

# *Prelude*

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Pastor: Jonathan  
Lamb

*Third Sunday after  
Pentecost*

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WELCOME,  
ANNOUNCEMENTS,  
and  
CELEBRATIONS



## Give Thanks

Let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we bring the *Light of Christ* into our midst.



# CALL to WORSHIP

*Leader:* Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

*People:* **Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,**



# CALL to WORSHIP

*Leader:* And teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.

*People:* **And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."**

# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

My faith looks up to thee,  
thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine!

# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Now hear me while I pray,  
take all my guilt away,  
O let me from this day be  
wholly thine!



# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

May thy rich grace impart strength  
to my fainting heart,  
my zeal inspire!

# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

As thou hast died for me,  
O may my love to thee  
pure, warm, and changeless be, a  
living fire!

# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

While life's dark maze I tread,  
and griefs around me spread,  
    be thou my guide;



# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

bid darkness turn to day,  
wipe sorrow's tears a way,  
nor let me ever stray from  
thee a side.

# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

When ends life's transient dream,  
when death's cold, sullen stream  
shall o'er me roll;

# “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH #452

WORDS: Ray Palmer, 1875    MUSIC: Lowell Mason, 1831

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

blest Savior, then in love,  
fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above, a  
ransomed soul!



# OPENING PRAYER

**O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them;**



# **OPENING PRAYER**

**through Jesus Christ our**

**Lord, who lives and**

**reigns with you and the**

**Holy Spirit, one**

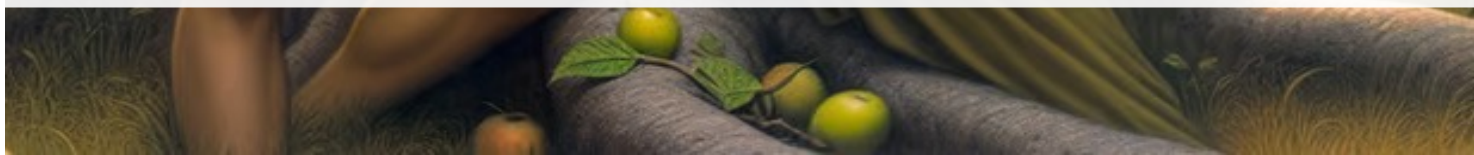
**God, for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**





# Young Disciples' Message "Adam & Eve"





# **Farewell of Pastor Jonathan**

I thank you, the members and friends of *Rectortown United Methodist Church* for the love and support you have shown me while I have ministered among you. I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been accepted. I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made. As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

# Farewell of Pastor Jonathan

*Church Leader:*

We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness, and accept that you now leave to minister elsewhere. We express our gratitude for your time among us. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes.



# Farewell of Pastor Jonathan

*People:*

**Your influence on our faith and  
faithfulness will not leave us with  
Your departure.**

# **Farewell of Pastor Jonathan**

I accept your gratitude and forgiveness, and I forgive you, trusting that our time together and our parting are pleasing to God. I release you from turning to me and depending on me. I encourage your continuing ministry here and will pray for you and for your new pastor, Rev. TaeWon Kang.



**GIFT**  
**&**  
**PRAYER FOR**  
**NEW PASTOR**





# **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**O Wisdom on High, by you  
the meek are guided in  
judgment,  
And light rises up in  
darkness for the godly.  
Grant us, in all doubts and  
uncertainties,**



# **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**The grace to ask what you  
would have us do,  
That we may be saved  
from all false choices,  
And that in your light we  
may see light,  
And in your straight path  
may not stumble;  
Through Jesus Christ our  
Savior. Amen.**





Malachi 3: 6 - 12



<sup>6</sup> “I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.

<sup>7</sup> Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,” says the LORD Almighty.

“But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’

8 “Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me.

“But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’

“In tithes and offerings.

9 You are under a curse—the whole nation of you—  
because you are robbing me.



**10** Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough for it.

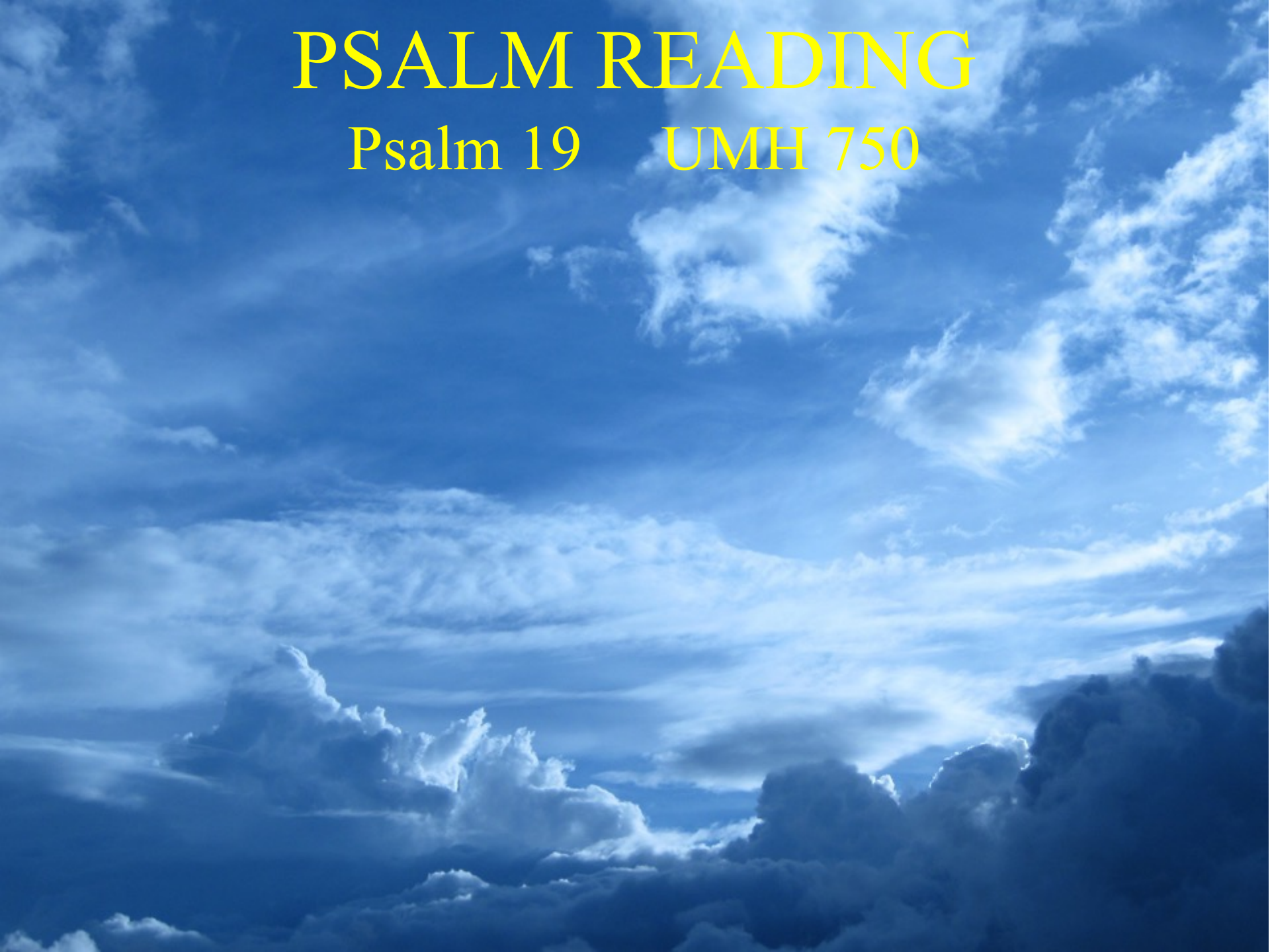
**11** I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit," says the LORD Almighty.

**12** "Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land," says the LORD Almighty.



# PSALM READING

Psalm 19 UMH 750





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Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>1</sup>The heavens are telling the  
glory of God; and the firmament  
proclaims God's handiwork.

*People:* <sup>2</sup>Day to day pours forth speech, and  
night to night declares knowledge.

# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>3</sup>There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

*People:* <sup>4</sup>yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.



# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* In them God has set a tent for the sun, <sup>5</sup> which comes forth like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and runs its course with joy like a strong man.

*People:* <sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and there is nothing hid from its heat.

# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>7</sup>The law of the Lord  
is perfect, reviving the soul;

*People:* the testimony of the Lord  
is sure, making wise the simple;



# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>8</sup>the precepts of the Lord  
are right, rejoicing the heart;

*People:* the commandment of the Lord is  
pure, enlightening the eyes;

# PSALM READING

Psalm 19      UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>9</sup>the fear of the Lord  
is clean, enduring for ever;

*People:* the ordinances of the Lord  
are true, and righteous altogether.



# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they  
than gold, even much fine gold;

*People:* sweeter also than honey  
and drippings of the honeycomb.



# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>11</sup>Moreover by them is  
your servant warned; in keeping  
them there is great reward.

*People:* <sup>12</sup>But who can understand one's  
own errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

# PSALM READING

Psalm 19    UMH 750

*Leader:* <sup>13</sup> Also keep your servant from the insolent; let them not have dominion over me!

*People:* Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. <sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

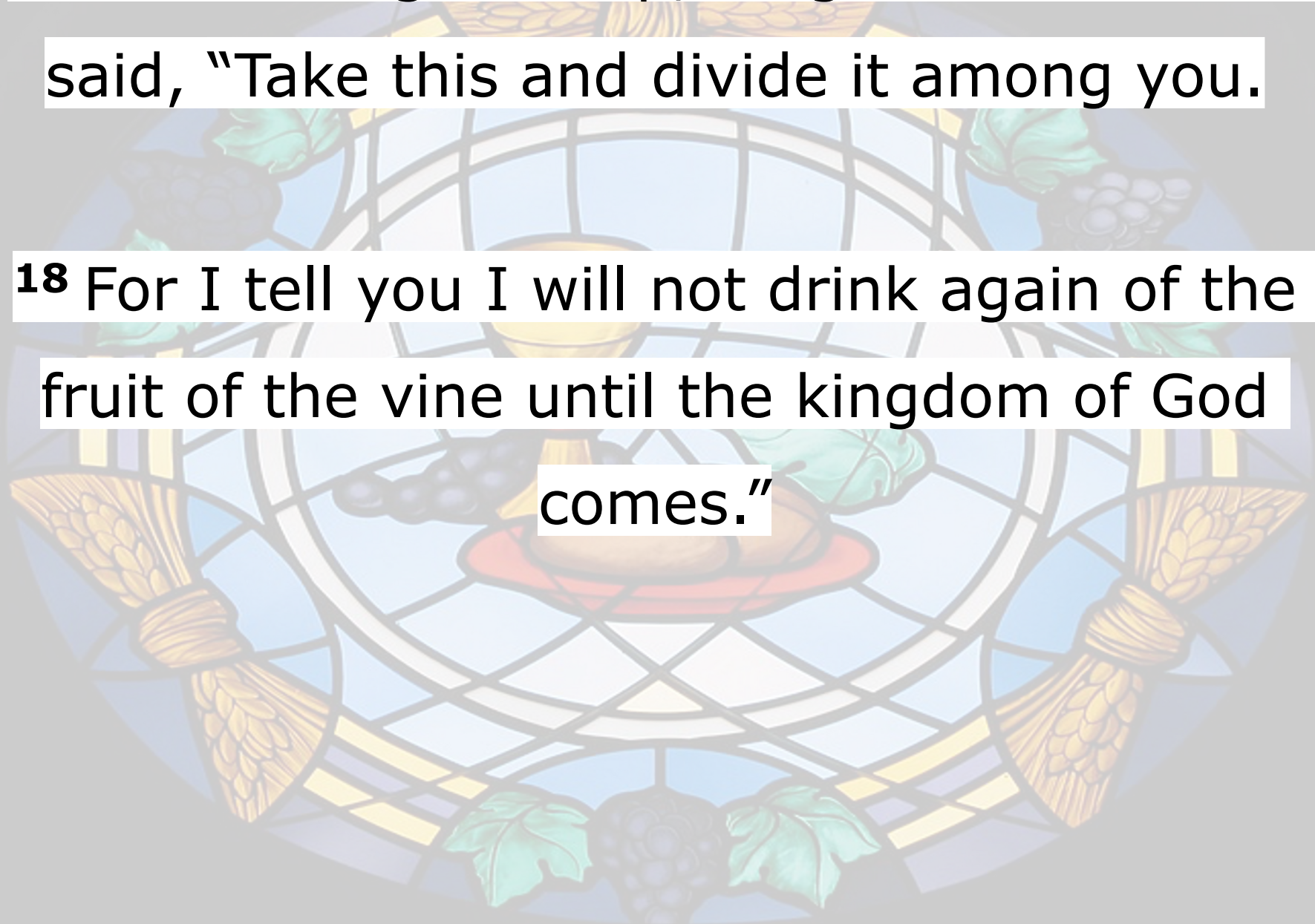




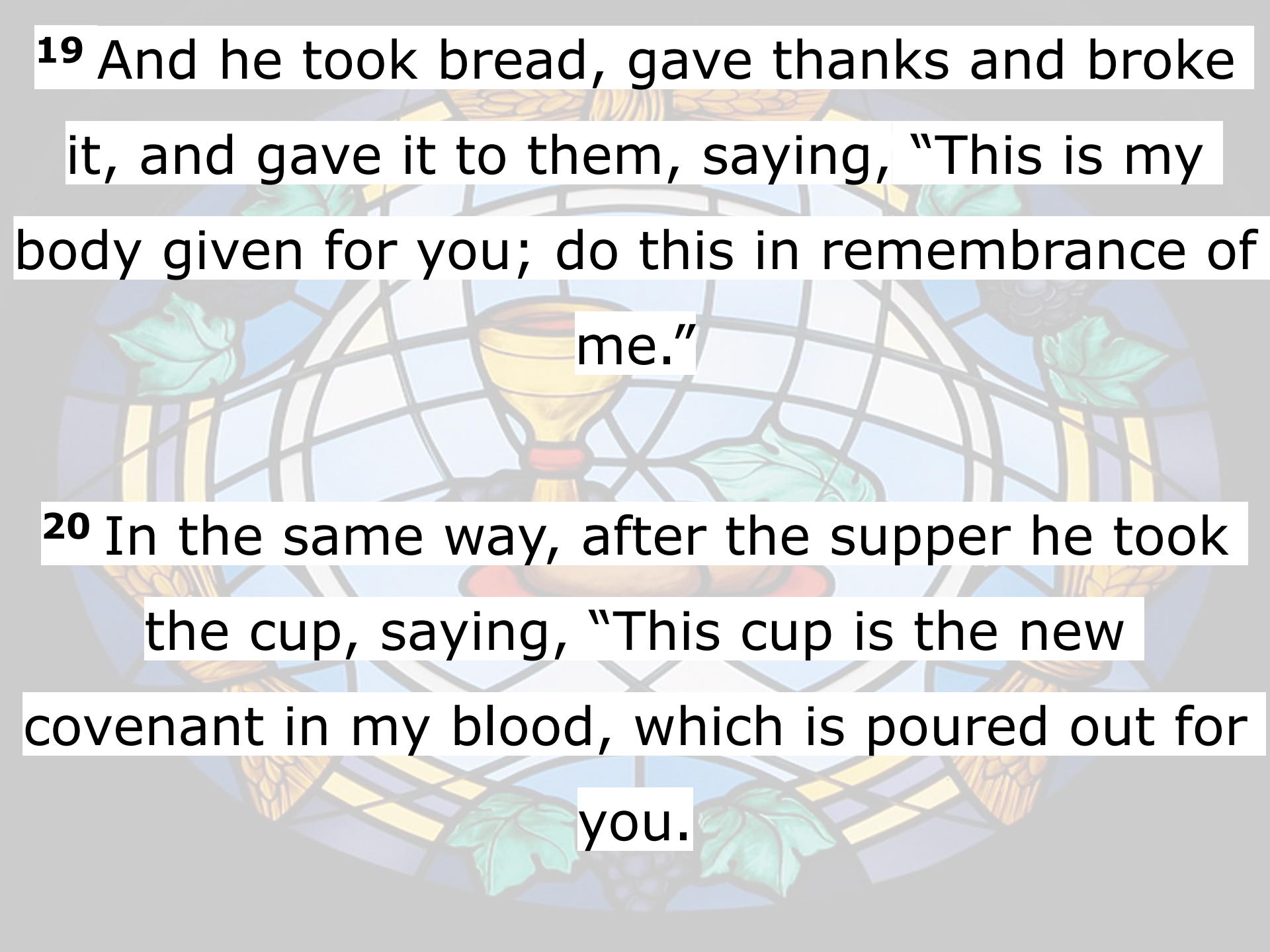
Luke 22: 17-20

**17** After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you.

**18** For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."





A circular stained glass window in the background. In the center is a golden chalice with a red base, containing a red liquid. The chalice is surrounded by wheat stalks with green leaves and golden heads. The background is a grid of blue and white lines.

**19** And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

**20** In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

# Glory Be to the Father

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WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

**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.**



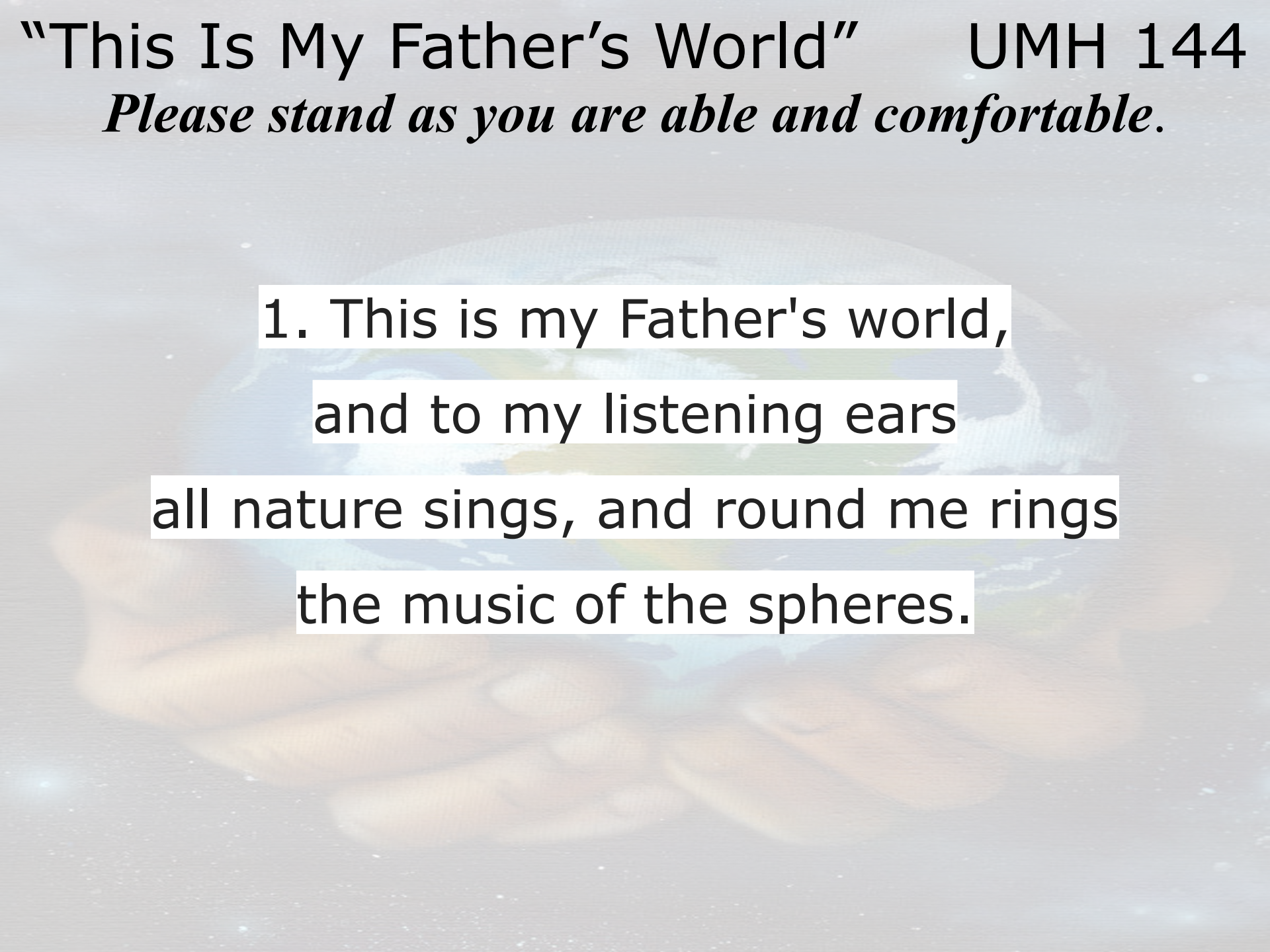
# TODAY'S MESSAGE

“By Attending Upon all the Ordinances of  
God”



“This Is My Father’s World” UMH 144

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*



1. This is my Father's world,  
and to my listening ears  
all nature sings, and round me rings  
the music of the spheres.



“This Is My Father’s World” UMH 144

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

This is my Father's world:

I rest me in the thought

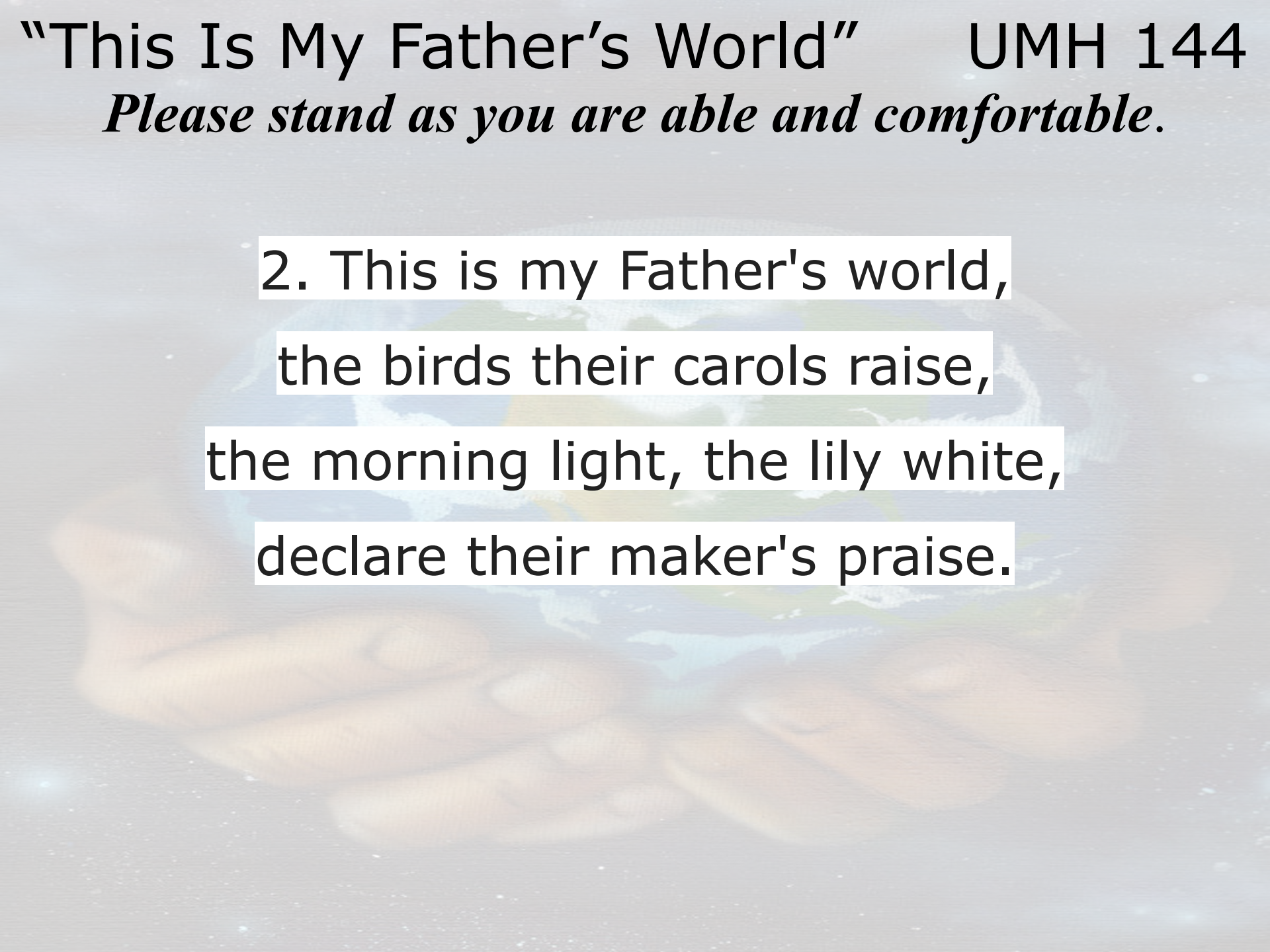
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;

his hand the wonders wrought.



“This Is My Father’s World” UMH 144

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

A pair of hands, one larger and one smaller, are shown holding a globe of the Earth. The hands are positioned at the bottom of the frame, with the fingers gently cradling the globe. The globe is centered in the upper half of the image, showing the continents of North and South America. The background is a soft, light blue and white gradient, suggesting a sky or a clean, bright environment. The overall composition is centered and balanced, with the hands and globe as the primary focus.

2. This is my Father's world,  
the birds their carols raise,  
the morning light, the lily white,  
declare their maker's praise.

“This Is My Father’s World” UMH 144

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

This is my Father's world:

he shines in all that's fair;

in the rustling grass I hear him pass;

he speaks to me everywhere.



“This Is My Father’s World” UMH 144

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

3. This is my Father's world.

O let me ne'er forget

that though the wrong seems oft so strong,

God is the ruler yet.



“This Is My Father’s World” UMH 144

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

This is my Father's world:

why should my heart be sad?

The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!

God reigns; let the earth be glad!

**THE APOSTLES' CREED  
ECUMENICAL VERSION**

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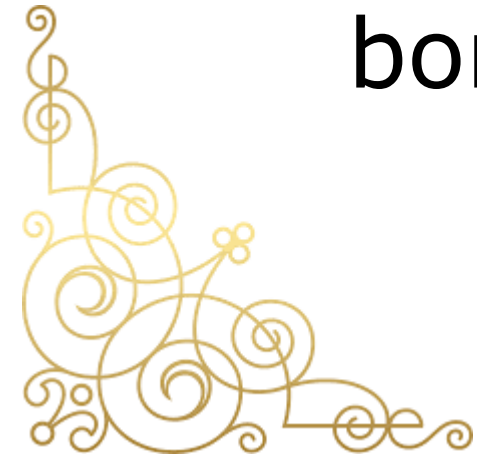
I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and  
earth.



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I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the  
Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,





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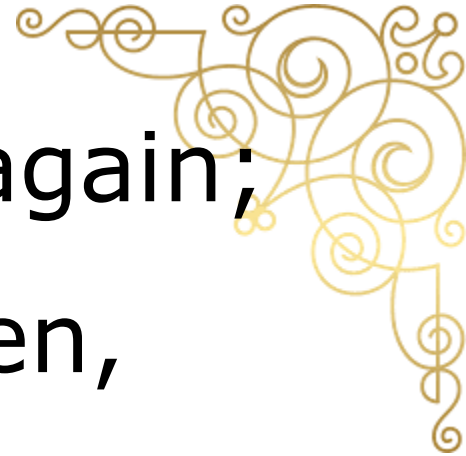
suffered under Pontius  
Pilate,  
was crucified, died,  
and was buried;  
he descended to the  
dead.



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On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand  
of the Father,



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and will come again to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,





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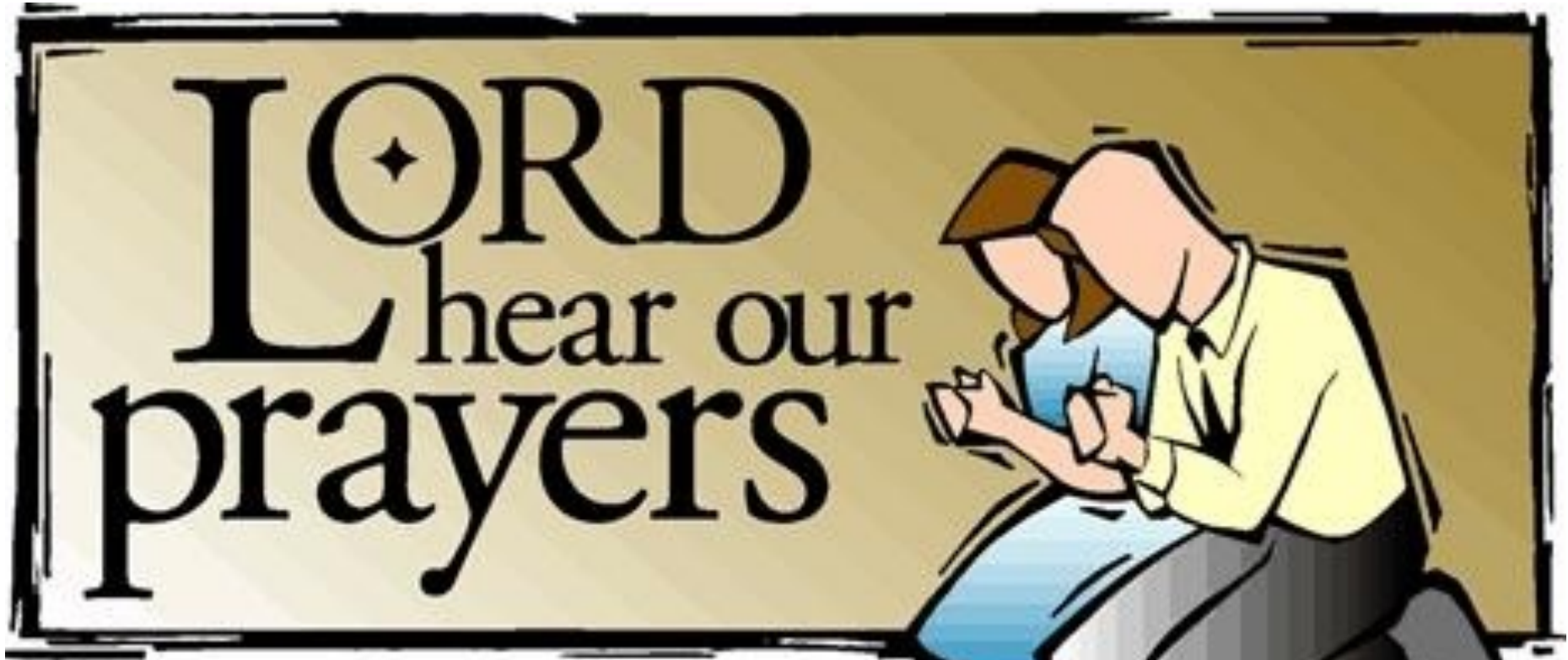
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the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body  
and the life everlasting.

Amen.



# PRAYERS of the PEOPLE



*as we lift up to you our  
joys and our concerns.*



Pastoral Prayer



The background of the slide is a light blue wooden surface with a vertical grain. Scattered across the surface are several white cherry blossoms in various stages of bloom, along with individual white petals. The flowers have five petals and prominent yellow stamens with pinkish-red centers. The overall aesthetic is clean, fresh, and peaceful.

# Tithes and Offerings

Worship through giving

# “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 94

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted by Gilbert H. Viera, 1978

MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

***Please stand as you are able and comfortable.***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



The image features a light blue, wood-grained background adorned with several white cherry blossoms and scattered petals. The flowers have five petals and prominent yellow stamens. A central white rectangular box with a thin black border contains the text.

# Offertory Prayer



# The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be  
done  
on earth as it is in heaven.

# The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as

we forgive those who trespass

against us.

# **The Lord's Prayer** UMH 895

And lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.



*“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

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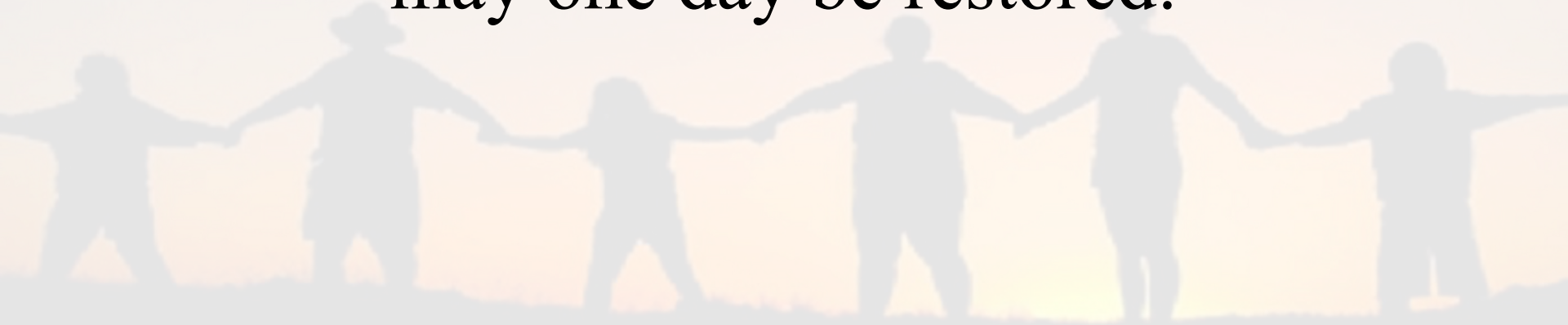


# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

We are one in the Spirit,  
we are one in the Lord,  
we are one in the Spirit,  
we are one in the Lord,  
and we pray that all unity  
may one day be restored:



# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

And they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love;  
yes, they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love.



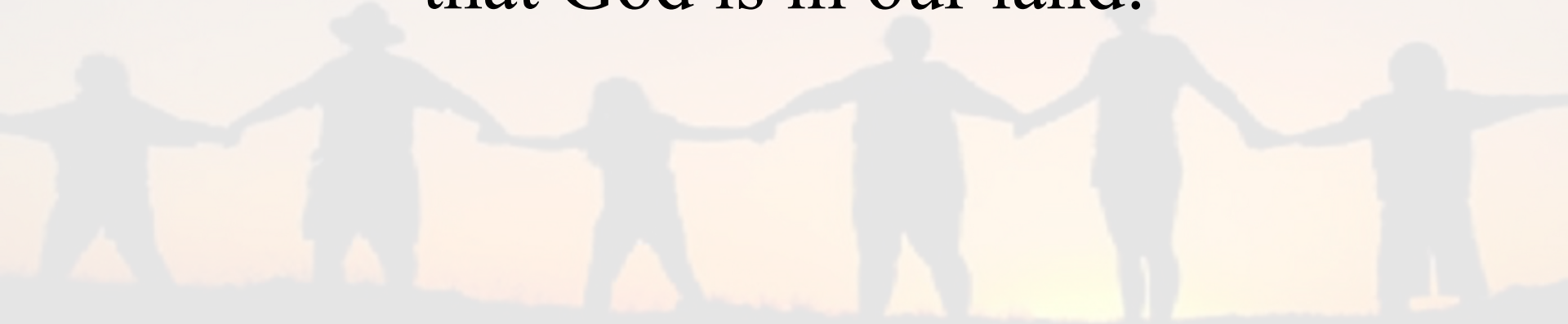


# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

We will walk with each other,  
we will walk hand in hand,  
we will walk with each other,  
we will walk hand in hand,  
and together we’ll spread the news  
that God is in our land:



# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

And they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love;  
yes, they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love.



# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

We will work with each other,  
we will work side by side,  
we will work with each other,  
we will work side by side,  
and we’ll guard human dignity  
and save human pride:





# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

And they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love;  
yes, they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love.

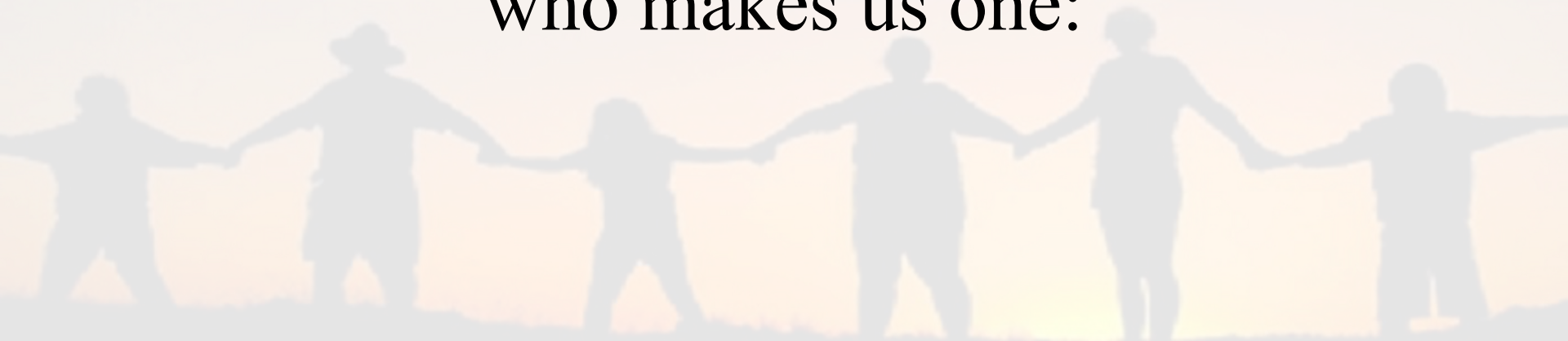


# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

All praise to the Father,  
from whom all things come,  
and all praise to Christ Jesus,  
God’s only Son,  
and all praise to the Spirit,  
who makes us one:



# *“They’ll Know We Are Christians”* TFWS 2223

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

And they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love;  
yes, they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love.







# BENEDICTION





# “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1986

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

In the bulb there is a flower;  
in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise:  
butterflies will soon be free

# “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1986

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

In the cold and snow of winter  
there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.



# “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1986

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

There's a song in every silence,  
seeking word and melody;  
there's a dawn in every darkness,  
bringing hope to you and me.

# “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1986

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

From the past will come the future;  
what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.

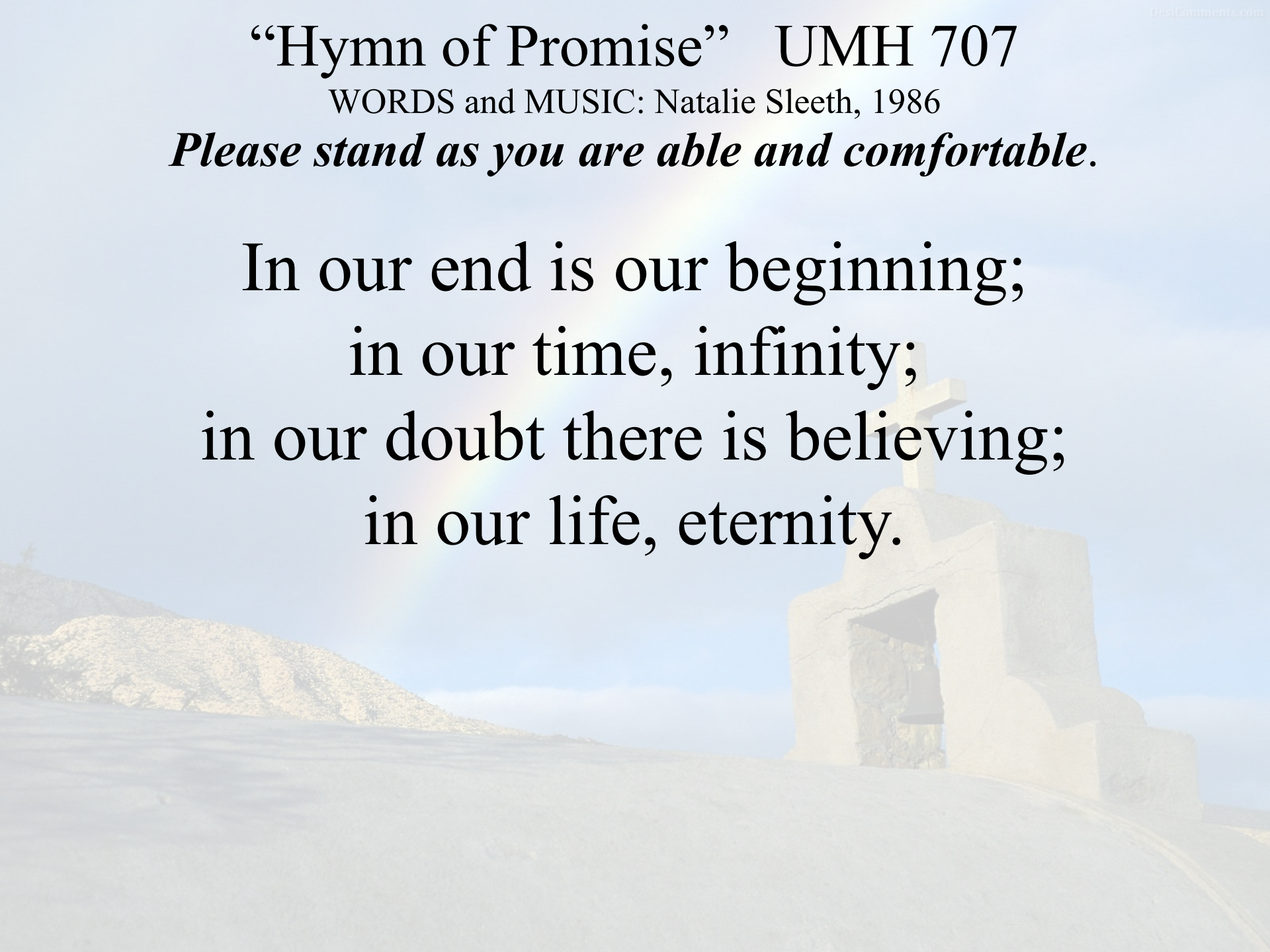


# “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1986

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

In our end is our beginning;  
in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing;  
in our life, eternity.





# “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1986

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

In our death, a resurrection;  
at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.



A large, spreading tree silhouetted against a sunset sky over a body of water. The tree's reflection is visible in the water below. The sky is filled with soft, orange and yellow clouds, and the sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The water is calm, reflecting the colors of the sky and the silhouette of the tree.

# Question for Reflection

How can you keep the ordinances of God today?

# BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

This service has ended, and now  
your service in the world begins!



# Rectortown United Methodist Church

serving God with  
**P**rayer, **A**ction, and **L**ove  
through **S**ervice.