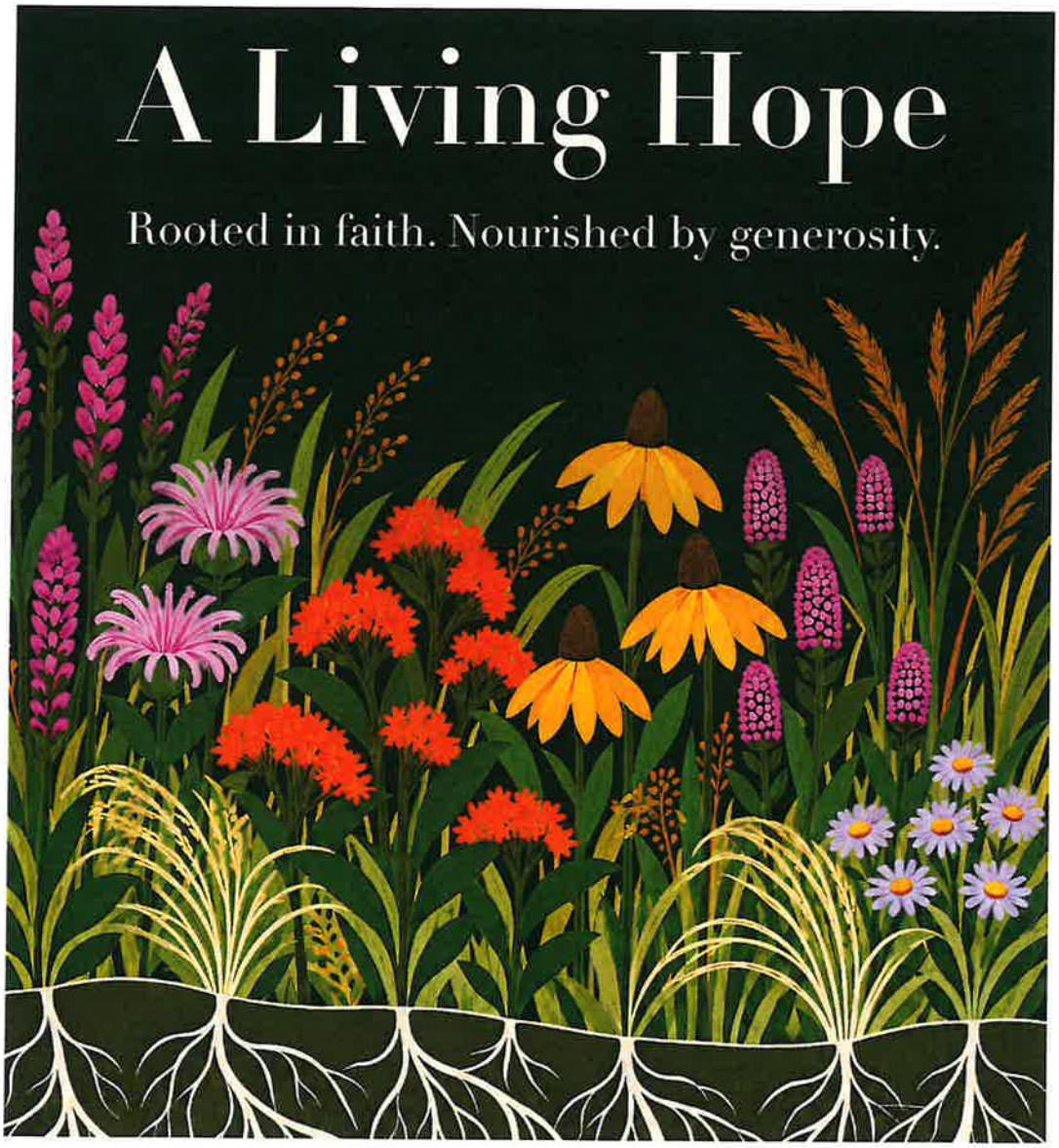
THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"Our deepest joy comes from tight relationships—
with God, neighbor, and the earth."
– Ronald J. Snider

Stewardship Sunday | November 15, 2026 10 a.m.

Welcome!

We are delighted you have joined House of Hope for worship.
Our open and affirming, caring active community welcomes people of all ages & backgrounds.

Please join us for a time of Faith Formation on Sunday Mornings:
8:30 a.m. Breakfast – Kirk Parlour | 9:10 a.m. Education Time/Sunday School – East Wing

Our regular Sunday Worship time is 10 a.m., followed by refreshments, social hour, and enrichment opportunities. If you have any questions, our ushers will be glad to help you.
We invite you to join us for refreshments, today served in the **Kirk Parlour** following the service.

Sunday Morning Family Resources:

All children need to be registered before leaving their guardians for programming.
If your child is not registered, use this form: **https://bit.ly/CFMregistration or QR code:**

- **Worship:** Following the Time for Children, third graders and younger (with their guardians) are invited to Children's Worship in the Chapel. Fourth and Fifth graders may sit with volunteers at the tables in the West Transept. Caregivers should pick up their children from the Transept or Chapel immediately following the service. Children are always welcome to stay in worship with their guardians.
- **A Wiggle Space** for children is available in the Bridal Room near the chapel with books and toys for your use, as well as a livestream of the service. Feel free to come in and out of the Sanctuary as needed.
- **Worship bags** are available at sanctuary entrances. Children's Bibles are located in the pews.
- **Nursery** in the East Wing is open for children age four and younger. A parent/guardian must sign children in and out of the nursery. Bring a photo ID with you.
- **Nursing** Parents are welcome to nurse their children wherever they feel comfortable. Feel free to ask an usher if you would feel more comfortable in a more private area.
- **Alleluia Choir** Rehearsal 11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m. ages 3 through Kindergarten welcome to come sing, dance, and read books together. Jessica Bandelin, Choir School Director: JessicaB@hohchurch.org
- **Need help?** Ask an usher or staff member any time!

Dr. Jimmy Hoke, Director of Christian Education: JimmyH@hohchurch.org
Sign up for Jimmy's CFM Updates here: bit.ly/CFMUpdates
Elsa Kendig, Director of Youth, Family, and Justice Ministries: ElsaK@hohchurch.org

Today's Enrichment Hour | 11:15 a.m. | Assembly Room

Navigating Senior Care Together Panel Discussion. Join local experts Angela Elwell from Seven Hills Senior Living, Connie Thompson from Amada Senior Care, Lisa Gunn from Beyond Hospice, and Sharon Kadet from Rose's Daughter as they share insights, resources, and support for older adults and their families.

Next Week: Ministry Transformation Process Team

House of Hope's sanctuary is equipped with telecoil technology. To access the Hearing Loop, please sit in the long pews in the center of the sanctuary.

[+] Stand as you are able

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Reverie — Pamela McGee
Daystar (based upon Hymn 487) — Karen Buckwalter
The Bells of Hope; Timothy Short, Director

Introit

Sanctus — Franz Schubert
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Conductor

+Processional Hymn 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee — HYMN TO JOY
Aaron David Miller, Organist

+Call to Worship *(Congregation reads the text in bold)* — Rev. Phillip J. Romine

This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

+Prayer of Confession

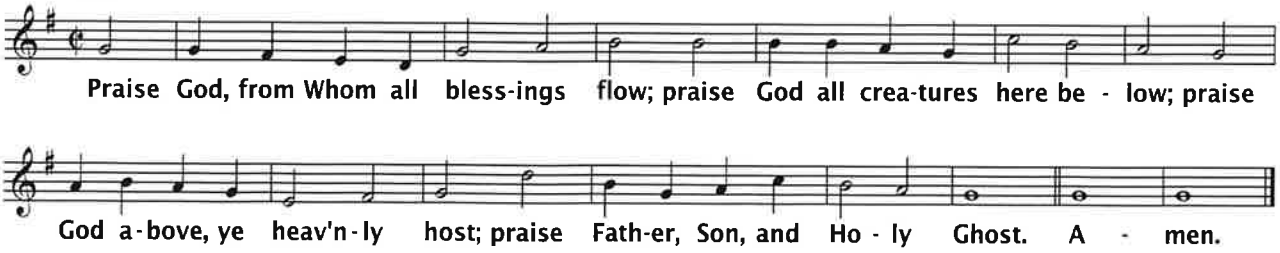
Merciful and loving God, you have given us gifts beyond our comprehension: time on this earth, talents to build up your beloved community, and resources by which to serve your Creation. Yet we hoard and squander what you have entrusted to us. We store up treasures for this world. We lay waste the land and pollute the sea, and we pit neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. Have mercy on us. Refresh our souls and show us how to use our gifts to the benefit of the world so our whole lives might sing your praises. Amen.

+Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

+The Peace *(The Peace of the Lord is shared with those around you.)*

+Doxology



Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of Pledges

All adults and children are invited to come forward and place their pledge cards in the basket as an act of worship and a sign of commitment. Please come forward using the center aisle and return to your pews by the side aisle.

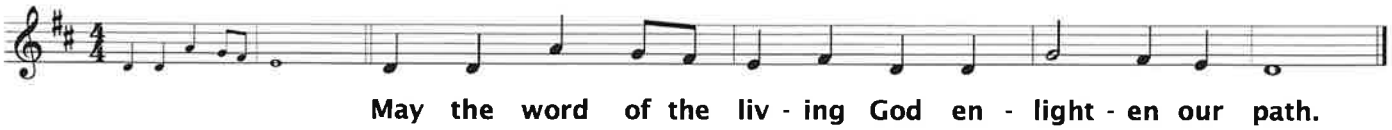
Largo from Lute Concerto — Antonio Vivaldi/Kevin McChesney
Jeffrey Van, guitar; The Bells of Hope

Litany of Dedication

Gracious God, creator of the world, giver of all that is good,
bless the gifts and the pledges we bring to you today.
These pledges represent our work, our hopes, and our dreams,
and we offer them in thanksgiving for all we have received.
May they be the first fruits of all we have,
and not what we have left over.
May we see these pledges as a sacred offering,
and not a gift of obligation or exchange.
May we use them wisely for your service,
to reflect your love to this city and this world.
May they move us to be more faithful disciples,
and energize us for lives of generosity.
In gratitude for the grace of God,
in the warmth of God's hospitality,
and in the spirit of the generosity embodied by Christ,
We dedicate these pledges to the work of God.
Thanks be to God!
Alleluia! Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Sung Acclamation



First Lesson — Richard Langer

Psalm 90:1-6, 12 (OT, pp. 517-518 in pew Bible)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

I Will Not Leave You Comfortless — Everett Titcomb

I will not leave you comfortless,
I will come to you yet again: Alleluia.
And your heart shall be joyful.
Alleluia.

3rd Grade Bible Presentation *(names on page 7)* — Dr. Jimmy Hoke

Dear God, thank you for creating us in your image. Guide these children and their families as they read, ask questions, and respond to these sacred stories. Teach us to follow Jesus, as we care for the world and everyone in it. Amen.

Time for Children

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Second Lesson

Matthew 25:14-30 (NT, p. 27 in pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon — Rev. James D. Cochrane

Why Should I?

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+Hymn 434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples — KINGSFOLD

+Affirmation of Faith — Adapted from the *Confession of 1967* — Rev. Dr. E. Scott Jones

**With an urgency born of this hope,
the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world.
It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth,
nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope,
the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

(The prayers will begin with a moment for silent reflection.)

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering — There are four ways to give an offering:

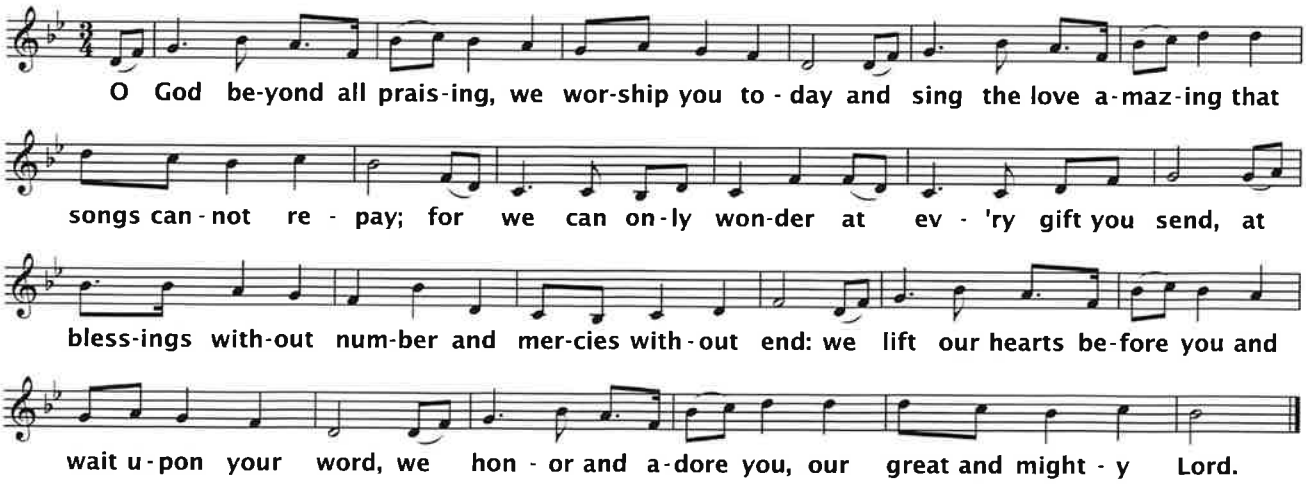
- In-Person.	Offering plates will be passed throughout the congregation at this time.
- Website.	On the homepage, click "Support House of Hope", then click on "Make a Gift"
- Mail.	Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105
-QR Code.	Please see insert.

Offertory Anthem

Be Unto Me — William Byrd

Be unto me, O Lord,
a tower of strength
Against my mortal foe,
O guard and ward me with thy power,
Which way so ever I shall go.
Then shall my heart and soul rejoice.
In God my Lord, with cheerful voice.

+Offertory Response



+Prayer of Dedication

+Recessional Hymn 552

Give Thanks, O Christian People — ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

+Benediction

Postlude

Carillon Postlude — Timothy Short, Carillonneur

Peace Candle. The single candle near the pulpit is our Peace Candle, lighted as a reminder of the ongoing need for our prayer for peace in the world.

Third-Graders receiving Bibles

Anna B., Jane C., Wyatt C., Ray D., Alexander M., Ezra N., Andrew S., Rosalind W.

Forgot your Pledge Card?

You can pledge online at **https://hoh.s.gy/livinghope** or by QR:

24/7 Pastoral Care Voicemail

House of Hope has reestablished an on-call phone number for pastoral emergencies: **651-223-7559.** Calls go straight to voicemail. After you leave a message and hang up, it is forwarded to a member of the House of Hope clergy, who will respond as soon as possible.

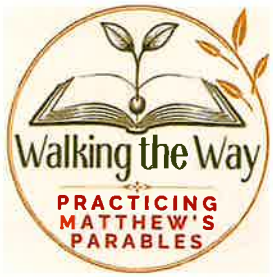
As always, you may contact any of member of the clergy directly by phone, voicemail, or email, or call the church office during business hours with concerns or requests for follow up.

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News & Opportunities

November 15 - 22, 2026

Fall Formation Series — *Walking the Way: Practicing Matthew's Parables.*



Wednesdays, through November 18
5:30 p.m. | Kirk Parlour

We will learn and engage Christian practices for reading Scripture, focusing on Matthew's Parables (which Scott has been preaching on this fall). How do we perceive God's call through Scripture and then live it out in the world? Led by Dr. Jimmy Hoke. Light dinner starts at 5:30 p.m.

Matthew 25 Art Exhibit and Fundraiser

The Matthew 25 Team will be presenting an exhibit *Human Toll: A Public History of 35W* for January and February in the HOH Art Gallery. This exhibit will be enhanced by additional presentations about the displacement of thriving African American communities in both South Minneapolis and the Saint Paul Rondo neighborhoods due to the construction of 35W and I-94.

To offset the costs of these community events, we are selling HOH Matthew 25 t-shirts (long and short sleeve) and sweatshirts, November 15, 22, and 29 at tables outside of the Kirk Parlour. To order online, please see our website. We know you'll look great in your HOH swag! Your support in helping fund an exhibit that will benefit both HOH and the wider community is greatly appreciated!

Midweek Contemplative Prayer
Elizabeth Chapel | Wednesdays 12:15 p.m.

House of Hope offers a short, contemplative prayer service in the Elizabeth Chapel. Led by clergy, Scripture reading, prayers, bells, and silence invites us to ground and center ourselves.



2026 Christmas Sponsor-A-Family

Our faith reminds us the Christmas season is about sharing with those most in need. We plan to spread Christmas joy by providing gifts for 60 families in partnership with mission partners. Visit the church website under **Things to Know** to find the link for information on families. A family wish list with instructions will be emailed to you. For assistance in signing up, contact the church.

Don't like to shop?
- Donate to help purchase grocery store gift cards for each family. Mail or drop off donations with a notation of Sponsor A Family.

- Let us shop for you. Contact Stacy Paleen for details at spaleen@yahoo.com



Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 25 | 7 p.m.

Thanksgiving Eve worship will be held at 7 p.m. with music by the Motet Choir and Choir School. A recital of carillon music will begin at 6:40 p.m. with the program to be found at the HOH website. All are invited to join us in worship and giving thanks. You are invited to bring non-perishable food items or make a financial donation that will be shared with the food pantries at Hallie Q. Brown Community Center and Neighborhood House.

Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.
Psalm 106:1

For a full listing of events and activities, please visit our website www.hohchurch.org.



Save the Date and kick off the Christmas Season: Saturday, December 5 at 7 p.m.

Members of the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame, Monroe Crossing has been entertaining audiences for over 25 years. Whether appearing in an intimate room, community theater, major venue or outdoor festival, Monroe Crossing presents a highly entertaining show making them favorites among bluegrass connoisseurs and non-bluegrass audiences alike!

Join us for a special Bluegrass Christmas concert, hosted by Hope Arts Center and House of Hope.

Tickets: hohchurch.org/tickets

Week Beginning November 15, 2026

Stewardship Sunday, November 15, 2026

8:30 a.m.	Breakfast Time, Kirk Parlour
9:10 a.m.	Education Time, East Wing
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Children's Worship, Chapel
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
11:15 a.m.	Enrichment Hour, Assembly Room
11:15 a.m.	Alleluia Choir, Choir School Room
11:15 a.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision, Room 1
6 p.m.	High School Youth Group, Youth Room

Monday, November 16, 2026

6 p.m.	AA, Assembly Room
6 p.m.	Al-Anon, Room 1

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

7 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
9:30 a.m.	Centering Prayer, Chapel/Zoom
1:30 p.m.	Library Committee, Library
6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting, Assembly Room

Wednesday, November 18, 2026

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study, Room 1/Zoom
12:15 p.m.	Midweek Prayer Service, Elizabeth Chapel
1:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision, Zoom
4 p.m.	Choir School Rehearsal, Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Formation Series, Kirk Parlour
6:45 p.m.	Confirmation Youth Group, Youth Room
6:45 p.m.	Bells of Hope Rehearsal, Room 5
7 p.m.	Motet Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, November 19, 2026

7 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Day by Day Cafe/Zoom
10 a.m.	House of Hope Writing Group, Room 1
1 p.m.	Drop-in Knitting and Crafting, Library
4:30 p.m.	Bylaws Commission, Kirby Lounge
5:30 p.m.	Capital City Grief Coalition, Lumen Christi Catholic Community

Friday, November 20, 2026

8 a.m.	Women's Book Group, Zoom
9:30 a.m.	Centering Prayer, Zoom

Saturday, November 21, 2026

9 a.m.	Confirmation Mini Retreat/Hennepin Ave United Methodist Church

Sunday, November 22, 2026

9:30 a.m.	Breakfast Time, Kirk Parlour
9:15 a.m.	Choir School, Choir School Room
9:30 a.m.	Education Time, East Wing
10 a.m.	Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Children's Worship, Chapel
11:15 a.m.	Social Hour, Kirk Parlour
11:15 a.m.	Enrichment Hour, Assembly Room
11:15 a.m.	Alleluia Choir, Choir School Room
6 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group, Youth Room

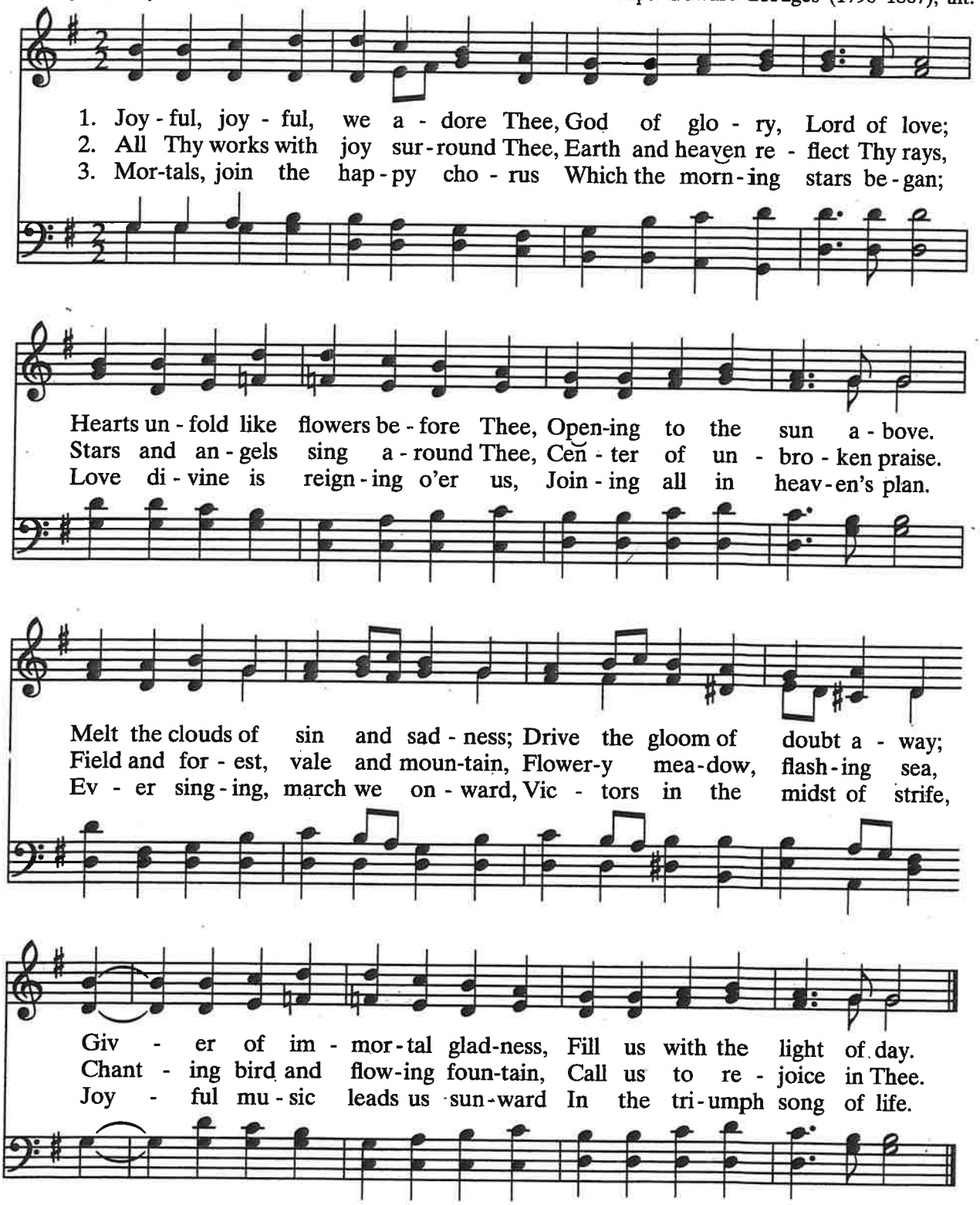
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Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796–1867); alt.

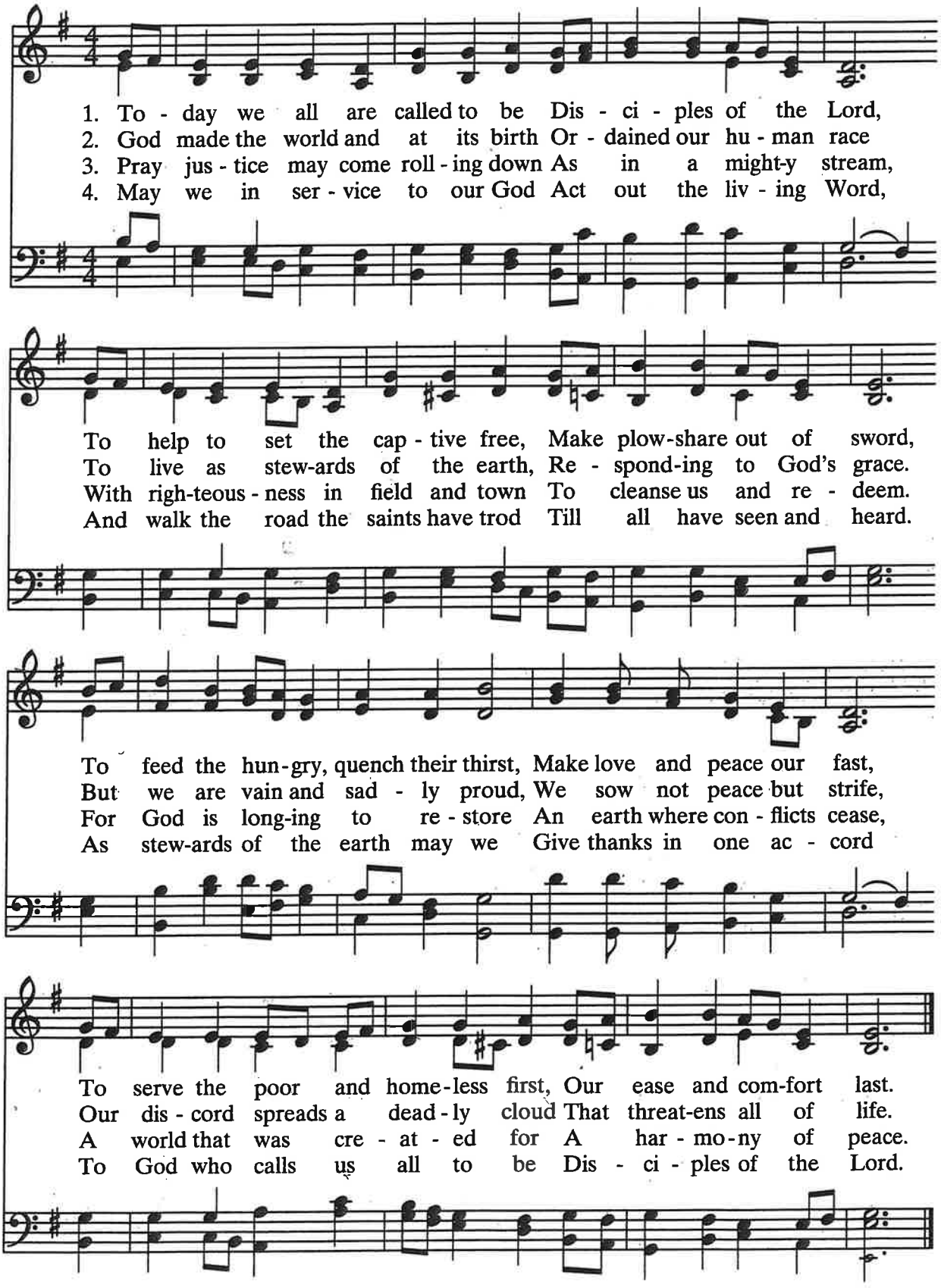


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KINGSFOLD CMD

English Country Songs, 1893
Arr. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

H. Kenn Carmichael, 1985
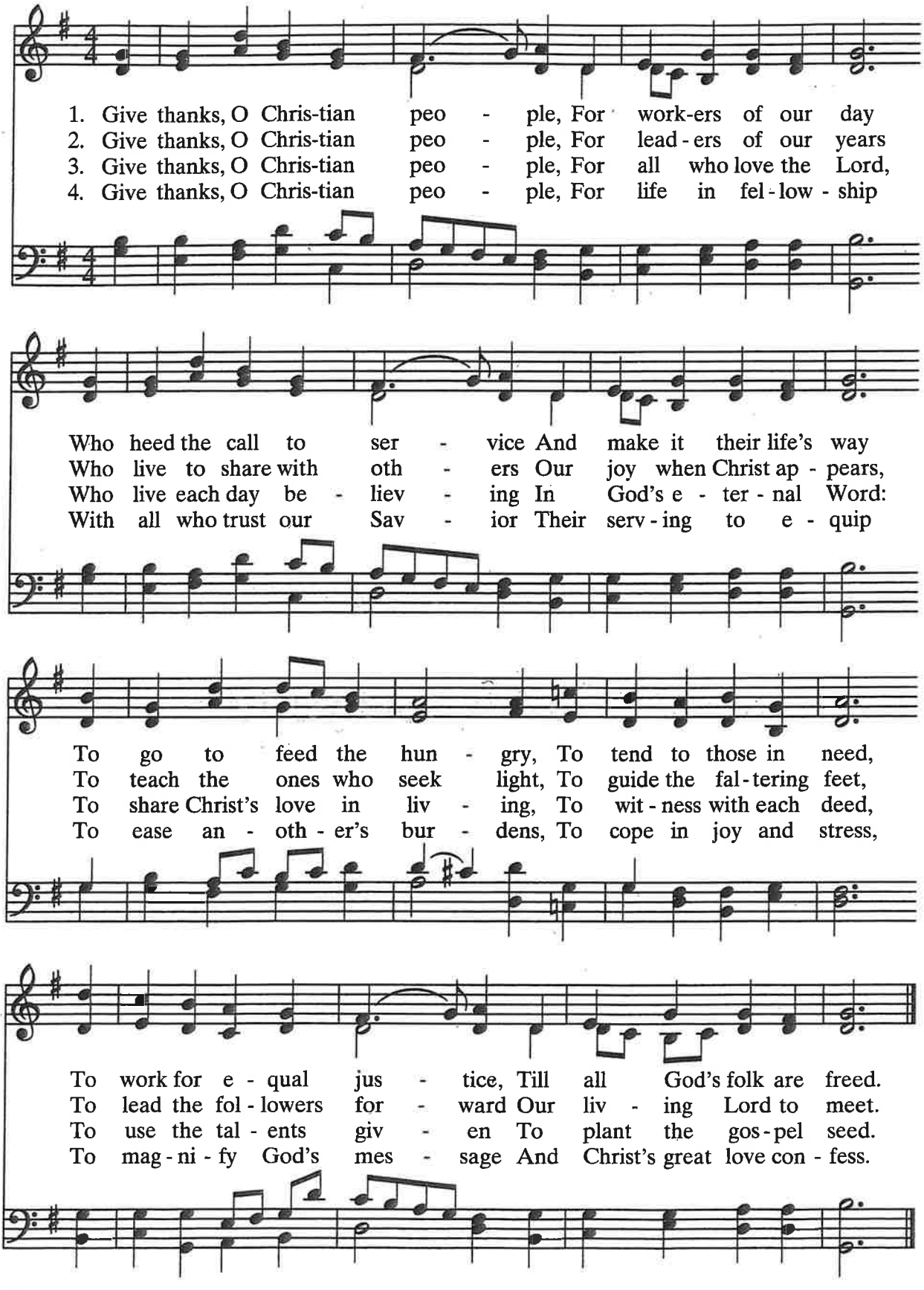


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Mary Jackson Cathey, 1984

Memmingen ms., 17th century
Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1904



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