

Monte Vista Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
3501 Campus Blvd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87106

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(<https://www.montevista.org/vistastream>)

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Elder/Deacon Sunday

September 24, 2023

10:30am MT

Order of Worship

Welcome Charlotte Hoppe

Prelude *Meditation on 'Emendemus in Melius'* Paulette McClellan
by Kenneth Lowenberg

*Call to Worship Linda Hunter

One: Listen for the voice of God.

Many: God will speak peace to God's people,

One: but do not be surprised if God's peace comes in the form of judgement. Do not expect God to whitewash the truth.

Many: We will listen and take heart in God's presence.

One: Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who fear God,

Many: that glory may dwell in our land.

One: God's glory is not that of wealth or power. God's glory is found in compassion and works of justice.

Many: We will listen and give ourselves anew to God's reign.

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Many: God will speak peace to God's people.

*Opening Prayer Linda Hunter

Loving God, open our eyes to see what is beautiful, our minds to know what is true, and our hearts to love what is good. God of life, we rejoice in your love which has filled creation from the beginning, and which calls all life into being. We bless you for your Spirit who draws all humanity into the circle of your tender love. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*Opening Hymn *What Wondrous Love Is This* 200 (vv 1, 2, 3)

First Scripture Reading Hebrews 10:19-22 Linda Hunter

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

One: A word from God for the people of God. **Many: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer Hymn

Create in Me

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(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with the office at office@montevista.org.)

Pastoral Prayer

Bonnie Sanchez

Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother. Holy is your name. May your love be embodied in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Protect us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

Come to the Water
by John Foley

Vista Voices

Second Scripture Reading

Psalm 51:1-10

Linda Currin

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

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Testimony

"From a Place of Guilt to a Place of Love"

Linda Currin

Special Music

What Wondrous Love Is This
arr. by Jeanne Cotter

Paulette

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

*Invitation to the Table

Gerri Warner

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*Communion Hymn

Come Share the Lord

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Words of Institution

Charlotte

Prayers for the Elements

Gerri

Receiving Communion Together as One Body in Christ

(Everyone is encouraged to take Communion at the same time as signaled.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gregg Rothrock

*Closing Hymn

Love Lifted Me

*Benediction

Linda Currin

Postlude

Recessional on 'St. Anne'
by Gordon Young

Paulette

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Worship Leader: Linda Hunter

Wally Miller, Sound

Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol, Senior Minister

Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist

Anthony Sanchez, Livestream

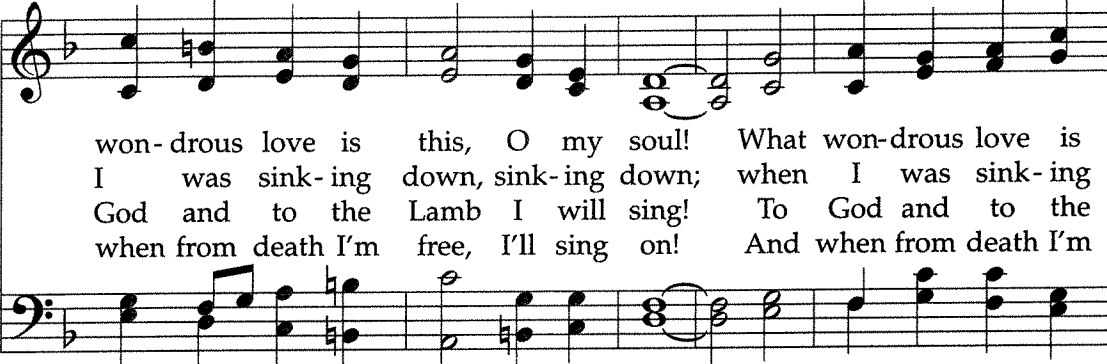
Linda Currin, Testimony

**Thank you to the Elders and Deacons for  
planning and leading this worship service.**

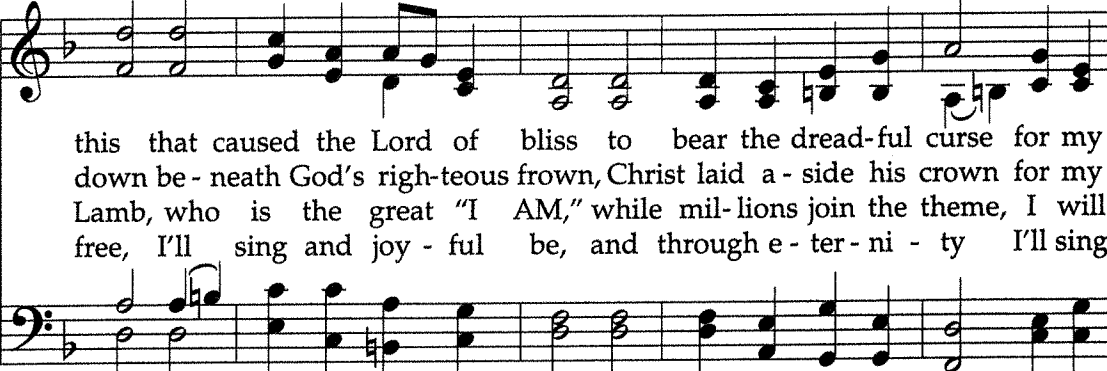
## What Wondrous Love Is This



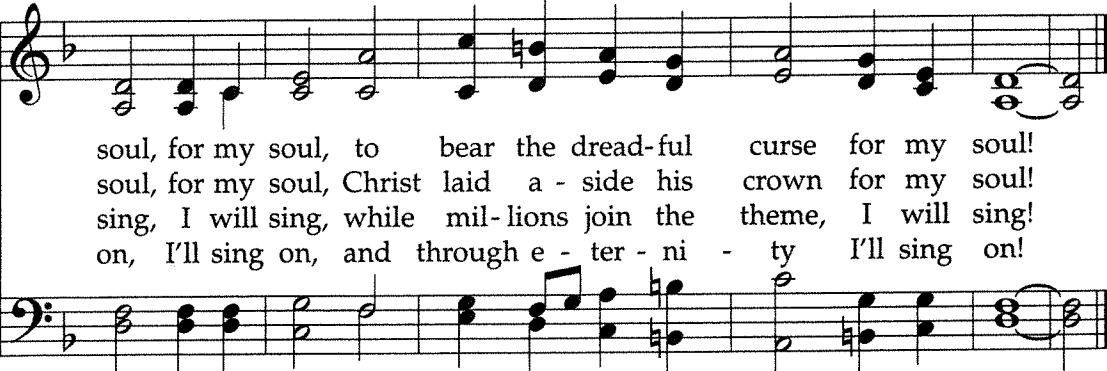
1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what  
 2. When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when  
 3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to  
 4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and



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this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
 down be- neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a- side his crown for my  
 Lamb, who is the great "I AM," while mil-lions join the theme, I will  
 free, I'll sing and joy- ful be, and through e- ter- ni- ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!  
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a- side his crown for my soul!  
 sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing!  
 on, I'll sing on, and through e- ter- ni- ty I'll sing on!



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## Create in Me

*Unison*

The musical score is written for a unison voice part. It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: 'Cre- ate in me a new heart, so that I'll give you more than part of this, the life you've giv-en me, cre- ate in me a new heart, then will I teach, and oth- ers know, and I will learn, my faith will grow. With you I can cre- ate new dreams, with you I can change less- er schemes, O God, new joy and a new start! Cre- ate in me a new heart.'

Cre- ate in

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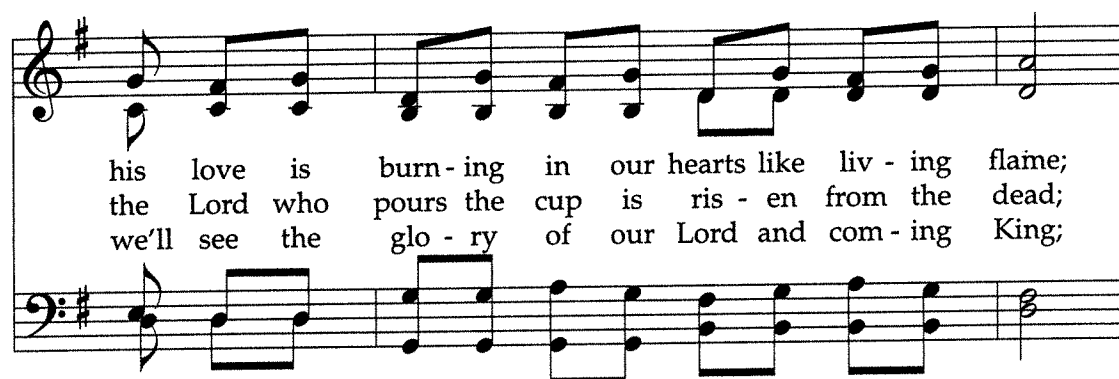
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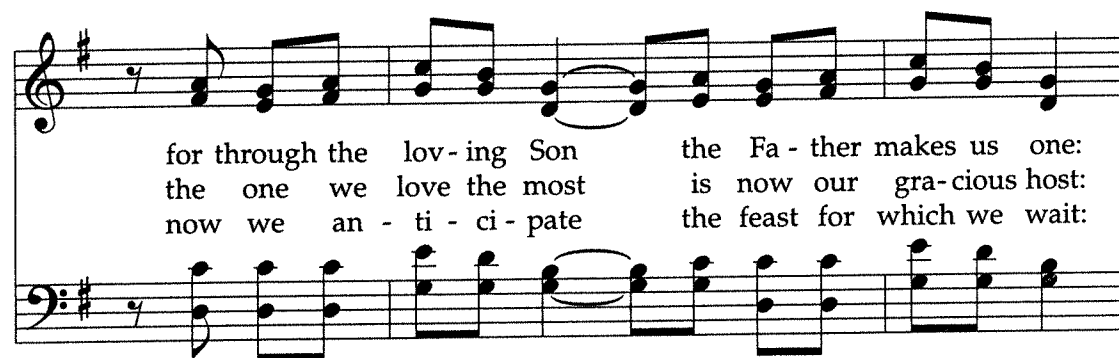
## Come, Share the Lord

*Refrain*


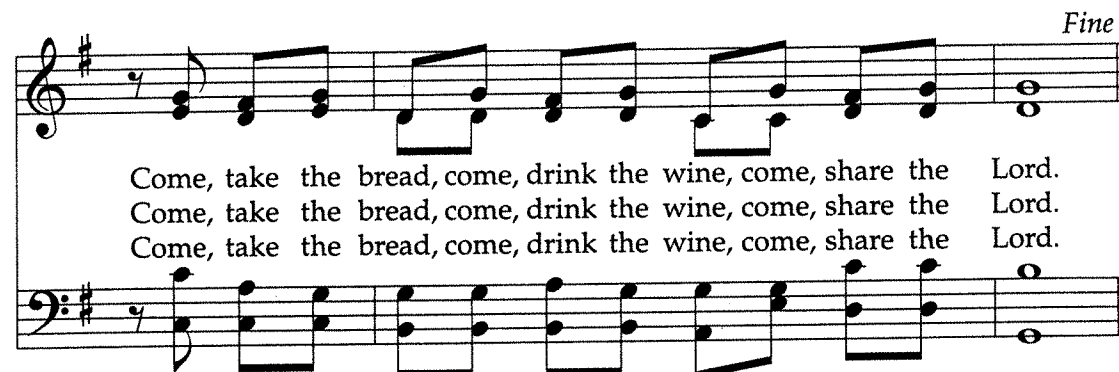
1. We gath - er here in Je - sus' name,  
 2. He joins us here, he breaks the bread,  
 3. We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing;



his love is burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame;  
 the Lord who pours the cup is ris - en from the dead;  
 we'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King;



for through the lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one:  
 the one we love the most is now our gra - cious host:  
 now we an - ti - ci - pate the feast for which we wait:



Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.  
 Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.  
 Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

*Fine*

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

1. No one is a stran-ger here, ev - ery - one be - longs;  
2. We are now a fam - i - ly of which the Lord is head;

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The treble staff contains two lines of music with lyrics underneath. The bass staff contains two lines of music, with a final measure marked with an '8'.

find - ing our for-give-ness here, we in turn for-give all wrongs.  
though un-seen he meets us here in the break-ing of the bread.

*D. C.*

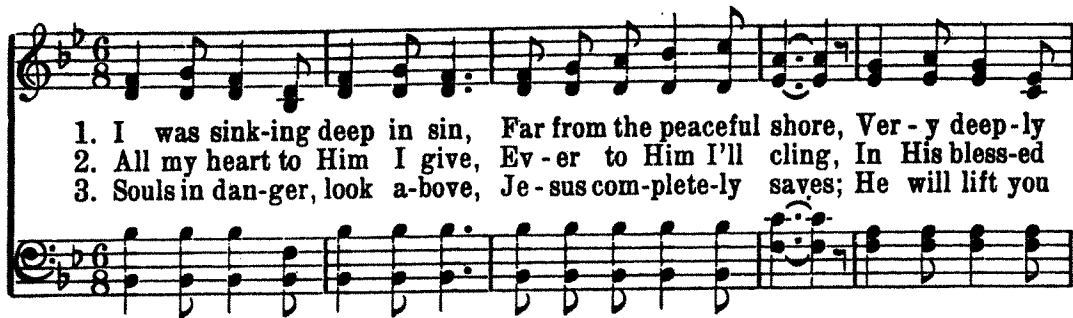
The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. It includes a 'D. C.' (Da Capo) instruction above the treble staff. The system concludes with a double bar line.

# Love Lifted Me

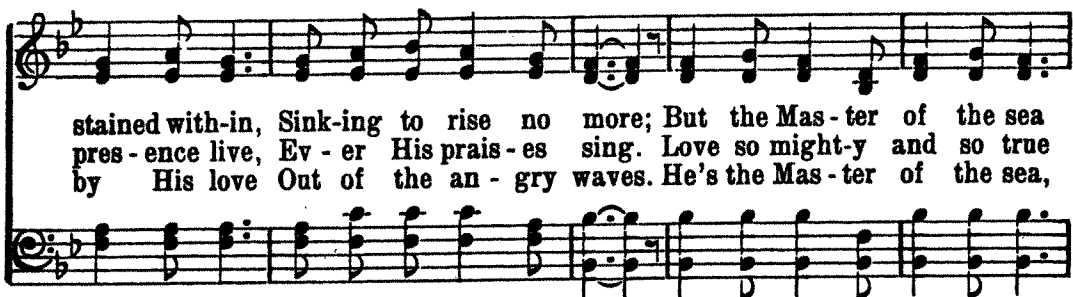
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JAMES ROWE

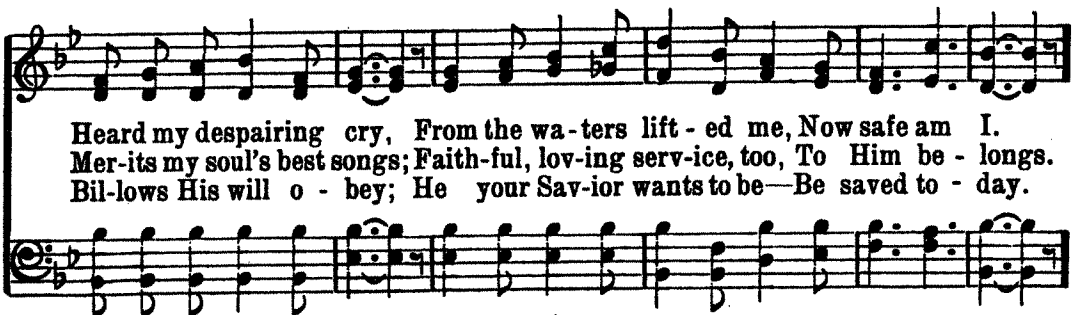
HOWARD E. SMITH



1. I was sink-ing deep in sin, Far from the peaceful shore, Ver - y deep-ly  
 2. All my heart to Him I give, Ev - er to Him I'll cling, In His bless-ed  
 3. Souls in dan-ger, look a-bove, Je - sus com-plete-ly saves; He will lift you

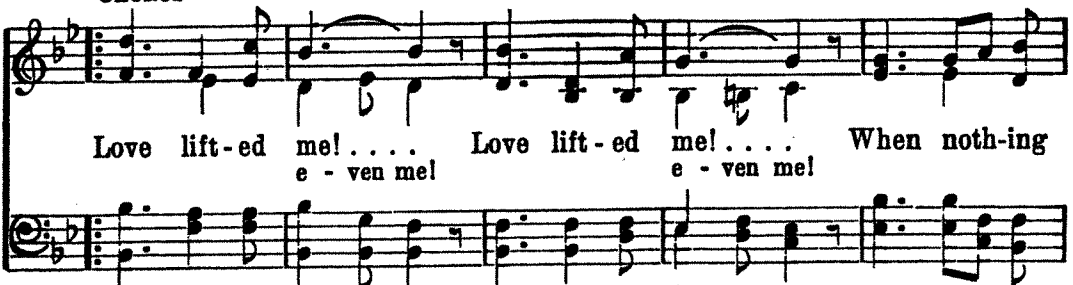


stained with-in, Sink-ing to rise no more; But the Mas-ter of the sea  
 pres-ence live, Ev - er His prais-es sing. Love so might-y and so true  
 by His love Out of the an - gry waves. He's the Mas-ter of the sea,



Heard my despairing cry, From the wa-ters lift - ed me, Now safe am I.  
 Mer-its my soul's best songs; Faith-ful, lov-ing serv-ice, too, To Him be - longs.  
 Bil-lows His will o - bey; He your Sav-ior wants to be—Be saved to - day.

## CHORUS



Love lift-ed me! . . . . Love lift-ed me! . . . . When noth-ing  
 e - ven me! e - ven me!



else could help, Love lift - ed me. Love lift - ed me.