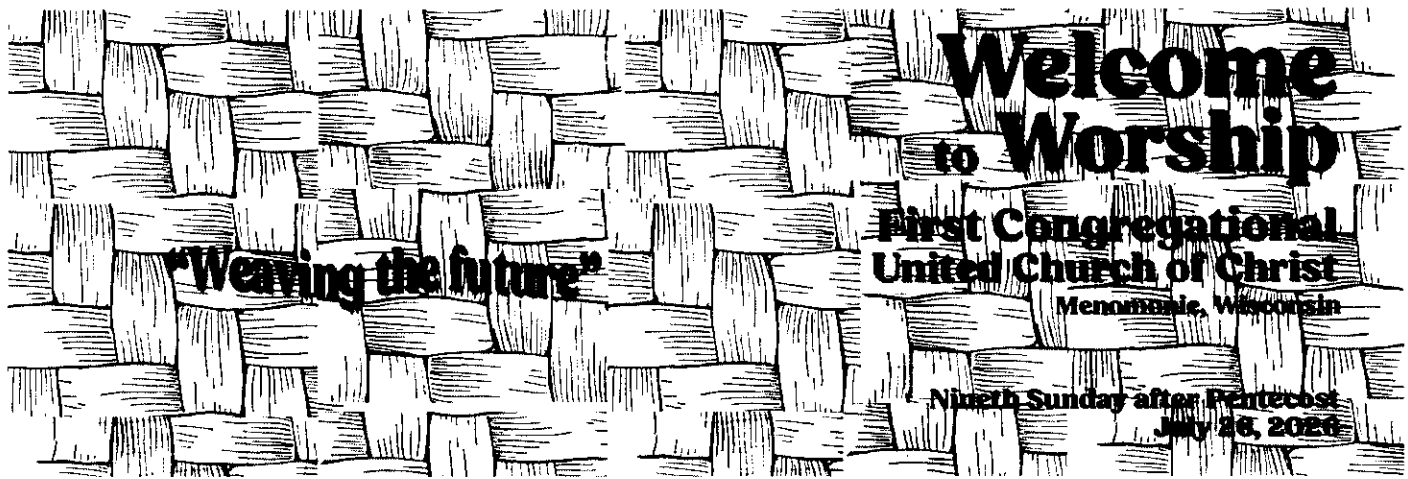




Welcome and Announcements

Prelude/Candle Lighting

"Prayer"
(Engelbert Humperdinck)

RuthAnn Ledgerwood

Ring of the Bell

***Call to Worship** (*Rise in body, mind, or spirit)

One: God of love, your grace is the mustard seed growing in us, giving us life and beauty.

All: **Your love is the net that gathers us in in all our diversity.**

One: Christ, you are the treasure hidden in the field of our lives.

All: **You are the fine pearl we seek.**

One: Holy Spirit, you are the yeast that leavens us with love.

All: **In awe, in gratitude, in joy, we worship you.**

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)

God, we do not know how to live as we ought. But your Spirit intercedes for us, with sighs too deep for words. In your mercy, forgive our sin, heal our fear, and empower us to change our habits for the sake of love. May your grace leaven our hearts. Amen.

Opening Hymn

"Awake My Soul and with the Sun"

Hymnal #456

Readings

Sally Conklin

Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52;

Contemporary Reading "The Weaver Poem" by Grant Colfax Tullar

Special Music

"The Wanderer"
(Ralph Vaughan Williams)

**Colin Kintzinger and
RuthAnn Ledgerwood**

Sermon

"Weaving the Future"

Pastor René Mehlberg

Transitional Hymn

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Hymnal #343

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory

"O Thou in Whose Presence"
(arr. Gina Sprunger)

RuthAnn Ledgerwood

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication (in unison)**

Generous God, we share our gifts like tiny seeds from a dandelion. Send out these gifts on the mighty wind of your Spirit, bringing growth, bearing fruit, and nourishing our neighbors. May each gift bloom with your holy imagination. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

"Dream God's Dream"

SoF #38

***Benediction**

***Sung Benediction (unison)**

**God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

Postlude

"How Firm a Foundation"
(arr. Victor Labenske)

RuthAnn Ledgerwood

The flowers today are in celebration of Deb and John Wesolek's 57th wedding anniversary, today, July 26th. Congratulations!

Credits

- Liturgy pieces from Garnaas-Holmes, Steve. "Worship Resources – Unfolding Light." Unfolding Light. Accessed July 8, 2026. <https://unfoldinglight.net/worship-resources/>.
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This Week

July 26-30: Oxana is on vacation

Tuesday, July 28, 5:30pm: Roundtable, FH

Tuesday, July 28, 6pm: Christian Education, Rm 1

Thursday, July 30, 8-5 pm: GROWW, Rm 1

Thursday, July 30, 12-5pm: Council Retreat, Rm 12

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MORNING HYMN LM

François Hippolyte Barthélémon, 1785
As in *The Church Hymnal*
for the Christian Year, 1917

Thomas Ken, 1695; alt.

1. A - wake, my soul, and with the sun your
2. Lord, I my vows to You re - new. Dis -
3. Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, All

dai - ly stage of du - ty run; Shake off dull sloth, and
perse my sins as morn - ing dew; Guard my first springs of
I de - sign or do or say; That all my powers, with

joy - ful rise To pay your morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
thought and will, And with Your - self my spir - it fill.
all their might, In Your sole glo - ry may u - nite.

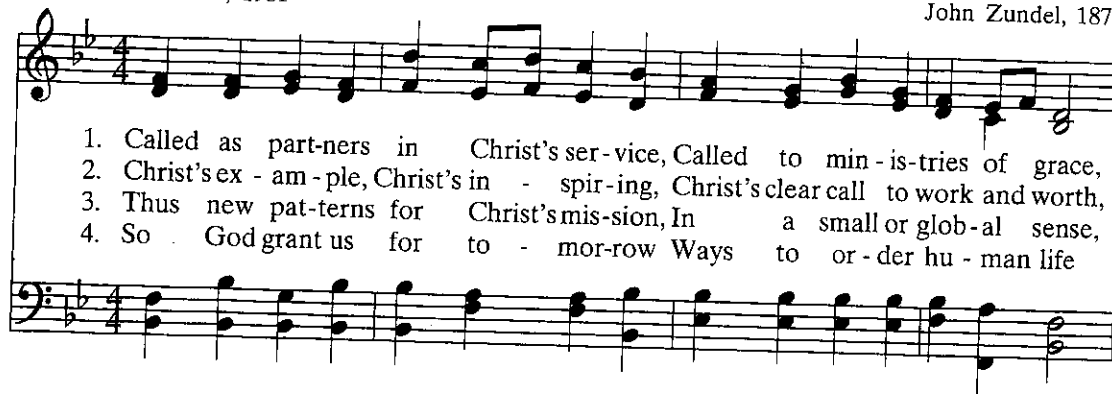
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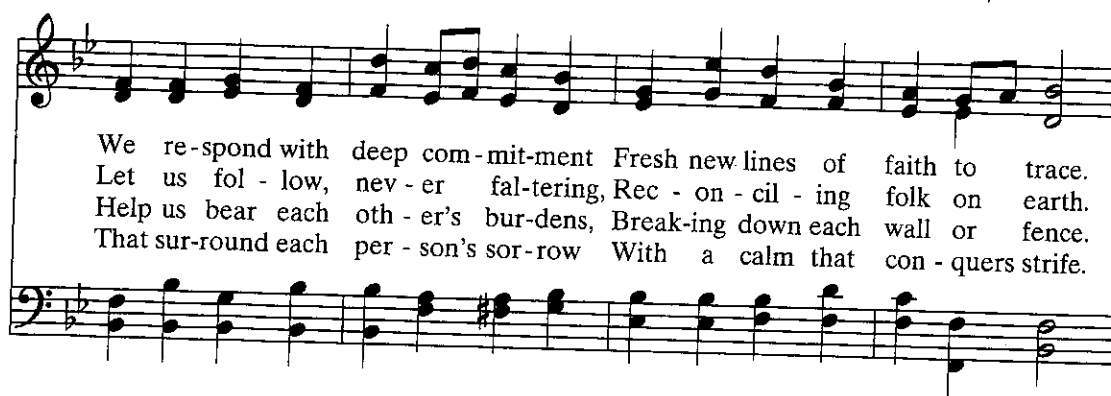
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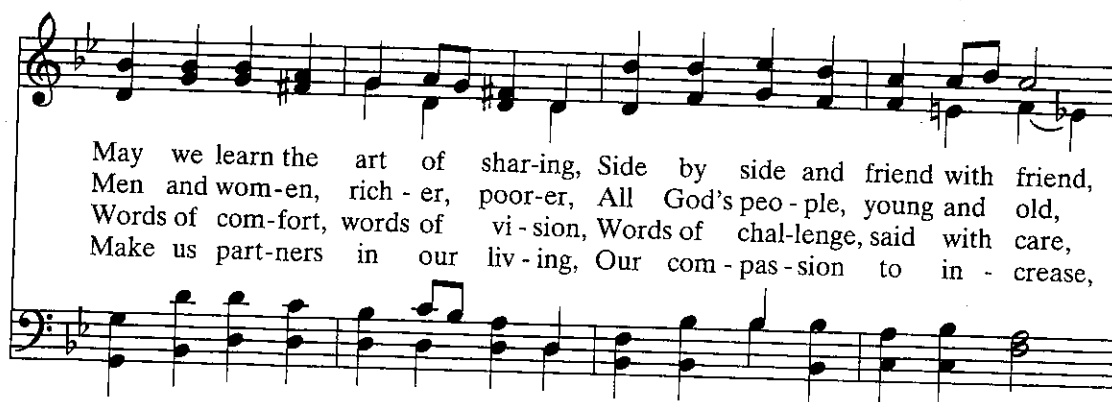
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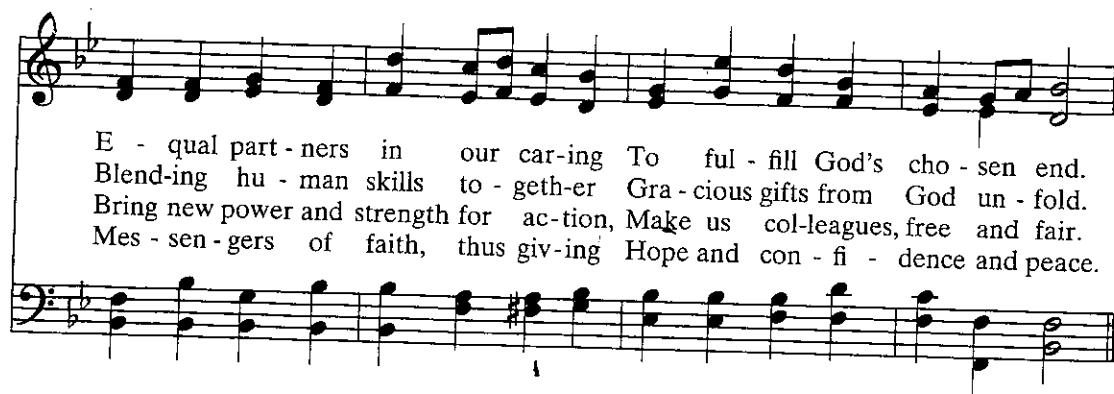
1. Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, Called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2. Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3. Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, In a small or glob-al sense,
 4. So God grant us for to-mor-row Ways to or-der hu-man life



We re-pond with deep com-mit-ment Fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 Let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, Rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
 Help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, Break-ing down each wall or fence.
 That sur-round each per-son's sor-row With a calm that con-quers strife.

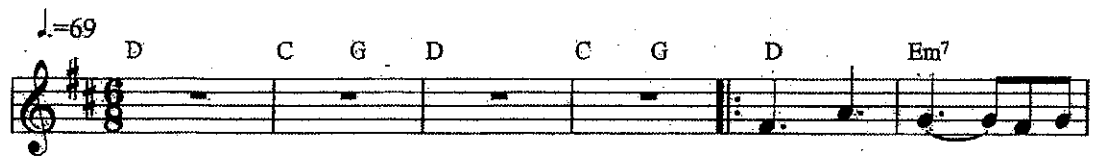


May we learn the art of shar-ing, Side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, All God's peo-ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, Words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, Our com-pas-sion to in-crease,

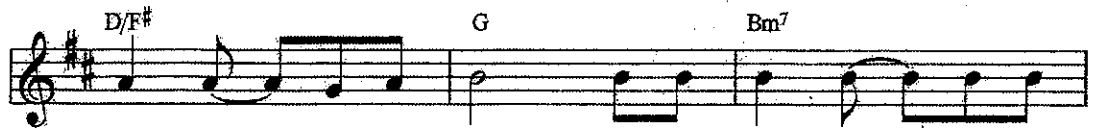


E - qual part-ners in our car-ing To ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
 Blend-ing hu-man skills to-geth-er Gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
 Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, Make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 Mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing Hope and con-fi-dence and peace.

Dream God's Dream



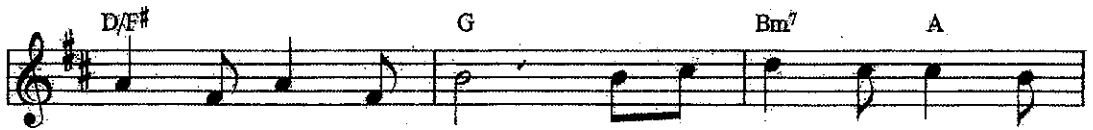
Dream God's dream! Ho-ly



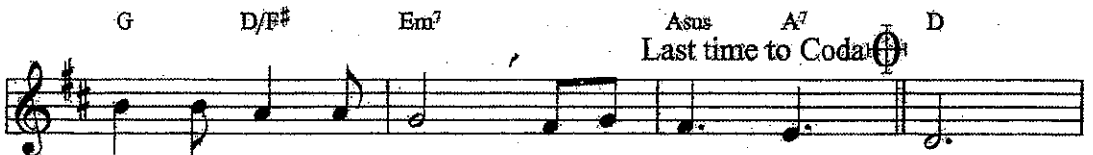
Spir - it help us dream of a world where there is



jus - tice and where ev - 'ry one is free to



build and grow and love, and to sim - ply have e -



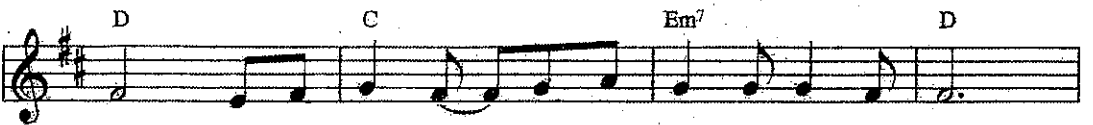
-nough. The world will change, when we dream God's dream.



1. I'm dream-ing of a world where the col - or of one's

2. I'm dream-ing of the call God is of - fer-ing to

3. I'm dream-ing of the way that I want my life to



skin will mean less than what's with - in the per - son's heart.

me, how to use my en - er - gy and my best gifts;

go. I've got hope and I've got goals I'd like to meet.