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**Our Mission**

*To strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ through worship  
and fellowship; to be the face of Christ for all.*

Pastor: Rev. John "Ben" Mandrick

Secretary: Terry Smith

**WELCOME!** *Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!* We are glad you have joined us in worship today as we celebrate Jesus' victory over the power of sin and death.

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*Faith, Worship, Fellowship*

**Everything you need** to participate in worship is printed in this worship booklet.

**Bold print = Congregational Responses**

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**Introduction to the day**

The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls.

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### A TIME OF QUIET REFLECTION

*A Time for Meditation & Prayer*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*(We stand as we are able)*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. We take a moment of silence for self reflection.

*Assembly kneels or stands for confession as they are able.*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

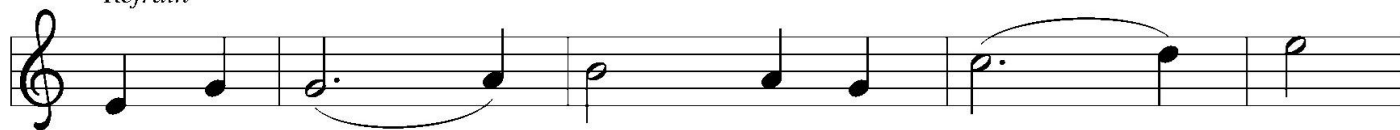
## Give Me Jesus



1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,  
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,  
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,  
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,  
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn - ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.  
 dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.  
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.  
 oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.  
 and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

*Refrain*

Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: GIVE ME JESUS, African American spiritual

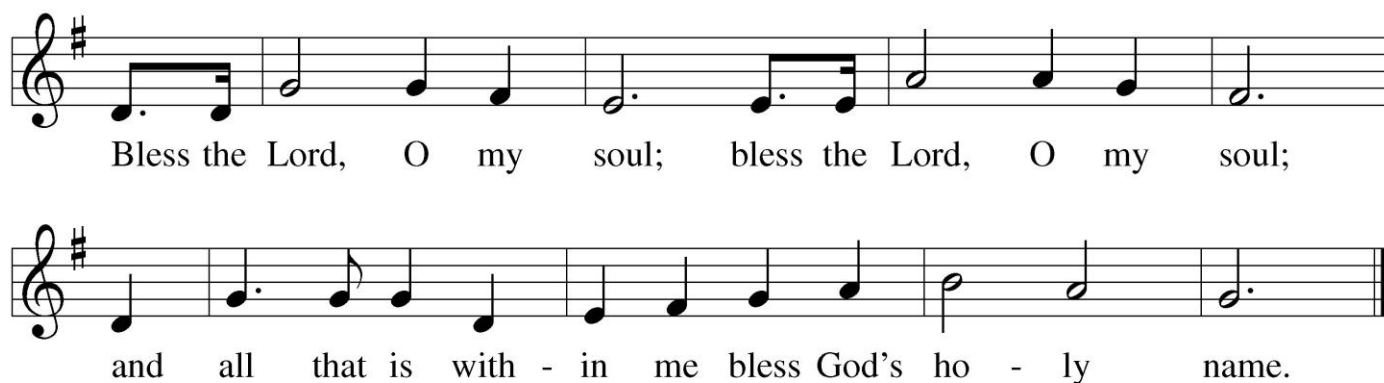
## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### Bless the Lord, O My Soul



The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Bless the Lord, O my soul; bless the Lord, O my soul;

and all that is with - in me bless God's ho - ly name.

Text: Ps. 103:1

Music: PRAISE PSALM 103, traditional

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN**

*(Children will receive a small pack of fruit snack gummies. If allergy sensitive please let Pastor Ben know to substitute another treat)*

### **FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12**

A reading from Zechariah.

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O Zion! Shout aloud, O Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



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## PSALM: 145:8-14

- <sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and full <sup>|</sup> of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in <sup>|</sup> steadfast love.
- <sup>9</sup> **LORD, you are <sup>|</sup> good to all,**  
**and your compassion is over <sup>|</sup> all your works.**
- <sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise <sup>|</sup> you, O LORD,  
and your faithful <sup>|</sup> ones shall bless you.
- <sup>11</sup> **They shall tell of the glory <sup>|</sup> of your kingdom**  
**and speak <sup>|</sup> of your power,**
- <sup>12</sup> that all people may know <sup>|</sup> of your power  
and the glorious splendor <sup>|</sup> of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through- <sup>|</sup> out all ages.**  
**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in <sup>|</sup> all your works.**
- <sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all <sup>|</sup> those who fall  
and lifts up those who <sup>|</sup> are bowed down.

## SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a

R: A reading from Romans

<sup>15</sup> I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup> But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup> For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. <sup>19</sup> For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. <sup>21</sup> So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup> but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup> Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup> Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The word of the Lord.

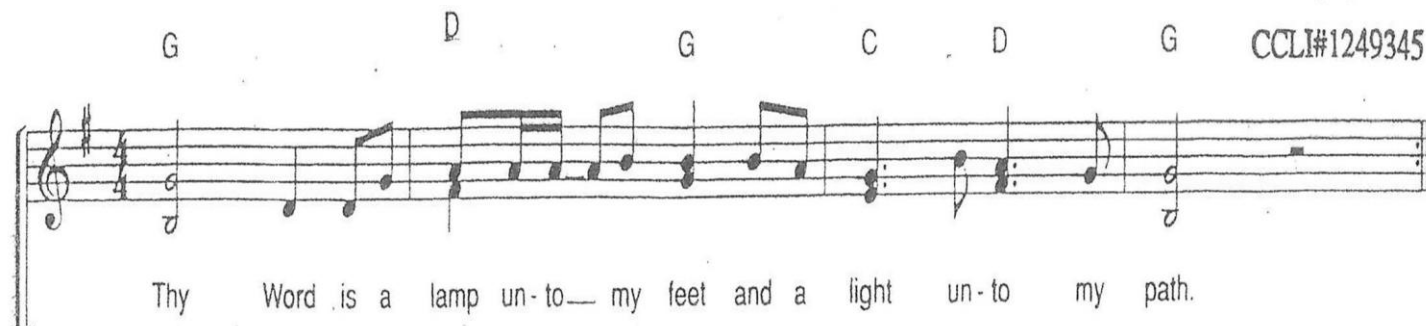
**Thanks be to God.**

*(We stand as we are able)*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Sung 2X*)

# Thy Word

Words by Amy Grant  
Music by Michael W. Smith



**GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup> “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup> ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup> “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup> the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup> “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON:** *Pastor John “Ben” Mandrick*

*(We stand as we are able)*

# I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."  
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.  
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
 and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

## **APOSTLES CREED**

A: We confess our common faith in the words of the Apostles Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

*(We are seated or we kneel)*

## **A: PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Gathering God, send your Spirit on the church you have called out from every nation. Knit us together into one body and heal the divisions we have caused. Overcome our timidity to witness and act in the public square when your purpose is being thwarted. Bless rostered and lay leaders with clarity and courage as they center your people in the gospel.

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

All your works praise you, O God. From the Arctic cool to the Caribbean heat, these lands and waters have sustained all people over the ages. As we take our part in creation's praise, revive our wonder at what you have fashioned, and enliven our will to ensure its health for future generations.

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Holy Trinity, you show us the splendor of diversity and the beauty of unity in your own divine life. We come from many nations with many languages; make us a united people that delights in our many different gifts. As the United States of America marks its declaration of independence, give those whom we have entrusted with authority the spirit of wisdom, and a desire for righteousness, so that both here and abroad, justice, humility, and peace may flourish.

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

You are the hope of the vulnerable, O God. Extend your arms to all who are tired, who live with poverty, the tempest-tossed, all who yearn to breathe free. Embrace people seeking refuge and all people who live in fear. Give healing and hope to people in any oppression and need, especially these from our prayer list and those we name aloud or silently at this time (*brief silence*).

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

We remember before you those who have died in every generation: those who have died ensuring the freedoms of this country: people in the armed services, peace officers, advocates for justice, and missionaries of the Gospel. Gather us, together with those who have gone before us and with saints of every tribe and nation, into the holy city you have prepared.

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Into your mercy, O God, we entrust our restless hearts and all our cares, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

*(We stand as we greet one another with Christ's blessing of peace)*

## **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**OFFERING** *(Responding to God's grace, we offer our gifts and our tithes)*

**MUSICAL OFFERING:** *by the POP Band*

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

### DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.  
You are most holy,  
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but have eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

## LORD'S PRAYER

David Haas, 1988

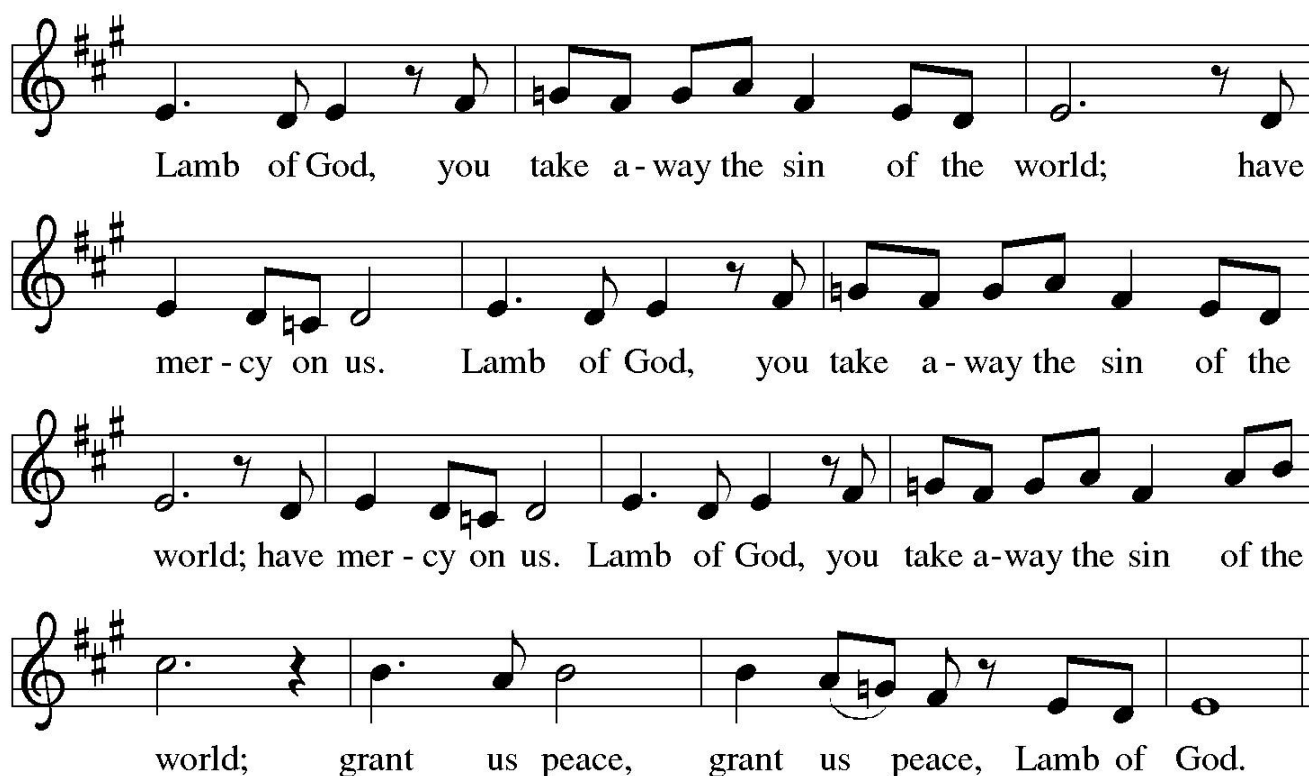
Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal-low - ed be your  
name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on  
earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our  
dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for - give  
those who sin a - gainst us,  
Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from  
e - vil, for the king-dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for ev - er. Amen

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION** *(Holy communion is a gift of God's grace and is open to all. Please come down the center aisle as directed by the ushers to receive the host from the pastor. Gluten free hosts are available. Receive the wine from the Assisting Minister. Grape juice is available in the center ring. Return to your seats by the side aisle placing empty cups in receptacle.)*

## COMMUNION CANTICLE



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

**COMMUNION SONG:**

**Come To The Feast by Jeff Lawson**

Go to the highways and hedges  
Go to the farthest of fields  
Go and compel the sick and the well  
For our Father's house will be filled

Go to the streets of the city  
Bring in the crippled and blind  
All who would taste this banquet of grace  
Must come and waste no more time

Come to the feast, come to the table  
The great and the least, the rich and the poor  
Come to the feast, come to the table  
Come and hunger no more **[Chorus]**

In the robe of the Lamb you'll be covered  
Dressed in His pure righteousness  
For all of your guilt, His blood was spilled  
So come by your Father, be blessed

Come to the feast, come to the table  
The great and the least, the rich and the poor  
Come to the feast, come to the table  
Come and hunger no more **[Chorus]**

## Day by Day



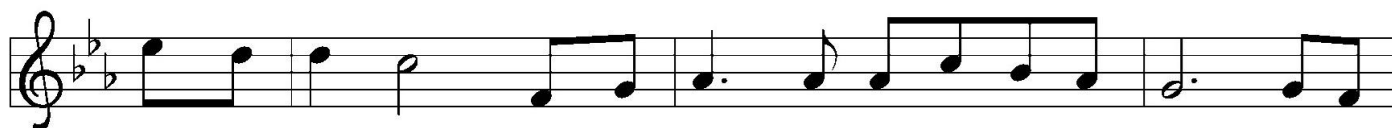
1 Day by day, your mer-cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort  
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and  
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me  
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be-yond all  
o'er the paths I strug-gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil  
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav-ior,  
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav-ior,  
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav-ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face.  
with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

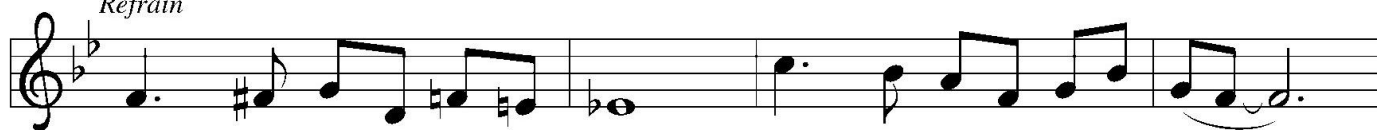
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## Just a Closer Walk with Thee

*Refrain*

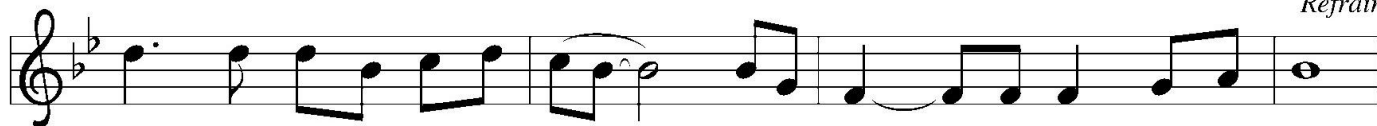
Just a clos-er walk with thee, grant it, Je-sus, is my plea;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.



- 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
- 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
- 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;

*Refrain*

I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.  
 Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.  
 guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore.

Text: North American traditional

Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

*(When all who desire have received the sacrament, we stand as we are able)*

### **TABLE BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Let us pray,

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

P: Please receive this blessing. May God be with you all, above you to watch over you, beneath you to carry you, in front of you to lead you, behind you to encourage you, beside you to befriend you, within you to bring you to eternal life. May God watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another.

**Amen.**

# SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

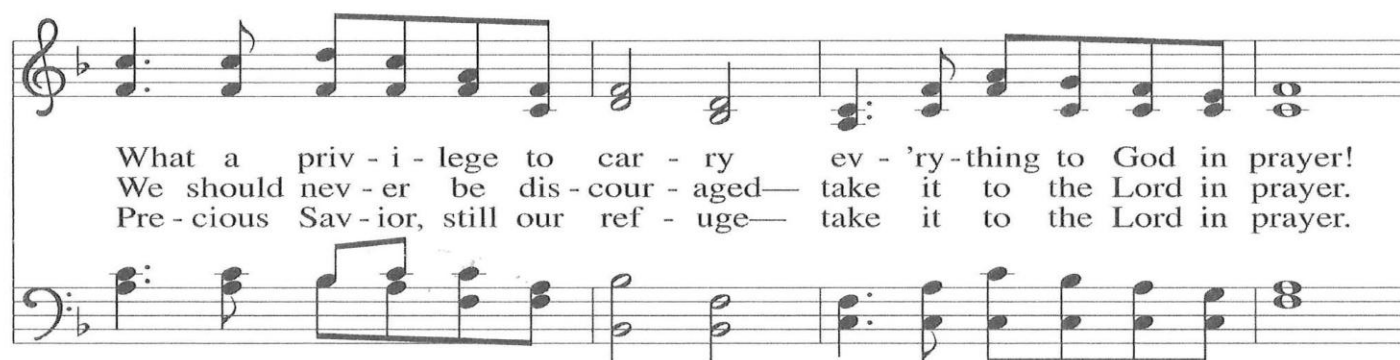
## SENDING SONG

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### What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—  
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

## **DISMISSAL**

Go share the good news!

**With Gods help!**

## **POSTLUDE**

*Please inform Pastor Ben in writing or by phone of any*

- 1) Upcoming medical interventions in which you desire pastoral prayers and/or visitation,*
- 2) Changes to the prayer list,*
- 3) Announcements for the bulletin.*

**Pastor Ben can be reached by cell at 904-556-6687**

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