Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come worship God, **People: who gives food to the hungry and sets the prisoner free.** Leader: Come worship God, **People: who gives life to the lifeless and sets our hearts aflame.** Leader: Come worship God, **People: and bring your gifts before the One who is their source.**

*Hymn # 301 – Let Us Build a House (All Are Welcome)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, too often we turn only to those we know, people who are familiar, known and most like us. We fail to listen to marginalized voices. We fail to hear our stories as told by people from outside perspectives. Forgive us, God, and redeem us. Help us to seek your wisdom and your truth from people without power and privilege. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. People: And also with you.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Not Following the Script

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Special Music



Sunday, November 7th Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** Leader: Lift up your heart. **People: We lift them up to the Lord!** Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Sharing of the Meal

Prayer After Communion

Nourishing God, thank you for inviting us to your table where all are welcome, and for feeding us with the bread of life and quenching our thirst with the cup of blessing. As you have filled our lives with love and hope, may we be a source of your love and hope for others who hunger and thirst for good news. Amen.

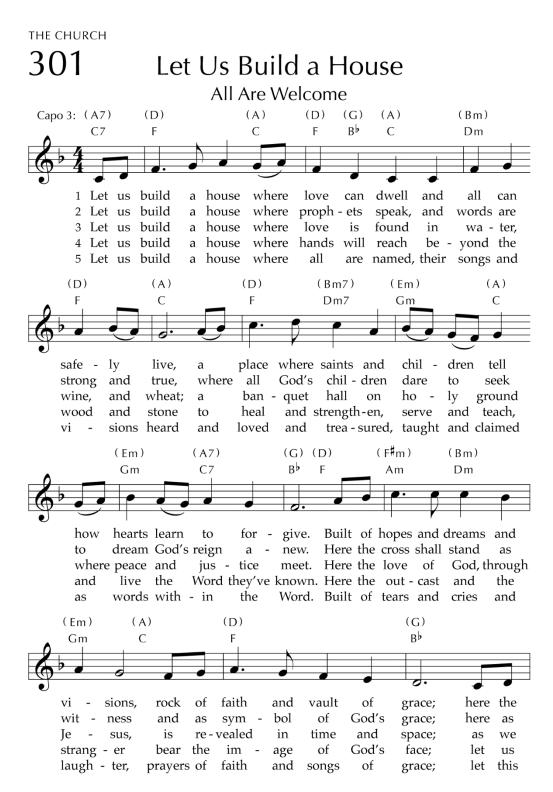
*Hymn # 509 – All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

*Charge and Benediction

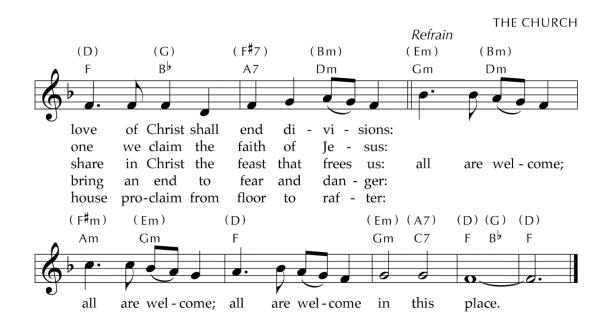
*Congregational Response: Hymn # 606 – Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Postlude



Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshiping community.



LORD'S SUPPER All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread. 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest. 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je-sus Christ is liv - ing bread. Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed. Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led. You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food. We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood. Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i tude. Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

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