

2nd Sunday of Christmas
January 2, 2022

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Our mission: to share our faith in Christ by serving all with respectful compassion.

GATHERING

Gathering Music: Noel with Variations
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude: Air in A Minor

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

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L: Blessed be the Holy One of Israel, the Word made flesh, the Power of the Most High: (+) one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

L: Gathered in the name of Jesus, let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor. *(silence for reflection and self-examination)*

C: Gracious God, in Christ Jesus you come among us as light shining in darkness. We confess our failure to welcome this light. Forgive us and renew our hope, so that we may live in the light of your grace, and welcome the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.

L: I bring you good news of great joy for all the people: To you is born a Savior, Christ the Lord. Your sins are forgiven in (+) Jesus' name. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Song: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

ELW #288

1. Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ was born today;
Ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!
2. Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door and we are blessed forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
3. Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray together... **C: God of all people, you called many by name, asking them to follow Jesus and obey. Call us by name, and help us to follow and obey. Amen.**

WORD

L: The 1st Reading is a portion of Psalm 66.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation:

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

L: The holy Gospel is according to John, the 1st chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

L: The gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Time

Sermon

Rev. Tammy Bull

Hymn of the Day: I Love to Tell the Story ELW 661

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love,
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

REFRAIN: I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

2. I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy word. (refrain)
3. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. (refrain)

L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith... ELW p. 105

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

Prayers of the People (petitions end... "Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**")

Sharing the Peace of Christ

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

The Offering: (At this time we bring our gifts and offerings to God as an act of thankfulness and worship. Following the command of Jesus, we care for people in our congregation, our community, and the world in his name. One of the ways we do this is through the work of the property committee and others who insure that our facility is safe and hospitable inside and out for all who gather here. We appreciate the faithfulness of our members in making regular contributions of your time, energy, prayers, and money to this work! If you are worshiping with us as a guest on-line or in-person, we invite you to join us in caring for God's people and God's world! As the music plays, please take a moment to reflect on God's goodness, and consider what your gift of thanksgiving and worship might be. Thank you!)

Offertory Music: Pastorale in A Minor

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

Offering Response: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW #885

1. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Offertory Prayer: **C: Merciful God, in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

P: "In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus..."

C: 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 and ever. Amen.

Invitation: P: These are the gifts of God, for the people of God. If you are unable to receive Communion today, you are invited to make the sign of the cross on your forehead as a reminder that you are a beloved child of God.

Be Known to Us

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Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia.

Hymn during Communion: What Feast of Love ELW #487

1. What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!
2. What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!
3. What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us, unite us, and keep us in his grace.

C: Amen.

L: Let us all pray... **C: We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

L: May Christ, who by his incarnation has filled us with grace and truth, give you peace this Christmas and always. Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Sending Song: Go, My Children

ELW #543

1. "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."
2. "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."
3. "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

L: Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: Fugue in D Minor

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

Accompanist: James Rickley

Song Leader: Gaynell Tempel

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Prayer Focus: Seeing (In your prayers this week, you are encouraged to see Jesus in all the places your life takes you.)

Announcements for the week of January 2, 2022:

- All Team meeting will be next Sunday, Jan. 9th following worship. This is primarily a calendaring meeting.
- Confirmation students will meet next Sunday, Jan. 9th from 1-3 pm at Our Saviors (14th St. & 1st Ave. N).
- Blaine Thielman, one of our high school students, is collecting donations of non-perishable food items for the new food pantry being set up at Simms High School (where he is a student). Donated food items may be dropped off at the church.
- Reminder: Our congregation's constitution stipulates that voting members must be on record annually as having communed and contributed financial support for the ministry here.

Worship Texts for Next Sunday: Psalm 104:14-16 and John 2:1-11

Keeping in prayer... Tait Strom, Christine Naber, Cathy Hubert, Dan, Carol Strom, Inge, Jean Norby, Judi, Tom Dolan, Mike, Alexandra, Brandy, Darla & Dennis Kuntz, Mary Pat, Wes & Daryl Ries, Barb T., Julie, Joe & Tammie, Skye, Courtney, Grant Brumwell, Steve, Jerry, Stacy K., Doris Gullickson, Ralph, Ann Thielman, Linda Kathman, Dorothy Sowa, Dakota Suta, Toni Sperle, Dave & Carrie Lee, Jim & Honor Conley, Tricia, Deb, Mitchel, Steven, Megan, Marissa, Walt & Sandy, Scott, Haley.

GOING DEEPER:

Our Lutheran worship follows a pattern of Gathering – Word – Meal – Sending.

This page offers some opportunities for reflection as you prepare for worship, participate today, and go out into the world in the coming week.

Gathering:

- What is on your heart as you come to worship today?
- What burdens, brokenness, or sin do you want to turn over to God in the time of Confession and Forgiveness?

Word:

- What connected with you in the scripture readings and/or sermon today?
What challenged you or made you wonder?
- What prayers are on your heart today? Consider these areas: Help, Thanks, Wow!

Meal:

- What nourishment do you need from Jesus for the days ahead?

Sending:

- What will you carry with you from worship this week?

NOEL WITH VARIATIONS

Duration: 6:00 or 12:00

Sw. Light 8', 4', Sw. to Sw. 16'

Gt. Principals 16', 8', 4'

Ped. Bourdon 16', Gt. to Ped. 8'

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Ped. 53 Ⓑ 00 7687 886

CLAUDE LOUIS BALBASTRE

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Joyously

The musical score is written for a grand piano with a four-part setting (treble and bass staves for both hands). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The score is divided into four systems of music.

System 1: The first system begins with a dynamic marking of *f~mf*. It includes a square box labeled "Gt." and a circle labeled "Sw. on repeat". The music features a melody in the right hand with a wavy line above it, and a bass line in the left hand.

System 2: The second system continues the melody and bass line. It includes a section marked "detached Gt." with a wavy line above it. The system ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

System 3: The third system includes a square box labeled "Gt." and a circle labeled "Sw.". The music features a melody in the right hand with a wavy line above it, and a bass line in the left hand. The system ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

System 4: The fourth system includes a square box labeled "Gt." and a circle labeled "Sw.". The music features a melody in the right hand with a wavy line above it, and a bass line in the left hand. The system ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Additional markings include "f" (forte), "p" (piano), and "mf" (mezzo-forte). The score is marked "Joyously" at the beginning.

Variation I

leggiero

mp (A#) Sw. Fls. 8', 4', 2'

Variation II

Sw. Oboe 8' $\text{F}\sharp$

mf $\text{F}\sharp$ Gt. Diap. 8'

f G Gt. Full, no Reeds

mp G Sw. Found. 8', 4'

\square Gt.

\bigcirc Sw.

\square Gt.

open shades ad lib.

The musical score is written for piano and woodwinds. It consists of five systems of staves. The piano part is in the left hand, and the woodwind parts are in the right hand. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The time signature is 4/4. The score includes various dynamics such as *mf*, *f*, and *mp*, and articulations like accents and slurs. There are also performance instructions like 'open shades ad lib.' and 'Gt. Full, no Reeds'. The woodwind parts feature a variety of notes, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The piano part features a variety of chords and single notes, including octaves and fifths.

Variation III

© Sw.
Found. 8', 4'

mf

A# Gt. Solo Reed 8'

f slightly detached

w

w

○ Sw.


□ Gt.

w

w

w

Variation IV

mf  Gt. 8', 4', Gt. to Gt. 16'



simile



□ Gt.

○ Sw.

□ Gt.

Variation V

mf

Ⓑ Sw. 8', 4', +Reeds shades open

Sw. shades closed

Add Sw. to Ped.

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Welcome & Announcements
Prelude: Air in A Minor

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

Air

Restitution : P. Gouin

Claude Balbastre
(1724-1799)

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Fin

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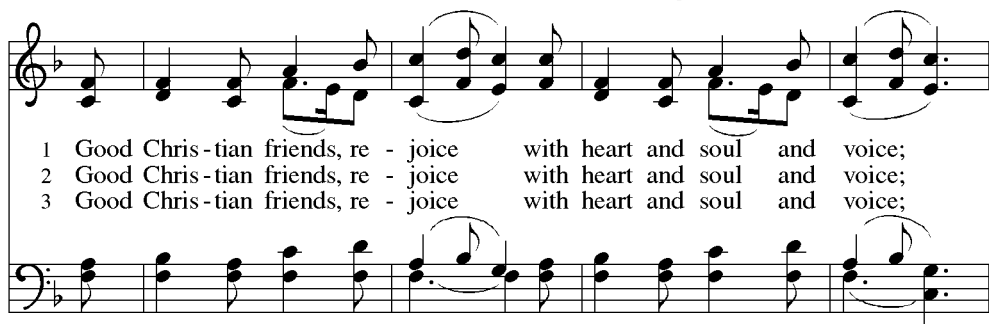
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Gathering Song: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

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Christ is born today! Christ is born today!
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He has opened heaven's door and we are blessed forevermore.
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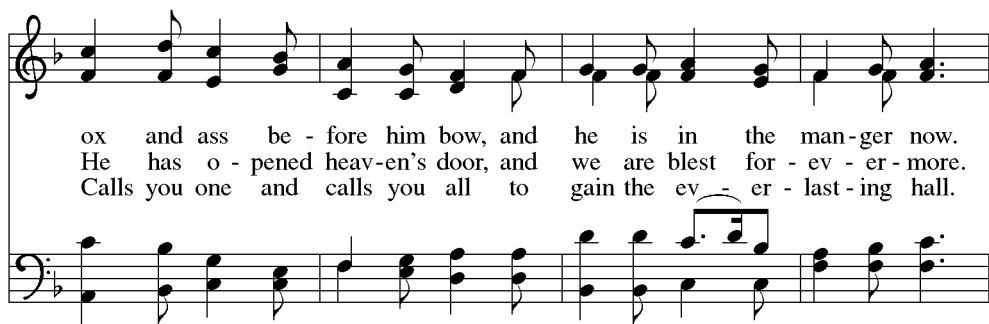
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice



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 2 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
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give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
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 Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.



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L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise: Glory to You, God

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♩ = 96

1. Glo - ry to
2. Glo - ry to
3. Glo - ry to

5

you, God, for yours is the earth; yours is the prom-ise, the bless-ing the
you, God, for yours is the earth; yours the ho - san-nas, the dy - ing, re -
you, God, for yours is the earth; yours the a - noint-ing, the ra - di-ant

5

8

birth. Ours the re-joic - ing for Word giv-en frame;
birth. Ours the re-joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed; ours the thanks-
worth. Ours the re-joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

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11

giv - ing to your ho-ly name. Ours bethe tell - ing of deeds great-ly

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done; yours be the glo - ry, O God, _____ yours a - lone.

L: Let us pray together... **C: God of all people, you called many by name, asking them to follow Jesus and obey. Call us by name, and help us to follow and obey. Amen.**

WORD

L: The 1st Reading is a portion of Psalm 66.

Psalm 66

New Revised Standard Version

Psalm 66

Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

To the leader. A Song. A Psalm.

1 Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

2 sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise.

3 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

4 All the earth worships you;
they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name."Selah

5 Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

6 He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.

There we rejoiced in him,
7 who rules by his might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
let the rebellious not exalt themselves.Selah

8 Bless our God, O peoples,
let the sound of his praise be heard,

9 who has kept us among the living,
and has not let our feet slip.

10 For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.

11 You brought us into the net;
you laid burdens on our backs;

12 you let people ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.[a]

13 I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will pay you my vows,

14 those that my lips uttered

and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
15 I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatlings,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats.Selah

16 Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for me.

17 I cried aloud to him,
and he was extolled with my tongue.

18 If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.

19 But truly God has listened;
he has given heed to the words of my prayer.

20 Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Response after the prayer: **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Readings and Psalm

Response after the conclusion of the first and second reading: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel, using this acclamation, a sung alleluia, or another appropriate song.

S711

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

This musical score is for the Gospel Acclamation. It features a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line consists of three measures, each containing the syllables 'Al-le-lu-ia'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support, with the right hand playing chords and the left hand playing a steady bass line. The piece concludes with a final chord in the piano part.

The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing one of these verses.

Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

This musical score provides two alternative verses for the Gospel Acclamation. It features a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on a grand staff. The key signature has two flats, and the time signature is 4/4. The first verse, 'Lord, to whom shall we go?', is followed by the second verse, 'You have the words of e-ter-nal life.' The piano accompaniment supports the vocal line with chords and a bass line. The piece concludes with a final chord in the piano part.

L: The holy Gospel is according to John, the 1st chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 1

New Revised Standard Version

The Word Became Flesh

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being 4 in him was life,[a] and the life was the light of all people. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. 8 He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. 9 The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.[b]

10 He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. 11 He came to what was his own,[c] and his own people did not accept him. 12 But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

14 And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son,[d] full of grace and truth. 15 (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") 16 From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. 17 The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son,[e] who is close to the Father's heart,[f] who has made him known.

The Testimony of John the Baptist

19 This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" 20 He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." [g] 21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." 22 Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" 23 He said,

"I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness,
'Make straight the way of the Lord,'"

as the prophet Isaiah said.

L: The gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Time

Sermon

Rev. Tammy Bull

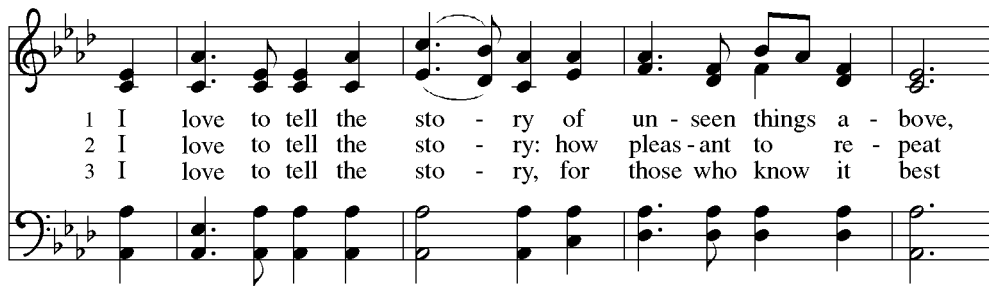
Hymn of the Day: I Love to Tell the Story ELW 661

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love,
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

REFRAIN: I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

2. I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy word. (refrain)
3. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. (refrain)

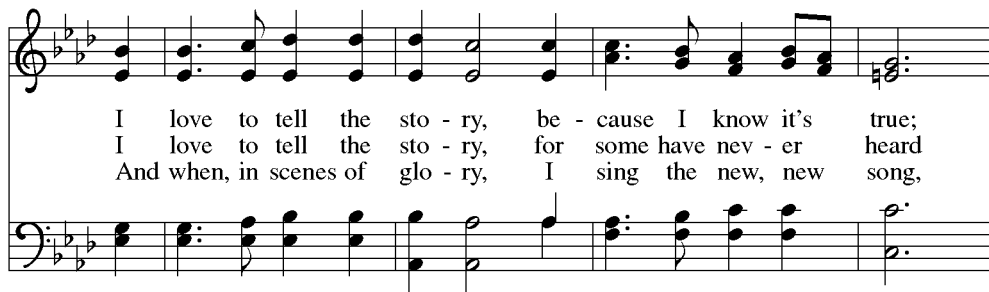
I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.

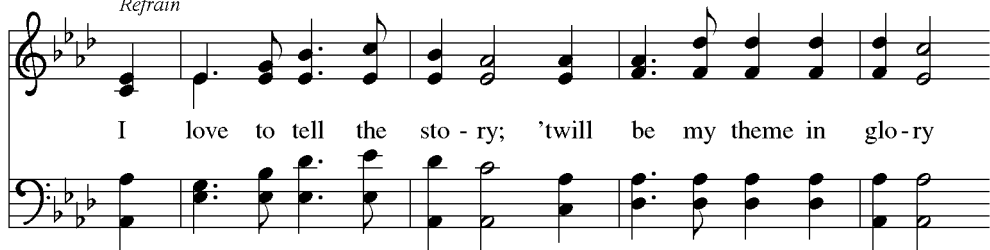


I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911

Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith... ELW p. 105

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

Prayers of the People (petitions end... "Lord, in your mercy... **hear our prayer.**")

Sharing the Peace of Christ

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

The Offering: (At this time we bring our gifts and offerings to God as an act of thankfulness and worship. Following the command of Jesus, we care for people in our congregation, our community, and the world in his name. One of the ways we do this is through the work of the property committee and others who insure that our facility is safe and hospitable inside and out for all who gather here. We appreciate the faithfulness of our members in making regular contributions of your time, energy, prayers, and money to this work! If you are worshiping with us as a guest on-line or in-person, we invite you to join us in caring for God's people and God's world! As the music plays, please take a moment to reflect on God's goodness, and consider what your gift of thanksgiving and worship might be. Thank you!)

Offertory Music: Pastorale in A Minor

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

Offering Response: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW #885

1. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Cette pièce fut retrouvée peinte sur le couvercle
d'un piano Érard et Zeitter de 1874, fabriqué à
partir d'un clavecin du milieu du XVIII^e siècle.
(*Early Music*, October 1983, p. 511)

Pastorale

par Mr Balbastre
Le 6 Aoust 1767

Claude Balbastre
(1724-1799)

Gay

Reprise

Majeur

Reprise

au Mineur

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All People That on Earth Do Dwell

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
 3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
 4 For why? The Lord our God is good: his mer - cy
 5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom

Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
 aid he did us make. We are his folk, he
 joy his courts un - to; his praise, laud, and bless his
 is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times
 heav'n and earth a - dore, from us and from the

praise forth tell; come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.
 an - gel host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594
 Music: Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OLD HUNDREDTH
 L.M.

884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise him, all creatures here below;
 praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

OLD HUNDREDTH
 L.M.

Offertory Prayer: **C: Merciful God, in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hoeses of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

ACS p. 36

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The thanksgiving continues with the preface for the day or season; the assembly responds:

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

This system contains the first two measures of the hymn. It features a vocal melody in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and'.

God of might, heav-en and earth are full of your

This system contains the next two measures of the hymn. The vocal melody continues with the lyrics 'God of might, heav-en and earth are full of your'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support.

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

This system contains the final two measures of the hymn. The vocal melody concludes with the lyrics 'glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'. The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the

This system contains the first four measures of the piece. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and Bb4, then a half note C5, and ends with a half note Bb4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a simple harmonic accompaniment in the left hand.

Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

This system contains measures 5 through 8. The vocal line continues with a half note G4, quarter notes A4 and Bb4, a half note C5, and ends with a half note Bb4. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern, providing a consistent harmonic background.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

This system contains measures 9 through 12, concluding the piece. The vocal line starts with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, quarter notes A4 and Bb4, a half note C5, and ends with a half note Bb4. The piano accompaniment concludes with a final chord in the right hand and a sustained note in the left hand.

P: "In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus..."

C: 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 and ever. Amen.

Invitation: P: These are the gifts of God, for the people of God. If you are unable to receive Communion today, you are invited to make the sign of the cross on your forehead as a reminder that you are a beloved child of God.

Be Known to Us

ACS p. 40

Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia.

Hymn during Communion: What Feast of Love ELW #487

1. What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!
2. What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!
3. What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

Be known to us, Lord Je-sus, in the break-ing of the bread.

The first system of the musical score is in G major (one sharp). The vocal line (treble clef) consists of six measures: G4-A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half), and D4 (half). The piano accompaniment (grand staff) consists of six measures: two chords (G4-A4 and B4) in the first measure, followed by a series of chords and single notes in the second, third, fourth, and fifth measures, and a final chord in the sixth measure.

Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

The second system of the musical score is in G major (one sharp). The vocal line (treble clef) consists of six measures: G4-A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (half), and D4 (half). The piano accompaniment (grand staff) consists of six measures: two chords (G4-A4 and B4) in the first measure, followed by a series of chords and single notes in the second, third, fourth, and fifth measures, and a final chord in the sixth measure.



Be known to us, Lord Je-sus, in the break-ing of the bread.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

[41] After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands. "At last, Lord" (p. 26 [26]) or another suitable song may be sung.



1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?
 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim - son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?
 What hope of ev - er - last - ing life, what won - drous word is giv - en?
 What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!



P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us, unite us, and keep us in his grace.

C: Amen.

L: Let us all pray... **C: We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

L: May Christ, who by his incarnation has filled us with grace and truth, give you peace this Christmas and always. Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: Go, My Children

ELW #543

1. "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."
2. "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."
3. "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

Hymn # 543

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Jaroslav J. Vjada

Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

1. "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2. "Go, my chil-dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3. "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I much am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how and love by serv - ing, joy - ful I can cure.
 Grow in love and much love by serv - ing, joy - ful I can and free.

In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and and free."

L: Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: Fugue in D Minor

Claude-Bénigne Balbastre

Fugue pour l'orgue (1748)

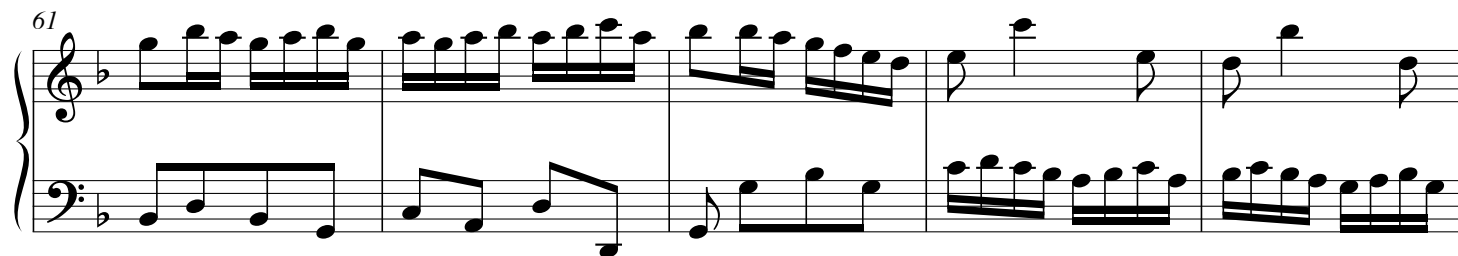
Claude Balbastre
(1724-1799)

Duo

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass, in 2/4 time. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The score is divided into five systems, each containing two measures. Measure numbers 6, 11, 16, and 22 are indicated at the start of their respective systems. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, accidentals (sharps, flats, naturals), and ornaments (trills, mordents). The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of measure 22.

This musical score is for a piano piece, spanning measures 29 to 55. It is written in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a 2/4 time signature. The score is presented in a grand staff format, with a treble clef on the upper staff and a bass clef on the lower staff. The notation includes various musical symbols such as eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and accidentals (sharps and naturals). Measure numbers 29, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 55 are placed at the beginning of their respective systems. The piece features a mix of melodic lines and harmonic accompaniment, with some measures containing trills or grace notes. The overall style is that of a contemporary piano composition.

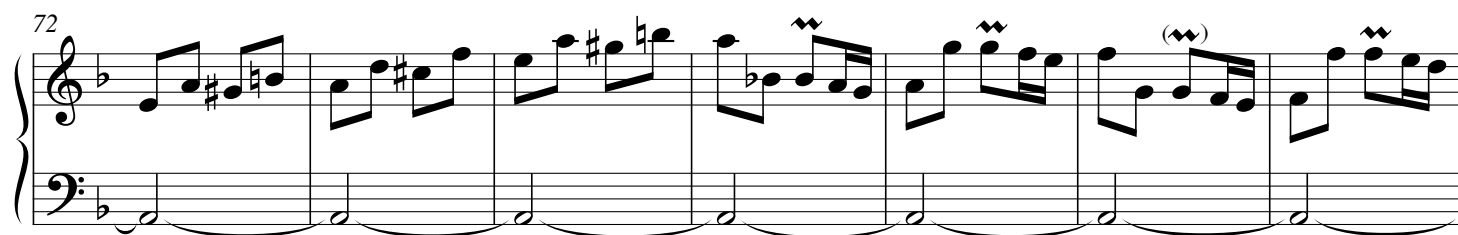
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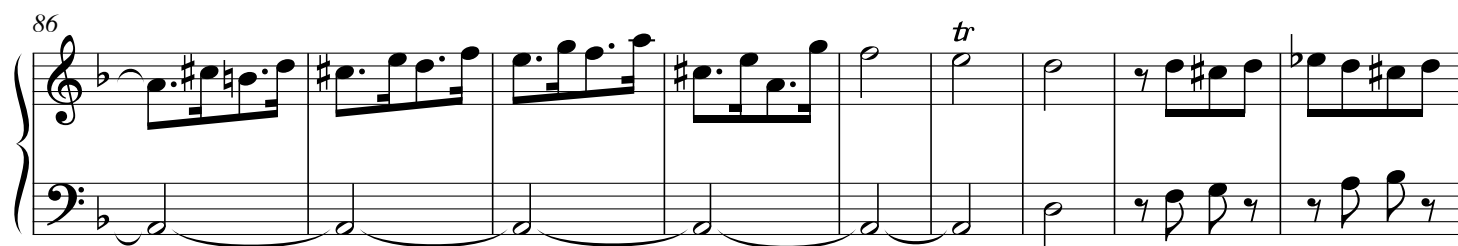
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