Carmel Presbyterian Church Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Sacrament of The Lord's Supper Independence Day Sunday July 3, 2022 10:00 AM



Order of Worship

* Please stand, as able. Congregation voices **Bold** responses.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

We gather as a community of faith to meet God in new ways, and we reflect on the hope and promise of God's gift to us through Jesus Christ.

Welcome and Greetings -

Prelude	Machs mit mir, Gott, nach deiner Gut	Johann Walther
* Call to Worship (Spok	en responsively; adapted from Psalm 30, Luke 10) –	
Sing praise to God,	who changes our mourning to dancing.	
Sing praise to (Christ, who offers healing for our sickness.	
Sing praise to the S	pirit, who brings peace to our turmoil.	
Sing praise to (God, who gives us strength for the journey.	
Singing God's praise	es,	
We come to we	orship and pray.	
Let us worship God		
* Hymn 564	"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"	Materna
Call to Confession (Seat	ed) –	

Prayer of Confession (In unison)) –

O, Great Physician, we cry out in our sickness for healing and hope. We look for your peace, even in our troubled world. We yearn for your grace, even in our sinful moments. We need you more than ever, even as you need us. Bring healing; bring peace; bring grace; bring strength, that we may serve and love your world, even as you serve and love us so generously...

(A moment of silence for personal reflection & confession...)

Amen. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Read responsively; adapted from Psalm 30, Luke 10) -

Friends, hear this great good news: God has dressed us in joy,

Blessing us with grace and mercy.

Friends, hear this great good news: God has dressed us in joy,

God turns our mourning into dancing.

Believe the good news of the gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Glory to God! Amen.

* Gloria Patri – Hymn 567

"Glory to the Father"

John Weaver

* Passing of the Peace (Spoken responsively) -

In the miraculous peace of Christ, may we share the miracle of peace and love with one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you.

(Greet one another sharing God's peace now and throughout the week.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

We hear the stories of our faith in scripture, song, prayer, and sermon.

Children's Message -

(Following the Children's message, children in third grade and below are invited to depart for Children's Worship downstairs in Carmel Hall.)

Unison Prayer for Illumination (In unison) -

God of mercy and peace, open our eyes to see your presence in the faces gathered here. Open our ears this day to hear your wisdom in the words that are spoken. Open our hearts and minds to recognize your guidance, not only in this time of worship but in all the moments of our lives. Amen.

First Reading —

The first lectionary reading is 2 Kings, chapter 5, verses 1-14; pp. 320-321). Elisha tells Naaman to wash in the Jordan; he is cured of leprosy. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

Naaman, a general for the king of Aram, was a great man and highly regarded by his master, because through him the Lord had given victory to Aram. This man was a mighty warrior, but he had a skin disease. Now Aramean raiding parties had gone out and captured a young girl from the land of Israel. She served Naaman's wife.

She said to her mistress, "I wish that my master could come before the prophet who lives in Samaria. He would cure him of his skin disease." So Naaman went and told his master what the young girl from the land of Israel had said.

Then Aram's king said, "Go ahead. I will send a letter to Israel's king."

So Naaman left. He took along ten kikkars of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. He brought the letter to Israel's king. It read, "Along with this letter I'm sending you my servant Naaman so you can cure him of his skin disease."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he ripped his clothes. He said, "What? Am I God to hand out death and life? But this king writes me, asking me to cure someone of his skin disease! You must realize that he wants to start a fight with me."

When Elisha the man of God heard that Israel's king had ripped his clothes, he sent word to the king: "Why did you rip your clothes? Let the man come to me. Then he'll know that there's a prophet in Israel."

Naaman arrived with his horses and chariots. He stopped at the door of Elisha's house. Elisha sent out a messenger who said, "Go and wash seven times in the Jordan River. Then your skin will be restored and become clean."

But Naaman went away in anger. He said, "I thought for sure that he'd come out, stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the bad spot, and cure the skin disease. Aren't the rivers in Damascus, the Abana and the Pharpar, better than all Israel's waters? Couldn't I wash in them and get clean?" So he turned away and proceeded to leave in anger.

Naaman's servants came up to him and spoke to him: "Our father, if the prophet had told you to do something difficult, wouldn't you have done it? All he said to you was, 'Wash and become clean.'" So Naaman went down and bathed in the Jordan seven times, just as the man of God had said. His skin was restored like that of a young boy, and he became clean.

This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

* Hymn 181

"Come Sing to God"

Ellacombe

(The hymn is based on the lectionary Psalm of the day: Psalm 30; p.478. O Lord, you brought me up from the grave; my soul praises you.)

New Testament Reading -

The second lectionary reading is Galatians, chapter 6, verses (1-6) 7-16; p.180. Bear one another's burdens; in this way, you fulfill the law of Christ. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

Brothers and sisters, if a person is caught doing something wrong, you who are spiritual should restore someone like this with a spirit of gentleness. Watch out for yourselves so you won't be tempted too. Carry each other's burdens and so you will fulfill the law of Christ. If anyone thinks they are important when they aren't, they're fooling themselves. Each person should test their own work and be happy with doing a good job and not compare themselves with others. Each person will have to carry their own load.

Those who are taught the word should share all good things with their teacher. Make no mistake, God is not mocked. A person will harvest what they plant. Those who plant only for their own benefit will harvest devastation from their selfishness, but those who plant for the benefit of the Spirit will harvest eternal life from the Spirit. Let's not get tired of doing good, because in time we'll have a harvest if we don't give up. So then, let's work for the good of all whenever we have an opportunity, and especially for those in the household of faith.

Look at the large letters I'm making with my own handwriting! Whoever wants to look good by human standards will try to get you to be circumcised, but only so they won't be harassed for the cross of Christ. Those who are circumcised don't observe the Law themselves, but they want you to be circumcised, so they can boast about your physical body.

But as for me, God forbid that I should boast about anything except for the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. The world has been crucified to me through him, and I have been crucified to the world. Being circumcised or not being circumcised doesn't mean anything. What matters is a new creation. May peace and mercy be on whoever follows this rule and on God's Israel.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

New Testament Gospel Reading -

The gospel reading from the lectionary is Luke, chapter 10, verses 1-11, 16-20; pp. 66-67. Jesus appoints seventy, sending them out as laborers into the harvest. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

After these things, the Lord commissioned seventy-two others and sent them on ahead in pairs to every city and place he was about to go. He said to them, "The harvest is bigger than you can imagine, but there are few workers. Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest. Go! Be warned, though, that I'm sending you out as lambs among wolves. Carry no wallet, no bag, and no sandals. Don't even greet anyone along the way. Whenever you enter a house, first say, 'May peace be on this house.' If anyone there shares God's peace, then your peace will rest on that person. If not, your blessing will return to you. Remain in this house, eating and drinking whatever they set before you, for workers deserve their pay. Don't move from house to house. Whenever you enter a city and its people welcome you, eat what they set before you. Heal the sick who are there, and say to them, 'God's kingdom has come upon you.' Whenever you enter a city and the people don't welcome you, go out into the streets and say, 'As a complaint against you, we brush off the dust of your city that has collected on our feet. But know this: God's kingdom has come to you.'....

.... Whoever listens to you listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. Whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy-two returned joyously, saying, "Lord, even the demons submit themselves to us in your name."

Jesus replied, "I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning. Look, I have given you authority to crush snakes and scorpions underfoot. I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy. Nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, don't rejoice because the spirits submit to you. Rejoice instead that your names are written in heaven."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Fourth of July Freedom"

Pastor Peter

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Inspired by the promise of God's Word, let us give our thanks and praise – so we may continue God's work as we move into God's week.

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (Stanzas 1 and 2)

Invitation to the Offering – Pastor Peter

(Our hearts are open, and our ministries are continuing seven days a week. Your contribution or pledge payment sustains our presence as the church to the community—both local and global. Please place your offering in the collection plate at the back of the sanctuary, give it online, or mail your offering envelope to the church office.)

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	William Runyan arr. Chris Rice
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	Old Hundredth

(An Usher will bring the Offering Plate forward, returning it to the rear of the Sanctuary.)

* Prayer of Dedication of Time, Gifts, and Tithes -

Loving God, with these gifts, bring healing and hope where illness and despair prevail. Bring peace into the warring madness of our world, and shine the light of your love into the places and people haunted by hatred. Loving God, transform these gifts and each of these givers, so that they may be your loving presence and your healing in the world. Amen.

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

* Communion Hymn 429	"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"	Abbot's Leigh
	(Stanzas 3-5)	

Invitation to the Table

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks to God.

It is right, and good, and our duty and our joy to give you thanks and praise, Almighty God. For you created us, loved us, called us to salvation in Christ, and brought us together at this church for this time by your Holy Spirit. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven—saints and angels, alike—who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning, our song shall rise to thee!

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Blessed are you, Almighty God, and blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. By his cross our sin was put to death; by his glorious resurrection, we receive the promise of life eternal in your kingdom. Therefore, we pause to thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of Christ.

Now, we pray, send your Holy Spirit upon this bread, upon this cup, and upon the heart of every single person gathered here this morning. Sanctify these gifts for your purpose, and set us apart as vessels of your glory. May we who eat this bread and share this cup receive the blessed assurance of the gospel that in Jesus Christ, we have been forgiven. And may we be nourished to walk the path set before us in faith and trust. We pray these things through our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us to say:

"Our Father, who art in heaven... Amen."

Words of Institution/Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Communion Music "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

We Receive the Sacrament

(Pastor Peter (with an Elder or Deacon) will invite you to come forward for the elements. Please approach the Table by walking down the center aisle, and returning to your seat by the side aisles. Remain in your pew until your row is ready to move forward to allow room for those returning to their seats. In the communion tray, you may select wine (red) or juice (white).)

We Thank God for the Sacrament

Merciful God, In the light of the Sacrament, you have again shown us our only hope, the risen Lord Jesus Christ. Only through Christ can we receive your love, and be heirs of your hope. As we leave this place of worship, keep our hearts and minds fixed on Jesus, for through him alone can we have hope for this world. Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

We Depart in Hope

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

Renewed and refreshed by our experience with God and God's congregation, we go into the world to share God's love.

* Hymn 563

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Lift Every Voice

* Charge and Benediction –

Take nothing for the journey, but go on the journey anyway.
We will go on journeys of service, love, and peace.
Take nothing for the journey, but follow Christ to the end.
We go to bring Christ's presence into the world.
God with God's blessing and with peace.
Amen.

Chimes – (You may sit in silent, reflective prayer as the worship leaders recess.)

Postlude

Prelude in C Major

Johann Sebastian Bach

Announcements

Guests: You Are Welcome Here

WE CORDIALLY WELCOME THOSE WHO ARE VISITING TODAY. We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, mission, and programs; we are happy to share our ministry with you. We'd like to get to know you. Please introduce yourself to a person nearby and be sure to join us in Fellowship Lounge for refreshments and conversation after worship! We hope your worship experience is meaningful and you will gather with us again soon. Should you wish for Hearing Devices and/or Large Print Bibles & Hymnals, they are available from an usher. Sign our guest book at the sanctuary entrance (or share your email/contact information in the offering plate for a weekly email of future worship and activities). We invite you to speak with the Pastor if you are interested in membership. A Virtual Fellowship Time is also possible on Zoom. And, restrooms are located down the long hallway just past the Church Office in the Education Building.

THIS MORNING, THE FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are given to express the beauty of God's love for all and God's good creation.

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION – Take a moment before worship and reflect on this insight from novelist and Presbyterian writer Frederick Buechner:

"Compassion is sometimes the fatal capacity for feeling what it is like to live inside somebody else's skin. It is the knowledge that there can never really be any peace and joy for me until there is peace and joy finally for you too."

WE WELCOME IHNA CHO AS OUR GUEST ORGANIST – This morning we welcome Ihna Cho as our guest organist this morning while Abby is enjoying her vacation.

REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP AFTER WORSHIP – Refreshments and Fellowship will be held in Fellowship Lounge today rather than downstairs in Carmel Hall.

CARMEL IS HOSTING A CARING FOR FRIENDS COOK-IN THIS MONTH – The **Caring for Friends Cook-in** is sponsored by the Board of Deacons. You can volunteer in several ways:

- DONATE boxed, bagged, or canned goods, and bagged or wrapped desserts, and
- COOK prepare a dozen meals in your kitchen with donated goods and a protein entree of your choice.

The goal is 144 meals supporting **Caring for Friends**, an organization that provides food and friendship to homebound seniors and the disabled in the 5-county Philadelphia region. Check your In-Box for an email about this, ask for a flyer to be emailed to you, or find paper flyers in the Narthex. Coordinators are Katey Schuyler and Sue Lohoefer. Thanks in advance for sharing with others.

CARMEL'S NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS CHURCH OFFICERS – The Nominating Committee will meet soon to fill upcoming vacancies on Session, the Board of Deacons, Shepherds, Audit Committee members, and non-church officer-members of the Nominating Committee. If you would like to serve or recommend a member to serve, please fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate or email the Church Office.

PDA EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR THOSE FLEEING VIOLENCE IN UKRAINE – Support the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s **emergency relief for those fleeing violence in Ukraine**. The Russian invasion of Ukraine produced the largest refugee crisis in Europe this century. Ukrainians face urgent needs for medical care and basic needs like food, water, and fuel. **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)** has a specially designated account to supplement the **One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)** offering to enable a significant response to humanitarian

efforts to assist international refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs). Please drop a check marked **"Ukraine22"** on the offering plate or make your direct donation via <u>www.pcusa.org/ukraine22</u>.

SUPPORT THE LOCAL "CHRIST IS CALLING" PROJECT FOR UKRAINE – Session approved the "Christ Is Calling" local hands-on-mission opportunity for which Carmel may participate. We have found a new source to continue our Carmel donation project for Ukraine. The Ukrainian Sisters of St. Basil at Manor College in Abington Township expect to be collecting and shipping necessary supplies for Ukraine for some time to come. They desire many of the same items of our original list, plus a few highlighted additions. You can leave your donations in the designated bins in Carmel's lobby for delivery to the Sisters, whom coordinator Mary Ellen Thomas contacted. Contact coordinators Mary Ellen and Janet Simon for more information. Ukraine Humanitarian Aid Collection:

Items in high demand are:

- **Army Essentials**: CAT tourniquet, gauze, sleeping bags, blankets, dark thermals, gloves, socks, knee pads, elbow pads, power banks, flashlights, SD cards, yoga mats, and water bottles.
- **Baby Essentials**: Baby wipes, dry baby food, baby food in pouches, baby medicine, baby bottles, and diapers.
- Medical Supplies: Crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, OTC meds, first aid kits, bandages
- Dry Food: Protein bars, granola bars, canned chicken or fish, pasta, Ramen noodles, fruit rolls.
- Personal Hygiene Items: Soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes.

Thanks for answering Christ's Call to assist Ukrainians during this very difficult time when needs are great.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP AT CPC—CONTACT PASTOR PETER – Have you thought about making Carmel your church home? Interested in learning more about what membership at CPC involves? We are planning to schedule our next adult membership class and would love to be in conversation with you about how you can take the next step toward membership. We do not have a date set but would appreciate you letting us know your interest by emailing <u>office@presbycarmel.org</u> or contacting Pastor Peter.

CARMEL IS HAPPY TO PROVIDE FOR THE YOUNG MEMBERS of our congregation by offering **Nursery Care and Children's Worship** (third grade and below) during the Sunday 10:00 am worship service. They are being led by two of our committed and dedicated volunteers, Marleen Heintz for **Nursery Care** and Melissa MacFarland for **Children's Worship**. At this time, we request that if you desire nursery care for your child during Sunday worship, *please call the Church Office by Friday noon*, so that the nursery is staffed. **Children's Worship** will meet in Carmel Hall for larger spacing and does not require reserving ahead. Children from Grades K-3 leave the Sanctuary after the **Children's Message**. We welcome our young families, either in person or in virtual worship. Any questions may be addressed to Janet Simon, Christian Education Committee chair; Marleen, or Melissa.

WONDER "WHAT'S GOING ON?" CHECK OUT CARMEL'S WEBSITE! Explore the wealth of information at <u>www.presbycarmel.org</u>. Easily find links for the current Livestream worship, past services, the daily lectionary, or to send a prayer request or make a financial donation—and not to miss the latest on the Carmel Calendar. Clicking on the upper circular church photo will always bring you back to the Home Page.

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY IN WORSHIP; CELEBRATE COMMUNION ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH! Live Streaming Worship continues on YouTube, via Zoom on the phone, and Zoom for virtual fellowship following worship for those unable to attend in-person worship due to health comfort levels or travel situations. **SIGN-UP TO HELP WITH WORSHIP – EACH SUNDAY WE HAVE** several spots you can assist: liturgist, ushers, greeters, and host for coffee hour. We are not all we can be without you sharing your gifts as a volunteer! Speak with a pastor or sign up online here:

https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/904094ca8a62aa6f49-worship

WELCOME TO SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP LIVE STREAMING ON SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM YouTube (Carmel Presbyterian Church Glenside) at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljIDvsRw</u> Those without Internet access may phone in via the Zoom phone link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8428511409</u> and Meeting ID: 842 851 1409 "Virtual Fellowship Time" may be accessed on Zoom only after the service ends.

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Peter Sulyok, Transitional Senior Pastor James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music Ihna Cho, Substitute Organist Deb Gates, Liturgist Lynne Schutt, Usher/Greeter Deb Gates and Lynne Schutt, Elders Assisting with Communion Linda MacFarland and Kristin Waldner, Shepherds Walt Newman, Chancel Preparation and Emergency Procedure (CPEP) Member Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, Dave Rice and Kerri Strike-Stahller, Live-Streaming Operators Katey Schuyler, Coffee Fellowship Host: Fellowship Lounge (11:00 AM)

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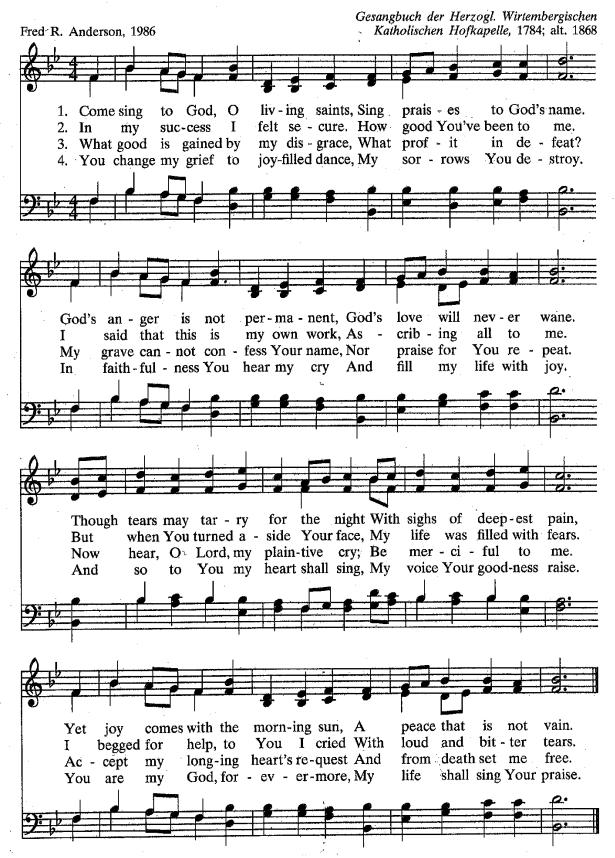
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PSALM 30

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Come Sing to God

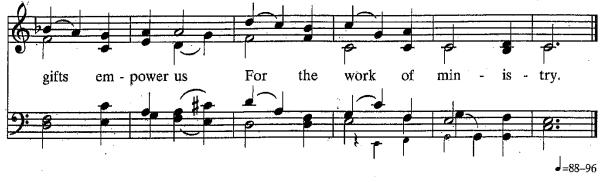


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429 Lord, You Give the Great Commission ABBOT'S LEIGH 8.7.8.7 D Jeffery W. Rowthorn, 1978 Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941 com - mis-sion: "Heal the 1. Lord, you give the great sick and ser - vice: "In 2. Lord, you call your my name bapus to "This my 3. Lord, you make the mon ho - ly: bod com y, 4. Lord, you show us mea-sure: "Fa - ther, what 🚲 love's true they Lest the church ne - glect preach the word." its mis-sion, And the That the world may trust your tize and teach." prom-ise, Life a all, for Dai - ly this my blood." Let us earth's true glo - ry, for give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea-sure All that do, un-heard, Help wit - ness your pur - pose pel go us to gos meant for each, Give - vor, draw us us all new fer bun - dant lift life heav - en - ward, Ask - ing that the world a - round us mer you free - ly give. your care and cy lead us May so With in re newed teg ty; ri com - mu Clos er in ni ty; With the Spir - it's your chil - dren's lib Share er ty; SO -То just ci ty; a e

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CHURCH: MISSION



 Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end." Faith and hope and love restoring, May we serve as you intend, And, amid the cares that claim us, Hold in mind eternity; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry. SERVICE MUSIC





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Lift Every Voice and Sing



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full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; Sing а song way that with tears has been wa - tered; We have come o - ver a Lest our feet stray from the plac-es, our God, where we met Thee; song full of the hope that Sing а the pres - ent has brought We come, tread-ing our path through the blood of the slaugh have hearts drunk with the wine of Lest, our the world, we for - get us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be Out from the gloom - y tered, till now we stand past, at Thee: Shad-owed be - neath Thy hand may we for - ev . er gun, Let us march on, till vic - to is ry won. last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast. stand, True to our God, true to our na tive land.