



Sewickley Presbyterian Church

LIVE · GROW · SERVE

Order of Worship

September 14, 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Call to Worship

From Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord from the heavens;

Leader: Praise him in the heights above.

People: Praise the Lord from the earth,

Leader: For his name alone is exalted,

People: Let us worship God!

Hymn

For The Beauty of the Earth

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we come before you this day, knowing that we have strayed from your calling.

We confess to you that we have not followed your ways, we have not loved our neighbors, we have not served you with our whole heart, soul, or mind. As people and as individuals, we have done what is wrong and failed to do what is right. We ask you to be steadfast and merciful to us. Forgive us and help us amend our ways and follow you.

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. G. Michael Creamer

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

All Creatures of Our God and King

Prayers of the People 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.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Genesis 9:9-13

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: "I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth."

And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Now Establish

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore 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:
Anna Singer, soprano,
Paul Yeater, tenor
Ushers: Lorraine Adell Lubbert,
Tech Crew: Dave Breit, Rici Brockinson,
Lexie Merritt

Credits

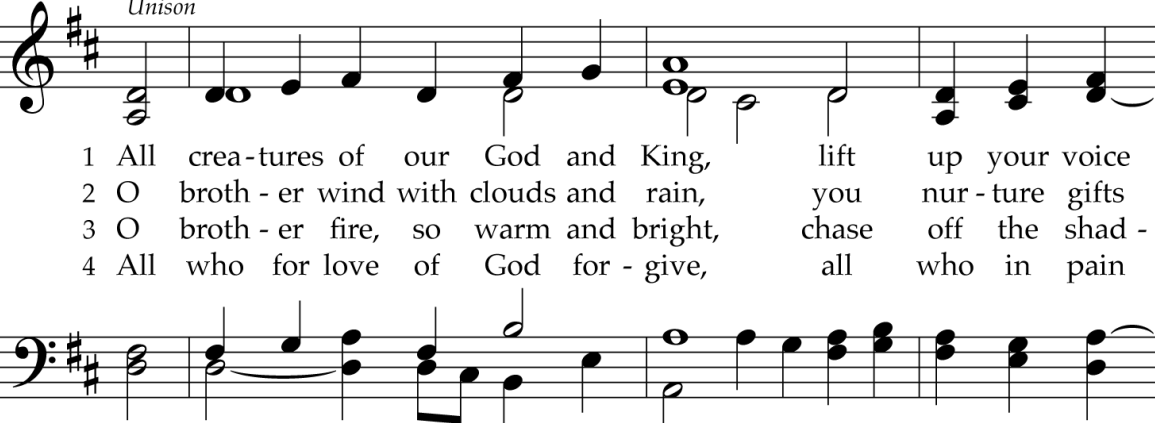
Prelude
For The Beauty of the Earth, Hymn #14
Gloria Patri, Gloria Patri
All Creatures of Our God and King, Hymn #15
Offering
Doxology
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, Hymn #611
Postlude

Today's flowers are given

**In Honor of All
"The Day on The Lawn"
Crew**


15 All Creatures of Our God and King

Unison



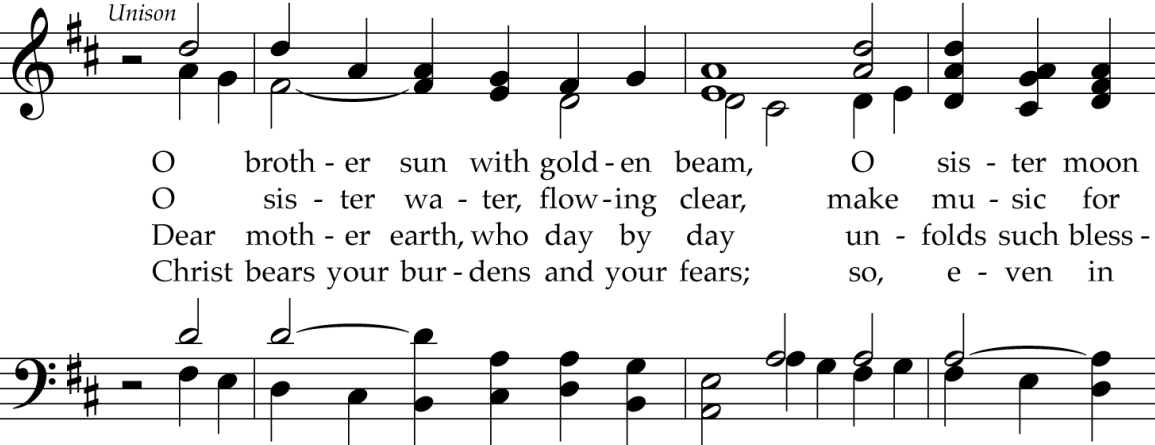
1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice
 2 O broth - er wind with clouds and rain, you nur - ture gifts
 3 O broth - er fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shad -
 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain

Harmony



and with us sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 of fruit and grain. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 ows of the night. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 or sor - row grieve, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison



O broth - er sun with gold - en beam, O sis - ter moon
 O sis - ter wa - ter, flow - ing clear, make mu - sic for
 Dear moth - er earth, who day by day un - folds such bless -
 Christ bears your bur - dens and your fears; so, e - ven in

Harmony

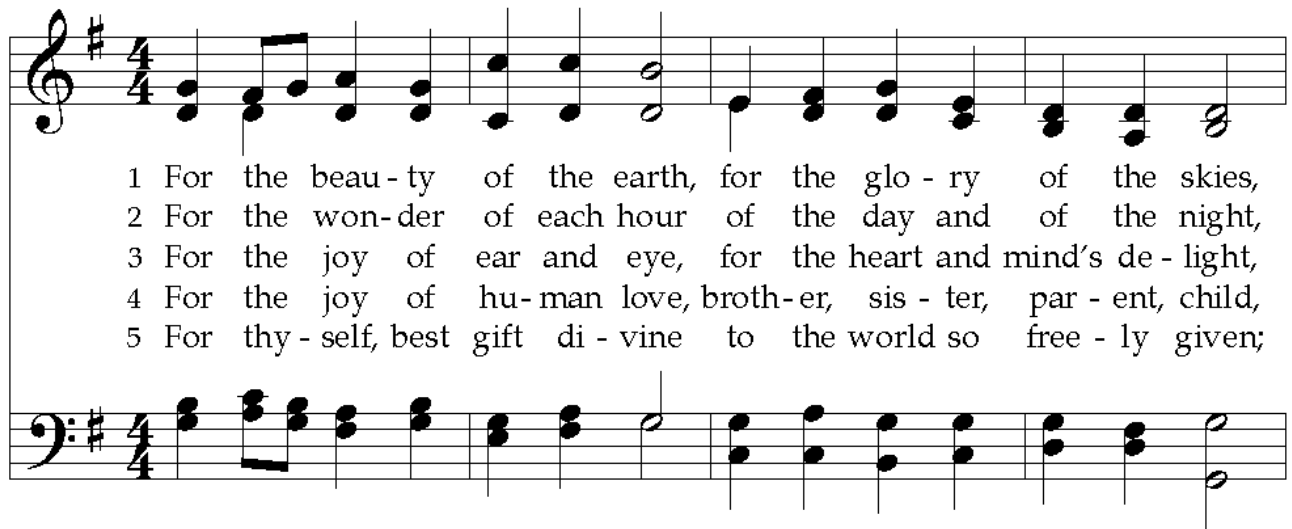
with sil - ver gleam, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!
 your Lord to hear. Sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!
 ings on our way, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!
 the midst of tears, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison

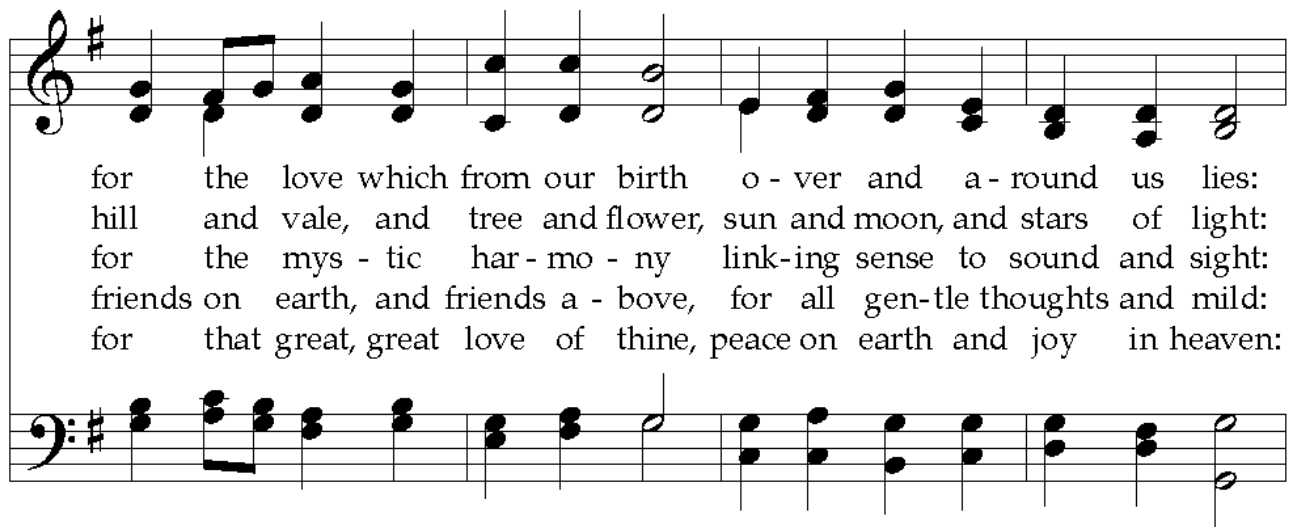
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

For the Beauty of the Earth

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1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



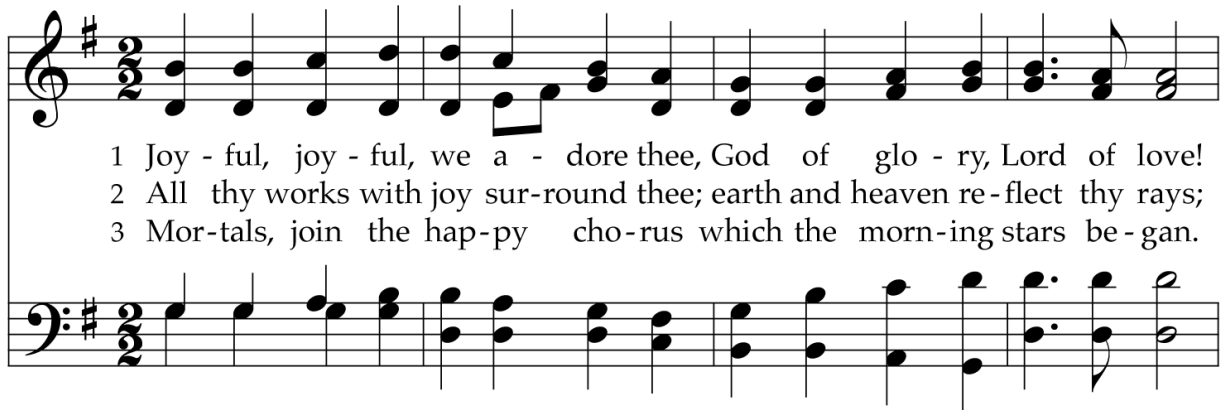
for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain

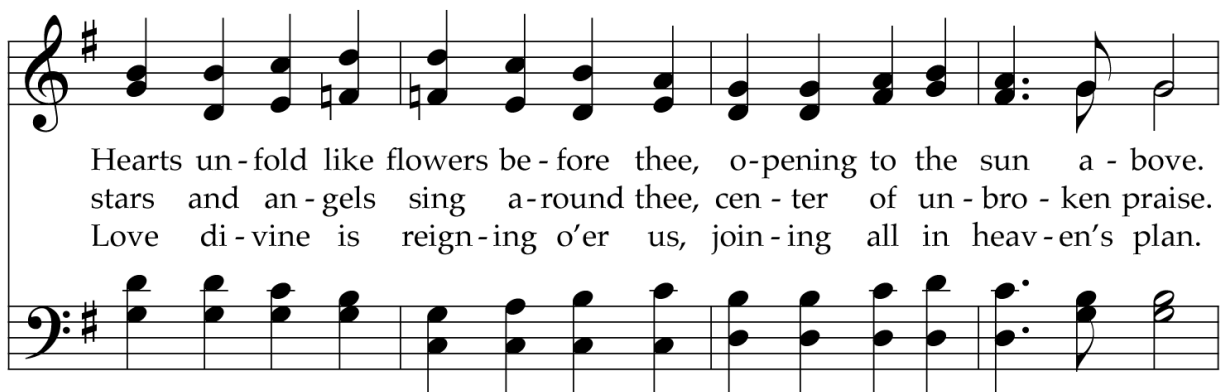


Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

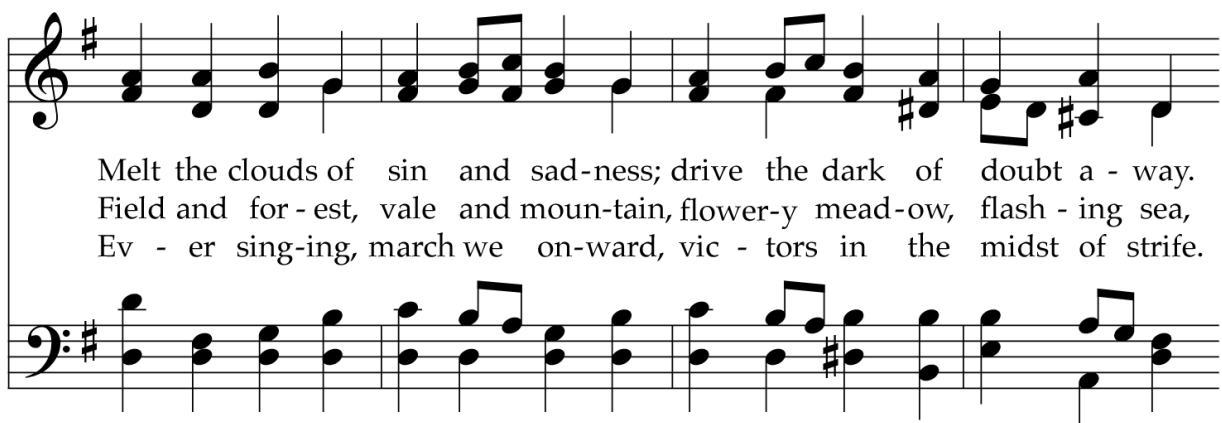
611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



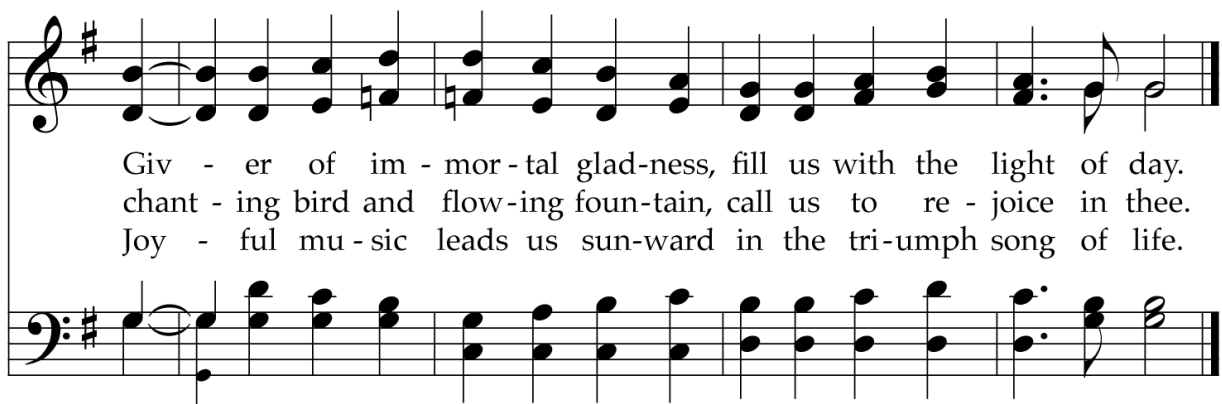
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-flect thy rays;
3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.



Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a-bove.
stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.
Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife.



Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.
Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

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/412.741.4550).



Upcoming Dates:

Week of September 15

Weekly Groups & Studies begin

Thursday, September 25

Evergreen Event: Rodef Shalem Biblical Botanical Garden Tour

Visit our website for complete details of events and groups that meet during the week: sewickleypresby.org

PRAYER NEEDS

Prayers for Comfort

- For the family and friends of Jon Clem who died recently.

Prayers for Presence and Healing

- Jennifer Berg
- Ron Charles
- Wes Hoagland
- Betsy Spalding

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



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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.

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