



Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Service of the Word

July 3, 2016

Emanuel Lutheran Church

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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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KYRIE



Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, . . have mer-cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.



Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .



so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -
mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



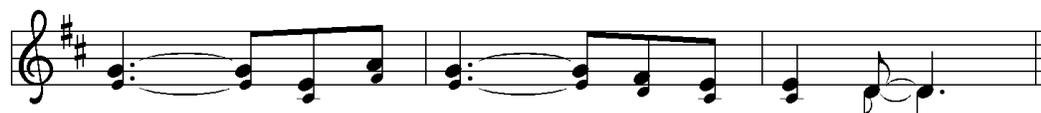
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mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



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GLORIA



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra_a-que-llos que_a-ma_el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.



Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra_a-que-llos que_a-ma_el Se - ñor.
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together....

C O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

¹⁰ Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;
rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her—

¹¹ that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;
that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious bosom.

¹²For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

¹³As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

TEXT STUDY RESPONSE

PSALM 66:1-9

My God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. (Ps. 30:2)

¹ Be joyful in God, all you lands;
be joyful, all the earth.

² Sing the glory of God's name;
sing the glory of God's praise.

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

⁴ All the earth bows down before you,
sings to you, sings out your name."

⁵ Come now and see the works of God,
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

⁶ God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot,
and there we rejoiced in God.

⁷ Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;
let no rebels exalt themselves.

⁸ Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of praise be heard.

⁹ Our God has kept us among the living
and has not allowed our feet to slip.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

TEXT STUDY RESPONSE

SECOND READING: GALATIANS 6:1-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in “the family of faith.”

¹My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted.

²Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor’s work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads.

⁶Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

TEXT STUDY RESPONSE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ya! A - le - lu - ya!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

P The Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 10

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: LUKE 10:1-11, 16-20

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.

⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ ”

¹⁶“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have

given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED)

HYMN OF THE DAY

To Be Your Presence

ELW #546

APOSTLE’S CREED

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle’s 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 INTERCESSION

A Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

Response: ... Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

The offering is an act of worship; a response of gratitude and thankfulness.

OFFERTORY

Meditation on “Materna”

Marsha Medley

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of mercy and grace,
the eyes of all wait upon you,
and you open your hand in blessing.
Fill us with good things at your table,
that we may come to the help of all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

C Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

The sharing of peace is an individual and communal act of forgiveness.

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please return to your seats at the signal from the organ and remain standing after the Peace.

HYMN

God Bless Our Native Land

ELW #891

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

P Let us pray:

Praise and thanks to you, holy God,
for by your Word
you made all things:
you spoke light into darkness,
called forth beauty from chaos,
and brought life into being.
For your word of life, O God,

C we give you thanks and praise.

P By your Word
you called your people Israel
to tell of you wonderful gifts:
freedom from captivity,
water on the desert journey,
a pathway home from exile,
wisdom for life with you.

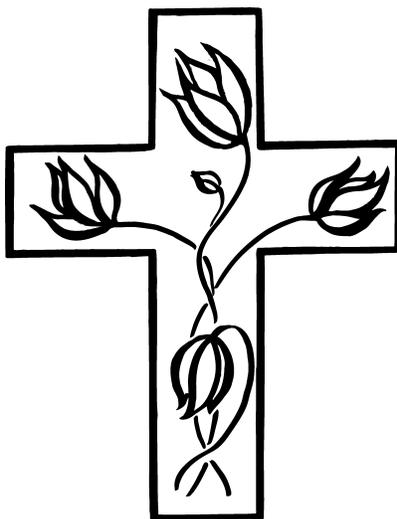
C we give you thanks and praise.

P Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness:
forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death,
the way of your self-giving love.
For your Word of life, O God,

C we give you thanks and praise.

P Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us;
renew your faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love,
for the sake of a world in need.
Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you;
through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C Amen



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ICET

Setting by David Haas

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your
name, your king-dom come, your will be done on
earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our
dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give
those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the
time of trial and de-liv-er us from e-vil, for the
king-dom, the pow'r and the glo-ry are yours,
now and for ev-er.

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BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord’s face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and ✝ give you peace.

C Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN *Oh Beautiful for Spacious Skies* ELW #888

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Fugue on “America”* Eugene Thayer

THOSE WHO SERVED US TODAY

- Liturgical Leader Kathleen Reuter
- Assisting Minister Suzanne Wilke
- Acolyte..... Alora Skustad
- Ministers of the Word/Tuesday Text Study Group Dan Johnson, Susan Hall, Rue Knoll
..... Marilyn Rowland, Pat Smith, Marti Strand, Suzanne Wilke
- Communion Assistant..... Lori Skustad
- Usher/Greeter Shank/ Skustad
- Altar Care.....

*Special thanks to the Tuesday Text Study Group
for their participation in today's
Service of the Word*

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Announcements

Please use your “soft” voice during and following the Prelude, as others may be in prayer and meditation. Thank you.



The altar flowers are given by Sherm & Connie Petersen in celebration of Connie’s birthday.



Choir Rehearsals will resume in August.

Text Study meets Tuesdays at noon in Katie’s Room. All are welcome. Bring your sack lunch if you’d like.

Thursday Morning Bible Study meets during July. If you like to cook—men, women & kids—join a 4 week study on “Foods of the Bible,” meeting in Augustana Hall at 9:30 am.

On-Going Adult Education

Sunday evenings once a month from 5:30—7:00 pm (will meet in Katie’s room). A new study opens in September.

2nd Sunday of each month will be a time of Healing Prayer during communion.

Summer Movie Nights at ELC - July 17 ★ August 21 at 5:30 pm

Bring your own picnic. Popcorn & games will be provided by Youth Group. Stay tuned for movie titles. *Hope to see you there!*

Come and join the Lee family on Sunday, July 31 as we help them celebrate the next chapter in their lives with a move to Washington state. We are having a potluck after our church service so please bring your favorite dish to share.

National Night Out—August 2, 2016. ELC is doing a **Book Fair**. Please bring books for elementary readers ages 5 and older. There will be a labeled collection box in the Narthex.

If you have an old unused pair of prescription glasses and don't know what to do with them, bring them to church with you and place them in the labeled box in the Narthex. The glasses will be given to an optometrist who will repurpose them through the Lion's Club. Any questions, please see Susan Hall.

The church office will be closed tomorrow.





Thank you, Family Promise volunteers:

All that remains of Emanuel's just completed week of Family Promise is bedding that needs to be laundered. If you can take a bag or two it would be a wonderful help to the program.

Thank you to all of the dozens of volunteers that made this a good week for these homeless parents and children. They saw the light of Christ in your smiling eyes, and felt His touch in your helping hands. They are permanently marked by the memory of "the church" being there for them in their time of need. Thank you.



CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL DAY

Sunday, July 17 ~ 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.



All children are invited to the fun festivities that will take place in the church courtyard during the regular church hour. Kids will be received at the courtyard entrance (next to Day Care play area) as the adults continue into the church for worship.

Kids....dress for play and bring your friends!

Kids will hear a Bible lesson, sing some great songs, play carnival games, crafts, and of course there will be treats to eat and maybe face painting, too.



"Mission Quilt Project": We continue to work on the fabric for Mission Quilt Kits. They are coming soon! Really!

We also learned that the Modesto Police would like some children's quilts for the patrol cars. So we will be gathering fabric and getting kits together for that project, as well.



Did you know that Lutheran World Relief distributed quilts to India? They expect the distribution to reach 45,000 people there. Quilts were also part of a distribution in Tanzania to 48,000 people and Peru reaching 30,000.



Summer Movie Nights at ELC

June 19 ★ July 17 ★ August 21
— 5:30 pm —



Each family brings their own picnic. Popcorn & games will be provided by Youth Group. Be sure to watch upcoming bulletins for movie titles.



See you there!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MON 4	TUE 5	WED 6	THUR 7	FRI 8	SAT 9	SUN 10
JULY 4TH HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED		7:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Mimi's		OFFICE CLOSED	8:30 am Yard Work Day	9:30 am Worship Service HEALING PRAYER SUNDAY
	12:00 pm Lectionary Study					10:30 am Alice Hoaglund's 90th Birthday Celebration
						Thrivent Rep Visit

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Assisting Minister	Ministers of the Word	Cantor	Communion Assist	Acolyte	Usher Greeter	Altar Care
July 10 Pentecost 8	Barbara Crawford	D Santana D Cline	Paula Barton	D Santana D Cline	Emily Cline	Holtz/ Salonen	
July 17 Pentecost 9	David Holtz	S McCreedy L Owen		Lois Owen	Emma Hoover	Dieterich/ Reuter	
July 24 Pentecost 10	Paula Barton	S Wilke M Epting		Suzanne Wilke	Kailyn Knoll	Smith/ Knoll	

WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

July 10 Pentecost 8	July 17 Pentecost 9	July 24 Pentecost 10
Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Psalm 25:1-10 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37	Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 15 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42	Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138 Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] Luke 11:1-13



Answered Prayers: The Barton family is thankful for recent prayers for Dwight Langhoff. He is fully recovered from his recent fall.

New Prayer Requests: Pastor Lyn and family—strength, comfort & peace; Teri Scott— healing for a broken shoulder, health & well-being (Watkins); Raymond LeCain (Keith Thurston’s son-in-law)—healing following surgery, health & well-being; Dawn Wagner— please pray for her to find employment (Wagner); Sympathy is expressed to Suzanne Wilke and family for the recent loss of her aunt, Betty Hopkins. Suzanne thanks the ELC congregation for prayers on her aunt’s behalf.

Our Members: Drew Shank; Ben Knoll; Lori Knoll; Carolyn Crenwelge; Bob Dailey; Kelly Dailey; Gary Knoll; Bill Fox; Tom Watkins; Elaine Urch; Jill Klenz; Virginia Dall; Keith Thurston; Azaria Martinez; Anthony Pino & Aaron Daubenspeck; Anna Hooper; Lena Shirley; Marj Sample

Our Homebound Members: Florence Broden, Kay Altmas, Esther Johnson, Shelda Fritts, Alma Johnson

Our Family: Joyce & Manuel Dillard (Scott); Laurie Spinuzzi (Silva); Ian McKenzie (Schmidt); Sheila Barton (Barton); Joy Dillard (Scott); Joy Morgan (Scott); Dona Molet (Dieterich); Braden LaBoy (Santana); Matt Allen (Allen)

Our Friends: Mark, Matthew & Amanda (Scott); Roger Warner (Schmidt); Dan Hinshaw (Hall); Adrienne (Nelson); Pastor Stan Niemi; Tom Aja (Crawford); Jennifer Turner (Dieterich); Marge Guffey; Sandy Dalby (Allen); John Pienado (Knoll)

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

T/Sgt. Ryan Dangerfield, USAF in Ramstein AB, Germany and **SSgt. Joey Sabel, USMC** in Kaneohe Marine Corps Base, Hawaii (Marilyn & Chuck Rowland’s grandson & grandson-in-law); **Capt. Tim Kramer** (Megan Armes’ brother) will be in Kuwait through June of 2016; **Ryan Powell** (grandson of Yvonne Troedson) USN, Connecticut; **Chad Vander Veen** (friend of Susan Hall), US Army in Kuwait.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Gentle grower, send your church as laborers into your harvest. Make us joyful in sharing the good news of Jesus and make the harvest plentiful. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Creating God, bring about measured and healthy growth in fields and gardens through rain, wind, and sun. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy wisdom, you teach that we reap what we sow. Inspire leaders in our nation and throughout the world to sow the seeds of civility, peace, and goodwill. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Healer of all, we bring before you those in need of your healing presence. Do not be far off, but work your healing in the lives of all in need. We pray especially for Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy friend, you call us to bear one another's burdens. Strengthen us in our commitment to the good of this congregation, our neighborhood, and our wider community. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for your healing touch on those we name before you now, aloud or in silence (Pause for silence.) Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

O God, you have called the saints your own. Gather us into your kingdom, in the promise of life forever with you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN #890

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
2 He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;
3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,



he is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he is sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore his judg - ment seat.
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me.



he has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword:
Oh, be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!
As he died to make men ho - ly, let us live to make men free,



his truth is march - ing on.
Our God is march - ing on.
while God is march - ing on.

Refrain



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.

Text: Julia Ward Howe, 1819-1910
Music: BATTLE HYMN, North American, 19th cent

To Be Your Presence



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!
love ex - pressed,
church, re - joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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HYMN #891

God Bless Our Native Land



1 God bless our na - tive land; firm may it ev - er stand
2 So shall our prayers a - rise to God a - bove the skies,



through storm and night. When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of
on whom we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, guard - ing with

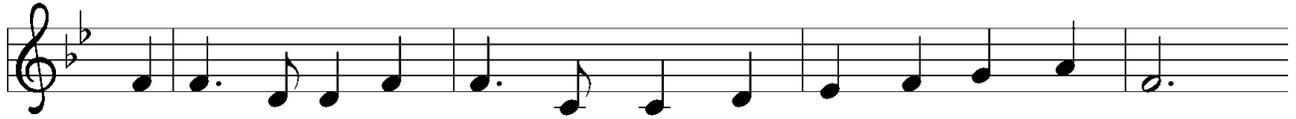


wind and wave, do thou our coun - try save by thy great might.
watch - ful eye, to thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

Text: Charles T. Brooks, 1812–1883; John S. Dwight, 1813–1893
Music: NATIONAL ANTHEM, *Thesaurus Musicus*, London, 1744

SENDING HYMN #888

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies



1 O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain,
2 O beau-ti-ful for he-roes proved in lib-er-at-ing strife,
3 O beau-ti-ful for pa-triot dream that sees be-yond the years



for pur-ple moun-tain maj-es-ties a-bove the fruit-ed plain:
who more than self their coun-try loved, and mer-cy more than life:
thine al-a-bas-ter cit-ies gleam, un-dimmed by hu-man tears:



A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God shed his grace on thee,
A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! May God thy gold re-fine,
A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God mend thine ev-'ry flaw,



and crown thy good with broth-er-hood from sea to shin-ing sea.
till all suc-cess be no-ble-ness, and ev-'ry gain di-vine.
con-firm thy soul in self-con-trol, thy lib-er-ty in law.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929

Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903