Havenwood Church

Presbyterian Church (USA)

August 30, 2026

Sunflower Psalm 105:4, Haley Grady

The Service of the Lord's Day
Order of Worship

**Please stand if you are able.*
Congregation to recite bolded passages.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — Jenn DiFrancesco

PRELUDE — "Meditation in E Major" by Phil Lehenbauer — Valerie Adelung

CALL TO WORSHIP — Sharon Huber-Plano

Give thanks to God and call upon God's name.
We will tell of God's wonderful works.
Sing to God. Let your hearts rejoice.
We will seek the Lord and God's strength.
Remember what God has done.
We will remember God's faithfulness from generation to generation.
Come, let us worship God.
Let us worship with gladness and praise.

*HYMN # 611 — "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION — Sharon Huber-Plano

We confess Jesus as the Messiah, yet we do not always welcome the way he leads us. We want faith without risk, discipleship without sacrifice, and resurrection without the cross. But Christ meets us with mercy and calls us to begin again. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sharon Huber-Plano

Merciful God, we are quick to call Jesus Lord, but slow to follow when his way unsettles us.

We want faith to protect what we have rather than change how we live. We turn away from suffering we could help bear. We remain silent when speaking carries a cost. We hold tightly to comfort, approval, and control.

Forgive us, O God. Set our minds again on your ways. Give us courage to follow Christ in the work of love, justice, and mercy. Claim every part of our lives for Your service. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jenn DiFrancesco

Hear the Good News: Christ does not abandon disciples who misunderstand, resist, or lose their way. The one who calls us to follow also meets us with mercy, restores us by grace, and gives us courage to begin again.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*CELEBRATION OF FORGIVENESS # 591

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah!
Hallelujah!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST Jenn DiFrancesco

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

and also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Sharon Huber-Plano

Eternal God, in the reading of Scripture, may Your Word be heard; in the quiet of our hearts, may Your Word be known; and in the living of our days, may Your Word be shown; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 105:1–6, 23–26, 45b Sharon Huber-Plano

O give thanks to the Lord; call on his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.
Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles and the judgments he has uttered,
O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

Then Israel came to Egypt;
Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham.
And the Lord made his people very fruitful
and made them stronger than their foes,
whose hearts he then turned to hate his people,
to deal craftily with his servants.
He sent his servant Moses
and Aaron, whom he had chosen.

that they might keep his statutes
and observe his laws.
Praise the Lord!

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Once Again" by Matt Redman Valerie Adelung

SCRIPTURE Matthew 16:21–28 Jenn DiFrancesco

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Rebuke We Need Jenn DiFrancesco

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jenn DiFrancesco

from the "Theological Declaration of Barmen"

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance
of the forgiveness of all our sins,
so in the same way and with the same seriousness
is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life.
Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance
from the godless fetters of this world
for a free, grateful service to his creatures.
We reject the false doctrine,
as though there were areas of our life
in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ,
but to other lords,
areas in which we would not need justification
and sanctification through him.

*HYMN # 726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Jenn DiFrancesco

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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Jenn DiFrancesco

God has given us more than words with which to confess our faith. God has given us time, abilities, resources, and lives that can be offered in service. With gratitude for all God has done, let us bring our gifts for the work of Christ in the world.

During this time of offering, we can share our financial gifts by placing them in the offering plates as you leave, or giving online.

OFFERTORY

Offertory on "Joyful Song"
by Douglas E. Wagner

Valerie Adelung

*DOXOLOGY # 609

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
praise Him, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jenn DiFrancesco

Faithful God, receive these gifts and the lives from which they come. Use them to relieve suffering, seek justice, strengthen your church, and serve your children. Free us from holding back the parts of our lives we would rather keep for ourselves. Teach us to follow Christ with courage, gratitude, and love. Amen.

*HYMN # 697 "Take My Life"

*BENEDICTION Jenn DiFrancesco

POSTLUDE "Nothing but the Blood of Jesus" Valerie Adelung
by Marianne Kim

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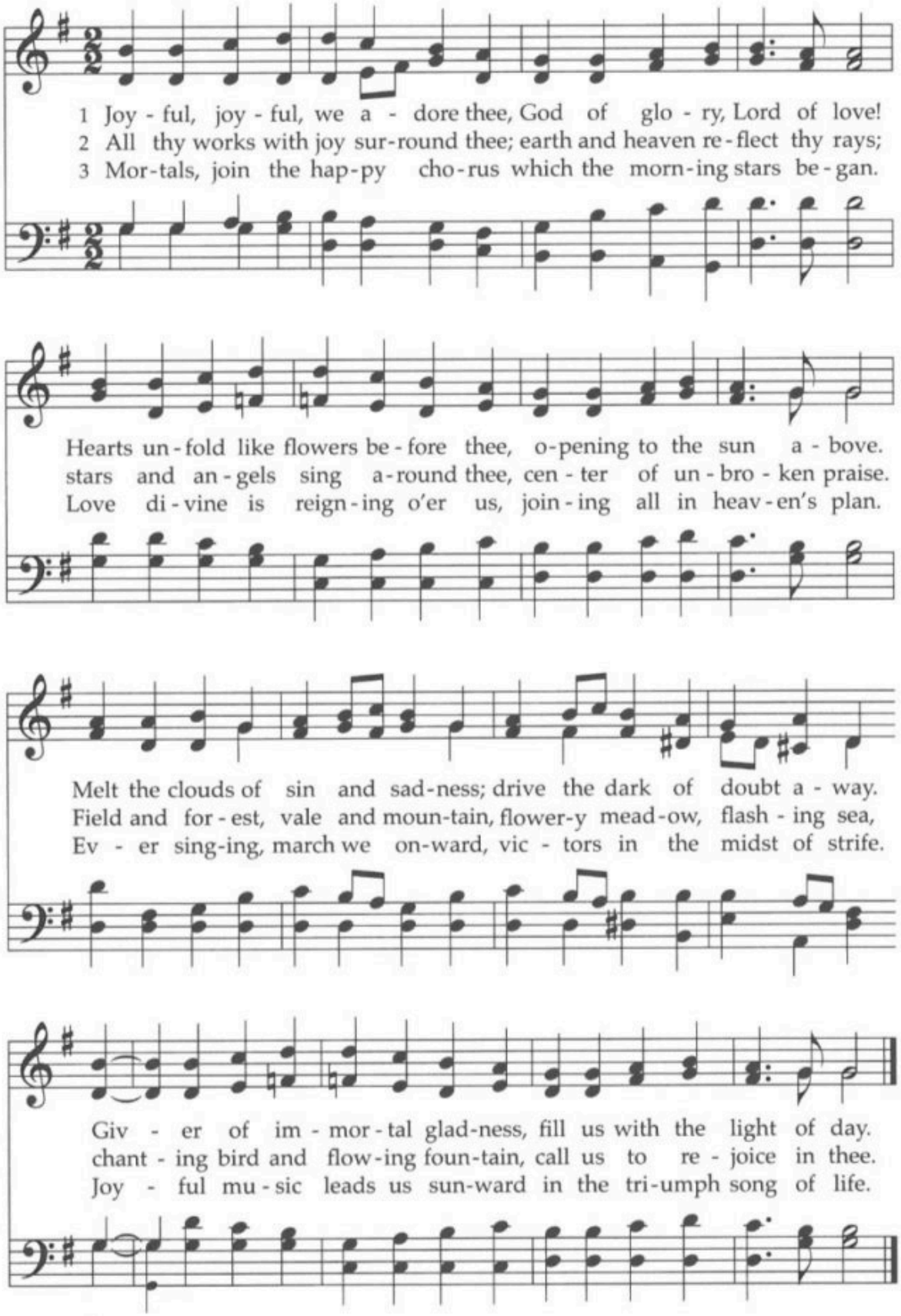
611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

TEXT: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt.
MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt.

HYMN TO JOY
8.7.8.7.D

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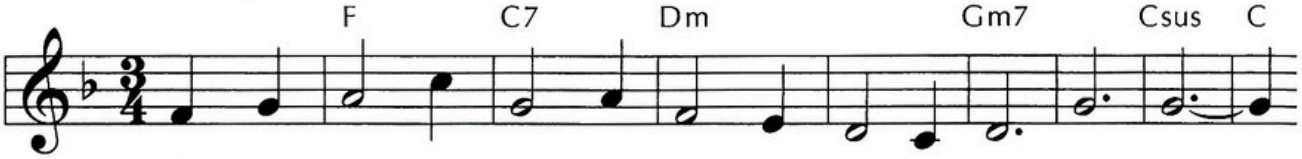
Will You Come and Follow Me

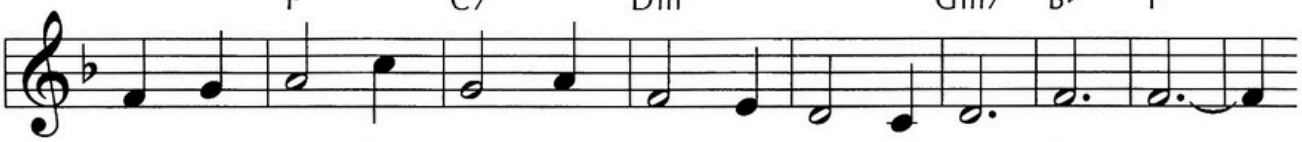
The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C



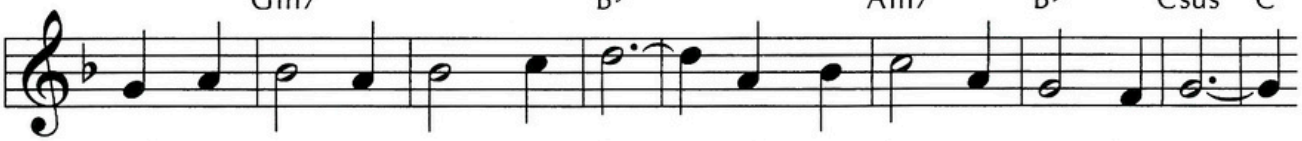
1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
F C7 Dm Gm7 B♭ F



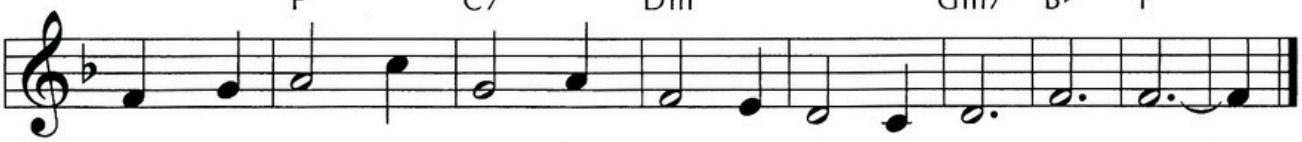
Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same?
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F♯m7) (G) (Asus) (A)
Gm7 B♭ Am7 B♭ Csus C



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
F C7 Dm Gm7 B♭ F



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987
MUSIC: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1987
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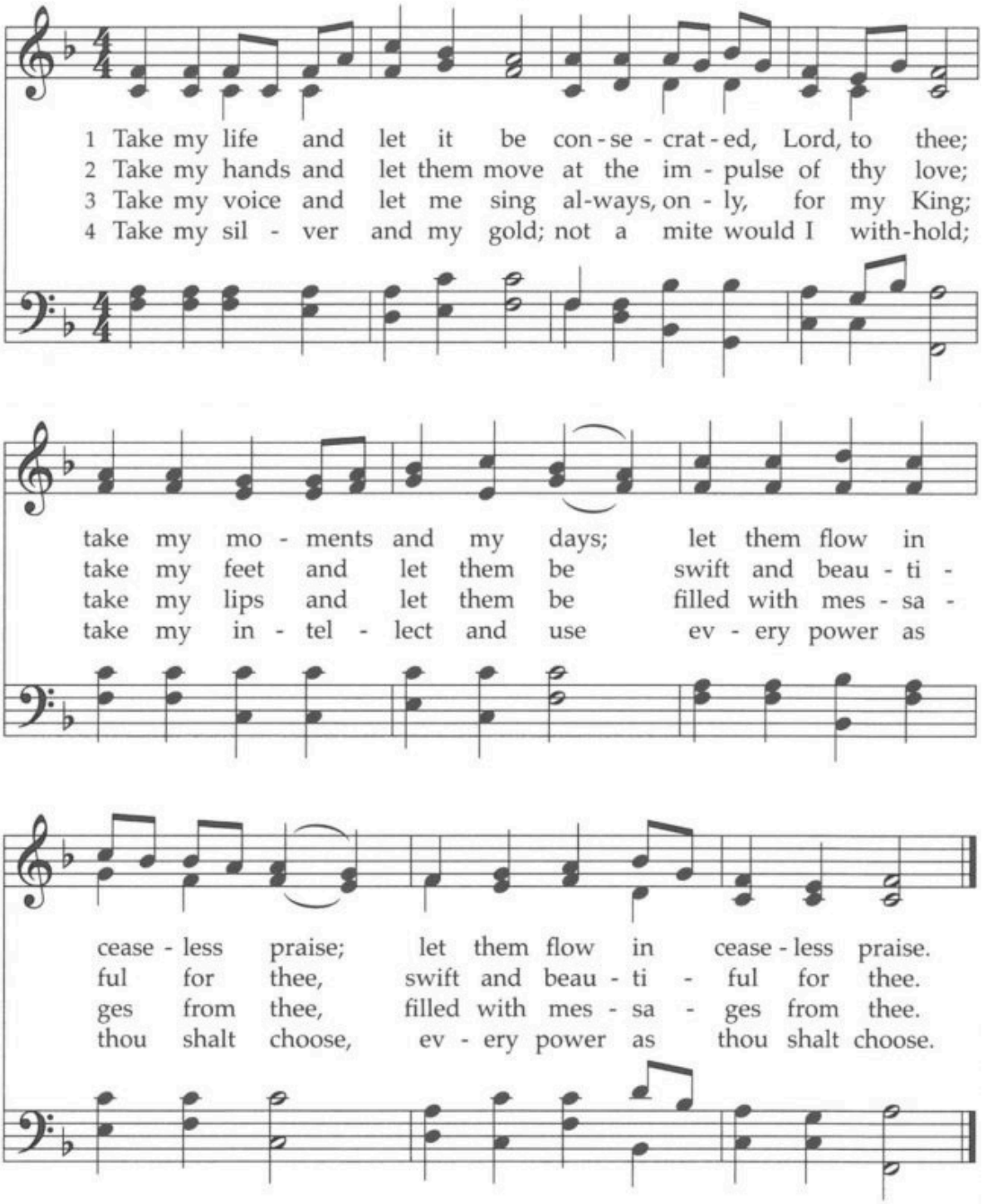
Take My Life 697



5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

TEXT: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874
MUSIC: H. A. César Malan, 1827

HENDON
7.7.7.7