

Third Friday  
Jazz  
VESPERS



—rejoice—

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with

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
*(Disciples of Christ)*

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# WELCOME TO THIRD FRIDAY JAZZ VESPERS

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Welcome to *Third Friday Jazz Vespers* at First Christian Church. For centuries, people have asked God for guidance and care as day turns to night. This night, we ask God to refresh, inspire, and call us into a deeper relationship with the Divine Spark that is in this world. Enter into the songs, silence and poetry as you feel so moved: breathe deeply, be still, and know that you are beloved. May God bless you in this time of reflection and meditation.

### The Pattern of Vespers

**Gathering:** God beckons us to gather, to reflect on life where we live it, and to be engaged as fully as possible in the world around us. We light candles and sing a song of thanksgiving for God's bringing light into the darkness of our lives.

**Word:** God continues to communicate through words of wisdom, encouragement, hope, and challenge spoken throughout the ages by God's beloved children.

**Psalms:** Psalms are the Bible's language of prayer and praise. They provide us language to speak about all of life, including our joys, disappointments, confusion and anger, sadness, and concern for ourselves, others, and this world.

**Meditation:** When we listen and pray while gathered in community, we are reminded that we are not alone. We also affirm that life is not about "just me," but about participating in a larger movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

**Prayers:** Prayer is honest, holy conversation with God and those who gather. God invites our honesty, joys, sorrows, confusion, anger, and wonder. Prayer practices can open us up to deeper understanding and meaningful spiritual connections with God, others, and ourselves.

**Going Out:** As we leave the vesper service, we are reminded of Christ's peace, presence and purpose in all of life.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## Gathering

Gathering Music

Welcome

Lighting of Candles

Leader:

The coming night is dark.

Let our fears of the darkness of the world  
and of our own lives be dispelled in this hour.

The night is quiet.

Let the quietness of your peace enfold us,  
all who are dear to us, and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.

Let us look expectantly to a new day,  
new joys, new possibilities.

Evening Prayer

Leader:

Let us pray.

Creator God,

because of your abundant love

you chose to bring light and order into the formless void,

to create a world of unsurpassed beauty

and you saw that it was good.

**Antiphon:** (Solo Cantor)

*Light of Light Eternal*

ARNSBERG

Light of light e - ter - nal, all things pe - ne -  
tra - ting. For your rays our souls are wait - ing.

Leader:

We ask that you continue to recreate the world

with that same attentive love,

to bring light into today's ever-increasing chaos and darkness.

**Antiphon:** (Sung by all.)

Light of light e - ter - nal, all things pe - ne -  
tra - ting. For your rays our souls are wait - ing.

Leader:

Where we have failed to be stewards and caretakers of your creation,  
replenish our hearts so that we too can renew the face of the earth.  
We ask in the name of the risen Christ.

**Antiphon:** (*Sung by all.*)



Light of light e - ter - nal, all things pe - ne -  
tra - ting. For your rays our souls are wait - ing.

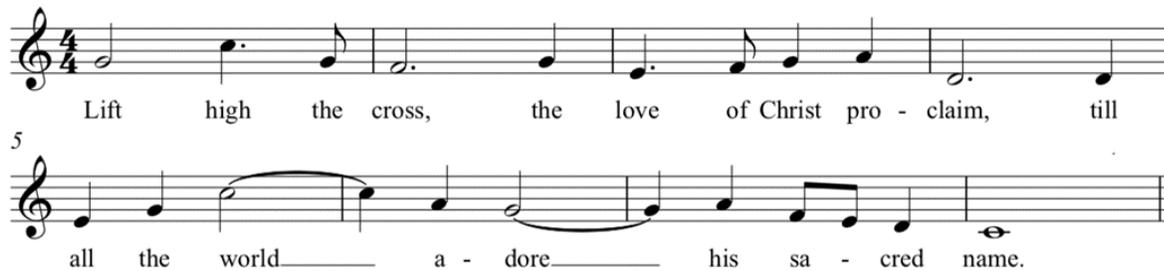
Introduction to Theme

Rejoice

Henry Nouwen (1932-1996)

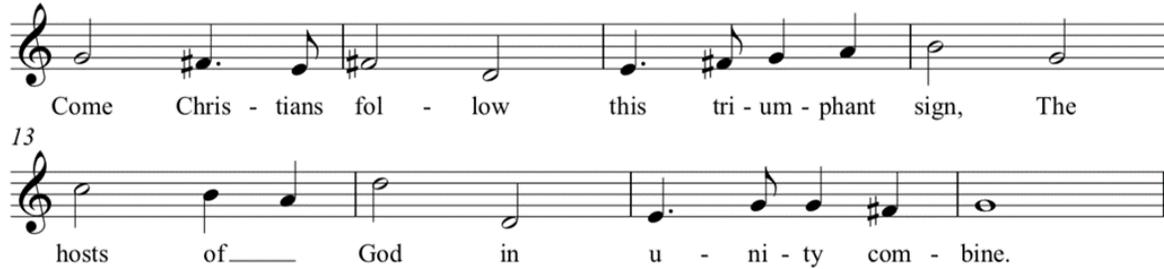
Cantor Solo (with congregational response) Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER



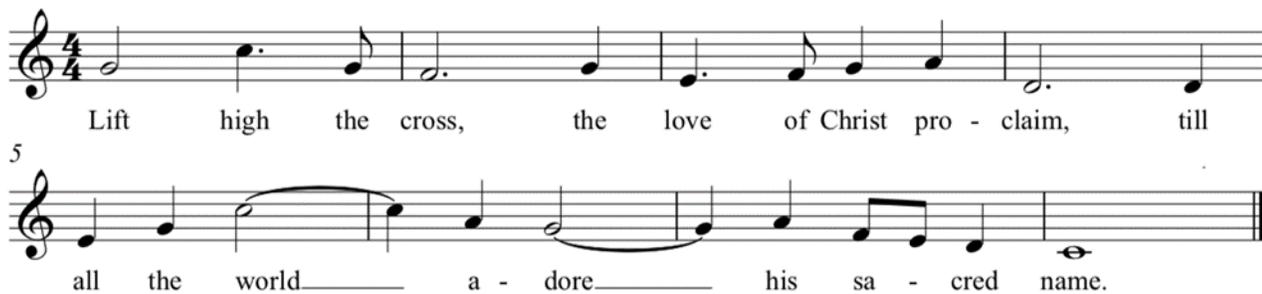
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim, till  
all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

9 Verse



Come Chris - tians fol - low this tri - um - phant sign, The  
hosts of God in u - ni - ty com - bine.

Cantor and Congregation (*Refrain*)



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim, till  
all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



Re - joice, ye\_\_\_ pure in heart! Re - joice, give\_ thanks, and sing! Your  
 With voice as\_\_\_ full and strong as o - cean's surg- ing praise, send  
 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant- ing - as ye go, from

5



fes - tal\_\_\_ ban - ner wave\_ on\_\_\_ high, the cross of Christ your  
 forth the\_\_\_ stur - dy hymns of\_\_\_ old, the psalms of an - cient  
 youth to\_\_\_ age, by night\_ and\_ day, in glad - ness and in

8



King. days. woe: Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give\_ thanks, and sing!

Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1865, alt.  
 Music: Arthur H. Messiter, 1883  
 Jazz Interpretation: Marina Alba López

\*Please stand as you are able

Psalm  
**Psalm 150**

(New Revised Standard Version)

**Refrain:** *(Sung twice. Cantor first and then congregation)*



- 1 Praise GOD!  
Praise God in the sanctuary;  
praise God in the mighty firmament!
- 2 Praise God for mighty deeds;  
praise God for exceeding greatness!

**Refrain:** *(Sung by all.)*



- 3 Praise God with trumpet sound;  
praise God with lute and harp!
- 4 Praise God with tambourine and dance;  
praise God with strings and pipe!
- 5 Praise God with clanging cymbals;  
praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

**Refrain:** *(Sung by all.)*



- 6 Let everything that breathes praise God!  
Praise God!

**Refrain:** *(Sung by all.)*



Glory be to our Maker, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning is now and forever. Amen.

Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high"  
Men and wom - en young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold;

5  
Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, Praise to our al - migh - ty King.  
join with chil - dren's songs of praise; wor - ship God through length of days.

9  
Praise God, an - gel hostss a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;  
From the north to south - ern pole let the migh - ty cho - rus roll:

13  
sun and moon, up - lift your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice!  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One, glo - ry be to God a - lone!

Text: Stopford A Brooke, 1881, alt.

Music: Robert Williams, 1817

Jazz Interpretation: Marina Alba López

## Community Meditation

During this time of quiet meditation, we are reminded that we are not alone. Let this time be for you an invitation to approach God as you are in this very moment.

**Candle Table:** Light a candle as a reminder that God's light overpowers the darkness.

**Reasons for Rejoicing:** We can sometimes overlook a reason to rejoice (feel or show great joy). Write down a *specific* reason for rejoicing in one or more of the following categories, beginning with "I rejoice in..."

- Nature
- The church
- The community
- Family
- Friends
- Food
- Experiences

**Communion Table:** No matter where you are on life's journey, you are invited to the Table to partake of the bread and the cup, reminders of Christ's compassion for all—no exceptions. Come as you are.

**Chime Table:** At the chime table, remember and relive a time in your life of rejoicing. Thank God in prayer and celebrate that moment by striking the chime.

God reigns! Earth re - joic - es! O - ceans\_ shout God's might!  
 Fires will blaze the path - way; stars will\_ mark the place,  
 E - vil walks be - side us, crush - es\_ with its grief:  
 Light dawns for the right - eous, joy for\_ God's own heirs;

5  
 Clad in truth and joy, God's throne is\_ our de - light.  
 when God comes in glo - ry, meets us\_ face to face.  
 yet in God the faith - ful find their\_ sure re - lief.  
 love all loves ex - cel - ling, grace be - yond com - pare.

9  
 Clouds roll a - side, and night be - comes as day.  
 Moun - tains will shake and worth - less i - dols fall;  
 Shack - les will break and chains of bon - dage cease;  
 Daugh - ters and sons, God's maj - es - ty pro - claim!

13  
 God will dwell a - mong us; God will\_ show the way!  
 Zi - on will re - joice, for God is\_ Lord of all!  
 for - mer la - men - ta - tions now are\_ songs of peace.  
 Let your hearts de - clare the }Lord's most\_ ho - ly name!

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## Prayers

### Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*sung first by Cantor, then by all*):

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy  
 king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.  
 Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our  
 debts, as we for - give our deb - tors, And lead us not in - to  
 temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom,  
 and the pow - er and the glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men.

# Going Out

## Benediction

Leader: Go now and rejoice in the Lord always.  
Do not be afraid or worried about anything  
but in everything trust God and pray.

Dismissal Hymn: (sung first by Cantor and then all join.)

### Cantor Solo:

6 You shall go out with joy\_\_\_ and be led forth with peace\_\_\_ the

6 moun-tains and the hills will break forth be - fore you. There'll be

10 shouts of joy,\_\_\_ and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

17 And all the trees of the field will clap their hands\_\_\_ the

22 trees of the field will clap their hands\_\_\_ the

26 trees of the field will clap their hands\_\_\_ while

30 you go out with joy

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**Congregation Join** (Repeat as indicated):

17

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands\_ the

22

trees of the field will clap their hands\_ the

26

trees of the field will clap their hands\_ while

30

you go out with joy

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**Leader:** May God rejoice over you with gladness.  
May Christ renew you in his love.  
**Amen.**

Postlude



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Meet and Greet Reception in Chapel Gathering Space to meet our incoming pastor Kyrmen Rea and the jazz musicians.

Jazz Vespers will be on hiatus during June and July,  
Jazz Vespers will resume in August.  
Have a wonderful summer!

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# Welcome!

## Welcome to FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

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### **An Invitation to Community**

As God has welcomed us, we welcome you.

With all our differences--  
in age, ability and physical condition,  
in race, cultural background and economic status,  
in sexual orientation, gender identity & family structure--  
God has received each one  
with loving kindness, patience and joy.

All that we are together  
and all that we hope to be  
is made more perfect  
as the richness of varied lives  
meets the mystery of God's unifying Spirit  
and we become the Body of Christ.

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