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Come and Worship the Lord

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Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Come from our sanctuary or from your home. Come at 11am on Sunday or any time during the week. Come whenever and wherever you are. Come! Worship is called in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

People: **All people are welcome here. I am welcome here!**

Leader: Yes, all people are truly welcome here. Everything we do should preach a welcoming message.

People: **We let people know they are welcome by how we treat them. We should prepare for new friends even before they arrive.**


Prelude

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

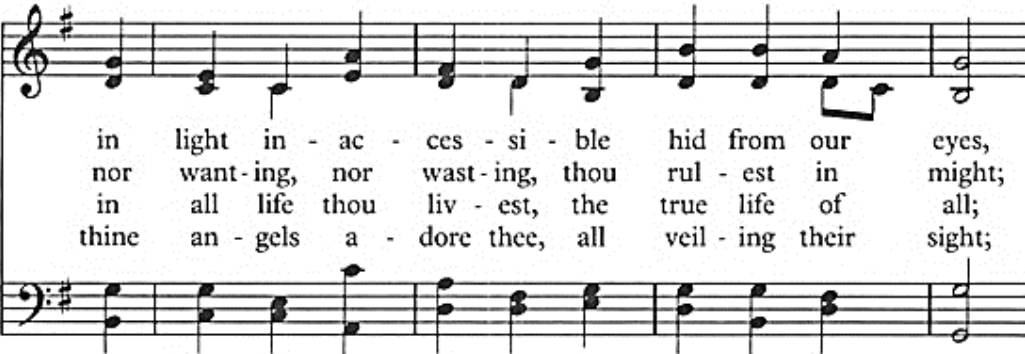
John Innis

Hymn

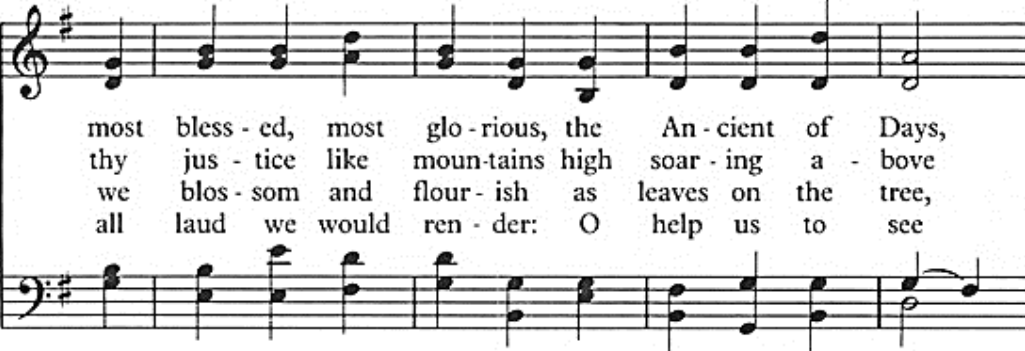
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



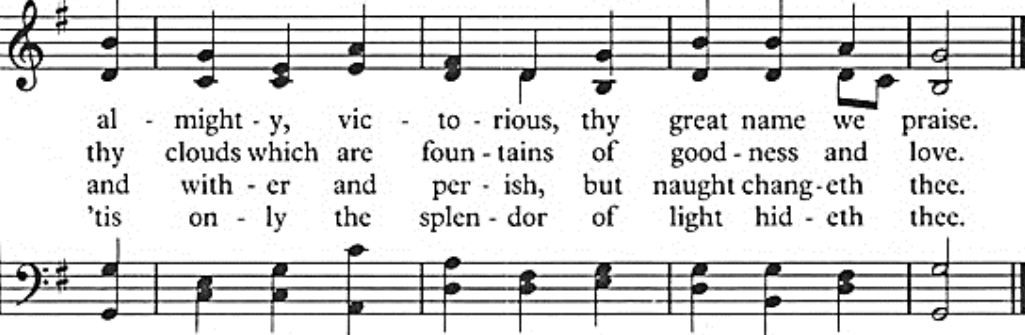
1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Opening Prayer

Lord, we thank you for waking us up this morning. This is a new day. Today we are given new opportunities to serve you and to love others. Help us learn how to prepare for visitors even before they come. Help us offer ministries and worship services that attract new disciples to this place. Help us to feed your people the spiritual food they need. Let it all begin right here and right now, and let it begin with us! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Chorus

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior,
He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior.

I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him,
I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him.

Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 145:10-18

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power,
to make known to all people your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.
The Lord upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.
The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.
The Lord is just in all his ways,

and kind in all his doings.
The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

Special Music – Kathy Fowler

How Beautiful

Twila Paris

Message

E.T. Visits Absecon

Offering Conversation

Hymn

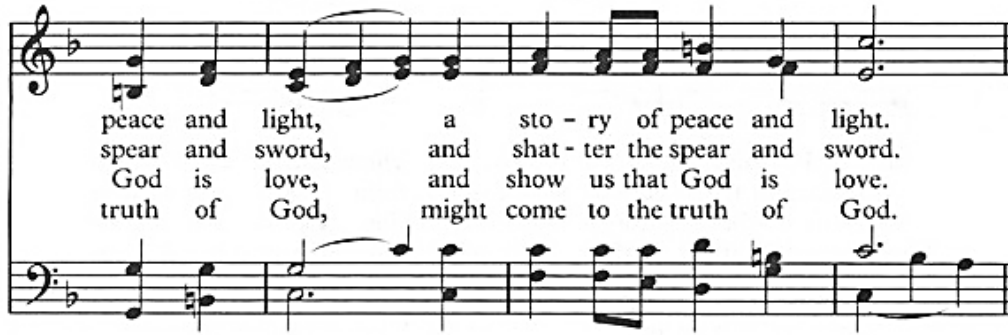
We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

1. We've a sto - ry to tell to the na - tions,
2. We've a song to be sung to the na - tions,
3. We've a mes - sage to give to the na - tions,
4. We've a Sav - ior to show to the na - tions,

that shall turn their hearts to the right, a
that shall lift their hearts to the Lord, a
that the Lord who reign - eth a - bove hath
who the path of sor - row hath trod, that

sto - ry of truth and mer - cy, a sto - ry of
song that shall con - quer e - vil and shat - ter the
sent us his Son to save us, and show us that
all of the world's great peo - ples might come to the

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peace and light, a sto - ry of peace and light.
spear and sword, and shat - ter the spear and sword.
God is love, and show us that God is love.
truth of God, might come to the truth of God.

Benediction

Postlude

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Dale Wood

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