



SWEDENBORGIAN CHURCH

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Promoting Spiritual Growth through the Arts, Theology, Fellowship, and Service

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

July 18, 2021

(Note: * means "Stand as you are able")

Prelude

Intermezzo, Op. 9, No. 5

BY HERMANN SCHROEDER

Christopher Thorpe, guest musician

***Greetings**

Announcements

***Hymn: INSERT -**

"Glorious things of thee are spoken"

***Opening of the Word**

***Responsive Invocation:**

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
*what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?*

Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.
*You have given them dominion
over the works of your hands;*

you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the

fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

*O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

***Invitation to Prayer:**

O come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.

(Please be seated)

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit. Amen.*

O Lord, our heavenly Creator, whose great love holds a
forgiveness for all who desire and seek it: we thank thee
for thy gracious assurance that thou art always near and
ready to forgive. Pardon and deliver us from all our sins;
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness and truth,
and bring us into everlasting life;
for thy mercy's sake. Amen.

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.*

O Lord, open thou our lips:
And our mouths shall show forth thy praise.

(All stand)

*Praise ye the Lord!
The Lord's name be praised!

***The Sanctus**

*Holy, holy, holy; Lord God of hosts:
Heav'n and earth are full of thy glory. Amen.*

First Scripture Reading: *Isaiah 66:22-23*

Children's Message

Solo

"God is all there is"

BY MARY WATKINS

Celeste Winant, soloist

Second Scripture Reading: *Revelation 21:22-27*

Spiritual Message

Is heaven real?

Rev. Junchol Lee

Silent Meditation

Prayer of the People/Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn: INSERT -**
"Breathe on me, breath of God"

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

The Lord's Prayer
(sung in French)

BY MAURICE DURUFLÉ

***Doxology**

*Praise God the Source of life and birth
Praise God the Word who came to earth
Praise God the Spirit, holy flame
All glory, honor to God's name. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn: INSERT**
"Come down, O Love divine"

***Benediction**

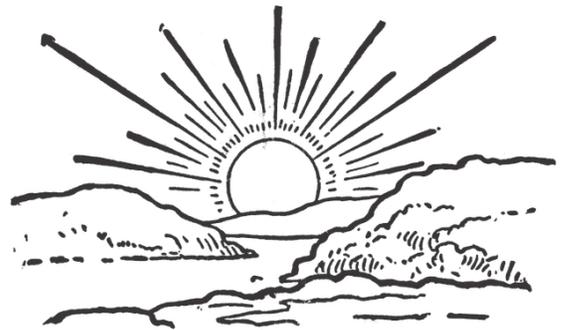
***Closing of the Word**

Postlude

Intermezzo in A, Op. 118, #2

BY JOHANNES BRAHMS

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*We invite you to sign our guest book and to join us for refreshments and fellowship in the parish house after the service. Please turn off your cell phone, and may we suggest that you take infants or toddlers to our childcare before the worship service begins, or if they become vocal or active during the service. Thank you.*



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# READINGS

## ***Isaiah 66:22-23***

For as the new heavens and the new earth,  
which I will make,  
shall remain before me, says the Lord,  
so shall your descendants and your name remain.  
From new moon to new moon,  
and from sabbath to sabbath,  
all flesh shall come to worship before me,  
says the Lord.

## ***Revelation 21:22-27***

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day — and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

## **From The Writings of Emanuel Swedenborg: *Heaven and Hell #8***

Everyone in the heavens knows, believes, and even perceives that nothing good is intended and done by the self and that nothing true is thought and believed by the self. Everything comes from the Divine, which means from the Lord. Anything good and true from the self is not good or true, because there is no life from the Divine within it. Angels of the central heaven perceive and feel the inflow distinctly. The more they accept, the more they seem to be in heaven, because they are more fully absorbed in love and faith, in the light of intelligence and wisdom, and in the heavenly joy that results. Once we see that all these qualities emanate from the Lord's divine nature, we can see that the Lord's divine nature makes heaven. It is not anything the angels do with a sense of ownership. This is why in the Word heaven is called the Lord's dwelling and his throne. It is why the people who live there are described as being "in the Lord."

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Church Council Meeting**

*This Sunday, July 18th at 1 p.m.*

Your church council will meet this afternoon at 1 p.m. in the Parish House. Any who are interested are welcome to attend.



## **Sunday Helpers Needed!**

As we return to in-person services, we are in need of volunteers to assist with regular Sunday duties including ushering, lighting candles, setting up the live stream, serving as liturgist, and with coffee hour set up.

*Questions or to join, please contact Laurie Carlson at  
carlsonlaurie59@gmail.com*

## **Dole 3 Miler Foot Race**

*Saturday, August 14th - Virtual and local participation*

The Annual Dole 3 Miler is a celebration of George Dole's accomplishments as an elite runner in 1954. In light of George's recent passing, this year's event will be held in his memory and honor. Though the race is organized by the Fryeburg New Church Assembly in Maine, there is a Virtual Race option we encourage interested individuals to join. If you'd like to participate in a local walk/run, please contact Jennifer Lindsay at [aggie1988@gmail.com](mailto:aggie1988@gmail.com).



## Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of Thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken  
formed thee for his own abode.  
On the Rock of Ages founded,  
what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
thou mayest smile at all they foes.

See, the streams of living waters,  
springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters,  
and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint, while such a river  
ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord, the Giver,  
never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering,  
see the cloud and fire appear  
for a glory and a covering,  
showing that the Lord is near!  
Thus deriving from their banner  
light by night and shade by day,  
safe they feed upon the manna  
which he gives them when they pray.

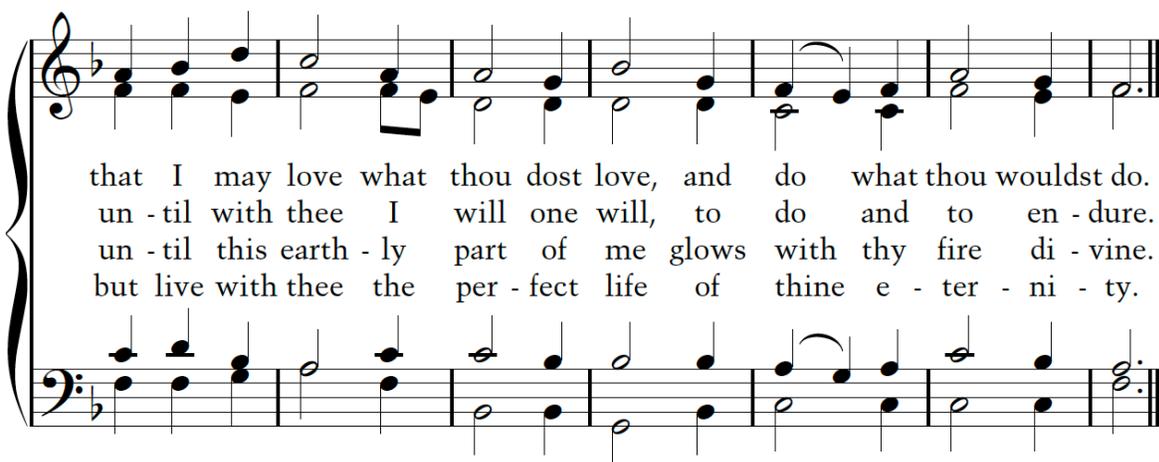
Savior, if of Zion's city  
I through grace a member am,  
let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name.  
Soon will pass all worldly pleasure,  
with its boasted pomp and show;  
solid joys and lasting treasure,  
none but Zion's children know.

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## Breathe on Me, Breath of God



1 Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
2 Breathe on me, breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
3 Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
4 Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.  
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.  
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

# Come Down, O Love Divine

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of  
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions  
3 And so the year - ning strong with which the soul will

mine, and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
turn to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
long, shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - ter, draw near, with - in my heart ap -  
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my  
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a

pear, and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
sight, and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
place where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes his dwell - ing.