



**PLYMOUTH
CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH**

August 1, 2010

Summer Communion

PLYMOUTH CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL PEOPLE.

We embrace diversity in our congregation and community, and we affirm the dignity and worth of every person created in the image of God. We honor the guiding principle that discrimination is incompatible with Christ's message of unconditional love.

We welcome into full membership and participation in all aspects of our church life persons of every race, language, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental ability, economic or marital status, and faith background, and we affirm and celebrate all loving and committed relationships.

All are welcome.

During Today's Worship

PLEASE TURN OFF all cell phones and other electronic devices when in the Sanctuary.

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers. Ushers remain in the narthex throughout the service to assist you with any needs.

PARENTS/NURSING MOTHERS: The Heritage Room (next to the Library) is available as a respite space for babies and children. You can hear the service from there.

CHILDCARE FOR CHILDREN AGE FIVE AND YOUNGER is provided in the Nursery (Room 105) in the education wing. See an usher for directions.

DURING THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, please pass the Friendship Pads so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated contact information and greet one another by name following the service.

PLEASE WEAR A NAME BADGE, found in the Friendship Pads at the end of the pews, so that others might greet you before and after worship.

If You Are New to Plymouth Church

WELCOME! We hope you feel welcomed and that your time with us today is meaningful. We invite you to come to Guild Hall after worship for fellowship and conversation. Please stop by our "Welcome Table" for more information about Plymouth Church.

PARKING IS AVAILABLE in several lots adjacent to Plymouth Church. In the main lot, please avoid using any spaces marked "Reserved." In the Groveland and Loring-Nicollet lots, parking is permitted in all spaces. If you need a handicap parking space but do not have an official sticker, please come by the Church Office to get a special "Plymouth Church Handicap Parking" card for use in our parking lot.

INFORMATIONAL CLASSES FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS: Contact Emily Venell at 612/977-1281 or emilyv@plymouth.org if you are interested in or have questions about membership at Plymouth Church, or if you are interested in attending a future informational series. Plymouth is eager to welcome those who wish to share their faith on our congregation's journey. We look forward to seeing you at Plymouth again.

Plymouth Church possesses artists in many disciplines, music being a prominent one. During the month of August the piano preludes will be presented by members and friends of Plymouth's congregation. We thank them for sharing their artistry with us and praise God for their special gift.

PRELUDE	(from Jazz Tonic)	<i>Joseph Makholm</i>
	Noches Calientes	(2001)
	The Count	
	Horizons Lointains	
	(from Three Conceptions)	
	Blue on White (Bleu sur blanc)	(2009)
	Dolores Lenore, <i>piano</i>	

This morning's prelude and postlude were composed by noted jazz pianist/trombonist and composer Joseph Makholm. Originally from Milwaukee, Makholm now lives in Paris, France. Our pianist is his mother, Dolores Lenore, Plymouth Church member and interpreter of Joseph Makholm's piano repertoire.

OPENING HYMN	LET THE WHOLE CREATION CRY	"Salzburg"
	(see next page)	

CALL TO WORSHIP	John Edgerton
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Minister: Trailing in the wake of our words
and the turbulence of our thoughts,

Congregation: God is with us and between us and amongst us.

Minister: We listen for you now, O God, in silence.

– *A period of silence is kept.* –

Minister: Attuned to the joy of binding together
mind and body and breath,

Congregation: God awaits us and welcomes us and abides with us.

Minister: We listen for you now, O God, in song.

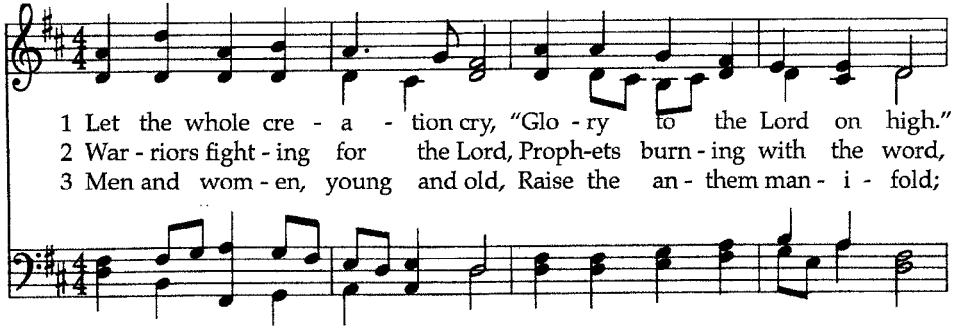
LET THE WHOLE CREATION CRY

Based on Psalm 148

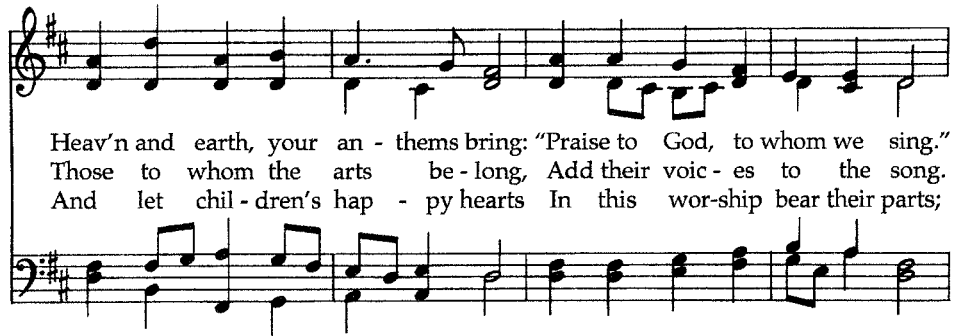
Stopford A. Brooke, 1832-1916, alt.
"Christian Hymns," 1881

SALZBURG 7.7.7.7.D.

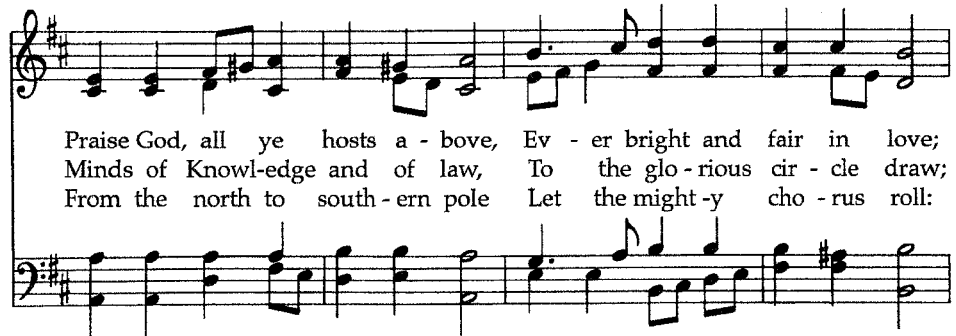
Melody by Jacob Hintze, 1678
Harm. by J.S. Bach, 1685-1750



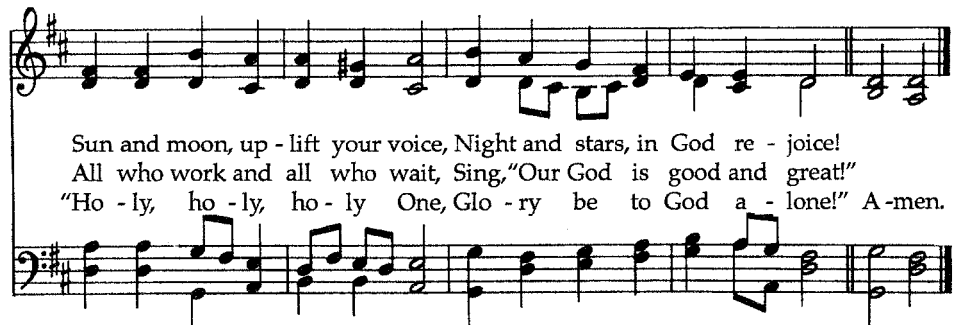
1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high."
2 War - riors fight - ing for the Lord, Proph - ets burn - ing with the word,
3 Men and wom - en, young and old, Raise the an - them man - i - fold;



Heav'n and earth, your an - thems bring: "Praise to God, to whom we sing."
Those to whom the arts be - long, Add their voic - es to the song.
And let chil - dren's hap - py hearts In this wor - ship bear their parts;



Praise God, all ye hosts a - bove, Ev - er bright and fair in love;
Minds of Knowl - edge and of law, To the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
From the north to south - ern pole Let the might - y cho - rus roll:



Sun and moon, up - lift your voice, Night and stars, in God re - joice!
All who work and all who wait, Sing, "Our God is good and great!"
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One, Glo - ry be to God a - lone!" A - men.

INTROIT

*Malcolm Williamson
(1975)*

This is my Savior's world; and to my listening ears,
All Nature sings and 'round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Savior's world; I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, God's hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Savior's world; the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Savior's world; God shines in all that's fair;
All earth and trees, all skies and seas, all creatures everywhere.

– Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901, alt.

UNISON PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, for the rich gift of tradition: for hymns and songs sung for generations, for rituals kept alive for centuries, for scriptures read aloud since the beginning of recorded history. When the great upheavals of life tear down our understanding and leave us without words to match our circumstances, it is a comfort to still have rituals. It is a comfort to light a candle, or read a psalm, or hold once more in our hands the bread and the cup. We ask that you be present in all our rituals, and we ask that you draw near to us as we pray the words that Jesus taught.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (“...and forgive us our debts...”)
Pilgrim Hymnal, p. 513, prayer 57

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

Over the summer months we will light a candle for peace. This ritual comes from our First Service.

ANTHEM

GLORIA TIBI
(from “Mass”)

*Leonard Bernstein
(1971)*

Maria Jette and Lori Lewis, *soprano*; Lisa Drew, *alto*;
Dan Dressen, *tenor*; and James Bohn, *bass*

Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit!
We praise you, we worship you, we glorify you, we bless you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

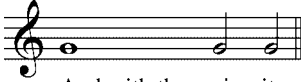
PSALM 1:1-3
JEREMIAH 17:5-8

HYMN

THE GOD OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS *“Dominus regit me”*
(see next page)

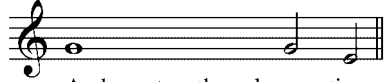
VERSICLES #533

Leader: The Lord be with you,
Congregation:



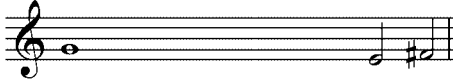
And with thy spir - it.

Leader: Let us pray.
O Lord, show thy mercy upon us,
Congregation:



And grant us thy sal - va - tion.

Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us,
Congregation:



And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

PATER NOSTER
(The Lord's Prayer)

Giuseppe Verdi
(1880)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & DOXOLOGY #464

Praise to God, immortal praise, for the love that crowns our days!
Bounteous source of every joy, let thy praise our tongues employ;
Singing thus through all our days: Praise to God, immortal praise! Amen.

MEDITATION

WATER, TREES AND AGATES

Julie Neraas

COMMUNION HYMN #254 **BREAK THOU THE BREAD OF LIFE** *“Bread of Life”*

3. Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me,
Thy holy Word the truth that saveth me;
Give me to eat and live with Thee above;
Teach me to love Thy truth, for Thou art love.

– *Mary Ann Lathbury, 1877*

THE GOD OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

Based on Psalm 23

Henry Williams Baker, 1821–1877, alt.

“Hymns Ancient and Modern Appendix,” 1868

DOMINUS REGIT ME 8.7.8.7.

John Bacchus Dykes, 1868

1 The God of love my shep - herd is, Whose
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wat - er flow, My
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With

good - ness fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 ran - somed soul God lead - eth; And where the ver - dant
 yet in love God sought me, And held me in a
 thee, dear Lord, be - side me: Thy rod and staff my

I re - main God's faith - ful lamb for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 strong em - brace, And home re - joic - ing brought me.
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me. A-men.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight,
 Thy heavenly grace bestoweth,
 And, O what transport of delight
 From thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 Within thy house forever.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

No matter to what faith tradition you belong, you are invited to join us at the table. We use grape juice for communion services at Plymouth Church.

INVITATION

- Minister:* This is a joyful feast of the people of God. Come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and gather about the table.
- Congregation:* See how good and pleasant it is when people dwell in unity.
- Minister:* At this table we are invited to share in the feast of God's presence, celebrating here and now all that is meant by being alive.
- Congregation:* Here we remember that God's Spirit moves in and through all time, in every age, in every corner of the earth, calling people to renew their hope and their joy.

UNISON PRAYER

O God, in this world where many hunger and thirst, we thank you for this simple bread and juice. Yet this bread and this cup are much more than food and drink for our bodies; they are nourishment for our spirits. Gather us together as a family is gathered at a meal. Touch with rest and peace those who are troubled. Heal all who are hurting. Give love to those who feel alone or without hope. For all that you have given us, we are truly grateful. You feed us now as a reminder of your covenant of love and your relationship with us. Refresh us and strengthen us for the work you have given us to do. May your Spirit move among us, lifting our hearts and binding us together as one people. May this Spirit inspire us and guide us in all we do. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

During the distribution of the elements, music of César Franck will be heard. Lori Lewis will sing "Panis Angelicus" – "Bread of the Angels."

PRAYER OF THANKS AND DEDICATION

God, we offer thanks for the touch of your Spirit this day: for the tranquility found in silence; for the nourishment and strength in the bread we have shared; for the delight of fellowship found in the gathered community. We go forth trusting in your wisdom to guide us; your dreams to inspire us; your love to empower us. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

GOD, WE DO THANK THEE
WHO HAS PLANTED
(see next page)

"Rendez à Dieu"

GOD, WE DO THANK THEE WHO HAS PLANTED

Greek: 2nd century prayers in the "Didache"
Tr. F. Bland Tucker, 1939, alt.

RENDEZ À DIEU 9.8.9.8.D.
Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1543
Harm. by Claude Goudimel, 1565

1 God, we do thank thee who has plant - ed Thy ho - ly
2 Watch o'er thy Church, O God, in mer - cy; Save it from

name with - in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal
e - vil, guard it still; Per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it,

Je - sus thy Son to us im - parts. Thou, God, did make all for thy
Cleansed and con - formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the

pleas - ure, And give us food for all our days, Giv - ing in
hill - sides, Was in the bro - ken bread made one, So from all

Christ the bread e - ter - nal; Thine is the pow'r, be thine the praise.
lands thy Church be gath - ered; Led in - to ser - vice by thy Son. A - men.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

(from Three Conceptions)
A Night in Catalonia
Dolores Lenore, *piano*

*Joseph Makhholm
(2008)*



CHURCH REGISTER *as of July 28, 2010*

RECENTLY MARRIED:

Heidi Schneider and Martin Sheeks (7/17/2010)

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Judy Lund in loving memory of her husband, Neilan Lund, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nichols.

NEXT SUNDAY: Spencer Moffatt will preach at the 10:00 AM Sanctuary service.

*For information on this week's events at Plymouth Church,
please visit our website at www.plymouth.org.*

PLYMOUTH STAFF

James Gertmenian, *Senior Minister*

Vivian Jones, *Minister Emeritus*

Jeffrey Sartain, *Executive Minister*

Catherine Crooks, *Minister for Member Care*

Paula Northwood, *Minister for Education*

Shannon Kearns, *Youth Activities Coordinator*

Adrian Moravec & Emilie Kusler Moravec, *Junior High Leaders*

John Edgerton, *Pastoral Resident*

Spencer Moffatt, *Seminary Intern*

Jo Holcomb, *Director of Children's Programs, Librarian*

Karen Millar, *Children's Program Assistant*

Carole Humphrey, *Director, Children's Dance*

Kristen Froebel, *Director, Young Voices*

Catherine Neuner & Maya Sutton, *Childcare Providers*

Connie Marty, *Director of Outreach Programs*

Larry Johnson, *Drop-in Coordinator*

Philip Brunelle, *Organist and Choirmaster*

Sonja Thompson, *Assistant Music Director*

James Bohn, Dan Dressen, Lisa Drew, Maria Jette & Lori Lewis, *Soloists*

Mary Laymon, *Director, Children's and Youth Choirs*

Cammy Carteng, *Director, Handbell Choirs*

Claire Colliander, *Music Librarian*

Ralph Henn, *Director of Communication*

Karen Hartz, *Director of Operations*

Linda Kelley, *Office Manager/Assistant to the Senior Minister*

Doug Freeman, *Assistant to the Associate Ministers*

Svetlana Vigliaturo, *Day Receptionist*

Robert Brock, Lydia Cole, Timm Douma, *Evening/Weekend Receptionists*

Brad Lien, *Accounting Manager*

Malcolm Williams, *Security Manager*

John Bradford, *Maintenance Manager*

Karin Holida, *Housekeeping Manager*

Bob Haas, Randall Heimer & Larry Rostad, *Custodians*

Emily Venell, *Facilities and Membership Coordinator*

Gary Stenberg, *Kitchen Coordinator*

Dan Simonson & Matthew Simonson, *Kitchen Assistants*

Cody Bourdot, *Audiovisual Technician*

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