

*Second Congregational Church of Attleboro  
United Church of Christ  
May 11, 2025  
Mother's Day*



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**Prelude**

Meditation on "Brother James's Air"

Harold Darke

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship:**

Erika Pearson, Liturgist

Liturgist: Let all the earth praise God with joy.

**People: We come to worship God in praise and thanksgiving.**

Liturgist: Let all the earth praise God with joy.

**People: We come as God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.**

Liturgist: Let all the earth praise God with joy.

**People: We come, blessing God's name, and celebrating God's goodness, love, and faithfulness.**

**\*Hymn**

"We Have Come to Join in Worship"

No. 647

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

Liturgist: Let us pray together.

**All: Holy God, we have made our journey today to this, your house. Thank you for safe travels and the fellowship we find here. For those who have not found their way to you yet, we ask blessings on their journeys. We are all pilgrims on that path, God, on a journey that takes us into your heart. Help us to know that though the road may be rough at spots, we are never left alone on the way. May we feel your presence in this place today, and in all ways. Amen.**

**Response**

*"Gloria Patri" No. 734*

**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.**

**Anthem**

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"  
*Catherine Giannetti, soloist*

Howard Goodall

**Sunday School Dismissal**

## Pastoral Prayer

### Prayers of Joys and Concerns of the People

### Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray as Christ our savior has taught us.

**All: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Offertory

**\*Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 34

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn** "The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well" No. 73

**Scripture** Acts 9:36-43 NT p. 122

**Sermon** "Caregiving 101" Rev. Dr. Will Sencabaugh

**\*Hymn** "Now Thank We All Our God" No. 14

### **\*Benediction**

#### **Response**

*"Savior, Again to Your Dear Name"* No. 711, vs. 1  
Savior, again to your dear name we raise  
with one accord our parting hymn of praise;  
we give you thanks before our worship cease,  
and now departing, wait your word of peace.

### **Postlude**

"Finale"

Eric Thiman

*If you are leaving the sanctuary during the postlude, please do so quietly.  
Throughout the bulletin, when you see an \* you are invited to stand if you are able.*

**The Lead Deacon** this month is Deb Hawes assisted by Nancy Tariot.

**Meetings and Activities**

Sunday, 11 <sup>th</sup> Mother's Day	8:30 am 10:00 am	Outreach & Missions Committee Meeting Worship / Sunday School
Monday, 12 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	Jack & Jill Art Show & Open House
Tuesday, 13 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	Book Study "The Universal Christ"
Wednesday, 14 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am 6:30 pm	Communion Visitation Meeting Cub Scout Meeting
Thursday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Board of Deacons Virtual Meeting Bell Choir Rehearsal Troop 34 Meeting Adult Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, 17 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale
Sunday, 18 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Worship / Sunday School
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Facilities Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup>	6:30 pm	Cub Scout Meeting
Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal Troop 34 Meeting Adult Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Intergenerational Sacred Dance Practice
Sunday, 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am 11:15 am	Worship / Sunday School Church Council Meeting

*ARTIST OF  
THE MONTH*

Ken Hill is the Artist of the Month for May. Ken's paintings are on display in the Conference Room.

Indoor / Outdoor Yard Sale Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup>  
Please see Sandy at Coffee Hour today if you can help.

Jack & Jill Art Show & Open House May 12<sup>th</sup>

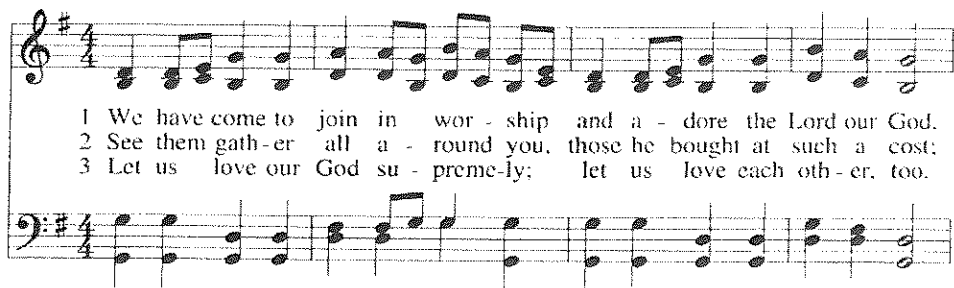
Food Pantry needs donations to meet demand – Please **NO CANNED VEGETABLES**

**FOR SENIORS** - Transportation available from GATRA

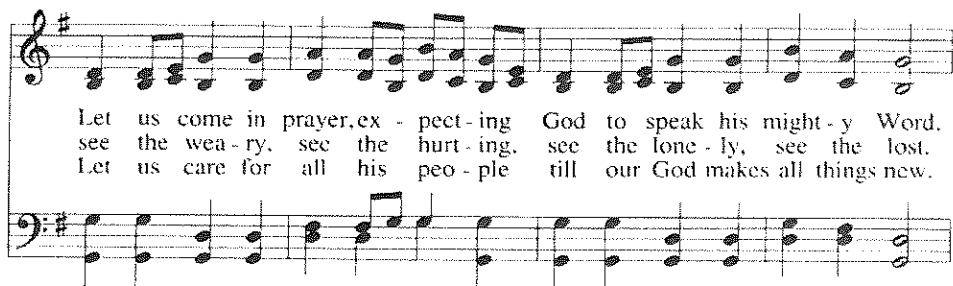
If you are a senior citizen, you may schedule a ride to and/or from church . You need to reserve your seat before Thursday, and the cost is \$1.75 each way. You need to be registered with GATRA - documents are on web page ([www.GATRA.org/dial-a-ride](http://www.GATRA.org/dial-a-ride)) under ADA & Senior transportation. And you may phone them at 508-823-8828.

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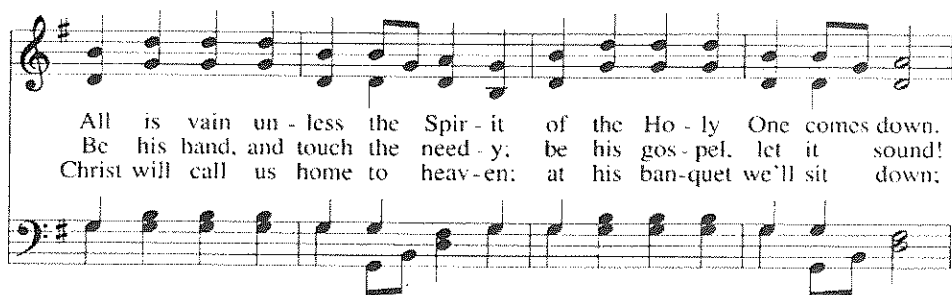
# We Have Come to Join in Worship 647



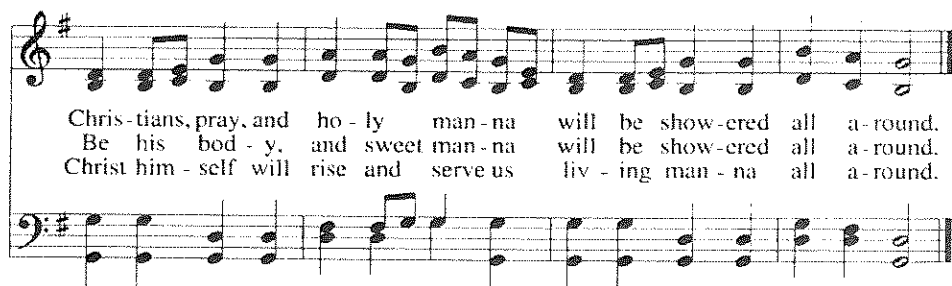
1 We have come to join in wor - ship and a - dore the Lord our God.  
2 See them gath - er all a - round you, those he bought at such a cost;  
3 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.



Let us come in prayer, ex - pect - ing God to speak his might - y Word.  
see the wea - ry, see the hurt - ing, see the lone - ly, see the lost.  
Let us care for all his peo - ple till our God makes all things new.



All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the Ho - ly One comes down.  
Be his hand, and touch the need - y; be his gos - pel, let it sound!  
Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ban - quet we'll sit down;



Chris - tians, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show - ered all a - round.  
Be his bod - y, and sweet man - na will be show - ered all a - round.  
Christ him - self will rise and serve us liv - ing man - na all a - round.

WORDS: Ken Bible (1950-) and George Atkins (18th c.)  
MUSIC: Columbian Harmony, 1825; attr. William Moore (19th c.)  
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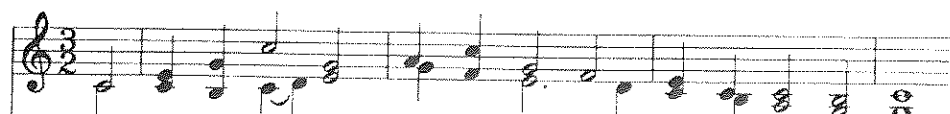
# Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 34

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system has the lyrics: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;". The second system has the lyrics: "praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost." The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and moving bass lines.

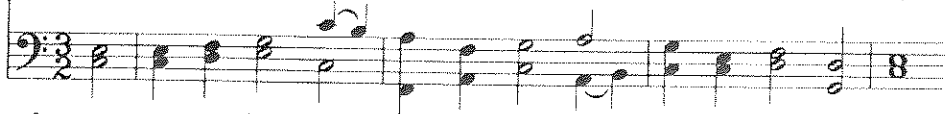
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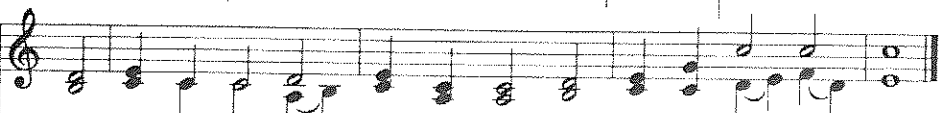
# The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well 73



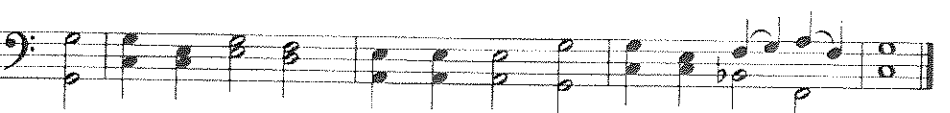
1 The Lord my Shep-herd guards me well, and all my wants are fed:  
 2 Though I should walk in dark-est ways through val-leys like the grave,  
 3 For me a ta-ble has been spread where all my foes can see:  
 4 Your stead-fast love will fol-low me to shield me all my days



a - mid green pas - tures made to lie, be - side still wa - ters led.  
 no e - vil shall I ev - er fear; your pres - ence makes me brave.  
 you bathe my head with fra - grant oil to soothe and hon - or me,  
 and bring me to your ho - ly house, re - deemed from er - ror's ways,



My care-worn soul grows strong and whole when God's true path I tread.  
 On my be - half your rod and staff as - sure me you will save.  
 My heart and cup are both filled up with joy - ful ec - sta - sy.  
 my whole life long to join the song of those who sing God's praise.



WORDS: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-); para. Psalm 23  
 MUSIC: James L. Bam (1840-1925); arr. Gordon Jacob (1895-1984)

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# 14 Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice - es,  
 2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us,  
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,

who won - drous things has done, in whom his world re - joic - es:  
 with ev - er joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;  
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in high - est heav - en.

who, from our moth - er's arms, has blessed us on our way  
 and keep us in his grace and guide us when per - plexed,  
 the one e - ter - nal God whom earth and heaven a - dore;

with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day,  
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

WORDS: Mattin Rinkart (1586-1649), tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.  
 MUSIC: Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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