



Sewickley Presbyterian Church

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## **Order of Worship**

August 03, 2025

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome & Announcements**

*Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport*

### **Call to Worship**

*Psalm 89:12, 52*

One: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever.

**Many: with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**

One: I will declare that your steadfast love is established forever.

**Many: Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

One: Blessed be the Lord forever. Amen and Amen.

**Many: Let us worship God!**

### **Hymn**

Morning Has Broken

### **Corporate Prayer of Confession**

*The book of Worship for Church and Home, 1964*

Almighty God, rich in mercy to all those who call upon you: hear us, we pray, as we confess our sins before you. In the presence of your love and our neighbor's need, we acknowledge our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and selfishness, our cruelty and indifference. We confess that we are not worthy to be called your children; yet we ask you in your mercy to keep us as your own.

Grant us true repentance and forgive us all our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

### **Silent Prayer of Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

One: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel.

**Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

### **Confession Response**

*Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now,  
And ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen

### **Children's Time**

*Rev. Barb Kennedy*

Children going into preschool through 3rd grade are invited to leave for Children's Church following the Children's Time.

## **Offering**

*You may offer a gift of thanksgiving physically or digitally.  
More information is on the back of the bulletin.*

## **Offertory**

### **Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **Prayer of Dedication**

### **Hymn**

Take My Life

### **Scripture Reading Mark 2:1-12**

A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

*One: This is the Word of the Lord.*

***Many: Thanks be to God.***

### **Sermon**

Through the Roof

*Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport*

## **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

*\*All the bread is gluten free. The outer ring of cups in the juice trays contain wine.*

*The inner rings contain grape juice.*

Music during Communion

Prayer

## **Hymn**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

## **Worship Participants**

Sr. Pastor: Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Assoc. Pastor: Rev. G. Michael Creamer

Parish Assoc. Pastor: Rev. Barb Kennedy

Choir Director/Organist: Dr. Michael Hammer

Soloists:

Xiuru Liu, contralto

Anna Singer, soprano,

Paul Yeater, tenor

Guest soloist

Ushers: Laurie Holding, Tina Thomas,

Liza Thornton, Beth Rom

Tech Crew: Dave Breit, Rici Brockinson,

Lexie Merritt

## **Credits**

Prelude

Morning Has Broken, Hymn #664

Gloria Patri, Gloria Patri

Take My Life, Hymn #697

Offering

Doxology

My Faith Looks Up to Thee, Hymn #829

Postlude

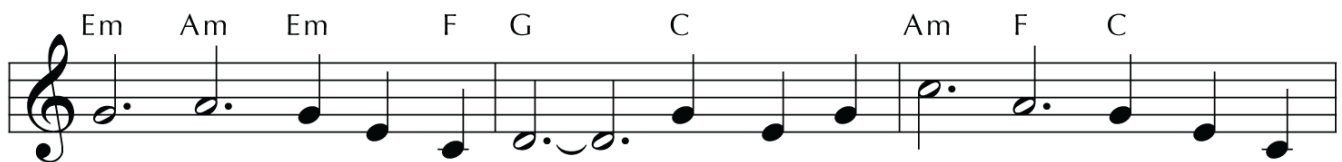
Today's flowers are given  
**In Memory of**  
**Helen and Nick Kaiser**  
by  
*Madelaine & Colvin McCrady*

# Morning Has Broken

664



1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has  
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet  
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

# Take My Life

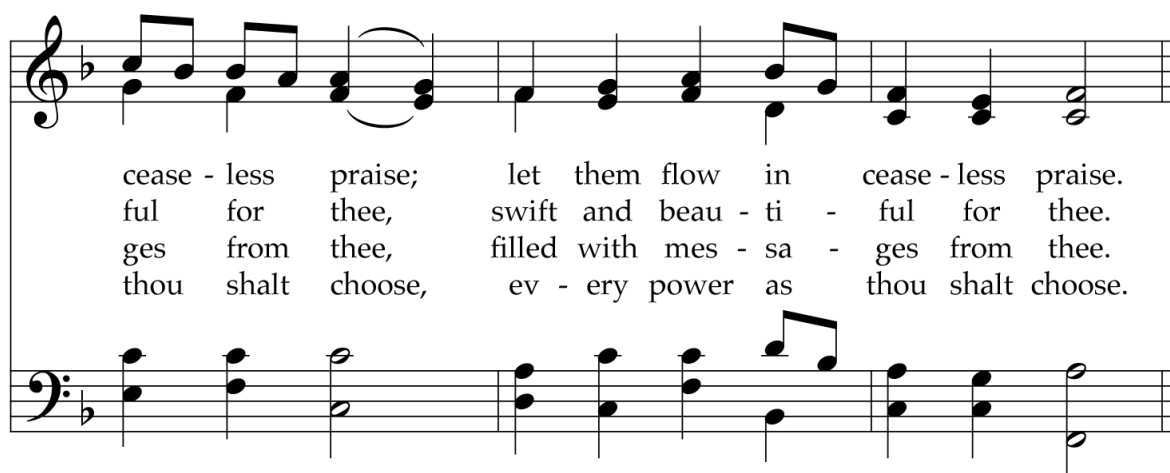
697



1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

# My Faith Looks Up to Thee 829



1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,  
4 When ends life's tran-sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my  
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor-row's  
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love, fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine!  
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!  
tears a - way; nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.  
trust re-move; O bear me safe a - bove, a ran-somed soul!



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# Notes

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## IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE?

Thank you for visiting our church this morning. We'd love to reach out to you. Let us know you were here by putting your name and contact information in one of the pew pads. We welcome you to visit our website to learn more about ways you can take part in groups, classes, and events. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Sharon Barber ([sbarber@sewickleypresby.org](mailto:sbarber@sewickleypresby.org)/412.741.4550).



### Upcoming Dates:

#### **Monday, August 4**

Vacation Bible School Begins

#### **Sunday, August 10**

Steelers Mission Project Ticket Drawing

#### **Saturday, August 16**

Day on the Lawn Rummage Sale Donation Drop-Off Day

Visit our website for complete details on events and groups that meet during the week: [sewickleypresby.org](http://sewickleypresby.org)

## PRAYER NEEDS

### Prayers for Presence and Healing

- Shirley Barker
- Ryan Garbee
- Molly Stater
- Jenna Stevenson

*\*You can find a full Prayer List with updated and continued prayer needs in the weekly church email on Thursdays.*



Your giving today helps make everything we do at SPC possible. It supports our ministers and staff, our outreach in the community and beyond, and the care of our historic sanctuary, classrooms, and Faith House. Thank you for being part of this work—every gift matters.

**Church Office Hours:** Monday – Friday | 9 AM – 4 PM  
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