

MAYFLOWER

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP

July 26, 2026

MAYFLOWER SUMMER SERIES: Journey Through Genesis

This summer we will sing, study, reflect, and pray through the first book of the Bible.
We'll begin each week with a liturgical call to worship based on the Creation Story,
and the sermon will explore the major stories as they unfold in Genesis.

PRELUDE *Andante and Poco Adagio from Piano Trio in G, XV:25* Stacey Tanner, violin by
Joseph Haydn Eric Tanner, cello
Julia Brown, piano

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Kent Dobson

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Rachael Cooley

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matt Dhassaler

Leader: In the beginning...

**People: God created the heavens and the earth, and planted a garden of
beauty and life.**

Leader: And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden.

People: A place of beauty and life.

Leader: A river flowed out from Eden to water the garden.

People: God is the source of every living thing.

OPENING HYMN 7 (stand as you are able)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

OPENING PRAYER

Matt Dhassaler

GLORIA PATRI (remain standing)

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rachael Cooley

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 29:15-28

Matt Dhassaler

PEW BIBLE, PAGE 21

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Deceiver gets Deceived

Rev. Dobson

HYMN 383 (stand as you are able)

If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee

NEUMARK

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Dobson

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Give Me Jesus

Ryan Potts, tenor

Traditional Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan

Text can be found in the hymnal #346

DOXOLOGY (stand as you are able)

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.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Rev. Dobson

LORD'S PRAYER (remain standing)

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN 349 (stand as you are able)

Take My Life and Let It Be

VIENNA

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dobson

POSTLUDE

Finale: Rondo all'Ongarese from Piano Trio in G, XV:25
by Joseph Haydn

Stacey Tanner, violin
Eric Tanner, cello
Julia Brown, piano

Please join us for coffee in the Atrium after the service.

If you would like to provide treats for the Sunday reception,
please email Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org

Praises and Prayers*

If you would like to receive prayer, or make note of someone to be added to the weekly Prayer List, please contact the church office to be included on the list (616.459.6255 or office@mayflowerchurch.org.) Prayer Cards are also in the pews and collected during Sunday morning services.

PRAISE FOR THOSE WHO CELEBRATE

We celebrate the engagement of **Brittany McNeil** and **Steve Hecker**. Brittany's daughter, Nina, is eager to be part of the upcoming festivities and ceremony.

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayers for healing and recovery for **Eric and Rita Graham's** son, **Dr. Peter Graham**, and **Nadene Graham's** son, **Pete**, and granddaughter, **Julia**. All were involved in a car accident on July 5. (7/20)

Maris Rosema asks for prayers for healing from a lung infection. (7/08)

Pray for **Terry Zylman**. Terry is recovering from surgery, and would appreciate prayers at this time. (6/30)

PRAY FOR FRIENDS OF MAYFLOWER

Our prayers go out to **Jona Lazzare** and her family as they mourn the sudden loss of her father. Jona and her husband are the founders of *God's Vision for Haiti*, a Mayflower outreach partner. (7/20)

Diane, friend of **Art and Marilyn Emery**, was recently diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy. We lift her up in prayer. (6/30)

We pray for **Sue Defoe's** friend **Wendy** who is undergoing treatments for brain cancer. (6/30)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

Former East Grand Rapids resident and childhood Mayflower member, **Brian Caukin**, passed away at his home in Orlando, FL on June 17. His memorial service will be held at Mayflower on July 31 at 1pm. (6/30)

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth...God proclaimed them *good*.

As we pray for our world, let us pray with the heart of God. God loves the world God created and all of us who live in it. All of us. God desires peace, harmony and unity for God's people. May we be participants in bringing heaven to earth today and always. Amen.

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For your convenience we offer electronic giving options:



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TEXT TO GIVE

On your phone, simply text the word: **GIVE** To: **6163446255** (no spaces) and then follow the prompts.

Calendar

**Words in italics denote partnering organizations that meet at Mayflower.*

Today, July 26

10:30am | Sunday Worship

JULY

28 Mayflower Mobile Food Pantry | 5pm

29 *Al-Anon** | 7pm

30 *Women's City Club** | 9am

AUGUST

2 Communion Sunday | 10:30am

5 *Al-Anon** | 7pm

**SUMMER IS STILL SIZZLING,
SO LET'S GET TOGETHER!**

Waterslide & BBQ

WED., AUGUST 12 | 5-7PM



Mark your calendar for an evening of fun! We'll gather in the middle lot for burgers and hot dogs on the grill, chips, lemonade, and a **HUGE waterslide**. *Everyone is welcome!*

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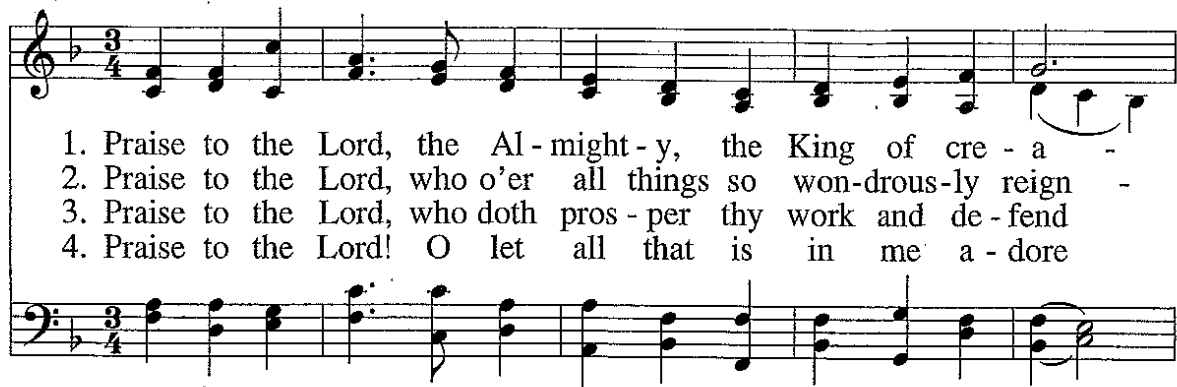
WE BELIEVE: Faith is a journey, God is good, Jesus saves, and the Spirit leads us to faith, hope, and love as we honor the dignity of all God's people.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

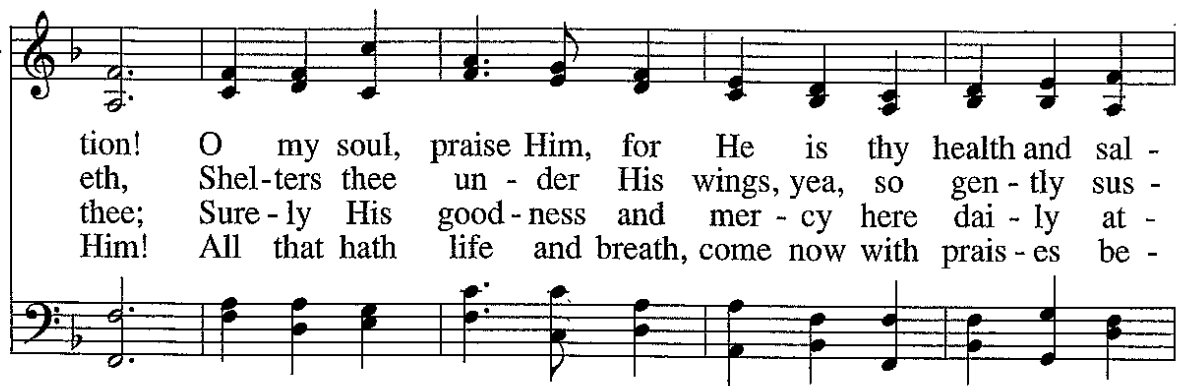
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Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

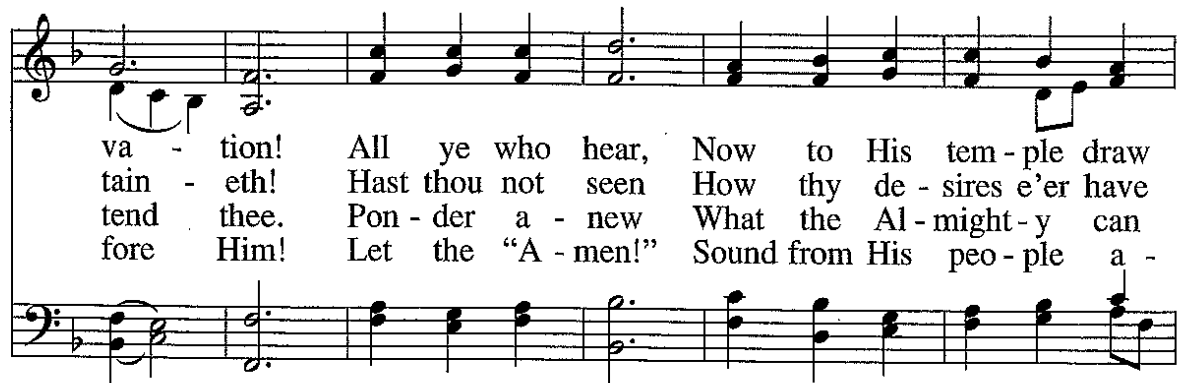
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Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665


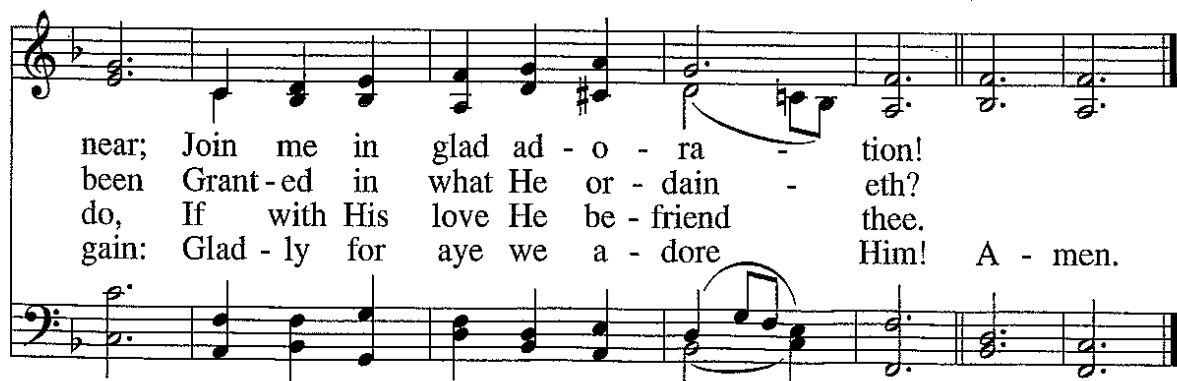
1. Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-a-
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign -
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de-fend
 4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a-dore



tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and sal-
 eth, Shel-ters thee un-der His wings, yea, so gen-tly sus-
 thee; Sure-ly His good-ness and mer-cy here dai-ly at-
 Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with prais-es be-



va-tion! All ye who hear, Now to His tem-ple draw
 tain-eth! Hast thou not seen How thy de-sires e'er have
 tend thee. Pon-der a-new What the Al-might-y can
 fore Him! Let the "A-men!" Sound from His peo-ple a-



near; Join me in glad ad-o-ra-tion!
 been Grant-ed in what He or-dain-eth?
 do, If with His love He be-friend thee.
 gain: Glad-ly for aye we a-dore Him! A-men.

LOBE DEN HERREN

14.14.4.7.8

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

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If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee

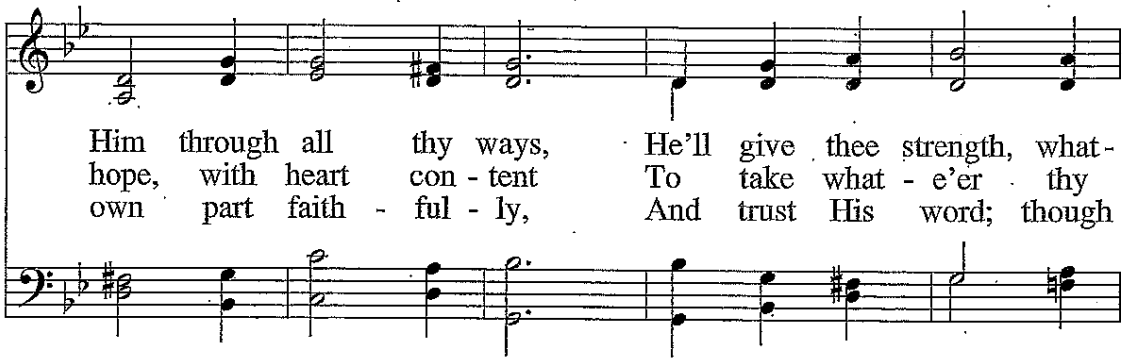
Georg Neumark, 1621-1681

Melody by Georg Neumark, 1621-1681

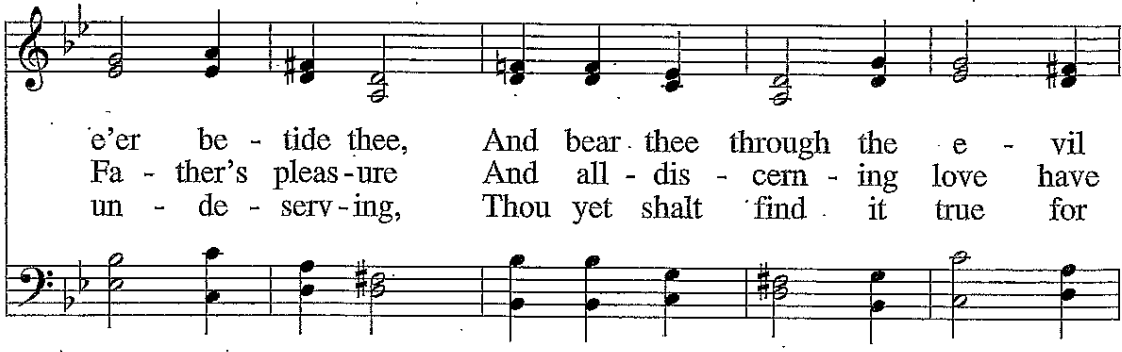
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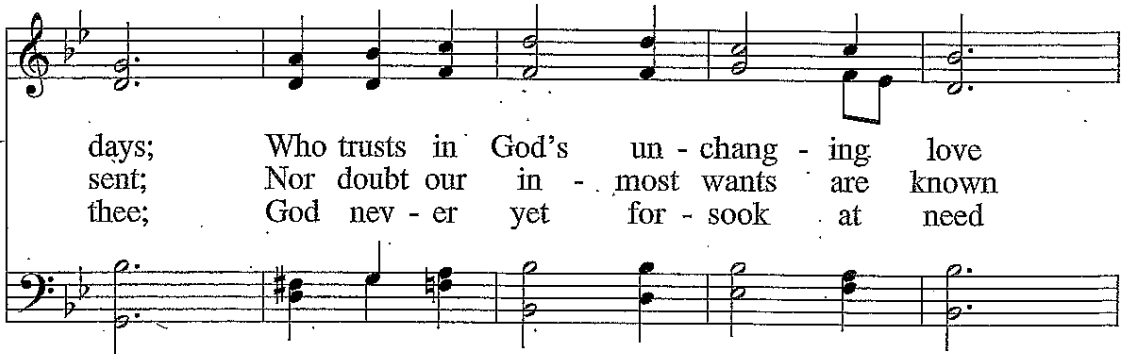
1. If thou but suf - fer God to guide thee, And hope in
 2. On - ly be still, and wait His lei - sure In cheer - ful
 3. Sing, pray, and keep His ways un - swerv - ing; So do thine



Him through all thy ways, He'll give thee strength, what -
 hope, with heart con - tent To take what - e'er thy
 own part faith - ful - ly, And trust His word; though



e'er be - tide thee, And bear thee through the e - vil
 Fa - ther's pleas - ure And all - dis - cern - ing love have
 un - de - serv - ing, Thou yet shalt find it true for



days; Who trusts in God's un - chang - ing love
 sent; Nor doubt our in - most wants are known
 thee; God nev - er yet for - sook at need

NEUMARK
 9.8.9.8.8.8

"He," "Him," or "His" may be replaced by "God(s)" or "You(r)."

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

The musical score is written on two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It contains a series of chords and single notes, ending with a double bar line. The bottom staff uses a bass clef and the same key signature. It also contains a series of chords and single notes, ending with a double bar line. The lyrics are centered between the two staves.

Builds on the rock that nought can move.
To Him who chose us for His own.
The soul that trust - ed Him in - deed. A - men.

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

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Take My Life and Let It Be

Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

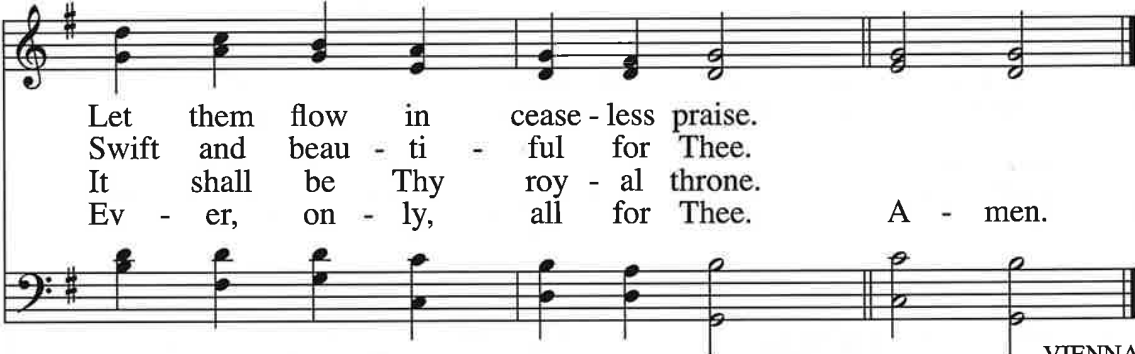
Justin H. Knecht, 1752-1817



1. Take my life, and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,
 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse
 3. Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no
 4. Take my love: my Lord I pour At Thy feet its



Lord, to Thee; Take my mo - ments and my days,
 of Thy love; Take my feet, and let them be
 long - er mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own;
 treas - ure store; Take my - self, and I will be



Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 It shall be Thy roy - al throne.
 Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee. A - men.

VIENNA
7.7.7.7