

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday after
Pentecost
November 17, 2024**



Welcome to worship today at St Peter's Lutheran Church

Please use the red attendance pads to register your worship attendance today. If you are interested in uniting with our congregation, please speak with Pastor Scott following the service.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

We pray that you find inspiration and hopefulness as we experience Word and Sacrament together in worship. As we move toward Thanksgiving, we also remember our preparations for Christmas and the events leading to them.

Our Gospel lesson offers a prelude message to the coming of Advent. Advent is about the coming of the Lord, and our Gospel message refers to the Lord's second coming as the world endures the birth pangs of change. Jesus reminds us that while we cannot know the time, we must always live in the faith that shapes our lives.

The Apple Dumpling Festival
(a unique undertaking in our community)
occurs this Saturday.

Special thanks to all
who are helping with
this event!

We look forward to another successful year



We will have an announcement about our annual Angel Tree ministry this morning. Please note the special giving opportunities that come with this season.



And, as we approach Thanksgiving, we give thanks for all of you. We give thanks for the growth in our church budget this year. We give thanks for “Office Angels” who have attentively cared for needs in the church office. We give thanks for all who participated in ministries in our church as well. While we have another Sunday before Thanksgiving, some of you will be traveling. Please know that we are thankful to all who have shared in our ministry at St. Peter’s this year.

LOOKING AHEAD

Remember that Advent begins on December 1 this year. That means that we will be preparing our worship space for Advent and Christmas on the morning of November 30. We will need help that day. Please plan to be at the church by around 9:00 a.m.

*If you notice the small print on the screen,
you will see the words “kneel or stand”
during key parts of the service.*

**Please feel free to use the kneelers during
the Confession, Prayers of
Intercession, or when you return to your
seat following Holy Communion.**

An aerial photograph of a coastal region, showing a large body of water (likely a bay or estuary) with a prominent inlet. The surrounding land is a mix of green and brown, suggesting a mix of forest and developed areas. The sky is a pale blue with some light clouds.

By now, you have heard about many giving portals related to the needs caused by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

You may contribute through our congregation by designating your gifts for “Lutheran Disaster Relief”. If you wish to contribute directly, you can also give through to Lutheran Disaster Relief on the ELCA website or by simply using your search engine.



Pre-Worship Music
Mr. Garry Hanna

**An opportunity to sit back, reflect upon the
week, and to open up oneself to the
Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

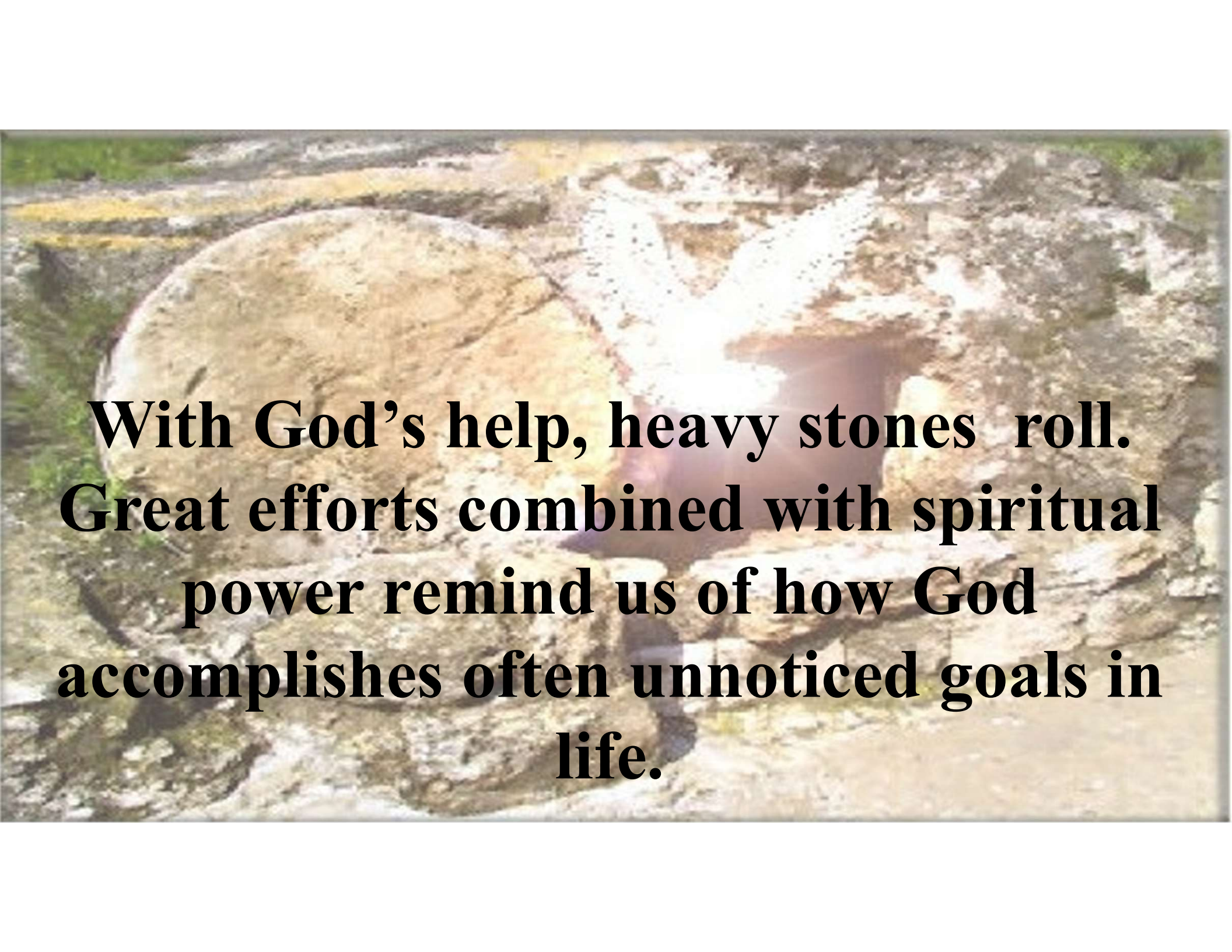
Rolling Stones

**Rolling Stones
as they say, gather no moss.**



**Spiritual stones remind us of tasks
Ahead but weigh
on us in ways so
disturbing that we
cannot identify
with those who
suffer under their
weight.**





**With God's help, heavy stones roll.
Great efforts combined with spiritual
power remind us of how God
accomplishes often unnoticed goals in
life.**

A photograph of a cemetery with a central gravestone. The gravestone is light-colored and has a curved top. It is surrounded by green grass. In the background, other gravestones and trees are visible, slightly out of focus. A large, bold, black text overlay is positioned in the lower half of the image, partially overlapping the gravestone.

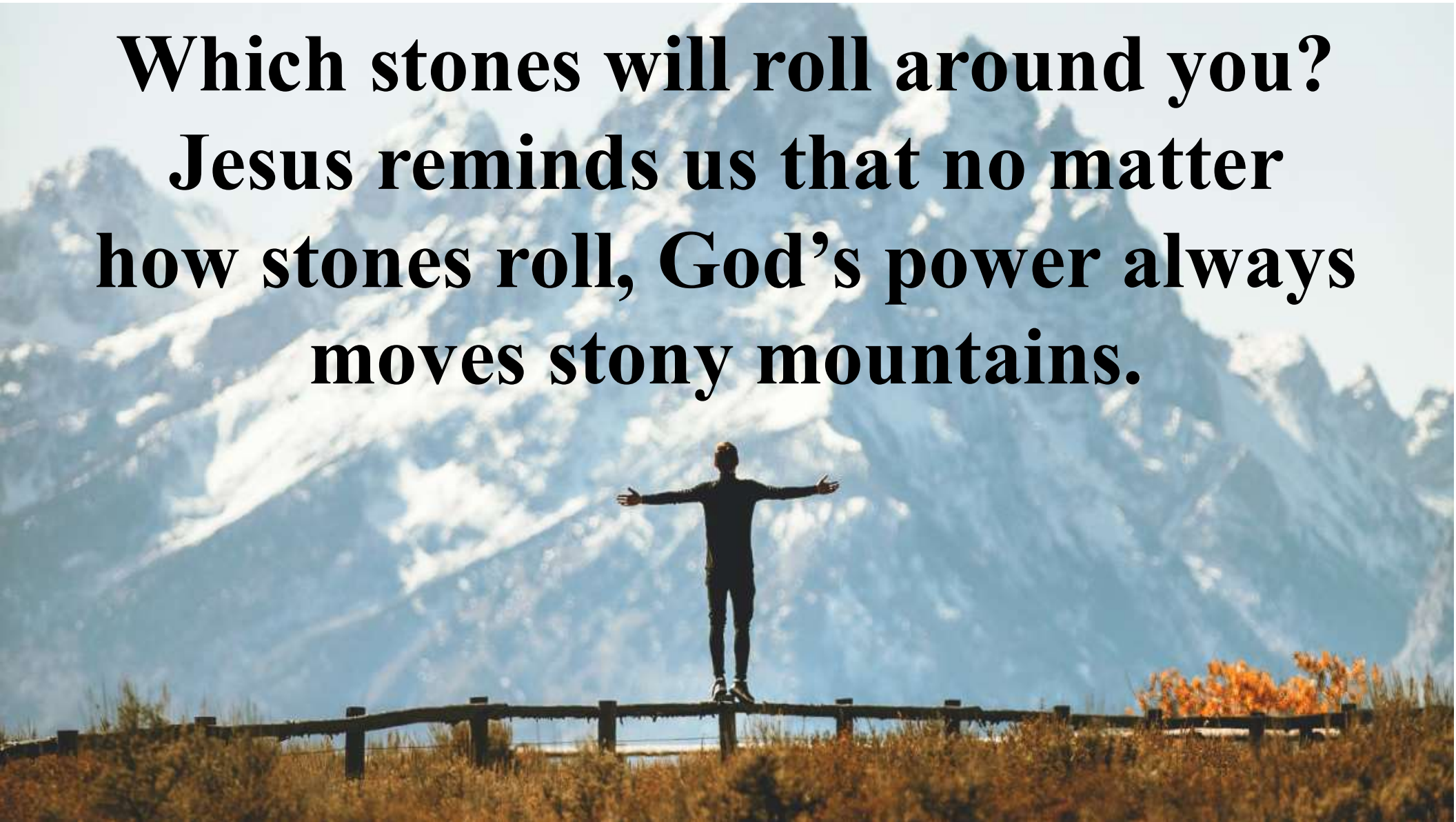
HA! HA! HA!

**Great things focused wrongly
eventually roll into extinction.**



**Yet, large stones
placed appropriately come to rest
in fields of peace and hope.**

**Which stones will roll around you?
Jesus reminds us that no matter
how stones roll, God's power always
moves stony mountains.**



Stand as you are able.

P: In the name of the Father, and of
the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

The Assembly by kneel, sit or stand.


P: Most merciful God,

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

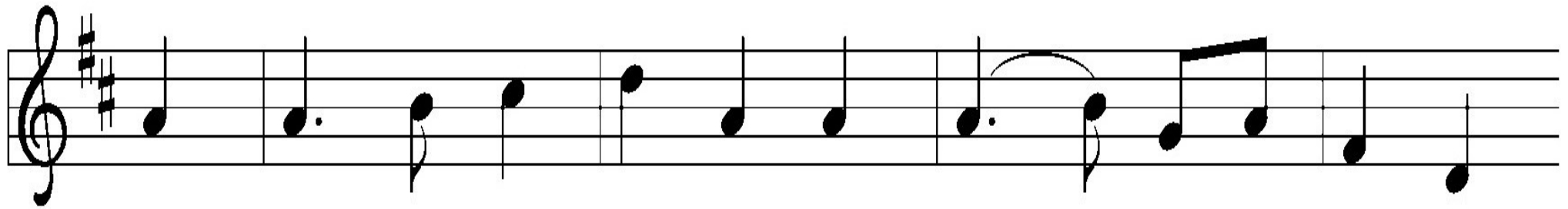
PEACE

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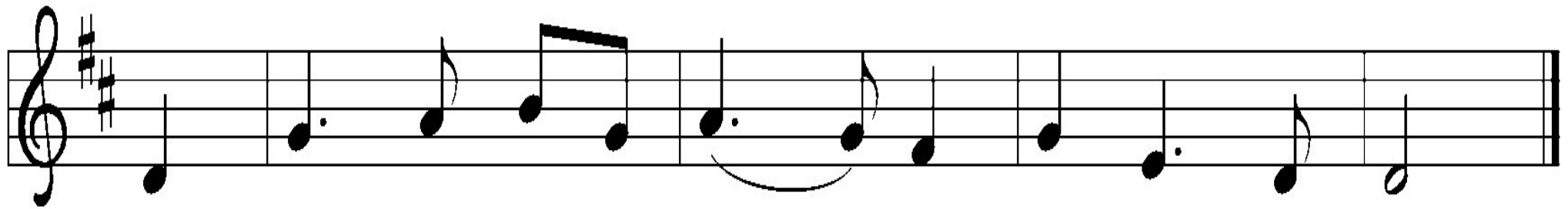
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

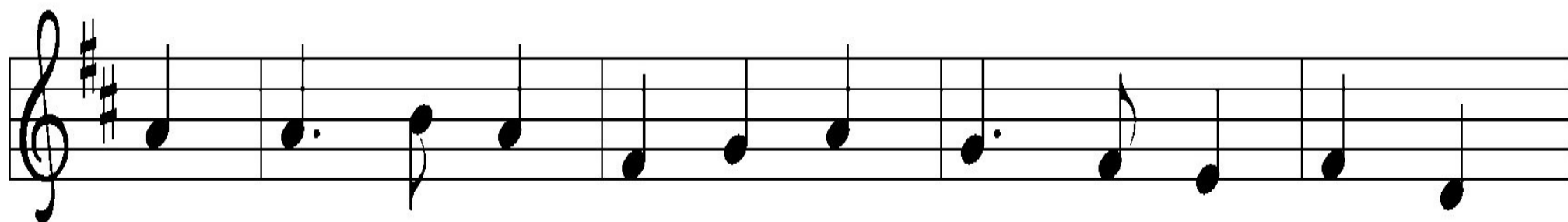
The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.



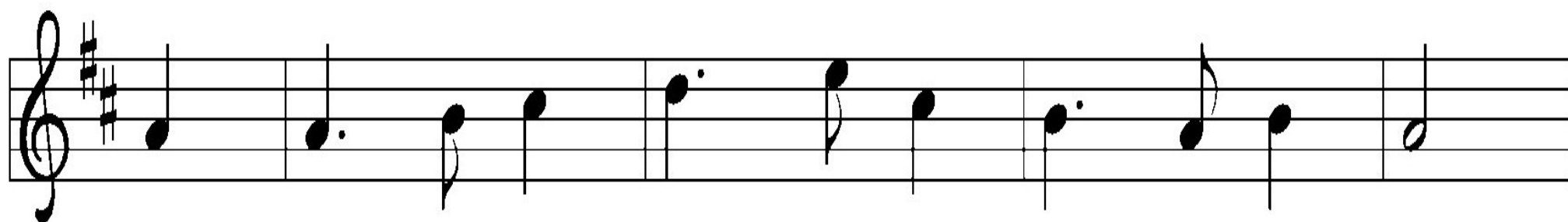
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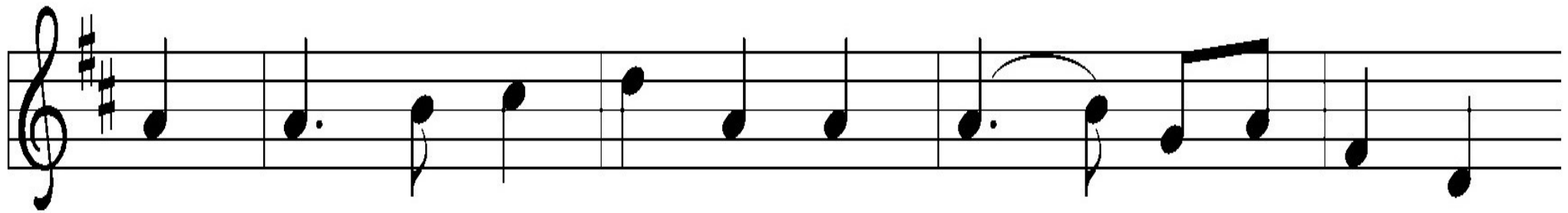
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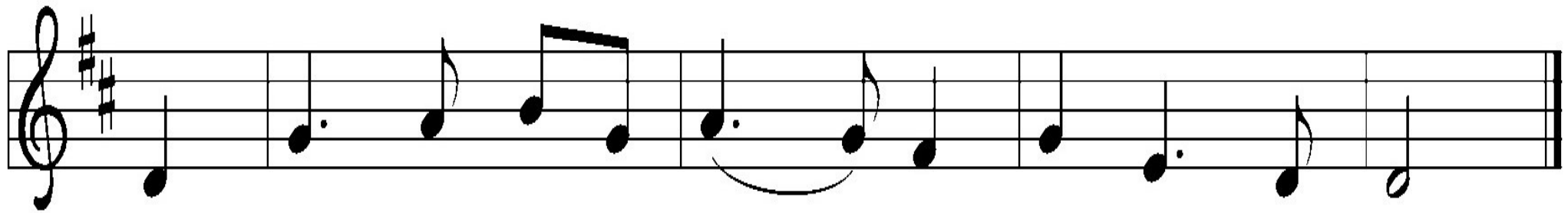
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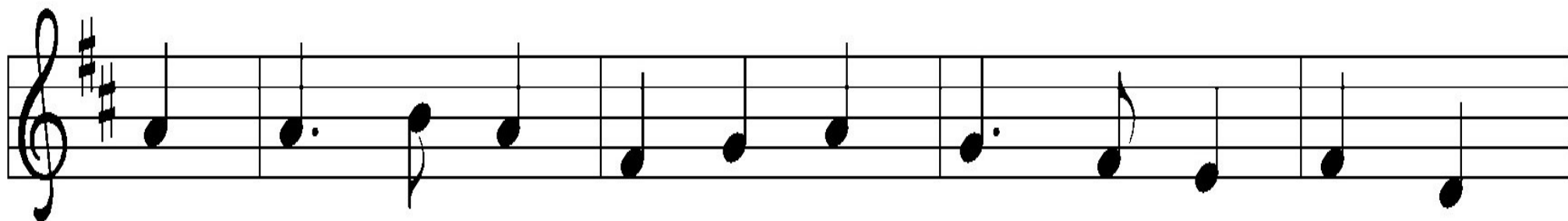
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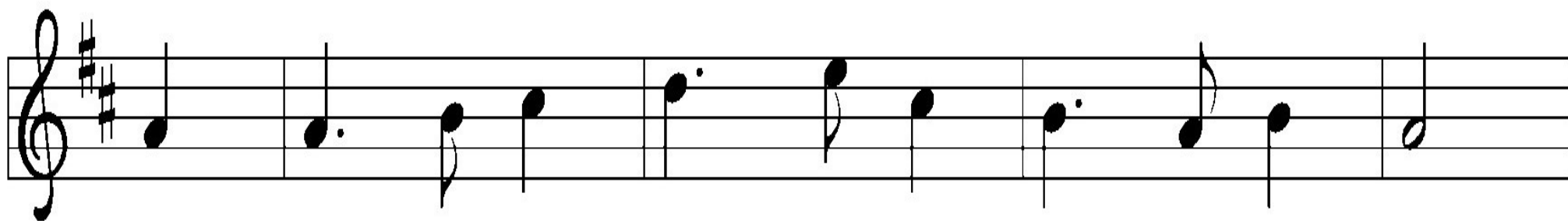
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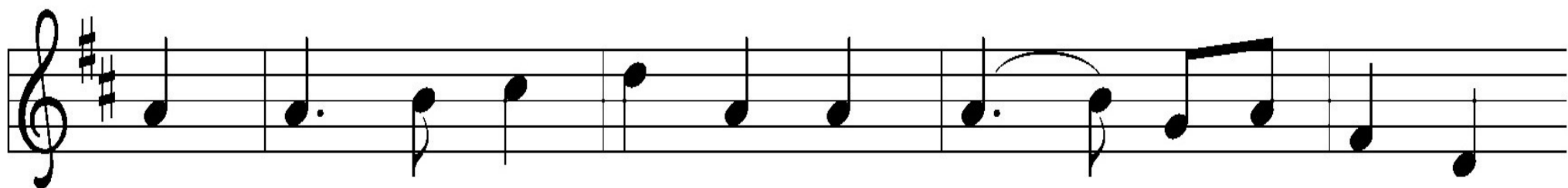
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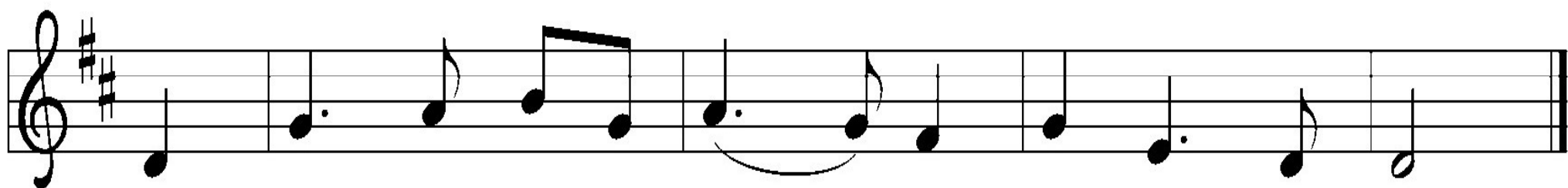
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963

Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

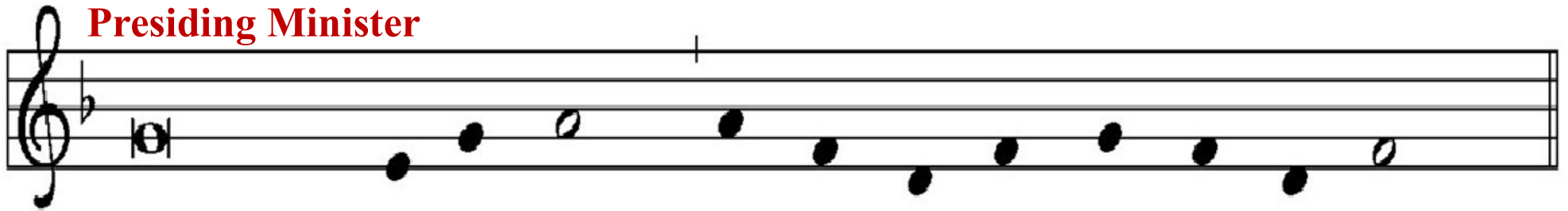
Apostolic Greeting

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

C: And also to you.

Hymn of Praise – Glory to God

Presiding Minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Congregation



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

The first line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 7/8 time signature. It consists of two measures. The first measure contains a quarter note G4, followed by a beamed eighth-note pair (A4, Bb4), and then a quarter note C5. The second measure contains a quarter note Bb4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note F4.



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

The second line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 7/8 time signature. It consists of two measures. The first measure contains a quarter note G4, followed by a beamed eighth-note pair (A4, Bb4), and then a quarter note C5. The second measure contains a quarter note Bb4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note F4.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Prayer of the Day



P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P: 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.

C:Amen.

FIRST READING: Daniel 12: 1-3

The reading is found on Page 819 in the Pew Bible

A reading from Daniel, the 12th chapter.

¹ “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. ² Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

³ 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 psalm for the day is sung.

¹ Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my
good a- | bove all other.”

² **All my delight is in the godly that
are | in the land,
upon those who are noble a- | mong
the people.**

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

⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings |
to such gods,
never take their names up- | on
my lips.**

⁵ O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;
it is you who up- | hold my lot.

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

⁷ I will bless the LORD who | gives me
counsel;

my heart teaches me night | after night.

⁸ **I have set the LORD al- | ways
before me;**

**because God is at my right hand,
I shall | not be shaken.**

⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my
spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.

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

11 You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures
for- | evermore.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10: 11-25

The reading is found on Page 1097 in the Pew Bible

A reading from Hebrews, the 10th chapter.

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins.

¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³ and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us,
for after saying,

¹⁶ “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,”

¹⁷ he also adds,

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

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

²² 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. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful.

²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ 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.

Please Stand as you are able



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

The reading is found on Page 927 in the Pew Bible

P: The holy gospel according to Mark,
the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ² Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?”

⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them,
“Beware that no one leads you astray.
⁶ Many will come in my name and say,
‘I am he!’ and they will lead many
astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and
rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this
must take place, but the end is still

to come. ⁸ 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.

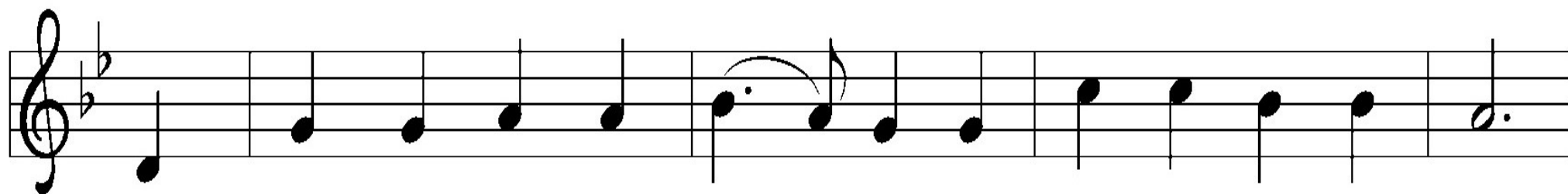
Praise to you, O Christ.



Sermon

ROLLING STONES

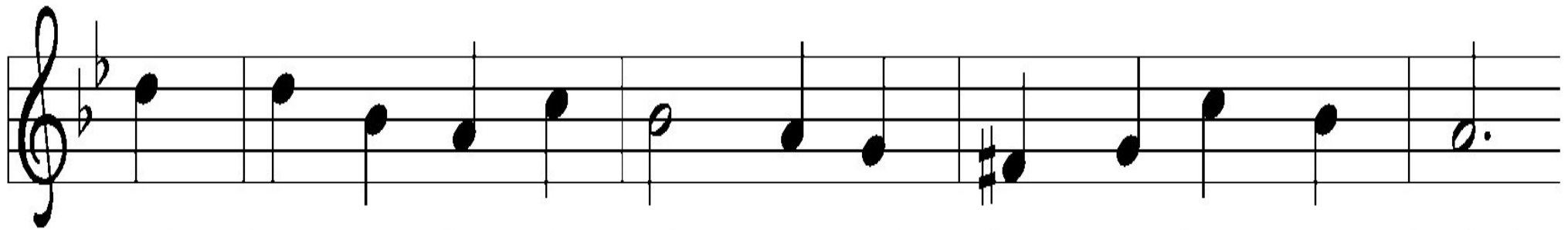
O God of Every Nation



1 O God of ev - 'ry na - tion, of ev - 'ry race and land,



re - deem your whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;



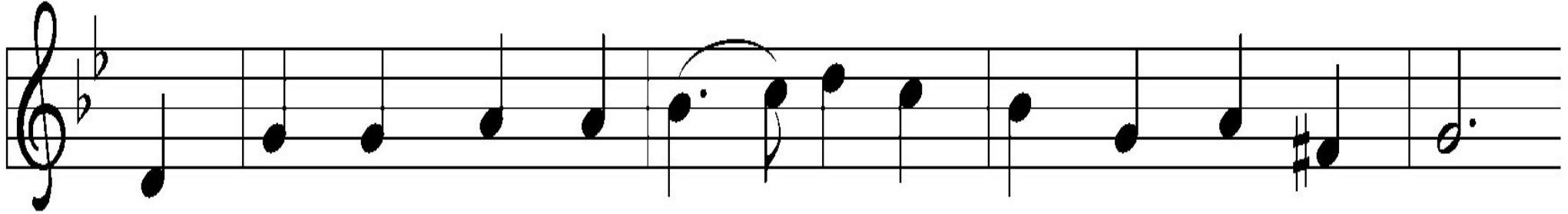
where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,



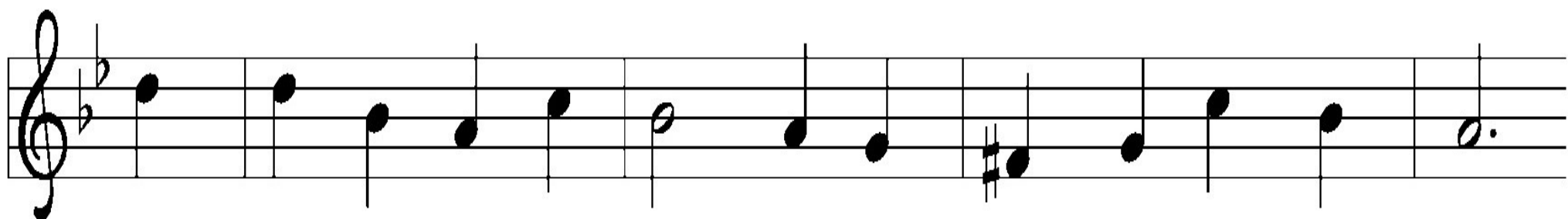
in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.



2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,



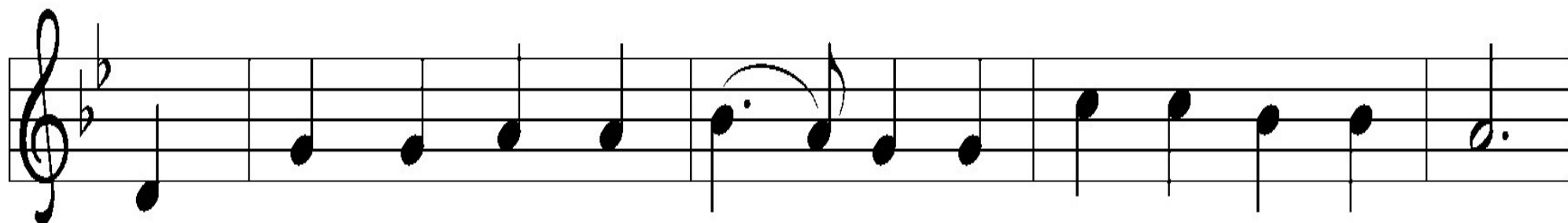
from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,



from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,



de - liv - er ev - 'ry na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.



3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that all may find re - lease



from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;



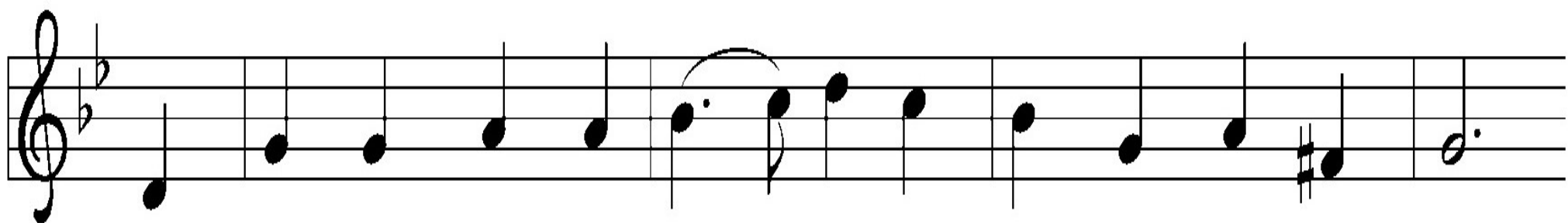
when hope and cour-age fal - ter, Lord, let your voice be heard;



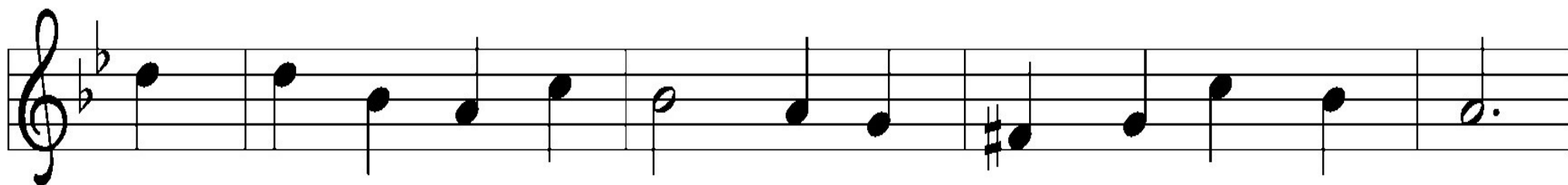
with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.



4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,



when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,



till dawns the morn-ing glo - rious when truth and love shall reign,



and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

Text: William W. Reid Jr., b. 1923

Music: LLANGLOFFAN, Welsh tune, 19th cent.

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Apostles' Creed

Baptized in the name of our Triune God we
profess boldly what we believe:

**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

P: Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence. You may kneel, sit or stand.

P/A: O God, in the washing of water you set us free from the power of sin and death. Unite all the baptized in the covenant you have made with us, as we strive for your justice and peace in all the earth. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P/A: By your merciful might you sustain all creation. Stir us from complacency with the harm we inflict on the earth, and urge us to adopt sustainable ways of life that protect and restore our planet. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P/A: With a selfless power you protect all who take refuge in you. As nations rise against nations, defend all who are displaced or affected by war or violence (*especially*). Empower all people and nations to pursue peace. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P/A: In your presence you give fullness of joy. Care for all for whom joy feels distant. Be present with persons experiencing depression, anxiety, addiction, or any mental illness. Bring them healing and wholeness. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P/A: Through the years you have gathered your church and this community for worship, fellowship, formation, and service. Enable us to look beyond the walls of our building to perceive where you are calling us forward.
Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P/A: With thanksgiving we remember saints and angels who delight in your everlasting presence. As their lives inspire ours, provoke us always to love, holding fast to the confession of our hope in you. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

The Offering



**Our response to God's Word
of Grace and Victory**

You can easily give to St. Peter's through our website; please go to www.stpeterspawleys.org and click "Give " or you can use your phone's camera to scan the code to the right which will take you right there!



Presentation of the Gifts



The offering is gathered and the Table is set.

The Assembly stands and sings

We Give Thanks

Mark Scott

(Sing twice)



We give thanks to the Lord for a new day, for the new way He has taught us to live. We give



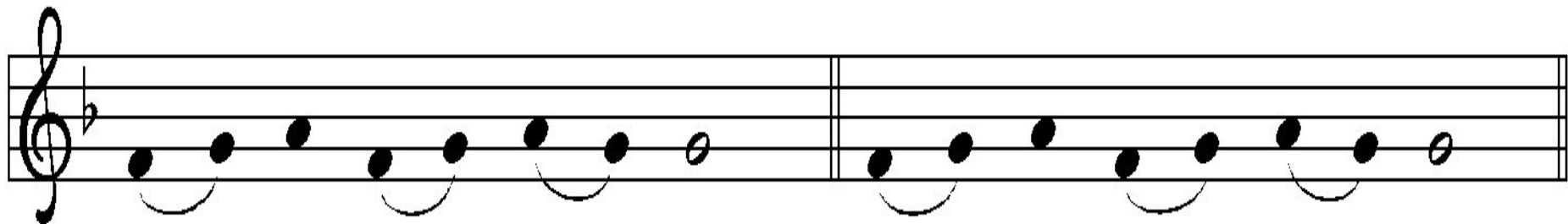
thanks to the Lord for cre - a - tion and in all ways we share and we give.

P/A: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

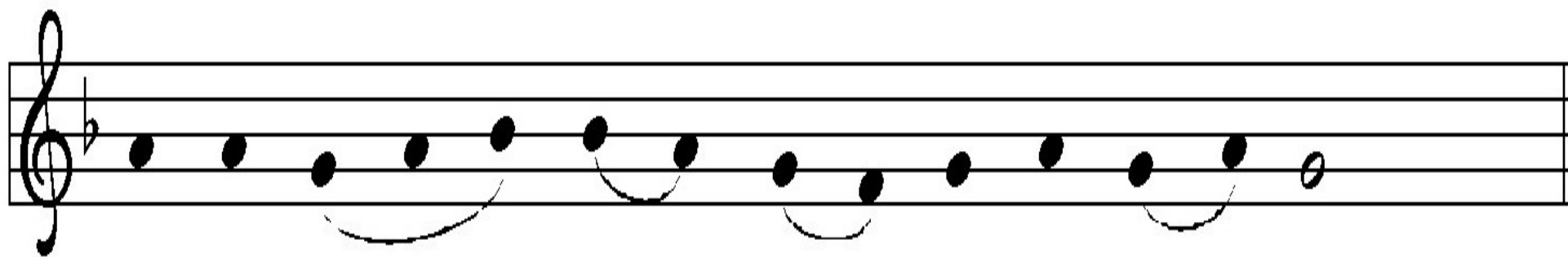
The Great Thanksgiving



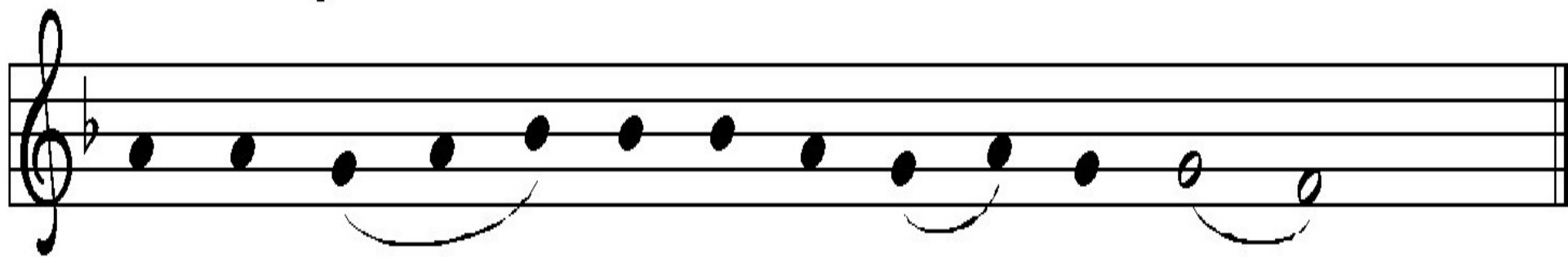
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



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

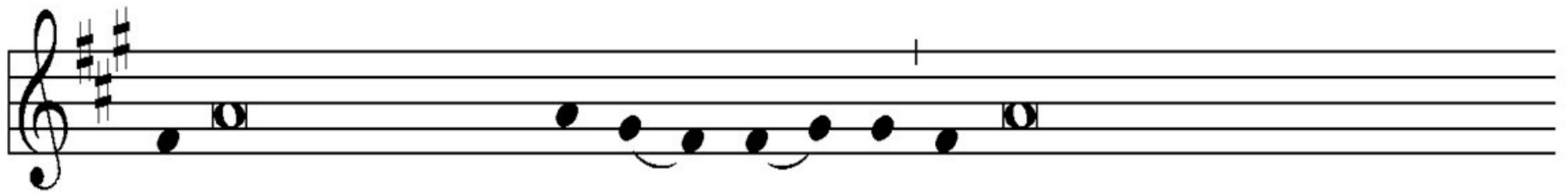


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface for Sundays in Pentecost



P It is indeed right and sal - u - tar - y that we should at all times and in all



places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, ho - ly Fa - ther, through

*Presiding Minister continues with the Preface of the Day,
concluding...*

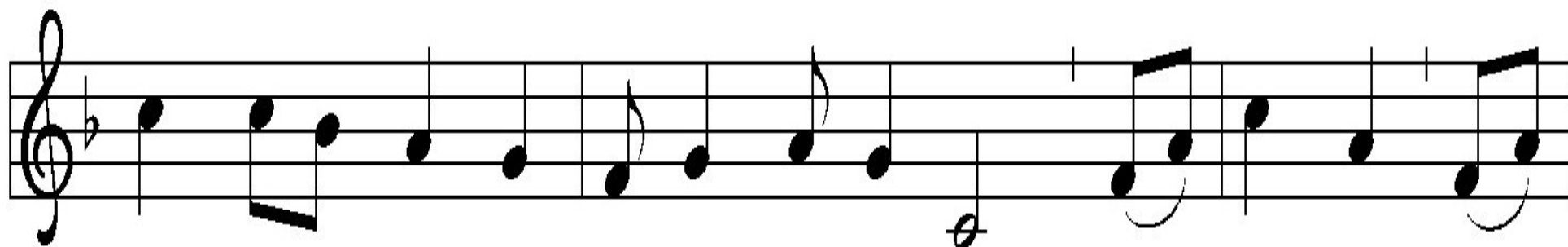
And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heav - en, we

praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

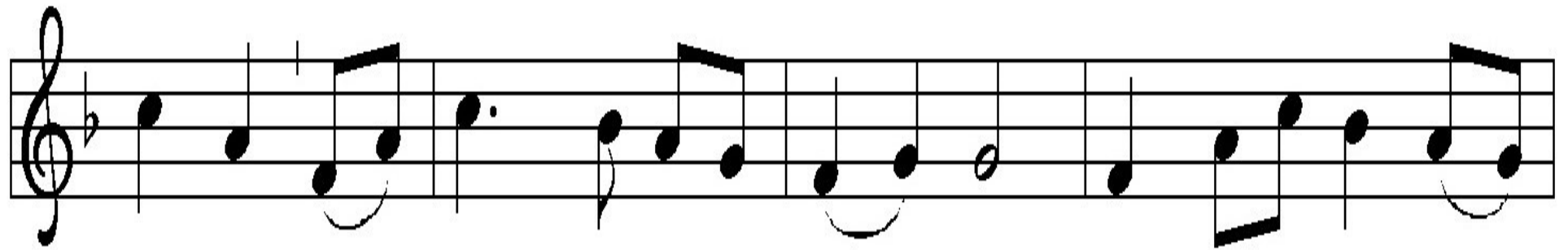
Congregation sings



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

The Great Thanksgiving

*The assembly may kneel,
sit or stand for the Great Thanksgiving*

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
In mercy for our fallen world
you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him
should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you
for the salvation you have prepared for us
through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
that we may receive our Lord with a
living faith as he comes to us in his holy
supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom
and teach us to pray.

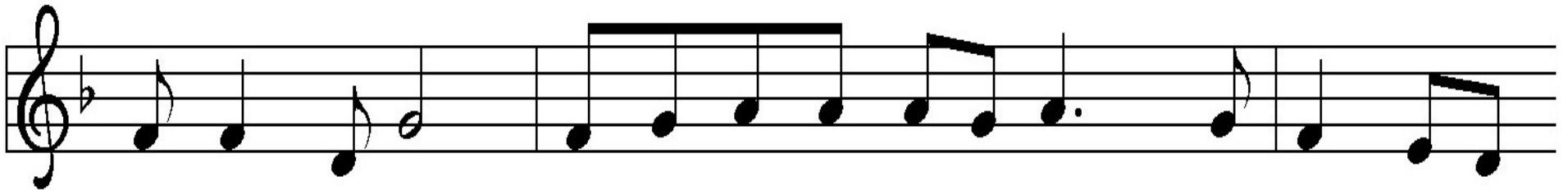
**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**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.**

Congregation – Please Be Seated



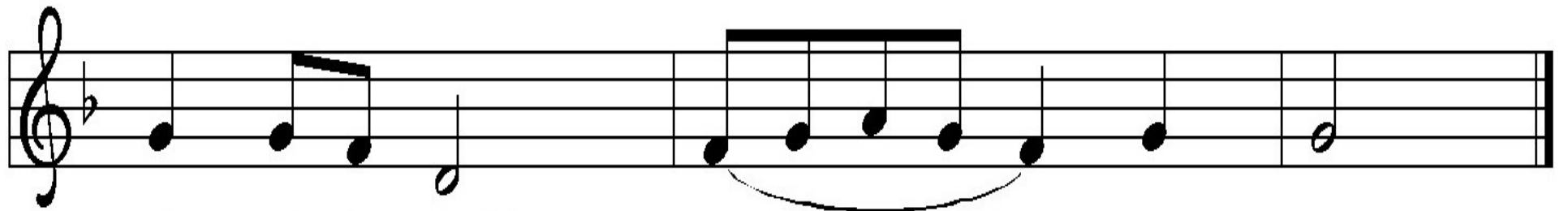
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

The Communion



Follow direction of the Usher.

Distribution will be at the Altar Rail. Worshippers on the pulpit-side commune first.

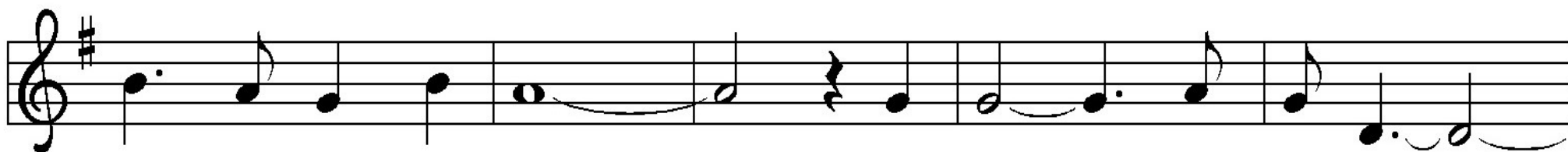
After receiving the Sacrament return to your pew by way of the side aisles.

One Bread, One Body

Refrain



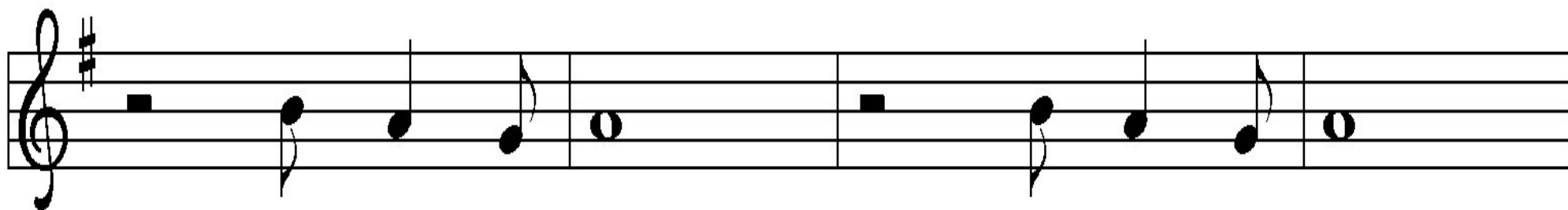
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bles-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,

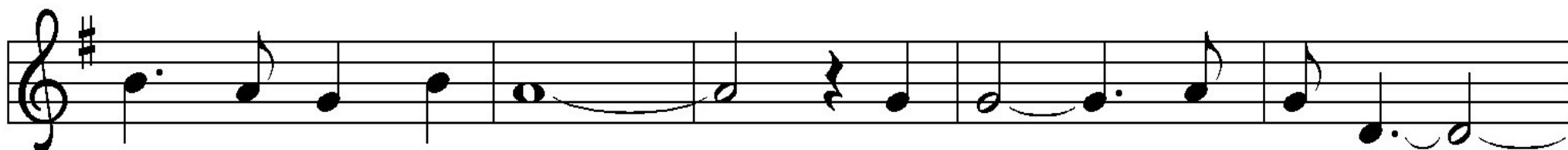


wom - an or man, no more.

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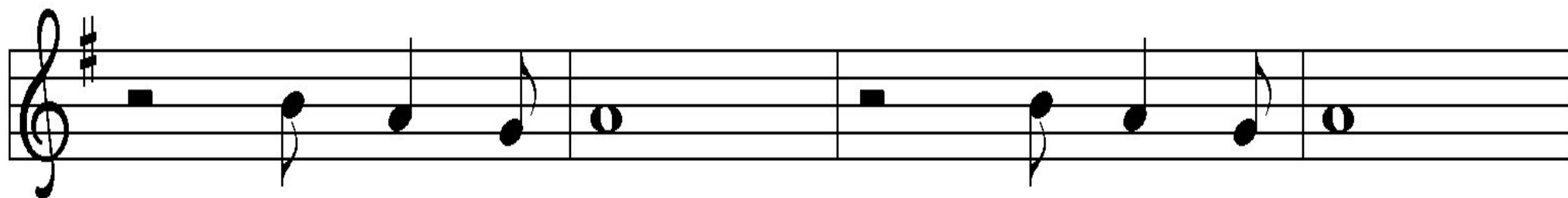
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through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this one Lord.



2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,

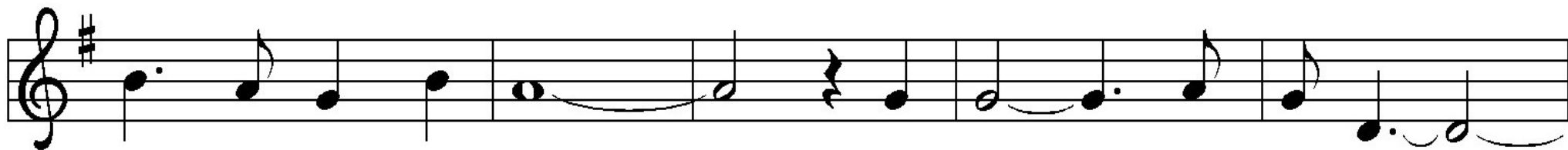


one in the Lord of all.

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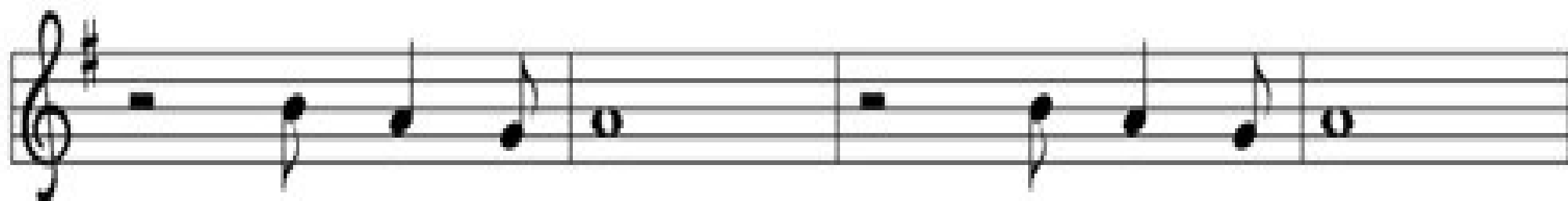
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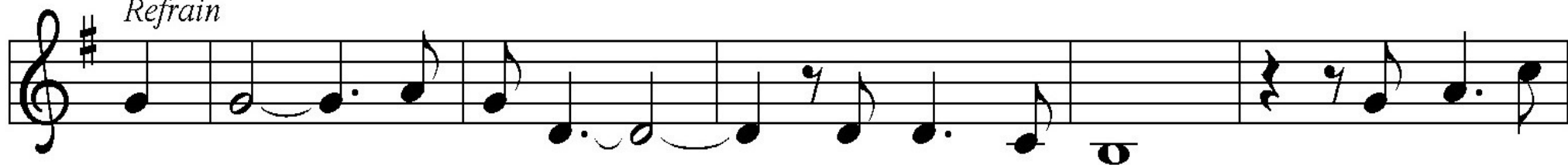


3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,

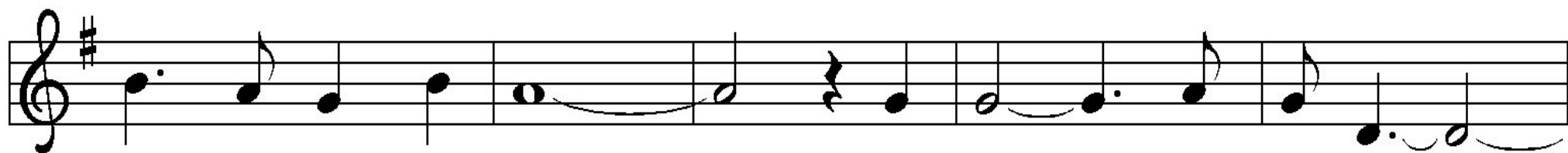


gath-ered to one for all.

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bles-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

Text: John Foley, st, b, 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, st

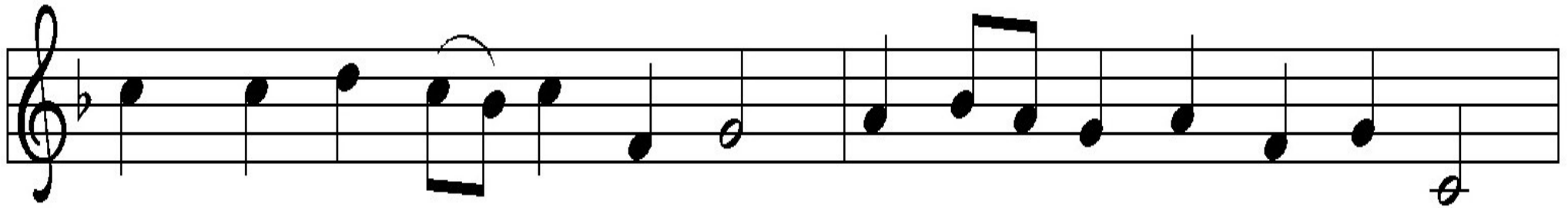
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*After all have returned to their places,
stand as you are able*

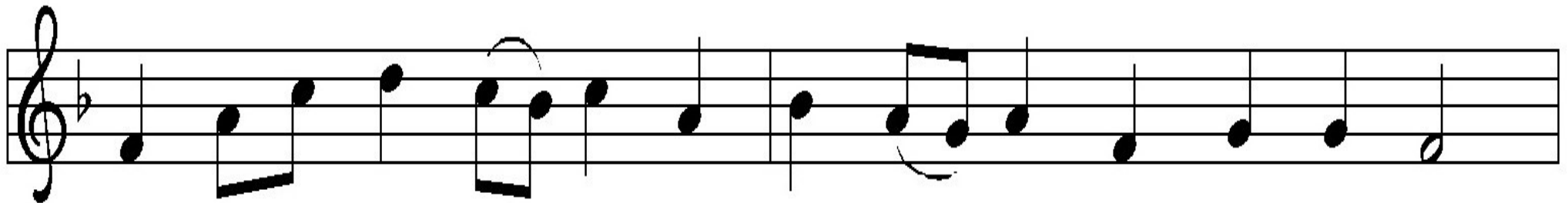
P: The body and blood of our Lord
Jesus Christ strengthen and keep
you in his grace.

C: Amen.

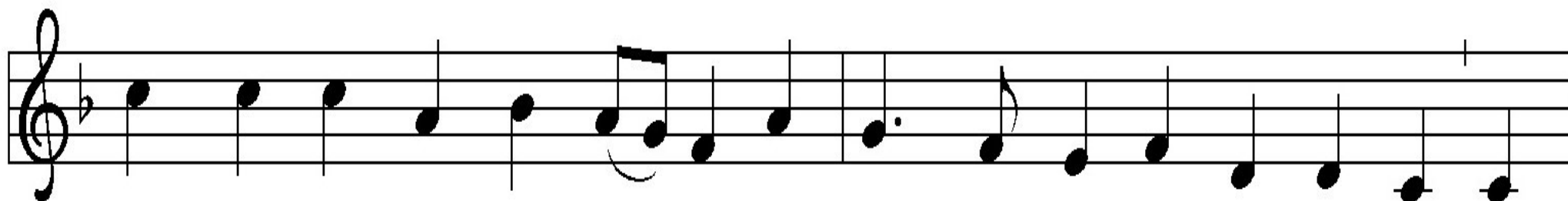
Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom-is - es and lead your peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
Text and music © 1978, 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

P/A: Let us pray.

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in

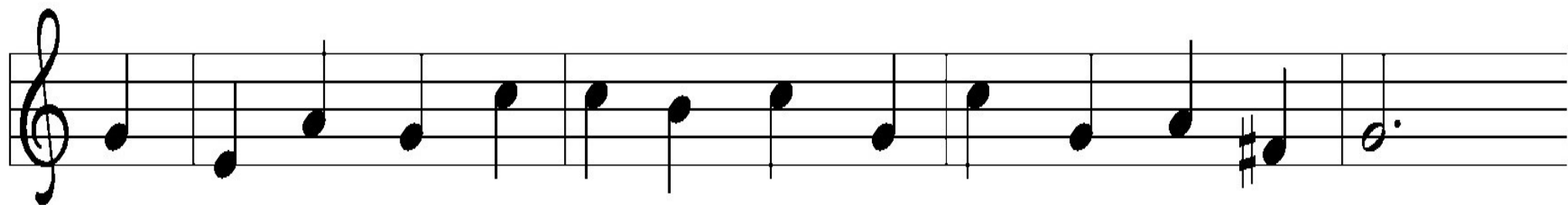
the world, that more and more we
will give you praise and serve
your earth and its many peoples,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord.

C: Amen.

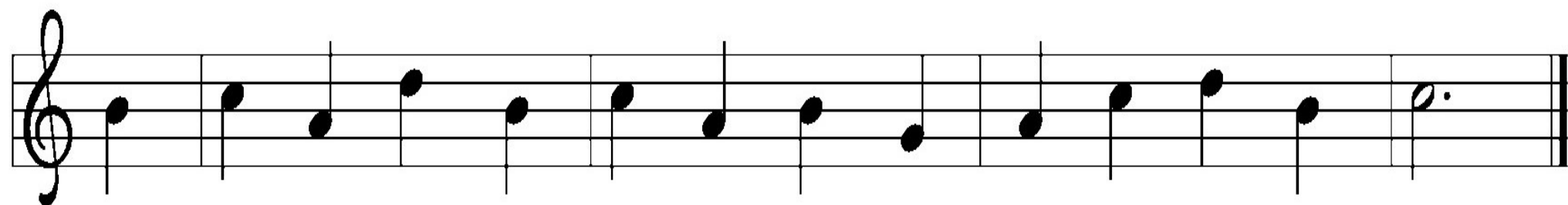
P: The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord's face shine on you,
The Lord look upon you with favor
and give you ✝ peace,

C: Amen.

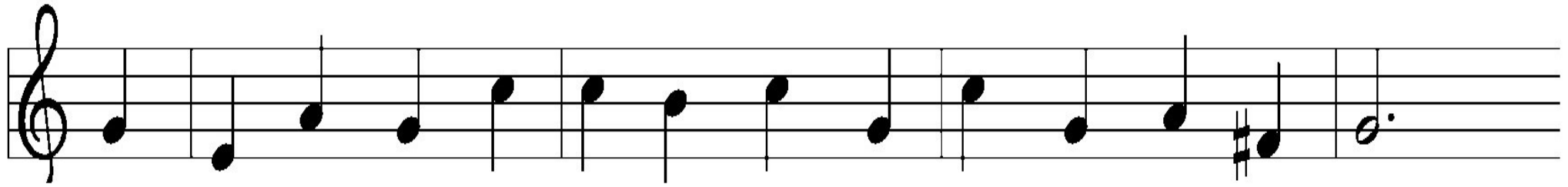
O God, Our Help in Ages Past



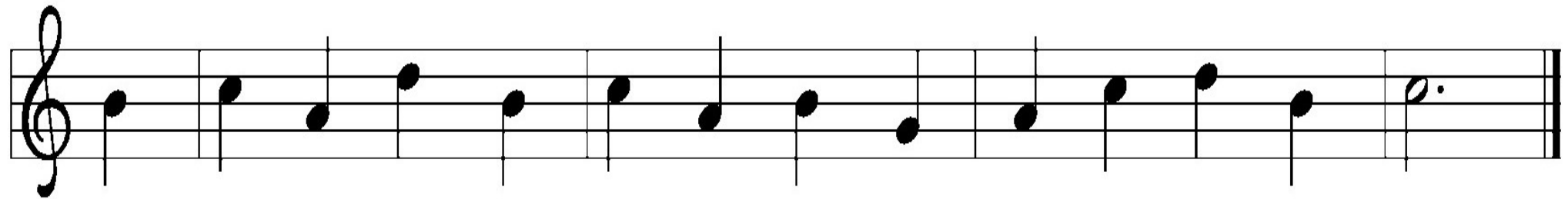
1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:



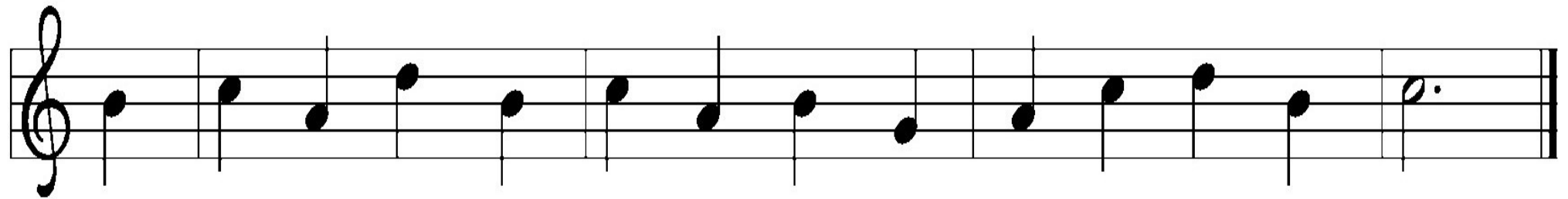
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;



suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.



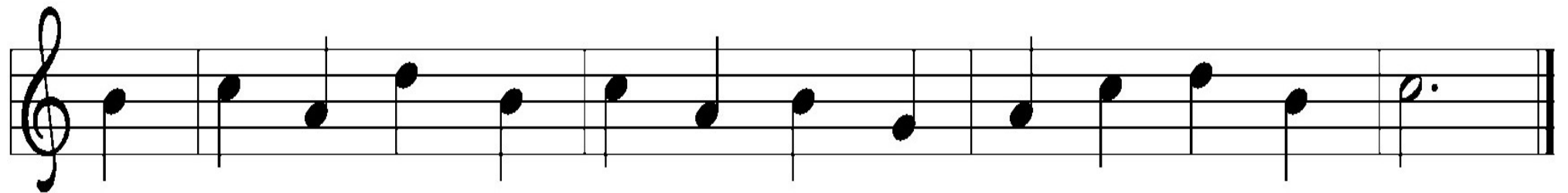
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,



from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.



4 A thou-sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678–1727

P: Go in Peace
Grow in Grace
Serve in Love!

C: Thanks be to God.



Postlude – Mr. Garry Hanna

Go in peace and Serve the Lord
Beloved of God

