



The Procession, 2007  
— John August Swanson



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

**Prelude** *Vom Himmel Hach* J. Pachelbel

**Greeting** Rev. Colin Knapp

**Introit** *Give Me a Clean Heart* Douroux/Williams

**\*Call to Worship** Jenny Burney

We gather to worship the One  
Who crafted creation out of chaos,  
**Our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.**

We gather to lift our praise  
To the God who gives us voice,  
**We bring the songs which have echoed  
In our hearts all week long.**

We gather as the children of God,  
Our joy unbroken in God's love.  
**Young and old, tone deaf and perfect-pitched  
Lift the new, new songs of faith.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *New Songs of Celebration Render* p. 3 & 4

**Opening Prayer** Jenny Burney

**Confession** Rev. Colin Knapp

**Loving God, we have not loved you  
or each other with our whole hearts.  
Forgive us, we pray,  
and lead us toward wholeness,  
that we may be filled with your joy.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

Christ loves us so much that he  
laid down his life for us  
and calls us his friends.  
If we can forgive our friends,  
how much more does Christ forgive us!

## New Songs of Celebration Render

(Psalm 98)

1 New songs of cel - e - bra-tion ren - der to God who  
 2 Joy - ful - ly, heart - i - ly re - sound - ing, let ev - ery  
 3 Riv - ers and seas and tor - rents roar - ing, hon - or the

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has great won - ders done; love sits en - throned in ageless  
 in - stru - ment and voice peal out the praise of grace a -  
 Lord with wild ac - claim; mountains and stones, look up a -

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splen - dor; come and a - dore the might - y One.  
 bound - ing, call - ing the whole world to re - joice.  
 dor - ing, and find a voice to praise God's name.

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MUSIC (RENDEZ À DIEU 9.8.9.8.D): Louis Bourgeois, 1543, rev. 1551

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God has made known the great sal - va - tion  
 Trum - pets and or - gans, set in mo - tion  
 Righ - teous, com - mand - ing, ev - er glo - rious,

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which all the saints with joy con - fess.  
 such sounds as make the heav - ens ring;  
 prais - es be sung that nev - er cease:

19

God has re - vealed to ev - ery na - tion  
 all things that live in earth and o - cean,  
 just is our God, whose truth vic - to - rious

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truth and un - end - ing righ - teous - ness.  
 sound forth the song; your prais - es bring.  
 es - tab - lish - es the world in peace.

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

## Spirit of the Living God 288

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

## KOREAN

살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
 빛으시고 채우소서  
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서

## SPANISH

*Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.*  
*Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.*  
*Tómame, cámbiame, lléname, úsame.*  
*Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.*

Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1-6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.

TEXT: Daniel Iverson, 1926; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee; Spanish trans. anon.

MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

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LIVING GOD

Irregular

**Psalm Reading**

Psalm 98

*One: This is the Word of God for us, the people of God. All: Thanks be to God*

**Children’s Message**

Maureen Deahl

**New Testament Reading**

Acts 10:44-48

*One: This is the Word of God for us, the people of God. All: Thanks be to God*

**Sermon**

*A Sermon in Two Questions*

Rev. Colin Knapp

**Anthem**

*Anthems of Love*

Dan Forrest

**Prayer for the Offering**

Jenny Burney

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God above you heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia, alleluia!*

**Holy Communion**

**Invitation to the Table**

**Lord’s Prayer** All are encouraged to pray the Lord’s Prayer in the manner of their choosing, included below is one version:

*Our Father (Mother, Creator), 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 and ever. Amen.*

**Breaking of the Bread and the Sharing of the Cup**

**Resurrection Acclamation**

Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one.

**I died, and behold, I am alive for evermore, alleluia!**

**Communion Hymn**

*Eat This Bread (repeat 3X)*

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## Eat This Bread

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G C Am D Bm

Opt. A "Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and  
Opt. B Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to Christ and

Em Dsus D G D

nev - er be hun - gry. Eat this bread;  
nev - er be hun - gry. Eat this bread;

Em Bm C Dsus D G

drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst."  
drink this cup; trust in Christ and you will not thirst.

**Announcements****\*Closing Hymn***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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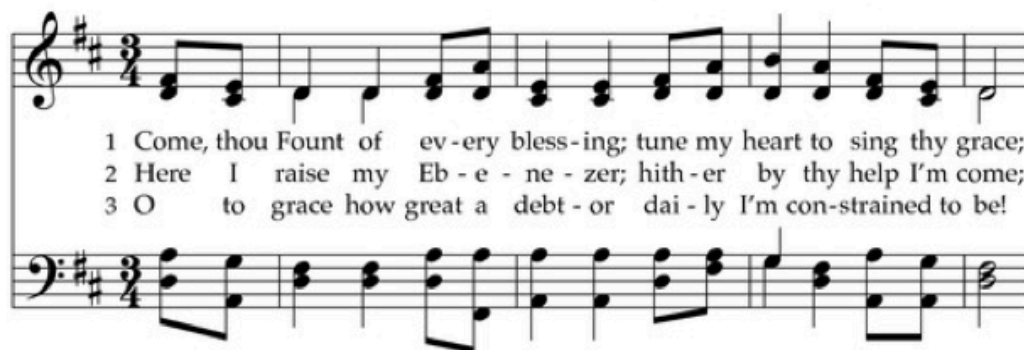
**\*Benediction**

Rev. Colin Knapp

**Postlude***Alleluia Toccata*

Fenton Groden

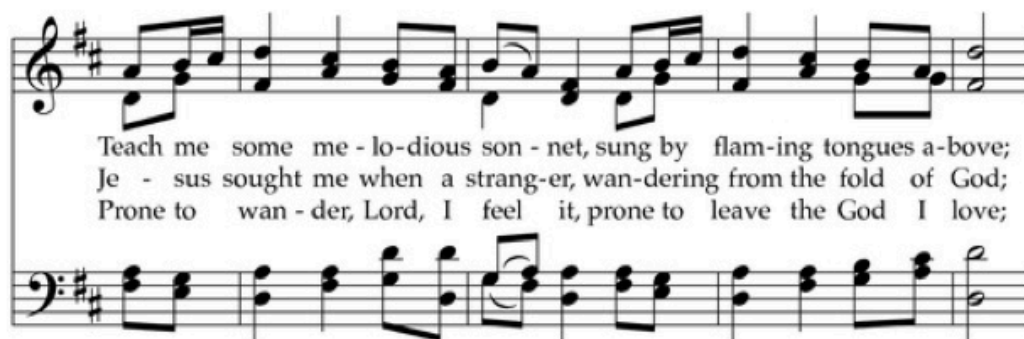
## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475



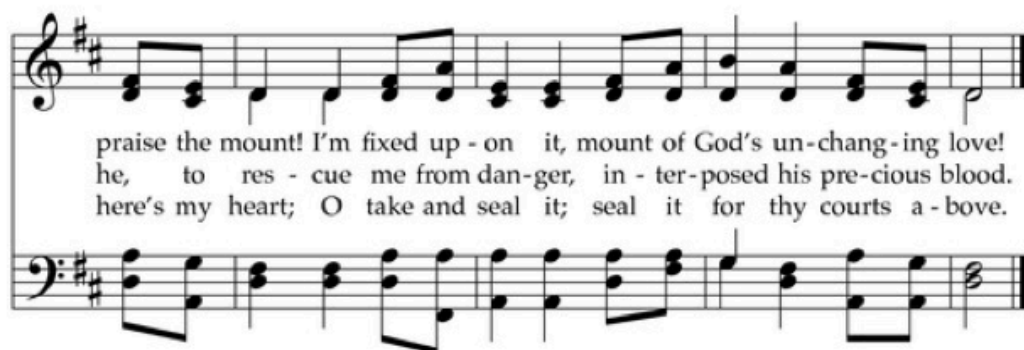
1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love!  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

TEXT: Robert Robinson, 1758, alt.  
MUSIC: Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, 1813

NETTLETON  
8.7.8.7.D



## **Pilgrim History**

**In 1956, the church sponsored the Krijgh family (possibly from the Netherlands) and in 2022-2023, the Safari family (from Rwanda), both refugee families.**

Today's Liturgist is Jenny Burney. Connect Leaders are Karen Lease and Leslie Sutphen. Ushers are Lee Capps and Bruce Cox. Our Online Worship Coordinators are Delena Wilkerson, Chuck Behensky, David Taylor-Glass, and Carol Bustamante. Our Sextons are Claudia Divis and Leslie Lauderdale. We give our thanks for their important contributions to our worship gathering. Pilgrim seeks to be accessible to all. Please ask an usher for assistance you may need to worship with us.

## **Announcements**

### **Donation Needed!**

The young couple we are sponsoring at Cleo and Loren's house need a full size refrigerator. If anyone has one to donate, please contact Russ Sorber or Sally Olson.

### **Join the Pilgrim Crop Hunger Walk Team**

**Sunday, May 5, 2024, 1PM**

The 41st Annual Crop Hunger Walk is returning to a multi-congregational, in-person walk stepping off from Pilgrim Church and we need walkers for our team!! Help us raise money to end hunger in our community and the world. Festivities begin at 1pm with activities for kids and adults. The walk steps off at 2pm and includes a 3-mile or 1-mile route. Visit [bit.ly/pilgrimgrowwalk2024](https://bit.ly/pilgrimgrowwalk2024) to join or donate. Contact Pilgrim's team captain, Rose DiPietro, for more info at [rose.dipietro@gmail.com](mailto:rose.dipietro@gmail.com).

### **Strengthen The Church Special Offering**

**Sunday, May 19, 2024**

Pilgrim Congregational Church will take a special collection for the United Church of Christ's Strengthen The Church offering. This offering helps to plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life of youth and young adults. Your contribution will support our denomination's local ministries in important ways. Please be generous!

### **Pilgrim Celebrating Graduates of all ages, Connect Leaders and Youths**

**Sunday, May 19th**

In our 10:30AM worship the Ministry of Christian Education and the Ministry of Christian Community will honor and Celebrate our Connect Leaders, Youths and 2024 graduates of

all ages so **Mark your Calendars** and join us in worship that Sunday! Kindergarten thru PHD and anything in between. Please let me know by May 10th if you or someone in your family is graduating so we can recognize these accomplishments.

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