

# WHITE MEMORIAL

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MOTHER'S DAY

May 11, 2025  
9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

*\* Please rise in body or spirit.*

*Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper.*

*Gluten-free bread cubes and cups of juice will be passed in the pews.*

*If you prefer pre-packaged elements, please pick these up in the narthex  
or Jane Bell Gathering Space prior to the service.*

### Greeting

Kelly Gold

*One: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!*

**All: The Lord is risen, indeed! Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### Preparation for Worship

*I found I had less and less to say, until finally, I became silent, and began to listen. I discovered in the silence, the voice of God.*  
Søren Kierkegaard

### Prelude – Be Thou My Vision

Elizabeth Epstein, organ

arr. Gordon Young (1919-1998)

### Christian Welcome and Announcements

Anne Galliher

Please pass the Friendship Register to your neighbor and include all requested information.

### Call to Worship

*One: To see the life that teems around us,*

**All: to give thanks for the gift we have received;**

*One: to notice the beauty and promise of spring,*

**All: to breathe deeply of the season;**

*One: to accept the gift of love, and to love in return:*

**All: this is to worship God.**

### \*Hymn 802 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

### \*Call to Confession

### \*Prayer of Confession

Gracious and Holy One, we marvel at your love for us, and we confess that in the light of your love we can see the ways in which we have fallen short of your desire for our lives. We see the opportunities we have missed to offer others the love you so freely offer us. Forgive our misjudgments, forgive our missteps, and strengthen our resolve to be your people in this world. Heal our confused minds, our divided wills, our troubled hearts, and grant us the courage and wisdom to listen for and heed your still, small voice of grace. Amen.

### \*Assurance of Pardon

### \*Passing of the Peace

*One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

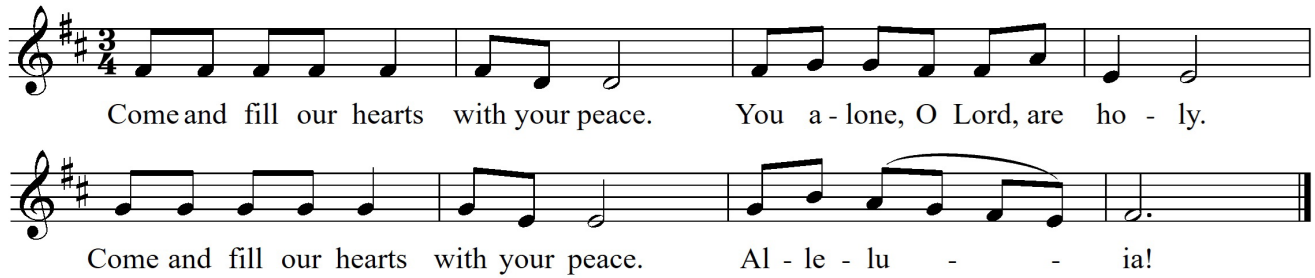
**All: And also with you.**

WORSHIP | EMBRACE | SERVE

*in the manner of Christ*

**\*Response Hymn 466**

CONFITEMINI DOMINO



**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**Old Testament Reading** – Psalm 23, pew Bible p. 474

**(11:00) A Time With Young Disciples**

Following our time together, children will return to the pews for the remainder of the service.

**\*Hymn 182** – *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

KINGSFOLD

**New Testament Reading** – John 10:22-30, pew Bible p. 98

*One: The word of God for the people of God.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** – *The Sound of Your Voice...*

Judy Yates Siker

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

Lee Hunter

**Prayers After Communion and the 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.**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

(9:30) *Brother James' Air*

arr. Gilbert M. Martin (1968)

(11:00) *Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether*

Harold W. Friedell (1905-1958)

WMPC Adult Choir

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly in thy name,  
two or three are met together; thou art in the midst of them:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Touch we not thy garment's hem.*

*As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,  
then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*So knit thou our friendship up.*

*All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee,  
that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*We will serve thee faithfully.*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he arose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the  
quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

**WE GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*Hymn 7 – *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth***

NORWICH

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**\*Chiming of the Trinity**

The worship service ends with the Chiming of the Trinity.  
Please be mindful of those who remain to listen to the postlude.

**\*Postlude – *Postlude on Darwall's 148th***

arr. Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

Elizabeth Epstein, organ

**WELCOME TO WHITE MEMORIAL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)**

We are glad you are worshipping with us.  
Visiting? Deacons can be found in the Narthex  
to offer a friendly greeting, answer  
questions and provide directions.  
New members are received after attending  
*Believing & Belonging @WMPC* Class.  
Visit [whitememorial.org/join](http://whitememorial.org/join)  
or contact Elizabeth Viohl at ext. 206  
for details, class dates and registration.

**THINGS TO KNOW:**

- **Restrooms** are located on the hallway to Jane Bell Gathering Space on the Pulpit side and also on the first floor of the Luther Building.
- **Childcare** is available for children up to four years old.
- **Sunday School** is offered at 9:30 for all ages.
- **Refreshments** and coffee stations are located in The Connector and Main Hall
- **Loop hearing aid system and an FM system available in the Sanctuary.**
- **Live-streamed services** are at [whitememorial.org](http://whitememorial.org).
- **Bulletins** left in the sanctuary following worship services are recycled as part of our care for God's creation.



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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**AFTER HOURS PASTOR ON CALL:** 919-605-4593

Each Sunday we offer three opportunities for you to worship with us at White Memorial in the Sanctuary and OnPoint@1704 in the Main Hall. While you will notice differences in music, location, and worship leadership among our different services, what unites us in our worship is our scripture, liturgy, and sermon. All services use the same Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, readings from Scripture, and Affirmation of Faith.

## JOYS & CONCERNS

### PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

**Betty Stoddard and family**, on the death of her sister, Margaret (Peggy) Trumbo, May 3, Alexandria, VA

**Penny Carlo and family**, on the death of her husband, John Carlo, May 5

### NEW PRESBYTERIANS

**Erwin Thompson Williams, V**, April 16, child of Abbey and Winn Williams, grandchild of Mary Clark and Erwin Williams

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The banner hanging in the chancel is hung every year during Eastertide and was commissioned in 1998 by Presbyterian Women in memory of Peter Cameron Carruthers, 1947-1996. Pete was Associate Pastor at WMPC from 1987-1996.

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**The flowers in the chancel today** are given to the glory of God and in honor of Nancy Thompson by her children Sanford Thompson, Nancy Heathcote and Elizabeth Robertson.

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## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY | MAY 11

*Psalm 23; John 10:22-30*

### MONDAY | MAY 12

*Psalm 100; Ezekiel 37:15-28; Revelation 15:1-4*

#### Women's Monthly Fellowship Luncheon

**12:00 - 1:00 p.m. | Main Hall**

#### Pickleball at WMPC!

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall**

### TUESDAY | MAY 13

*Ezekiel 45:1-9; Acts 9:32-35*

#### Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

**Breakfast | 7:00 a.m. | Geneva Hall**

**Bible Study | 7:30 a.m.**

#### Women's Breakfast & Fellowship

**7:00 - 8:00 a.m. | The Hub**

Women of all ages are invited to a hot breakfast, fellowship, study, and prayer.

### WEDNESDAY | MAY 14

*Jeremiah 50:17-20; John 10:31-42*

#### Caregiver Coffee

**1:00 - 2:30 p.m. | The Hub**

Are you a family caregiver or would you like to fellowship with family caregivers? Are you interested in learning more about the many community resources available to you? If so, please come for coffee, conversation, and connection.

#### Pickleball at WMPC!

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall**

#### Wednesday Together Dinner

**5:00 - 6:30 p.m. | Main Hall**

This week, join us for delicious food and fellowship! \$9/adult; \$6/child. [Register by 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 11.](#) Want to help out on Wednesday nights? [Sign up to volunteer.](#)

#### A Fresh Perspective on Bonhoeffer from our Poland Partner, Wojciech Szczerba

**6:30 p.m. | Main Hall**

Maybe you participated in our Lenten Contemplative Retreat where you learned about Dietrich Bonhoeffer, one of the most influential Protestant theologians of the 20th century, or maybe you're not familiar with his work. Like all of us, Bonhoeffer had many sides: as a son, friend, lover, pastor, prisoner, and theologian. We are excited to have Wojciech Szczerba bring his perspective on Bonhoeffer's life and ministry. Who is Dietrich Bonhoeffer? Can we define a single, straightforward interpretation of his work? Don't miss this event, as Wojciech explores those questions and many more. Registration not necessary.

### THURSDAY | MAY 15

*Psalm 148; Ezekiel 2:8-3:11; Revelation 10:1-11*

#### Keenagers

**10:45 a.m. | Geneva Hall**

Questions, contact [Cesia Cisneros](#).

#### AARP Safe Driving Class

**12:30 - 4:30 p.m. | C200**

Join us for this AARP safe driving class. Fee to be paid at the class: \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-members. Bring your AARP card, and cash or check to the class. [Registration required.](#)

### FRIDAY | MAY 16

*Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 11:15*

### SATURDAY | MAY 17

*Daniel 7:27; Revelation 11:16-19*

#### Western Carolina Relief Workday

Please contact Sam Stewart at [sam.stewart2614@gmail.com](mailto:sam.stewart2614@gmail.com) if you are interested, with "Yancey County Work Weekend" in the subject line of the email.

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#### Combined Holiday Worship Schedule

**Sunday | May 25 | 9:30 + 11:00 a.m. | Sanctuary**

#### Van Drivers Needed

If you have a clean driving record and can pass a background check, we'd love to have you drive one of our church vans to shuttle Keenagers (ages 55+) once a month on Thursdays as they explore areas around the Triangle. We'll provide training. Interested? Contact Leigh Ann Dailey at [ldailey@whitememorial.org](mailto:ldailey@whitememorial.org).

#### Interested in ushering?

We are in need of ushers at all Sunday services, particularly the 11:00 service. If you are able and willing to serve as an usher from time to time, please contact Mabel Pace at [mgpace58@gmail.com](mailto:mgpace58@gmail.com).

## SAVE THE DATE

### Raleigh Rescue Mission: Ground Breaking

**Wednesday | May 21 | 10:00 a.m. | Offsite | 5200 Knightdale-Eagle Rock Rd.**

You're invited to join in the celebration as Raleigh Rescue Mission, our 2025 Major Mission Partner, breaks ground on their new facility for women & children.

### Learn About Racially Restrictive Covenants in Wake County and the Fallout That Exists Today

**Thursday | May 22 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. | C200 + Zoom**

Better Together 4 NC welcomes Lisa Boccetti and Bob Williams for a discussion about the Racially Restrictive Covenants Project they spearheaded. The project's goal was to catalog and map "restrictive covenants" embedded in legal documents associated with hundreds of properties. These covenants imposed racial restrictions on who could buy or live on certain lands in Wake County. They developed a searchable, interactive map that raises awareness and promotes understanding of how these practices continue to impact our neighborhoods and the community today. You will be able to see if there are racially restrictive covenants associated with your home. If you cannot attend in person, [Zoom will be available](#).

### Graduation Sunday

**Sunday | June 1 | 11:00 a.m. | Sanctuary**

### We Are Family: A Mosaic Masterpiece

**Wednesday | August 6 | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. | International + Interfaith Program**

Whether you are 6 or 106, you're invited to join us for a fun energetic, interfaith, intergenerational time! We'll have a drum circle, service project, crafts, dinner and more. Contact Harriet Worley at [hfworley@nc.rr.com](mailto:hfworley@nc.rr.com) for more information. This is a free event with the opportunity for generosity through an optional donation on the day of. Please [register to reserve your spot](#).

## May is Mental Health Awareness Month

Did you know Mental Health Awareness Month was established in 1949 by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and has been recognized every May since to increase awareness of the vital role mental health plays in our overall health and well-being? Our Mental Health and Wellness ministry team provides resources, information and support year-round and will be offering opportunities for quiet meditation and expressing gratitude on our church campus throughout the month of May.

In today's stressful and disconnected world, Mental Health Awareness Month is a reminder that taking opportunities for quiet meditation and gratitude is a way to promote mental well-being. We invite you to:

### Walk our beautiful labyrinth.

Quiet meditation in stress-free zones is a way to promote better overall health and mental well-being. WMPC's Mental Health and Wellness Ministry invites you to step into Davidson Chapel to walk our beautiful installed labyrinth. A guide to walking and experiencing this meaningful spiritual practice will be provided.

### Take time to write a note of Gratitude.

Expressing gratitude is a way to promote mental well-being and shift focus toward positive aspects of life. WMPC's Mental Health and Wellness Ministry invites you try out the Gratitude Wall placed in the Connector where everyone can write something you are grateful for and place your slip of paper into the interactive wall, throughout the month of May.

### The WMPC Shuttle is Back!

#### Let us give you the VIP treatment.

**Service runs through May 18 and will return on Kick-Off Sunday**

Make parking easy...ride the shuttle! So many benefits:

- Never have to search for a space
- Fellowship with members & guests
- Runs approximately every 15 minutes
- Kids love it
- Drop off/pick up in front of the Luther Building on McDonald Lane

Shuttle Parking is located at 1312 Annapolis Drive, across the street from Care First Animal Hospital. Shuttle runs from 9:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

# 802 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

(Psalm 23)

1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my

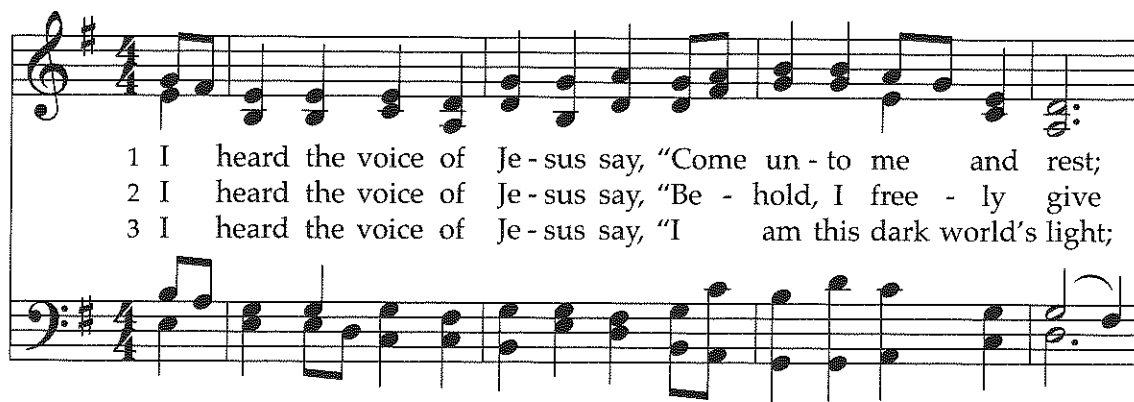
I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
 thy unction grace bestoweth;  
 and O what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days  
 thy goodness faileth never;  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

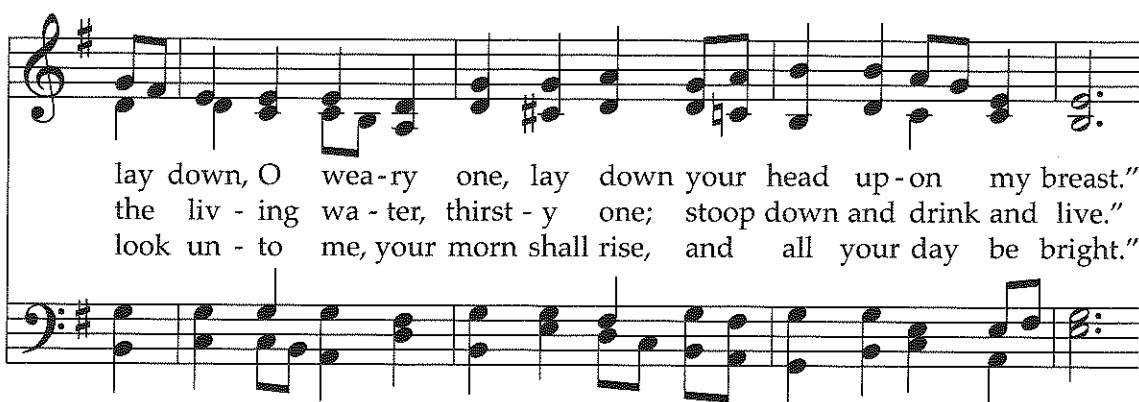
Since its creation in the mid-19th century, this text has been one of the favorite paraphrases of Psalm 23 in the English-speaking world. That popularity increased in the early 20th century when *The English Hymnal*, 1906, first joined these words to this flowing Irish melody.



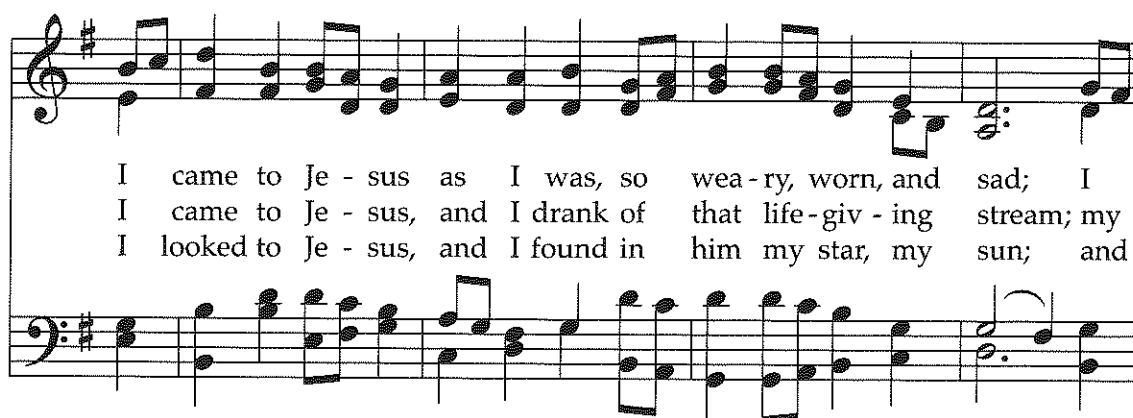
## 182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



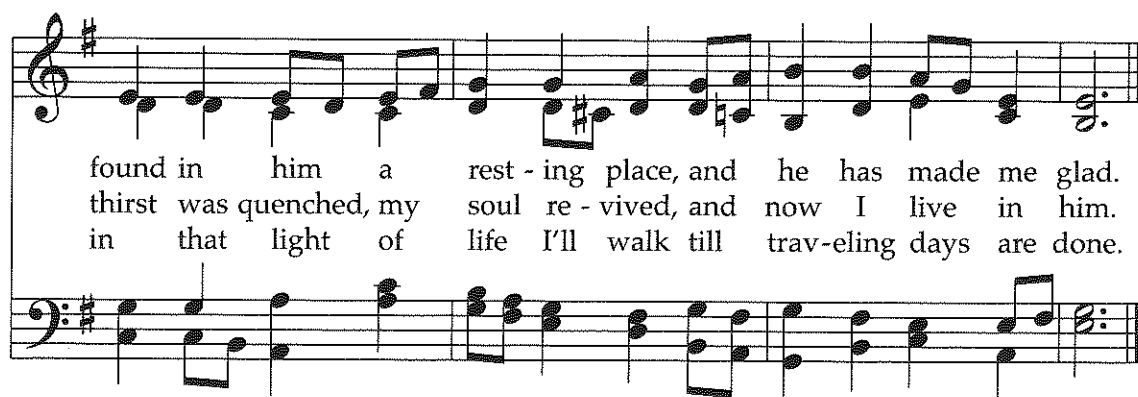
1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea-ry one, lay down your head up-on my breast."  
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."  
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea-ry, worn, and sad; I  
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life-giv - ing stream; my  
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and



found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.  
 thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
 in that light of life I'll walk till trav-eling days are done.

Each stanza here pairs an invitation from Jesus with a response from the narrator. These three invitations recall how Jesus welcomed those who were heavy laden (Matthew 11:28), offered living water (John 4:10-14), and identified himself as the light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5).



# Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth 7



1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright  
 2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing  
 3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - turing one, in arms of



morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - ery  
 me your food of light, grain of life, and grape of  
 pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and



breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.  
 love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.  
 grow un - til I flower, un - til I know.

As the tune name hints, this text is derived from images in the writings of the English medieval mystic, Julian of Norwich. In 1393 she wrote down an account of her sixteen remarkable visions experienced twenty years earlier; they formed the basis of her theology of God's love.