Growing God's Family

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10:45 a.m. Service

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Mary Sutter in memory of her mother-in-law Dorothy Christine Sutter.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER: We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

BEFORE COMMUNING

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

We Cry Out

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Please stand

℗ In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

℃ **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

℗ If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

℃ **O Lord, who could stand?**

℗ But with You there is forgiveness;

℃ **therefore You are feared.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

℗ O almighty God, merciful Father,

℃ **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

Absolution

℗ Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

℃ **Amen.**

Please be seated

One Day

Words and Music by
Aaron Shust and Dan Hannon

CHORUS
20
D
G
D
all I ___ can do _ is say, _ "Ho - ly, ho - ly is ___ the Lord Al - might - y, Who
23
Em
D
C
G
was and is and is to come." __ We lay our crowns be - fore _ You, ev - 'ry
26
D
Em
D
C
D.C. al Coda
heart and soul a - dore _ You, the God of gods, Al-might - y One. __
Coda
PRE-CHORUS 2
29
C
Am
"Known by God a - lone." We'll gath - er at the crys - tal throne.
31
G/B
C
All these years: we're fin - 'lly home. I can ac - tually see ___ His face. I
And
1.
2.
33
G/B
D
nev - er thought _ I'd see ___ the day _ that we'd all I ___ can do ___ is say, _
CHORUS
35
G
D
Em
D
"Ho - ly, ho - ly is ___ the Lord Al - might - y, Who was and is and is to come.".

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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 2:1–5

The Mountain of the LORD

[1]The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

[2]It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,
[3]and many peoples shall come, and say:
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."
For out of Zion shall go the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

[4]He shall judge between the nations,
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.
[5]O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Psalm 24:7–10*

[7]Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
[8]Who is this King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle!
[9]Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
[10]Who is this King of glory?
The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory!

Epistle *1 Peter 2:4–10*

4 As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God
chosen and precious, 5 you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual
house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through
Jesus Christ. 6 For it stands in Scripture:

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

7 So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,"

8 and

"A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own
possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of
darkness into his marvelous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are
God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Holy Gospel *Matthew 11:25–30*

℗ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.

℃ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Come to Me, and I Will Give You Rest

25 At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that
you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to
little children; 26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. 27 All things have been
handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no
one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal
him. 28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take
my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will
find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

℗ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

℃ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

LWML Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Please be seated

On That Day

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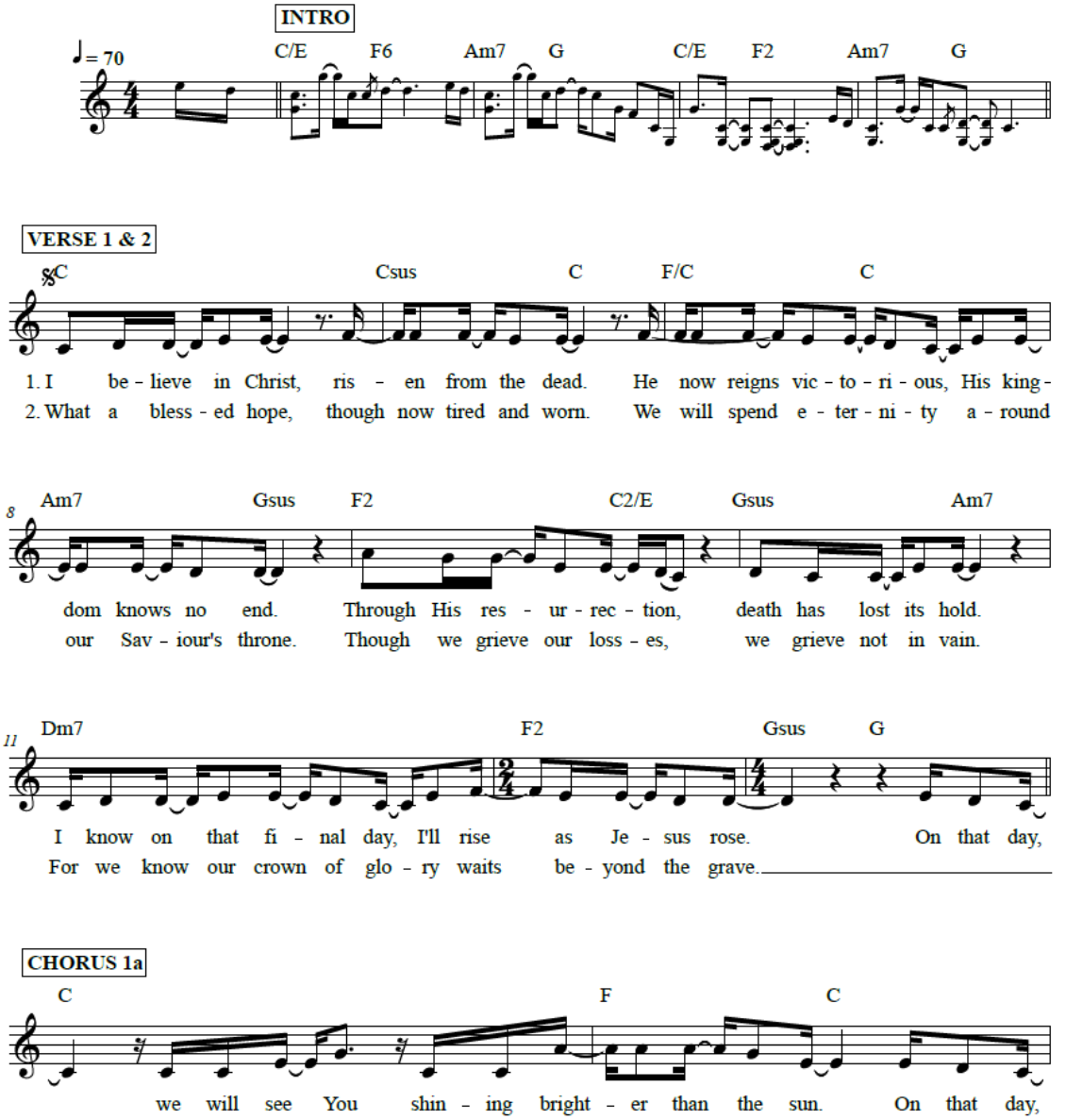
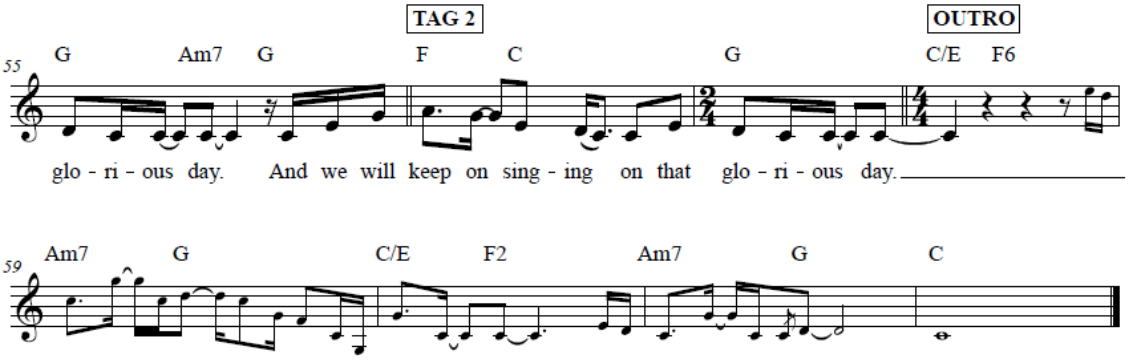
and Scott Lavender



16
Am7
F2
Gsus
we will know You as we lift our voice as one. 'Til that day,
F
C/E
F
G
Am
F
C
18
2nd time to Coda
we will praise You for Your nev - er end - ing grace. And we will keep on sing - ing on that
TURNAROUND
Gsus
C/E
F6
Am7
G
D.S. al Coda
glo - ri - ous day.
F
C
Gsus
23
Coda
keep on sing - ing on that glo - ri - ous day.
INSTRUMENTAL
C/E
F6
Am7
G
C/E
F6
Am7
G
Hal - le -
BRIDGE
F
C
G
C/E
F
C
lu - jah, what a day it will be! For at home with You, my joy is com - plete.
32
G
C/E
F
C
G
Am
G
As I run in - to Your arms o - pen wide, I will see my

35
F C G C/E G C/E
1 2
Fa - ther, who is wait - ing for me. Hal - le (me.) My
TAG 1
F C G
Fa - ther, who is wait - ing for me.
CHORUS 1b
C
On that day, we will see You shin - ing bright-
41
F C Gsus/B Am7 C2/E F Gsus C/E
er than the sun. On that day, we will know You as we lift our voice as one. 'til that day,
44
F C/E F G Am F C
we will praise You for Your nev - er end - ing grace. And we will keep on sing - ing on that
47
G C
CHORUS 1c
F C
glo - ri - ous day. On that day, we will see You shin - ing bright - er than the sun. On that day,
50
Am7 F G C/E
we will know You as we lift our voice as one. 'Til that day,
52
F C/E F G Am F C
we will praise You for Your nev - er end - ing grace. And we will keep on sing - ing on that



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Sermon

Offering

Please stand

Prayer of the Church
The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, "Lord in Your Mercy".
The congregation will respond **"Hear our Prayer"**.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

[P] Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Please note:
St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine. His body and blood *are not symbolically present or spiritually received*, but real and tangible *in* the bread and wine, *with* the bread and wine, *under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words*, and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith. Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:
Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?
Are you truly sorry for your sins?
Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?
Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?
Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

Please be seated

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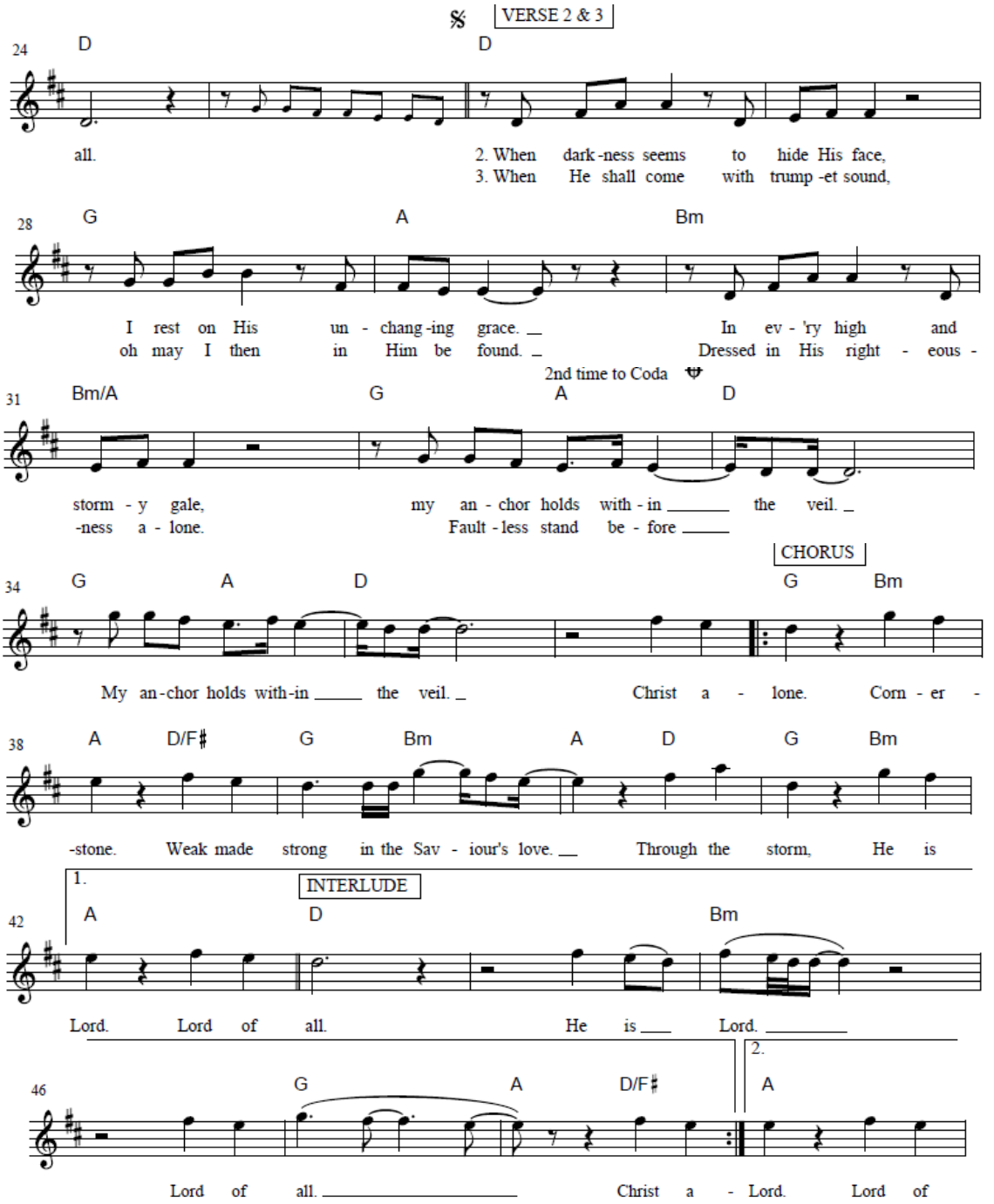
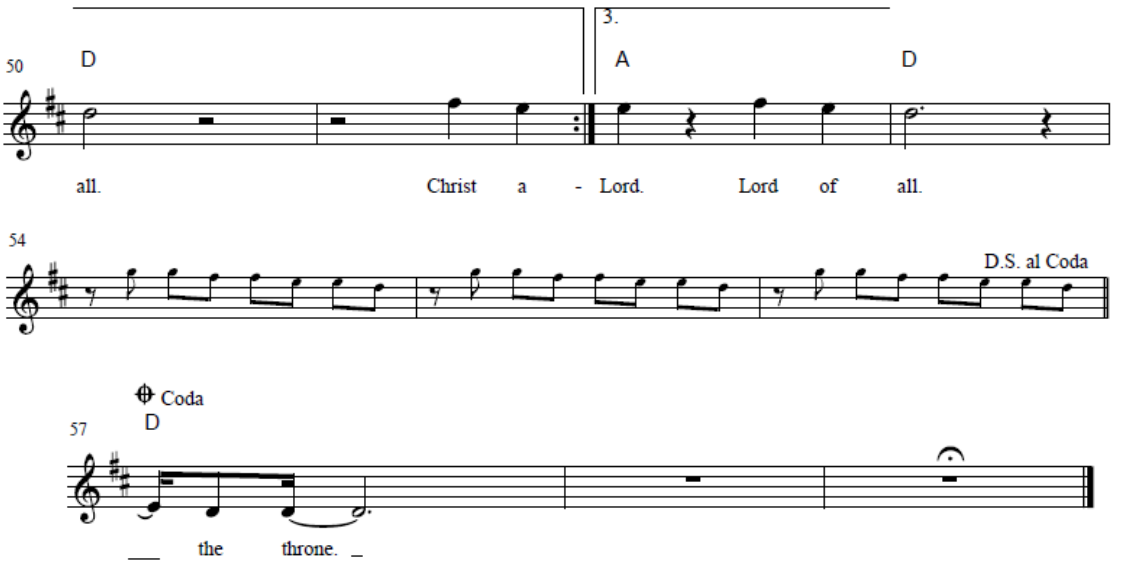

VERSE 2 & 3
24
D
D
all.
2. When dark-ness seems to hide His face,
3. When He shall come with trump-et sound,
28
G
A
Bm
I rest on His un - chang-ing grace.
oh may I then in Him be found.
In ev - 'ry high and
Dressed in His right - eous -
2nd time to Coda
31
Bm/A
G
A
D
storm - y gale,
-ness a - lone.
my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
Fault - less stand be - fore
CHORUS
34
G
A
D
G
Bm
My an-chor holds with-in the veil.
Christ a - lone.
Corn - er -
38
A
D/F♯
G
Bm
A
D
G
Bm
-stone.
Weak made strong in the Sav - iour's love.
Through the storm, He is
1.
INTERLUDE
42
A
D
Bm
Lord.
Lord of all.
He is
Lord.
2.
46
G
A
D/F♯
A
Lord of all.
Christ a - Lord.
Lord of



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Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

℗ Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ℂ **Amen.**

Benediction

℗ Let us bless the Lord.
ℂ **Thanks be to God.**

℗ The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.
ℂ **Amen.**

Graves into Gardens

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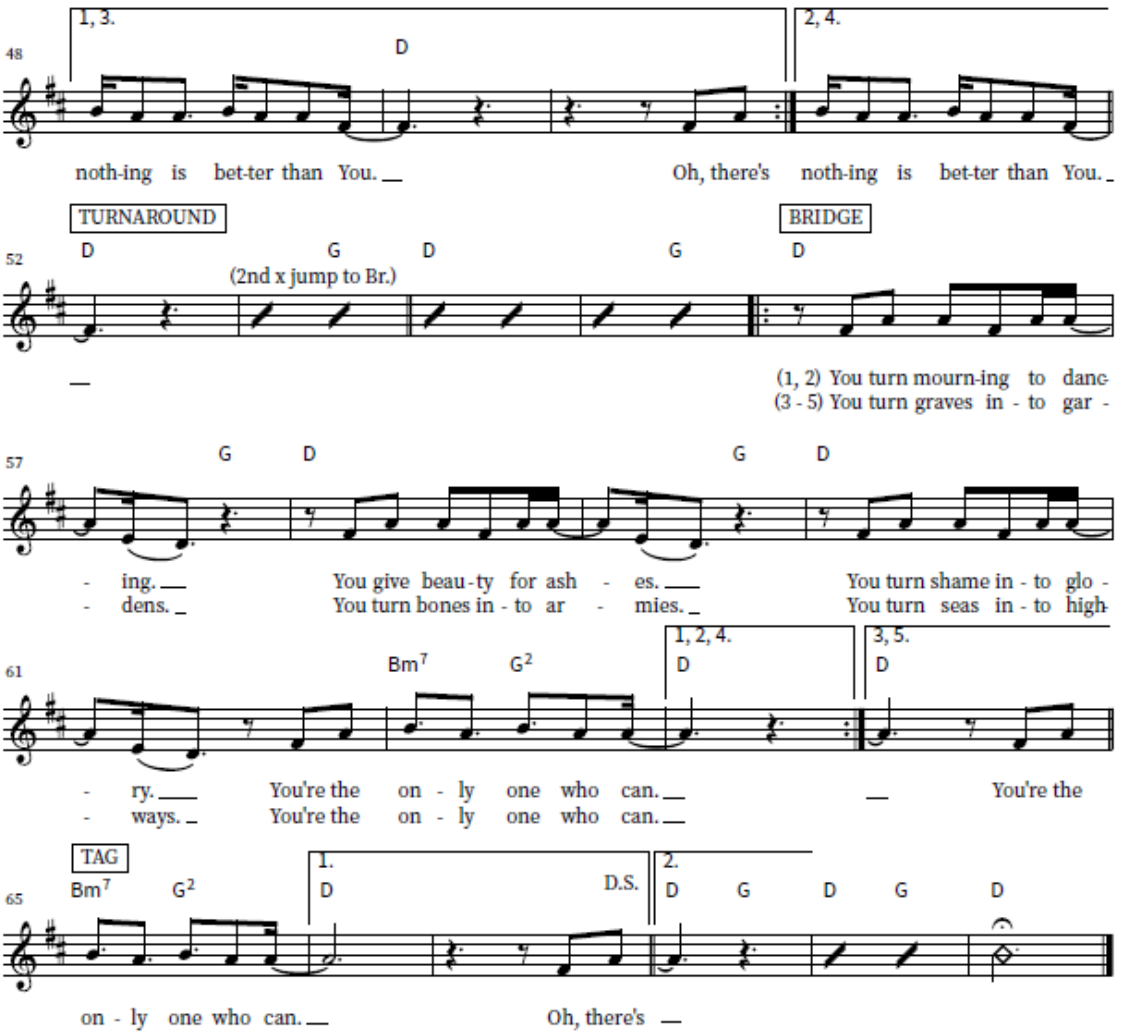
TURNAROUND
20
G2
D
Yes it is true _ You are risen _ noth-ing is bet-ter than You. __
VERSE 2
24
G
D
G
D
G
2. I'm not a - fraid __ to show You my
29
D
Bm7
weak - ness. _____ My fail - ures and flaws, __ Lord You've seen them all, _
32
A(4)
G2
D
__ and You still _ call me friend. __ 'Cause the God _ of the moun - tain _
36
Em7
D
Bm7
is the God of the val - ley. _ There's not a place __ Your mer - cy and grace.
CHORUS
40
A(4)
G2
D
__ won't find me a - gain. _____ Oh, there's noth - ing _
44
Bm7
G2
bet-ter than You. _ We're forgiven. _ Yes, it is true _ You are risen, _


48
1, 3.
D
2, 4.
noth-ing is bet-ter than You.
Oh, there's noth-ing is bet-ter than You.
TURNAROUND
52
D G D G
(2nd x jump to Br.)
BRIDGE
D
(1, 2) You turn mourn-ing to danc-
(3 - 5) You turn graves in - to gar -
57
G D G D
- ing.
- dens.
You give beau-ty for ash - es.
You turn bones in - to ar - mies.
You turn shame in - to glo -
You turn seas in - to high-
61
Bm7 G2
1, 2, 4.
D
3, 5.
D
- ry.
- ways.
You're the on - ly one who can.
You're the on - ly one who can.
You're the
TAG
65
Bm7 G2
1.
D
D.S.
2.
D G D G D
on - ly one who can.
Oh, there's

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