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**September 27, 2026    ||    18th Sunday after Pentecost**

### Arriving for Worship *(A moment to center ourselves and listen to the Spirit.)*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus. (*Philippians 2:5*)

## Call To Worship

**\*Hymn**      *You're Our Strength and Motivation*      #622 MBW

**\*Discipleship Liturgy** MBW p37

## Joys, Concerns, Thanksgivings and Prayers

## Children's Chat

## Offering

## Offertory

**\*Doxology & \*Prayer of Dedication** #817 MBW

**Scripture Reading – Psalm 25:1-9** *insert*  
Matthew 21:23-32 (pg. 23; Lg. 33)

**Hymn** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun* #404 MBW

## Sermon

### \*Hymn

*Ye Servants of God*

#565 MBW

## Benediction & Postlude

\*Those that are able and comfortable, please stand.  
*MBW: Moravian Book of Worship || SttL: Sing to the Lord a New Song*

**Visiting?** If you are looking here for a church home in which to nurture your faith, please speak with the Pastor following the service.

**Young children?** There's a nursery downstairs.

**Need Large Print?** Please speak with an usher.

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| <b>Pastor</b>                        | Rev. Jodie Harney    |
| <b>Organist &amp; Choir Director</b> | Gayle Justice        |
| <b>Elder of the Day</b>              | Sue Testa            |
| <b>Sacristans</b>                    | Michael & Myra Jones |
| <b>Ushers</b>                        | Heath & Val Hoff     |
| <b>Ministers</b>                     | YOU!                 |

### Notes:

September's **Joyful Noise Offering** will support Manna. Please place your offerings in the joyful noise can or give online by using the (QR code) to the right.

Label your gift for "Joyful Noise."



**Make a Gift to Edgeboro Online!** Scan the QR code to make a gift to Edgeboro online using a credit card or bank account.

# Walking the Walk

In today's Gospel lesson we find Jesus teaching in the temple, the day after what we know as Palm Sunday. There is a tense exchange as the religious leaders ask Jesus a question about who gave him the authority to teach and do the things he was doing. Jesus answers their question with a question of his own. He prefaces it by saying, If you answer my question, I will answer yours. When the religious leaders say they don't know if the ministry of John the Baptist was from heaven or of human origin, Jesus refuses to answer their question about the source of his authority.

Instead, Jesus offers a parable about a man with two sons. When the man tells the first son to go and work in the vineyard, the son answers, "I will not." He later changes his mind and goes and works as he was told. When the man says the same to the second son, the son answers, "I go, sir," but does not go. Then Jesus asks, "Which of the two did the will of his father?"

Jesus is helping us understand the difference between "talking the talk" and "walking the walk." The chief priests and elders knew the words of the Law and the Prophets, and could quote chapter and verse, but they often did not live up to the spirit and the message in those words. They were like the son who very politely said, "I go, sir," but never went. It was the son who said, "I won't go," but changed his mind and went, who did the will of his father.

Many claim to be Christians, but if their attitudes and actions do not follow the teaching or the example of Jesus, are they doing the will of the Father?

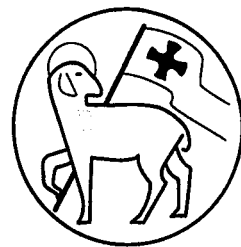
*Doug Kleintop, bishop and retired pastor, Easton, Pennsylvania*

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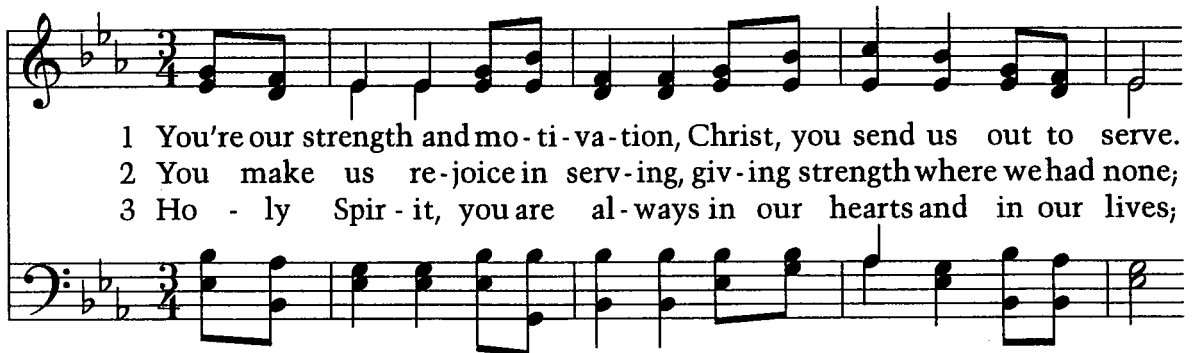
## The Moravian Church

**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

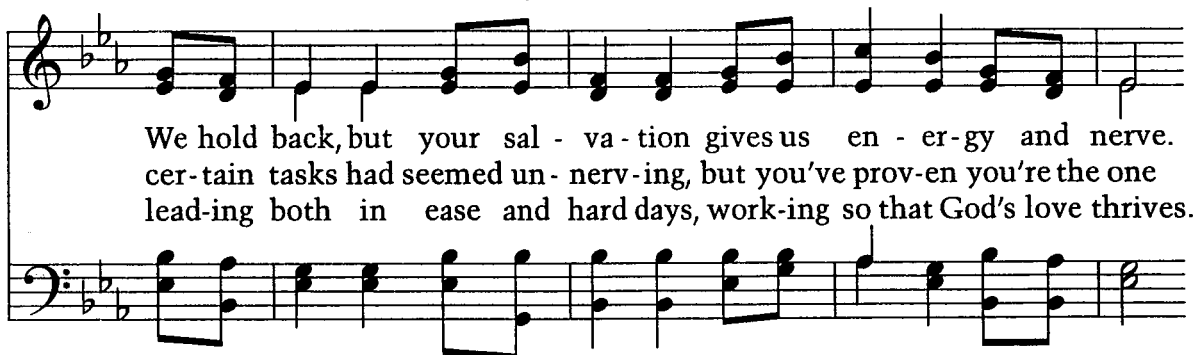
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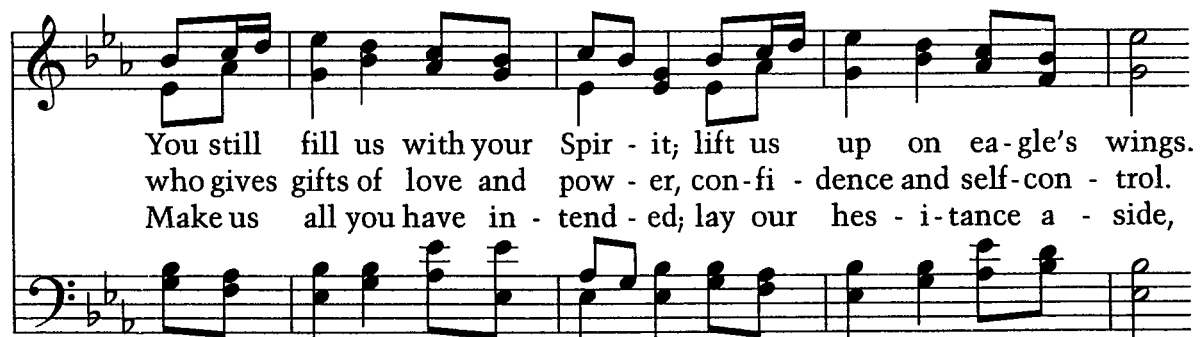
## You're Our Strength and Motivation 622



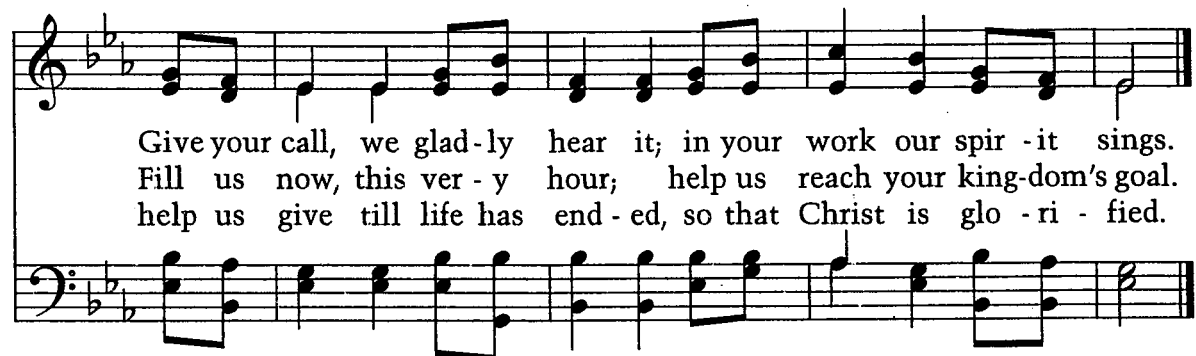
1 You're our strength and mo-ti-va-tion, Christ, you send us out to serve.  
 2 You make us re-joice in serv-ing, giv-ing strength where we had none;  
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, you are al-ways in our hearts and in our lives;



We hold back, but your sal - va - tion gives us en - er - gy and nerve.  
 cer-tain tasks had seemed un - nerv - ing, but you've prov-en you're the one  
 lead-ing both in ease and hard days, work-ing so that God's love thrives.



You still fill us with your Spir - it; lift us up on ea-gle's wings.  
 who gives gifts of love and pow - er, con-fi - dence and self-con - trol.  
 Make us all you have in - tend - ed; lay our hes - i-tance a - side,



Give your call, we glad-ly hear it; in your work our spir - it sings.  
 Fill us now, this ver - y hour; help us reach your king-dom's goal.  
 help us give till life has end - ed, so that Christ is glo - ri - fied.

# GENERAL LITURGY 6

## Discipleship

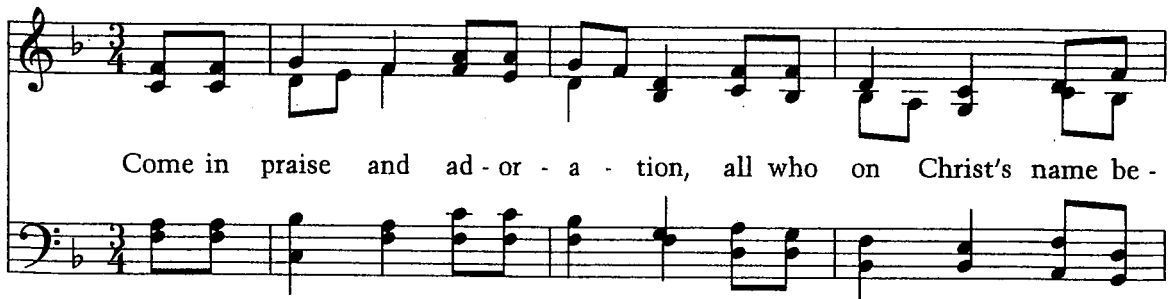
(Standing)

What shall we render to the Lord for all his bounty to us?

**We will offer to the Lord the sacrifices of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.**

Praise the Lord!

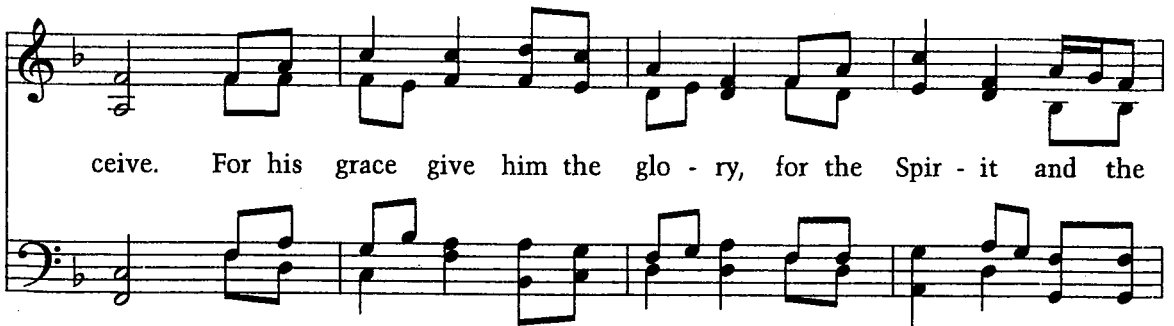
BEACH SPRING



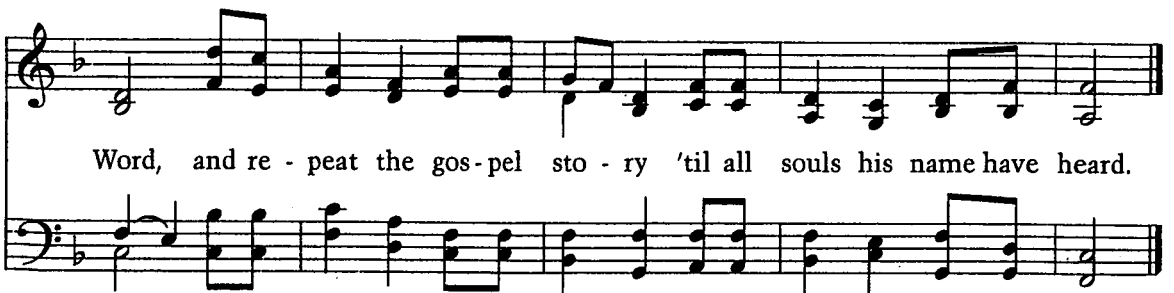
Come in praise and ad - or - a - tion, all who on Christ's name be -



lieve; wor - ship him with con - se - cra - tion, grace and love will you re -



ceive. For his grace give him the glo - ry, for the Spir - it and the



Word, and re - peat the gos - pel sto - ry 'til all souls his name have heard.

TEXT: Eva B. Lloyd. ©1966 by Broadman Press  
TUNE: Arr. Royce Eckhardt. © by Covenant Press

Gracious God, for revealing yourself to us as one  
 who created all things,  
 who gave us dominion over all the earth,  
 who called us into a covenant relationship with you,  
 who has given us the privilege of being your  
 ambassadors in our world,  
 who loves us as your children through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
**We give you our heartfelt thanks.**

EMMANUEL (14 Bb)

Our heav'n - ly Fa - ther, source of love, to you our hearts we raise.

Your all - sus - tain - ing power we prove, and glad - ly sing your praise.

(Sitting)

Jesus Christ our Savior, because you were willing to come to earth in the likeness  
 of humanity, to take the form of a servant;  
 Because you became obedient unto death, even death on a cross;  
 Because God has highly exalted you and bestowed on you the name which is  
 above every name, that at your name every knee should bow, in heaven and  
 on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that you are Lord, to  
 the glory of God the Father;

**We humbly bow before you in praise and adoration.**

MANOAH

Lord Je - sus, yours we wish to be; our  
sac - ri - fice re - ceive. By you pre - served, from  
sin set free, to you our - selves we give.

Holy Spirit, for dwelling within us and calling us to God by the gospel,  
For preserving us in the true faith,  
For leading the church on earth in its mission,  
For pointing the way of discipleship to each of us,

**We acknowledge your presence and power among us.**

Come, Ho - ly Ghost, the Sav - ior's love shed

in our hearts a - broad; so shall we ev - er

live and move and be with Christ in God.

Jesus said: Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be also; whoever serves me, the Father will honor. If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be my disciples.

**We hear your call to discipleship. Master, teach us the way we should go.**

Present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your minds, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Jesus said: This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear much fruit, and that your fruit should abide.

**Now the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.**

Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Lord, as you have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live;

free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.

Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea,

we but stew - ards of your boun - ty shar - ing all by your de - cree.

(Kneeling or sitting)

**We confess, Lord, that as your disciples we have often dishonored the holy name we bear. We ask your forgiveness for the times when we have failed to labor for your kingdom; when we have not followed your admonition to seek first the kingdom of God; when we have hidden our light from the world; when we, as the salt of the earth, have lost our strength. Have mercy on us, and restore unto us the joy of faithful discipleship. Amen.**

The Lord, your Redeemer, has said: With everlasting love, I will have compassion on you. Therefore serve the Lord with gladness; witness to his goodness and mercy; and preach Jesus Christ as Lord, with yourselves as servants for Jesus' sake.

(Standing)

GRACEHAM (581 K)

Je - sus, Mas - ter, whom I serve, though so fee - bly and so ill,  
Je - sus, Mas - ter, will you use one who owes you more than all?

strength - en hand and heart and nerve, all your bid - ding to ful - fill;  
As you will, I would not choose; on - ly let me hear your call.

o - pen now my eyes to see all the work you have for me.  
Je - sus, let me al - ways be in your ser - vice glad and free. A - men.

## **Psalm 25:1-9**

### **Prayer for Guidance and for Deliverance**

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous. Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long. Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

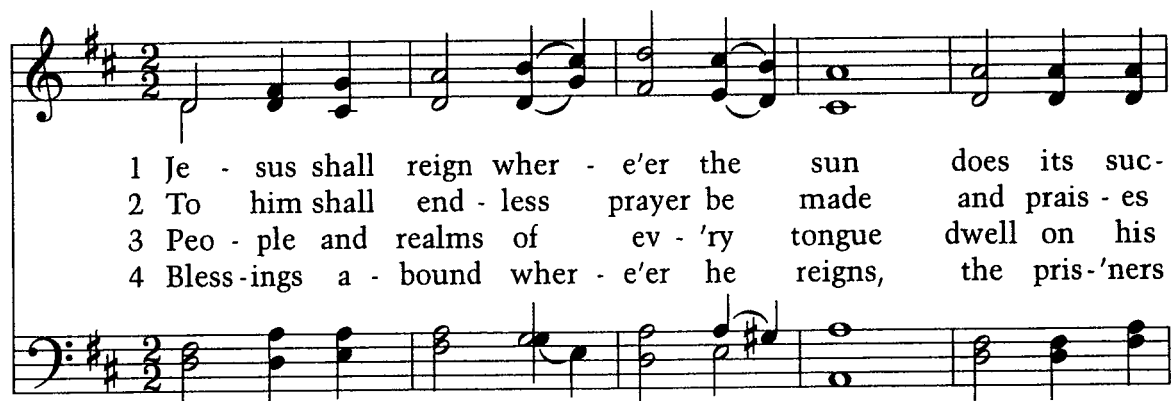
Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore, he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

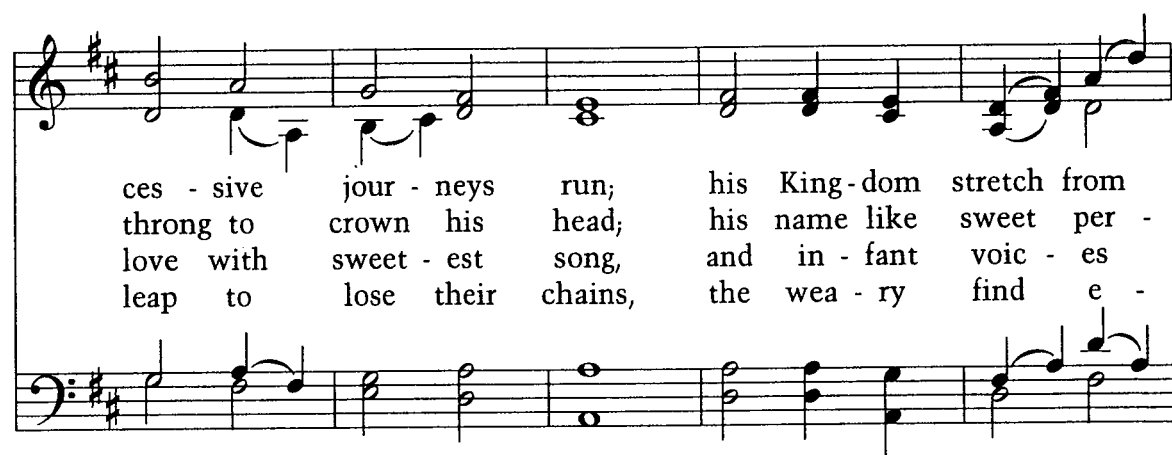
## Matthew 12:23-32 NRSVUE

<sup>23</sup> All the crowds were amazed and were saying, "Can this be the Son of David?" <sup>24</sup> But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, "It is only by Beelzebul, the ruler of the demons, that this man casts out the demons." <sup>25</sup> He knew what they were thinking and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. <sup>26</sup> If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how, then, will his kingdom stand? <sup>27</sup> If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own exorcists cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. <sup>28</sup> But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. <sup>29</sup> Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man? Then indeed the house can be plundered. <sup>30</sup> Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. <sup>31</sup> Therefore I tell you, people will be forgiven for every sin and blasphemy, but blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. <sup>32</sup> Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.

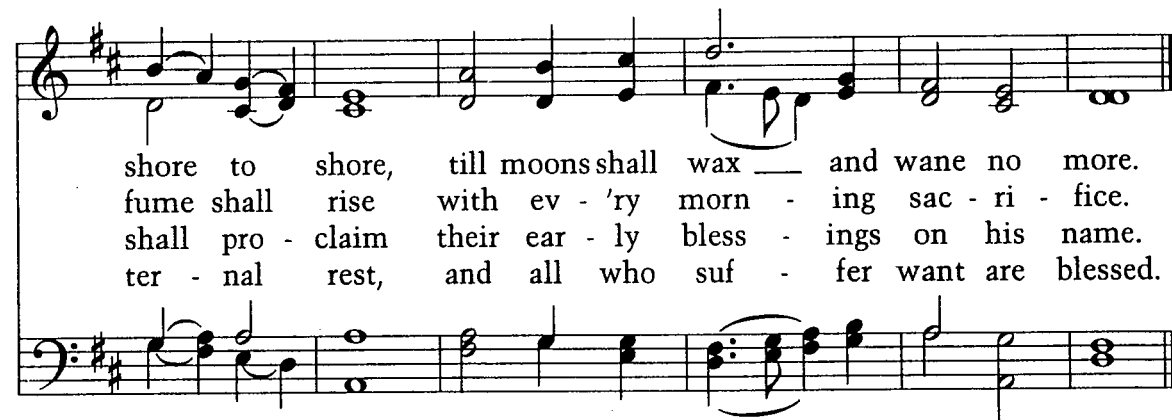
## 404 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun



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



ces - sive jour - neys run; his King - dom stretch from  
 throng 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 -



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 blessed.

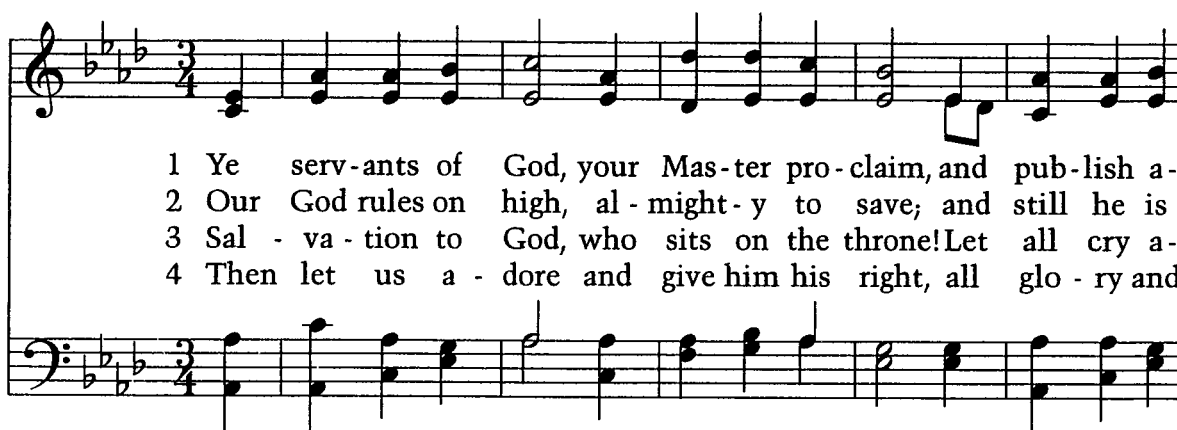
5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring  
 the highest honors to our King;  
 angels descend with songs again,  
 and earth repeat the loud Amen.

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 TUNE: John Hatton (c. 1790)

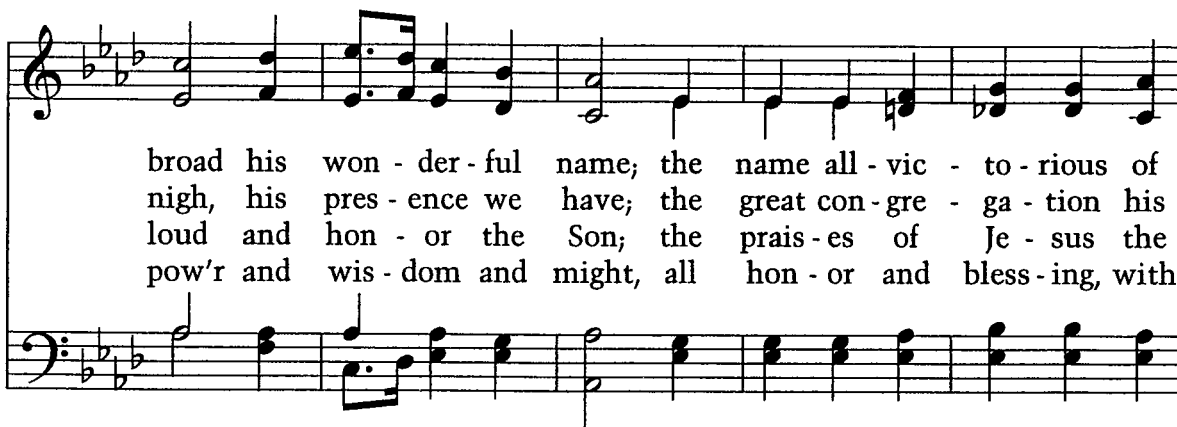
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 DUKE STREET (22 Q)

# Ye Servants of God

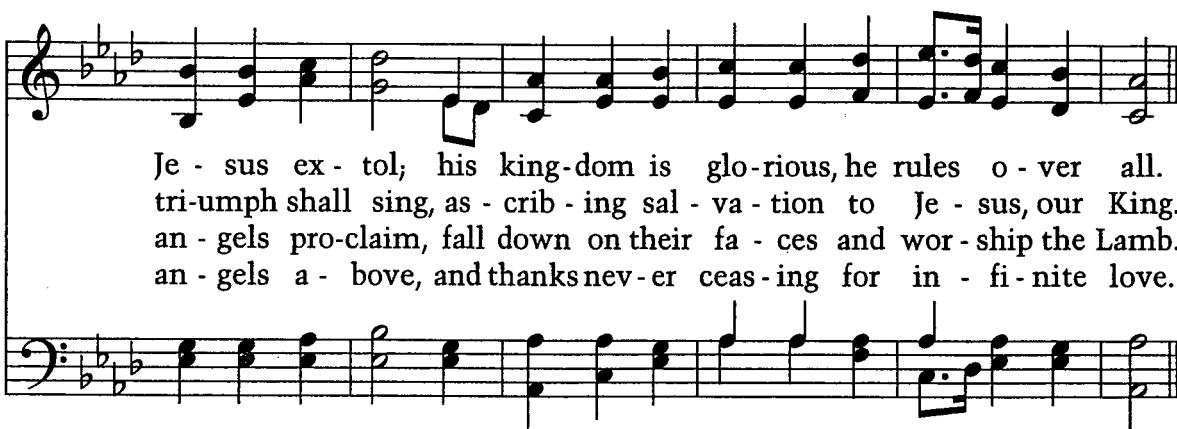
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1 Ye serv-ants of God, your Mas-ter pro-claim, and pub-lish a-  
 2 Our God rules on high, al-might-y to save, and still he is  
 3 Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne! Let all cry a-  
 4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right, all glo - ry and



broad his won - der - ful name; the name all - vic - to - rious of  
 nigh, his pres - ence we have; the great con - gre - ga - tion his  
 loud and hon - or the Son; the prais - es of Je - sus the  
 pow'r and wis - dom and might, all hon - or and bless - ing, with



Je - sus ex - tol; his king - dom is glo - rious, he rules o - ver all.  
 tri-umph shall sing, as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus, our King.  
 an - gels pro-claim, fall down on their fa - ces and wor - ship the Lamb.  
 an - gels a - bove, and thanks nev - er ceas - ing for in - fi - nite love.

# **Announcements**

**Edgeboro's 2026 Watchword:** For whoever would approach God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.  
(Hebrews 11:6)

**This week's flowers** are given in loving memory of Karen Horwath, from husband Michael and sons, Daniel & William

## **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, September 27

9:15am Adult Sunday School  
9:30am Youth Sunday School  
10:30am Worship  
11:30am Potluck luncheon/ Be Scam  
Smart Workshop

Wednesday, September 30 6:30pm Girl Scouts

Sunday, October 4

9:15am Adult Sunday School  
9:30am Youth Sunday School  
9:30am Confirmation Mentor gathering  
10:30am Worship- *Birthday Sunday,*  
*Joyful Noise*  
*Elder: Season Pagano*  
*Sacristans: Michael & Terri Long*  
*Ushers: Carol Saeger & Nancy*  
*Bartleman*  
*Lawn (09.28-10.04): Art Sergeant*

**Scam Alert Presentation** Everyone is invited to stay after worship today, for a potluck luncheon followed by a presentation, **Be Scam Smart: Practical ways to avoid fraud.** No one wants to admit that they've been scammed, but it is happening far more frequently than we think. Whether it's through phone calls, text messages, emails or the mail, everyone, of any age, can be the victim. Come learn about what the most common scams are and how to protect yourself and your assets.

**Sunday School Amazon Wishlist** The Sunday school teachers need quite a few items for their classrooms, which they have been covering the expense of themselves. They have provided an Amazon wish list in the event members are inclined to purchase some of the items for them. We thank you in advance. Visit [tinyurl.com/59kmrp2m](https://tinyurl.com/59kmrp2m) to view the list.

**Confirmation Mentors** gathering opening meeting for the year will be held next Sunday morning at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall.

**Putz Committee News** Crafters are needed to sell their items at the Extravaganza in November. If you knit, sew, do needlepoint, bead work, wood carving, etc. please consider joining us! We know that Edgeboro has many talented and gifted people.

**Beginning October 4th** through October 25th, we are accepting your donation attic treasures for the Extravaganza (November 7th)

**Halloween Candy** is being collected for the Halloween open house, to be held October 30th. Please make sure that it is individually wrapped. We are also looking for soda, chips and hot dogs for the event! Hot dogs should be labeled Halloween and placed in the kitchen refrigerator.

**Seniors & Friends** Thursday October 1st, 11:30am WestSide Moravian 402 3rd Ave. "Great Photographs & the Stories they Tell" by Tom Repasch Since the beginning of the photographic era, certain images have captured the attention and admiration of people all around the world. Tom tells the stories behind a selection of photographs that experts generally regard as among the most memorable and influential, from the raising of the flag on Iwo Jima" to the photo of the moon from Apollo 8. Bring a friend and a sandwich Dessert and beverage will be provided.

## Prayer Requests

Use this prayer list creatively in whatever way that will help you remember these names in prayer. Take it home, Place this list in a certain place. Pray while doing certain things. Pray for a different group of people each day. Download an app on your phone that will help you keep your prayers organized. Do what works for you to remain connected in prayer. Here are those we are praying for now:

|                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sharon Bond                          | Kathy Loch (Sharon Hollowell)      |
| Kyle Borowski                        | Pat Mills (Sharon Hollowell)       |
| Helene Boyle                         | David Nagle                        |
| Lori Burns (Johanna Heft)            | Irene Nora (Sally Abruzzese)       |
| Billy Christman (Sherri Hoff)        | Kiera Pheiffer (Tom Pheiffer)      |
| Namelia Duro                         | Pete Raskovic (Anne Hosterman)     |
| Kay Gariepy                          | Ed Reed (Nancy Remaly)             |
| Anna Gehret                          | Rev. Dick Seigfried (Helene Boyle) |
| Tammy Geiger Vitulano (Karen Gehret) |                                    |
| Tim & Fatima Gilman (Robyn Balsai)   |                                    |
| Glenn Gemzlinger (Blake Messman)     |                                    |
| Jim Grebs (Rick Grebs)               | Brent Sergeant, II                 |
| Ronald Heft                          | J'neane Smith (Robyn Balsai)       |
| Deb Held (Sergeant Family Friend)    |                                    |
| Eric Hollowell                       | Megan Weikert                      |
| Sharon Hollowell                     | Allison (Kathie Klein)             |
| Peg Heimbrook                        | Dawn (Val Hoff)                    |
| Leah Hosterman                       | JoAnn (Carol Saeger)               |
| Hriniak family (Myra Jones)          | Louie & family (Pastor Jodie)      |
| LaRue Jones                          | Nora (Sally Abruzzese)             |
| Kyle Kutzler (Sharon Hollowell)      | Nora (Terri & Michael Long)        |
| Logan Lipsky (Jenny Minnich)         | Rosie (Nancy Remaly)               |
| Tracy (Carol Saeger)                 |                                    |

### **Comfort**

The Gutierrez Family

### **Guidance**

Janice Bourdage  
Jeffrey Boyle (Helene Boyle)  
Ryan Zaun (Sharon Zaun)  
Julie (Marcia)

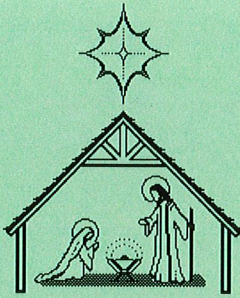
### **Homebound**

Ann Amidon (Jessie Bucchin)  
Joyce LeWando

### **Military Service**

Allison Hoff  
Kole Koch (Parker Hoff)  
Mark Saeger

This list will be refreshed regularly. If you would like a name added or removed from the list, please fill out a blue prayer request card found in the pews or contact the church office.



## **2026 PUTZ DATES**

October 4 – first day to bring attic treasures to the stage

October 25 – last day to bring attic treasures to the stage

October 19 and 26 – starting at 10 am we will price attic treasures

October 31 – Mossing (lunch in the woods)

November 1 – Mossing rain date (lunch in church before leaving)

November 1 – last day to bring handmade crafts to church unless you plan to sell them yourself at the Extravaganza

November 5 and 6 – starting at 10 am we will set up for the Extravaganza

November 7 – 10:00 am until 1:00 pm – Extravaganza!

November 9 through 13 – set up the Christmas Room

November 14 – 10:00 am – Putz Raising

November 22 and 29 – volunteer training in Fellowship Hall after worship

Putz Dates – December 1 – 22. Times: Thursday – Saturday Walk-ins from 6-8 pm; Sunday Walk-ins from 12 noon – 3 pm

December 13 – Congregational Shopping Day beginning at 9:30 am

Putz Committee – Robyn Balsai, Shannon Balsai, Ron Freyman, Holly Haines, Deb Hepler, Peggy Leith, Terri Long, Blake Messman, Tom Pheiffer, Art Sergeant, Megan Weikert

# Edgeboro Moravian Church

Come Shop With Us! ♥

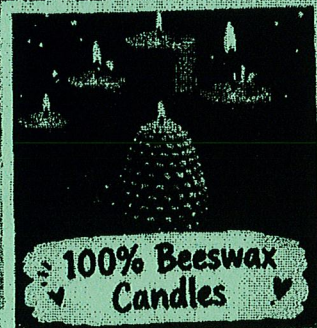
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## Christmas EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, November 7, 2026  
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM



645 Hamilton Ave,  
Bethlehem, PA 18017



♥ 100% Beeswax Candles ♥



♥ 12-inch and 24-inch Moravian Stars ♥



♥ Handmade Crafts ♥



♥ Attic Treasures ♥



♥ Turkey BBQ ♥



♥ Homemade Soup ♥



♥ Baked Goods ♥

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Come shop, eat & enjoy the holiday fun!

All items & food available for purchase • CASH ONLY

SUPPORT LOCAL SHOP SMALL ♥