



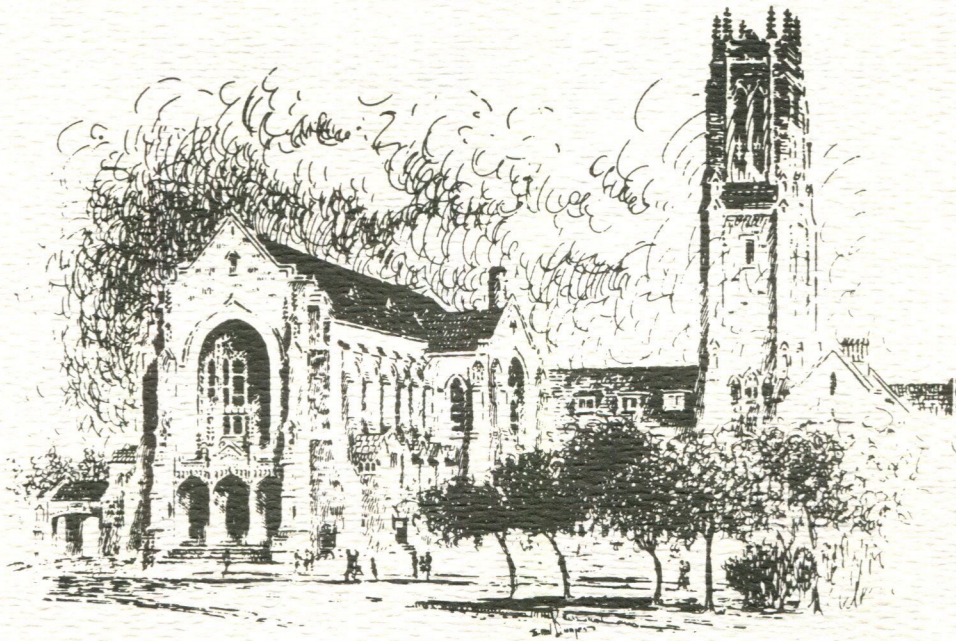
“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.
Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinners ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
He speaks and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.
Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind behold your Saviour come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!*

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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The Service of Dedication

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 14, 1982

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

THE PRELUDE

"Chorale in a minor"

Franck

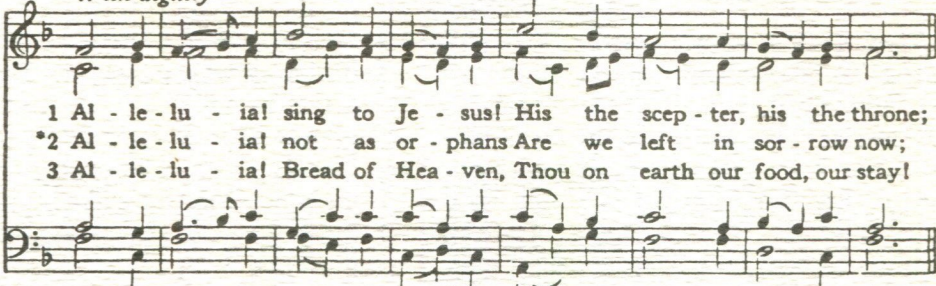
THE PROCESSIONAL (*The Congregation remains seated*)

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Hyfrydol

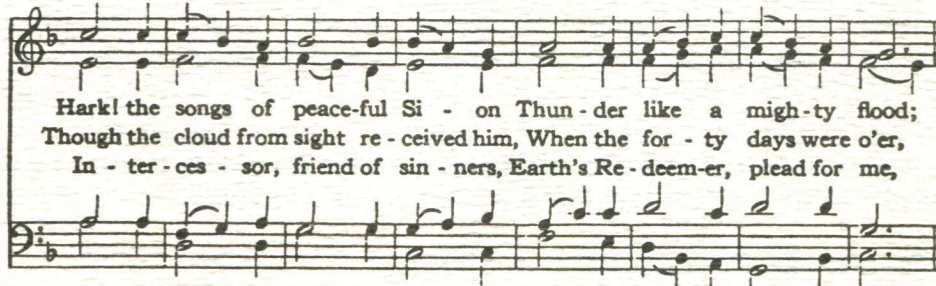
With dignity



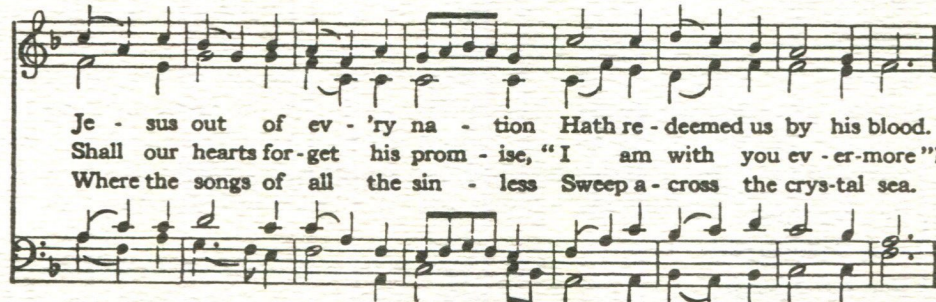
1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;
*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans Are we left in sor - row now;
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Hea - ven, Thou on earth our food, our stay!



Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone;
Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us, Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:
Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful Flee to thee from day to day:



Hark! the songs of peace - ful Si - on Thun - der like a migh - ty flood;
Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, When the for - ty days were o'er,
In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,



Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion Hath re - deemed us by his blood.
Shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
Where the songs of all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.

4 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of holy Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by his blood. Amen.



A - men.

***THE ACT OF PRAISE** (*Read Responsively*)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord.

to sing praises to your name: O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,
to the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O Lord, have made me glad;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

THE ANTHEM

“Festival Te Deum”

Britten

The Cathedral Choir

We praise Thee, O God, we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting. To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heav'ns and all the Pow'rs therein. To Thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry, Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God of Sabaoth! Heav'n and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory. The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee. The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee. The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee. The Holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee. The Father of an infinite majesty, Thine honorable, true and only Son: Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man, Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heav'n to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that Thou shalt come to be our judge. We therefore pray Thee help Thy servants whom Thou has redeemed with Thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine heritage. Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify Thee and we worship Thy name ever world without end. Vouchsafe O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord have mercy upon us, as our trust is in Thee. O Lord in Thee have I trusted. Let me never be confounded.

THE LITURGY OF DEDICATION

Mr. Farnsworth: I present this organ to be dedicated to the Glory of God and for service to St. Paul's United Methodist Church, in honor of my parents, Martha and Madison Farnsworth.

Bishop Crutchfield: I dedicate this organ to the Glory of God and to the honor of Martha and Madison Farnsworth. May this instrument always be used for the praise of God's people and the blessing of all who worship in this place. May its majestic sound lift men, women and children heavenward; in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

***The Congregation:** We receive this organ with joy and gratitude. We give thanks for the generosity of he who gives this gift and we vow to always hear it gladly and sing with it joyfully.

***THE SALUTATION** (*Read Responsively*)

The Lord is with you.

And with you also.

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

***THE RESPONSIVE PSALM** (*Sung responsively by the Choir and Congregation*)

Let everything that has/breath
praise the Lord,/Hallelujah!

**Let everything that has/breath
praise the Lord,/Hallelujah!**

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy/temple,
praise him in the firma/ment of his power.

Praise him for his mighty/acts:
praise him for his/excellent greatness.

**Let everything that has/breath
praise the Lord,/Hallelujah!**

Praise him with the blast of the/ram's horn;

praise him/with lyre and harp.

Praise him with timbrel and/dance;

praise him/with strings and pipe.

**Let everything that has/breath
praise the Lord,/Hallelujah!**

Praise him with resounding/cymbals;

praise him with/loud clanging cymbals.

**Let everything that has/breath
praise the Lord,/Hallelujah!**

Glory be to the Father and to the/Son,

And to/the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever/shall be,

World with/out end. Amen.

***THE APOSTLE'S CREED (In Unison)**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezra 1:1-7; 3:8-11

In the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and also put it in writing:

"Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever is among you of all his people, may his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and rebuild the house of the Lord, the God of Israel -- he is the God who is in Jerusalem; and let each survivor, in whatever place he sojourns, be assisted by the men of his place with silver and gold, with goods and with beasts, besides freewill offerings for the house of God which is in Jerusalem.

Then rose up the heads of the fathers' houses of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests and Levites, everyone whose spirit God had stirred up to rebuild the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem; and all who were about them aided them with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, with beasts, and with costly wares, besides all that was freely offered.

...Now in the second year of their coming to the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second month. Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel and Jeshua the son of Jozadak made a beginning, together with the rest of their brethren, the priests and the Levites and all who had come to Jerusalem from the captivity. They appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to have the oversight of the work of the house of the Lord. And Jeshua with his sons and his kinsmen, and Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of Judah, together took the oversight of the workmen in the house of God, along with the sons of Henadad and the Levites, their sons and kinsmen.

And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, the priests in their vestments came forward with trumpets, and the Levites, the sons of Asaph, with cymbals, to praise the Lord, according to the directions of David king of Israel; and they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the Lord,

"For he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever toward Israel."

And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

THE JUBILATE DEO

Britten

The Cathedral Choir

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with

praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Psalm 100 Coverdale

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4; 12-17

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness and patience, forbearing one another...And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

THE VERSICLES *(Read Responsively)*

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord make haste to help us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(In Unison)*

THE SUFFERAGES *(Read Responsively)*

Show us your mercy, O Lord;

And grant us your salvation.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

Let your people sing with joy.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

For only in you can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation in your care;

And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon the earth;

Your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

(The Collect for the Day, read by the Minister.)

O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with your servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of your beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The Collect for Sunday, read by the Minister.)

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The Collect for Grace, read by the Minister.)

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The Prayer of General Thanksgiving, read by the Minister.)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; and, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

(The Prayer of St. Chrysostom, read in Unison by the Minister and People.)

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

THE BLESSING *(Read by the Minister)*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

Ephesians 3:20 and 21

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

"O That I Had A Thousand Voices"

Mentzer

Joyously

1 O that I had a thou - sand voic - es, A thou - sand
 2 Who o - ver - whelm - eth me with bless - ing? Who but thy -
 3 Thy good - ness, Lord, my life com - plet - eth; O let thy

ways to praise my God! In him my in - most heart re -
 self, O God of love! Who guard - eth me from fears op -
 praise my tongue em - ploy, And bring thee, while my heart yet

joic - es Un - til I long to tell a - broad In songs of
 press - ing? 'Tis thou, Lord God of hosts, a - bove. Thou bear - est
 beat - eth, The glad thanks - giv - ing of my joy: When ebb - ing

thank - ful ec - sta - sy How much my God hath done for me.
 all my guilt ab - horred, With ev - er pa - tient mer - cy, Lord.
 strength all speech de - nies, Then may I breathe thy praise in sighs. A - men.

4 My God, receive these earthly praises
 So poor and weak, with gracious love;
 A better tribute heaven raises
 From all thy angel choirs above:

There alleluias will I bring
 A thousand-fold to thee, my
 King. Amen.

JOHANN MENTZER, 1704;
 Tr. ARTHUR W. FARLANDER and WINFRED DOUGLAS, 1939

THE SERMON

Bishop Finis A. Crutchfield
Presiding Bishop, The Texas Annual Conference

THE WELCOME AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

THE ORGAN OFFERTORY

"Concerto in G Major"

J. S. Bach

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

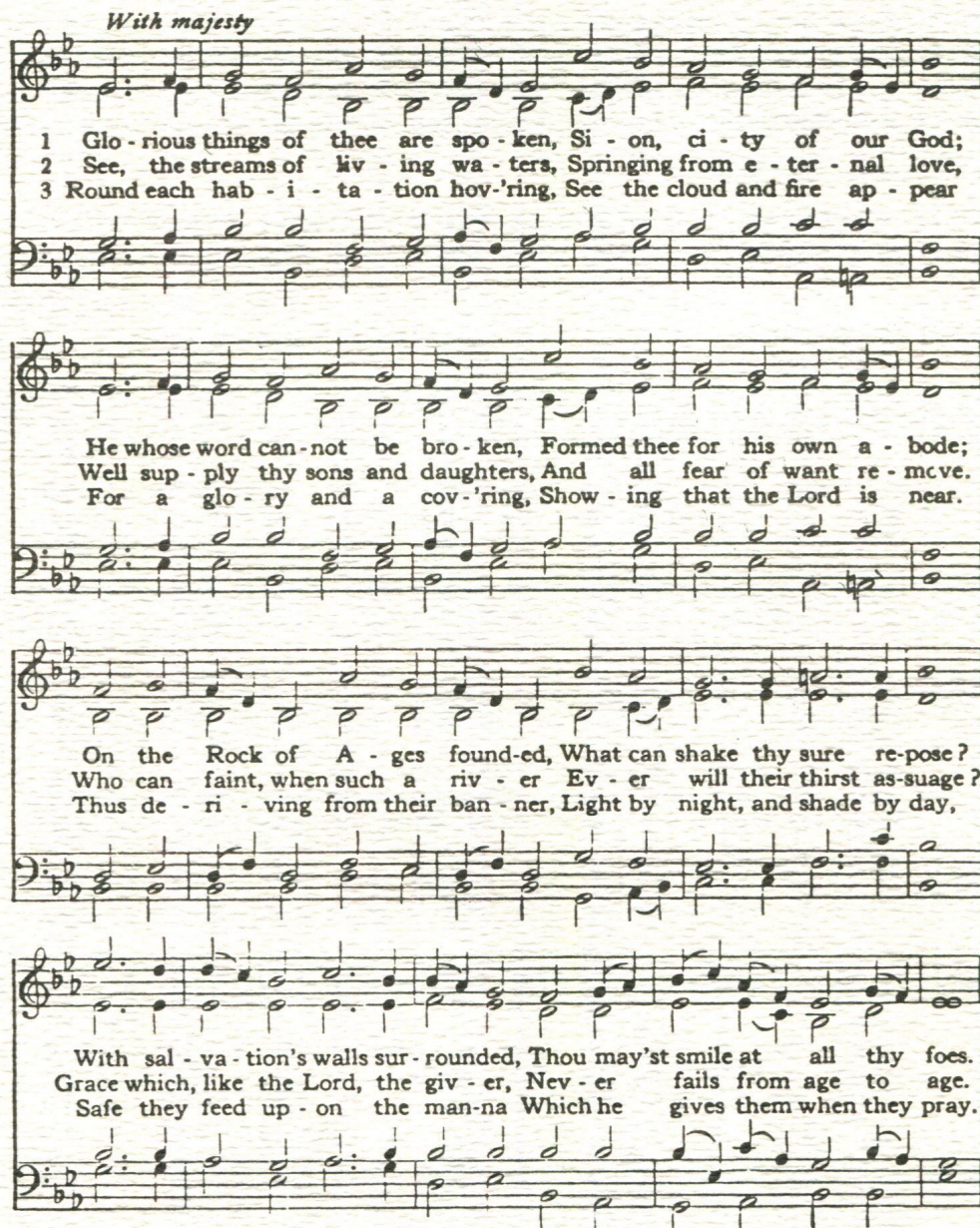
*The Doxology

*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Austria

With majesty



1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Si - on, ci - ty of our God;
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, Springing from e - ter - nal love,
3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ring, See the cloud and fire ap - pear

He whose word can - not be bro - ken, Formed thee for his own a - bode;
Well sup - ply thy sons and daughters, And all fear of want re - move.
For a glo - ry and a cov - ring, Show - ing that the Lord is near.

On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, What can shake thy sure re - pose?
Who can faint, when such a riv - er Ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
Thus de - ri - ving from their ban - ner, Light by night, and shade by day,

With sal - va - tion's walls sur - rounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, Nev - er fails from age to age.
Safe they feed up - on the man - na Which he gives them when they pray.

JOHN NEWTON, 1779, *alt.*

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CHORAL POSTLUDE

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

arranged by Robert S. Brewer

ALTAR FLOWERS

The lovely flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God by Jane Farnsworth Smith and David Farnsworth, honoring their parents Martha and Madison Farnsworth.