FAIRLINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Welcoming. Nurturing. Serving.

October 11, 2026 at 11AM
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

WE GATHER IN PRAISE

GREETING

PRELUDE *Praeludium* Gordon Young

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let your hearts be open to the Lord today.
People: Let our spirits be ready to feel God's power and love.
Leader: Let go of all the things that bind you in pain and sorrow.
People: Help us to place our trust in God.
Leader: Come, let us praise the God of love.
People: Let us bring our hearts to God. AMEN.

- Nancy Townley, *Ministry Matters*

* HYMN TFWS 2216 *When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise* KINGSFOLD

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S VOICE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Carol Hunter

O gracious and holy God, give us wisdom to perceive you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, heart to meditate upon you, and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

- Benedict of Nursia

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON Exodus 32 :1-14 [O.T. 78-79] Carol Hunter

The Word of God for God's People. **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

PSALTER UMH 829 (SUNG RESPONSE) Psalm 106:1-12, 19-23, 47-48 Rev. Tura Foster Gillespie

REFLECTION

EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 4:1-9 [N.T. 198] Neal Berry

The Word of God for God's People. **Thanks be to God.**

LET THE CHILDREN COME Anne Wilson

TFWS 2233 *Where Children Belong* RITCHIE

* GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 22:1-14 [N.T. 24] Rev. Dr. Janine Howard

The Word of God for God's People. **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION Rev. Christian White

WE RESPOND WITH JOY

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 121 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* WELLESLEY

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND WORLD

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING/PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* arr. Ronald Turner

Chancel Choir

* DEDICATION OF GIFTS UMH 94 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

WE GO TO SERVE

* HYMN UMH 675 *As the Sun Doth Daily Rise* INNOCENTS

* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Carillon* Gordon Young

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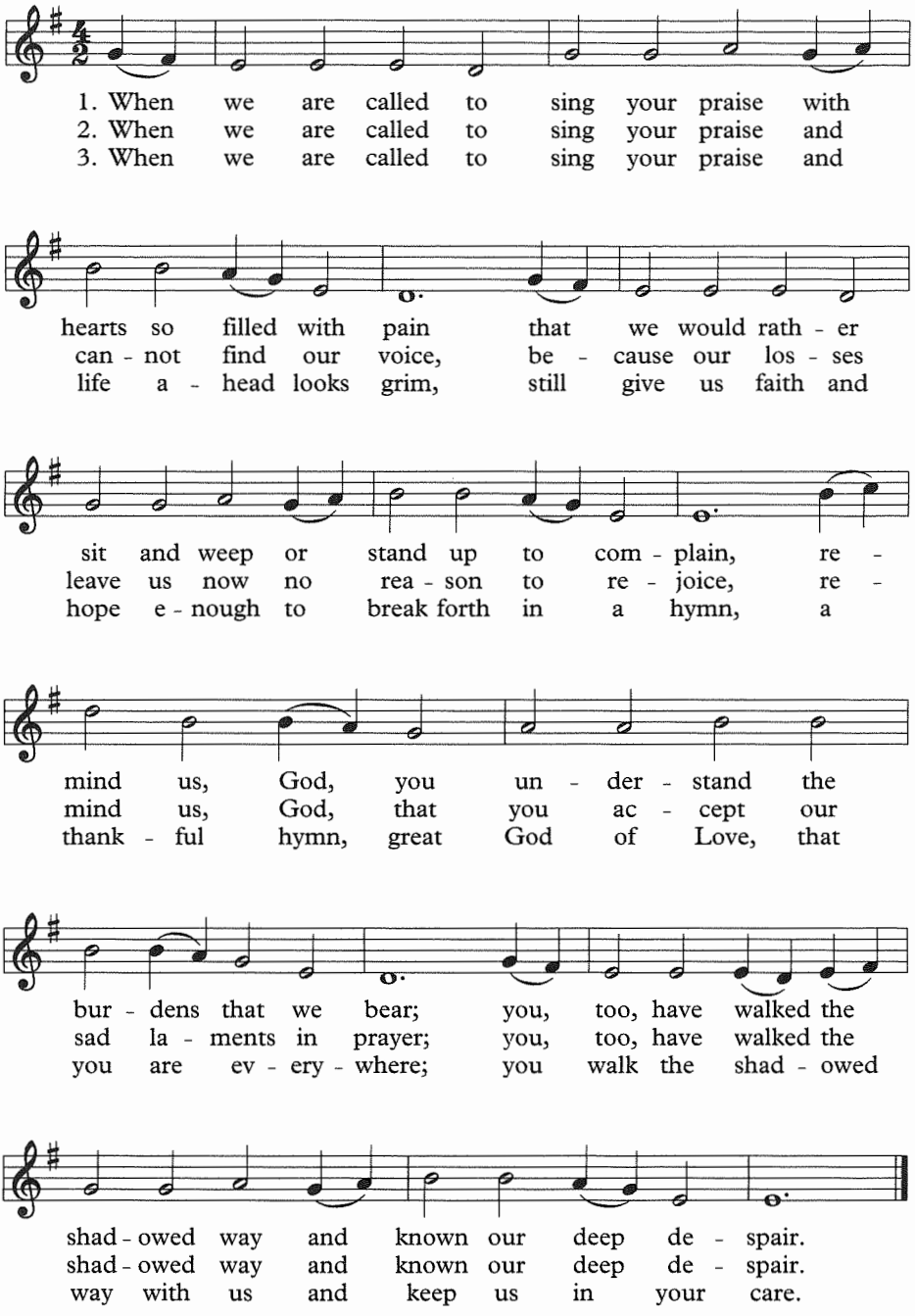
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Psalm 106:1-12, 19-23, 47-48

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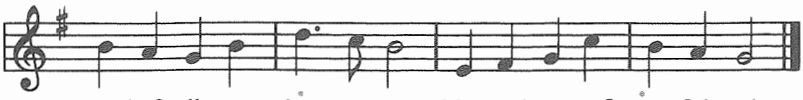
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1 Praise the Lord!
O give thanks to the Lord who is good;
whose steadfast love endures for ever!
2 Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord,
or show forth all God's praise?
3 **Blessed are they who observe justice,**
who do righteousness at all times!
4 Remember me, O Lord, when you show favor to your people;
help me when you deliver them,
5 **that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones,**
that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,
that I may glory with your heritage. ℟

6 Both we and our forebears have sinned;
we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.
7 **Our forebears, when they were in Egypt,**
did not consider your wonderful works;
they did not remember the abundance of your steadfast love,
but rebelled against the Most High at the Red Sea.
8 **God saved them for the sake of his holy name,**
to make known the mighty power of God.
9 God rebuked the Red Sea, and it became dry;
and led them through the deep as through a desert.
10 **So God saved them from the hand of the foe,**
and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.
11 And the waters covered their adversaries;
not one of them was left.
12 **Then they believed God's words;**
they sang God's praise. ℟

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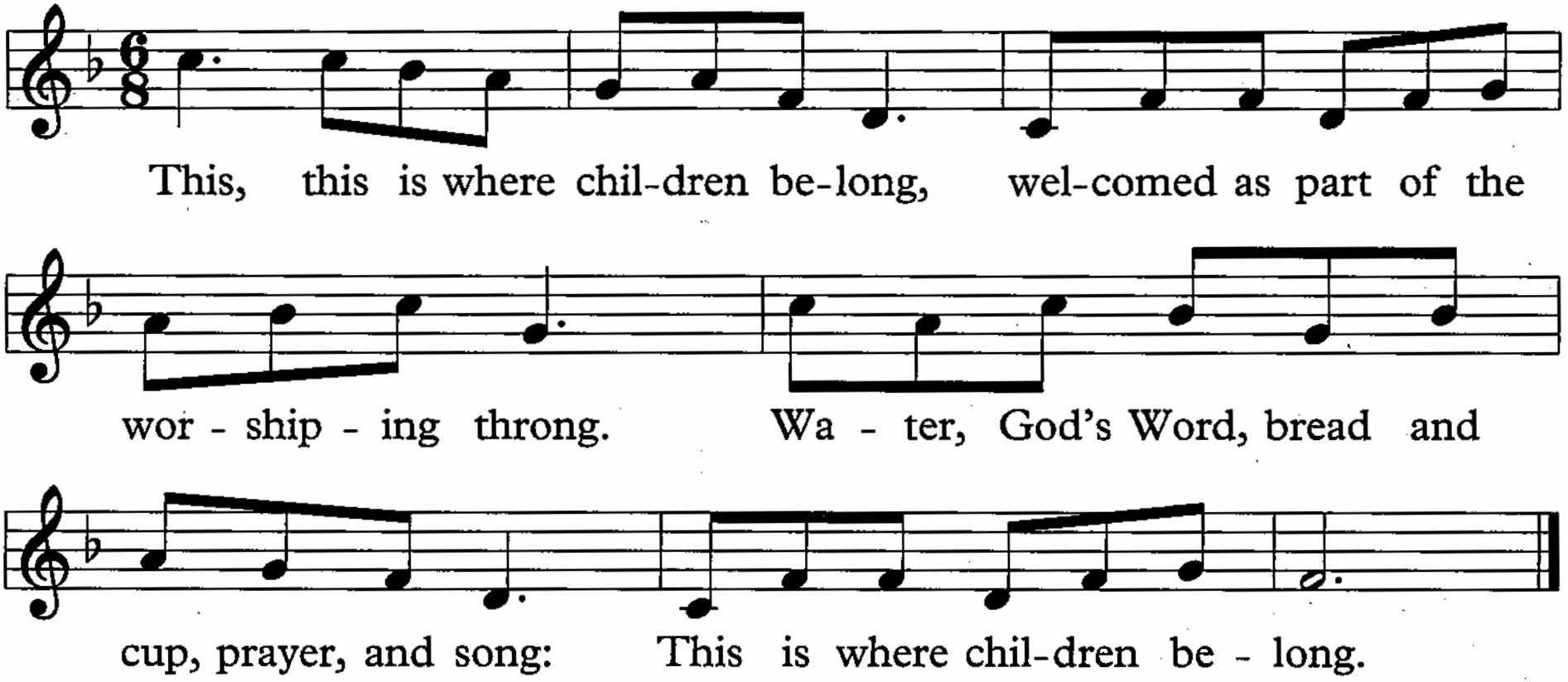
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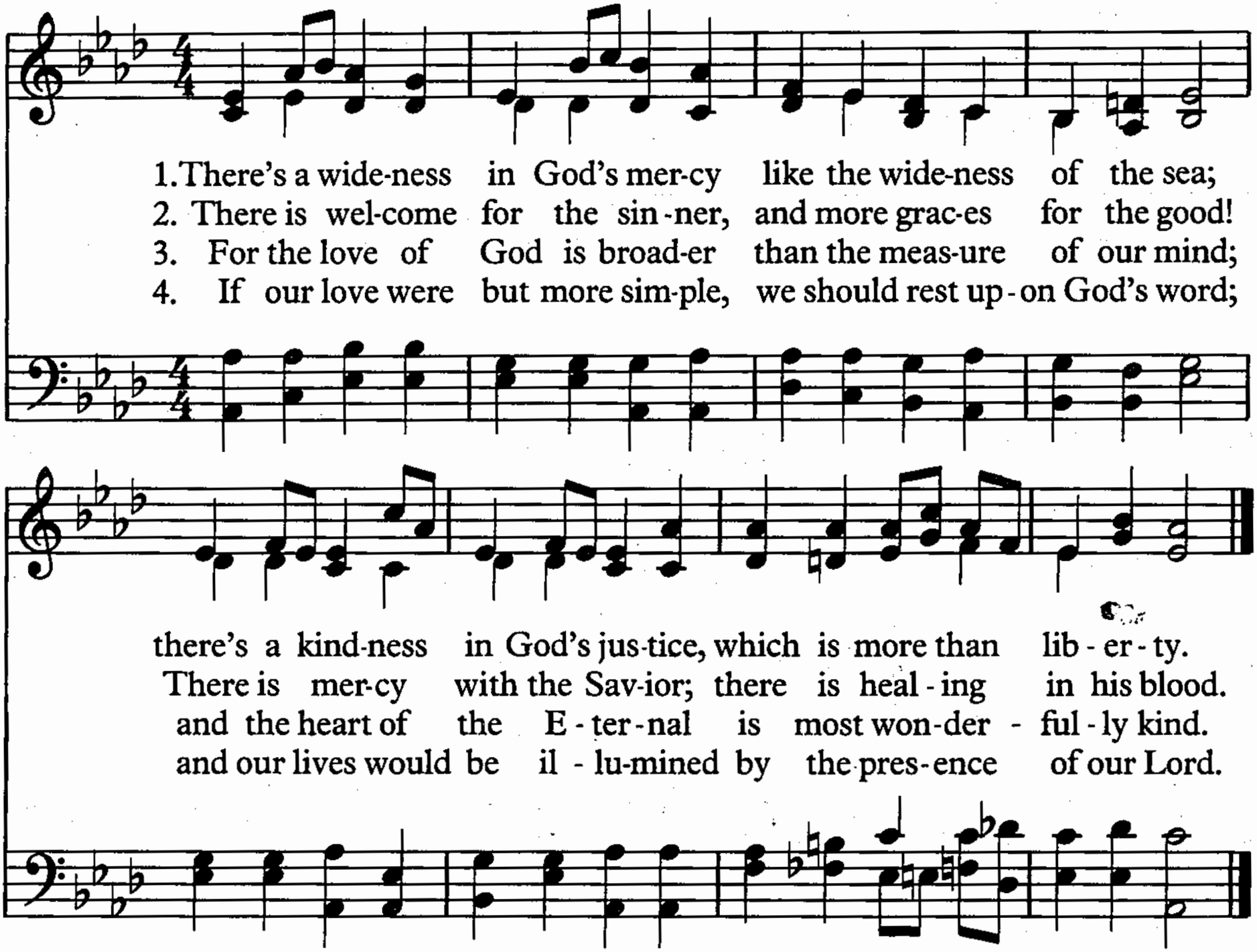

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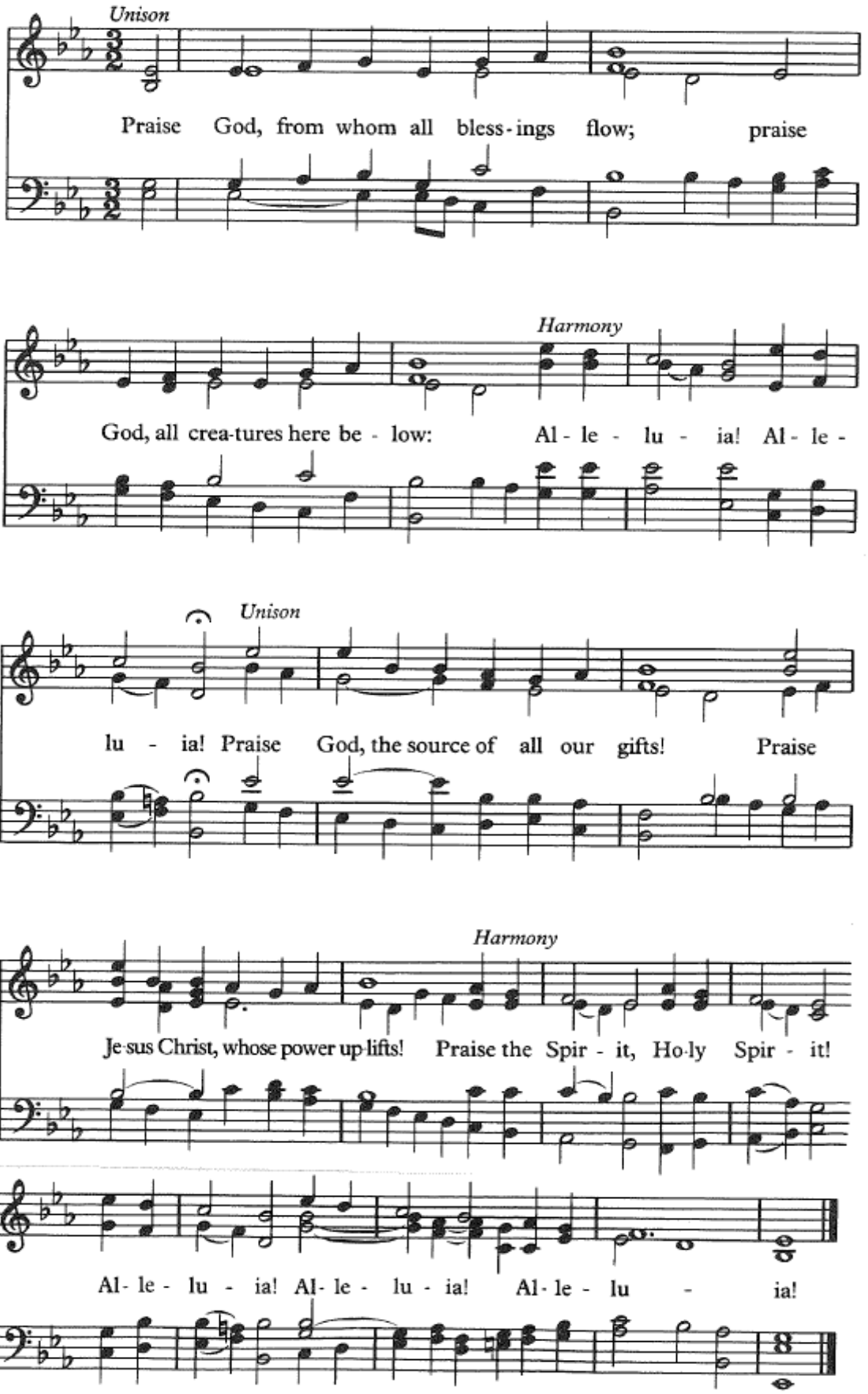
895 FROM THE RITUAL OF THE FORMER METHODIST CHURCH

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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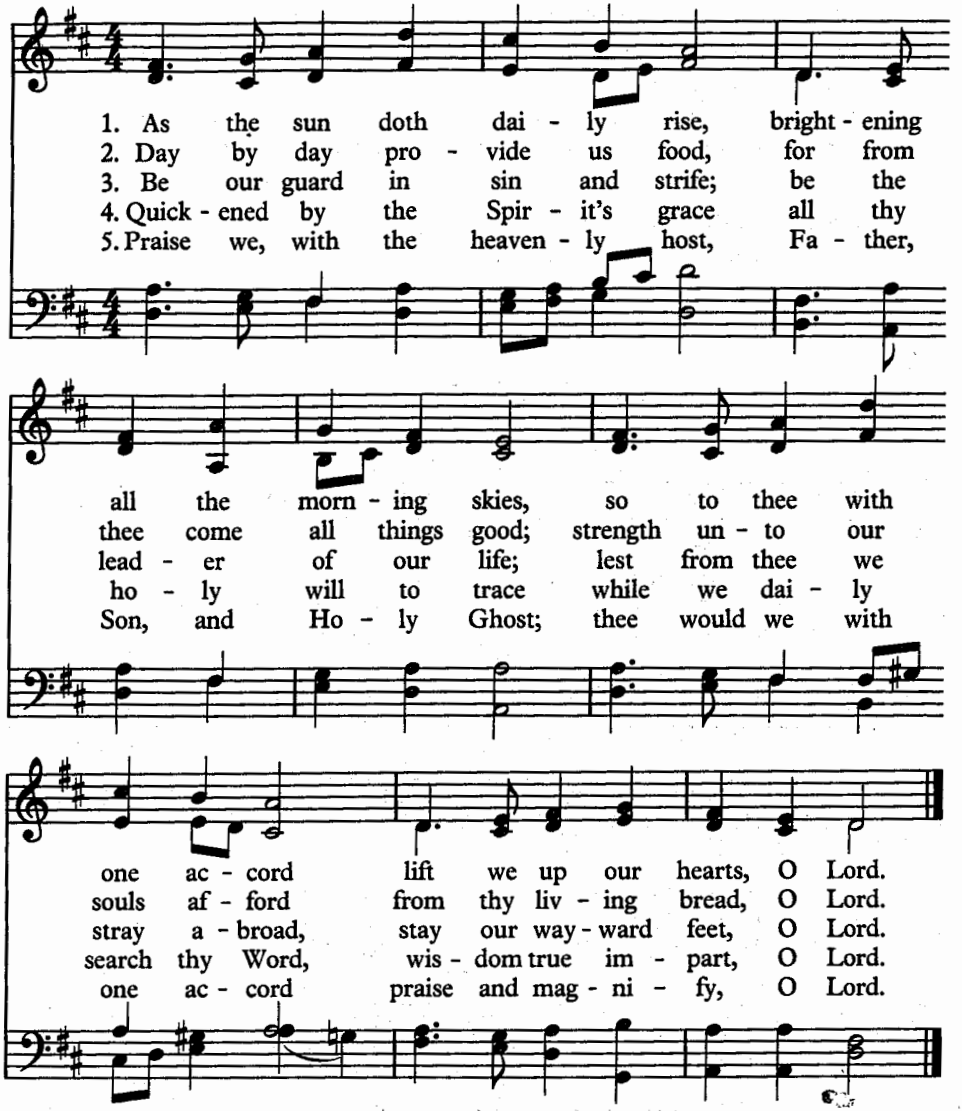
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Fairlington United Methodist Church proclaims without reservation God's unconditional love and grace, and affirms the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We commit to extend Christ's gospel hospitality, creating a place of safety and spiritual sanctuary for all people. Therefore, this community of faith welcomes into membership, participation, and leadership all persons regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, family structure, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic background, political affiliation, physical or mental ability, faith history, or life experience. We recognize among us differences in theology and biblical interpretation, and covenant to accept, respect, and love one another along our faith journeys.

As God loves us, so let us love one another.

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