



THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP AT WORSHIP  
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 2, 2020

**Voluntary**

*Amazing Grace*

William Bolcom  
(b. 1938)

**Opening Sentences**

**Opening Hymn 26** (*see page 6*)

*Earth and All Stars!*

EARTH AND ALL STARS

**Prayer of Confession**

Unnamable One,  
we struggle to pin you down.  
We seek to reduce your mystery  
to that which we understand.  
We resist your power  
to surprise us,  
to shape us,  
and to set us free.  
Forgive us, Gracious One,  
for our desire to constrict and control you.  
Grant us the courage  
to remain in your presence  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*silent prayer*

Holy One, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the Good News. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

### Response

“Come to me, O wea-ry trav-'ler; come to me with your dis-tress;  
come to me, you heav-y bur-dened; come to me and find your rest.”

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8.7.8.7.

## Words of Peace

In Christ, God is reconciling the whole world,  
and God is entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.  
We are ambassadors for Jesus Christ. God's appeal is being made through us.  
Peace be with you. Peace be with all.

### Response

“Rest in me, O wea-ry trav-'ler; rest in me and do not fear.  
Rest in me, my heart is gen-tle; rest and cast a-way your care.”

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Reading

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

Genesis 32:22-31

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

### Anthem

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

SHOUT ON from *The Sacred Harp*, 1859  
arranged by Austin C. Lovelace (1919–2010)

I know that my Redeemer lives — glory, hallelujah!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives — glory, hallelujah!  
He lives to bless me with his love — glory, hallelujah!  
He lives to plead my cause above — glory, hallelujah!

He lives to crush the fiends of hell — glory, hallelujah!  
He lives and doth within me dwell — glory, hallelujah!  
He lives, all glory to his name — glory, hallelujah!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same — glory, hallelujah!

I know that my Redeemer lives — glory, hallelujah!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives — glory, hallelujah!  
Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground — glory, hallelujah!  
The dead's alive and the lost is found — glory, hallelujah!

— words by Samuel Medley (1738–1799)

## Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
 Maker of heaven and earth,  
 and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
 born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, dead, and buried;  
 he descended into hell;  
 the third day he rose again from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and sitteth on the right hand  
 of God the Father Almighty;  
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
 the holy catholic Church;  
 the communion of saints;  
 the forgiveness of sins;  
 the resurrection of the body;  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

## Invitation to the Lord's Table

## The 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.**

It is truly right . . . who forever sing to the glory of you name:

## Sanctus

LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thank you for Jesus, . . . proclaim the One crucified and risen :

Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a - gain.

Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit, . . . with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

### The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil;  
for Thine is the Kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

### Breaking of Bread and the Sharing of God's Gifts

#### Communion Anthem

*Taste and See*

James E. Moore, Jr.  
(b. 1951)

*Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.  
O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.*

I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall always be on my lips;  
my soul shall glory in the Lord, for God has been so good to me.

Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise God's name.  
I called the Lord, who answered me; from all my troubles, I was set free.

Worship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good; in God we need put all our trust.

— words from Psalm 34

#### Prayer after Communion

#### Hymn 536 (see page 7)

*Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen*

SURGE ECCLESIA

#### Charge and Blessing

#### Closing Voluntary

*Variations on "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"*

George Shearing  
(1919-2011)

## SERVING TODAY

### Liturgists

Kallie Pitcock, Omar Rouchon, and John Wurster

### Musicians

Cecilia Duarte, Julia Fox and Nicholas Rathgeb, vocalists | Matthew Dirst, organist | Randall Swanson, pianist

## FLOWERS

The flowers are given today by Blanche Price, David McGehee and Al McGehee to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother Coline “Toto” McGehee.

## WORSHIP NOTES

The recipient of our August communion offering is the Hope and Healing Center and Institute, a new mission partner of St. Philip. Founded in 2012, HHCI is a comprehensive mental health resource serving the Houston community. Their mission is to build and restore lives to health and wholeness through education, training, clinical services, and research that strengthen the physical, mental, spiritual, and relational health of families and individuals across the full cycle of life. You can find out more about the Hope and Healing Center at <https://hopeandhealingcenter.org/>

### Lectionary Readings

Genesis 32:22–31—*Jacob wrestles with a man from God, and receives a blessing.*

Psalms 17:1–7, 15—*Visit and test me in the night, O Lord; I will behold your face.*

Romans 9:1–5—*Paul struggles with the issue of Israel’s relationship to the church.*

Matthew 14:13–21—*With five loaves and two fish, Jesus feeds a great multitude.*

## MUSIC NOTES

**Organ music** — Today’s organ **voluntaries** are both based on American hymn tunes. To date, William Bolcom has written some twelve “gospel preludes” for organ. His prelude on “Amazing Grace” is an extended set of variations, ranging from campy New Orleans-style jazz to Bachian counterpoint. This beloved tune, devised in 1835 by American composer William Walker as a shape-note melody, has long been married to a text from an Anglican clergyman, whose spiritual conversion in 1748 marked the end of his slave trading activities. The British pianist and composer George Shearing left several volumes of organ works, including a set of variations on the early American hymn tune “I Know That My Redeemer Lives.” The harmonies of its final variation especially, heard at the close of today’s service, evoke his standard jazz idiom.

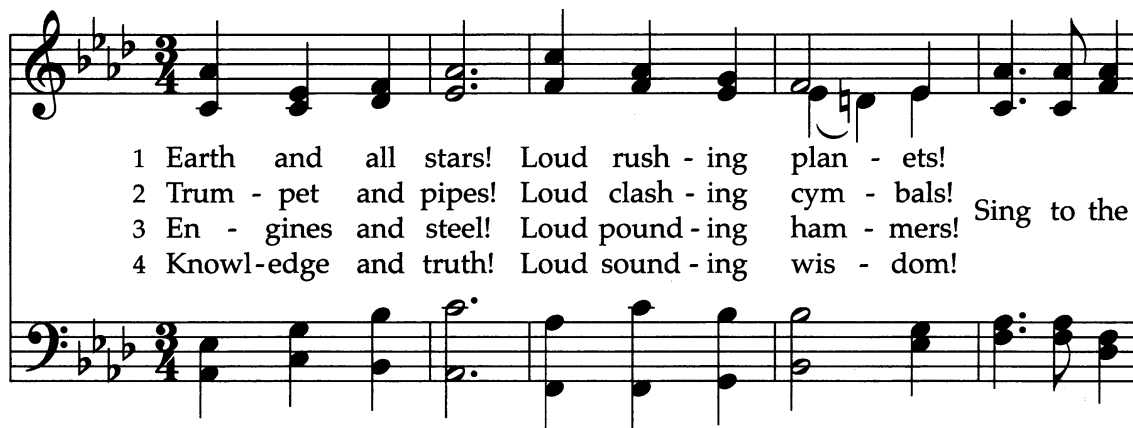
**Vocal music** — This morning’s **anthem** is an arrangement of the 19th-century American folk tune SHOUT ON by Austin Lovelace, who served for 52 years as Minister of Music at Willshire Presbyterian Church in Denver, Colorado. Once considered the “dean of American church music,” Lovelace composed over 800 works for organ, choir and solo voice, and he served on the editorial committees of several denominational hymnals. Written in 1983, today’s **communion anthem** is a well-known setting of verses from Psalm 34 reflecting the black gospel tradition by American composer James E. Moore, Jr., who is also a pianist and conductor. Born in LaCrosse, Virginia, the composer has lived since 1984 in Vienna, Austria, where he serves as a professional coach and teaches voice and conducting.

— Matthew Dirst and Randall Swanson

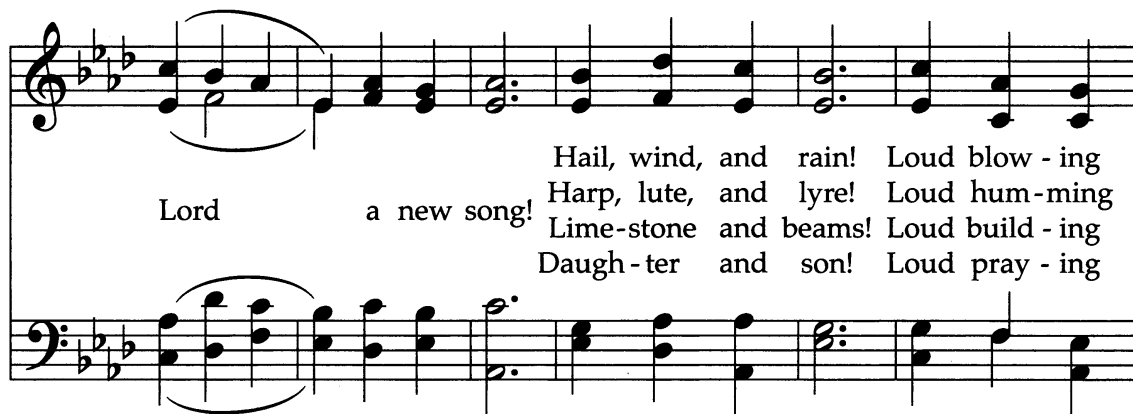
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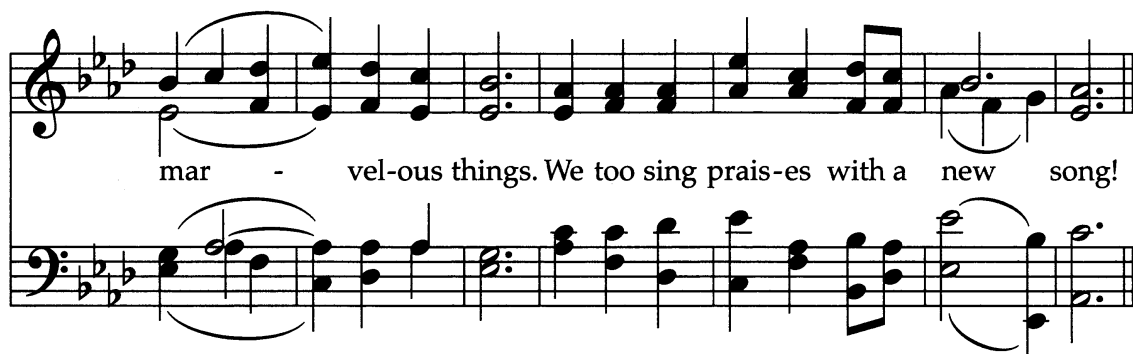
1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!  
 2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals! Sing to the  
 3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!  
 4 Knowl - edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



Lord a new song!  
 Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing  
 Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming  
 Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing  
 Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing



snow - storm!  
 cel - los! Sing to the Lord a new song! God has done  
 work - ers!  
 mem - bers!



mar - vel - ous things. We too sing prais - es with a new song!

This lively text was written for the 90th anniversary of St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. Echoing Psalm 98, it is a prime example of a 20th-century hymn style based on phrases rather than complete sentences. The exuberant tune was created expressly for these words.



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this  
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter  
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has  
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age



meal of love and grace; may we through such love en -  
 Christ, though wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are  
 called us to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing  
 be our dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti -



vi - sion whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le -  
 hal - lowed to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le -  
 nur - ture, Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le -  
 na - tion from this day and un - to death. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

The second line of the first stanza shows that this hymn is meant for use in the context of the Lord's Supper, but the last stanza further clarifies its special purpose as a sending hymn celebrating the values guiding the work of the church in the world: service, courage, mercy.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Congratulations to Tyler, Anné, and Ava Keever who welcomed Evelyn (Ev-ie) on July 22.*

*The family of Ruth Weber whom died on July 28.*

*Sally Slick and family upon the death of her brother Grady Short whom died July 25 in Sardis, Mississippi.*

*St. Philipians and their families—* Joyce Fugit; Vicki McKay; Steve Carmichael; Mary Sinderson; Marion Takehara; Peg Palisin; Emily Estill; Travis Calhoun; Jeanne West; Greg Moore; CJ Miller; Lonnie Fugit; Mezgebe Gebray; John & Bessie Johnson—parents of Pat Lindsay; Mac & Beverly Wilson—parents of Butch Wilson; Vera Moore—mother of Chuck Johnson; Kelsey Higgs Gallegos & family—daughter of Nancy Higgs; Dottie Laas and family—cousin of Sam Fisher; Alice Barron—sister-in-law to Beth Atkinson; Nikolaus Malczewskyj—father-in-law of Jane Malczewskyj; David Block—brother-in-law of Nancy Lomax; John Beck—brother of Nancy Young; Margie Foster—mother of Mark Young; Miriam Kalmbach—aunt of Nancy Higgs; Barbara Wilson—sister-in-law of Connie Mayfield; Jack & Pauline Kindig—brother/sister-in-law of Ginny Camfield; Shirley and Weldon Boggus, Sr.—grandparents of Omi Ford; Jimmy Reagan—father of Sarah O'Dell; Dona Rowe—mother of William Rowe; Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers; and Ann Morgan—sister of Dorothy Blackwell.

*Homebound:* Sue Baier; Walter Baker; Joe Anne Berwick; John Bobbitt; Paulie Carlson; Kitty Curry; Jane English; Barbara German; George Helland; Arlette Keene; T.E. "Joe" Keever; Alice Pennington; Joyce Randolph; Van Rathgeber; Jean Nelson; Jody Tomforde; and Penny Vieau.

*Friends of St. Philipians:* Roger Henderson—friend of Mickey Meyers; David Shebay—friend of Greg Han; Kathleen Davies and family—friend of Chuck Johnson; Craig and Jamie Slein—friends of Steve Carmichael; Betty Rhodes and family—friend of Jan Meyer; Dave Olson and Clayton Amacker—friends of Peg Palisin and Gary Gardner; Shirley Stubblefield—friend of Barbara Runge; and Walter "Buddy" friends of Robin and Gary Willis.

*We also pray for health care workers, first responders, and caregivers; for those who are sick; and for those watch and wait.*

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To join the Zoom Coffee Hour following the service, e-mail Lorrie Castle at [lorrie@saintphilip.net](mailto:lorrie@saintphilip.net).

[Our website](#) has information about the summer sale of **Equal Exchange** products and a current list of **opportunities on Zoom** for fellowship and spiritual formation.

### St. Philip Presbyterian

**Wednesday, August 5—8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**Friday, August 7—8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday, August 12—1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

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