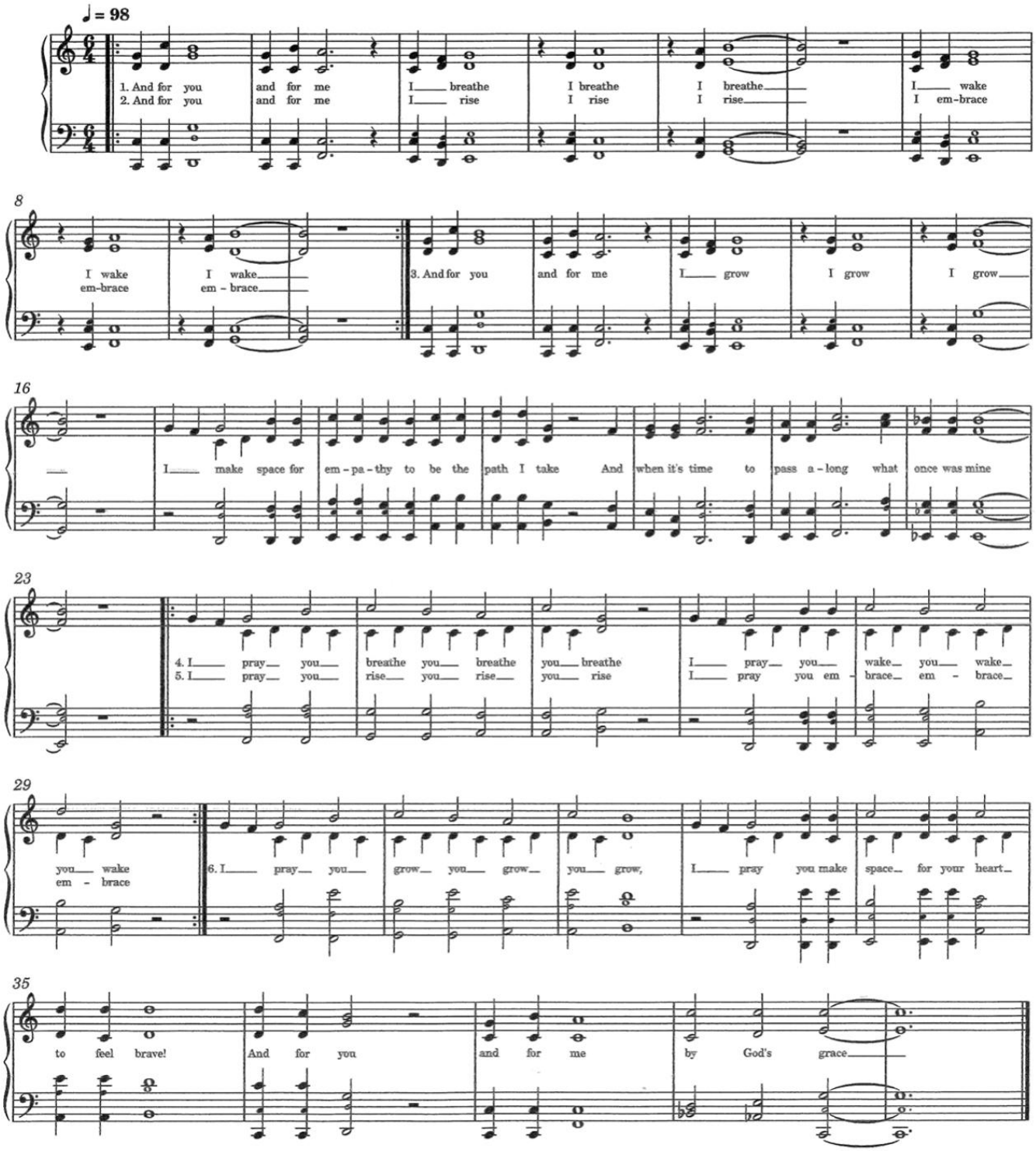
OFFERTORY ***And for You and for Me*** Elwyn Fraser

The choir is singing this hymn as an anthem this week; next week we will sing this as a congregation.

And For You And For Me

a hymn to pass along the proverbial torch

Singalong Notes
As able, deeply reflect on discipleship as you sing
As able, sing treble clef down one octave
- Elwyn Alexander Fraser Junior



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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
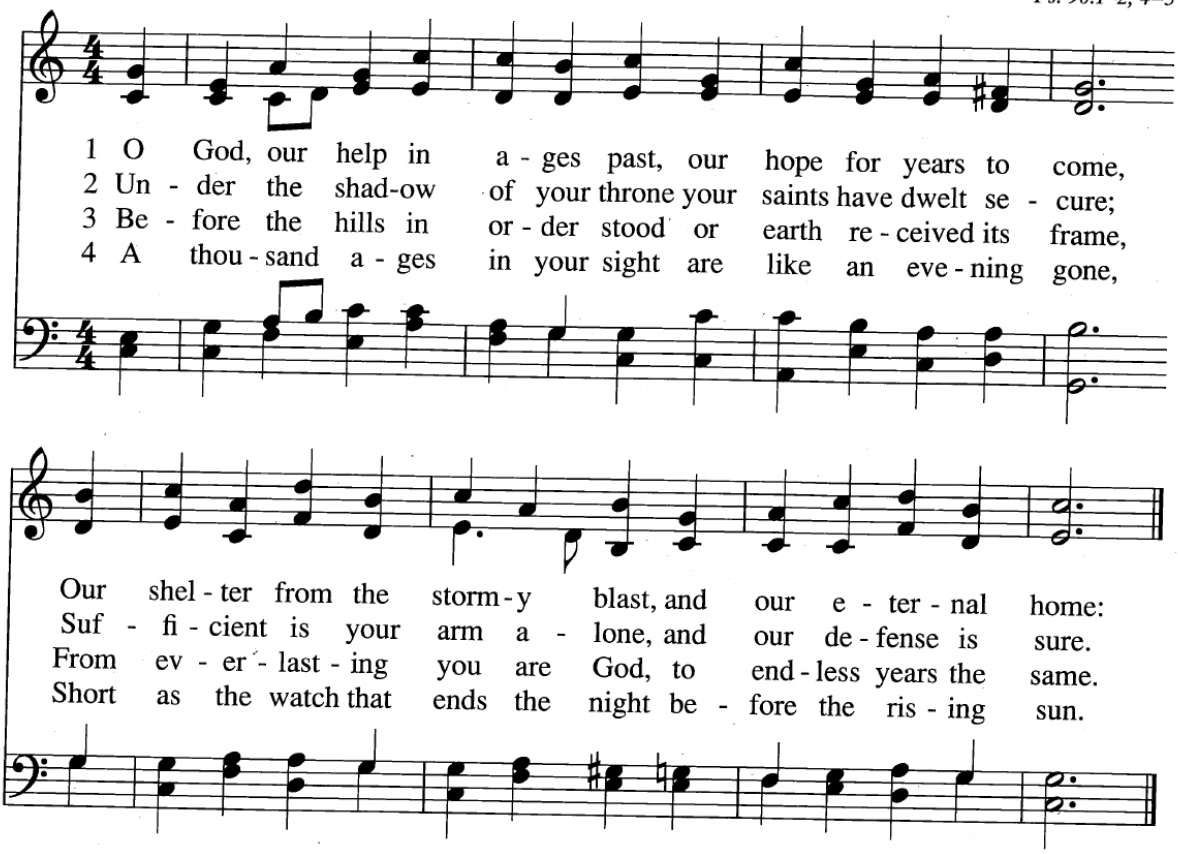
We confess our faith by following in the way of Jesus who said:
"The Spirit of God is upon me, because God has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. God has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of God's favor."
—Luke 4:18-19

*CLOSING HYMN ***O God, Our Help in Ages Past*** ST. ANNE
New Century #25

O God, Our Help in Ages Past 25

Isaac Watts, 1719; alt.

Ps. 90:1–2, 4–5



5 Time, like an ev-er-roll-ing stream,
soon bears us all away;
We fly for-got-ten, as a dream
fades at the o-pening day.

6 O God, our help in a-ges past,
our hope for years to come,
Still be our God while trou-bles last,
and our e-ter-nal home!

Watts, minister of a Congregational church in London, wrote theological and philosophical works and hundreds of "hymns of human composure" (everyday language). He augmented the congregational singing of psalms with a new style of hymnody.

Tune: ST. ANNE C.M.
William Croft, 1708

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE ***Fugue in C Major*** Buxtehude

If this is your first time at UBC, know that we value holding one another in prayer.
Please feel free to join in the line to share with the congregation the prayers that are on your heart, or pray alongside us in the pew.
However, as the announcements and communal prayer time can sometimes be lengthy,
please know that you will not cause a disturbance if you need to slip out after the postlude.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements are invited from the congregation. Please line up beside the pulpit.

JOYS AND CONCERNS (*These will not be livestreamed.)*

Please state your prayers briefly to God so that the congregation can pray with you.
As God knows all the particulars of the situation, you do not need to share every detail with the congregation.
Simply state the prayers of your heart, ending with, **"This is my prayer to God."**
The congregation responds, **"God, hear our prayer."**

Please join in a time of coffee and refreshments down the hall to your left after the service!
If you need a ramp, you'll find one on the right side of the sanctuary beside the pulpit, or you can exit by the front door and take the elevator, which is accessible outside under the portico.

GET TO KNOW OUR GUEST PREACHER:
Preaching today is our very own pastoral associate, Brittany Monson-Moffatt! Brittany began her vocational life as an educator with Minneapolis Public Schools, serving in the Uptown neighborhood from 2008 to 2017. Brittany began to discern a call to pastoral ministry through clinical pastoral education at Indiana University Health in early 2020. She continued to serve there for two years as a resource chaplain while beginning graduate coursework at Chicago Theological Seminary. Presently, she is completing her Master of Divinity at Luther Seminary while working toward ordination within the ELCA. Brittany's ministry is grounded in the belief that God's love is revealed in Christ, calling us into being and belonging. She is especially drawn to ministries of spiritual care, walking alongside individuals and communities through life's transitions. She resides in South Minneapolis with her spouse and three children, and in her free time she enjoys gardening and knitting.

NOTES ON THE MUSIC:
I thought to end this season with some cheery pieces. The prelude, *Basse de Trompette*, is a common form or compositional practice found in French Baroque organ music. Instead of having the trumpet as the soprano or upper solo voice, composers put it in the bass where the instrument (or, rather, the organ version of it) has a much different sound.

The *Fugue in C Major* is Buxtehude's longest monothematic fugue (that is, one that isn't broken up into several different sections). I began this path down the fugal road with Buxtehude's music, so it seems fitting to wind up the season with one of his pieces as well.
-- David

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR NOVEMBER

The Outreach mission focus for November and December will support organizations and ministries serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness in our community. In recognition of the increased need for shelter, resources, and support during the colder winter months, we will be contributing toward organizations such as People Serving People, Agate Housing and Services, and other local organizations working to support individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Through these contributions, we hope to offer care, dignity, and practical support to our neighbors in need during the Christmas season. Thank you for any assistance you can provide in supporting these important ministries and helping us extend our care and welcome to others. You can drop your gift in the offering with a note on the check or envelope, send a check to the church, designate a gift directly from your bank, or use our online portal for giving on the UBC website, www.ubcmn.org/giving. Thank you for your ongoing support of outreach!

UBC ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our newsletter at ubcmn.org/newsletter for Zoom links and more info.

Poinsettias to Decorate the Sanctuary

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas Eve, please put $15 per plant in one of the special envelopes available in the pew racks or send the money electronically via our website. If you would like the poinsettia to be in honor or in memory of someone, please indicate that on the envelope or electronic contribution. Then, feel free to take it home with you after the service. **Poinsettia purchases must be made by Sunday, November 29.**

Book Featuring UBC on the Cover

A book was published recently with a photo of UBC on the cover — Aspiring to Antiracism: The Pursuit of Racial Justice in White Progressive Churches. It's by the three sociologists who are part of the Alliance of Baptists Thrive initiative, and who visited UBC on All Saints last year. It's available to order online, if you would like a copy.

Today

Forum — Report from New Orleans: Alliance of Baptists Gathering and THRIVE.

This Week

Memoirs Group, Monday, 7pm, on Zoom.

Sacred Harp, Tuesday, 5:30pm in Room 303.

Newsletter deadline on Wednesday.

Office closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday.

Coming Up

Mark your calendars for the FCC/UBC Holiday Bazaars!
First Congregational has invited UBC to join its traditional Holiday Bazaar before Christmas where individuals can sell their artisan products (knitting, sewing, cards, canning, artwork, etc.). To accommodate both locations and more artisans, we're expanding to include a Sunday at UBC as well as the Sunday at First Congregational to provide more opportunities for shoppers and crafters!

UBC: Sunday, Nov. 29, 11am-1pm
FCC: Sunday, Dec. 13, 11am-1pm

If you have questions, please contact Xan Laurence (xanlaurence@comcast.net) or Jean Lubke (jeanlubke01@gmail.com).

This year's Cookie Baking Party will be Sunday, December 13, after church. Each family brings some chilled cookie dough and/or pre-baked cookies that need icing. The kids prep and decorate the cookies and the grown-ups help bake them. Families take home a plate of cookies and we leave some for the next coffee hour! While big kids will do most of the decorating, babies are heartily welcomed and can shake sprinkles on cookies!

Volunteer Opportunities

Nursery Volunteers – It is important to have two people in the nursery to care for the kids. UBC tries to staff with hired folks, but it is a struggle. We could use a group of UBC members who are willing to volunteer in the nursery. Volunteers will be paired with a paid staff member. We need help on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings. If you are interested, contact Megan Dahlberg at gunnar@umn.edu.

Meals on Wheels – UBC participates in Meals on Wheels on Tues-Fri of the first full week of the month. Meals are picked up around 11:15am, and the route in SE Minneapolis usually takes 1-2 hours. If you have any questions, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com.

Ushers Needed! We could use a couple more ushers. It's easy! Just arrive at 9:30am, greet people at the door, hand them a bulletin, take offering, and help visitors if needed. Commitment of approximately one Sunday every 4-6 weeks. See Chris Follett if interested.