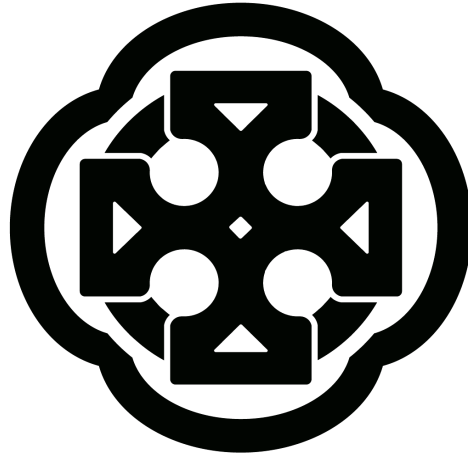




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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Ordinary Time
June 29th, 2025

Quotes for Reflection

Our eyes should be taken off self, removed from our own weakness and allowed to rest implicitly upon God's strength.

—E. M. Bounds

A truly humble man is sensible of his natural distance from God; of his dependence on Him; of the insufficiency of his own power and wisdom; and that it is by God's power that he is upheld and provided for, and that he needs God's wisdom to lead and guide him, and His might to enable him to do what he ought to do for Him.

—Jonathan Edwards

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves: the King opens His gates and welcomes us into His courts.

Gospel Invitation—from Exodus 15:2

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise Him, my father's God, and I will exalt Him.

Sung Response—Come, Christians, Join To Sing, Vs. 1

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of staves, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: 'Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - joice; Praise is His gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!' The piano accompaniment features a simple, rhythmic pattern of chords and single notes, providing a steady harmonic foundation for the vocal lines.

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Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - joice;

Praise is His gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1843; Music: MADRID, Traditional Spanish melody,
arr. David Evans, 1927.

Call to Worship—based upon Psalm 118:1-2, 5-6, 8-9, 14

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!

All: Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”

Reader 1: Out of our distress we called on the Lord; the Lord answered us and set us free.

Reader 2: The Lord is on our side; we will not fear. What can man do to us?

All: It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

Pastor: The Lord is our strength and our song; He has become our salvation.

Congregational Hymn—How Firm A Foundation

How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord,
Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed;
When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply;

What more can He say than to you He has said,
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
For I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless,
The flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
And sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

Text: "K" in John Rippon's *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787;
Music: FOUNDATION, Traditional American melody.

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

The Bible is the means by which God graciously reveals Himself to His people—so we listen, read, and study with expectant hearts. In His Word, God particularly calls us to sing psalms: while all Scripture is appropriate for hymns and spiritual songs, there is a specific exhortation for us to use the Psalter as the church's songbook.

Antiphonal Scripture Song—Song At The Sea

* REFRAIN

Leader



To the Lord I will sing for His glo-rious vic-to-ry; the horse and the ri-der He has thrown in-to the sea.

Congregation

Fine



To the Lord I will sing for His glo-rious vic-to-ry; the horse and the ri-der He has thrown in-to the sea.

Leader



The Lord is my strength and my song, sal - va - tion He brings to me;
For Phar - aoh and all of his host, He cast them in - to the sea,
The en - e - my vowed to pur - sue, to ru - in to rape to spoil;
You led to Your ho - ly a - bode the peo - ple whom You re - deemed;
You plant them on Your ho - ly hill, the moun - tain which You have made,



My fa - ther's God, He is my God, and I will ex - alt and praise.
The floods went up; and in the depths their char - i - ots sank like stones.
The sea rose up and cov - ered them; in wa - ter they sank like lead.
The na - tions heard; they trem - ble still; all Ca - naan shall melt a - way.
Es - tab - lished there by Your right hand, for - ev - er with You they'll reign.

Congregation



The Lord is a man of war; Je - ho - vah is His name. *
Your hand shows your glor - ious pow'r to crush your en - e - mies.
O who is like You, my Lord, in per - fect ho - li - ness? *
On them shall great ter - ror fall till all Your folk pass by.
Ma - jes - tic are all Your deeds, the won - ders of Your hand. *

Text: Exodus 15:1-21, Henry C. Haffner, 2022; Music: MIDNIGHT SUN, Henry C. Haffner, 2022.

Scripture Reading—1 Corinthians 12:7-10

To keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

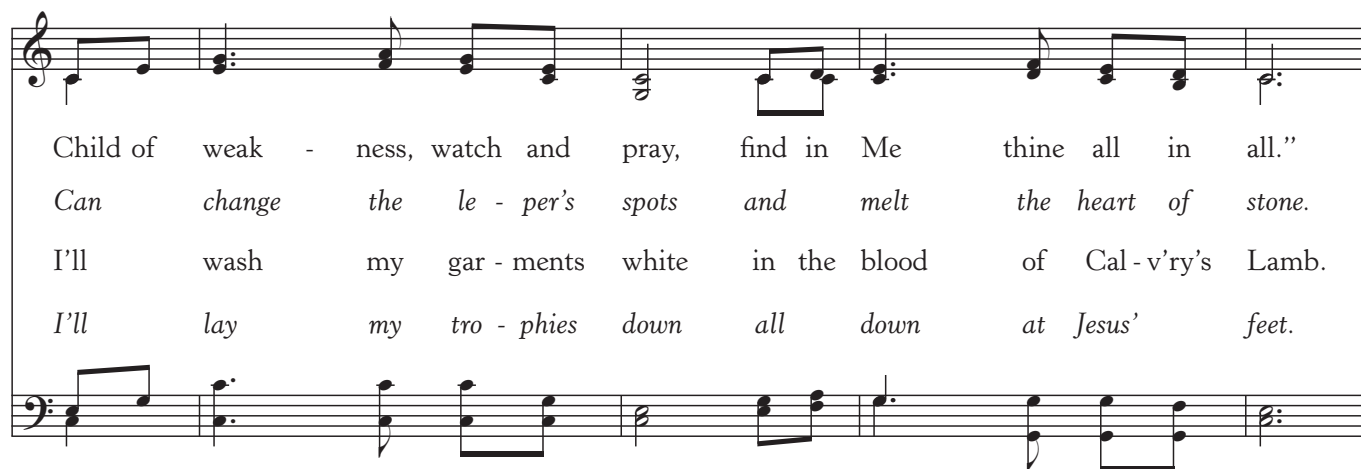
Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Congregational Hymn—Jesus Paid It All



I hear the Sav - ior say, "Thy strength in - deed is small;
Lord, now in - deed I find Thy power and Thine a - lone,
For noth - ing good have I where - by Thy grace to claim,
And when be - fore the throne I stand in Him com - plete,

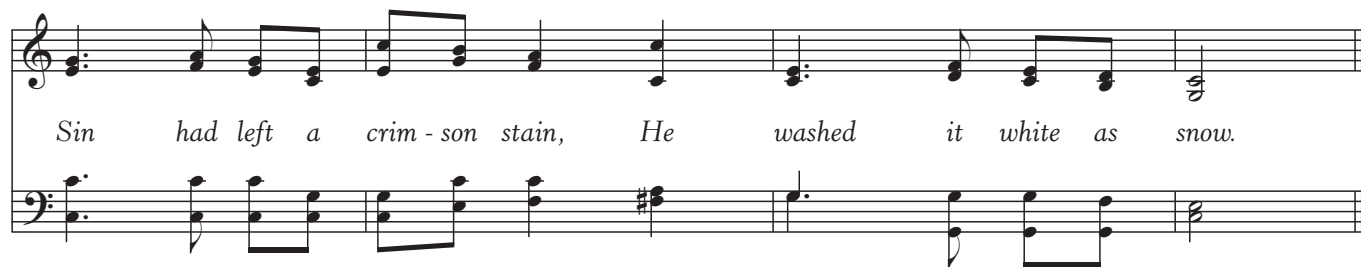


Child of weak - ness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."
Can change the le - per's spots and melt the heart of stone.
I'll wash my gar - ments white in the blood of Cal - v'ry's Lamb.
I'll lay my tro - phies down all down at Jesus' feet.

Refrain



Je - sus paid it all, all to Him I owe;



Sin had left a crim - son stain, He washed it white as snow.

Text: Elvina M. Hall, 1865; Music: ALL TO CHRIST, John T. Grape, 1865.

Sermon Text—Psalm 28:1-9

To you, O Lord, I call;
my rock, be not deaf to me,
lest, if You be silent to me,
I become like those who go down to the pit.

² Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,
when I cry to You for help,
when I lift up my hands
toward Your most holy sanctuary.

³ Do not drag me off with the wicked,
with the workers of evil,
who speak peace with their neighbors
while evil is in their hearts.

⁴ Give to them according to their work
and according to the evil of their deeds;
give to them according to the work of their hands;
render them their due reward.

⁵ Because they do not regard the works of the Lord
or the work of His hands,
He will tear them down and build them up no more.

⁶ Blessed be the Lord!
For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

⁷ The Lord is my strength and my shield;
in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults,
and with my song I give thanks to Him.

⁸ The Lord is the strength of His people;
He is the saving refuge of His anointed.

⁹ Oh, save Your people and bless Your heritage!
Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sung Response—O Worship The King, Vs. 1

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 3/4 time and the key of D major (indicated by two sharps). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: "O wor-ship the King, all glor-ious a - bove, O grate-ful-ly sing His pow'r and His love; Our shield and de - fend-er, the An-cient of Days, pa - vil-ioned in splen-dor, and gird-ed with praise." The score ends with a double bar line.

O wor-ship the King, all glor-ious a - bove, O grate-ful-ly sing His pow'r and His love;

Our shield and de - fend-er, the An-cient of Days, pa - vil-ioned in splen-dor, and gird-ed with praise.

Text: Robert Grant, 1833, based on Psalm 104;
Music: LYONS, Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784.

Sermon—*The Lord Our Strength*

—Associate Pastor, Brian Phillips

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

The people of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Confession of Sin—based on Psalm 32:3-7

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. When we kept silent, our bones wasted away.
Day and night Your hand was heavy upon us. Our strength was dried up.

All: Therefore, we acknowledge our sin: we have not trusted in You.

Pastor: We confess our transgressions to You, and You forgive all our iniquities.
Even now, we offer prayer to You—at a time when You may be found.

All: You are our hiding place. You preserve us from trouble. You surround us
with songs of deliverance.

Assurance of Pardon—based on Psalm 32:1-2; Acts 1:8

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the
man against whom You, O Lord, count no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Pastor: This is the promise of God.

All: This is the Word of the Lord.

Pastor: For Christ Himself confirmed: “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit
has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses.”

All: “In Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

Sung Response—Blest Is The Man (Psalm 32), Vs. 1



Blest is the man, for - ev - er blest, whose guilt is par-doned by his God;



Whose sins with sor - row are con-fessed, and cov-ered with his Sav-ior's blood.

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Music: DISTRESS, William Walker, 1854, arr. Gregory Wilbur, 2008.

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM

God feeds the faith of His people by giving them a meal. As God fellowships with them in faith, His people pledge their obedience to God and their love for one another.

Profession of Faith—*The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds;
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made.

Who, for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
He was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, died, and was buried;
and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and now sits on the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end;

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who together with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;

And we believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church—both seen and unseen;
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

WOMEN

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

MEN

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, Hea-ven and Earth are

Hea-ven and Earth are full of Your glo-ry, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

full of Your glo-ry, Ho - san - na, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Text: Traditional, based on Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9;
Music: CLOVERCROFT SANCTUS, Henry C. Haffner, 2019.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S TABLE

This table is open to all baptized Christians who have made a profession of faith. You may come forward to receive the bread and wine or grape juice.

Congregational Hymn—My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness



My heart is filled with thank-ful - ness to Him who bore my pain;
My heart is filled with thank-ful - ness to Him who walks be - side;
My heart is filled with thank-ful - ness to Him who reigns a - bove;



Who plumbed the depths of my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain;
Who floods my weak - ness - es with strength and caus - es fears to fly.
Whose wis - dom is my per - fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love.



Who crushed my curse of sin - ful - ness and clothed me with His light
Whose ev - 'ry pro - mise is e - nough for ev - 'ry step I take.
For ev - 'ry day I have on Earth is giv - en by the King.



And wrote His law of right-eous - ness with pow'r up-on my heart.
Sus - tain - ing me with arms of love and crown - ing me with grace.
So I will give my life, my all, to love and fol - low Him.

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Congregational Hymn—Precious Lord, Take My Hand



Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
 When my way grows— drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; _____
 When my life is— al - most— gone, _____
 And the day is— past and— gone, _____



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:
 Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:—
 At the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand:



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home. _____
 Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home. _____
 Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home. _____

Text: Thomas Dorsey, 1938; Music: MAITLAND, George Nelson Allen, 1844.

GOD’S PEOPLE GRATEFULLY RESPOND WITH THEIR PETITIONS, TITHES & OFFERINGS, AND PRAISE

Praying, serving, and giving are essential aspects of worship, moving our faith from our heads and hearts into our lives and callings. Offering boxes for both tithes and alms are located in the foyer.

Pastoral Prayer

Corporate Prayer—*The Lord’s Prayer*

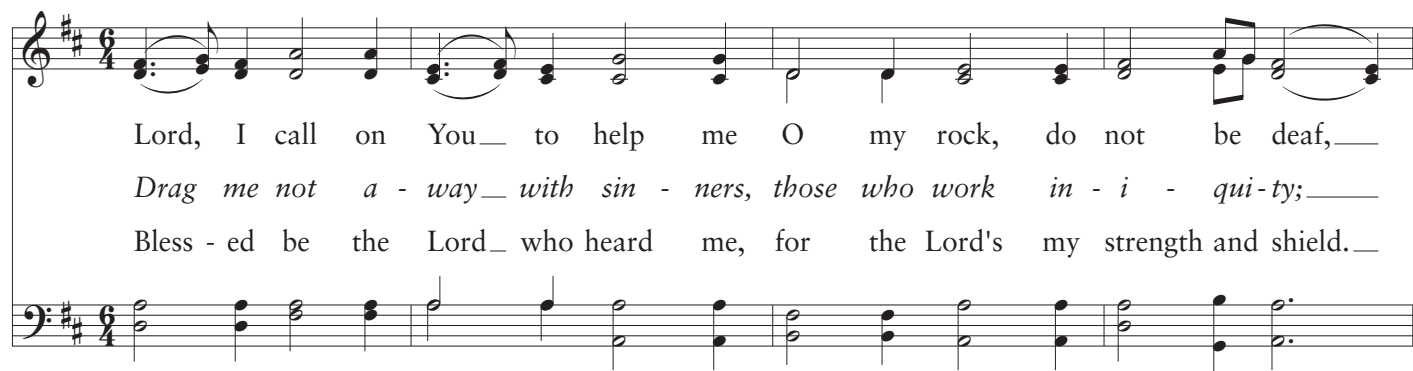
Our Father, who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done,
On Earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

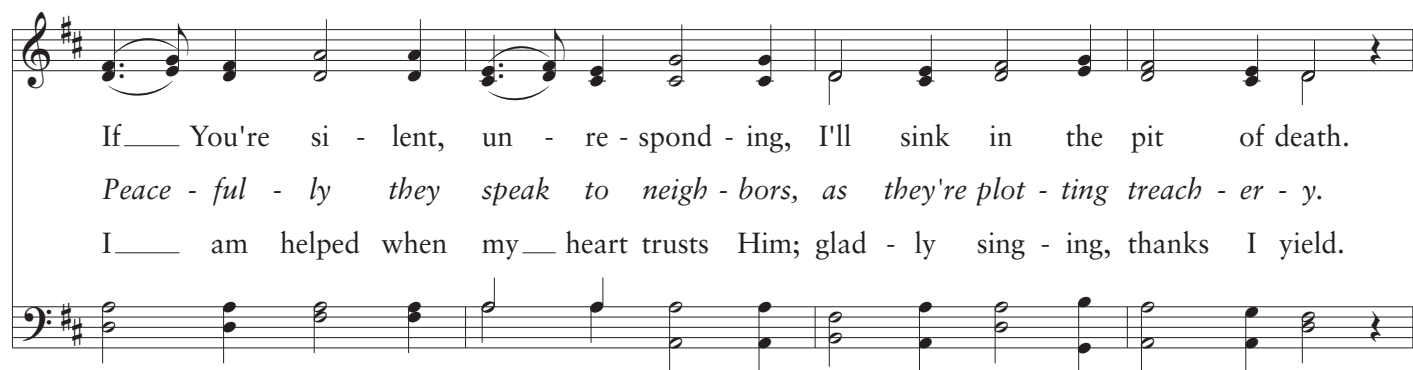
For Thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

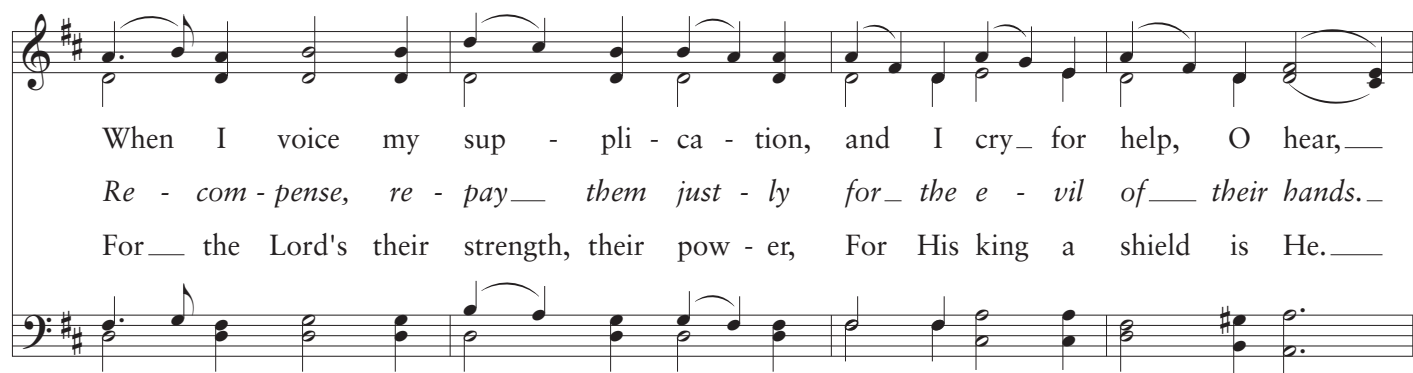
Congregational Psalm—Lord, I Call On You (Psalm 28)



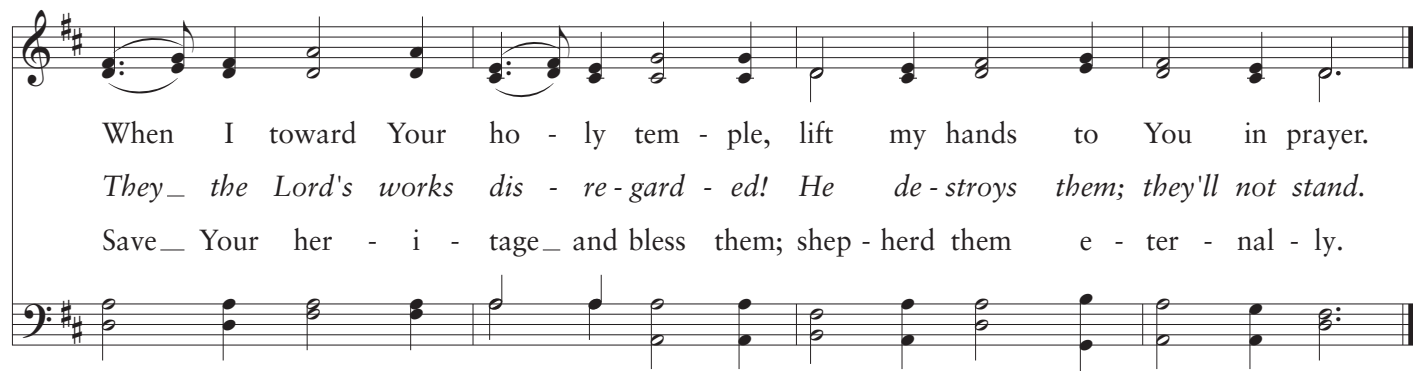
Lord, I call on You__ to help me O my rock, do not be deaf,___
Drag me not a - way__ with sin - ners, those who work in - i - qui - ty;___
Bless - ed be the Lord__ who heard me, for the Lord's my strength and shield.___



If___ You're si - lent, un - re - spond - ing, I'll sink in the pit of death.
Peace - ful - ly they speak to neigh - bors, as they're plot - ting treach - er - y.
I___ am helped when my__ heart trusts Him; glad - ly sing - ing, thanks I yield.



When I voice my sup - pli - ca - tion, and I cry__ for help, O hear,___
Re - com - pense, re - pay___ them just - ly for__ the e - vil of___ their hands. -
For___ the Lord's their strength, their pow - er, For His king a shield is He. ___



When I toward Your ho - ly tem - ple, lift my hands to You in prayer.
They__ the Lord's works dis - re - gard - ed! He de - stroy - s them; they'll not stand.
Save__ Your her - i - tage__ and bless them; shep - herd them e - ter - nal - ly.

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Text: Psalm 28:1-9; Music: AMADEUS, based on Piano Sonata, K. 331, Wolfgang Mozart, 1784.

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Benediction—Romans 16:25-27

Now to Him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! *Amen.*

Sung Response—Unto Christ Who Loved Us



Un-to Christ, who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,

And has made us kings and priests un - to God and His Fa - ther:

Un-to Him be glo-ry and do-min-ion for - ev-er and ev-er. A - men.

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second and third staves also end with double bar lines.

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Music: UNTO HIM WHO LOVED US, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1936.

Announcements

Worship Notes:

Since we were first planted, Parish Presbyterian has been a church that has prioritized singing the psalms. The section of our worship service called “God speaks to His people through His Word” usually includes at least one psalm, and often we’ll sing several more psalms throughout the morning (this week, we sing from Psalm 32 in response to the Assurance of Pardon). During the current sermon series covering Psalms 24-33, the closing musical piece of the morning will be the psalm that was preached earlier in the service. Psalm 28 is not a text that we have sung many times at Parish, so the setting this week is not very familiar. *Lord, I Call On You—Psalm 28* is taken from the *Book of Psalms for Worship*, a publication of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (RPCNA) in 2010. The text is quite faithful to the psalm, with each eight-bar phrase corresponding roughly to a verse in the original. The editors of the psalter chose to set this psalm to the tune AMADEUS, an adaptation of the melody from the first movement of Mozart’s *Piano Sonata no. 11 in A major*, K. 311. The lilting melody is delicate, even frail, but also quietly hopeful—qualities that pair well with the sentiments David communicates in Psalm 28. Though it may take a little more work this week, because both the words and music are new to us, I pray that singing God’s Word back to Him will drive the truths we have just heard preached deeper into our hearts.

—Henry C. Haffner

Key Words: Lord, Strength, Shield, Rock, Call, Hear, Trust, Wicked, Evil, Shepherd, Save

Keystone Verse: The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him. (Psalm 28:7)



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