1 Sing praise and hallelujah! To God who reigns supreme,
Creator of this planet and all we see or dream.
Today we raise our voices in thanks for days and years.
God’s love and truth have led us through all our joys and tears.

2 Sing praise and hallelujah! For present friends and past,
for children’s voices singing, for faith and hope that last,
for sacraments and sermons through which we’ve known God’s word,
for kind - ly thoughts and actions we, here, have seen and heard.

3 Sing praise and hallelujah! Long may our witness thrive,
To-day we raise our voices in thanks for days and years.
The future lies before us with mission to increase.
All ages join the chorus proclaiming joy and peace.

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TUNE: George James Webb [1837]
CHRISTIAN UNITY

{Standing}

Almighty God, you are the one who called this universe into being. Out of nothing you created everything that is.

By your power you hold together all space and time and substance.

By your hand alone, Creator God, the inanimate elements became alive so that we could live and move and have our being.

We celebrate life, the precious life you have given us, and we celebrate that unity of mind and emotions, of body and soul, that you want us to enjoy and share with each other.

We rejoice in the centrality of Jesus Christ in all your works, for he was with you from the very beginning, and is supreme over all creation.

We praise you that Christ is before all things, and that in him all things hold together, especially our very fragile, vulnerable, and often broken lives.

\[\text{Lord of all being, throned afar,}\]
\[\text{Lord of all life, below, above,}\]

\[\text{your glory flames from sun and star;}\]
\[\text{whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,}\]
We know that we will remain less than the whole persons you have called us to be in Christ Jesus until we acknowledge our sins to you, and so we bow before you and pray:

Almighty God, we confess that we have tried to run away and hide from you. We constantly deceive ourselves into thinking that we can live without you. We have made idols of our own achievements. We have treated other persons as though they did not bear your image. We have failed to enfold and include all persons within the outstretched and open arms of Jesus Christ, our Savior. And we have left undone those deeds of lovingkindness and godly justice that you want us to pursue in your name. Bring your Spirit upon us in a gracious, healing way. Make us agents of reconciliation as we live within your holy presence. Amen.
Breathe, O breathe your loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast,
let us all in you inherit, let us find the promised rest.

Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be,
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

We thank you, gracious God, for establishing the church as a single body of interdependent members, each having a place and purpose.

We know that we need each other and are called to appreciate the great variety of gifts you have given us to use.

Help us to rejoice with those who are feeling joy and delight.

Help us to sing with those who are singing your love and praise.

Help us to taste the agony of those who are hurting.

Help us to share the burden of those who are in distress.
Take away jealousy and resentment from our hearts when we see others achieving success.

**Fill us with that spirit of unity in Christ that lets us see and feel and know that we all belong to you through the grace we have received.**

Teach us to know and love the world-wide church called out of all peoples and nations. Make visible the unity that you desire as we express a spirit of reconciliation in all our relationships. Show us that we are part of the one and only body of Jesus Christ, unified by faith, scattered for witness and service. Lead us to appreciate the richness of our diversity and your creative power at work in our various traditions and customs. Make us all one with you by the inspiration and guidance of your Spirit.

**Lead us into lives worthy of our calling in Christ, with all lowliness, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another in love, and eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. We pray for this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(The liturgist may use one or more of the following or other expressions of worship from our own and other traditions to convey our sense of unity in Christ.)

Let us sing a new hymn.

*[As the liturgist directs.]*

Let us pause in silence and wait upon God.

Let us stand and greet each other with the right hand of fellowship and say, "The peace of God be with you."

Let us make prayer requests for ourselves and others.

*[To be included in a prayer of intercession by the liturgist.]*

Let us hear the watchword for the day and reflect upon it.

Let us lift our hands in a prayer of praise.

*[The liturgist offers prayer.]*

Let us pray together for the grace that we need, saying:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.
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Dear God, as we your people gather in every time and place around this wondrous earth, may we be strengthened by our awareness of one another and united by our mutual prayers.

**Hear us and help us all, we pray.**
May the variety of traditions and customs of your whole church become a multitude of lights to reveal the good news needed by people everywhere. May the variety of our ministries and service convey your redemptive love and bind us ever closer to one another.

Grant us grace to unite in essentials, to accept diversity in non-essentials, and to love one another in all things.

[Standing]

GAUDEAMUS PARITER

Join we all with one accord, praise we all our common Lord;
One the name in which we pray, one our Savior day by day;

for we all have heard his voice, all have made his will our choice.
with one Cup and with one Bread thus one covenant way we tread.

Partners with the saints of old, no more strangers in the fold,
One in spirit, one in life, one amid earth’s frequent strife,

one the Shepherd who us sought, one the flock his blood has bought.
one in faith and one in love, one in hope of heav’n above.
They Walked With God In Peace and Love

TEXT: James Montgomery (1771-1854)
TUNE: Mit Freuden Zart

1 They walked with God in peace and love
but failed with one another;
while sternly for the faith they strove,
they fell out with each other.
But he in whom they put their trust,
who knew their frames,
that they were dust,
with pity healed their weakness.

2 He found them in his house of prayer
with one accord assembled,
and so revealed his presence there;
they wept for joy and trembled.
One cup they drank, one bread they broke,
on baptism shared,
one language spoke,
forgiving and forgiven.

3 Then forth they went, with tongues of flame
in one blessed theme delighting;
the love of Jesus, and his name,
God's children all uniting.
That love our theme and watchword still;
the law of love
may we fulfill -
give love as love we're given.

Source: Moravian Book of Worship #396
Holy Communion in Celebration of the Holy Spirit

PASTOR: Grace, mercy and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.
PEOPLE: Amen. Thanks be to God.

HERRNHUT (11 A)

Holy Spirit, light divine,
dawn upon this soul of mine.
Let Your word dispel the night,
wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, peace divine,
still this restless heart of mine.
Speak to calm the tossing sea,
Stayed in your tranquility.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

(All shall take the bread they have prepared)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.

(All partake together.)

STUTTGART (16 F)

Spirit, working in creation, bringing order out of strife:
come among God's gathered people, giving harmony and life.

Spirit, breathed on the disciples, giving peace where there was fear,
Come among us, touch us, send us, making Jesus' presence near.

TEXT © John Richards
SILENT PRAYER

By your divine presence,
By the holy sacraments,
By all the merits of your life, sufferings, death and resurrection,

**Bless and comfort us, gracious Lord and God. Amen.**

In the same way, after supper our Lord Jesus Christ took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sin. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(All shall take the cup which they have prepared.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Drink from this, all of you. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(All partake together.)

SILENT PRAYER

Christ, the Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**Grant to us your peace. Amen**

POSEN (11C)

Ponder now in rev’rent thought, all the things that fill your heart, Ev’ry love and precious dream, ev’ry prayer and joy supreme.
Ponder now the meal well spread, on the table, wine and bread, Come with happy hearts and share all our Lord has offered there.

TEXT: © Jim Miller
Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death,

Until he comes.

AUSTRIAN HYMN

For the bread, which You have broken;
For the wine, which You have poured;
For the words, which You have spoken—
Now we give You thanks, O Lord.
By this pledgee that You do love us,
By Your gift of peace restored,
By Your call to Heaven above us,
Hallow all our lives, O Lord.

With the sainted ones in glory
Seated at the heavenly board,
May the Church that’s waiting for You
Keep love’s tie unbroken, Lord.
In Your service, Lord, defend us,
In our hearts keep watch and ward;
In the world where You sent us
Let Your kingdom come, O Lord.

Our Lamb is still conquering,

Let us follow him.

May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
May the Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.
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**Watchword for the Week:** Let the peoples praise you O God; let all the peoples praise you.  — Psalm 67:5

**Moravian Children’s Festival** will be today, Sunday, August 16 – due to the pandemic, it will be online, but will still be a wonderful learning event. We have links available on our website! The video will go live at 2:00 pm. Please prepare elements for lovefeast (bun or cookies, drinks) so that you can participate virtually.

**LOGOS ZOOM** – There will be a special LOGOS Zoom meeting this Wednesday, August 12 at 7:00 pm for anyone who participates in LOGOS. Please contact Pastor John for the link to attend if you are interested.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Mr Kyle Wilson and Dr Leah Chapman, who were married this week at Kernersville Botanical Gardens. Our best wishes for the couple!

**CHURCH BOARD** will meet Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Members, check your email for information.