

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany** - January 17, 2021

**The Prelude**

**The Song of Preparation:** *“Here I Am to Worship”*

**The Call to Worship**

One: Something made the hairs stand up on our necks. Was it you, O God?

**All: Was it you that we saw blowing over the water?**

One: Was it you that we heard in those steps?

**All: Was it you that we felt in the beating of our own hearts?**

One: Was it you that called our names?

**All: Come, O God. Come to search us. Come to know us again.**

One: We were knit in your womb. We have tried to count your works.

**All: Come, O God, so that we can hear you calling our names. Here and now.**

**The Gathering Song:** *“Joyful, Joyful We Adore You”* (see p. 2)

**The Prayer of Invocation**

Holy One, you have called us by name. You will not let us lounge in bed. You wake us up in the middle of the night to remember; and so we remember. You will not let us hide under the tree. You summon us from the shade to be changed; so let us be changed. You will not let us bury our secrets within the earth. You unearth our fears and speak them aloud; may our fears be heard out loud. Forgive us, O God, when we cannot speak. Reveal the words we need most. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

**The Musical Response:** *Come share the Spirit growing in you. Live out the love that’s showing in you. Dance out your life as only you can. Sing of the day we’ll walk hand in hand.*

**The Scripture Reading:** Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

**The Sermon:** *“It’s Personal: On Sharing Intimacy With God”*

**The Time for Prayer** (followed by *Our Lord’s Prayer*)

**The Recognition of Tithes and Offerings** (followed by the *Doxology*)

**The Prayer of Dedication (in unison)**

O God, you offer us wonderful gifts. In these offerings, may we make for change that doesn’t yet exist. May we give it a name. May we move through our fears. May we dare to call this hope wonderful, in the hope of Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen.

**The Parting Song:** *“Dream God’s Dream”* (see pp. 3-4)

**The Benediction**

Liturgist: Lori Benstead

Organist: Diane Olson

Pastor: Bob Wang

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## Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Ps. 145:10; Isa. 49:13

Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore you, God of glo - ry, God of love;  
2 All your works with joy sur-round you, earth and heaven re - flect your rays,  
3 You are giv - ing and for-giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blessed,  
4 Mor-tals, join the might-y cho - rus which the morn-ing stars be - gan;

Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore you, open - ing to the sun a - bove.  
Stars and an - gels sing a - round you, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!  
Bound-less love is reign - ing o'er us, re - con - cil - ing race and clan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the storms of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash - ing sea,  
Lov - ing Spir - it, Fa - ther, Moth - er, all who love be - long to you;  
Ev - er sing - ing, move we for - ward, faith - ful in the midst of strife,

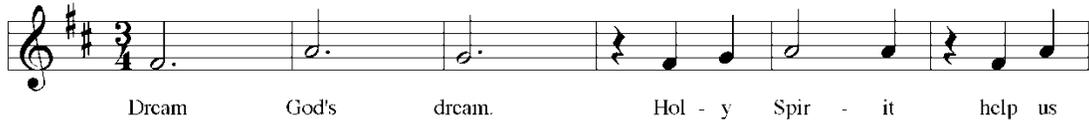
Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.  
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun-tain, teach us what our praise should be.  
Teach us how to love each oth - er, by that love our joy re - new.  
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us on - ward in the tri - umph song of life.

Henry van Dyke was a noted church leader, U.S. ambassador, Navy chaplain, and prolific writer. Many people associate this hymn with Beethoven's ninth symphony, but few are aware of the original poem by the German classicist F. Schiller (1759–1805) that inspired Beethoven.

Tune: HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7.D.  
Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824  
Adapt. and harm. Edward Hodges, 1846

# DREAM GOD'S DREAM

Bryan Sirchio



Dream God's dream. Holy Spirit help us



dream of a world where there is justice and where



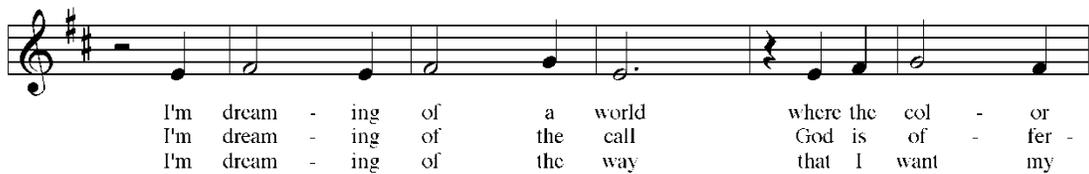
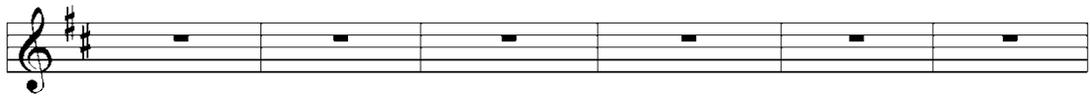
ev - 'ry - one is free to build and grow and



love and to sim - ply have e - nough. The



world will change when we dream God's dream.



I'm dream - ing of a world where the col - or  
I'm dream - ing of the call God is of - fer -  
I'm dream - ing of the way that I want my



of one's skin will mean less than what's with -  
ing to me, how to use my en - er -  
life to go. I've got hopes and I've got

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in that per-son's heart. A  
gy and my best gifts. To  
goals I'd like to meet. I'll



world where wa-ter's clean, and where air is  
do the work of Christ, to say God please  
reach high for the stars, but I won't for -



safe to breathe and ev-'ry child born  
use my life to spread your heal-ing love  
get the scars of Christ who died to show



has e-nough to eat.  
and to live your truth.  
that the dream's for all.