

North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church



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A SERVICE OF WORSHIP • NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 8, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

WE BECOME AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Call to Worship

One: I will bless the Lord at all times!
Many: God's praise shall continually be in my mouth!
One: O magnify the Lord with me!
All: Let us exalt God's name together!

***Hymn (#509)**

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

WE OPEN OURSELVES TO GOD'S GRACE

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God,

**We confess that we have not lived as your faithful children.
We have been angry with the world
and nursed grudges against our adversaries.
We have hoarded the fruits of our labors
rather than share our bounty with the needy.
We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness
but have indulged in evil gossip.
We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done,
even though we desire your forgiveness toward us in Jesus Christ.
Heal us, O God,
and give us the grace to love
as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. (Silence)**

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Congregational Response (#581)**

Gloria Patri

*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.*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD TO US

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

John 6:35, 41-51

(One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Many: Thanks be to God.)

Sharing Faith with God's Children

Special Music

Second Lesson

1 Kings 19:4-8

(One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Many: Thanks be to God.)

Sermon

The Journey Ahead

Rev. R.C. Griffin

WE RESPOND TO GOD IN FAITH

***Hymn (#169)**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

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

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall 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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***Congregational Response (#606)**

Doxology

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

WE DEPART TO SERVE

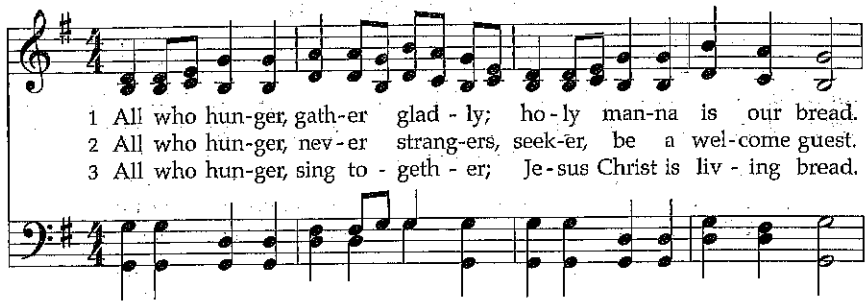
***Hymn (#541)**

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

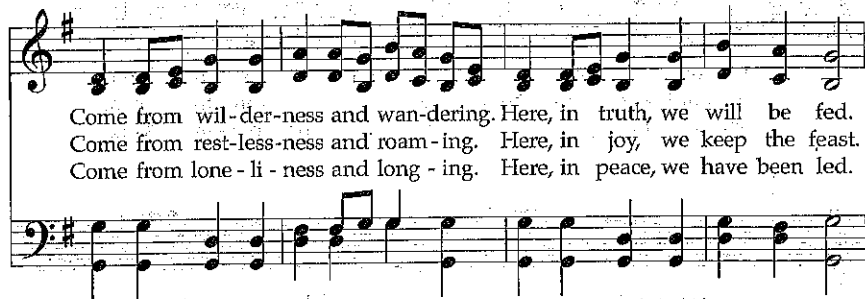
***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

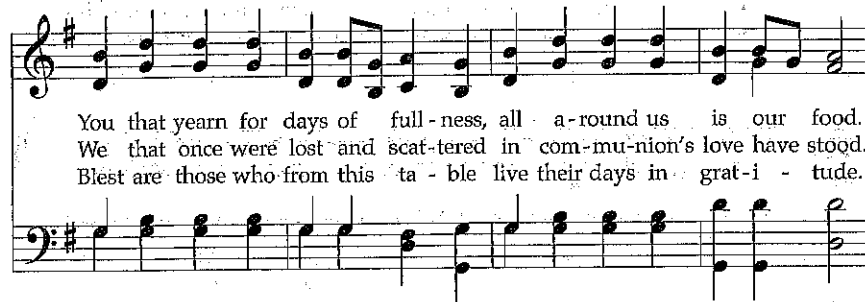
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je-sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone-li-ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

169 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

1 *Dear Lord and Fa-ther of man-kind, for-give our fool-ish
 2 In sim-ple trust like theirs who heard be-side the Syr-ian
 3 O Sab-bath rest by Gal-i-lee, O calm of hills a-
 4 Drop thy still dews of qui-et-ness, till all our striv-ings
 5 Breathe through the heats of our de-sire thy cool-ness and thy

ways; re-clothe us in our right-ful mind, in
 sea the gra-cious call-ing of the Lord, let
 bove, where Je-sus knelt to share with thee the
 cease, take from our souls the strain and stress, and
 balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh re-tire; speak

pur-er lives thy ser-vice find, in deep-er rev-erence, praise.
 us, like them, with-out a word rise up and fol-low thee.
 si-lence of e-ter-ni-ty, in-ter-pret-ed by love!
 let our or-dered lives con-fess the beau-ty of thy peace.
 through the earth-quake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

*Or "Dear Lord, Creator good and kind"

These stanzas were carved into a hymn from a much longer poem describing a frenzied ritual by an obscure sect in India, but they culminate in a reference to 1 Kings 19:11-12 that celebrates silence (as befits a Quaker poet). This tune was created especially for these words.

God Be with You Till We Meet Again 541

Unison *Harmony*

1 God be with you till we meet a-gain; lov - ing coun - sels
 2 God be with you till we meet a-gain; un - seen wings pro -
 3 God be with you till we meet a-gain; when life's per - ils
 4 God be with you till we meet a-gain; keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, with a shep - herd's care en - fold you:
 tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you:
 thick con - found you, put un - fail - ing arms a - round you:
 float - ing o'er you; smite death's threat - ening wave be - fore you:

Unison

God be with you till we meet a - gain.

A North American Congregational minister wrote this text as a Christian expansion of the root sense of "good-bye": God be [with] ye/you. The tune, named for a cousin, was composed by one of the few 20th-century British composers to make a major contribution to hymnody.