

RESPONSE (seated) “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult

No. 337 (vv. 1 & 5)

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Today we welcome Kristen Andrews, Rich Carpenter, Wade and Kimberly Cobb, James Cobb, Helen Cobb, Mark and Leigh Harris, Harriet Hayes, Nancy Jakiela, Gardner Merriam and Deb Young, Peter and Cathy Munteanu, Andy and Gwen Nagy-Benson, and Richard Westfall as new members.

Invitation

Opening Sentences

Questions of the Candidates

Do you desire to affirm your baptism into the faith and family of Jesus Christ? In response to God’s love for you, do you seek to love and serve God as a member of this congregation?

I do.

Do you promise, by the grace of God, to follow in the way of Jesus, to resist oppression and evil, to show love and justice, and to bear witness to the work and word of Jesus Christ as best you are able?

I promise, with the help of God.

Do you promise, according to the grace given you, to grow in Christian faith, and to be a faithful member of the church of Jesus Christ, and of this congregation, celebrating Christ’s presence and furthering Christ’s mission in the world?

I promise, with the help of God.

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

No. 361

Welcome by the Congregation

We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of Christ’s church. By the

power of the Holy Spirit, may we grow together in God's knowledge and love.

Prayer

Greeting of Christian Love

ANTHEM

“Panis Angelicus”
Chancel Choir

Cesar Franck

The bread of angels becomes the bread of humankind.

The heavenly bread gives an end to earthly forms.

O marvelous and wondrous sacrament:

the poor one, the servant and the humble all partake of the Lord.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Communion Hymn (seated) “Let Us Break Bread Together”

No. 425

Communion Prayer

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Gracious God

Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with your faithful people everywhere:

God of love, the whole universe speaks of your glory.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God!

Hosanna in the highest!

CHURCH SCHOOL

Children will attend the first part of the worship service with their parents, and then join their teachers for Church School after the Children's Message. Teachers and classrooms are listed below:

Pre-K/K, Hannah Kraus: Library classroom next to Nursery in Fellowship Hall

1st/2nd grade, Cindy Marshall: Upstairs to the left in Charter House

3rd/4th grade, Jill Ruffa: Upstairs to the right in Charter House, last classroom on left

5th/6th grade, Steve Abbott: Upstairs to the right in Charter House, classroom in the right corner

7-9th grade, Alison Joseph: Piano room in Charter House

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andrew Nagy-Benson, Pastor

Joan Weed, Lay Reader

Jeff Buettner, Organist

Jessica Allen, Music Director

Tony Preston, Bell Ringer

Russ Carpenter, Alice Munson, TJ Springthorpe, and

Jeff Munroe, Ushers

Hunter Munteanu, Oziah Wales, Deacons' assistants

Glenna Emilo, Donna Carpenter, Greeters

Diana Cotter, Sharon Saronson, Maureen Williams,

Fellowship Hour

STAFF OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Rev. Andrew Nagy-Benson, Pastor

Jeff Buettner, Organist

Jessica Allen, Music Director

Joyce W. Foster, Church Office Manager

Mal Chase, Facilities Manager

Jennifer Smith, Director of Children's and Youth Ministries

Carlie Wright, Nursery Care provider

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