



**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
**The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Creation Care Sunday: A Celtic Worship Service**  
**October 3, 2021 | 9:00AM**

**Thank you for participating in our virtual or in-person worship.**

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*You may wish to have candles ready to light, and a cross to place in your home worship area.  
We are glad to be worshipping with you today.*

**For those in the sanctuary, please be aware that this service will be live-streamed.**

**Both audio and video will be recorded.**

**The area under the balcony will not be filmed, however, audio may be overheard.**

*Today's altar flowers: To the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the marriage  
of Christopher James Neumann and Olivia Joy Marshall*

*A Note on Today's Service*

Today we mark a Season of Creation with a special liturgy. It is still an Anglican Eucharist, but our prayers emphasize the natural world. They are largely drawn from those in use in Ireland in the first millennium of the Church, even as their earlier origins are French or further East. The notable exception is our alternative to the Lord's Prayer, which comes from *A New Zealand Prayer Book / He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa*.

Perhaps most noticeably, much of our music will be on the Celtic harp from our guest harpist, Kate Chadbourne. Our other hymns are set to melodies from Ireland, Scotland, England, and Wales. You can read more about these tunes and texts at the back of the bulletin.

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*You are invited into a quiet worshipful space during the prelude.*

**Prelude**

*Si Beag Si Mor*

Turlough O'Carolan

("The Small Fairy Mound and the Big Fairy Mound")

Kate Chadbourne, Celtic Harp

**Welcome**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

## Introit

## A Gaelic Blessing

Trad. Irish/Colley

Redeemer Atrium Singers 2019 & 2020

Kate Chadbourne, Harp

*May the road always rise to meet you  
May the wind be always at your back  
May the sun shine warm upon your face  
May the rains fall soft upon your fields  
And until we meet again,  
God hold you in the hollow of His hand*

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

## Opening Hymn

*You Walk Along the Shoreline*

Ireland/Tune: SALLY GARDENS

### Processional Hymn *You walk along our shoreline*

1 You walk a - long our shore - line where land meets un - known sea.  
2 You call us, Christ, to gath - er the peo - ple of the earth.  
3 We cast our net, O Je - sus; we seek your prom - ised reign;

We hear your voice of pow - er, 'Now come and fol - low me. And  
We can - not fish for on - ly those lives we think have worth. We  
We work for love and jus - tice; we learn to hope through pain. You

if you still will fol - low through storm and wave and shoal,  
spread your net of gos - pel a - cross the wa - ter's face,  
call on us to gath - er God's daugh - ters and God's sons,

Then I will make you fish - ers, but of the hu - man soul."  
Our boat a com - mon shel - ter for all found by your grace.  
To let your judg - ment heal us so that all may be one.

Hymnwritter Sylvia Dunstan credited an article by Michael

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## Opening Sentences

*Presider* Blessed be the One Holy and Undivided Trinity.

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

*from Iona, 6th century*

*Presider* The grace of God's love dwells in our hearts

*People* **as a jewel of gold is placed in a silver dish.**

*Saint Columbkille*

*Presider* Kindle in our hearts, O God,

*People* **The flame of love that never ceases,  
that it may burn in us, giving light to others.**

**May we shine for ever in your temple,**

**Set on fire with your eternal light,**

**Even your Son, Jesus Christ,**

**Our Savior and Redeemer.**

**Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise

*O All Ye Works of God BH428, V. 1-5*

Ireland/Tune: IRISH

1 O all ye works of God, now come to thank him  
2 O sun and moon and stars of heaven, your end - less  
3 O heat and cold, O night and day, O storms and  
4 O earth and sea, O all that live in wa - ter  
5 O let his peo - ple bless the Lord like right - eous

1 and a - dore; O an - gels, sing and  
2 praise out - pour; O chang - ing sea - sons,  
3 thun - der's roar, O fields and for - ests,  
4 or on shore, O men and wo - men,  
5 souls of yore; let those of ho - ly,

1 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.  
2 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.  
3 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.  
4 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.  
5 hum - ble heart come praise him ev - er - more.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE READINGS

### First Reading

Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 8

- 1 O LORD our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

## The Epistle

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;  
you have crowned them with glory and honor,  
subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

**Reader**      The Word of the Lord.  
**People**      Thanks be to God.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**Gospel Hymn**      *For the Fruit of All Creation*

Wales/Tune: AR HYD Y NOS

**Gospel Hymn**      *For the Fruit of all Creation*

1 For the fruit of all cre-a-tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re-ward of la-bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har-vests of the Spir-it, thanks be to God.

For God's gifts to ev-ery na-tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in-her-it, thanks be to God.

For the plow-ing, sow-ing, reap-ing, si-lent growth while we are sleep-ing,  
In our world-wide task of car-ing for the hun-gry and de-spair-ing,  
For the won-ders that as-tound us, for the truths that still con-found us,

Fu-ture needs in earth's safe-keep-ing, thanks be to God.  
In the har-vests we are shar-ing, God's will is done.  
Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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*Gospeller*    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

*Gospeller*    The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**

Rev. Emily García

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**Creed of St. Patrick**

**All    Our God is the God of all humans, the God of heaven and earth, the God of sea and rivers, the God of the sun and moon, the God of all the heavenly bodies, the God of the lofty mountains, the God of the lowly valleys. God is above the heavens; and he is beneath the heavens. Heaven and earth and sea, and everything that is in them, such he has as his abode. He inspires all things, he gives life to all things, he stands above all things, and he stands beneath all things. He enlightens the light of the sun, he strengthens the light of the night and the stars, he makes wells in the arid land and dry islands in the sea, and he places the stars in the service of the greater lights. He has a Son who is co-eternal with himself; and similar in all respects to himself; and neither is the Son younger than the Father, nor is the Father older than the Son; and the Holy Spirit breathes in them. And the Father and the Son and Holy Spirit are inseparable. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

### Prayers of the People

*Bidding Prayer of St. Martin of Tours, A.D. 371-401*

Leader With all our hearts and minds we pray to the Lord, who looks upon the earth and makes it tremble.  
For peace and tranquillity in our time and for your holy catholic Church from one end of the earth to the other.  
For Alan and Gayle our Bishops and Shepherds and for all bishops, presbyters and deacons, and all who administer in your Church.  
For this place and for all who dwell in it.  
For all who are in authority; for the bereaved, the dispossessed and those who seek refuge.  
We pray especially for *(the leader will read the Parish prayer list)*.  
We pray for those who have died *(the leader will read the Parish prayer list)*.  
For those who travel; those who do penance; those who learn the faith.  
For those who in your holy Church bring forth the fruits of compassion, especially for Christopher James Neumann and Olivia Joy Marshall, for whom the altar flowers are given in thanksgiving today.  
Grant us, Lord, a Christian and a peaceful end.  
Grant us, Lord, your holy bond of love; to abide for ever among us.  
Guard, Lord, the holiness and purity of our faith.

*Presider* Merciful Father  
*People* **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Our Saviour Jesus Christ.**  
**Amen.**

### Confession

*Presider* We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.  
*Please kneel in body or in spirit and join in a moment of silent contemplation.*

*Presider* God our Creator, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.  
Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

*People* **forgive us and help us.**

*Presider* We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us. God, in your mercy:

*People* **forgive us and help us.**

*Presider* We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry. God, in your mercy:

*People* **forgive us and help us.**



*Presider* We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.  
God, in your mercy:  
*People* **forgive us and help us.**

*Presider* We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven. God, in your mercy:  
*People* **forgive us and help us.**

### **Absolution**

*Presider* May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

### **The Peace**

*Presider* The peace of God be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Presider* With grateful hearts, let us give what we have. With joyful hope, let us give for what can be. Please be seated for the musical offering.

<b>Musical Offering</b>	<i>Bheir Mi O</i>	Trad. Irish
	Kate Chadbourne, Voice and Harp	

Refrain: (Gaelic --- Vocables pronunciation)  
Bheir mi óró, bhean o --- Vair me oh-ro van oh  
Bheir mi óró, bhean i --- Vair me oh-ro van ee  
Bheir mi óró o --- Vair me oh-ro-oh  
Tá mé brónach a's tú i m'dhíth. --- Taw may broan-ucks too m-yee.

Refrain: I am sad with longing and loneliness

It's many the cold wet night  
I went visiting on my own  
Until I came into the place  
In which was the bright love of my heart.

Refrain: Bheir mi o

In my harp there was no music  
In my fingers there was no spark  
Until you announced your intention  
and I understood my destiny.

Refrain: Bheir mi o

## Offering of Gifts

*Please stand in body or in spirit*

*Presider* We offer this spiritual sacrifice for all who sleep, who have gone before us in the peace of the Lord Jesus, from Adam to the present day: you named them and you know their names.

## Great Thanksgiving

*an adaptation of the 8<sup>th</sup> century Gallican Rite*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Presider* It is right, just and fitting, here and everywhere, to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, eternal God; you saved us from everlasting death and the last darkness of hell, and gave mortal matter, put together from the liquid mud, to your Son and to eternity.

And lest there be no one to adorn the world and wonder at your Creation, you created humankind out of the clay and brought it to life in the Spirit. You shared the truth of Yourself and creation with your chosen people.

Although we were formed in your likeness, we abandoned the commandments of your blessed majesty and were plunged, mortal once more, into the earth from whence we came, and mourned the loss of the eternal comfort of your gift. In your great goodness you sent the Word of salvation from heaven, that he should be made flesh by taking a human body, to care for the ancient wounds and for all that which the age had lost.

Therefore all the angels with all the saints praise him with unceasing voice, singing:

**Sanctus** *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The people stand or kneel in body or in spirit.*

**Presider** As the heavenly creatures resound on high the praise of your glory, your goodness wished that it should be known also to your servants; and this proclamation, made in the starry realms, to be as a gift, not only to be known but also to be imitated.

Therefore Jesus, the night before he suffered for the salvation of us all, in the midst of his apostles and disciples, took bread in his holy hands and looking up to you, God the father Almighty, gave thanks, blessed and broke it. Then giving it to his disciples said, "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you: do this for the life of the age."

In like manner after supper taking the cup in his hands, and looking up to heaven to you, God the father Almighty, gave thanks, blessed it, and handed it to his apostles, saying: "Take, drink from this, all of you; for this is the cup of my holy blood, of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, do it in remembrance of me, showing my passion to all and looking for my coming again."

We pray you therefore to send your Holy Spirit upon these offerings gathered here, that all whose who receive may be filled with your Holy Spirit for the confirmation of faith in truth, that they may praise and glorify you: through Jesus Christ your Son, our God and Lord and Savior, who, with you Lord and the Holy Spirit, reigns for ever, eternal Godhead, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

### **An adaptation of The Lord's Prayer**

*A New Zealand PrayerBook  
He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa*

*Presider* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**All Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

*Presider* Come, you holy ones, receive the body of Christ, drinking the holy blood by which you were redeemed.

*Stowe Missal*

## **Communion Meditation**

*Bridget Cruise, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melody*  
Kate Chadbourne, Harp

*Turlough O'Carolan*

## **Post-communion Prayer**

*the Stowe Missal, 9th century Ireland*

**All We believe, O Lord, that in this breaking of your body and pouring out of your blood we become redeemed people. We confess that by our sharing of this sacrament we are strengthened to endure in hope until we lay hold and enjoy its true fruits in the heavenly places.**

## **Blessing**

*Hebridean traditional*

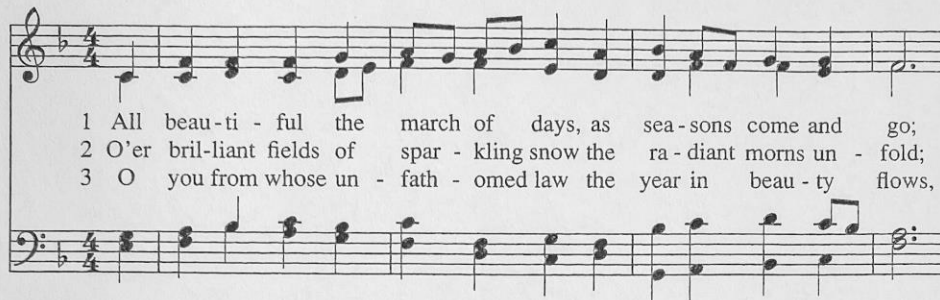
May the King shield you in the valleys,  
May Christ aid you in the mountains,  
May the Spirit bathe you on the slopes,  
In hollow, on hill, on plain,  
May the Three in One bless you and keep you, now and always.  
**Amen.**

## **Announcements**

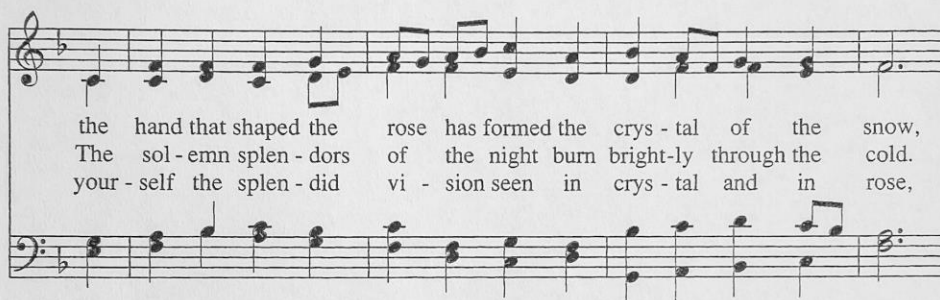
CHANGING SEASONS

## All Beautiful the March of Days

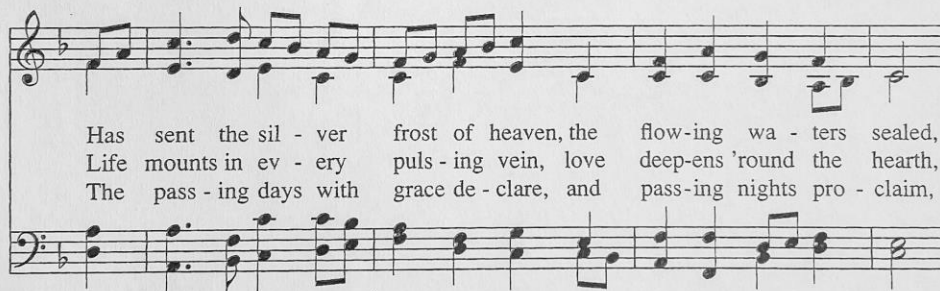
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*Frances W. Wile, 1910; alt.*


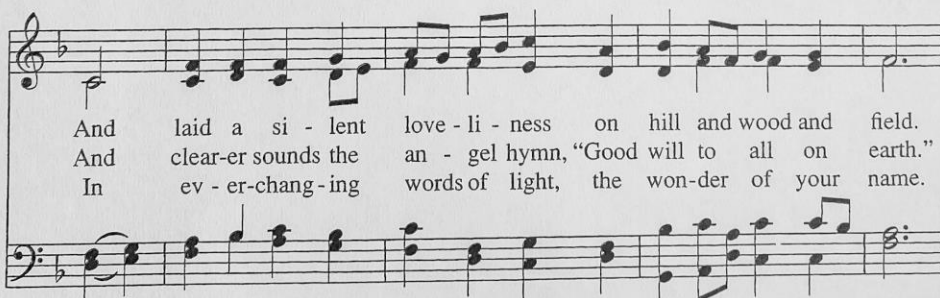
1 All beau-ti - ful the march of days, as sea-sons come and go;  
 2 O'er bril-liant fields of spar - kling snow the ra - diant morns un - fold;  
 3 O you from whose un - fath - omed law the year in beau - ty flows,



the hand that shaped the rose has formed the crys - tal of the snow,  
 The sol - emn splen - dors of the night burn bright-ly through the cold.  
 your - self the splen - did vi - sion seen in crys - tal and in rose,



Has sent the sil - ver frost of heaven, the flow-ing wa - ters sealed,  
 Life mounts in ev - ery puls - ing vein, love deep-ens 'round the hearth,  
 The pass - ing days with grace de - clare, and pass-ing nights pro - claim,



And laid a si - lent love - li - ness on hill and wood and field.  
 And clear-er sounds the an - gel hymn, "Good will to all on earth."  
 In ev - er-chang-ing words of light, the won-der of your name.

*Frances Wile wrote this hymn extolling the beauty of winter at the suggestion of her pastor, William Gannett, and Frederick Hosmer, both of whom were hymnwriters.*

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Tune: FOREST GREEN C.M.D.  
 Traditional English melody  
 Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

## Dismissal

*Presider* Let us go forth  
In the goodness of our merciful Father,  
In the gentleness of our brother Jesus,  
In the radiance of his Holy Spirit,  
In the faith of the apostles,  
In the joyful praise of the angels,  
In the holiness of the saints,  
In the courage of the martyrs.  
Go in the peace of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude** *Take Your Next Step (Original Jig)*  
Kate Chadbourne, Harp

K. Chadbourne

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Special thanks to guest Celtic harpist, Kate Chadbourne for this morning's music.

[www.katechadbourne.com](http://www.katechadbourne.com)

## About this Morning's Music

This morning's lovely hymn melodies were originally heard in rural communities and local gatherings in Celtic nations long ago, and have survived for centuries. The tunes hail from Ireland, Scotland, Brittany, England, and Wales. They are set to prayers and texts ranging from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> centuries from the pens of Isaac Watts, Fred Pratt Green, Francis Wile, F. Bland Tucker, Sylvia Dunstan, and others.

Our guest harpist Kate Chadbourne has provided additional background about her instrumental and vocal selections.

This morning's Prelude "Sí Beag Sí Mór" was composed by Irish harper, Turlough O'Carolan who lived and worked in the late 17th and early 18th centuries. The title "The Small Fairy Mound and the Big Fairy Mound" refers to a battle between two fairy hosts that was ultimately resolved in a peaceful, enchanting way. Apparently, Turlough witnessed this himself.

Our Musical Offering, "Bheir Mi O" is a song well-known in Ireland, particularly in the north, and very much influenced by Scottish singing and music. It conveys both longing for love and the exaltation of union with a beloved. Kate especially loves the lines, "In my harp there was no music, in my fingers there was no spark, until you announced your intention and I got wind of my destiny." She welcomes the congregation to sing along to this lovely old song, aloud at home, or in your heart.

The Communion Meditation "Bridget Cruise, 2nd melody" was also composed by Irish harper, Turlough O'Carolan, as a planxty or praise music for one who had won his heart (but alas, sometimes did not return his affections). Apparently, O'Carolan composed this after spending the afternoon stretched out on a rath or fairy mound.

Kate's Postlude this morning is an original jig, "Take Your Next Step," which she composed in honor of all those who are bravely setting forth on fresh adventures.

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