

A Celebration of Life



*In Loving Memory of
Eugene “Gene” Wolfarth*

June 24, 1932 – March 8, 2025

A Service In Witness to the Resurrection
and in Celebration of the Life of
Eugene "Gene" Wolfarth
Friday, April 11, 2025, 2:00 PM
Downtown United Presbyterian Church
Rochester, N.Y.

Prelude

Selected Organ Works
Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring

J.S. Bach

Words of Welcome

The Rev. Val Fowler

Chime

*Call to Worship (Psalm 100, in unison)

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before God's presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord is God: it is God that hath made us,
and not we ourselves:

We are God's people, and the sheep of Their pasture.

Enter into God's gates with thanksgiving, and into Their courts with praise:
be thankful unto God, and bless Their name.

For the Lord is good: Their mercy is everlasting;
and Their truth endureth to all generations.

Prayers of Praise

*Hymn of Praise

For the Beauty of the Earth
(Verses 1-4, Music may be found on pg. 6)

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Family Remembrances

Karen Hultz, daughter
Read by Susan Richane, family friend

In Scriptures – the Old Testament

Psalm 23
Psalm 121

In Scriptures – the New Testament

Matthew 5:1-10
John 1:1-5, 9-14
Colossians 3:12-17

In the Word Interpreted

Kindness

Rev. Fowler

Prayers of Intercession

The 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.

*Hymn of Faith

A Mighty Fortress Is our God
(Verses 1, 3 and 4; Music may be found on pg. 4)

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Commendation

Benediction

Rev. Fowler

Postlude

Toccata, from Symphonie V

C.M. Widor

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Following the conclusion of the postlude, everyone is invited to a reception  
in the Hallock Lounge. Ushers will be happy to direct you.

This sanctuary is hearing loop equipped.  
Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

The Wolfarth family would like to thank all of you for coming today.  
We also want to thank the Deacons of the Downtown United Presbyterian Church  
for all of their kindness.

# 275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

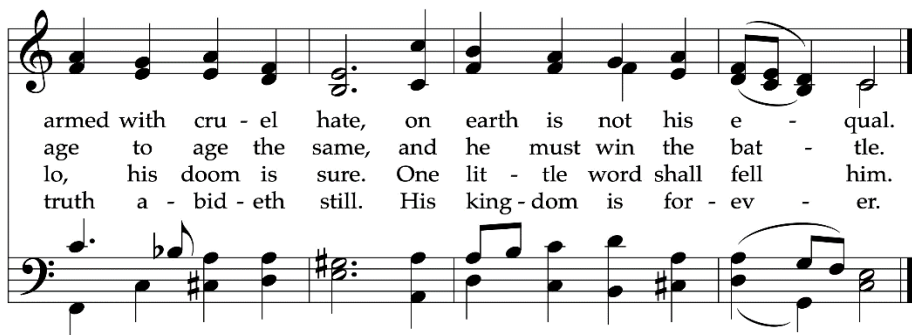
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er  
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of  
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the  
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth  
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ  
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we  
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and  
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from  
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for  
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

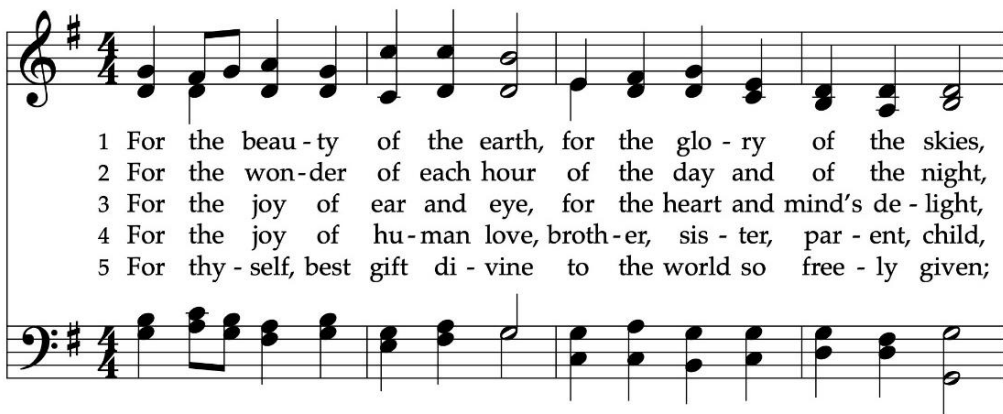
Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.



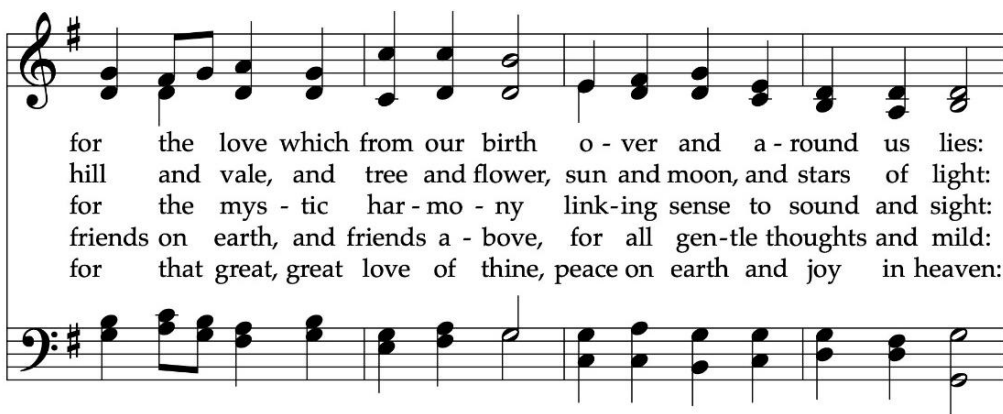
"Rich is not how much you have,  
or where you are going,  
or even what you are.  
Rich is who you have beside you."

# For the Beauty of the Earth

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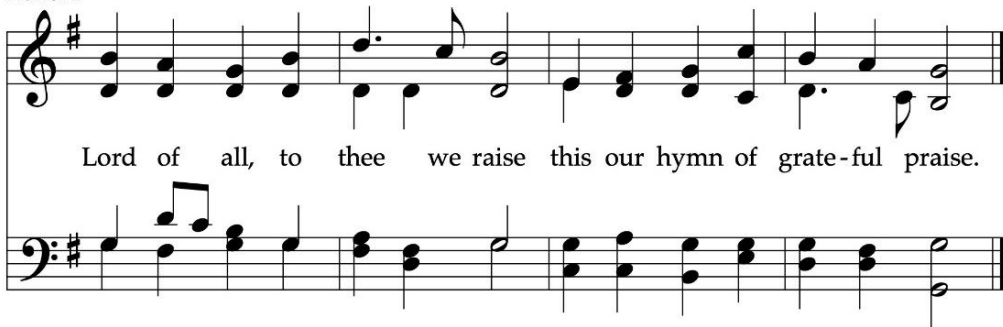


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5 For thy - self, best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

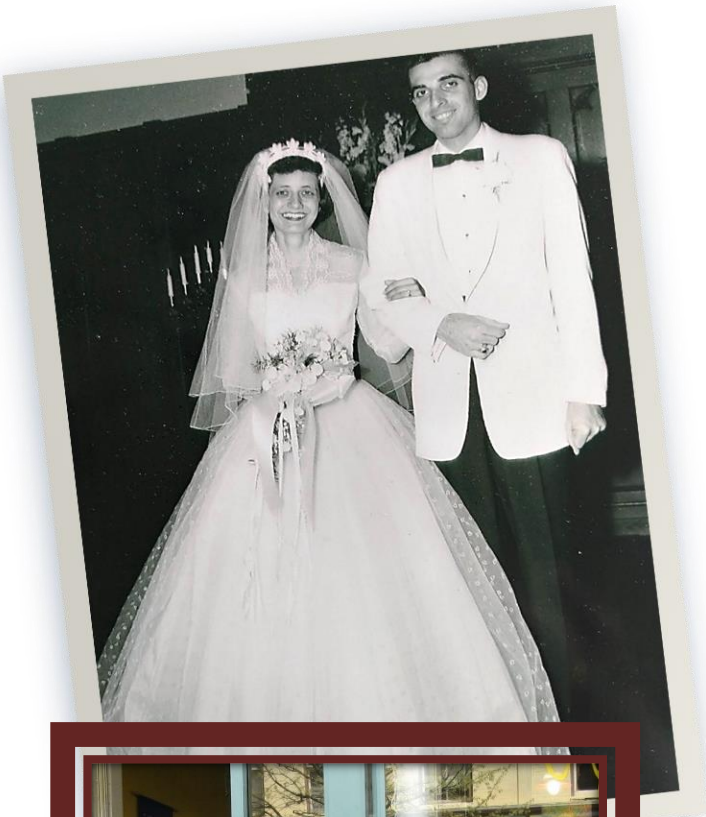
In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

TEXT: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint, 1864, alt.

MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838; abr. William Henry Monk, 1861; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

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### Celebrants

The Rev. Val Fowler, officiant  
Lee Wright, Director of Music Ministry

