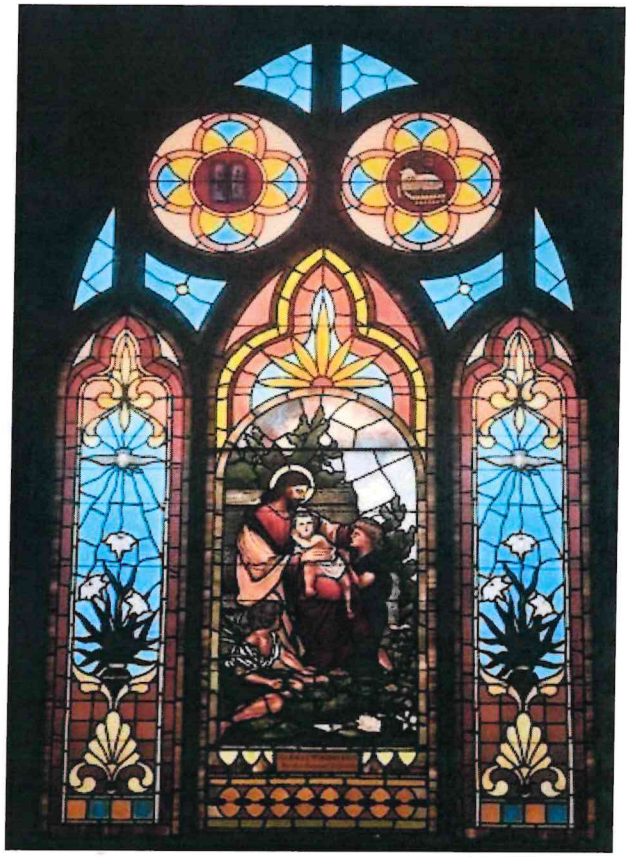
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November 22, 2026
9:30AM Worship
Reign of Christ Sunday

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Awakening joyful service guided by our still speaking God!

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If this is your first time with us, or if you have come to this sacred space your entire life, it is a blessing that we are all here together. Trinity truly believes that ***whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!*** *To enhance your worship experience, we have large print bulletins and hearing support devices available. Please ask an usher or greeter for assistance. Enter worship today but stick around to see what God is doing in this place!*

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Please stand as you are able; BOLD print - congregational response

***All words provided on the screen**

TIME OF SHARING

GREETING

Here at Trinity, we are awakening to joyful service
Guided by our still speaking God!
Let us worship in the name of the Triune God;
The Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sustainer. Amen.

PRELUDE *Prelude and Toccata on* "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, God is seeking to gather us together.
Like a shepherd searching for lost sheep, God calls us.

God reaches out to rescue all who have strayed.
Scattered, weak and injured ones are drawn to God.

Come, above all else, to worship and give thanks.
Make a joyful noise to the Creator of all worlds.

***HYMN #422 "Come, Thankful People, Come"**

*PRAYER

**We beseech you, O God, for your church throughout the world.
May it grow in faith of the cross and power of the resurrection.
May your spirit minister to it continually in the redemption and reconciliation
of all things. Cover, establish, and enlighten your church, that it may see
through all that obscures time, and that it may move in the shadow
of your wing, with faith, through Jesus Christ our Sovereign. Amen.**

*RESPONSE TO PRAYER #421 **"We Gather Together"** (v1)

***We gather together to ask for God's blessing,
to live in community, seeking God's will.
We come now, as sisters and brothers, confessing
the sins that divide and the wrong in us still.***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, always more ready to hear than we are to pray,
always willing to give more than we either desire or deserve.
Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy.
Forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid.
And giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask,
except through the merits and meditation of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Moment for Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God is good and is faithful in steadfast love to all generations.
Because of this truth, we are and will remain a forgiven people.

SPECIAL MUSIC

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

SCRIPTURES

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
[2]Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
[3]Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
[4]Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.
[5]For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

Matthew 25:31-46

[31]"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. [32]All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, [33]and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. [34]Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; [35]for I was hungry and you gave me

food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36]I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' [37]Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? [38]And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? [39]And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' [40]And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' [41]Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; [42]for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, [43]I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44]Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' [45]Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' [46]And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

SERMON

HYMN #575 **"O For A World"**

PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*CELEBRATION OF OUR GIFTS

Through the celebration of our gifts we seek to share the good news,
to bind up the injured, strengthen the weak, secure justice for the oppressed,
and bring back those who have strayed.
May we be gracious and generous in these efforts.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #421 (v3)

All praise to the Spirit, provider, defender.
You offer us freedom, to follow or stray,
Empowering all by the hope you engender.
Grant wisdom and courage to follow your way.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of steadfast love, receive these expressions of our
thanks for the glorious inheritance entrusted to us.
May this congregation become more and more a source of hope
for each of us and for all we meet. Amen.

*HYMN #252 **"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"**

*FINAL BLESSING

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Portions of today's liturgy have been adapted from:

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PRELUDE: *Prelude and Toccata on "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty.* Arranged by J. Wayne Kerr. Copyright 1986 Harold Flammer, Inc.

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ALTAR FLOWERS: In Thanksgiving for the Congregation of Trinity by Jane Malone

OUR CONDOLENCES to Suzy Miller and the Miller family in the death of Robert Miller who died Friday, November 6th at home. Funeral arrangements are Tuesday, November 24th. Visitation from 9am-11am. Service at 11 with luncheon following the service. Please keep Suzy and family in your prayers.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH AT 7:00PM COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING EVE services at St. James Lutheran Church on York Street, Gettysburg, PA

POINSETTIA'S ORDERS DUE BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29th. $10.75 each. Forms in Gathering Area. Please make your checks out to Trinity United Church of Christ and note in the memo line "poinsettias".

BLESSING ROOM – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30th – 11:00am-1:00pm. PLEASE keep the personal care donations coming. Tooth brushes and tooth paste are back on the list. This is a much needed ministry in our community. **Remember is you use it, they use it.** Volunteers to help set up, staff, and tear down are always welcome. Please contact Jane Malone or Carl Barrick if you are interested in helping us.

NOVEMBER is a "FIFTH SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION" month. ***South Central Community Action Program (SCCAP) was the fourth highest charity chosen by the Congregation.*** **Envelopes are in the pews and Gathering Area.**

***** MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13th following worship.** Your attendance and participation are most important. Material will be emailed to everyone on the church email list, copies will be available in the Gathering Area beginning 11/29/26. Please pick up the packet of information for review prior to the meeting.

USHERS NEEDED FOR DECEMBER – please sign up in Gathering Area.

CHANGE FOR CHRIST – "HELP KEEP THE LIGHTS ON": Have extra change in your pockets? Tired of carrying it around? Drop it in the vase with candle located in the Gathering Area.

NEWS FLASH! In an effort to inform congregation members and/or the wider community of what is happening in our church, the Communication Committee is seeking information to pass on. If your committee is doing something you would like to share, please let the Communications Committee know. **November's "info gatherer is Joan Peck 717-253-1348 or denjopeck@comcast.net**

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CHECK OUT THE BEAUTIFUL CHURCH MODELS MADE BY HARRY HILBERT if you haven't already. Information on the History of those two churches is available in the Gathering Area. If you see Harry, please thank him! A lot of time and work went into the details.

ATTENDANCE 11/15/2026: 9:30am ***69***; On-line ***66 averaged***; Total ***135***

FINANCE REPORT 11/8 and 11/15/2026:

11/8 Envelope Offering Needed WEEKLY:	***$3,707.00***	**Offering Rec'd:**	***$2,735.00***
11/15 Envelope Offering Needed WEEKLY:	***$3,707.00***	**Offering Rec'd:**	***$1,865.00***
Envelope Offering Needed YTD:	***$170,752.00***	**Offering Rec'd YTD:**	***$148,734.53***
11/8 Property Fund Needed WEEKLY:	***$385.00***	**Offering Rec'd:**	***$180.00***
11/15 Property Fund Needed WEEKLY:	***$385.00***	**Offering Rec'd:**	***$0***
Property Offering Needed YTD:	***$17,710.00***	**Offering Rec'd YTD:**	***$14,130.00***

**** *Trinity is nearing a large budget deficit. Please consider increasing your weekly giving to help Trinity meet this year's budget.*

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, 11/14: Robert Miller Funeral
9:00am-11:00am Visitation; Service 11:00am; Luncheon to follow
NO Senior Social
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

Wednesday, 11/25: NO Choir
7:00pm Thanksgiving Community Service – St. James Lutheran Church

Thursday, 11/26: HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

Friday, 11/27: DEB/BRUCE Out
NO Flutes

Saturday, 11/28: Decorating Church for Christmas

Next Sunday, 11/29: 1st Sunday of Advent with Communion

Worship Participants

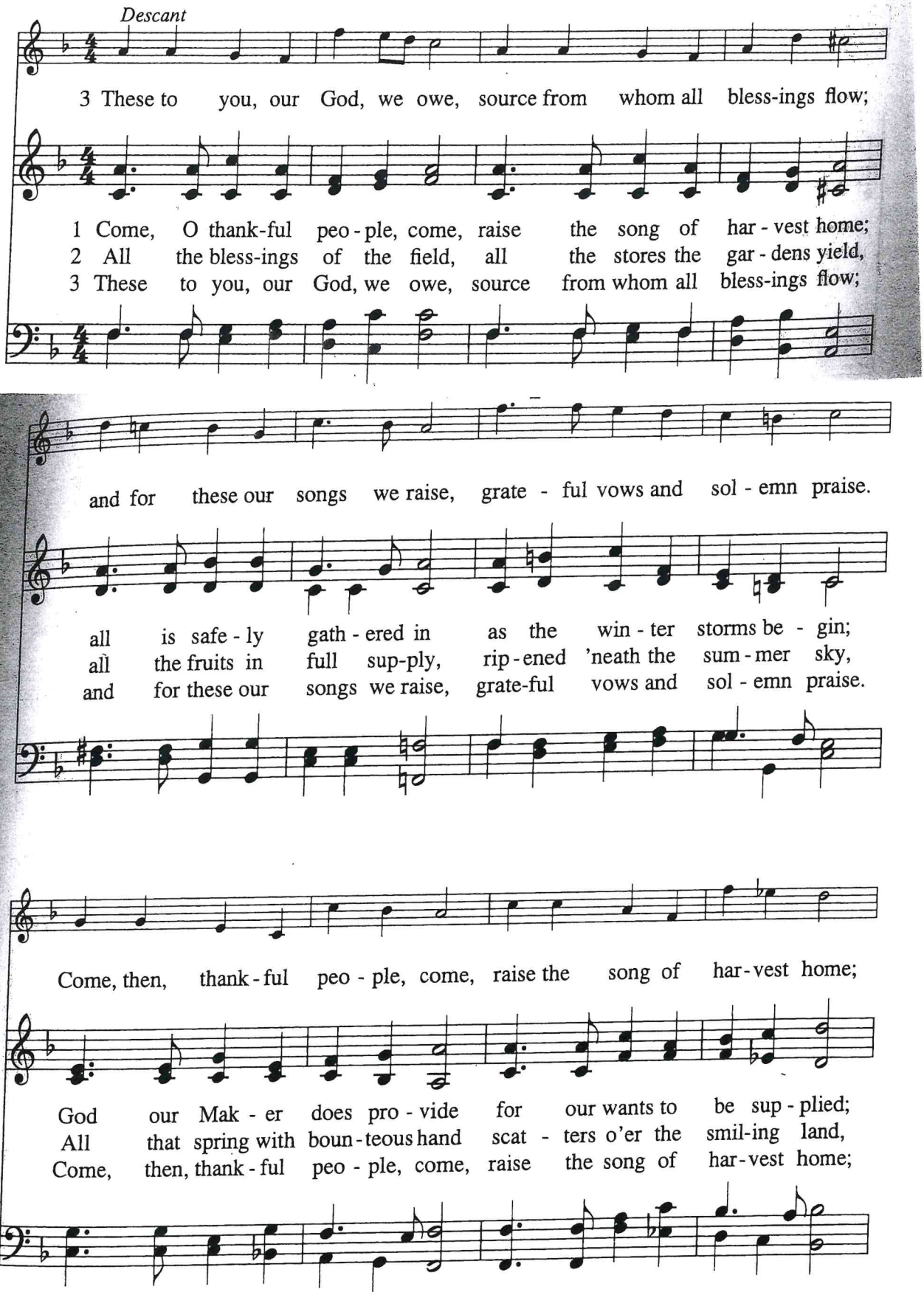
Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Young	Pastor
Penelope Frantz	Liturgist
Sara Shank	Organist/Choir Director
Harold E. Heller	Guest Organist
Mark Luckenbaugh	Percussionist
Cathy Hammons	Liturgist
Janet & Steve Sheely	Greeters
Carl Barrick	Ushers
Janet Sheely	Acolyte
Georgia Hollabaugh, Kara Young,	Tech Team

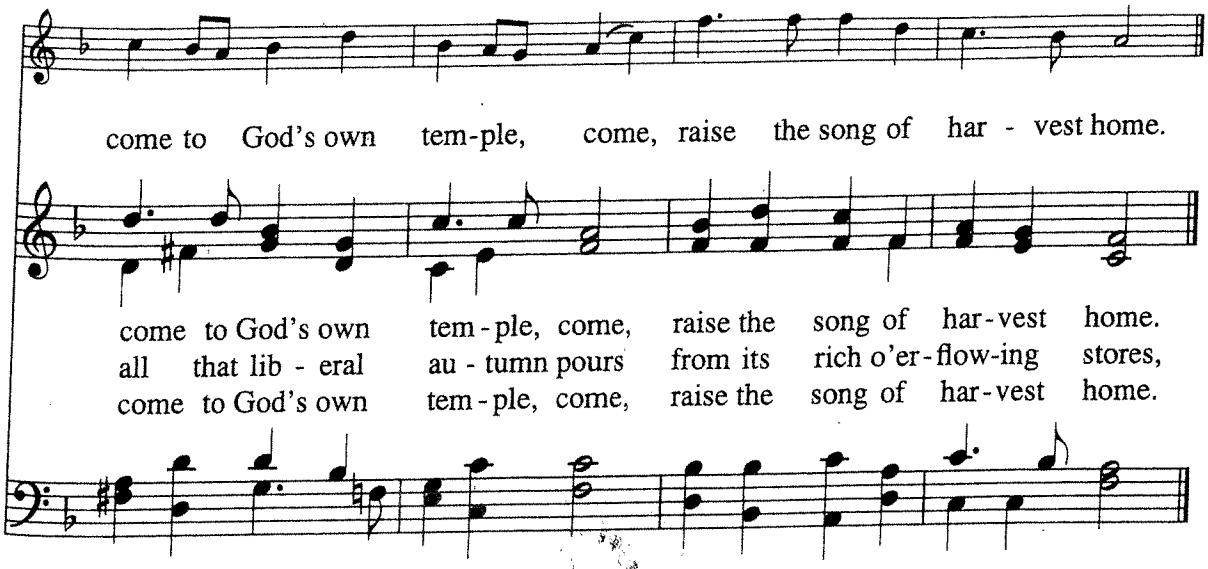
George Steckert, Garrison Redding, Suhua Dong, Nina Redding, Cindy Kidd, Terry Krietz, Bette Bunce, Chris Swinn

422 Come, O Thankful People, Come

Exod. 23:16

St. 1, Henry Alford, 1844; alt.
St. 2, Anna Laetitia Aiken Barbauld, 1772; alt.
St. 3, composite of Alford and Barbauld; alt.





This hymn represents the joining of two Thanksgiving hymns by nineteenth-century poet Henry Alford and eighteenth-century poet Anna Laetitia Aiken Barbauld. The creator of this combined form, which appeared early in the twentieth century, is not known.

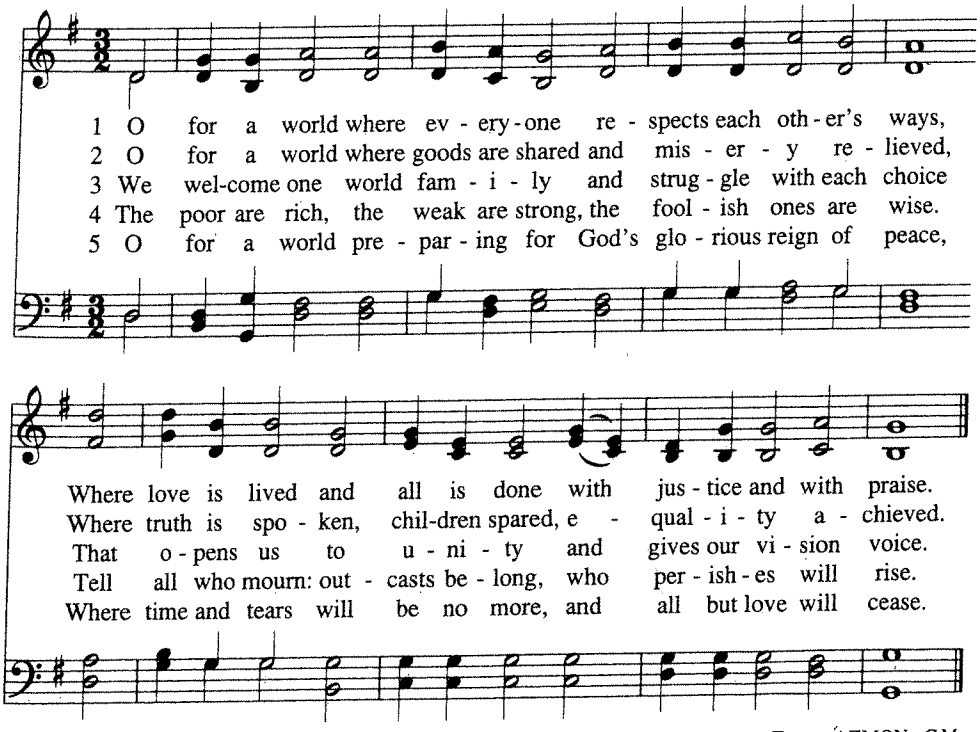
Tune: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR 7.7.7.7.D.
George J. Elvey, 1858
Descant: H. A. Chambers, 1931

O for a World

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Miriam Therese Winter, 1987

Acts 4:32–35; 1 Cor. 1:26–31; 1 Pet. 3:8–12



Inspired by Charles Wesley's phrase "O for a thousand tongues" and the familiar tune Azmon, *Miriam Therese Winter wrote this hymn envisioning a new world order for the Presbyterian Women's Triennial Conference in 1982. It was later recrafted and recorded by the Medical Mission Sisters.*
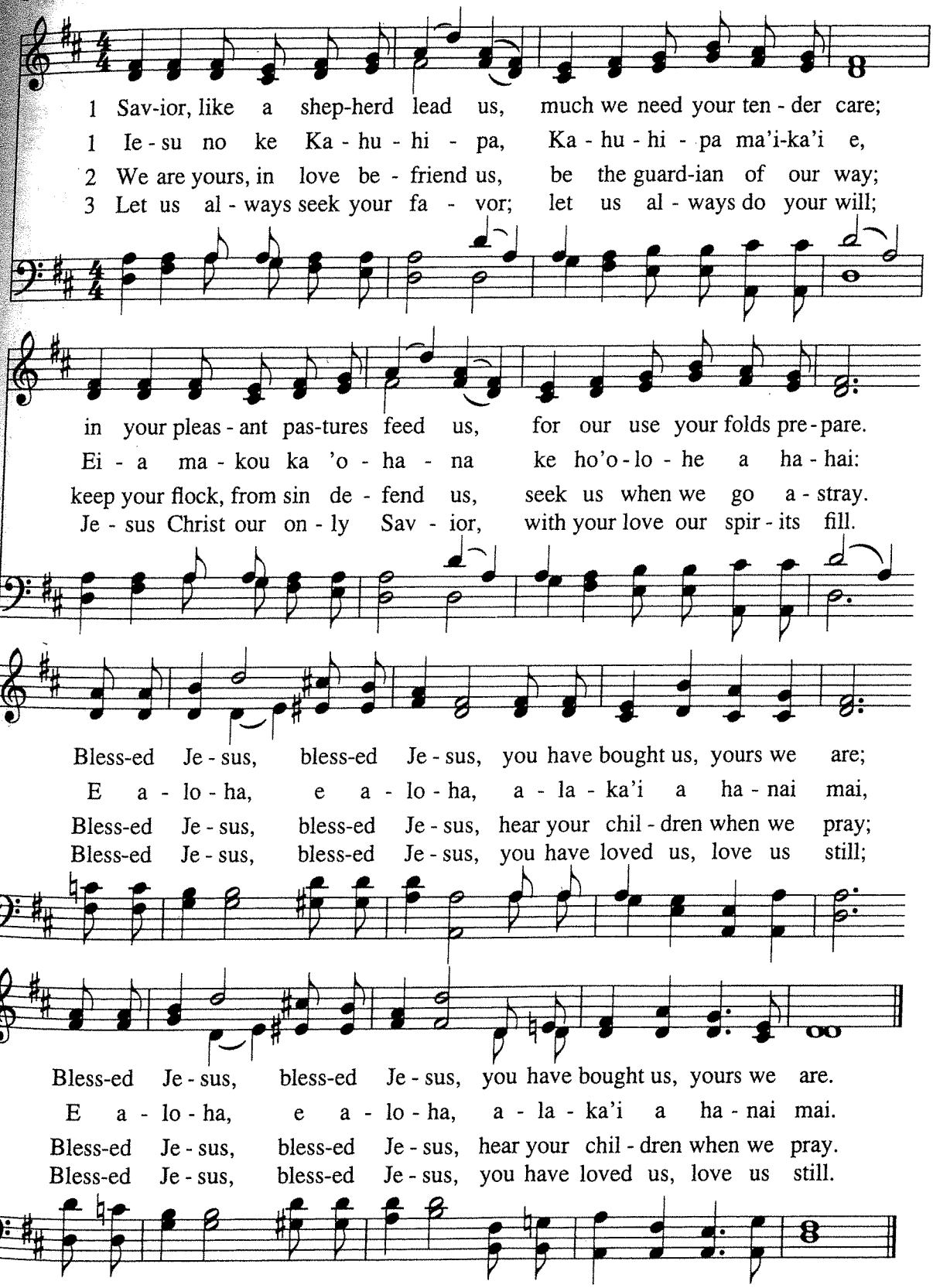
Tune: AZMON C.M.
Carl G. Gläser, 1828
Adapt. Lowell Mason in Modern Psalmody, *1839*

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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Attrib. to Dorothy A. Thrupp (1779–1847)
From Hymns for the Young, *1836; alt.*
St. 1 transl. to Hawaiian by Laiana (1807–1886)

John 10:1–29



The theme of Christ as shepherd is familiar and beloved to Christians. Emma Lyons Doyle, granddaughter of Laiana (translator Lorenzo Lyons), once said, "If you want to know the full beauty of this hymn, hear it sung in Hawaiian."

Tune: BRADBURY 8.7.8.7.D.
William B. Bradbury, 1859