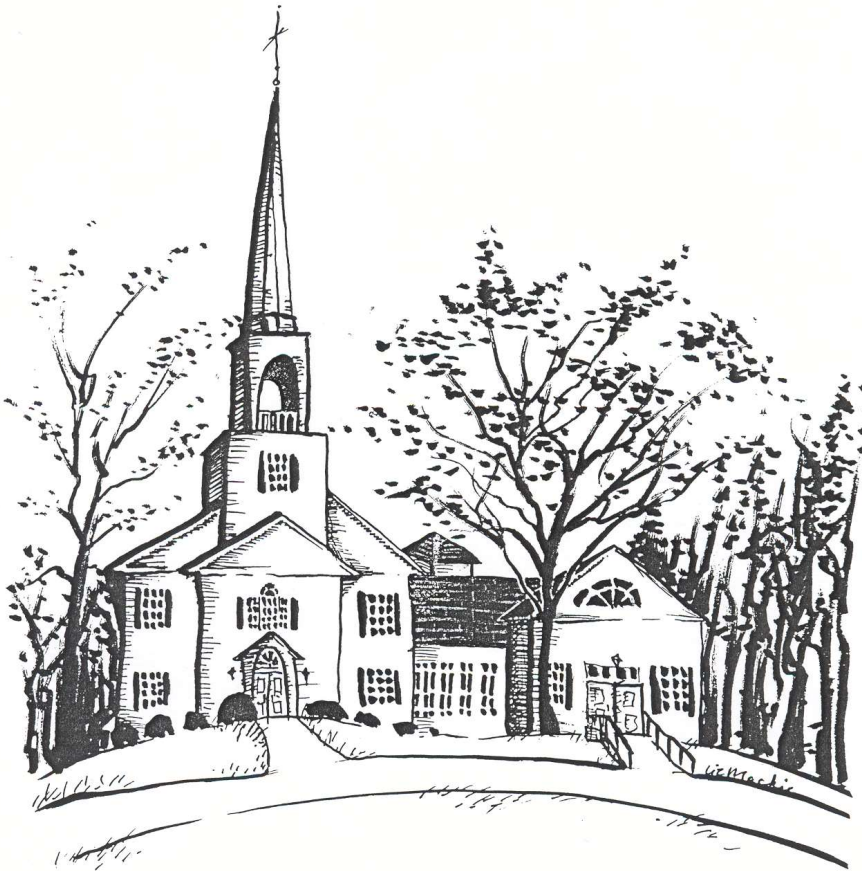




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Summer Worship | July 21, 2023

**MUSIC IN TODAY'S SERVICE LICENSED
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- ♪ PRELUDE: Piano Sonata, Op 13, No 8, Movement 2, Adagio, Beethoven
- ♪ OPENING HYMN: Breathe on Me, Breath of God*
- ♪ OFFERTORY: Summer Song, from Six Fancies, Op 7, No 3, MacDowell
- ♪ CLOSING HYMN: My Life Flows on in Endless Song*
- ♪ CLOSING RESPONSE: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Today's service will be recorded.

**Welcome to Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC
An Open and Affirming Congregation**

JULY WEEK 3

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Piano Sonata, Op 13, No 8, Movement 2, Adagio, Beethoven

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: O Christ, there is no plant in the ground, but it is full of your virtue.

ALL: There is no life in the sea, there is no creature in the ocean,

ONE: There is nothing in the heavens but proclaims your goodness.

**ALL: There is no bird on the wing, there is no star in the sky, there is nothing
beneath the sun but proclaims your goodness. Amen.**

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

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Edwin Hatch, 1886; alt.

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, stir in me one de - sire:
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

That I may love the way you love and do what you would do.
Un - til with you I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
That ev - ery earth - ly part of me may glow with ho - ly fire.
But live with you the per - fect life of your e - ter - ni - ty.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a bass line. The second system also has a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines.

Between parish assignments in London, Edwin Hatch taught classics at Trinity College, Quebec, and lectured at Oxford. This hymn appeared in a leaflet, "Between Doubt and Prayer" (1878). Other hymns were published posthumously in Towards Fields of Light, London (1890).

Tune: TRENTHAM S.M.
Robert Jackson, 1894

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
That I may love the way you love
and do what you would do.

2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
Until with you I will one will, to
do and to endure.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
stir in me one desire:
That every earthly part of me
may glow with holy fire.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
But live with you the perfect life
of your eternity.

CALL TO PRAYER

ONE: Christ is with us.

ALL: Christ is in our midst.

ONE: Let us pray.

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, set your blessing on us as we begin this day together. Confirm us in the truth by which we rightly live; confront us with the truth from which we wrongly turn. We ask not for what we want, but for what you know we need, as we offer this day and ourselves to you, through Jesus Christ, Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SCRIPTURE

MEDITATION

CALL TO PRAYER (seated)

ONE: God be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERTORY *Summer Song, from Six Fancies, Op 7, No 3, MacDowell*

*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**

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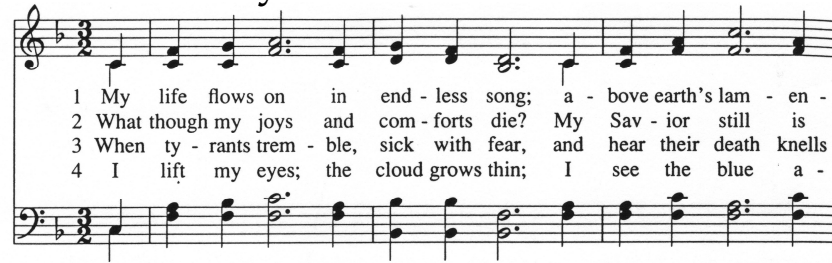
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

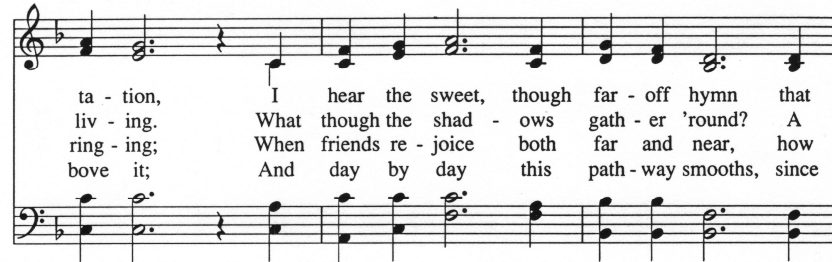
All good gifts around us come from you, O God. You have given us life, and new life in Christ. As you have given us gifts, so we offer our gifts that we may be gifts to one another, even as Jesus so taught and lived. Amen (New Century Hymnal)

*CLOSING HYMN

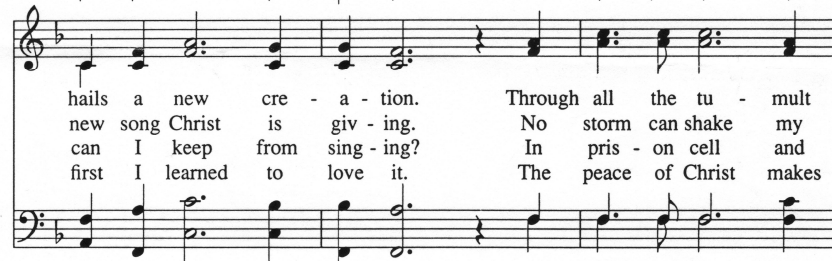
My Life Flows on in Endless Song - Black Hymnal 476



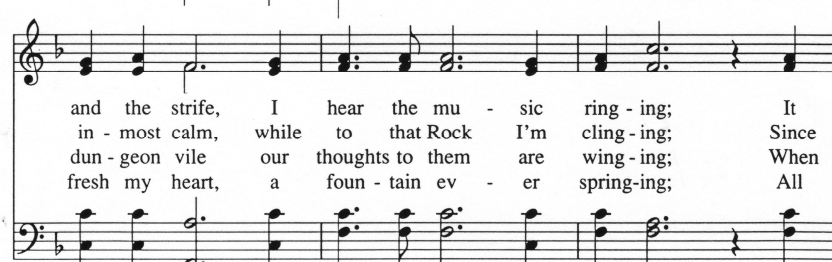
1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam - en -
2 What though my joys and com - forts die? My Sav - ior still is
3 When ty - rants trem - ble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells
4 I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue a -



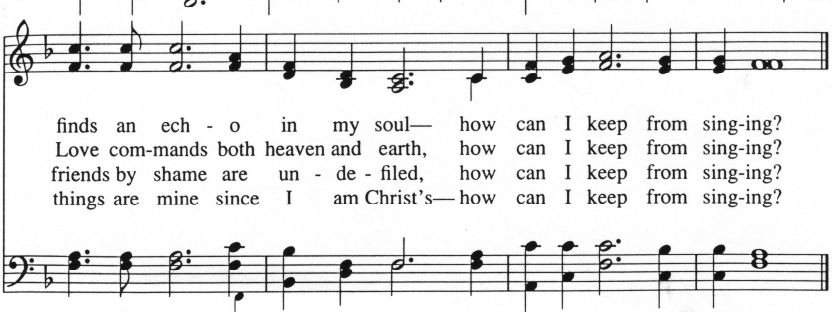
ta - tion, I hear the sweet, though far - off hymn that
liv - ing. What though the shad - ows gath - er 'round? A
ring - ing; When friends re - joice both far and near, how
bove it; And day by day this path - way smooths, since



hails a new cre - a - tion. Through all the tu - mult
new song Christ is giv - ing. No storm can shake my
can I keep from sing - ing? In pris - on cell and
first I learned to love it. The peace of Christ makes



and the strife, I hear the mu - sic ring - ing; It
in - most calm, while to that Rock I'm cling - ing; Since
dun - geon vile our thoughts to them are wing - ing; When
fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing; All



finds an ech - o in my soul— how can I keep from sing - ing?
Love com - mands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?
friends by shame are un - de - filed, how can I keep from sing - ing?
things are mine since I am Christ's— how can I keep from sing - ing?

1 My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation.
I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.
Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul how can I keep from singing?

2 What though my joys and comforts die? My Savior still is living.
What though the shadows gather round? A new song Christ is giving.
No storm can shake my in-most calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging;
Since Love command both heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

3 When tyrants tremble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells ringing;
When friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing?
In prison cell and dungeon vile our thought to them are winging;
When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?

4 I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it;
And day by day this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it.
The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing;
All things are mine since I am Christ's - how can I keep from singing?

***UNISON BENEDICTION**

**The blessing of the God of life be ours,
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours,
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy. Amen.**

***CLOSING RESPONSE**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Please rise in spirit or body.

Thank you to our Speaker, Rev. Louise Higginbotham and our Musician, Ana Morel.

