



Service for the Lord's Day

9th Sunday after Pentecost

July 25th, 2021

Westminster Presbyterian Church
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Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prelude *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier* J. S. Bach

Welcome and Opening Prayer Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

Hymn **O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing** AZMON

Prayer of Confession

Sung Response

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

You are the Christ, giver of mercy!

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

Assurance of Forgiveness

Sung Response

All glory be to God on high, and peace on earth from heaven,

And God's good will unfailingly be to all people given.

We bless, we worship You, we raise

For Your great glory thanks and praise,

O God, the great Creator.

Passing the Peace

God's Word to Us

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 24

Anthem

Beati Omnes

Richard Ewer

“Blessed are those that fear the Lord and walk in God's ways.” — Psalm 128:1

Trio: Dana Patek, Nancy Verwest, Jane Penner

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

Sermon

The Down Payment

Ken Henry

Sending Us Out

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn

The Earth Belongs to God Alone

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Rondo

Giuseppe Gherardeschi

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

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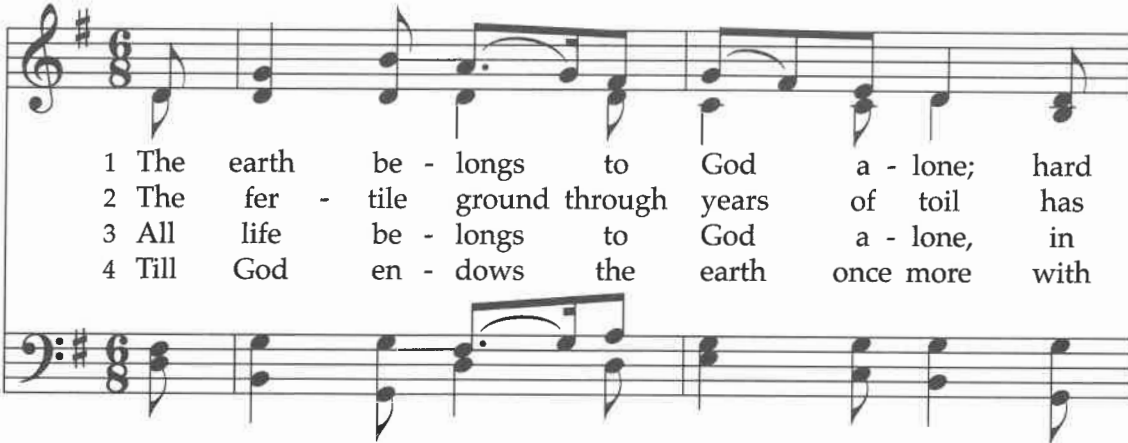
1 *Mil voces para celebrar
 a mi Libertador,
 las glorias de su majestad,
 los triunfos de su amor.*

KOREAN

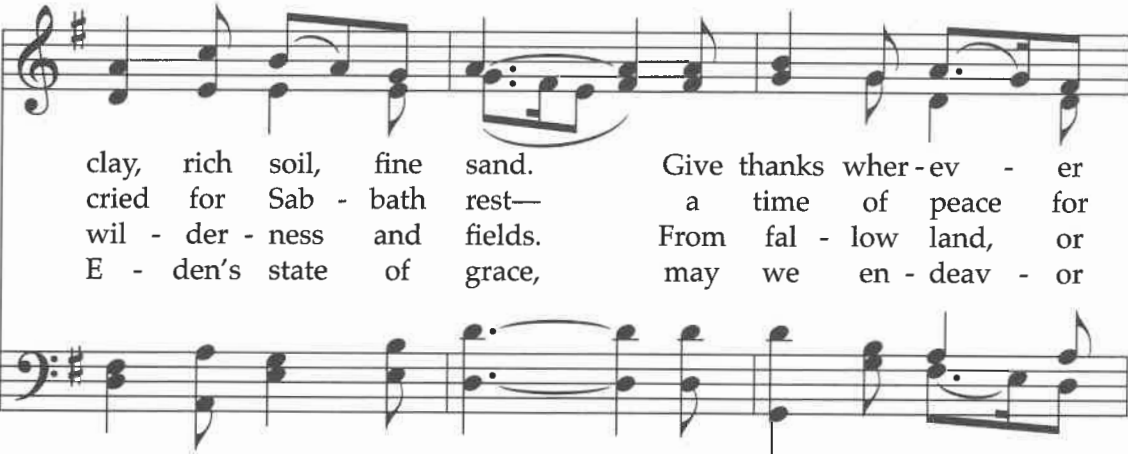
1 만 입이 내게 있으면
 그 입 다 가지고
 내 구주 주신 은총을
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

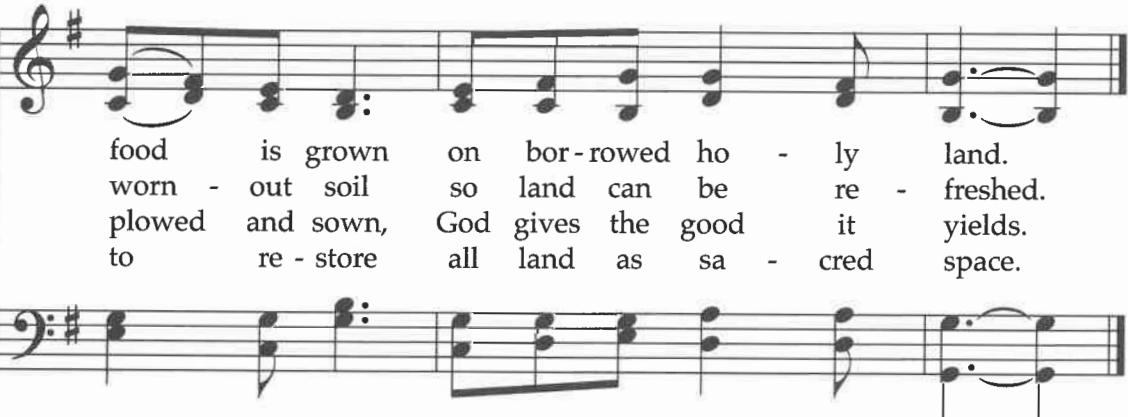
715 The Earth Belongs to God Alone



1 The earth be - longs to God a - lone; hard
 2 The fer - tile ground through years of toil has
 3 All life be - longs to God a - lone, in
 4 Till God en - dows the earth once more with



clay, rich soil, fine sand. Give thanks wher - ev - er
 cried for Sab - bath rest— a time of peace for
 wil - der - ness and fields. From fal - low land, or
 E - den's state of grace, may we en - deav - or



food is grown on bor - rowed ho - ly land.
 worn - out soil so land can be re - freshed.
 plowed and sown, God gives the good it yields.
 to re - store all land as sa - cred space.

This text emerged from a study of the attention in Levitical laws to the well-being of the land, especially by calling for fallow periods, or "land sabbaths," to preserve the soil. 2 Chronicles 36:21 even suggests that the Babylonian exile may have resulted from abusing the land.

Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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