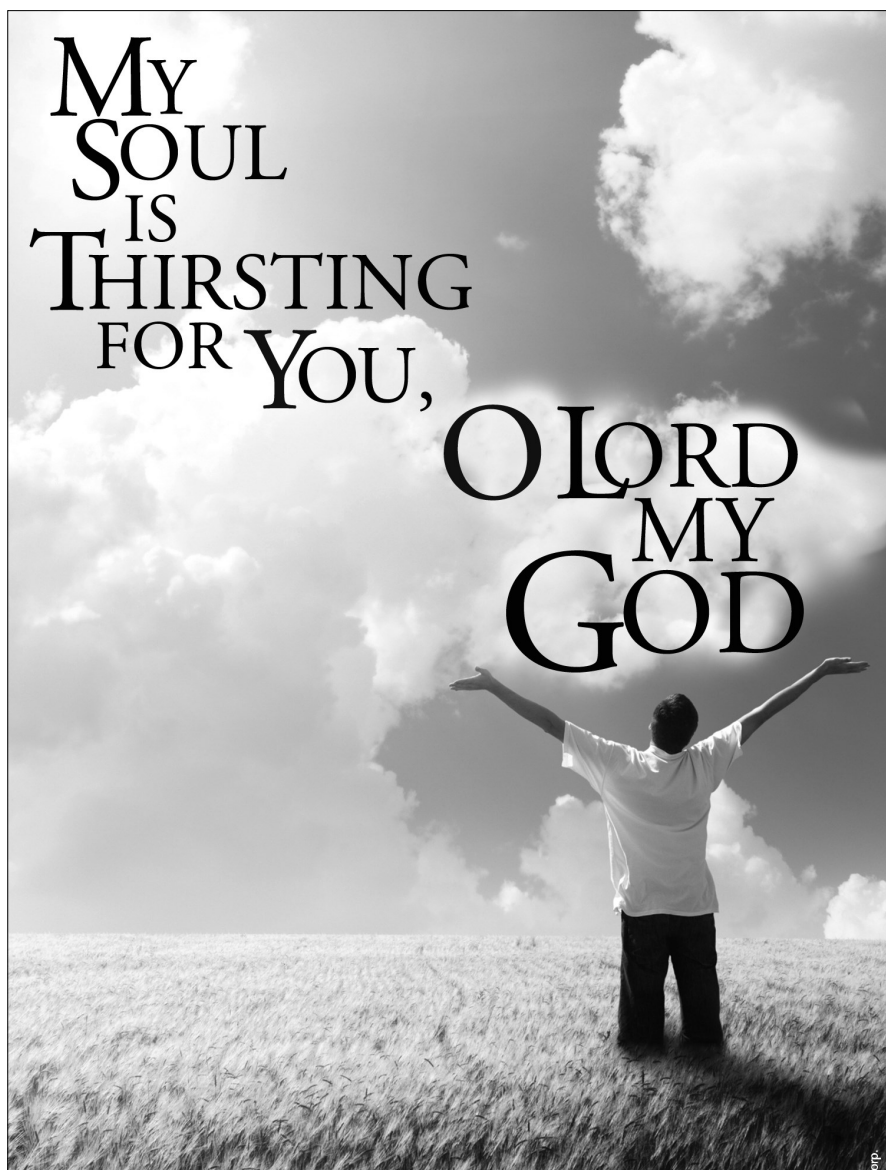


# Our Lady of Victory Parish

300 Capt. Thomas Boulevard, West Haven CT 06516

*“Let us then pursue what leads to peace  
and to build up one another.” (Romans 14:19)*

November 8, 2020 | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



READINGS for Mass appear on pg. 6.  
MUSIC for Mass appears on pg. 8.  
Mass Memorials for 2021 now available,  
see pg. 6

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays at 7:30 AM  
(except Thursday)

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM

Weekend Mass with music can be viewed online each week by visiting our website. To attend in person, **please sign up by Friday** by visiting our Facebook page for more details (addresses below).

## CONFESSIONS

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays, from 3-4 PM in the church. Masks must be worn; social distancing must be followed.*

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## THE SANCTUARY LAMP

*this week honors*

**DENNIS JOYCE,**

*Requested by his Family*



## Weekly Mass Intentions

*If you would like to honor a friend or family member with a Mass, please see available dates on pg. 6.*

**SATURDAY**, November 7 - Weekday; Vigil

4:30 PM: **Gerry O'Neil**, Req. by *Mary*

**SUNDAY**, November 8 - **32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM: **Ed Smith**, Req. by *Friends*

9:30 AM: **Denise Nugent**, Req. by *Helen and Charles Dolan*

11:00 AM: **Joseph Klivak**, Req. by *Skip and Mary Ellen Moricoli*

**MONDAY**, November 9 - **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

7:30 AM: **Sr. Denise Farrands**, on the occasion of her birthday and 60 years in Religious Life, Req. by *Sr. Gertrude*

**TUESDAY**, November 10 - **St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**

7:30 AM: **Intentions of our Parishioners**

**WEDNESDAY**, Nov. 11 - **St. Martin of Tours, Bishop**

7:30 AM: **Lawrence and Mary Gianfredi.**, Req. by *their Daughter*

**THURSDAY**, November 12 - **St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr**

7:30 AM: No Mass

**FRIDAY**, November 13 - **St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin**

7:30 AM: **James Raymond**, Req. by *Friends at OLOV*

**SATURDAY**, November 14 - Weekday; Vigil

7:30 AM: **Intentions of our Parishioners**

4:30 PM: **Cosmo and Raffaella Laudano**, Req. by *Family*

**SUNDAY**, November 15 - **33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM: **Leo Castracane, Sr.**, Req. by *Caesar*

9:30 AM: **Catherine McKeon**, Req. by *her husband, George*

11:00 AM: **Roberta and Robert DeFonce**, in honor of their anniversary

## Eucharistic Adoration

*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:28)*

Adoration takes place on Saturday morning for one hour, immediately following the 7:30 AM Mass. Social distancing and masks are required as we strive to keep people safe.



Welcome to our Parish Family:

**Kaytlyn Judith Stutzman**

# A Beautiful Celebration

A letter from Fr. Dillon



needed in the church.

On a better note, our COVID-adapted All Souls Commemoration went very nicely. The three prayer services had good attendance and many people came to view the luminaries. I was pleased that some of our religious education students came as well. As with everything in life, COVID-19 leaves question marks surrounding plans that we make; when planning an event, we always have to add: "I just don't know" to our expectations.

Dear Parishioners,

Last weekend at Mass, many commented on the odor of natural gas as they entered the church. As of Tuesday morning, here is an update: Southern Connecticut Gas has been here and determined that all is well with the gas meter and pipe fittings. The device that registers the presence of gas detected none. Despite that, the aroma is still present.

Previously, on Monday afternoon, a service technician looked at the church heating unit, which is on the roof over the hallway that leads to the restrooms. His initial inspection indicated that there were no cracks or other physical problems with the heating unit. He returned on Tuesday morning and said we are smelling "exhaust," not natural gas. He made an adjustment to the gas flow with the hope that this solves the problem. If not, we will have him come back.

Carbon dioxide sensors will be installed in the church as an added precaution. If the problem persists, I will cancel Masses as needed. Any information about Mass cancellation may be found on our Facebook and website, as well as a posting on the church doors. Warm weather is forecasted for this weekend so heat will not be

This was the same for how many luminaries would be on display. Last year, there were over 500 of them. This year, many of us guessed that number would be cut drastically. I was expecting to see 200-250 luminaries --but was I wrong! This year we had just under 500 luminaries on display. Wow! In the midst of a pandemic, and with so few people at weekend Masses, I want to thank you for making this annual tradition such a great success.

We all owe a great deal of gratitude to the members of our Knights of Columbus Council who do all of the work of selling, setting up, and taking down of the luminaries. Thank you, Knights members.

Have a good week!

## Extension of Dispensation from Sunday Mass Obligation

*Now through Feb. 16, 2021*

On March 13, 2020, each and every Catholic in the Archdiocese of Hartford was dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass by Archbishop Leonard P. Blair due to the potential danger of the coronavirus pandemic. In light of continued uncertainty regarding the extent and duration of the pandemic in the state of Connecticut and throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford, Archbishop Blair has now extended this dispensation from the Sunday obligation through Saturday, February 16, 2021.

The Archdiocese of Hartford continues to monitor the severity of the situation and will provide updates regarding decisions reached for the archdiocese as they are made.



**Weekly Offertory:**  
**Oct. 26-Nov. 1, 2020**  
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*(up \$3,329 from the same time last year.)*

Your financial support is appreciated as we celebrate our coming together and reestablish our community outreach.

**Your offering is gladly accepted by mail, at Mass in the donation basket, or online. Visit [www.olv.org/](http://www.olv.org/) OnlineGiving for more information.**



**We pray for those who are sick.**

*Out of respect for whom we pray, only family members may add names to this list.*

Jason Adams, Maureen and Peter Alonso, Charles Asarisi, Augliera Family, Louis Altieri, Amanda, Valeria Asperelli, Priscilla Banning, Danielle Boros, Gerard Canadeo, Frank Consorte, Michael Cote, Rosalie, Lucy Anne Criscuolo, Karen Cronan, Howard Curtis, Deanna Cusano, Jeff Davis, Dawn DellaRocco, Albert DeLucia, Frank Dini Jr., DeNigris Family, Patti Dowling, Michael Duffy, Susanne Duffy, Monique Ek, Sandy Eocai, Linda Foley, Tony Fusco, Joseph Galatie, Geraldine, Patty Gigola, Therese Gill, Dee Green, Judy Florio, Maureen Freeman, Patti Fusco, Ray Guarino, Tom Halligan, Karen Hodgdon, Bill Kapinos, Hank Kowalski, Julianna, Rose Jarvie, Florence Johnson, Ann LaBonia, Carmen Limauro, Claudine Lopez, Charles Maddelena, Noah McEachern, Genevieve Mieczkowski, Theresa Montz, Mary Moran, Gabby Murillo, Devin O'Connor, Judy Palmer, Joseph Pekar, Joseph R., Marsha R., John Rakos, Don Robillard, Elizabeth Ross, Rose Santilli, Mark Scecina, Elizabeth Shamaly, Jack and Joan Shea, Richard and Suzanne Smallman, Anthony Spina, Daniel Steinau, Gwen Stiewing, Anthony Terasi Sr., Anthony Terrasi, Jr., Jessie Terrasi, Doris Worrell

**In loving memory, we pray for these souls.**

*Our Parish extends sincere sympathy to the family and friends of:*

**Theresa Amendola, Laura Fitzpatrick, Linda Montagna, James Raymond, The Victims of the Coronavirus**

**Please pray for those serving in our military.**

*Parishioners are invited to add the names of armed forces personnel on active duty to this list by calling the rectory office.*

Jeffrey Batres, USMC  
 Staff Sgt. Adam Dudek  
 Staff Sgt. Danielle Luby  
 Pfc Teagan Fransen, USMC  
 SPEC Giovanni Gigola  
 Airman Gabriella Gigola  
 Airman Aaron Butner  
 Airman Sean Hufcut  
 E3 Lexi Ronan, USN  
 E5 Ryan Ronan, USN  
 Pvt. Christopher Miller  
 SPC Alexander Capuras  
 E4 Raymond Mayberry, USMC  
 Senior Airman, Hunter Cole, USAF  
 Airman 1st Class Skylar Hampton  
 1st Lt. Pilot Michael Dupliesse

**Our Monthly Parish Devotion: *Praying for Deceased Loved Ones***

*May we pray for them now, and always.*

St. Gertrude the Great is invoked for souls in purgatory and for living sinners. Our Lord told St. Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1,000 souls from Purgatory each time it is said. The prayer was extended to include living sinners.

*Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family.*



# Contemplation and Preparation

By Deacon Frank Bevvino

Our readings this week-end seem to focus on things that seem to have no practical help for everyday life. One cannot take these readings and apply them directly to what may be going on in our life right now. They cannot cure our anxiety over health and family issues; they cannot directly change the political situation in our country; nor do they offer solutions as we head into the holidays and another winter of restrictions of contact with family, friends and travel. We are all exhausted with the thought that we will probably lose a year or more of our lives under pandemic restrictions.

What these readings *do* give us is advice in this time of trial and hope for the future. A message that with prayer, God's presence will be revealed and give us the lasting relief that He is with us and has not abandoned us. We need to realize that God is always present to us. It is in our reaching out to Him, through prayer, that He makes His presence known. Through prayer and contemplation of God's work, we obtain an understanding of Him and His unending presence in our lives. (*Prov 9:10*)

As we go through life we wonder about our future here on Earth and what will happen after death. Awareness of His creative splendor in the beauty of the Autumn landscape and the gift of the people we love helps us to begin to understand God's magnificent presence.

Our first reading today says that Wisdom is "resplendent and unfading." The brightness and the strength of wisdom never fades, it never loses its strength. Wisdom is never ending; it never changes but its presence remains forever in its magnificence.

Scripture uses Wisdom as a metaphor for God. As we use wisdom in life to navigate to do what is right, wisdom becomes the presence of God guiding and preparing us for the reward of

*"Taking thought of [God]  
is the perfection  
of prudence  
and whoever...keeps vigil  
shall....be free of care."  
(Wis 6:15)*

the life-giving sacrifice of Jesus. "The souls of the just are in the hands of God." (*Wis 3:1*)

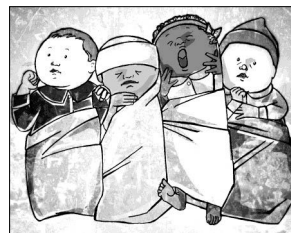
Jesus' parable today tells a story of the need for knowledge of God's hand in the creative process of everything and preparation for His receiving us when we leave this life on Earth. While we await His coming, we should not idly sit by. Preparing for Jesus'

coming takes prayer, thought and preparation. Understanding God and His ways should occupy our life through prayer and thought of God's hand in what has happened in our life and the world around us.

Without this preparation, as today's story tells us, we may hear the Lord say to us "we do not know you." God is actively present in every moment and breath that we take. It is only through our acknowledging Him that we come to understand His ways and make preparation of His call to Eternal life for us.

## DRIVE-THRU DIAPER DRIVE

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You may book Mass intentions for the remainder of the year through June 2021 by calling the Rectory Office at (203) 934-6357. Donations for daily Mass intentions are \$15; weekend Masses, \$25.

**Weekends:**

Vigil, 4:30 pm – None remaining in 2020  
 8:00 am – None remaining  
 9:30 am – 11/29  
 11:00 am – 12/13, 12/27

**Weekdays at 7:30 am:**

November: 14, 24, 25, 28  
 Dec.: 2, 4, 5, 7, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30

**Sanctuary Candle:** Week of 11/22

**December 8, Holy Day:**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception:**

7:30 am, 6:30pm

**December 24, Christmas Eve:**

4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 10:00 pm

**December 25, Christmas Day:**

8:00 am, 11:00 am



**Women's  
 Conference:  
 Going Virtual!**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Archdiocesan Women's Conference, originally scheduled for November 7, 2020, has been postponed in-person. However, the experience of the Women's Conference will take place in an extended virtual format, running from Nov. 2020 to May 2021.

A chance to "attend" a free workshop and prayer experience will be available monthly. **These virtual events will take place on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.** Attendees will register in advance for the virtual event and are welcome to come as they are: yoga pants or sweatshirt or stilettos, glass of wine or cup of tea. Partake in spiritual nourishment and time in community as a taste of the experience of the Women's Conference (a workshop and prayer experience) in this socially distant time.... and of course, it will be free of charge!

Visit [www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org](http://www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org) to register for these monthly events!

**Sunday's Readings: Nov. 8**

*"...This Word of God proclaimed in the liturgy possesses a special sacramental power to bring about in us what it proclaims. ... How, then, do we respond to this wonderful gift of God's Word? We respond in word and song, in posture and gesture, in silent meditation and, most important of all, by **listening attentively** to that Word as it is proclaimed." -- General Instruction of the Roman Missal, United States Catholic Conference of Bishops.*

**First Reading** — Wisdom is easily discerned by those who love her (Wisdom 6:12-16).

**Second Reading** — Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]).

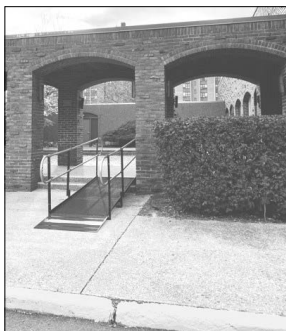
**Gospel** — Stay awake! You know neither the day nor the hour (Matthew 25:1-13).



## Ramps Installed

Accessibility ramps have been installed at the front door (*below*) and hall (*right*) entrances.

When you are ready to return to Mass, they will be here for your use!



## Thank You!

As his Eagle Scout project, Robbie Vets (*below right*), enlisted the help of Troop 899, the Knights of Columbus and a few others to help lay the memorial bricks according to his design. The bricks were moved from our former location. Thank you, Robbie, for spearheading this project. Great job!



## Sign Up to Attend Mass

Masses are reaching capacity and walk-ins may not be allowed to enter. The link to sign up can be found here:

**Website:** Go to [www.olv.org](http://www.olv.org)

- At top of page, click on “November Sign-ups”
- At the far left, click on SignUpGenius.com
- Click on the Mass you want to attend
- Then, at the bottom, click on “Submit.”
- Put in your name and email and click “Sign Up Now” then you’re all set!



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on Friday: (203) 934-6357

## Free Tables and Chairs

Due to the move to our new location, we have extra tables and chairs that we no longer need. If you would like some of these items, please call the Rectory Office. The following are available:

- Wooden round table 5ft. diameter: Qty. 10
- Wooden rectangular table 8ft x30inches: Qty. 30
- Metal folding chairs: Qty. 60

These items are available only to registered parishioners on a first-come, first-serve basis. You must pick up them up: we cannot deliver.



## New to Our Parish?

*Thinking of Becoming a Parishioner?*

Welcome to Our Lady of Victory. If you'd like more information about registering with us, **complete this form** and return it the Rectory Office. Or, send an email message to [OLOVRectory@yahoo.com](mailto:OLOVRectory@yahoo.com). We'll be happy to connect with you.:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Because of health guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19, we are unable to sing from the pews. The next few pages will serve as your hymn book so you can follow along in silent, musical prayer.*



## OPENING

### RAIN DOWN

Jaime Cortez

**Refrain**

Rain down, rain down, rain down your  
love on your peo - ple. love, God of life.

**Verses**

1. Faith-ful and true is the word of our God. All of God's  
2. We who re - vere and find hope in our God live in the  
3. God of cre - a - tion, we long for your truth; you are the

1. works are so wor - thy of trust. God's mer - cy falls on the  
2. kind - ness and joy of God's wing. God will pro - tect us from  
3. wa - ter of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your

to Refrain

1. just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.  
2. dark - ness and death; God will not leave us to starve.  
3. peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

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## GLORIA:

### REFRAIN

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to  
God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

To Verses

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## PSALM 63: 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

℣. My soul is thirst - ing for you, O Lord my God.

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### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA No. VII

℣. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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## OFFERTORY:

### AS THE DEER

Bernadette Farrell

Refrain

As the deer yearns for wa - ter, so have I longed for you,  
 on - ly in you, the liv - ing God, rest - ing my whole life through.

Verses

1. Thirst - ing for you, my God.	Know - ing your truth with -
2. Tears have be - come my bread,	tears ev - ery night and
3. Why so cast down, my soul?	Why do you groan with -
4. Ev - ery new day you send me	all your lov - ing

1. in me. When can I see you as you are, God of my life?
2. morn - ing. Ques - tion - ing voic - es all day long: Where is your God?
3. in me? Hope in God and praise him still, Sav - ior and God.
4. kind - ness. Through ev - ery night I sing your praise, God of my life!

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# COMMUNION:

## CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT/SÉ NUESTRA LUZ

Bernadette Farrell

Verses



1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
2. hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
4. warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain/Estrillo



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.  
 ¡Sé nues-tra luz, Cris-to Se - ñor, en las ti - nie - blas!

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# CLOSING SONG: *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

Verses



1. Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com-ing of the Lord;
2. I have seen him in the watch-fires of a hun-dred cir-cling camps;
3. He has sound-ed forth the trum-pet that shall nev-er call re - treat;
4. In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a-cross the sea,



1. He is tram-pling out the vin-tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
2. They have build-ed him an al - tar in the eve-ning dews and damps;
3. He is sift - ing out the hearts of all be - fore his judg-ment seat;
4. With a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me;



1. He hath loosed the fate - ful light-ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword;
2. I can read his righ-teous sen-tence by the dim and flar - ing lamps;
3. O be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi-lant, my feet!
4. As he died to make us ho - ly, let us die that all be free!

Refrain



1. His truth is march - ing on. Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le -
2. His day is march - ing on. Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le -
3. Our God is march - ing on. Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le -
4. While God is march - ing on. Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le -



lu - jah! Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry!



Glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.

Text: 15 15 15 6 with refrain; Julia W. Howe, 1819-1910, alt.  
 Music: Trad. American melody; attr. to William Steffe, ca. 1830-1911.

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