

Sunday, July 13, 2025
5th Sunday After Pentecost
WELCOME to Emanuel's Lutheran Church!
It is our joy to have you worship with us today.



PRELUDE

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

V: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

V: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Water may be poured into the font.

V: Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"God is Here!"

ELW 526

GREETING

V: 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 with you.

Children's Church: Kindergarten to 5th Grade gathers in the Chapel.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

ELW 708

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: Let us pray together.

C: O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

L: A reading from Deuteronomy.

⁹The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Colossians 1:1-14

L: A reading from Colossians.

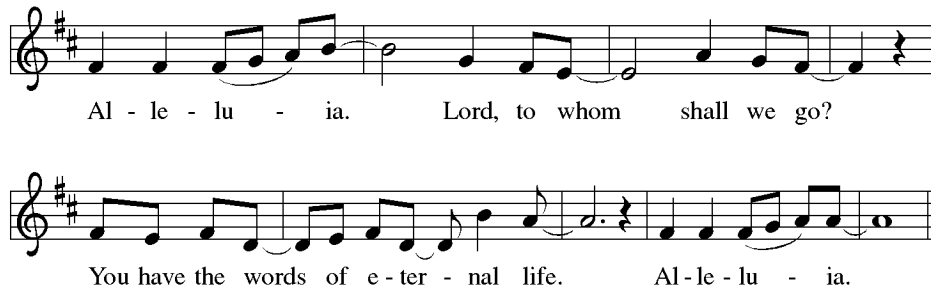
¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37

V: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

V: ²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

V: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Vicar Rudy

HYMN OF THE DAY "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

ELW 769

APOSTLE'S CREED

AM: Let us confess together the faith of the church using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

C: 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

AM: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world. Saving God, awaken your church to your truth as it follows your path of love. Encourage pastors, deacons, teachers, and seminarians, and lead them as they seek to learn your ways.

Response to each petition: AM: God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

AM: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

PEACE

V: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING HYMN "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

ELW 800

Giving information is located on the back of the bulletin.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

AM: Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

AM: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

AM: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

AM: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

V: 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.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

V: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

"O God of Love, O King of Peace"

ELW 749

DISMISSAL

V: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Musician: Edward Workmon, organ

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAY, July 13, 2024: SERVICE OF THE WORD

Preaching: Vicar Rodolpho Salazar, Jr.; **Assisting Minister:** Melissa Barbre; **Reader:** Cathy Anderson; **Ushers:** Doug Parker, Debbie Parker, Hughlene Micheli, **NEEDED**; **AV/Tech:** Steve Anderson; **Council Greeter:** Rissa Springs; **Hospitality:** Cathy Anderson, Carol Hamilton, Rachel Abrameit; **Safety Attendants:** Charles Jobe

WORSHIP LEADERS for Sunday, July 20, 2025: Preaching and Presiding: Pastor Marcus; **Assisting Minister:** Bill Salt; **Communion Assistants:** Elizabeth Jandt, Cindy Pique, Bev Seidenschwarz, Janelle Leon-Weinman, Emily Prochnow; **Reader:** Drue Pike; **Ushers:** Rissa Springs, Jacqueline Springs, Ilene Cherry, Darlene Zies; **Altar Guild:** Cindy Pique, Elizabeth Jandt; **A/V Tech:** **TBD**; **Council Greeter:** Paul Sims; **Hospitality:** Gloria Hanna, Barbara Haas, Doris Jefferies; **Safety Attendants:** **TBD**

EMANUEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP is in the sanctuary, online, and aired on KWED AM 1580 radio at 10:30 a.m.

PASTOR MARCUS OUT of the office July 12-19 on the Puerto Rico mission trip. For pastoral emergencies during this time please call the church office (830-379-5046) or Vicar Rudy Salazar (210-387-5677).

SUNDAY STUDIES:

- **THE HERITAGE CLASS** (307): 9:15am. Seeking to unlock the wisdom of the Bible through fellowship and robust group discussion. Summer Study: "Living Faith."
- **JOY CLASS:** Bible stories and songs for adults with intellectual disabilities. Class meets the first Sunday of each month in the WMR at 9:00am.
- **WONDERFUL WORDS** (Family Life Center): 9:00am. August 31 Hymn Study with Thomas Engler.
- **CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** During worship Children's Ministry Assistant Charis leads our PK to 5th grade learners to the Children's Church room, just down the hall from the sanctuary, and returns as we share the peace.
- **THE COMPASS COOPERATIVE** 6th – 12th graders celebrate summertime with our four church partners- Emanuel's, St. Andrew's, Spirit of Joy, and Friedens Church. *VBS! Lock-Ins! Serve & Swim! And More!* Contact Hannah@elcseguin.org for more info.

WEEKDAY STUDIES:

The Wired Word (Family Life Center): Thursdays at 10:00

Faith Circle (Women's Ministry Rm): 3rd Tuesdays at 2:00

Joy Circle (Women's Ministry Rm): 2nd Thursday at 9:30, "Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts" is the current study.

Ladies Aid (Women's Ministry Rm): 1st Wednesdays at 2:00, not in July

ELCA RESPONSE TO FLOODING IN TEXAS

Our hearts break anew with each update about the catastrophic flash floods in South Central Texas. We join Bishop Sue Briner's call to "pray, pray, pray for those who are still lost as well as the families of those who are lost, who have died, or who have experienced loss of home or property." Merciful God, hear our prayer. As ever and with your support, our church stands ready to walk with our neighbors in the Texas Hill Country as the floodwaters recede and rebuilding begins. Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwestern Texas Synod and will work with them and other partners to respond to urgent needs, provide emotional and spiritual care, and support cleanup and long-term recovery. Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response ensure that our neighbors are not alone on the long road to recovery after disasters like the floods in Texas. Give now at [ELCA.org/flooding/donate](https://elca.org/flooding/donate).

LINE DANCING at Emanuel's! **Mondays** from 2-3pm in the Fellowship Hall, July 7 – August 25. Line dancing is a fun, healthy, and rewarding activity. Our enthusiastic instructor is Rob Kennedy. No previous dance experience is needed, just the desire to join us for some great exercise with a fun group of people. Bring water and be ready to boogie!

PATHWAYS TO HEALING support group reflects on the journey through grief while learning to navigate life with loss. They meet on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2pm in the Family Life Center. Each gathering will highlight a different topic and invite open sharing in a safe and supportive environment. Please join us this **Sunday, July 13**. Donna Simmons, Emanuel's Bereavement Care Coordinator, donna@elcsequin.org

THE CAREGIVER CAFÉ is a support group for those providing care for loved ones, spouses, or friends. Our group meets every 3rd Sunday. This month we gather on **Sunday, July 20** at 2pm, in the Family Life Center. Please contact Donna Simmons with any questions or for further details.

SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB 4th Anniversary luncheon is just around the corner. The annual luncheon will be on **Thursday, July 24** at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a spaghetti meal with all the trimmings. Everyone is encouraged to bring a friend or family member with them. Sides and desserts are welcome. RSVP to Donna by Monday, July 21st.

THE WIRED WORD, a summertime weekly "drop-in" study, gathers on **Thursdays** at 10am in the Family Life Center. *The Wired Word* "... facilitates group discussions about important matters of faith raised by news of the week." Can't make a particular Thursday, or two? That's okay. Every lesson is unique. Just bring yourself and your favorite Bible whenever you can make it.

3C (Community-Connection-Conversation) is a time of gathering on the church lawn at the street **every Tuesday** morning from 7:30-8:30am as a way to share in fellowship with each other, inviting new faces to sit, share their stories, and welcome visitors who pass us on the street. Our format is open, very fluid, and provides a place to share, visit, and grow together as a community of faith. We always have room (and coffee!) for another friendly face. Bring a chair and join us!

DO YOU PLAY 42? A group of domino players play the game 42 at Emanuel's on **Thursdays** from 1-4 p.m. *Experienced players* are invited to pull up a chair and join in the fun. Please contact Alton Mattke at 433-1193 and he can answer all your questions.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS and RADIO BROADCASTS are sponsored by Emanuel's members. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one in this way, please call the church office, or sign up on the calendar on the Level 2 hallway. Fees and submission forms are in the narthex, the church office, and online. Thank you to everyone who participates in this meaningful worship ministry.

EMANUEL'S CONGREGATION COUNCIL and Ministry Team Liaisons

President, Rissa Springs, *Worship Team*

Vice President, Bryce Kennedy, *Outreach & Service Team*

Secretary, Paul Sims, *Education Team*

Treasurer, Susan Yeatts, *Congregational Care Team*

Tonya Darnell, *Outreach & Service Team*

Sheila English, *Congregational Care Team*

Charles Jobe, *Safety Team*

Tim Kent, *Congregational Care Team*

Janelle Leon-Weinman, *Congregational Care Team*

Bill Salt, *Education Team*

Darlene Zies, *Outreach & Service Team*

ALL TEAM MEETING NIGHT

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

5:30pm in the Women's Ministry Room

All of Emanuel's Ministry Teams gather on a single evening each month to share a meal, collaborate, plan, and schedule upcoming events and ministry projects.

EMANUEL'S STAFF

Senior Pastor, The Rev. Marcus Bigott, 830-377-8643 cell, pastormarcus@elcsequin.org

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Director of Finance, Jeni Payton, jeni@elcsequin.org

Principal Organist, Edward Workmon, edward@elcsequin.org

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Compass Cooperative Program Director, Hannah Hansen, hannah@elcsequin.org

Children's Ministry Assistant, Charis Wirtley, charis@elcsequin.org

EMANUEL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "To be the church God is calling us to be by declaring God's love, serving others, and embracing all."

GIVING AT EMANUEL'S: Donations and tithes to the church may be given by envelopes in the pews, mailed to the church, online, or scanned with QR Code below.



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God Is Here!



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000

Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907-1991

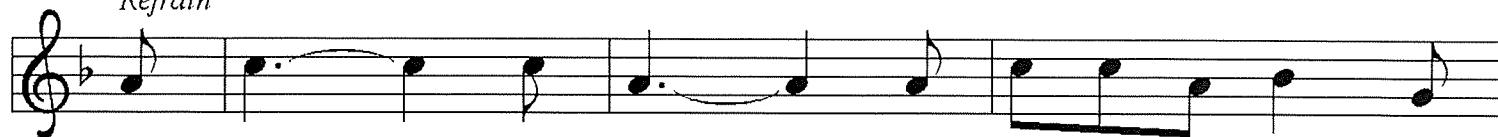
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Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

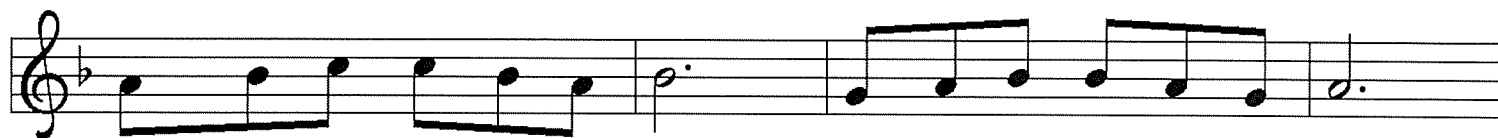
Refrain



Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



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|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | Kneels at the feet of his friends, | si - lent - ly wash - es their feet, |
| 2 | Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, | var - ied in col - or and race, |
| 3 | These are the ones we will serve, | these are the ones we will love; |
| 4 | Kneel at the feet of our friends, | si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet: |



Refrain

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.
all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
this is the way we will live with you.

Text: Tom Colvin, 1925–2000, alt.

Music: CHEREPONI, Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin

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If You But Trust in God to Guide You



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

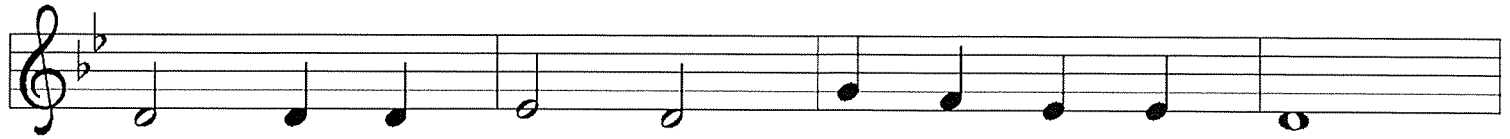
Text: Georg Neumark, 1621-1681; tr. composite

Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark

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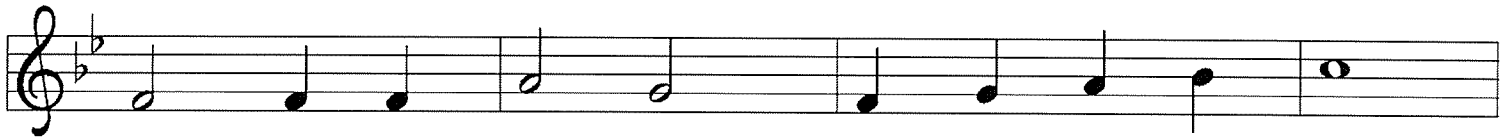
Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart



1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,



wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:



stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,



and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780–1860

Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–189

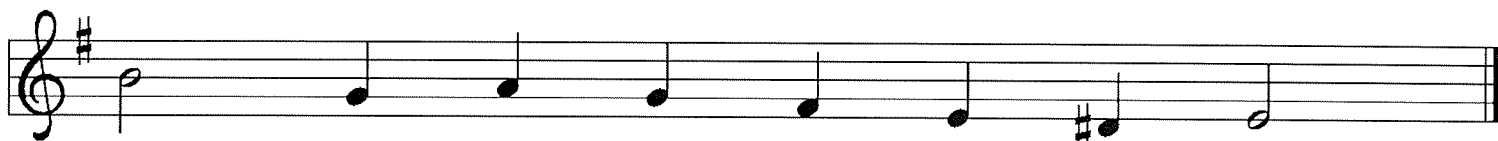
O God of Love, O King of Peace



1 O God of love, O King of peace, make wars through -
2 Re - mem - ber, Lord, your works of old, the won - ders
3 Whom shall we trust but you, O Lord? Where rest but
4 Where saints and an - gels dwell a - bove all hearts are



out the world to cease; our greed and sin - ful wrath re - strain.
that our el - ders told; re - mem - ber not our sins' deep stain.
on your faith - ful word? None ev - er called on you in vain.
knit in ho - ly love; oh, bind us in that heav'n - ly chain.



Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877

Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543