



10:30am Worship Service
3rd Sunday after Pentecost
June 26, 2022



Order of Worship

Prelude: Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist, BuxWV 208 – Dietrich Buxtehude

Welcome

+Call to Worship*

+Entrance Hymn: Like the murmur of the dove's song (UMH 544)

+Opening Prayer

Scripture: Galatians 5:1, 13-25*

+Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Halleluja (TFWS 2026)

+Scripture: Luke 9:51-62*

+Gospel Acclamation

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

+The Peace

Hymn: "Take up thy cross," the Savior said (UMH 415)

Sermon

Solo: Swing low, sweet chariot – Spiritual, arr. William Arms Fisher

+Presentation Hymn: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow (UMH 94)

+Offertory Prayer

+Sending Hymn: By purpose and by chance (see bulletin)

+Benediction

Postlude: Prelude on *Rhosymedre* - Ralph Vaughan Williams

+ stand, as able

*see next page for responses

UMH = red United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS = black The Faith We Sing hymnal supplement

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Worship Leadership

Preacher: Rev. Grace Imathiu

Liturgist: Colin McDonald

Minister of Music & Organist: Dr. Brian Schoettler

Soloist: Jim Judd

Call to Worship

God said: Let there be light; and there was light.

And God saw that the light was good.

This very day our God has acted! Let us rejoice!

Alleluia! God's name be praised!

Scripture Responses

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Hear what the Spirit says to the church. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Galatians 5:1, 13-25 (NRSV)

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Luke 9:51-62 (NRSV)

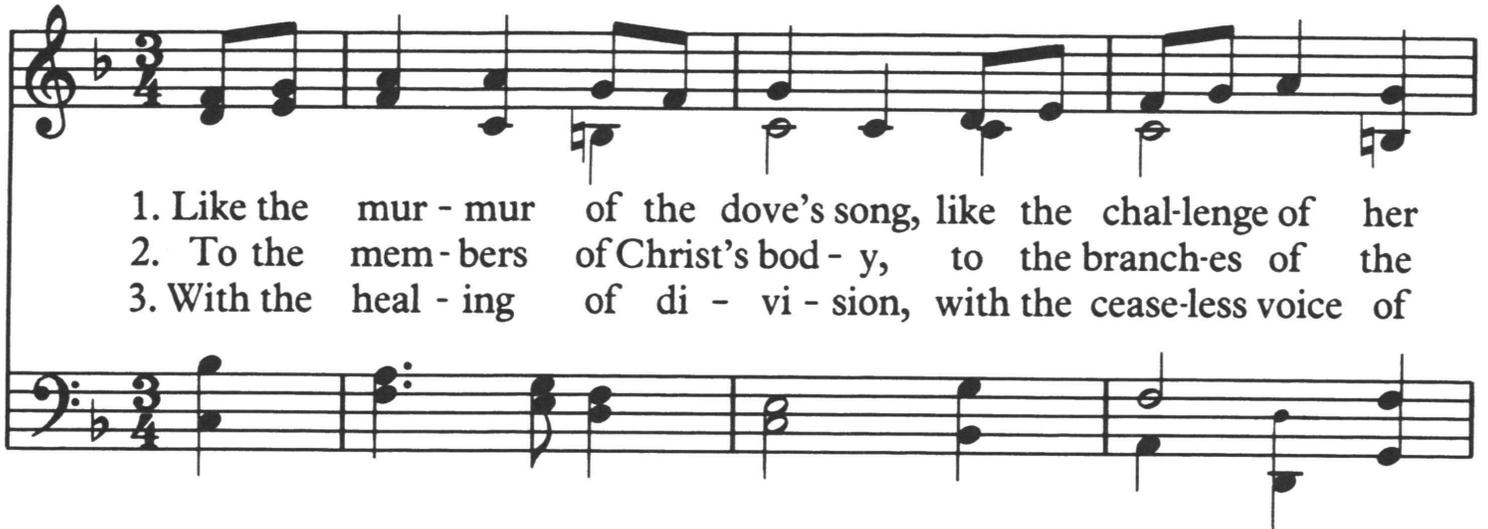
When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to prepare for his arrival, but they did not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." And Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." And Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song 544

Unison


1. Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her
 2. To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch - es of the
 3. With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of



flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the
 Vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to her
 prayer, with the power to love and wit - ness, with the



new flame's ea - ger might: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 midst as gift and sign: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 peace be - yond com - pare: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

WORDS: Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1981 (Acts 2)
 MUSIC: Peter Cutts, 1968

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Halle, Halle, Halleluja

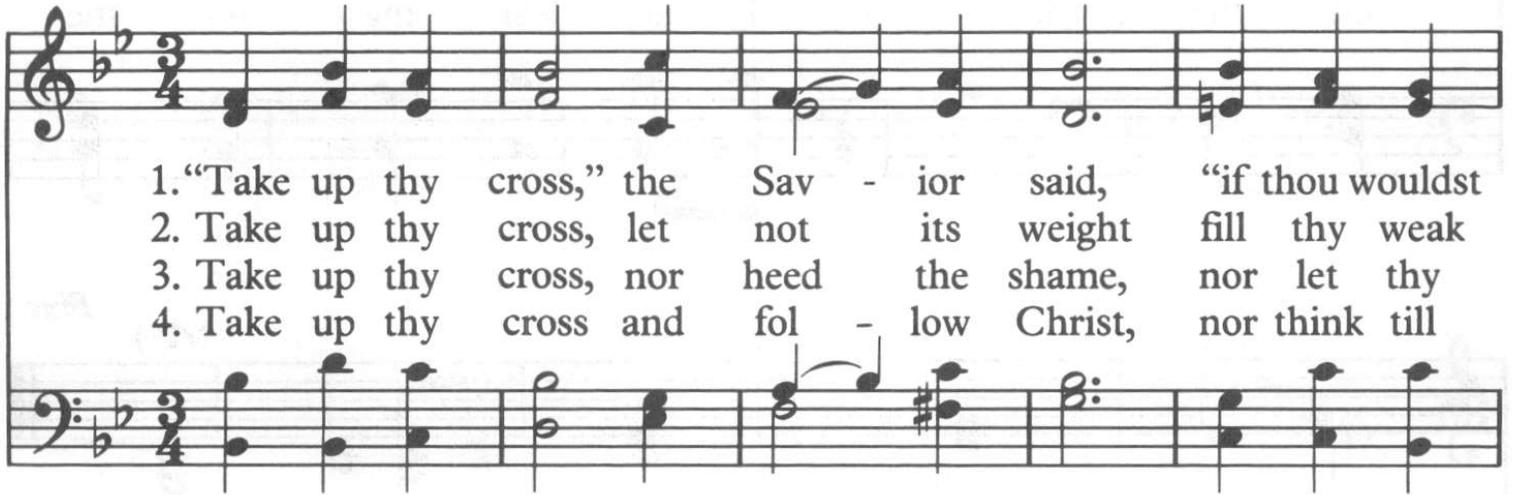
Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal -
le - lu - ja! Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le -
lu - ja! Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal - le - lu - ja!

WORDS: Trad. Caribbean
MUSIC: Trad. Caribbean

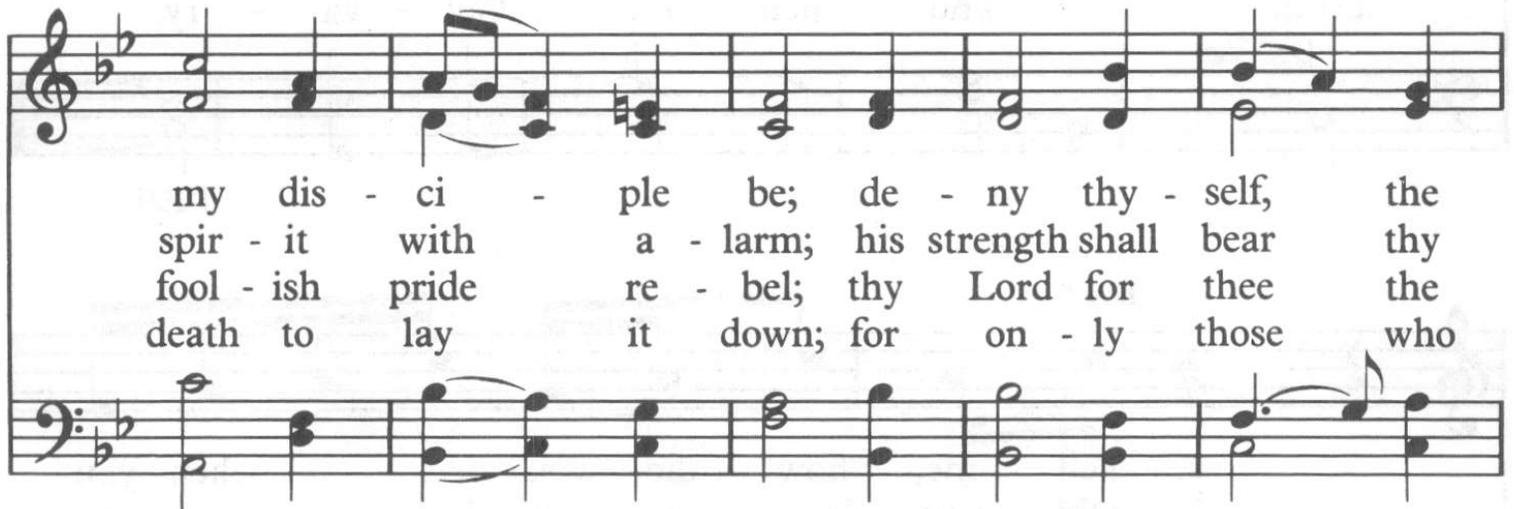
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Take Up Thy Cross

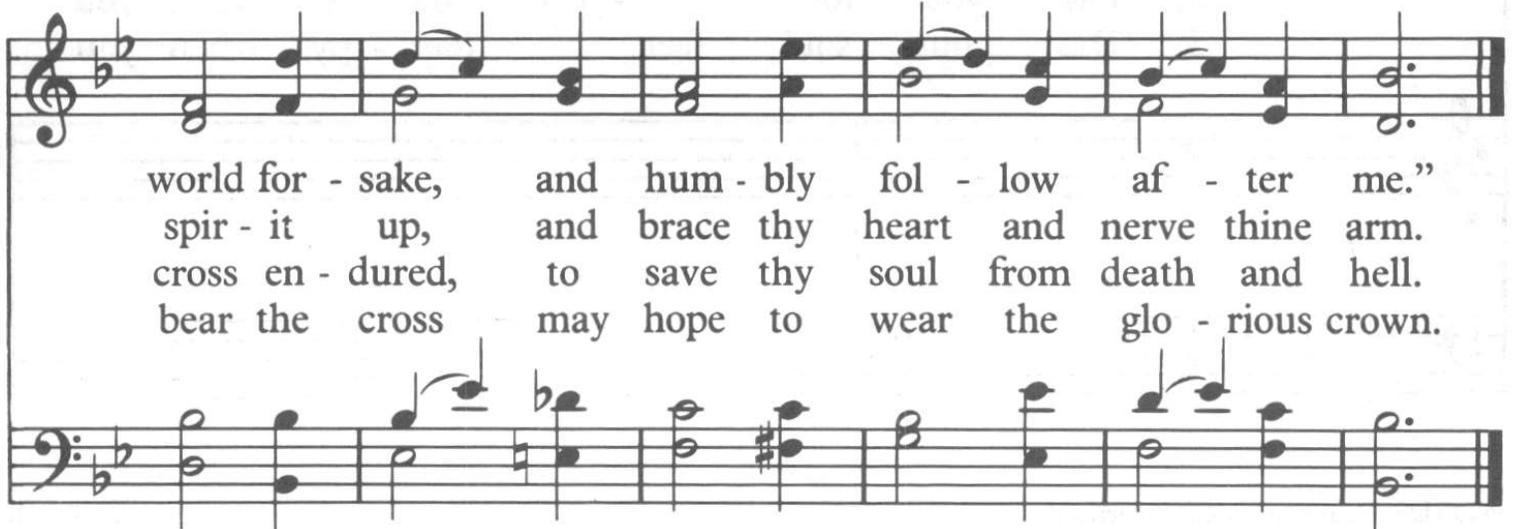
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1. "Take up thy cross," the Sav - ior said, "if thou wouldst
2. Take up thy cross, let not its weight fill thy weak
3. Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame, nor let thy
4. Take up thy cross and fol - low Christ, nor think till



my dis - ci - ple be; de - ny thy - self, the
spir - it with a - larm; his strength shall bear thy
fool - ish pride re - bel; thy Lord for thee the
death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



world for - sake, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
spir - it up, and brace thy heart and nerve thine arm.
cross en - dured, to save thy soul from death and hell.
bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

WORDS: Charles W. Everest, 1833 (Mt. 16:24-25; Mk. 8:34-35; Lk. 9:23-24)
MUSIC: William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

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10. By Purpose and by Chance

Words: Brian Wren
Music: John David Edwards, c. 1838

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1. By pur - pose and by chance our com - pa -
2. We'll bang no boast - ful drum, nor fill the
3. Great Spir - it, roam and reach, till we, who
4. By pur - pose and by chance as time and

1. ny has grown, and sweet is each ad -
2. air with pride, for Christ, who makes us
3. wor - ship bring, are touched by what we
4. sea - sons move, we join the Spir - it's

1. vance if Christ is seen and known. Let
2. one, for ev - ery - one has died, and
3. teach and shaped by what we sing. Dis -
4. dance and find the feast of love. Christ

1. all who love God's lov - ing ways not
 2. fills us full of power and worth to
 3. turb - ing Friend, yet wel - come Guest, be
 4. wel - comes all, with - out re - serve. Lift

1. stand a - loof but raise the roof with
 2. tell and share God's yearn - ing care for
 3. seen and heard through ta - ble, word, and
 4. heart and voice, in God re - joice! We

1. sounds of hope and songs of _____ praise!
 2. earth and all who live on _____ earth.
 3. peo - ple out - cast and op - pressed.
 4. meet to praise, and leave to _____ serve.

94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Unison

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

Harmony

God, all creatures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

Unison

lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise

Harmony

Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it!

Unison

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!