

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY SCOUT SUNDAY



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### **Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ**

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**February 1, 2026**

**9:30am Worship**

# WELCOME TO BAUSMAN!

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**1<sup>ST</sup> TIME GUESTS:** Most everything you need is found in this bulletin. Plus, those around you are glad to help and an usher is always available at the main rear entrance. If there are ways we can better extend God's hospitality, leave us a note on the Welcome Card. Your insights are essential as we continue to grow into the community God is calling us to be. Thank you!

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** Congregational readings are in bold with an *All*, *People*, or *Unison* designation. Songs are in the bulletin or pew hymnal. Times for standing and sitting are listed, with it always being okay to remain seated.

**"BUSY BAGS":** Coloring books and crayons are available in the north narthex (lobby) for use during worship. Please return all items following the service for others to use the following week. See an usher for assistance.

**NURSERY CARE:** Available during worship for children birth-kindergarten. The nursery is past the office, to the right. See an usher for assistance.

**RESTROOMS:** Ladies and a unisex/accessible bathroom (with wall mounted baby changing table) are available through the doors at the front of the sanctuary. Follow the signs to the office. Bathrooms are on the left.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS:** Contain printed scripture and music, in addition to being in a larger font. Ask an usher for a copy.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE:** Ask an usher at the rear entrance to the sanctuary who will provide you with a device directly tied into the sanctuary sound system. Please return the device to an usher at the conclusion of worship.

**GET CONNECTED:** Use the pew holder Welcome Card to register your attendance, share contact information, ask questions, and more. Once completed, place it in the offering plates during the offering time.

**WIFI & DEVICES:** Thank you for silencing all your devices during worship. Bausman's guest wifi is accessible with the passcode: "gladurhere!"

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## WE GATHER TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE

**Centering Thoughts:** What does God most deeply desire of you? It is a question asked time and time again within the scriptures. At times the answer can be crystal clear. At other times we can find ourselves clueless as to what this faith or our relationship with God is truly about. Instead of a list of do's and don'ts, scripture speaks of a longing for us to turn our hearts in love toward God. What would it look like to love God with heart, strength, and soul? How would it change how we live and what we are attempting to accomplish through this life?

### Opening Chimes

### Welcome & Announcements

### Sharing of Christ's Peace

*(Rise in body or spirit to share Christ's peace using customary forms of greeting or by using a peace sign. Please be seated once the prelude begins.)*

### Prelude: "The Lord Reigneth" - Lani Smith

*(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into our presence, calling us to worship)*

*(Please rise in body or spirit)*

### Call to Worship

Pastor: Blessed are the poor in spirit;

**People: Those who know they have no other hope than God.**

Pastor: Blessed are those who mourn;

**People: Whose hearts break at the injustice present in this world.**

Pastor: Blessed are the meek;

**People: Those who give themselves to God,  
renouncing the broken ways of this world.**

Pastor: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

**People: Whose hands will not rest till the reign of God is at hand.**

Pastor: Blessed are the merciful;

**People: Those who pick up their cross and follow in the way of Christ.**

Pastor: Blessed are the peacemakers;

**People: Whose spirits refuse to give up on reconciliation.**

Pastor: Blessed are you who gather in God's worship;

**People: For we will be found in the One who fills us with life,  
who emboldens us to hope, and calls us to action.**

Pastor: Glory and praise be to our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People: One God, now and forevermore. Amen.**

**Processional Hymn: "Soldiers of Christ, Arise" (p. #93 S)**

## **WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR HEALING & GRACE**

### **Call to Confession**

#### **Corporate Confessional**

**All: Holy God, we confess that we do not walk blamelessly with you.**

**We do not always speak the truth,**

**we do not withhold our tongue from slander,**

**or keep ourselves from the acts of evil.**

**We take up reproach with our neighbors, call wickedness good,  
while condemning those who act in faith of you.**

**We break our word and**

**ignore the riches we gained on the backs of the poor.**

**Though we stand far from you,**

**give us the grace we need to turn our feet**

**to walk in the way of Christ.**

**Forgive our wrongs, mend our evils, as you bind us to you. Amen.**

#### **Personal Silent Confession**

*(Personal prayers for God's healing and redeeming peace)*

#### **Assurance of Grace**

Pastor: ...By grace we are saved. In mercy we are healed.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Confession Response

The musical score is written for a two-part setting in 6/8 time, featuring a treble and bass staff. The melody is in B-flat major (two flats). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system contains the first two lines of the response, and the second system contains the next two lines. Chord symbols C7, F, C, and F are placed above the treble staff in the second system.

Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est,

Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra-a-que-llos que a - ma Dios. . . .  
And on earth be peace to all peo-ple with whom God is pleased.

*(Please be seated)*

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S LIVING WORD

### Message for the Young & Young at Heart

*(All youth are invited to come forward to the front steps. No Sunday School Today.)*

### Prayer of Illumination

**All: Holy One, open now for us the gift of your revelation,  
through ancient word and spoken reality.  
Set free your Spirit in our souls  
that we may be numbered among your flock –  
those who hear their master and follow at your call. Amen.**

### Old Testament Lesson: Micah 6:1-8 (p. #866)

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the case of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the Lord has a case against his people, and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people,

remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

**Psalm: Psalm 15** (p. #495)

O Lord, who may abide in your tent?  
Who may dwell on your holy hill?  
Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right  
and speak the truth from their heart;  
who do not slander with their tongue  
and do no evil to their friends  
nor heap shame upon their neighbors;  
in whose eyes the wicked are despised  
but who honor those who fear the Lord;  
who stand by their oath even to their hurt;  
who do not lend money at interest  
and do not take a bribe against the innocent.  
Those who do these things shall never be moved.

**Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12** (p. #4)

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you  
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.  
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they  
persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon: “A Heart Set On God”**

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD**

**Mission Moment – BSA Scouting Troop 413**

**Prayers of the People**

### **Receiving of Tithes and Offerings**

*(Electronic & physical giving options are available through the pew envelope.  
Register your attendance with a Welcome Card or using Realm’s mobile check-in.)*

**Offertory: “Trust and Obey” - Michael Helman on a tune by Daniel B. Towner**

*(Please rise in body or spirit)*

### Offering Response (*Unison*)

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in a unison setting. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with the lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here be-low; Praise God a-bove, you heaven-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost." The score ends with a double bar line.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here be-low;

Praise God a-bove, you heaven-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

### Prayer of Dedication

**All:** Bountiful God, you have provided the richness of your Son,  
whose very humility led him to die for us on the cross  
so that we and this world might be set free to the fullness of life.  
May our acts of giving unite us to his sacrifice and his glory,  
so that our lives might proclaim of peace, share of blessing,  
and be sources of your mercy.  
Therefore, bless all that we give in service to you. Amen.

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**Communion Anthem:** "Communion Canon" - Ruth Elaine Schram  
Chancel Choir

### Invitation

**Pastor:** Jesus, "I am the bread of life. All who come to me shall not hunger;  
all who believe in me shall never thirst."  
**People:** This is the joyful feast of the people of God.  
We gather from the east and the west, the north and the south  
to be gathered about Christ's table.



## **Great Communion Prayer**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord God Most High.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,  
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto you,  
O Holy Lord, Father and Mother of us all, Everlasting God Almighty.  
Therefore, with the whole company of your people,  
we laud and magnify your glorious name,  
evermore praising you in saying:

### **Seraphic Hymn** *(Sung in Unison)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth.**

**Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of thy glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

## **Words of Institution**

### **Prayer of Consecration**

Pastor: ...and we may continue faithfully in all things.

**All: Gather us as your people, O God, that we may do justice,  
love kindness, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

Pastor: Receive what you are. Be what you receive.  
Come, for all things have been made ready.

*(Please be seated)*

## **Sharing of Elements – Pew Communion**

*(All who seek to unite their lives in discipleship to Christ are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will serve the bread – gluten free option in the center. Then the trays of red wine and white grape juice. Hold each element until invited to consume that we may be united as one body in our receiving. Place empty cups in the pew holders.)*

*(Please rise in body or spirit)*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**All:** We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table  
where we have known the presence of Christ  
and have received all Christ's gifts.

Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another,  
and let us show forth your praise in our lives;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **WE GO WITH GOD'S CALLING**

**Recessional Hymn:** "Now Let Us From This Table Rise" (p. #91 S)

*(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into the world, as the choir leads us in the way.)*

### **Commissioning & Benediction**

#### **Chimes**

**Postlude:** "Praising the Almighty" - Edward Broughton

*(As the postlude concludes, go in peace to love and serve at the calling of God.)*

# THIS WEEK AT BAUSMAN

## **Sunday, February 1 – Scout Sunday**

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Communion, Nursery
- 10:30 AM First Sunday Fellowship
- 1:00 PM New Member Class – Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 1693 – Room 22
- 4:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 192 – Fellowship Hall

## **Monday, February 2**

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:00 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 PM Recovering Couples Group – Fellowship Hall

## **Tuesday, February 3**

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall

## **Wednesday, February 4**

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

## **Thursday, February 5**

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 AM Women's Recovery Group, Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Bell Choir, Sanctuary
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

## **Friday, February 6**

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

## **Sunday, February 8**

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery
- 4:00 PM Brownie Troop 1159 – Room 23

# PRAYERS & CARES

## **Congregational Cards of Care**

God invites us to share life-giving love through our faith. One way to do this is to weekly join in our “Cards of Care” ministry. This week we are uplifting Randall Ulmer, who is one of our Home Congregants. Stop by the table in the front left corner of the sanctuary to add your name and care to this week’s card. Thank you!

## **Prayer Requests**

Thank you for joining in the joy and care of others by including the following prayers in your prayer times. Submit your prayer requests by using a Prayer Card, contacting the church office, or the prayer chain coordinator (Mary Moll). Prayer requests are maintained for up to four weeks and can be resubmitted an unlimited number of times. When possible, please check with the person before submitting their name.

**Praise & Celebrations:** St. Luke's Union UCC, Shoemakersville

**Healing & Strengthening:** Thomas Corrado; Gene Aulenbach; Becky Wright

**Care & Support:** Randy Ulmer; Commander Alison (Derr) Maruca & Family; Major Jamie Derr & Family; The people of Venezuela & wisdom for the US government; The Keystone Conference & those leading its beginning; Soup Fundraiser; SOAR Clothing Collection; The people of Minneapolis

**Comfort In Time of Loss:** Susie Bates (loss of husband); The Family of Dr. Corey Jones; The Family of Renee Good; The Family of Alex Pretti; The Family of Robert Cappuccio (David Cappuccio's father)

## **Birthdays Celebrated this Week**

2/1 Di Schwerdt  
2/2 Sue Rhoads  
2/3 Tracey Rohrbach  
2/5 Carol Golbey  
Linda Nickey  
Addison Lecher  
Austin Lecher  
2/6 Michael F. Johnston  
Barbara Voelker  
2/7 Will Shuttlesworth

# Worship Information

## **Sponsorships**

**Bulletins:** To the Glory of God by Gail Freymoyer.

## **Today's Worship Leaders**

Ministers: All Members

Head Usher: Dale Derr

Ushers: Boy Scouts Troop 413

Acolyte: Boy Scouts

Reader: Sue Showalter

Welcome: Lori Moser

Minister of Music: Sharon Luyben

Preacher: Rev. Joseph Motz

Nursery: Amalia Cannon

Altar Guild: Shelby Brunner

Elders: \*Shelby Brunner, \*Jodi Reardon,  
Mike Ritter, Cece Wagner, Bob Showalter  
(choir) (\*These Elders uncover and cover  
the elements.)

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## **Last Week's Worship**

**Worship Attendance:** In Person: Closed Due to Snow

## **Offerings Received for God's Ministry:**

General Fund:    Online: \$464                      Mail-in: \$9313.33

**“LOOK AND SEE”  
WHAT IS HAPPENING AT BAUSMAN!  
FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

(Visit [bausmanucc.org](http://bausmanucc.org) and sign up for the weekly e-blasts as well)

**Celebrating Scout Sunday** - Today, Boy Scout Troop 413 is helping with the church service **and providing a hearty brunch afterwards in the Fellowship Hall**. During the service scouts will serve as ushers, acolytes, and readers. Plus, you'll have an opportunity to hear of the great things Bausman's Scout Troop is doing. All are welcome!

**First Sunday Fellowship** – Following worship today, stay for a time of connection and light refreshments. This is a great opportunity to build new relationships and strengthen old ones. Bausman's scout troop will be hosting February's fellowship with a brunch. Seating will be available in the fellowship hall and the 1<sup>st</sup> floor library. Come and share in this wonderful time of celebration and exceptionally good food. You don't want to miss it!

**New Member Class Starts Today** - The New Member's Class is an opportunity to spiritually grow while discerning God's leading in your life. The four classes cover a range of topics from faith journeys, understanding and using the bible, why we worship like we do, discipleship, the UCC, and more. If you would like to participate, or if you would like to learn more, please speak with Pastor Joe. The four classes will be held from 1-3pm, on Sunday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, March 1<sup>st</sup>, and March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Disposal of Cups or Containers with Liquid** - Please do not put cups or containers in the trash cans or recycle bins if they still contain liquid. Be sure they are empty before disposing of them. Thank you!

**Bring Last Year's Palm Branches to Worship February 15** - Did you save your palm branches from last Palm Sunday? If so, bring them to worship on February 15. They will be included in the children's message and then burned following worship to make Ash Wednesday's ashes. The burning of the palms reminds us that our ultimate hope is the victory of Jesus on the cross, who raises us with him from death to life. All are invited to participate in the brief outdoor burning service following the morning worship.

**Ash Wednesday Worship – February 18, 6:30pm** - Ash Wednesday is an opportunity to intentionally step into the spiritual journey of Lent through the receiving of ashes and a special altar communion. It will also mark the beginning of our Lenten focus. Look for the February newsletter & Eblast for more information.

**Pork & Homemade Sauerkraut Dinner Sale** – The annual Pork and Homemade Sauerkraut Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, March 7 from 4-6pm. The dinner will be held as a combination of in-house and takeout. Adult dinners are \$11, Children ages 5-12 are \$6. Dinners will include pork and sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, bean salad, apple sauce and a slice of cake. Quart containers of pork and sauerkraut are \$11/qt and quarts of just sauerkraut are \$8/qt. Last day to place an order is Sunday, March 2, 2025. Proceeds benefit property maintenance, improvements & operations of Bausman.

**Family Dinner and Bingo Night - Friday- February 20, 2026, 5:30pm -8:30pm** – Fellowship Hall doors will open at 5:15pm and a buffet dinner will be served 5:30pm. Water will be provided so please bring your own beverage if you would prefer something else. BINGO will begin at 6:30pm with 20 games to be played. Donations will be accepted this year, at the door, to help defray the cost of food. Please be sure to **sign up by Sunday, February 15, 2026** (sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board). If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Longenecker.

**Celebrate Girl Scout Sunday – March 8!** - Join us for worship **Sunday, March 8**, as we recognize **Girl Scout Sunday** and celebrate the courage, confidence, and character of girls in our community. Girl Scouts will be part of the worship experience, and we'll highlight the impact of the Girl Scout program while welcoming young girls who may be interested in joining. Stay after worship for fellowship and refreshments as we continue the celebration!

**Become a Bulletin Sponsor** –Become a bulletin sponsor by using the Sign-up forms and calendar poster located on the doors by the church office. Bulletin sponsorship is \$15 each or 2 for \$25.

**How to Get Free Money for Bausman Using your Redner's Card** - Remember to scan your Redner's Card at checkout. Then submit your full receipt to the church office or place in the East Narthex collection box. Friends and family can support Bausman with their receipts as well! Redner's gives the church 1% for every purchase. But it only applies when you scan your card at checkout.

**In Case of Worship Cancellation Due to Inclement Weather** - In the case there is a need to cancel worship due to poor weather conditions, cancellation information will be posted on the following platforms:

- The church answering machine message, option 3
- Email sent out through Realm and Posted on the Newsfeed
- Facebook - Bausman's Facebook page
- WFMZ.com - Under Business and School Closings



# The Keystone Connection

## A Message to the Conference

January 27, 2026

Dear Keystone Members and Friends –

*“When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: ‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.’” – Matthew 5:1-3 NRSV*

The photo shown here of me and my wife Marsha was taken in May, 2023, on what is called “The Mount of Beatitudes” overlooking the Sea of Galilee. As you can see, it is a beautiful, serene place. You can easily imagine Jesus speaking words of blessing to his disciples in such lovely, tranquil setting.

But of course, the reality of first century Palestine was that life was anything but tranquil. And by the end of October in 2023, whatever semblance of calm that may have appeared to be there was undoubtedly shaken. The lives of people then and now, both in the Holy Land and in all lands, have never been completely placid. From violence to economic uncertainty to hunger to storms (even snowstorms!), we find ourselves facing trouble. And yet, in the midst of our turmoil – the kind of turmoil that Jesus is intimately acquainted with – Jesus says, “Blessed are you...”

We are at the dawn of a new day with the Keystone Conference. We have become one, and there are moments when the transition seems to be going according to plan. But more often than not, there are bumps in the road. In those moments, we may be tempted to say, “Why can’t we just go back to the way things were?” But in the midst of that anxiety, Jesus speaks with a voice that calms the Sea of Galilee, saying, “Blessed are you.”

Despite the turmoil of our present time, I am more convinced than ever that God’s hand has been in this process and continues to be. I believe God calls us to be a church that doesn’t seek external lack of conflict in all things but that does seek a peace that knows the presence of God in the midst of whatever difficulty we are facing. That is a message in which we, as the Keystone Conference, can trust and believe. In the midst of all of life’s storms, Jesus says to us, “Blessed are you...” Listen for that voice today. Jesus is saying it to you.

Grace and peace be with you,

David

Rev. David Ackerman

Transitional Regional Conference Minister, Region 3

Keystone Conference



### Outdoor Ministry

Summer Church Camp Season is on the horizon. Watch this Keystone Connection for information about camps at Living Waters (June 28 - July 25), the HC Spirit Camp in Milroy (July 26-Aug 1), Camps Kierchenwald and Nawakwa (all summer). The Keystone Conference has set aside some funds for camperships and an application will be available very soon.

Living Waters Camp & Conference Center

Fishing Camp - June 28 to July 2, for grades 6 to 12

Primary (grades K - 3) - July 5 to 11

Elementary Camp (grades 4 - 6) - July 5 to 11

Junior-Senior High Camp - July 12 - 18

Grandparent / Grandchild Camp is July 12 to 15

College students can also attend the TYC (Trinity Youth Conference) camp planned by the Presbyterian Church - July 19 - 25.

Brochures will be mailed in mid February and registrations open in March.

HC Spirit Camp is hosted at Hartman Center Campground, Milroy, PA, the former camp home of Penn Central Conference. The folks who operate the now-campground welcome us for a week each summer. The camp community can share their treasured memories while making new ones with young and new campers, and experience and celebrate the new mission and growth of the property.

The theme for HC Spirit 2026 is "In the Wilderness." The camp community will be challenged to see wilderness in action not only in nature, but in our relationships, decision-making, discoveries and visions for God's future. Keep checking in at [hcspiritcamp.org](http://hcspiritcamp.org) for the upcoming brochure and registration links, COMING SOON!

Also save the dates for the Mid Atlantic Youth Conference, July 23 - 26, 2026 at Laurelville Retreat Center in Mt. Pleasant, PA. The theme is I AM. Email Rev. Shannon M Garrett-Doege, Coordinator for Faith Formation for Youth for more information. A registration link and call for volunteers will go out soon!

**Keystone Conference of the United Church of Christ's first Annual Meeting** will be held June 5-7 at Millersville University in Millersville. Overnight accommodations will be on campus as well as the DoubleTree Hilton in Lancaster. Registration will begin in March 2026.

Our theme is "Joy at the Table Together" and our centering scripture is Acts 2:46-47 "Every day they met together, breaking bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God." The meeting will include a Service of Consecration for Keystone Conference.

Speakers will include Rev. Dr. Marcia McFee, author of Think Like a Filmmaker: Sensory-Rich Worship for Unforgettable Messages; Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia Thompson, General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ; Rev. Dr. Mary Luti, author of Do This: Communion for Just and Courageous Living; Rev. Greg Edwards, Executive Director of POWER Interfaith, Secretary Russell Redding, PA Secretary of Agriculture, and Rev. Freeman Palmer, Conference Minister for the Central Atlantic Conference.

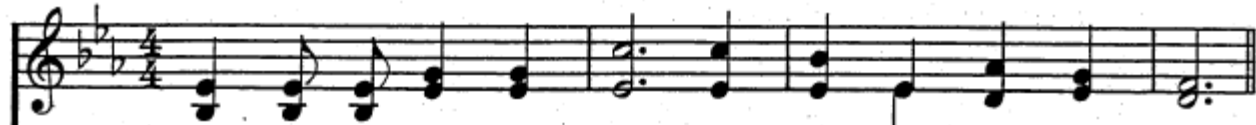
# Soldiers of Christ, Arise

Eph. 6:10-18

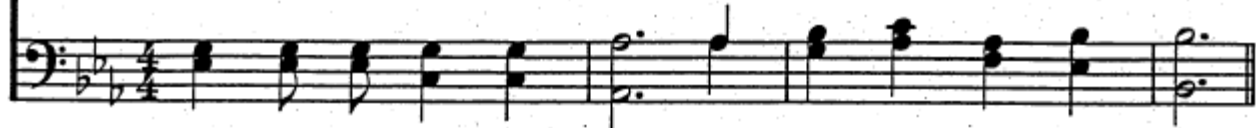
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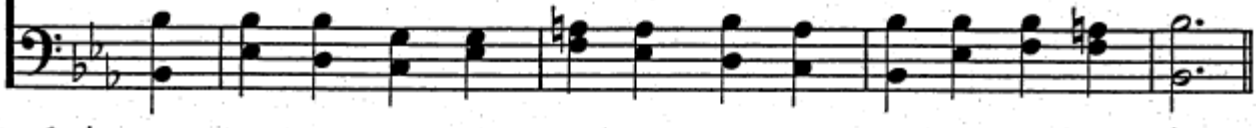
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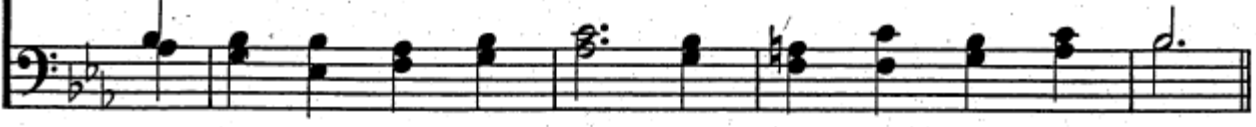
1. Sol - diers of Christ, a - rise, And put your ar - mor on;
2. Stand, then, in his great might, With all his strength en - dued,
3. Leave no un-guard - ed place, No weak - ness of the soul,



Strong in the strength which God sup - plies Through his e - ter - nal Son,  
And take, to arm you for the fight, The pan - o - ply of God,  
Take ev - 'ry vir - tue, ev - 'ry grace, And for - ti - fy the whole.



Strong in the Lord of hosts, And in his might - y power,  
That, hav - ing all things done, And all your con - flicts past,  
From strength to strength go on; Wres - tle and fight and pray;



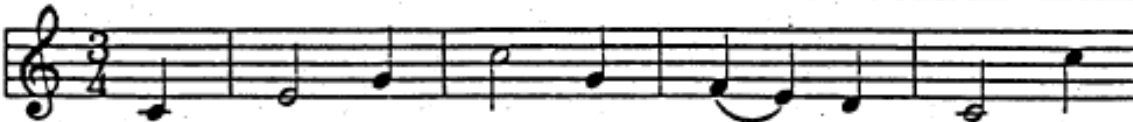
Who in the strength of Je - sus trusts Is more than con - quer - or.  
Ye may o'er - come through Christ a - lone And stand en - tire at last.  
Tread all the powers of dark - ness down And win the well - fought day.



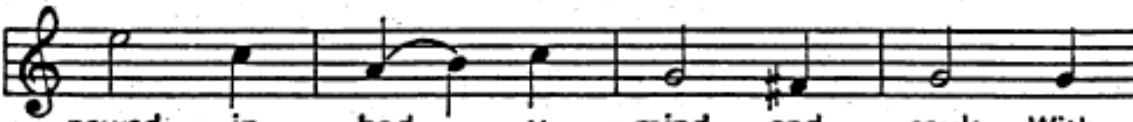
# Now Let Us from This Table Rise

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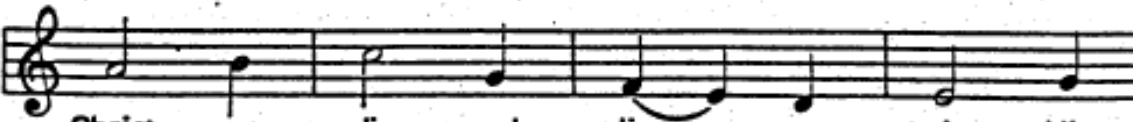
Grenoble Antiphoner, 1753  
*Deus Tuorum Militum*



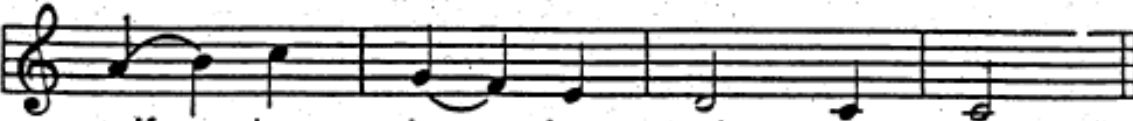
1. Now let us from this ta - ble rise re -  
2. With minds a - lert, up - held by grace, to  
3. To fill each hu - man house with love, it  
4. Then grant us cou - rage, Fa - ther God, to



newed in bod - y, mind and soul; With  
spread the Word in speech and deed; We  
is the sac - ra - ment of care; The  
choose a - gain the pil - grim way And



Christ we die and live a - gain, His  
fol - low in the steps of Christ, at  
work that Christ be - gan to do we  
help us to ac - cept with joy the



self - less love has made us whole.  
one with man in hope and need.  
hum - bly pledge our - selves to share.  
chal - lenge of to - mor - row's day.

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