



10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2014

Emanuel Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Welcome to Emanuel

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WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by filling out a worship attendance form (located in your bulletin) and placing it in the offering plate.

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(Please ask an usher)

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10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 17, 2014

9:30 AM

PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C Minor

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

GATHERING SONGS

Broken in Love

Purple Book #24

Baptized and Set Free

Purple Book #14

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Please rise.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(A brief silence for reflection.)* Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen

*(See next page for **Now the Feast and Celebration**)*

Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo - ple of



God; to make all things new.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

P Please be seated.

FIRST READING

Genesis 45:1-15

Bible page 41

L A reading from Isaiah.

Moved to tears by Judah's plea on behalf of Benjamin, Joseph declares, "I am Joseph!" and asks, "Is my father still alive?" The evil intent of the brothers had been trumped by God's using Joseph to preserve many lives at a time of famine.

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ²And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. ³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your

son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there — since there are five more years of famine to come — so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' ¹²And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. ¹³You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." ¹⁴Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Bible page 1032-1033

L A reading from Romans.

God has not rejected Israel. Rather, the call and gifts of God are irrevocable, so that while all have been disobedient, God has mercy upon all.

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. ²⁹for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

Bible page 892-893

P The Holy Gospel according to the 15th chapter of Matthew.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus teaches his disciples that true purity is a matter of the heart rather than outward religious observances. Almost immediately, this teaching is tested when a woman considered to be pagan and unclean approaches him for help.

¹⁰Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: ¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." ¹²Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?"¹³He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." ¹⁵But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." ¹⁶Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Filled by the Spirit, let us join the whole people of God in Christ Jesus in praying for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. You are invited to kneel. *(A brief silence.)*

A Lord, your house is a house of prayer for all peoples, all outcasts, and all who love your name. Reach into our hearts and focus our attention on this central mission of your gospel. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Embrace all of creation in your loving arms and show us a better way to care for your earth. Increase our understanding of the atmosphere and oceans, and help us protect endangered species. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A You ask us to maintain justice and do what is right, that all nations know peace. Uphold those international organizations striving to work together for the good of all. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Shine your face upon those in need of healing for bodies, minds, and spirits. Strengthen our faith and fill us with hope as we humbly kneel before you. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Open our hearts to the visitors among us, and to their gifts and questions. Fill them with your welcoming presence. Watch over those who are absent and bring them safely home. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A As you gather the faithful who have died into your eternal home, remind us of everything they have taught us in your name. Thank you for their presence among us. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

P Please rise.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

P Please be seated as we collect the offering.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word

Max Reger

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor Lee Heim

P Please rise.

The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

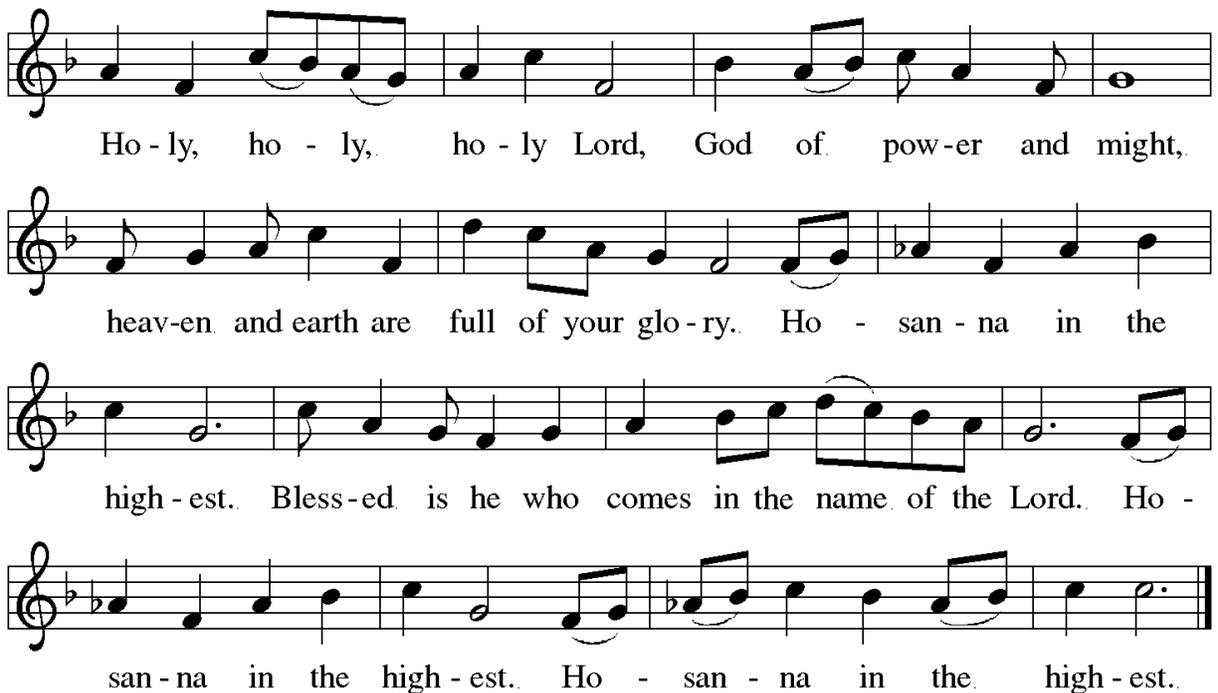
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav-en. and earth are full of your glo-ry.. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless-ed. is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus **took bread**,
and gave thanks; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he **took the cup**, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup
is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Everyone who hungers, come to the table. Eat what is good, that you may live.
Please be seated.

We will practice continuous communion at the altar rail. All baptized Christians are welcome to commune.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Healer of our Every Ill

Red Book #612

One Bread, One Body

Red Book #496

BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A We thank you, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have fed us in a way our hearts can understand, with the saving body and blood of Jesus Christ. Enliven us by your presence in this meal, that we may be your presence in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

BLESSING

P May God the sower make you good and fertile soil. May Christ the seed bloom and grow in your words and actions. May the fruitful Spirit bring forth a bountiful yield in your lives. God the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

P Let us pray:

C **God of all creation, we offer you grateful praise for the Gift of Life, and especially the gift of the lives of our sisters and brothers who stand before us this day and who recall this month the day of their birth. They rejoice in your gifts of life and love, family and friends.**

**Bless them with your presence and surround them with your love that they may enjoy many happy years, all of them pleasing to you. We ask this grace and blessing for each one of them through Christ our Lord.
Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

Red Book #434

ALL: v. 1, 3, 5

Women: v. 2

Men: v.4

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Tocatta in the Style of Scarlatti

Gordon Young

THOSE WHO SERVED US TODAY

Presiding Minister.....Pastor Lee Heim
Assisting Minister..... Kathleen Reuter
Song Leader Paula Barton
Acolyte..... Allie Shank
Communion Assistant..... Bill Reinheimer
Usher/Greeter Holtz/Salonen
Altar Team Marsha Waggoner



Announcements

Today's Events

8:30 AM – Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM – Communion Service

10:45 AM – Annual Meeting Pt. 2

3:30 PM– Emanuel Youth at
Kroeze's

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
by Marsha Waggoner.



All God's Creatures

There will be a "Blessing of the Animals" by Pastor Roger on Saturday, September 20 at 5:30 pm for our Stewardship Kick-Off. This is a special time for all ages to bring any or all for the animals in your household. Even if you're not bringing an animal, come for the fellowship. Emanuel's Youth will be serving root beer floats. Mark your calendar so you won't miss it!

Emanuel Youth will gather for ceramics and pool time at the Kroeze's this afternoon at 3:30 pm.

Where in the World is Jesus? Remember Jesus in your travels and be sure to mark the map in the Narthex.

You Have the Words of Eternal Life

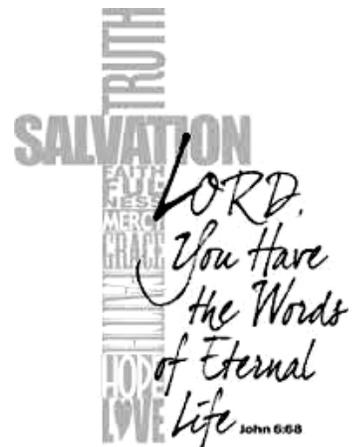
Yes, YOU!

Peter said it about Jesus. But now Jesus says it about you. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations ... teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you." (Matt. 28:19-20) These are the words with which our Lord commissions all of his disciples. When we read the words of scripture during the service on Sunday we are sharing the words of eternal life. The **redeemed** life. The **new** life in Christ. The life that lasts—**eternally**.

It is no small task. While it may be true that anybody can read, not every reading is riveting. But we might also agree that the words of eternal life ought to, need to, and certainly can engage our imaginations, help us understand the law's demands, and assure us of God's grace.

We will provide a workshop at **6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 9** in which we will explore many ways and means to improve our reading of scripture aloud in worship. If you are currently serving as a reader or assistant minister, or if you are interested in exploring this opportunity to serve, this one's for you. Come find out how **you** can make a difference!

After all, we have the words of eternal life to share, and we want to sound like it!





Family Promise Opportunity:

Celebrate Labor Day week by spending a night at the Hotel Emanuel or (provide and) enjoy a meal with some (new) friends around a communal table in a lovely dining room with high vaulted ceilings. Limited reservations are being taken on the sign-up chart in the Narthex. Don't wait. Sign up today.



Stewardship Ministry Message: Support and Strengthen Emanuel's Future

Are we helping to build Emanuel's Future congregation? Our Emanuel congregation has been blessed with many volunteers since we've been without a Pastor. During worship Emanuel's families have a Children's Time (occasionally a children's song) and a Children's Church with Debbie and Mary. For the older children there is a Youth Group run by parents and volunteers. We also have a great campus and a giving congregation.

Jesus loves each of us (John 3:16) and God is Love (1 John 4:8). The Love of God calls us to service. Paul invested his time with the next generation of believers. The children of Emanuel are our future! In Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." Proverbs 22:6 says: Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray. Emanuel's children need to be in church on Sundays. Are we encouraging Emanuel's parents and their children? The May issue of **The Lutheran** addressed this topic. It suggested some ways to support families and children in worship:

- **Smile and greet families.** Thank the parents for bringing their children to worship. Learn the children's names, greet them at their level, and tell them how happy you are to see them in church.
- **Know where the worship bags for children are and encourage families to use them.** Children learn about worship by being in church.

So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. Galatians 6:10 Blessed **be those who bring children to worship.** Our children are one of Emanuel's resources. Are you being a good steward with our resources? How can you help? Let's pray for the future of Emanuel and God's direction.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
		7 am Men's Bible Study @ Mimi's	9:30 am Adult Bible Study	OFFICE CLOSED	10 am- 4 pm ELCA Synod 25th Anniv. Mtg. Luther Hall	9:30 Communion Service
			1:30 pm Rebecca Circle			10:45 Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm Lydia Circle @ B. Schroeder's	6:30 pm PFLAG Social Evening Luther Hall	7 pm Council Mtg.				

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Presiding Minister	Assistant Minister	Lector/CA	Communion Assist	Acolyte	Usher Greeter	Altar Care
Aug 24	Dianne Finnecy	Paula Barton	Susan McCready	Mary Dieterich		Owen Family	Marsha Waggoner
Aug 31	Pr. Bill Ruth	Kathleen Reuter		Chris Schmidt	Emily Cline	Petersen Family	Pat Norquist
Sep 7	Cary Bass- Deschenes	Garry Hayes	Beth Rokaitis	Dave Henke		Fox Family	Pat Norquist

Weekly Bible Readings	
August 24 Time After Pentecost	August 31 Time After Pentecost
Isaiah 51:1-6 Psalm 138 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20	Jeremiah 15:15-21 Psalm 26:1-8 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28



New Prayer Requests: Lorena Loftis—healing (P. Norquist)

Our Members: Drew Shank; Ben Knoll; Lori Knoll; Susan Hayes; Dianne Santana; Carolyn Crenwelge; Bob Dailey

Our Homebound Members: Harvey Hardel, Florence Broden, Kay Altmas, Shelda Fritts; Alma Johnson, Betty Mason

Our Family: Steve & Nancy Jeske (B. Norquist); Melody Saldivar (Saldivar); Joyce Shockley (Nelson); Sharon (Owen); Sarah Robertson (Murray); James Sullivan (Hollmann); Marsha Schlipman (Nelson); Geraldine Walton (Hollmann); Boyce and Norma Lutes (Teaney); Tami Garza (J. Johnson); Ali Moraitis (Watkins); Jennifer Turner (P. Smith); Harold Graff (Owen); Doug Gilbert (Jones); Jim Peterson (Silva); Stan Schmidt (Schmidt); Benjamin Santana (Santana)

Our Friends: Devon (Fritts); Roger Warner (Schmidt); Barbara (Owen); Rosie Egesdal (Nelson); Jeanne (Watkins); John Turner (Turner); Tim O’Roerk (Murray); Bud Stone & family (Reinheimer); Jennifer (Watkins); Donna Thayer (Peterson); Linda and Dave (Watkins); Shawn Knutson (Wilke); Rev. Benny and Regina Bush; Jordan (K. Dailey); Irene Whitmore (Rowland); Karen & Michelle (Watkins); Bonnie Vincent (Norquist); Bill and Marcia Webb (Reinheimers); Kevin Davis (Hollmann); Donna Roninger (Wilke); Richard Anderson (Jones)

We Pray for Peace in the Middle East, and for all those serving in our armed forces.

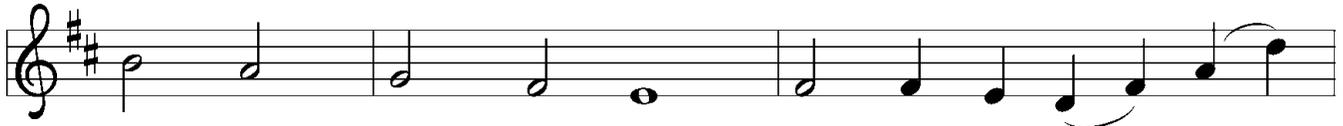


Ryan Dangerfield, USAF in Lakenheath Air Base, England and **Joey Sabel, USMC** in Louisville, Kentucky (Marilyn & Chuck Rowland’s grandson & grandson-in-law), **Timothy Kramer** in Afghanistan (Megan Armes’ brother), **Ryan Powell** (grandson of Yvonne Troedson) USN, Connecticut.

Jesus Shall Reign



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 thron'g to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793