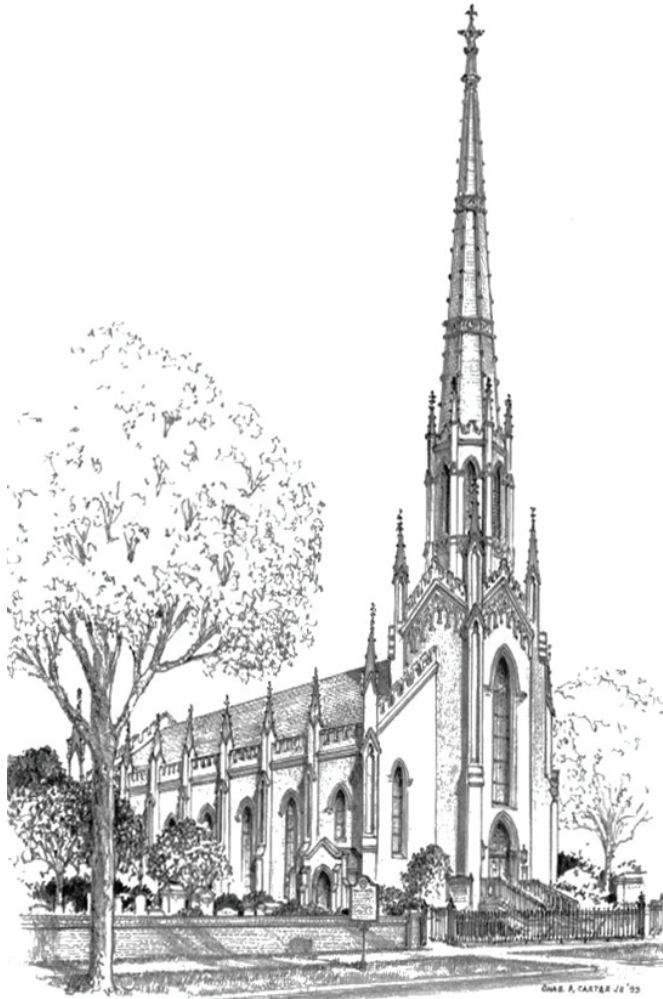


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(ESV Standard Bible page 485, Children's Bible page 622)

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EVENING PRAYER

May the grace of Christ our Savior  
And the Father's boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit's favor,  
Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union  
With each other and the Lord,  
And possess, in sweet communion,  
Joys which earth cannot afford.

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## Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

*One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD. Ps. 27:4*

1. O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
 2. Lord, my God, I come be - fore thee, come thou al - so un - to me;  
 3. Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
 4. Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine,  
 5. Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;

where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for him who an - swers prayer.  
 where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
 • let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
 how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thic - ken; may thy Word still o'er me shine  
 may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.

Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
 To my heart, O en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
 • so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
 as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in my strife.  
 Here of life the foun - tain flows, here is balm for all our woes.

# Blessed Lord, in Thee Is Refuge

513

*My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. Ps. 62:7*

1. Bless - ed Lord, in thee is ref - uge, safe - ty for my trem - bling soul;  
 2. In the past, too, un - be - liev - ing, 'midst the tem - pest I have been,  
 3. Oh, for trust that brings the tri - umph when de - feat seems strange - ly near;

pow'r to lift my head when droop - ing 'midst the an - gry bil - lows' roll.  
 and my heart has slow - ly trust - ed what my eyes have nev - er seen.  
 oh, for faith that chang - es fight - ing in - to vic - t'ry's ring - ing cheer!

*rit.*  
 I will trust thee, I will trust thee, I will trust thee;  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus,  
 Faith tri - um - phant, faith tri - um - phant, faith tri - um - phant,

*rit.*  
 all my life thou shalt con - trol; all my life thou shalt con - trol.  
 teach me on thine arm to lean; teach me on thine arm to lean.  
 know - ing not de - feat nor fear; know - ing not de - feat nor fear.

## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*He will be our guide even to the end. Ps. 48:14*

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my  
 fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's De - struc - tion, land me safe on

pow'r - ful hand; Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en,  
 jour - ney through; strong De - liv - 'rer, strong De - liv - 'rer,  
 Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.  
 be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

# SERMON NOTES

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“But Wait, There’s More”

Romans 5:12-21 | Rev. Josh Squires

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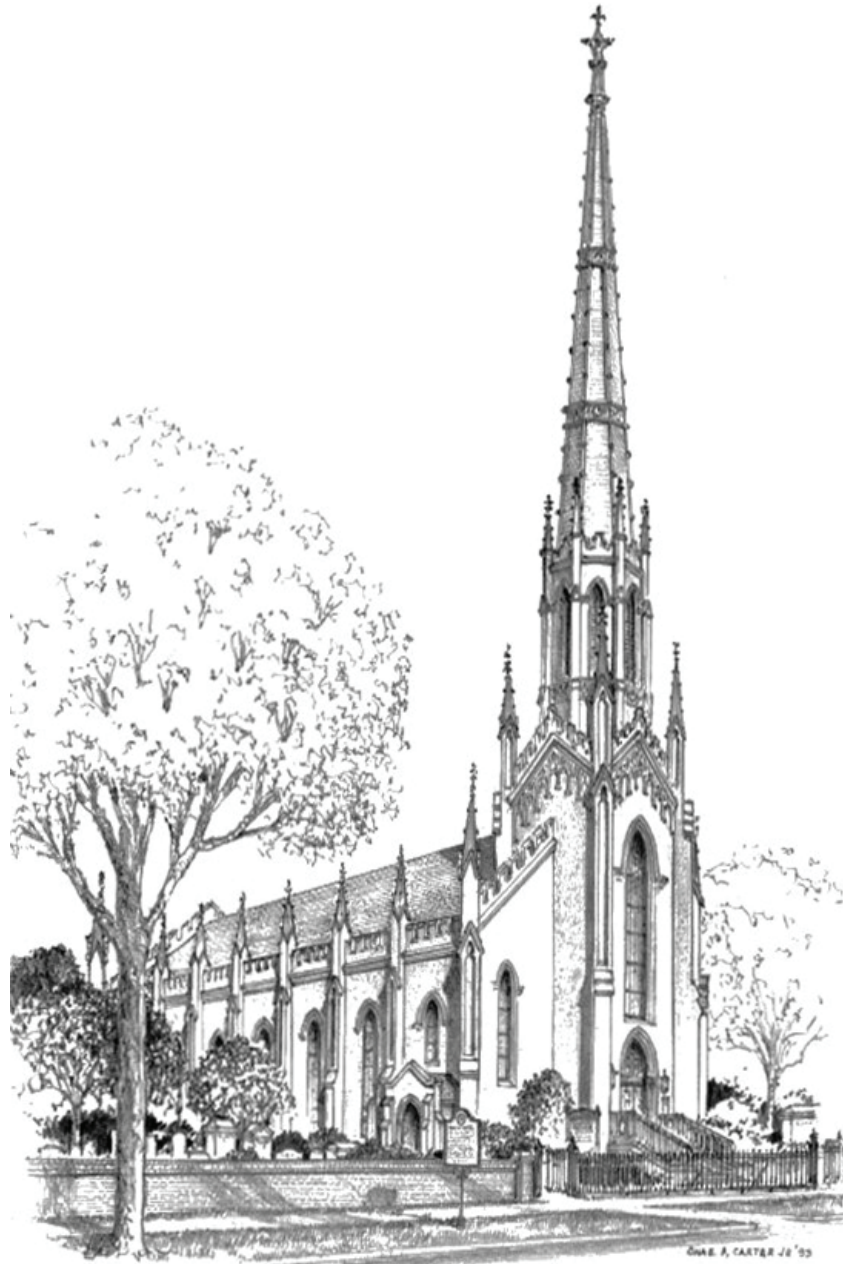
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Where we find thee and adore thee,  
There a heav'n on earth must be.  
To my heart, O enter thou,  
Let it be thy temple now!

Here thy praise is gladly chanted,  
Here thy seed is duly sown;  
Let my soul, where it is planted,  
Bring forth precious sheaves alone,  
So that all I hear may be  
Fruitful unto life in me.

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Blessed Lord, in thee is refuge,  
Safety for my trembling soul:  
Pow'r to lift my head when drooping  
'Midst the angry billow's roll.  
I will trust thee,  
I will trust thee,  
I will trust thee,  
All my life thou shalt control;  
All my life thou shalt control.

In the past, too, unbelieving,  
'Midst the tempest I have been,  
And my heart has slowly trusted  
What my eyes have never seen.  
Blessed Jesus,  
Blessed Jesus,  
Blessed Jesus,  
Teach me on thine arm to lean;  
Teach me on thine arm to lean.

Oh, for trust that brings the triumph  
When defeat seems strangely near;  
Oh, for faith that changes fighting  
To vict'ry's ringing cheer!  
Faith triumphant,  
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Faith triumphant,  
Knowing not defeat or fear;  
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to those who are pure in heart.
- <sup>2</sup> But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled,  
my steps had nearly slipped.
- <sup>3</sup> For I was envious of the arrogant  
when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
- <sup>4</sup> For they have no pangs until death;  
their bodies are fat and sleek.
- <sup>5</sup> They are not in trouble as others are;  
they are not stricken like the rest of mankind.
- <sup>6</sup> Therefore pride is their necklace;  
violence covers them as a garment.
- <sup>7</sup> Their eyes swell out through fatness;  
their hearts overflow with follies.
- <sup>8</sup> They scoff and speak with malice;  
loftily they threaten oppression.

<sup>9</sup> They set their mouths against the heavens,  
and their tongue struts through the earth.  
<sup>10</sup> Therefore his people turn back to them,  
and find no fault in them.  
<sup>11</sup> And they say, “How can God know?  
Is there knowledge in the Most High?”  
<sup>12</sup> Behold, these are the wicked;  
always at ease, they increase in riches.  
<sup>13</sup> All in vain have I kept my heart clean  
and washed my hands in innocence.  
<sup>14</sup> For all the day long I have been stricken  
and rebuked every morning.  
<sup>15</sup> If I had said, “I will speak thus,”  
I would have betrayed the generation of your children.  
<sup>16</sup> But when I thought how to understand this,  
it seemed to me a wearisome task,  
<sup>17</sup> until I went into the sanctuary of God;  
then I discerned their end.  
<sup>18</sup> Truly you set them in slippery places;  
you make them fall to ruin.  
<sup>19</sup> How they are destroyed in a moment,  
swept away utterly by terrors!  
<sup>20</sup> Like a dream when one awakes,  
O Lord, when you rouse yourself, you despise them as phantoms.  
<sup>21</sup> When my soul was embittered,  
when I was pricked in heart,  
<sup>22</sup> I was brutish and ignorant;  
I was like a beast toward you.  
<sup>23</sup> Nevertheless, I am continually with you;  
you hold my right hand.  
<sup>24</sup> You guide me with your counsel,  
and afterward you will receive me to glory.  
<sup>25</sup> Whom have I in heaven but you?  
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.  
<sup>26</sup> My flesh and my heart may fail,  
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

<sup>27</sup> For behold, those who are far from you shall perish;  
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Hold me with thy pow’rful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more,  
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Open now the crystal fountain,  
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Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through;  
Strong Deliv’rer, strong Deliv’rer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield,  
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Bid my anxious fears subside;  
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