

DOWNTOWN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Every day I walk out into the world
to be dazzled,

then to be reflective."

-Mary Oliver

Celebration of Worship
Sunday, August 30, 2020
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Words of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Pat Youngdahl

Chime

Introit

Though I May Speak

○ WALY WALY

1 Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift of all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

2 Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

3 Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.

Alan Jones, Lee Wright, and Tim Lambert

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 96)

One: ○ sing to God a new song; Sing to God, all the earth.

Many: Tell of God's salvation from day to day.

One: Declare God's marvelous works among all the peoples,
For great is God, and greatly to be praised.

Many: Honor and majesty, strength and beauty are in God's sanctuary.

One: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
Let the sea roar, and all that fills it.

**Many: Let the field exalt, and everything in it;
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy!**

*Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
(Music on the next page)

HYMN TO JOY

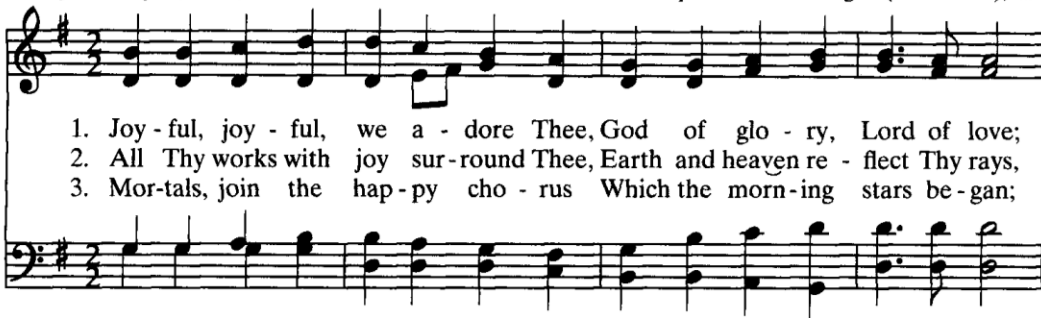
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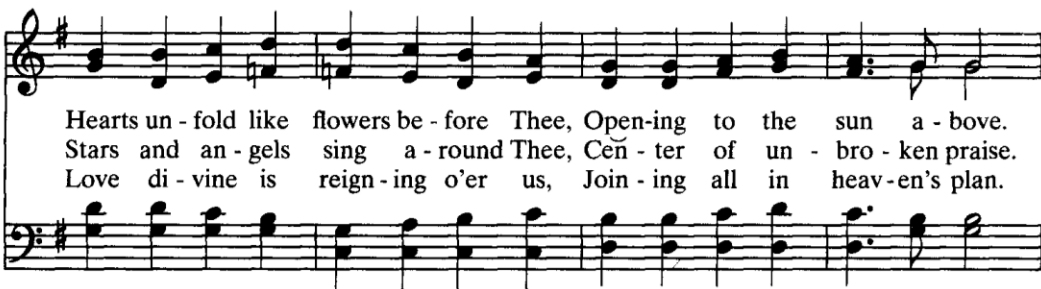
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Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.



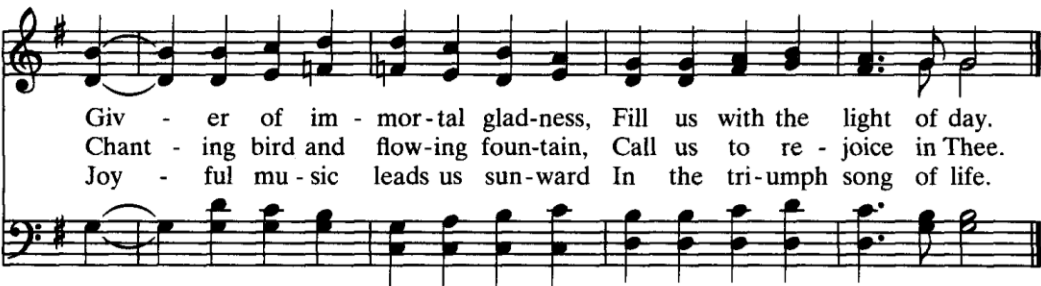
1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heaven re - flect Thy rays,
3. Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing 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 gloom of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flower - y mea - dow, 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.

*Centering Prayer (unison)

God of All, we raise our prayers to you. We come in hope of feeling your Breath, your Spirit, transforming our fear and pain into peace and strength. You are indeed among us, offering what each person needs. And so we hear not only your comfort but also your invitation, to be your hands and feet and voices in our world. As you have cared for us, let us care for those we meet. As you have loved us, let us greet the world with love. Amen.

First Reading Romans 13:8-12

Music for Reflection Not In a Hurry Will Reagan
Arr. Tim Lambert

Second Reading "Long Afternoon at the Edge of Little Sister Pond" Mary Oliver

Meditation Rev. Youngdahl

Music for Reflection What the World Needs Now Burt Bacharach
and Hal David

Prayers of Healing and Transformation

Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude Improvisation on "O Waly Waly"

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