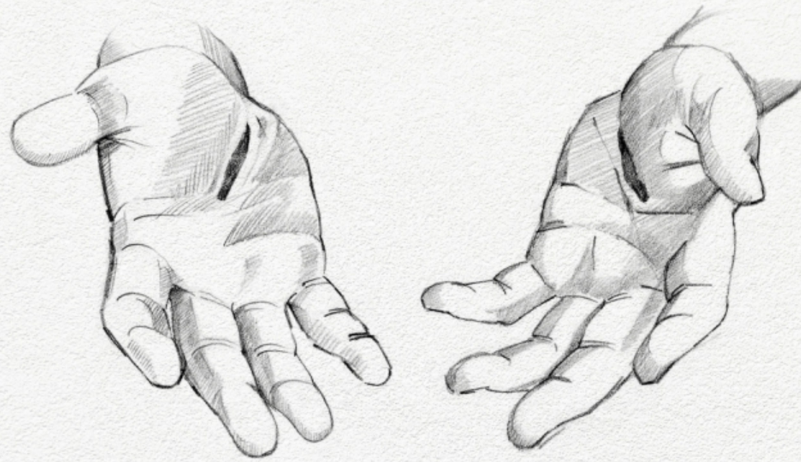


Peacham Congregational Church
56 Church Street, Peacham, VT 05862



"Put your finger here,
see my hands.
Reach out your hand
and put it into my side.
Stop doubting and believe."

John 20:27, NIV

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We are an open and Affirming Church

*No matter who you are
or where you are in life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Announcements:

We welcome Ken Vos again today as guest minister. Ken is a Minnesota farm boy who came East to attend New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Jersey. After servicing Dutch Reform churches in Fishkill, NY and Hawthorne, NJ, Ken earned a Ph.D in Philosophy at Columbia University. He came to Lyndon State College (now Northern Vermont University) to be its first professor in Philosophy, and he held that position for 32 years until retiring in 1999.

For the next two Sundays, today and next week, those who wish to, will gather at the café after church for Coffee Hour. We will restart Coffee Hour on September 1st.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

8/22 - Joan Churchill

8/25 - Lisa Moore 8/25 – Sean & Jennifer Surat

Guest Speakers:

Aug. 25 – David Bullock, Morgan, Vermont

Sept.. 1 – Rev. Bob Potter

Sept. 8 – Abby Pollender – Communion w/Carol Fox

Sept. 15 - Nancy Fowler

Sept. 22 - John Morris

Sept. 29 – Coffee House Service in Social Hall

Ministry.....Until we find a pastor or an interim pastor, the deacons will handle all services. Patty Gardner, the head deacon, can be reached at 413-883-2842.

Church Administrator.....	Patty Gardner
Lay Service Coordinator.....	Lynne Lawson
Music/Choir Director.....	/Patty Gardner
Accompanist	Bruce Westcott
Church Council President & Moderator	John Marshall

Deacons:	Susan Chandler	Chris Danielson	Carolyn Deasy
	Patty Gardner	Anita Vann	Rick Witt

Treasurer.....Bruce Westcott

Collector.....Ann Goss

Sexton.....Jeff Lane

Web MinistryJonathan R. Potter

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Order of Service
August 18, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Lay Service Leader: Patty Gardner
Ken Vos - Guest Minister

Welcome

Concerns & Celebrations

Prelude: TBA

Unison Call to Worship: - by William F. Shultz

Come into this place of peace
And let its silence heal your spirit;
Come into this place of memory
And let its history warm your soul;
Come into this place of prophesy and power
And let its vision change your heart.

*Hymn #250 "Gather Us In" - vs. 1 & 2

Reading: The Scale of Doubt Quiz (see Insert)

Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Let's join together to offer our prayers.

Please respond with the bold words when I read,

"God, in your goodness", **you hear us and heal us.**

Congregation Responds – Hymn 278, "Hear Our Prayer, O God"

Collection & Monthly Mission

Doxology - #46 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Unison Prayer of Dedication

Dear Lord, we give back to you in thankfulness what you have given us in kindness. Bless the gifts we now present back to you, so that they may be used in the work of your Kingdom on this earth. Amen

*Hymn #424 "We Walk by Faith"

Scriptural Reading: John 20: 24-29.

Sermon: "The Place For An Honest Doubt" - Ken Vos

Piano Interlude

*Hymn #250 – "Gather Us In" - vs. 4

Benediction -

Choral Response #345 – God Be with You Til we Meet Again – vs. 1, no chorus

Postlude: TBA

Here in This Place (Gather Us In)

Unison

1. Here in this place, the new light is stream-ing, now the dark night has
 2. We are the young—our lives are a mys-tery; we are the old, who
 3. Here we re-ceive new life in your wa-ters; here we re-ceive the
 4. Not just in build-ings, small and con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,

van-ish-ed a-way. See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth; here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way, here in this place the new light is shin-ing;

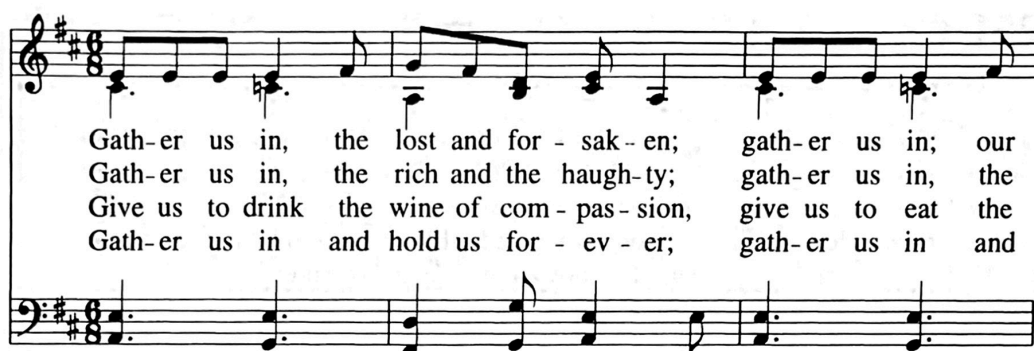
brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is God pres-ent, and now is the day.

WORDS and MUSIC: Marty Haugen, 1981, alt.

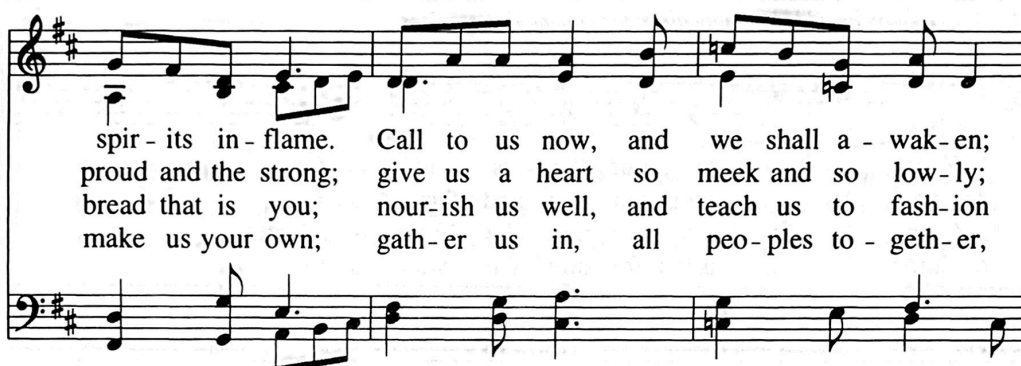
Marty Haugen is a member of Mayflower United Church of
 Christ, Minneapolis MN, where he is composer-in-residence.

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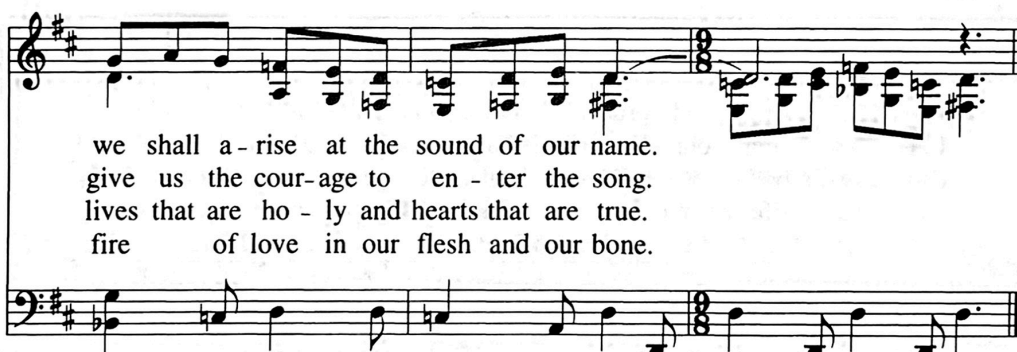
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Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en; gath-er us in; our
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er; gath-er us in and



spir - its in - flame. Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so low - ly;
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Come into this place of peace
 and let its silence heal your spirit;
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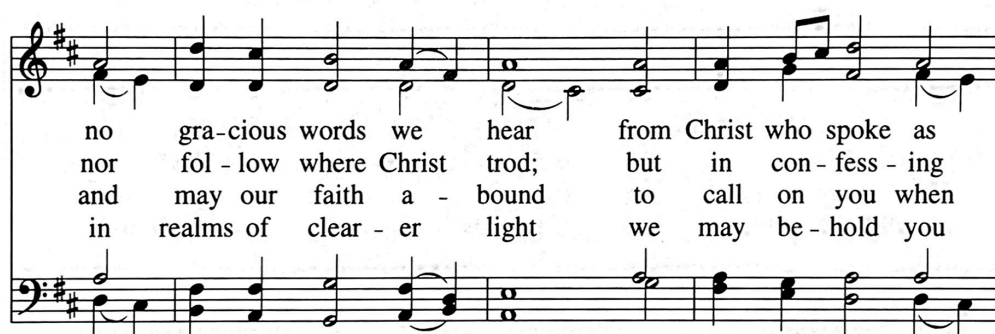
— William F. Schultz

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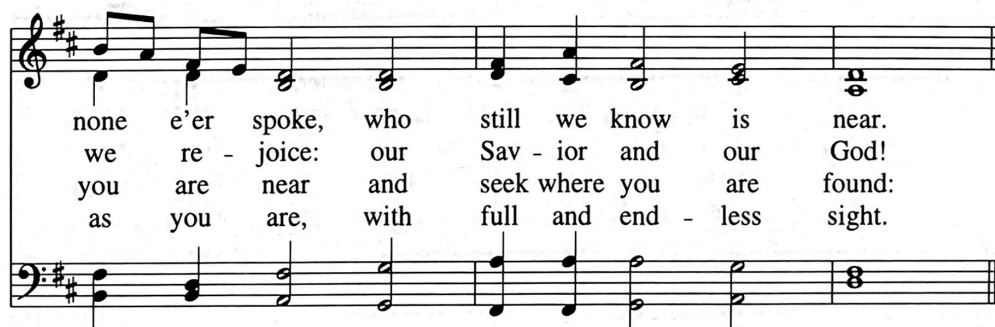
424 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1. We walk by faith and not by sight;
 2. We may not touch Christ's hands and side,
 3. Help then, O Christ, our un - be - lief;
 4. That, when our life of faith is done,



no gra-cious words we hear from Christ who spoke as
 nor fol - low where Christ trod; but in con - fess - ing
 and may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 in realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you



none e'er spoke, who still we know is near.
 we re - joice: our Sav - ior and our God!
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

WORDS: Henry Alford, 1844, alt.

MUSIC: Samuel McFarland, c. 1816; harm. FCC, 1997

Alford was Anglican Dean of Canterbury Cathedral, England, and a devoted scholar and ecumenist. The hymn is inspired by John 20:24-29, the story of doubting Thomas.

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I profess myself always one of them, who still desire to learn further, or better, what the good will of God is. And I beseech the Lord from mine heart that there may be in other men the like readiness of mind to forsake every evil way, and faithfully to embrace and walk in the truth.

— John Robinson, *Leiden Pastor of the Pilgrims*, 1617