



Sewickley Presbyterian Church

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10AM

Order of Worship

September 07, 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Call to Worship

Psalm 66

One: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

Many: Sing to the glory of God's name.

One: Give to the Lord glorious praise.

Many: All the earth worships the Lord.

One: Let us sing praises to our God.

All: Let us worship God!

Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy (God with Us)

Corporate Prayer of Confession

From the Book of Common Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.

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

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

Here I Am, Lord

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 3:16-21

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

All Time Favorite

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Hymn

I Love to Tell the Story

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: Bill Shadle, Jane Shadle

Communion Servers: Joanne Canan,

Becky Senior, Liam Madden

Tech Crew: Dave Breit, Rici Brockinson,

Lexie Merritt

Credits

Prelude – Blessed Be Your Name

Holy, Holy, Holy, Hymn #1

Gloria Patri, Gloria Patri

Here I Am, Lord, Hymn #69

Offering

Doxology

I Love to Tell the Story, Hymn #462

Postlude

Today's flowers are given

**With Gratitude For Everyone
Who Contributed To
Another Successful Day On The Lawn.**

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Ho - - - ly,

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

The first system of the musical score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a descant on the first staff, followed by a four-part vocal setting. The vocal parts are arranged in two staves: the upper staff for Soprano and Alto, and the lower staff for Tenor and Bass. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves.

ho - - - ly,

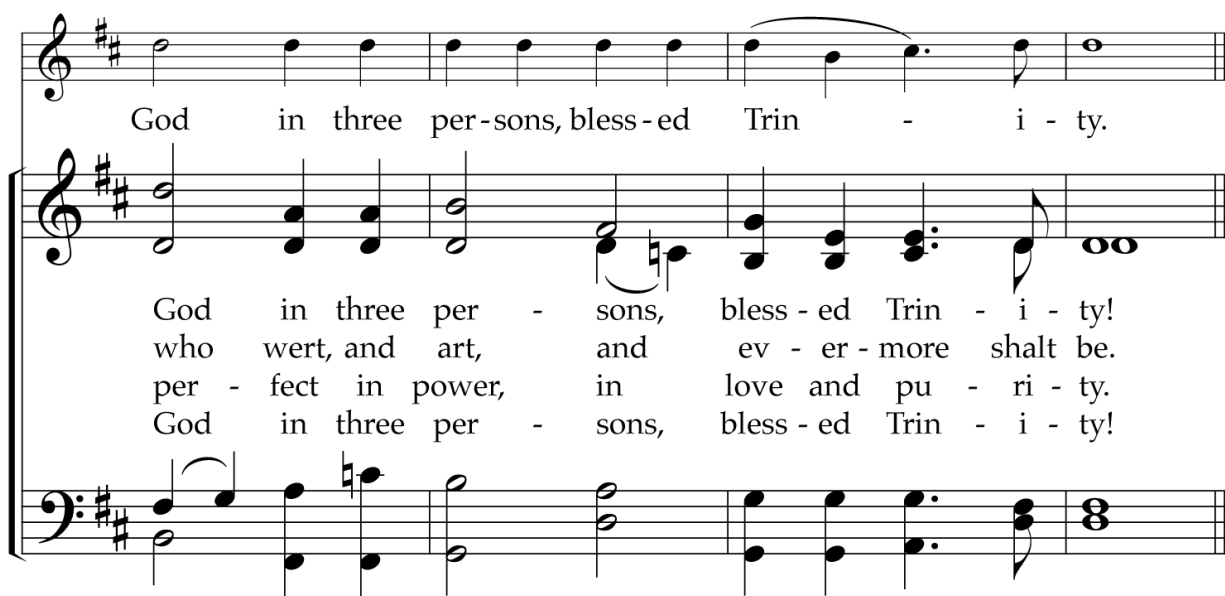
Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

The second system continues the musical score. It features a descant on the first staff, followed by a four-part vocal setting. The vocal parts are arranged in two staves: the upper staff for Soprano and Alto, and the lower staff for Tenor and Bass. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves.



ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Chorus after verses 2 and 3:

From the cradle to the cross, God with us, God with us.

For this broken world you love, God with us, God with us.

You gave up your only son, God with us, God with us,

So that all the world would know our God with us.

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I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it, like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else could do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, while the piano accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each corresponding to a line of music. The first system includes three numbered verses. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system concludes the piece. The score uses various musical notations including eighth notes, quarter notes, and chords, with some notes beamed together. The piano part consists of chords and single notes, providing harmonic support for the vocal line.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

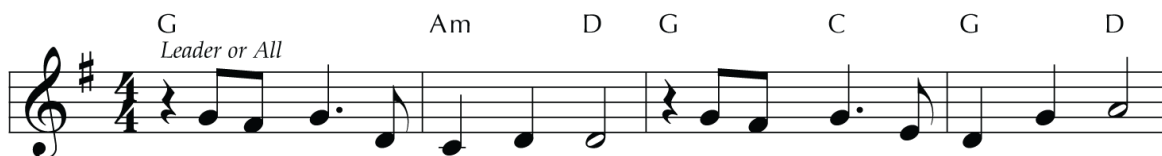
The first line of the refrain is written on two staves. The treble staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and the same key signature. It provides a harmonic accompaniment using chords and single notes. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

The second line of the refrain continues the melody and accompaniment from the first line. It concludes with a double bar line. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Here I Am, Lord



1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



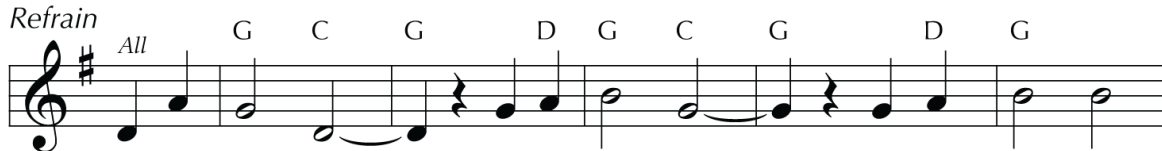
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est



made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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:

Sunday, September 14

Fall Schedule Begins:

8 AM, 9 AM & 11 AM Worship Services
10 AM Christian Education Hour for all Ages

Thursday, September 25

Evergreen Event: Rodef Shalem Biblical Botanical Garden Tour

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

PRAYER NEEDS

Prayers for Presence and Healing

- Ron Charles
- Betsy Spalding

**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 – 5 PM
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