



"A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

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MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2024 4:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 7:45 & 9:30 A.M.



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.

As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear “the call of God”. However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

VISITORS.. Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. Pastor Timm would love to meet you!

PLEASE REMEMBER... to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Pastor and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

DID YOU KNOW.. Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming ‘scent-free’ due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

LITTLE FOLKS.. Parents... please remember that there are ‘busy bags’ hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

BE COMFORTABLE.. There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

Hearing Devices: *The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.*

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

FLOWERS for the altar today are to the Glory of God!!

PRAYERS : Shana Flores, JoAnn Munson, Gary Demaree (brother of Dyanne Radke), Mason Fletcher, Dave Hofslie, Jerry & Lissi Grill, Anne (daughter of Jennifer Akridge), Steve Gutierrez(friend of Marie Ritten), Karen Kober & Susie Sorenson (friends of Barb Blank), Iva and Gary Pennell(Paul Ehler's Sister and Brother in law),

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of January. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

P God Is Good!
C **All the time**
P All the time
C **God Is Good!**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ✝ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C **Amen.**

P We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P Guiding God,

C **we have failed to follow you as we ought. We have not reached out to our neighbors with the selfless and sacrificial love you modeled for us. We have caused harm to others and your creation by our actions and by our unwillingness to act. Forgive us our sins and lead us back onto the path you have trod for the sake of others.**

P In Christ, God meets us where we are and as we are and for his sake, God makes us whole and holy. Go forth to follow Jesus in the knowledge that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

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God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

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ABBOT'S LEIGH

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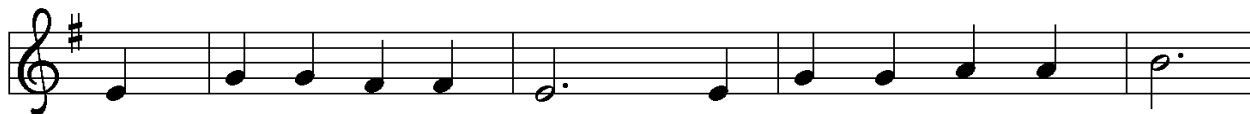
wait the com-ing of the Spir-it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new-ness and re - new-al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore,
 we, who can - not live with-out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.

2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.

3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

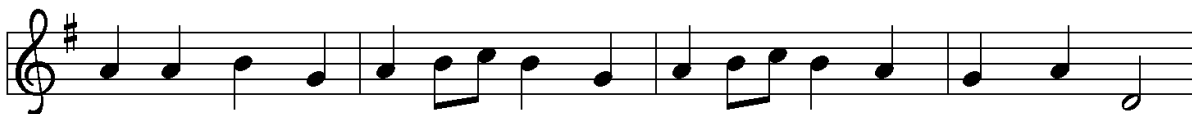
SONG OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY *together we pray:*

Gracious God, we gather at the feet of Jesus to listen eagerly to what he has to teach us. Open our minds and hearts to his words of welcome and make us ready to follow when he calls. In his holy name we pray. Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you
C And also with you

WORSHIP CAROL

BELLS OF GLORY *“What Child Is This”*

FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 11:23-26 & Acts 10:34-38

The desire of the righteous ends only in good, the expectation of the wicked in wrath. ²⁴Some give freely yet grow all the richer; others withhold what is due and only suffer want. ²⁵A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water. ²⁶The people curse those who hold back grain, but a blessing is on the head of those who sell it. ³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness^[a] is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with

the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

R The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks Be To God**

PSALM 51:1-12

R Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions.

C **²Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

R **³For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**

C **⁴Against you, you alone, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.**

R **⁵Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

C **⁶You desire truth in the inward being;^[a] therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

R **⁷Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

C **⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

R **⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.**

C **¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right^[b] spirit within me.**

R ¹¹ Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

C ¹² **Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing^[c] spirit.**

GOSPEL Matthew 15:10-28

¹⁰ Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” ¹² Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” ¹³ He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind.^[a] And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵ But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” ¹⁶ Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” ²⁴ He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶ He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷ She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that

fall from their masters' ^[b] table.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to the Lord**

TEACHING

“Jealous of the Dog???!!!!”

Pastor Bill Timm

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All Are Welcome

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions

live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as

hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

Chords: C⁷ F C F B^b C Dm C F B^b C F Dm⁷ Gm⁷ C Gm⁷ F B^b C⁷ B^b F Am⁷ Dm⁷

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
 Music: Marty Haugen

TWO OAKS

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we claim the
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the
 strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an end to
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro-claim from

Gm⁷ C F B^b F B^b

Refrain

end di - vi - sions:
 faith of Je - sus:
 feast that frees us: All are wel - come, all are wel - come,
 fear and dan - ger:
 floor to raf - ter:

A⁷ Dm Gm Dm Am⁷ Gm

all are wel - come in this place.

F Gm⁷ C⁷ F B^b F B^b F

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Trusting in the good news of Jesus Christ, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

P You proclaim a new teaching, one with authority, that crosses boundaries and turns on its head the status quo. Make us to follow in this new way, that all might experience your boundless love. God our teacher and healer;

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P You wandered in desert wilderness, by the Sea of Galilee, and along the Jordan River. Help us to envision your presence in all of your creation, that we might care for it as you do. God our teacher and healer;

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

C We pray for each of our mission congregations, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision and call process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values while we support the call committee in moving toward a pastoral transition. We also pray for that pastor whom God calls to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."

P You gave us the highest and best example of servant leadership. Help all our elected and appointed officials to hold themselves to that standard for the sake of those they serve. God our teacher and healer;

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P You cast out demons and healed illnesses that excluded people from the community. Lend your strength to all who struggle with addiction, mental illness, and infirmities of every kind. God our teacher and healer;

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P You took time for prayer and solitude. Help us to honor our own need for quiet and close connection to you, that we might be filled up to do your work in the world. God our teacher and healer;

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P We remember with gratitude all those who taught and healed in your name. Make us to likewise teach and heal others, sharing the good news of Christ's transforming love. God our teacher and healer;

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

P Holy Father, confident that you answer prayer, we lift to you all for whom we pray, aloud and in our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE OFFERING (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in person giving as well and online giving.)

OFFERING RESPONSE *(please stand)*

We Give Thee but Thine Own

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We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may
May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re -

be - All that we have is thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.
ceive - And glad - ly as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruit give.

The musical score is written on two staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff begins with a measure number '5'.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

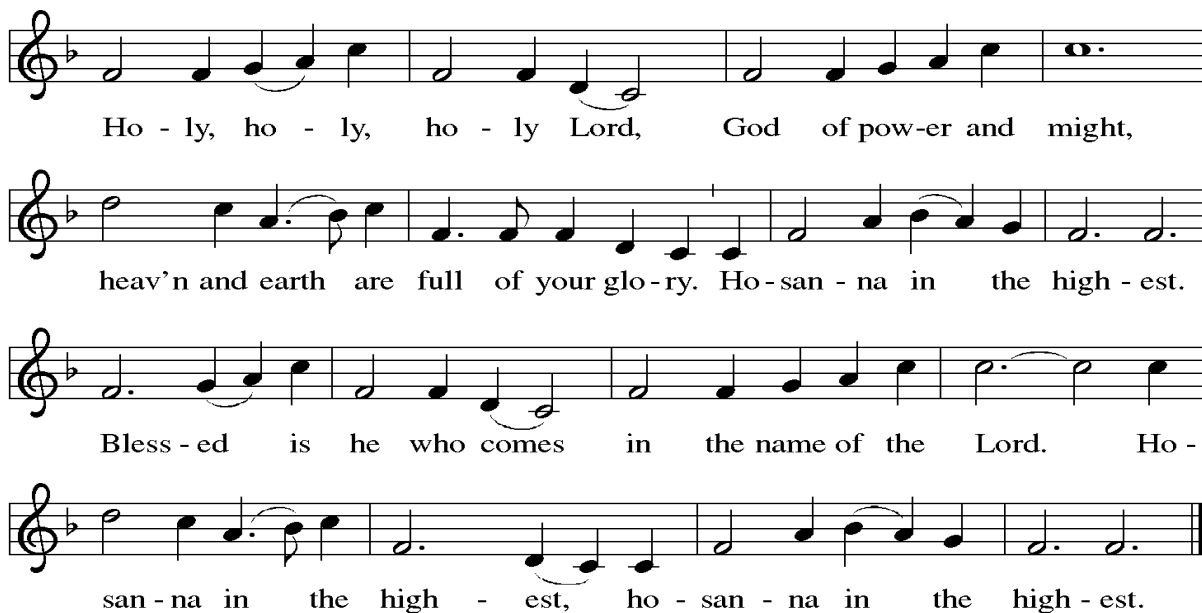
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE



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

- P** Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who do not commune and children may come forward for a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest to request a blessing. Simply complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- C** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Lamb of God Your Only Son



Your on-ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt-y
Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and scorned him as he died. The hum-ble king we named a
I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by your staff and



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God. O Lamb of God, sweet lamb of God, I love the
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
rod and to be called a Lamb of God.



ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me in your pre-cious blood, my Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Let Us Break Bread Together

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1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: African American spiritual

BREAK BREAD TOGETHER
 10 10 and refrain

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

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1 Let all mor-tal flesh keep si-lence, and with fear and trem-bling stand;
 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar-y, as of old on earth he stood,
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav-en spreads its van-guard on the way;
 4 At his feet the six-winged ser-aph, cher-u-bim with sleep-less eye,

pon-der noth-ing earth-ly mind-ed, for with bless-ing in his hand
 Lord of lords in hu-man ves-ture, in the bod-y and the blood,
 as the Light of light, de-scend-ing from the realms of end-less day,
 veil their fac-es to the pres-ence, as with cease-less voice they cry:

Christ our God to earth de-scend-ing comes full hom-age to de-mand.
 he will give to all the faith-ful his own self for heav'n-ly food.
 comes, the pow'rs of hell to van-quish, as the dark-ness clears a-way.
 "Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829-1885, alt.
 Music: French folk tune, 17th cent.

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
 stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright

pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy


The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lower staff is in bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the upper staff, and the accompaniment is in the lower staff. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

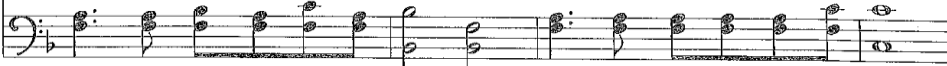
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What a Friend We Have in Jesus


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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?



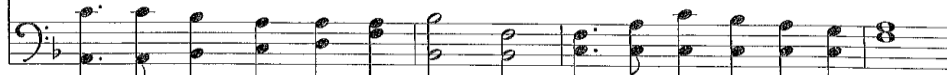

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.

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.



Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
 Music: Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

CONVERSE
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POST COMMUNION BLESSING *(please stand)*

P The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.

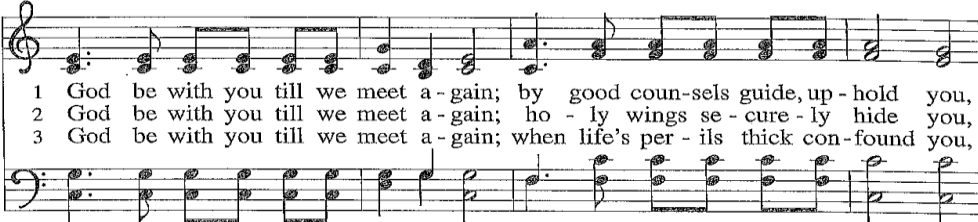
C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

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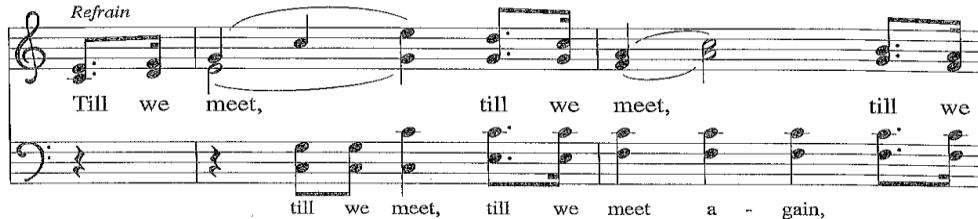


1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun-sels guide, up - hold you,
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; ho - ly wings se - cure - ly hide you,
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils thick con-found you,



with a shep-herd's care en - fold you;
 dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 put un-fail - ing arms a - round you;

Refrain



Till we meet, till we meet, till we
 till we meet, till we meet a - gain,



meet at Je - sus' feet; till we meet, till we
 till we meet, till we meet, till we



meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 meet a - gain,

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904
 Music: William G. Tomer, 1833-1896

GOD BE WITH YOU
 98 89 and refrain

P Almighty God has created you and has a purpose for your life every day! Lord, Help us remember, IF YOU ARE NOT DEAD...

C **YOU ARE NOT DONE!**

P Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Holy Trinity, ✝ one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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Announcements

Thank You: Thank you to everyone who so generously gifted your time and resources to make the Christmas season even more beautiful for Paul and I.

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Annual Meeting: The annual meeting of Gloria de Cristo will be held on Sunday, January 28th in Fellowship Hall. **Lunch will be available to those that complete the form found in this bulletin.** We will eat at 10:30 and the meeting will begin at 11:00 am. This is your congregation so we encourage you to participate!! Place your form in the offering today!!

Flower Calendar: The 2024 Flower Calendar is now on the wall in the Narthex for anyone who would like to purchase the altar flowers for our worship services. Cost is \$25.00 for 1 vase and \$50.00 for both vases. Envelopes for your money can be found on the shelf beneath the calendar. You may then take the flowers home to enjoy following the 9:30 service on Sunday. Thank You for your support!

GriefShare cycle begins again this week with two separate groups. One group will meet Sundays at 12:00 noon, and the other will meet Mondays at 10:00 AM. This is a thirteen week program, which meets weekly. The program provides support and information related to processing the feelings and emotions of grief. Help comes from personal interactions, videos, and discussions. This is very helpful and completely worth your while. Please come. There is a one-time book fee of \$25.

New Bible Study: began on Thursday, January 4th, however, you are welcome to come to any session. Jerry Randby is leading the study on the Book of Genesis at 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us!!

New Member Class: A new member class begins January 7, 2024 @ 10:30 am in the Fellowship Classroom. Anyone wishing to become a member or associate member of Gloria de Cristo is invited to attend. We will meet again on the 14th & 21st and will be received into membership on January 28th. Stop by the office and pick up the book for the class.

Yard Sale Drop Off: The next Yard Sale drop off will be Saturday, January 13th. Volunteers will be stationed at the trailer in the southeast corner of the parking lot from **8-10 am** for you to bring donated items. If you would

like to help with this task, please be at the church by 7:30 am to help get set up to receive items.

Yard Sale Meeting- mark your calendars! On the last week of February, we will be preparing and hosting the Gloria de Cristo Yard Sale, and you are all invited to come find out what this is about at an **organizational meeting on Thursday, January 18th at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall**. The Yard Sale is a great opportunity to meet people you may not have had a chance to meet and have a great time while helping us raise money for special projects.

Caregiving Support Group: Are you caring for a loved one or neighbor? The caregivers support group meets every Friday at 11:00 a.m. This is a chance to meet other caregivers for fellowship and lunch at a restaurant in the Foothills. For information contact Sandy Timm at 916-606-8068.

Our Congregation Sings! Beautifully!! Would you be willing to invest an hour each week to rehearse songs in the choir for leading in worship? All voice parts are welcome, especially additional Tenors! Please talk to “Dr. Shirley” Ehler after today’s service to consider coming to rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening. Feel free to approach her at the organ during postlude. Thank you!

Donate From Your IRA: If you are required to take a minimum distribution (RMD) from your IRA, a great way to make a charitable donation is to donate a portion of your RMD. Normally you would owe income tax on the distribution, but if the money is sent directly to the charity, there is no tax. For the last several years, the standard deduction has been increased enough that very few people itemize and claim a charitable deduction. This is a much better way to donate than to use after-tax dollars.

You can donate to Gloria de Cristo, Habitat, Family Promise or any charity of your choice.

To learn more about donating directly from your IRA, visit:

<https://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-faqs-regarding-iras-distributions-withdrawals>

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/bobcarlson/2021/03/24/qualified-charitable-contributions-the-best-way-to-make-charitable-gifts-after-age-70/?sh=392b59d797a7>

Gloria de Cristo: Text 928-756-0091, insert the amount & category (bldg., general or project) you wish to give in the **message space**, (ex. \$10.00 – bldg.). It will then give you a link, click on that link and it will have you set up your contact and payment information (a one time thing). When finished tap ‘Process’. You should get a thank you message if you did everything correct. Copies of the Quick Guide can be picked up from the counter in the Narthex. Call the office at 928-342-6002 if you have questions or Vanco at 800-675-7430. Put Vanco & the number in your phone contacts so you always have it available.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Time	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Communion	Readers
1/6	4:00 pm	Niki	Sharon Noltemeyer Marge Jones	Stan &Ila Goter	Marcia Severson
1/7	7:45 am	Char	John/Sharon Merz	Larry Unger/Mary Marsh	Mike Gustafson
	9:30 am	Jan	Lauren/Janice Erickson	Jim/Linda Bryant	Niki Duffy
1/13	4:00 pm	Chris	Jack Greenfield/ Linda Kasin	Donna Brown/Chris Brown	Judy Zeiss

1/14	7:45 am	Nancy	Yvonne Wurtele/ Larry Unger	Mike Gustafson Mary Marsh	Nancy Griffiths
	9:30 am	Michelle	Jim Hollandsworth Donna Watkins	Jerry Taylor/Diane Lee	Lauren Erickson
1/20	4:00 pm	Char	Sandy Timm Dyanne Radke	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Jeanie Volpe
1/21	7:45 am	Char	Sharon Powell/ Carolyn Wertman	Dave/Nancy Griffiths	Carolyn Wertman

Attendance December 30/31

59 @ 4 pm, 45 @ 7:45 am, 133 @ 9:30 am Total= 237

4 views on You Tube, 164 view on Facebook Total = 168

Please be reminded.....if you are holding committee meetings in any of the facilities here at the church be sure to book them with Char so that rooms aren't being booked by you and me at the same time. Thank You!!

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 1/8	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Monday 1/8	10:00 am	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom
Monday 1/8	12:30 & 3 pm	Bible Study	Pastor's home
Tuesday 1/9	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 1/9	10:00 am	Zoom Bible Study	Your home
Tuesday 1/9	1:00 pm	Foothills Social	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 1/10	9:30 am	Stephen Ministry Class	Pastor's home
Wednesday 1/10	1:00 & 2:30 pm	Chair balancing & Stretching	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 1/10	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wednesday 1/10	6:00 pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday 1/11	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 1/11	4:00 pm	Bible Study on Genesis	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 1/11	5:00 pm	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 1/12	8:00am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Friday 1/12	10:30 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 1/12	11:00 am	Caregiving Support Group	
Friday 1/12	1:00 pm	Friday Social	Fellowship Hall
Friday 1/12	6:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 1/13	4:00 pm	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 1/14	9:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 1/14	10:30 am	New Member Class	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 1/14	12:00 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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Lisa Crayne

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