

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, January 21, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "The Gift of Love" (based on I Corinthians 13) (Hal Hopson, Trad. English Melody)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 53: "God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

Opening Prayer

Anthem: "Stand By Me" (Charles Albert Tindley, arr. Moses Hogan)

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Old Testament Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Sermon: "IS GOD FICKLE?"

Hymn 368: "Trust and Obey"

Benediction

Benediction Response 571: "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah. *Repeat.*

Greet One Another

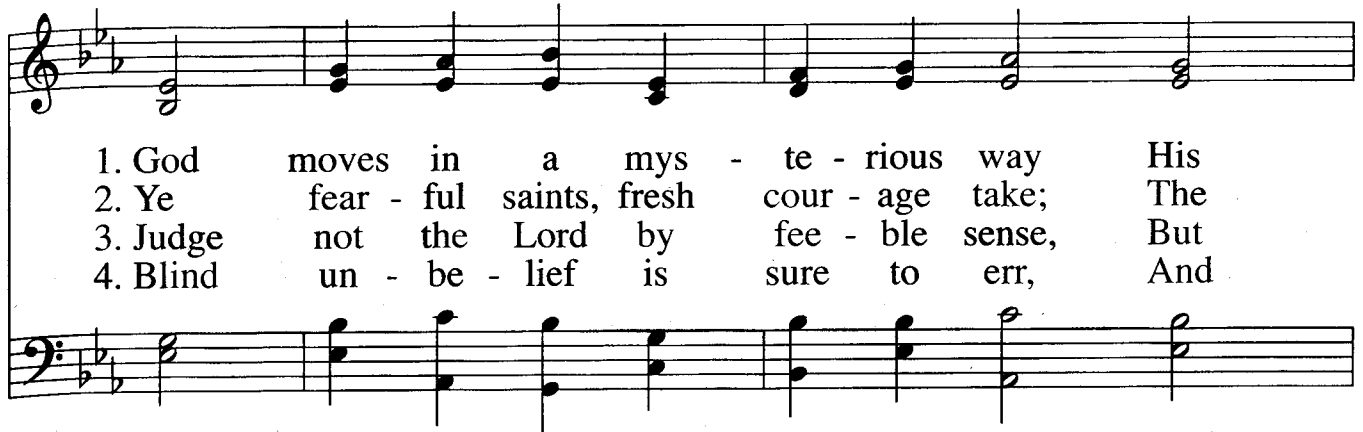
Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Barb Fuller, Betty Briggs, Aaron Galbreath, Chancel Choir

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

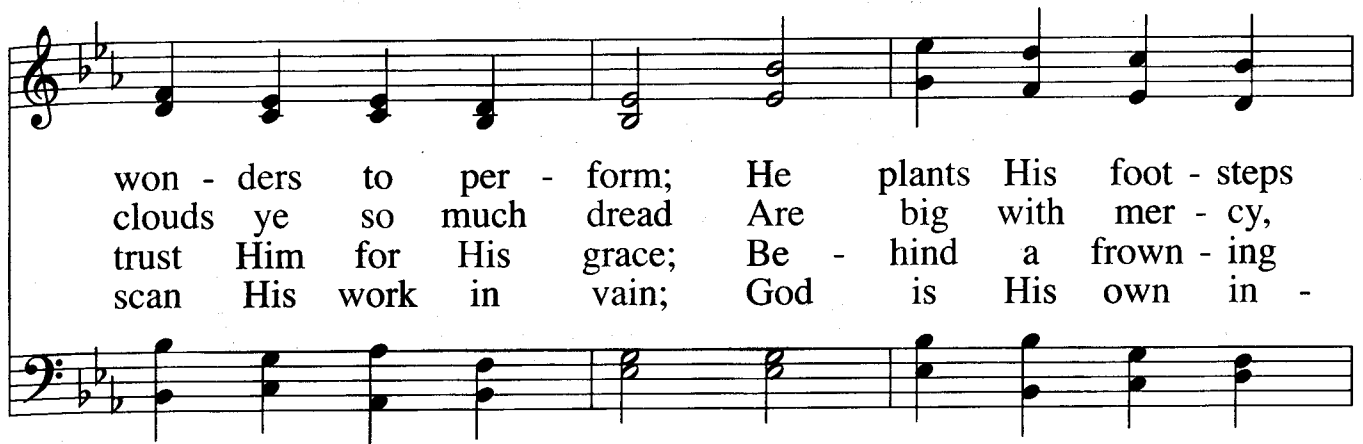
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William Cowper, 1731-1800

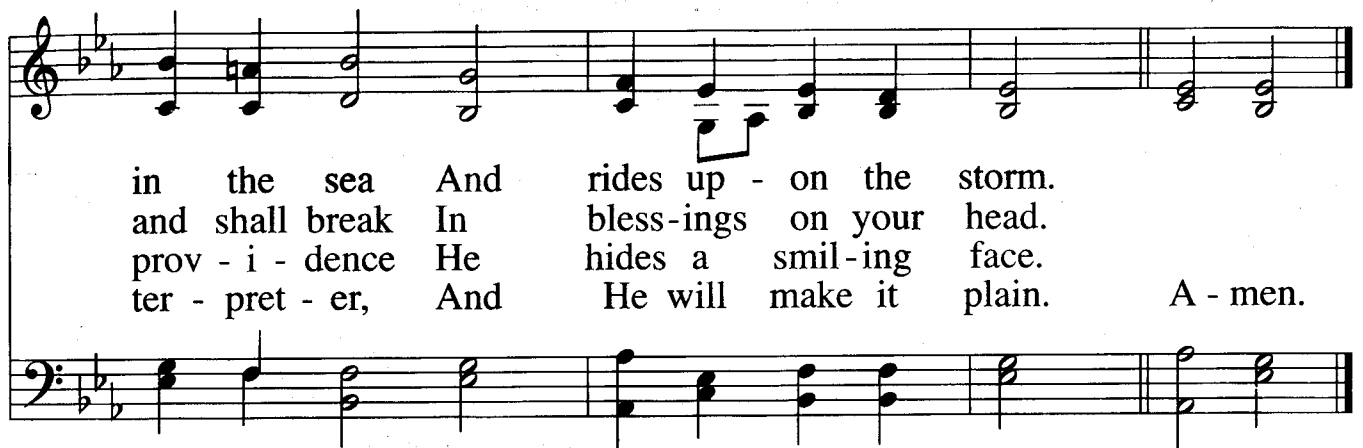
Scottish Psalter, 1615



1. God moves in a mys - te - rious way His
2. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The
3. Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But
4. Blind un - be - lief is sure to err, And



won - ders to per - form; He plants His foot - steps
clouds ye so much dread Are big with mer - cy,
trust Him for His grace; Be - hind a frown - ing
scan His work in vain; God is His own in -



in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
and shall break In bless - ings on your head.
prov - i - dence He hides a smil - ing face.
ter - pret - er, And He will make it plain. A - men.

"He," "Him," or "His" may be replaced by "God('s)" or "You(r)."

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1. When we walk with the Lord In the light of His
 2. Not a shadow can rise, Not a cloud in the
 3. Not a burden we bear, Not a sorrow we
 4. But we never can prove The delights of His
 5. Then in fellowship sweet We will sit at His

Word, What a glory He sheds on our way! While we
 skies, But His smile quick - ly drives it a - way; Not a
 share, But our toil He doth rich - ly re - pay; Not a
 love Un - til all on the al - tar we lay; For the
 feet, Or we'll walk by His side in the way; What He

do His good will He a - bides with us
 doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a
 grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a
 fa - vor He shows And the joy He be -
 says we will do, Where He sends we will

still, And with all who will trust and o - bey.
 tear, Can a - bide while we trust and o - bey.
 cross, But is blest if we trust and o - bey.
 stows Are for those who will trust and o - bey.
 go— Nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

Trust and o - bey— For there's no oth - er way To be
hap - py in Je - sus But to trust and o - bey.

The image shows a musical score for two systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system contains the lyrics 'Trust and o - bey— For there's no oth - er way To be'. The second system contains the lyrics 'hap - py in Je - sus But to trust and o - bey.' The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

Lord, we look to You, our precious Savior, privileged to come before You in prayer. We face so many trials and temptations and You know our weaknesses in handling them. You feel our pain and share in our sorrows. When our earthly friends turn away, we can turn to You, our most faithful Friend of all. So many times, Lord, we have forfeited peace because we have not taken the time to place our troubles before You. When we ask You for help in bearing our sins and grief, You lift us from our discouragement. Let us never forget to take it to You in prayer. May we feel Your arms around us as You shield us from any harm that comes our way. We thank You for being our refuge and our strength. Amen.