CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

"Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
I will dwell in you and walk among you; and I will be your God,
and you shall be My people."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please be seated as we gather to sing. Congregants read the bolded text aloud.

GATHERING

"Father, Long Before Creation" *Andrew Osenga*

Father, long before creation Thou hadst chosen us in love,
And that love so deep, so moving, draws us close to Christ above.
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us firmly fixed in Christ alone.

CALL TO WORSHIP
Psalm 11

The LORD is in His holy temple; the LORD's throne is in heaven;
His eyes see, His eyelids test the children of man

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD
Psalm 11
Titus 2

The LORD is righteous;
He loves righteous deeds;
The upright shall behold His face.

In You do we take refuge, O LORD
against the arrows of the evil one.

For the grace of God has appeared,
bringing salvation for all people,
training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions,
and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age.

And we are waiting for the appearing
of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,
our blessed hope.
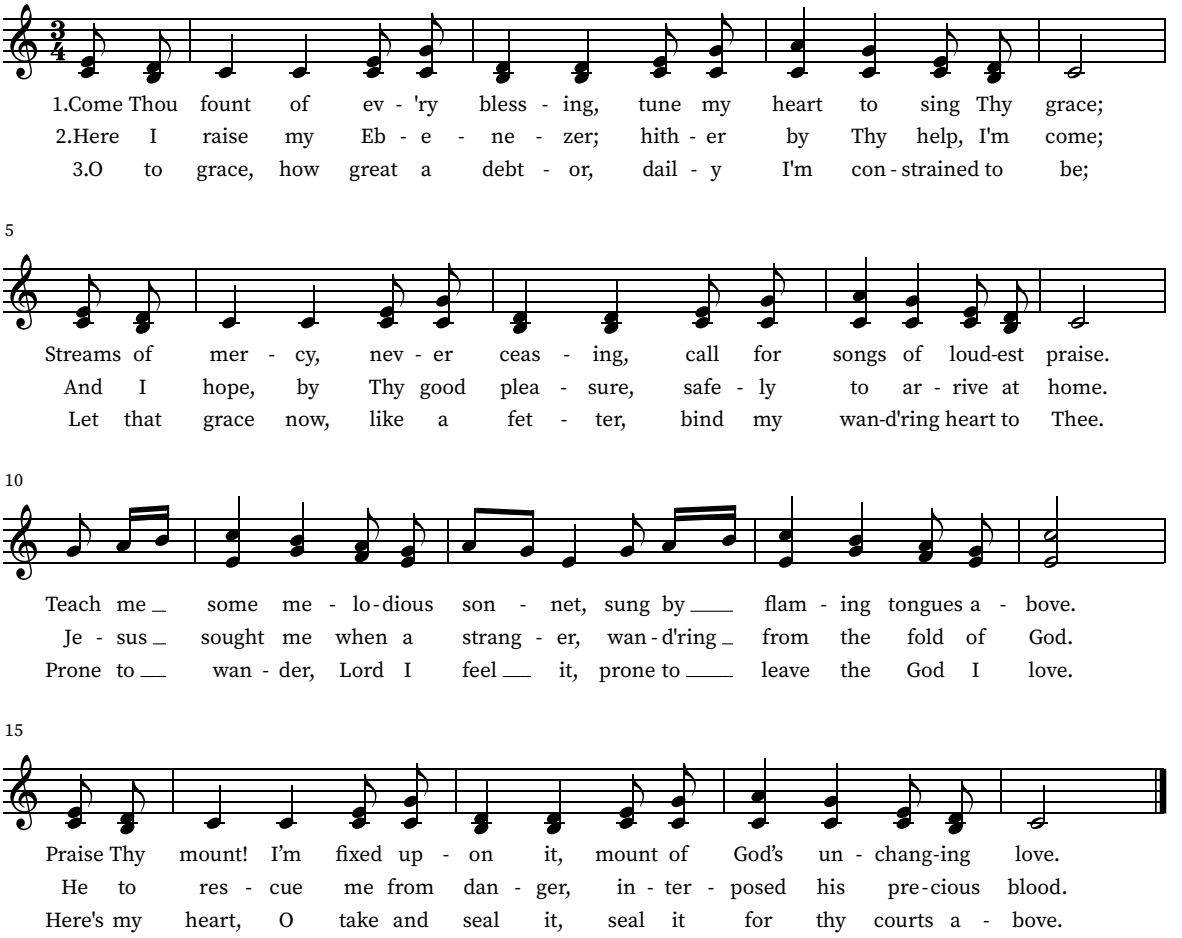
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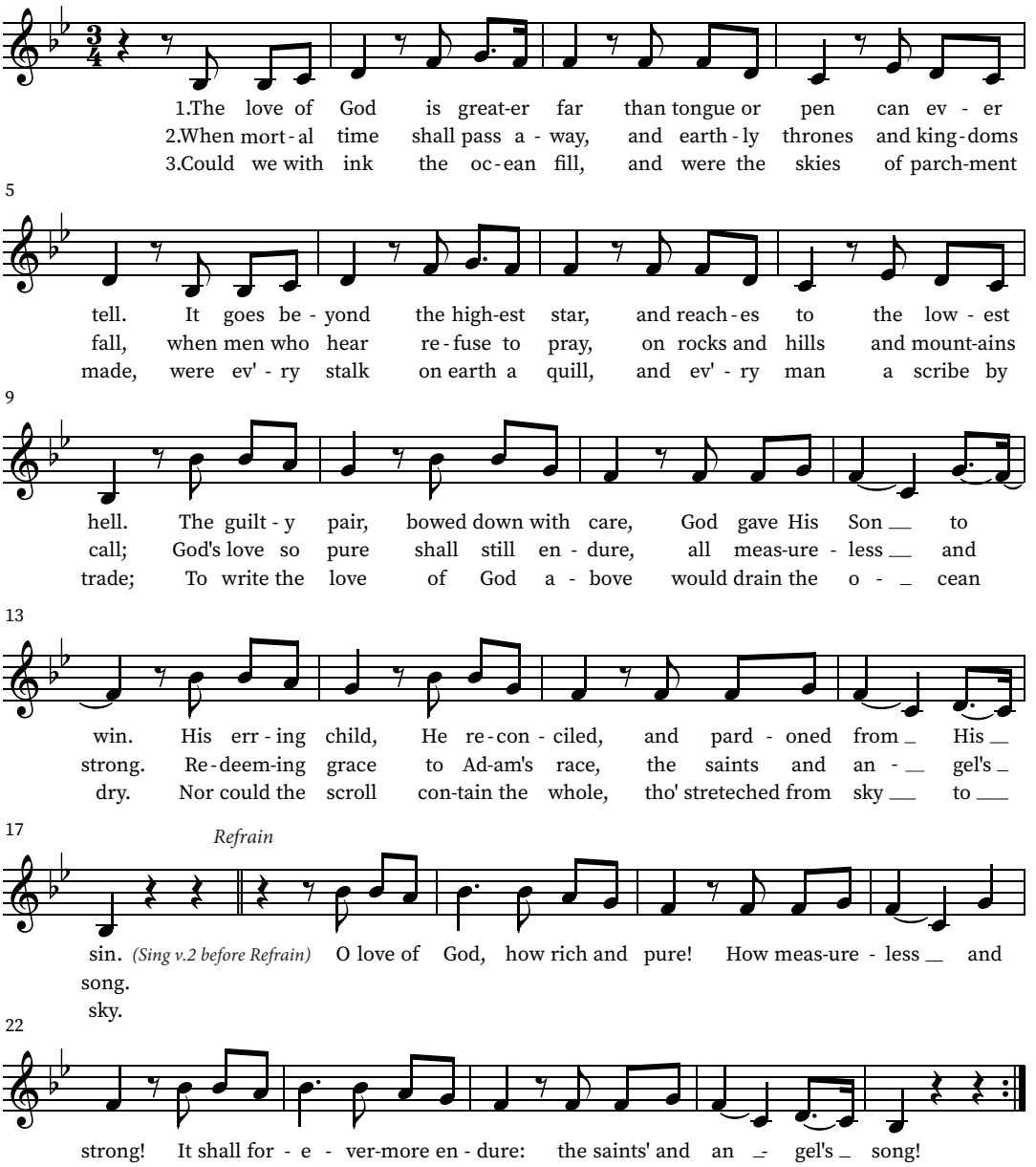
THE LORD'S PRAYER
Matthew 6

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we also forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing)”

Nettleton
text: Robert Robinson, 1758




1.The love of God is great-er far than tongue or pen can ev - er
2.When mort - al time shall pass a - way, and earth - ly thrones and king - doms
3.Could we with ink the oc - ean fill, and were the skies of parch-ment
tell. It goes be - yond the high-est star, and reach - es to the low - est
fall, when men who hear re - fuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mount-ains
made, were ev' - ry stalk on earth a quill, and ev' - ry man a scribe by
hell. The guilt - y pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to
call; God's love so pure shall still en - dure, all meas-ure - less and
trade; To write the love of God a - bove would drain the o - cean
win. His err - ing child, He re - con - ciled, and pard - oned from His
strong. Re - deem-ing grace to Ad-am's race, the saints and an - gel's
dry. Nor could the scroll con-tain the whole, tho' streteched from sky to
Refrain
sin. (Sing v.2 before Refrain) O love of God, how rich and pure! How meas-ure - less and
song.
sky.
strong! It shall for - e - ver-more en - dure: the saints' and an - gel's song!

CONFESSION OF SIN & PLEA FOR PARDON
Matthew 5
Leviticus 19

Holy Father in heaven, You loved us when we were unlovely.

Though we were strangers,
You have made us friends.
Yet we treat strangers as enemies,
and we love only those who love us first.
We reap right to the edges of our fields,
leaving nothing for the sojourner.
We swear falsely to our neighbor,
and so profane Your name.
We speak falsely when we slander,
and we love falsely when we flatter.
We harbor hatred in our hearts,
and we rage selfishly rather than reasoning frankly.
Forgive us, perfect Lord.
Renew our hearts by Your grace,
and make us whole after the image of Christ our Savior.
Amen.

Silent confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Ephesians 2

Children of God, you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. You who were strangers have been made heirs of His covenant of grace.

He Himself is our peace,
who has broken down the diving wall of hostility in His flesh,
creating one new man in the place of two.
And in Him we are being built up into a dwelling place for God.
Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING
Leviticus 19.1-4, 9-14

A reading from Moses: The LORD calls His people to covenant flourishing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children, Pre-K and Kinder, are invited to attend Worship Training.
All children are retrieved after the sermon for Communion.

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

For the assurance of pardon from our sins through faith in Christ,
we thank You, Lord.

For the confidence to draw near to Your throne of grace
as daughters and sons,
we thank You, Lord.

For the beauty of the earth and the glories of the skies,
and for Your abundant provision in all things,
we thank You, Lord.

For the ministry of our Women's Leadership Team and a fruitful season of Bible study,
we thank You, Lord.

For the peace we have in Christ, peace with God and with one another,
we thank You, Lord!

SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

So, Church, may the peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

The musicians will play for a moment before singing
so that you can bring your tithes and offerings
and share the peace of Christ with those around you.

DOXOLOGY

"Father, Long Before Creation" *Andrew Osenga*

God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way,
God so loved us, God so loved us
That His only Son He gave.

33 "Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' 34 But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, 35 or by the earth, for it is His footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. 36 And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. 37 Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil."

38 "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' 39 But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. 40 And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. 41 And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. 42 Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

“Wholly Holy”

Matthew 5.33-48

Truth

Justice

Love

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell*, the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the
Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**He descended into judgment and continued in the state of the dead until the third day.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & INVITATION TO THE TABLE
Adapted from The Book of Common Order, Scotland 1556

Let us come to this meal as medicine for our sickness,
and as help for weakness.

For the Lord requires no other worthiness on our part,
but that we acknowledge our need for Christ and His merits.

For in this meal we receive Christ by faith,
who dwells in heaven—very God and very man.

And in His name, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!

Come to the Table...

DIRECTIONS

THE TABLE

- *Ushers will release you by rows after the music team has partaken*
- *Grape juice is in the outer ring of the tray and wine in the center*
- *Gluten-free bread is available at each table*

OFFERINGS

- *Tithes and gifts can be brought to the box in the center of the room.*
- *Online Giving - newstpeters.org/give*
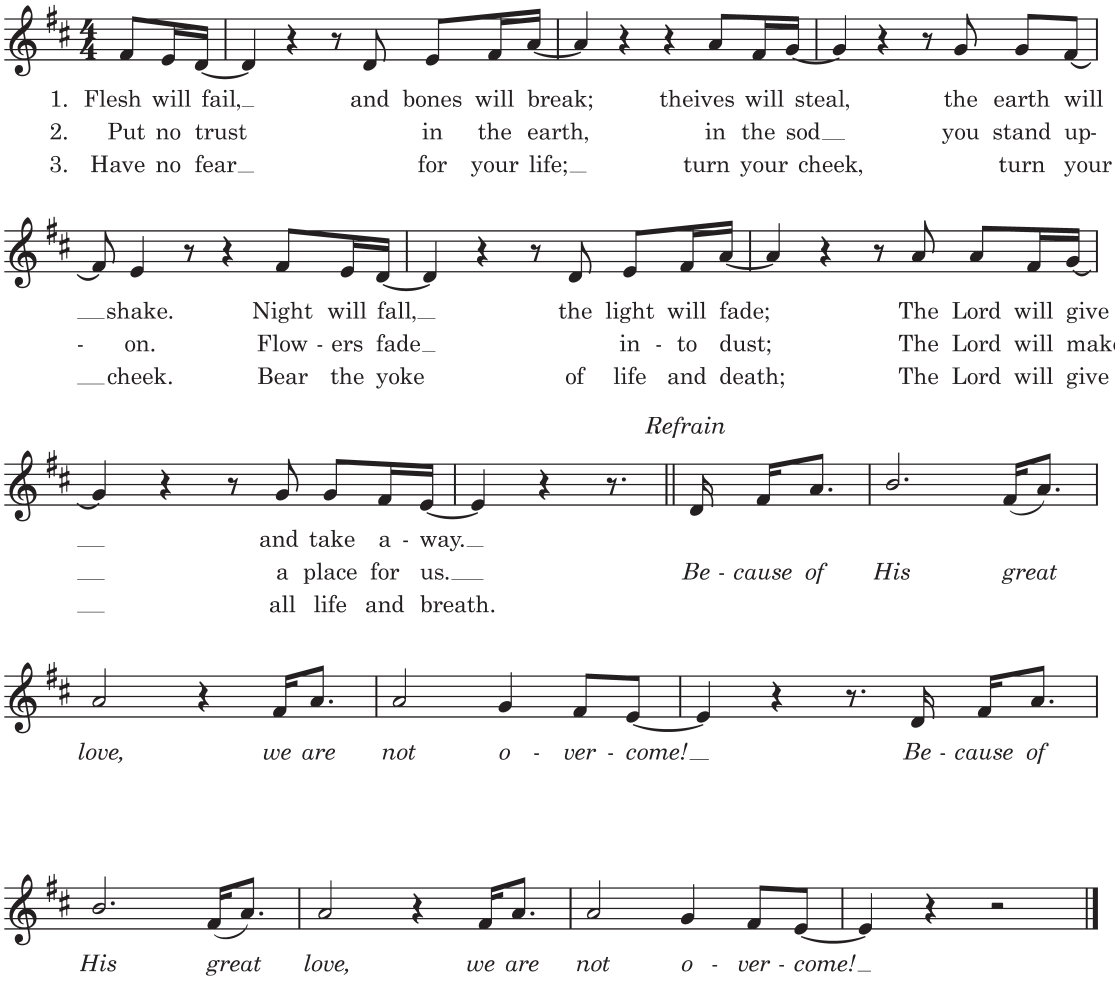
INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Elders, Deacons, and members of our Women's Leadership Team will be on stage near the musicians to pray with and for you.

PRAYER FOR FAITH

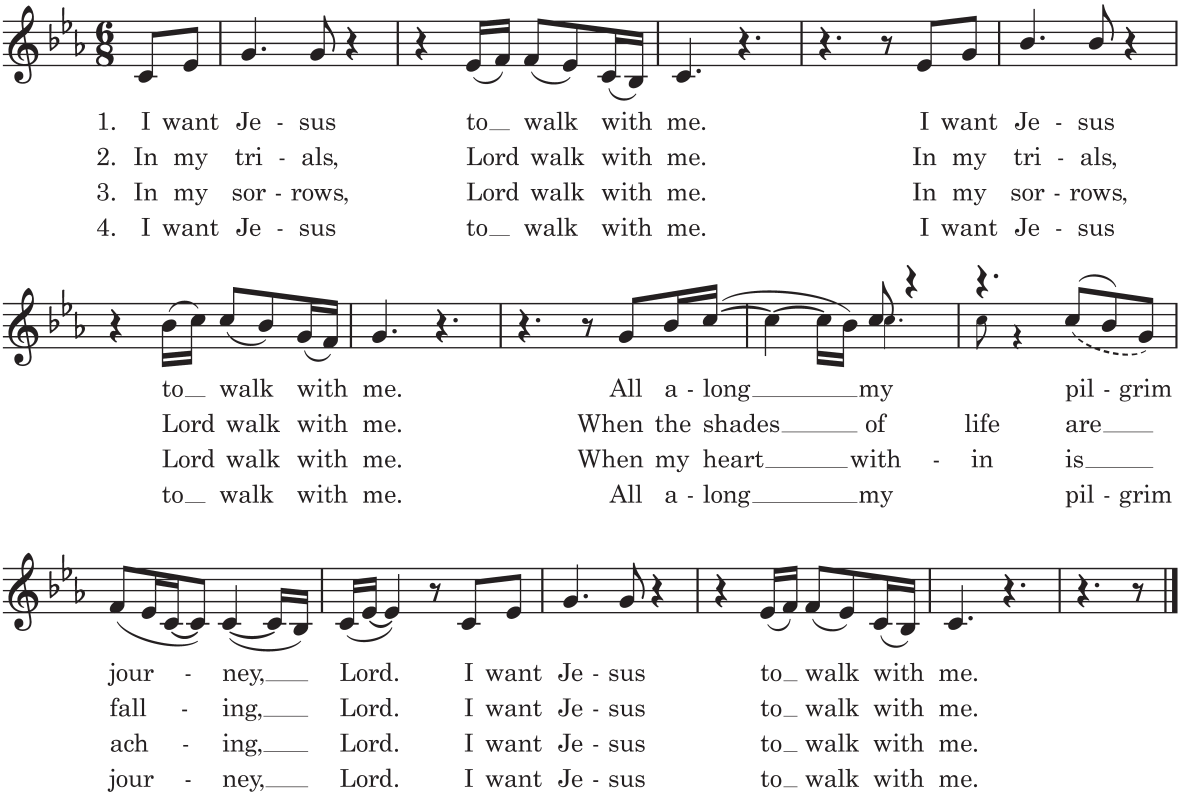
If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to reflect on the prayer at the bottom of page 13, and we invite you to talk with our pastor if you would like to know more about the hope of the Good News on display at Christ's Table.

Isaac Wardell & Robert Heiskell, 2013



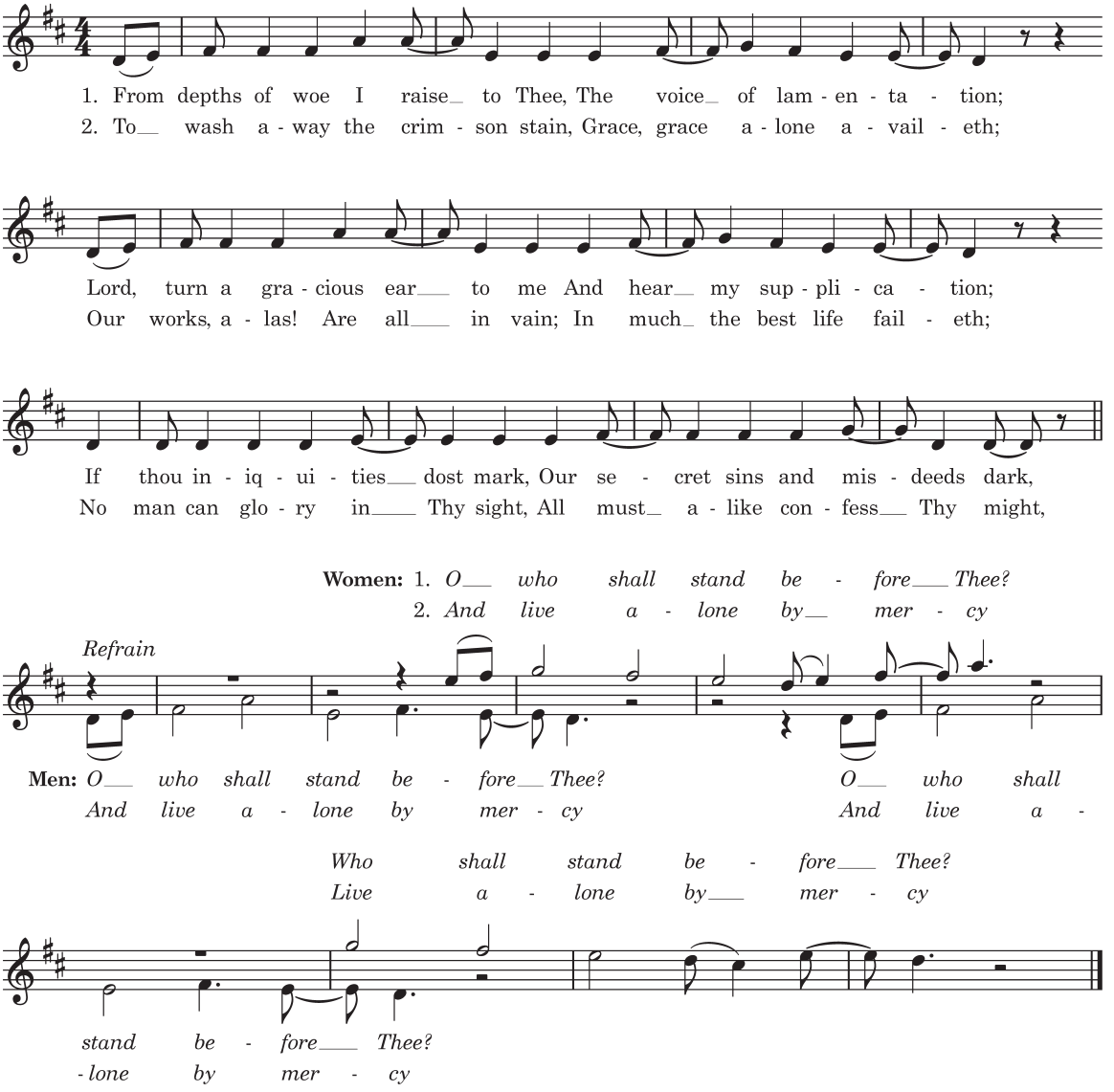
"I Want Jesus to Walk wtih Me"

Sojourner
text: Anonymous
arr.: Paul Zach, 2021



"Psalm 130 (From Depths of Woe)"

Christopher Miner, 1997
text: Martin Luther, 1523



3. Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience (echo)
I wait for it with patience (echo)

4. What though I wait the live-long night,
And 'till the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
And wait 'till God appeareth (echo)
And wait 'till God appeareth (echo)

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth,
His helping love no limit knows,
Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow (echo)
From all their sin and sorrow (echo)

SCATTERING
Kenyan Reformed Prayer

Almighty God, eternal Father,

we have sat at Your feet,
learned from Your word,
and eaten from Your table.
We give You thanks and praise
for accepting us into Your family.
Send us out with Your blessing,
to live and to witness for You in the power of Your Spirit,
through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead.

BENEDICTION
1 Thessalonians 5

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Please enjoy the fellowship of believers in the lobby or outside.

PRAYER FOR FAITH

Good Father, open my heart and my eyes to see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, even against the darkness of my sin and suffering; and help me to draw near, believing that You exist and that You meet those who seek You in Christ. In my doubt, guide my mind. In my wandering, guide my feet and bring me ultimately home through Jesus, the Way. (2 Corinthians 4, Hebrews 11)

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FAMILY WORSHIP & DISCUSSION PAGE

READ

Matthew 5.33-48, Leviticus 19.1-4, 9-14

DISCUSS

In what ways do you desire wholeness in your life?

How does the understanding of our identity as God's children through Christ (the indicative) help us live in accordance with the teachings of Jesus (the imperative)? See Romans 8.12-17.

In what ways do you struggle to be a person of truth? (white lies, bending the truth, exaggeration...

What is the relationship between justice and forgiveness? Do they feel compatible in this life? See Romans 3.21-26.

Love is much more than a feeling. So loving our enemies means much more than feeling warm feelings towards them. What are real, practical ways you can show love towards your enemies?

PRAY

- Pray to become people who recognize the wonder of being God's adopted children.
- Pray that the Spirit would develop within us the virtues of truth, justice, and love.
- Pray that NSP would be a people characterized not only by love of the stranger, but love of our enemies—and so be salt and light in our city.

GATHERED

WEEKLY WORSHIP

(Sundays, 10:15-11:30am)

The church is an outpost of heaven on earth, where we feed on Christ through His preached word, the sacraments, fellowship, and prayer. (Matthew 11.28–29).

SOLD

(Sundays, 9-9:50am)

School of Life & Doctrine is our Christian education ministry for all ages.

KIDS - WORSHIP TRAINING

(Sundays, 10:15-11:30am)

Our goal is to prepare our children (0-Kinder) in Worship Training to enter into the “big” Worship Service with their parents, better able to listen and engage with the liturgy as they grow in maturity.

NSP YOUTH

(Sundays, 9-9:50am & Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm)

Our ministry to middle and high school students meets during the SOLD hour and on Wednesday evenings.

SCATTERED

HOME GROUPS

Our Home Groups meet at different frequencies throughout the metro in regional “parishes”—enjoying fellowship and prayer in each other’s homes.

MEN’S & WOMEN’S MINISTRY

There are various men’s and women’s ministries, including Bible studies, discipleship and prayer groups, and special events.

20somethings

Anyone from college through the late 20s is welcome—both married and single! This group enjoys bi-monthly fellowship dinners in homes and also gets together for seasonal Bible studies and occasional celebrations.

Lear more at www.newstpeters.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- ***Youth***
  Midweek - On Nov 11 & 18 (6:30-8pm) girls will meet at Shannon Temple's home, and boys will meet at Jeff Murray's home.
  SOLD - HS Students will meet in the studio theater in November
  Save the Date - Christmas Party on 12/6

- ***College Care Packages -*** Care packages will be mailed tomorrow, so write notes of encouragement this morning. The drop off box is in the lobby.

- ***Building and Capital Campaign Update***

  1) We have now received over $1,000,000 of income towards our Gathered Campaign!

  2) Construction has begun so our staff is now working remotely.

  3) Join our *Finish Strong 2026* initiative as we seek to finish out our kids' spaces and more. Our goal is $100K, and we have a generous challenge of $50K already pledged!

UPCOMING

- ***Park Meet-up -*** We will be meeting Monday, Nov. 16th, 3:30-5:00pm, at Berkner Park (1800 E Spring Valley Rd, Richardson, 75081). Water and snacks will be provided. Please join us!

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