

August 13th, 2023

1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church of Rockaway

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*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** "Andante con moto, Op. 58, No.4" **Alexandre Guilmant**

*Please use this time to silently prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*

*The Christ Candle will be lit by the **Pulpit Assistant** during the Prelude.*

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

When we long for the special effects we think life should offer:

**it is enough, for us, that God comes in a soft, summer shower.**

When we our hearts are cracked by the drought of doubt:

**it is enough, for us, that God opens up the fountains of faith for us.**

When our senses are deadened by the sales pitches of our culture:

**it is enough, for us, that God wraps us in the silence of grace.**

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Gracious God,

**We gather once again to offer You praise and thanksgiving for Your unfailing love and faithfulness, shown most clearly through Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us grace to worship You in spirit and in truth. Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, open our eyes to recognize You here among us. Give us courage to step out in faith to meet You, and confidence to follow where You lead. For You are our God, and we are Your people, called by Your name. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **\*HYMN 11 SOURCE AND SOVERIGN, ROCK AND CLOUD**

1 Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud, Fortress, Fountain, Shelter, Light, Judge Defender, Mercy, Might, Life whose life all life endowed.

**Refrain:** May the church at prayer recall that no single holy name but the truth behind them all is the God whom we proclaim.

2 Word and Wisdom, Root and Vine, Shepherd, Savior, Servant, Lamb Well and Water, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM.

**Refrain**

3 Storm and Stillness, Breath and Dove, Thunder, Tempest, Whirlwind, Fire, Comfort, Counselor, Presence, Love, Energies that never tire.

**Refrain**

## **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord of all, who is generous to all who call upon him.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**We come seeking God in mighty earthquakes. We come listening for God in resounding thunder. We come expecting God in sweeping victories.**

**Yet God is found in a baby's touch. Yet God speaks in silence.**

**Yet God is found in the least of these. Save us, O God, from our aimless wandering.**

**Save us, O God, from our idols. Save us, O God, from our self-induced chaos.**

**God, in your mercy, Hear our prayer. *Silent Prayer.* Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Hear the good news of God's love for us; not in the earthquake, not in the storms, not in the mighty deeds but in the silence, in the gentle touch, in the quiet rain God says, again, *"You are my Beloved. I love you."*

### **\*GLORIA PATRI (581)**

**Glory be to the Father; and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

**Rev. Ryon Herin**

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

### **Genesis 37:1-4;12-28**

37 Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan.

<sup>2</sup> These are the descendants of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives, and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. <sup>3</sup> Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children because he was the son of his old age, and he made him an ornamented robe. <sup>4</sup> But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peaceably to him.

<sup>12</sup> Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. <sup>13</sup> And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." <sup>14</sup> So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock, and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, <sup>15</sup> and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" <sup>16</sup> "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." <sup>17</sup> The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

<sup>18</sup> They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them they conspired to kill him. <sup>19</sup> They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. <sup>20</sup> Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." <sup>21</sup> But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." <sup>22</sup> Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. <sup>23</sup> So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the ornamented robe that he wore, <sup>24</sup> and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

<sup>25</sup> Then they sat down to eat, and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. <sup>26</sup> Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup> Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. <sup>28</sup> When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

**"For the Beauty of the Earth"**

**Kathy Siegrist**

### **Matthew 14:22-33**

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.

<sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried

out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup> Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

## **SERMON**

**Rev. Ryon Herin**

**"In Times of Evil and Fear: God of Many Names with Us"**

## **\*HYMN**

**MASTER! THE TEMPEST IS RAGING! (SEE INSERT)**

## **\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come 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.**

## **OFFERTORY**

**"How Great Thou Art"**

**arr. Dino Kartsonakis**

## **\*606 DOXOLOGY**

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

## **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**We give thanks to you, O Lord,  
For your sustaining presence and abundant grace. Receive now these gifts we bring to you out of your generous provision in our lives. May they be used to satisfy the hungry in famine, relieve the oppressed in time of trouble, and proclaim everywhere the good news of your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

#### **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 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**

## **\*HYMN 159**

### **O SING A SONG OF BETHLEHEM**

**1 O sing a song of Bethlehem, of shepherds watching there, and of the news that came to them from angels in the air. The light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the world today.**

**Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels sing always.**

**2 O sing a song of Nazareth, of sunny days of joy; O sing of fragrant flowers' breath, and of the sinless boy. For now the flowers of Nazareth in every heart may grow.**

**Now spreads the fame of his dear name on all the winds that blow.**

**3 O sing a song of Galilee, of lake and woods and hill, of him who walked upon the sea and bade its waves be still. For though, like waves on Galilee, dark seas of trouble roll, when faith has heard the Master's word, falls peace upon the soul.**

4 O sing a song of Calvary, its glory and dismay, of him who hung upon the tree,  
and took our sins away. For he who died on Calvary is risen from the grave,  
and Christ, our Lord, by heaven adored, is mighty now to save.

## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

**“Shall Tribulation or Distress”**

**Sally Ann Morris**

*Please remain seated and give thanks to God. Join us for lemonade and fellowship after!*

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### **GIVING TO 1ST PRESBYTERIAN OF ROCKAWAY**

Go to our web page (fpcrockaway.org), go to the Online Giving page, select the “donate” button and give electronically <http://www.fpcrockaway.org/giving>

or mail to:

1st Presbyterian of Rockaway

35 Church St., Rockaway, NJ 07866

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**Next Community Cup: Friday August 18<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall from 6-9pm**  
**Come for food, fellowship, games, and coffee/tea with your community neighbors!!**

### **Summer Responding to Climate Change Study**

**Our next studies are on Monday, August 14 at 7 PM (Part 4 of the book) and Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> (Part 4 of the book) at 10:00am**

Collection of Essays: *Responding to Climate Change* published by Christian Century.

(Available by email as a PDF to read on your electronic device or to print)

<https://www.christiancentury.org/free-guide-climate-change>

Book: *Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World* by Katherine Hayhoe (Buy on Amazon or other distributors)

Mondays at 7 PM Church Manse (August 14 & 21)

Tuesday at 10:00 AM on Zoom (15 & 22)

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### **New Membership Classes and Confirmation**

If you are interested in becoming a new member, we will be hosting new membership classes in a few months. The class usually runs around a month and meets before church or at a time during the week agreeable for all interested. In this class, you will learn about our church history, what it means to be Presbyterian, and how our church is involved in our community. Contact Pastor Ryon if you are interested ([ryon@fpcrockaway.org](mailto:ryon@fpcrockaway.org)). Also, if you have a child who is confirmation age (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade), contact either Pastor Ryon or Donna Van Duyne, Sunday School director. We have a new confirmation curriculum that we are excited to use, and hope will be a blessing for your youth.

### **Quarter Tube!**

The quarters that are put in the Quarter Tube in the front of the sanctuary are used for the Mission work of our church. Simply place your quarters in the tube so we can further our mission work.

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### **Upcoming Community Event**

Rockaway Township Day                  August 19<sup>th</sup>    11 am-6 pm                  Hudsonia Field

Please contact Pastor Ryon or Dan Cassidy (Chair of Outreach) if you are interested in volunteering for helping us run a tent at this event. This is a great way to reach out to the community about our events and Sunday services. We are also looking for donations of small individual-sized waters and chips to hand out.

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### **Food Closet Needs Your Assistance**

There is an increase in families asking for assistance – with the increase in food prices people who were just making it can't anymore. Please consider donating a couple of items each week – needed most – cereal, peanut butter, tuna, soup, pasta and pasta sauce, canned vegetables, macaroni and cheese, crackers, coffee, and tea.

Any non-perishable food welcome. Thank You! Linda Kirby



### **SHOP RITE GIFT CARDS!!**

When you purchase Shop Rite Gift Cards from our church the church receives 5% of the cost of the gift card. (No extra cost to you). We have been selling Shop Rite Gift Cards at the church for many years. The profits we receive have been used to pay for programs/projects in our church. We all need to eat! It is a 'win win' for our church. Contact Pat Budis if you have any questions 201-230-2286. You can pick them up from Pat or she will even deliver! Another easy way to help support our church!

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### **Calendar**

Sunday, August 13th – **Church service 9:30am** - Open & Close – Kathy Siegrist

9:30 am – Worship Service – sanctuary, via zoom and Facebook

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm – MORE – FH

Monday – August 14th – Office Closed

7:00 pm – Bible Study - Manse

Tuesday – August 15<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am-12:30 pm - Office Open

10:00 am – Bible Study - Zoom

12:30-1:30 pm – AA Meeting – BK Room

7:30 pm – FA Meeting

Wednesday – August 16th –

9:00 am – 12:30 pm – Office Open

7:00 pm – Session Meeting – BK Room with Hybrid Option

Thursday, August 17th –

9:00 am – 12:30 pm – Office Open

9:30 am – 11:30 am - Baroque Quartet Practice - Sanctuary

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm – AA Meeting – BK Room

7:00 pm – Congregational Care- BK Room

Friday, August 18th – Office Closed

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm - Community Cup

Saturday, August 19th –

11:00 am- 6:00 pm - Outreach Tent @ Rockaway Township Days (Hudsonia Fields)

Sunday, August 20th – Open & Close - Kathy Shuey

9:30 am – Worship Service – sanctuary, via zoom and Facebook

2:00 – 4:00 pm – MORE – FH

### **Elders**

Rich Basile – Finance Comm. Chair & Property Comm  
Lillian Blair – Church Treasurer & Finance Committee  
Debbie Harrington – Outreach Committee  
Carol Lutcza – Personnel Comm. Chair & CE Comm.  
Joe Martinoni – Worship Comm Chair & Personnel Comm.  
Laurie Morse – Outreach Committee  
Barbie Restaino – Worship Committee & CE Comm.  
Kathy Shuey – Congregational Care Committee  
Kathy Siegrist – Christian Ed. Committee & Newsletter  
Donna VanDuyne – CE Committee Chair, Nominating Committee Chair

### **Deacons**

Lisa DiBonaventura  
Debbie Garris  
Alison Molinaro  
Vicki Philhower  
Linda Sunderman  
Linda Urwin  
Barbara Weinberg

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Sunday School 9:15 – 10:15 am

Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:30 am

Office Hours 9:00 am – 12:30 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

Krista Sweer, Music Minister

Robert Nichols, Cemetery Sexton

Karen Basile, Clerk of Session

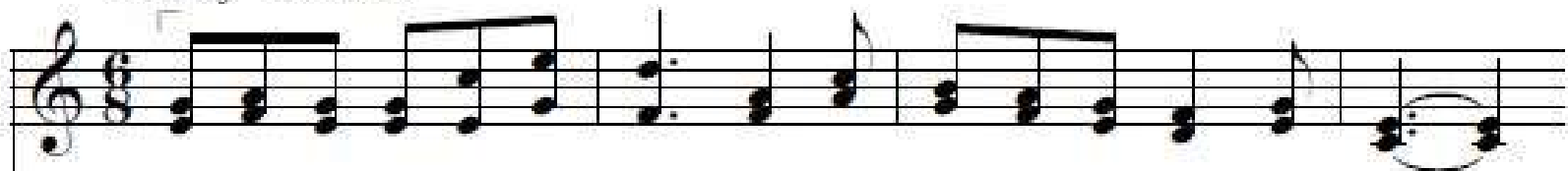
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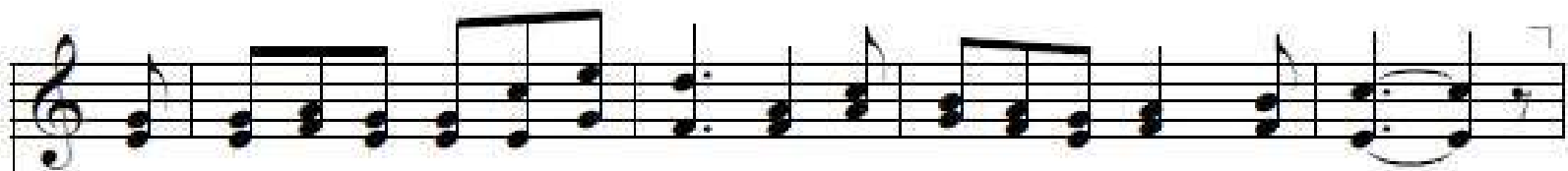
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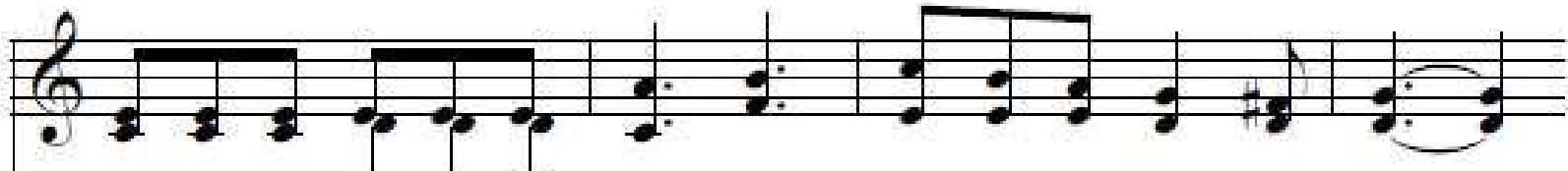
## Master, the Tempest Is Raging

*Fervently* ♩ = 52-66

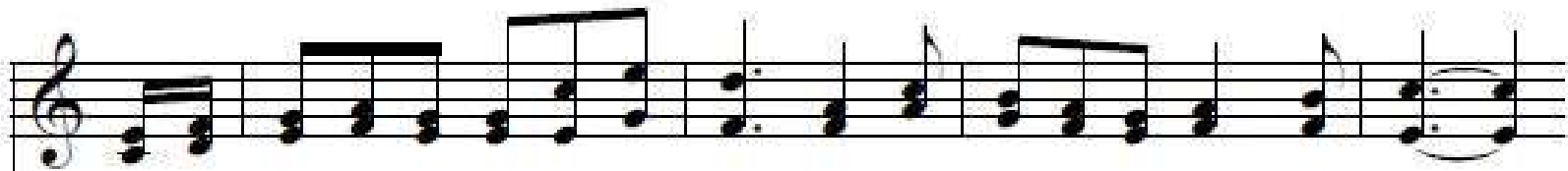
1. Mas-ter, the tem-pest is rag - ing! The bil-lows are toss - ing high!  
 2. Mas-ter, with an-guish of spir - it I bow in my grief to - day.  
 3. Mas-ter, the ter - ror is o - ver. The el - e - ments sweet - ly rest.



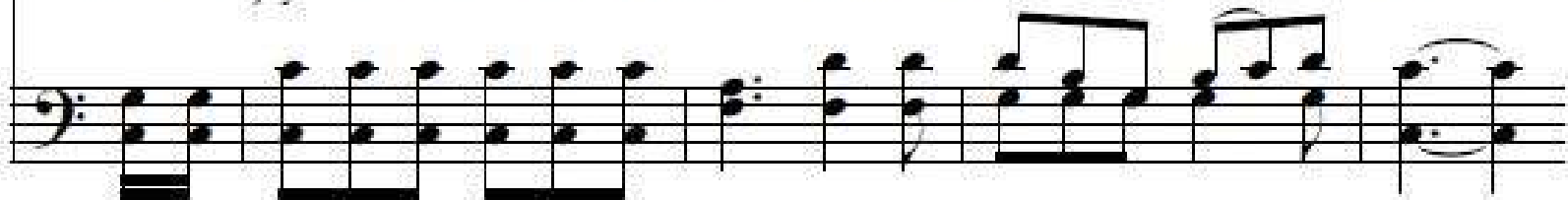
The sky is o'er-shad-owed with black-ness. No shel-ter or help is nigh.  
 The depths of my sad heart are trou-bled. Oh, wak-en and save, I pray!  
 Earth's sun in the calm lake is mir-rored, And heav-en's with-in my breast.



Car - est thou not that we per - ish? How canst thou lie a - sleep  
 Tor-rents of sin and of an - guish Sweep o'er my sink - ing soul,  
 Lin - ger, O bless - ed Re - deem - er! Leave me a - lone no more,



When each mo-moment so mad - ly is threat-'ning A grave in the an - gry deep?  
 And I per - ish! I per - ish! dear Mas - ter. Oh, has - ten and take con - trol!  
 And with joy I shall make the blest har - bor And rest on the bliss - ful shore.

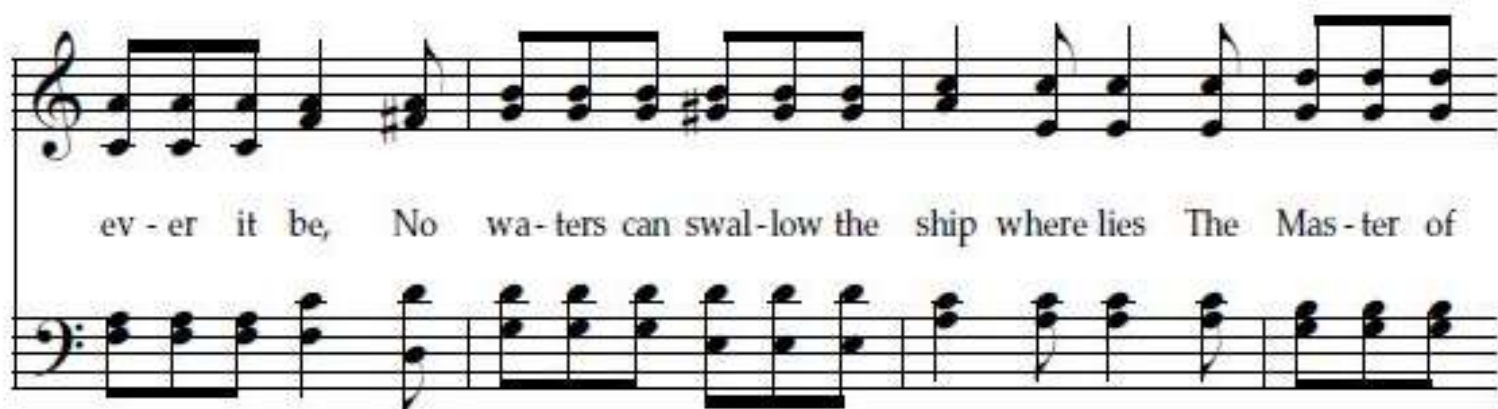




The winds and the waves shall o - bey thy will: Peace, be still.  
Peace, be still, peace, be still.



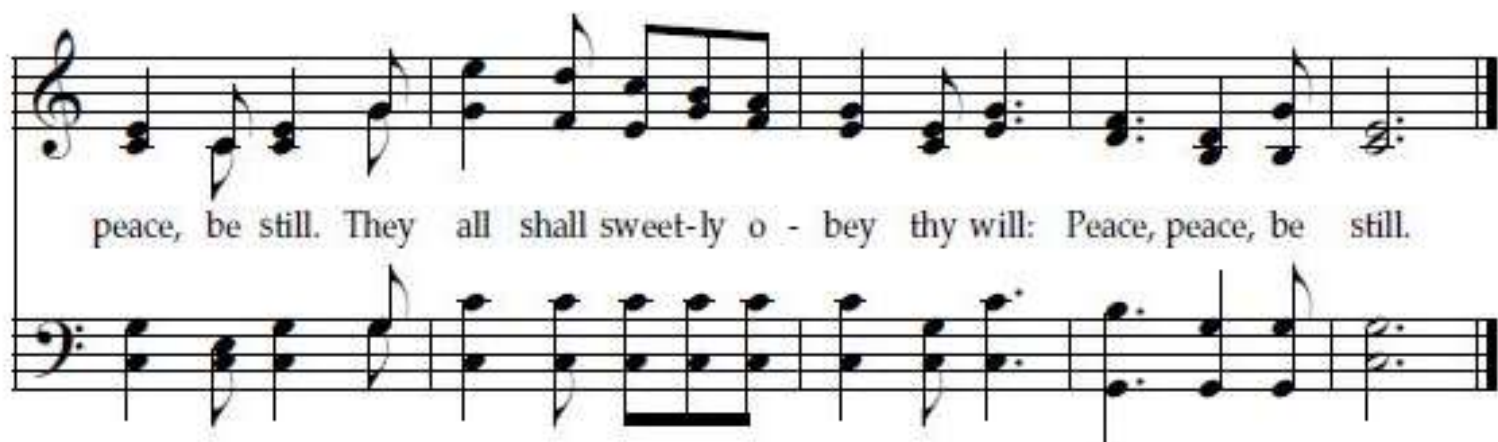
Wheth-er the wrath of the storm-tossed sea Or de-mons or men or what -



ev - er it be, No wa-ters can swal-low the ship where lies The Mas-ter of



o-cean and earth and skies. They all shall sweet-ly o - bey thy will: Peace, be still;



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Text: Mary Ann Baker, 1831-1921  
Music: H. R. Palmer, 1834-1907

Matthew 8:23-27  
Mark 4:36-41