

Welcome to The Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2023



Season of Creation

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Here I Am To Worship



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Verse 1

**Light of the world,
You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore
You,
Hope of a life spent with You.**

Refrain

**So here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.**

Verse 2

**King of all days,
Oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You come
To the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor.**

Refrain

**So here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.**

Bridge

**And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.**

**And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.**

Refrain

**So here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely,
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**Greetings and Announcements:
Rev. Rob Henderson**

Choir practice !!





Psalm 105 (HTSSM version)

Refrain:

***“Come give thanks to the Lord.
Call upon His name”***

Spirit of the living God

Spirit of the living God,

Move among us all;

Make us one in heart and mind,

Make us one in love:

Humble, caring, selfless, sharing-

Spirit of the living God,

Fill our lives with love.





Book of Common Praise 565

Guide me, O thou Great Jehovah

Verse 1

**Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim though this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
Hold me with thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.**

Verse 2

**Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer.
Be thou still my Strength and Shield,
Be thou still my Strength and Shield.**

Verse 3

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.**



THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant:

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.**

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: **Almighty God,**

People: **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



T O G O D
B E T H E
G L O R Y

Glory Be to the Father

Chorus

**Glory be to the Father,
Glory be to the Son,
Glory be to the Spirit,
All Glory to our God.**

Verse 1

We praise you, we bless you,

We give you thanks.

We praise you for your Glory.

We praise you, we bless you,

We worship you,

Oh Lord, our God.

Chorus

**Glory be to the Father,
Glory be to the Son,
Glory be to the Spirit,
All Glory to our God.**

Verse 2

**Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Son of God.
You are One with the Father,
Receive our prayer.**

Chorus

**Glory be to the Father,
Glory be to the Son,
Glory be to the Spirit,
All Glory to our God.**

Verse 3

**You alone are the holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God.**

Chorus

**Glory be to the Father,
Glory be to the Son,
Glory be to the Spirit,
All Glory to our God.**

Tag

All Glory to our God.



We say together the Collect for today:

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;

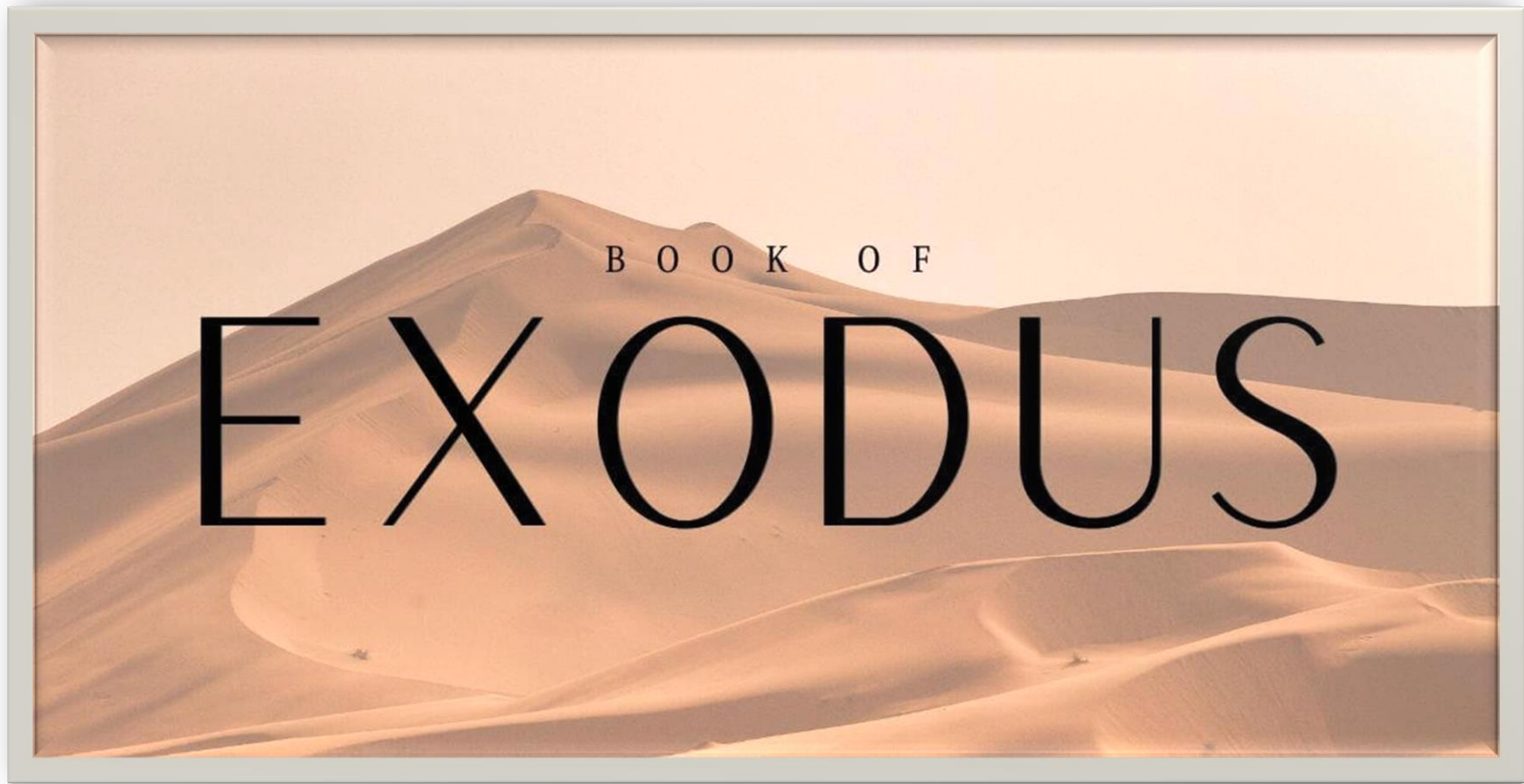
**through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen**



THE READINGS

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***The
Proclamation
of the Word***



A Reading from the Book of Exodus
(16:2-15)

Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread;

for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my

instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning,

**you shall see the glory of the LORD,
because he has heard your
complaining against the LORD. For
what are we, that you complain
against us?" And Moses said, "When
the LORD gives you meat to eat in the
evening and your fill of bread in the
morning, because the LORD has**

heard the complaining that you utter against him--what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'"

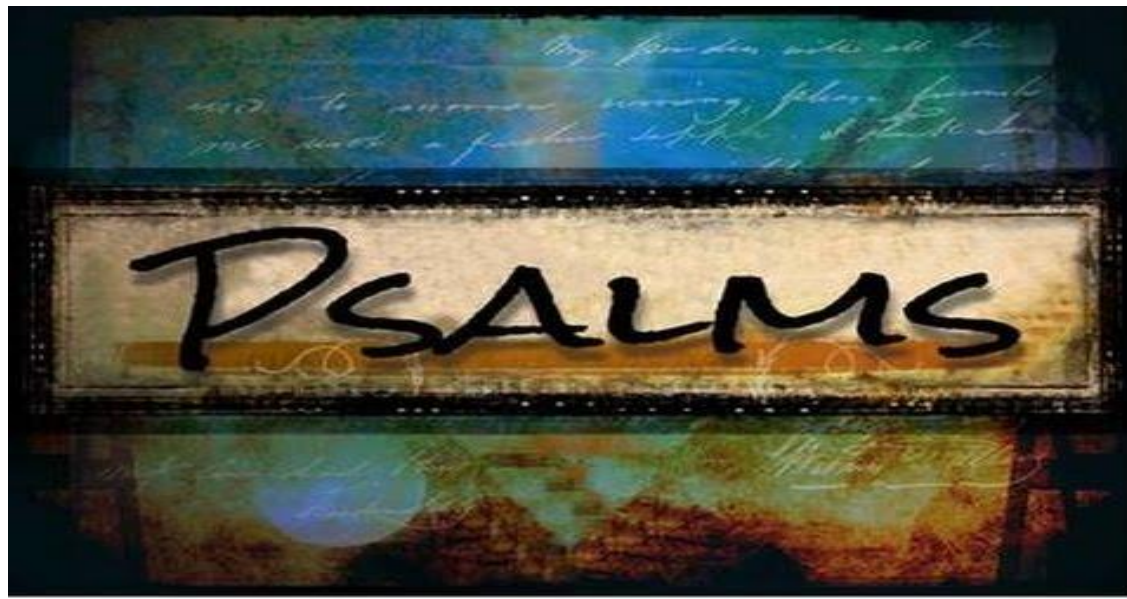
And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat,

and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.” In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on

the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

Reader: **The word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 105 (HTSSM version)

Refrain:

***“Come give thanks to the Lord.
Call upon His name”***

Psalm 105

Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him;

Talk of all His wondrous works

Glory in His holy name

Rejoice and seek the Lord!

***Come give thanks to the Lord,
call upon his name.***

Psalm 105

Seek the Lord and all his strength

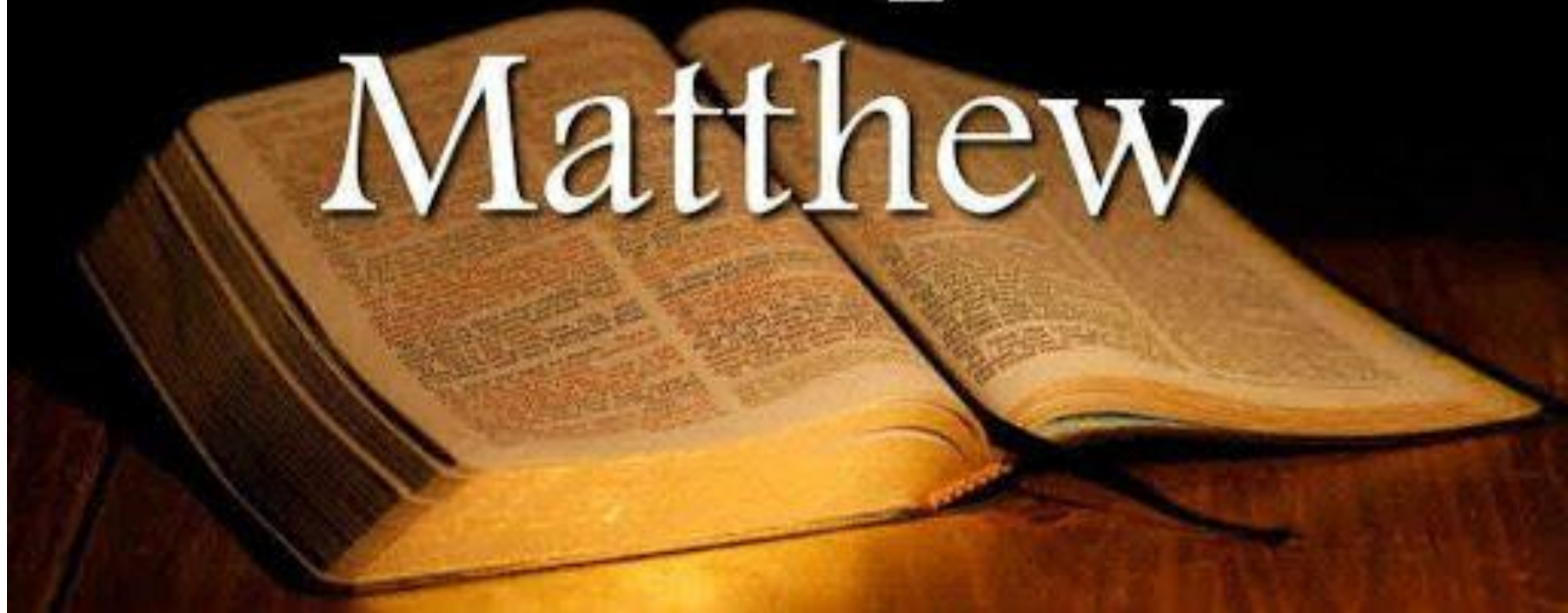
Seek ye His face evermore

Remember marvelous works He's done

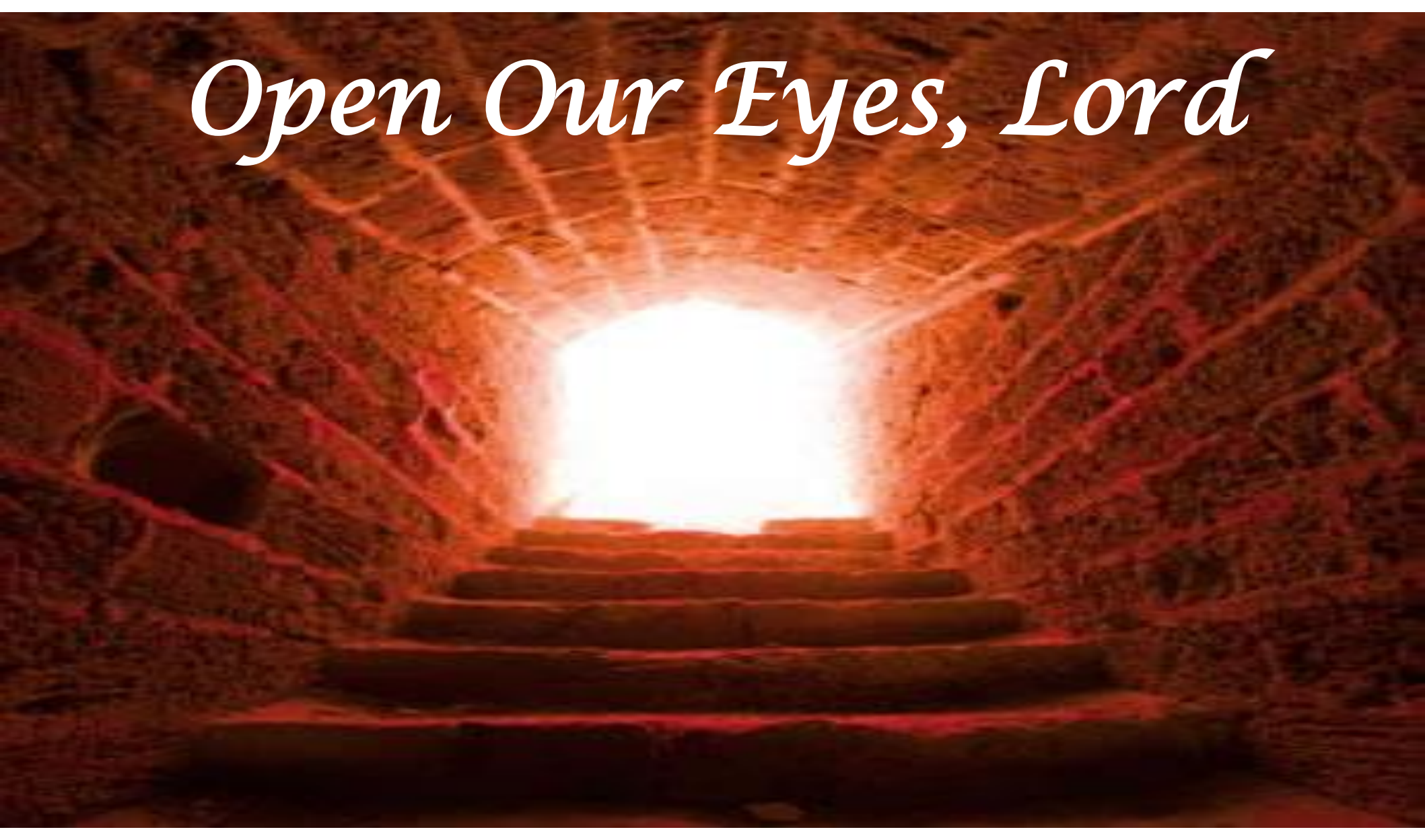
And the judgements of His mouth !

***Come give thanks to the Lord,
call upon his name.***

The Gospel of Matthew



Open Our Eyes, Lord



**Open our eyes, Lord.
We want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him,
And say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord,
And help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord.
We want to see Jesus.**

Repeat 2 more times



All stand for the Gospel

Reader: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: **The Holy Gospel
of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Matthew.**

People: **Glory to you,
Lord Jesus Christ.**

Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said, "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace;

and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?'

They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage.

Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'

But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

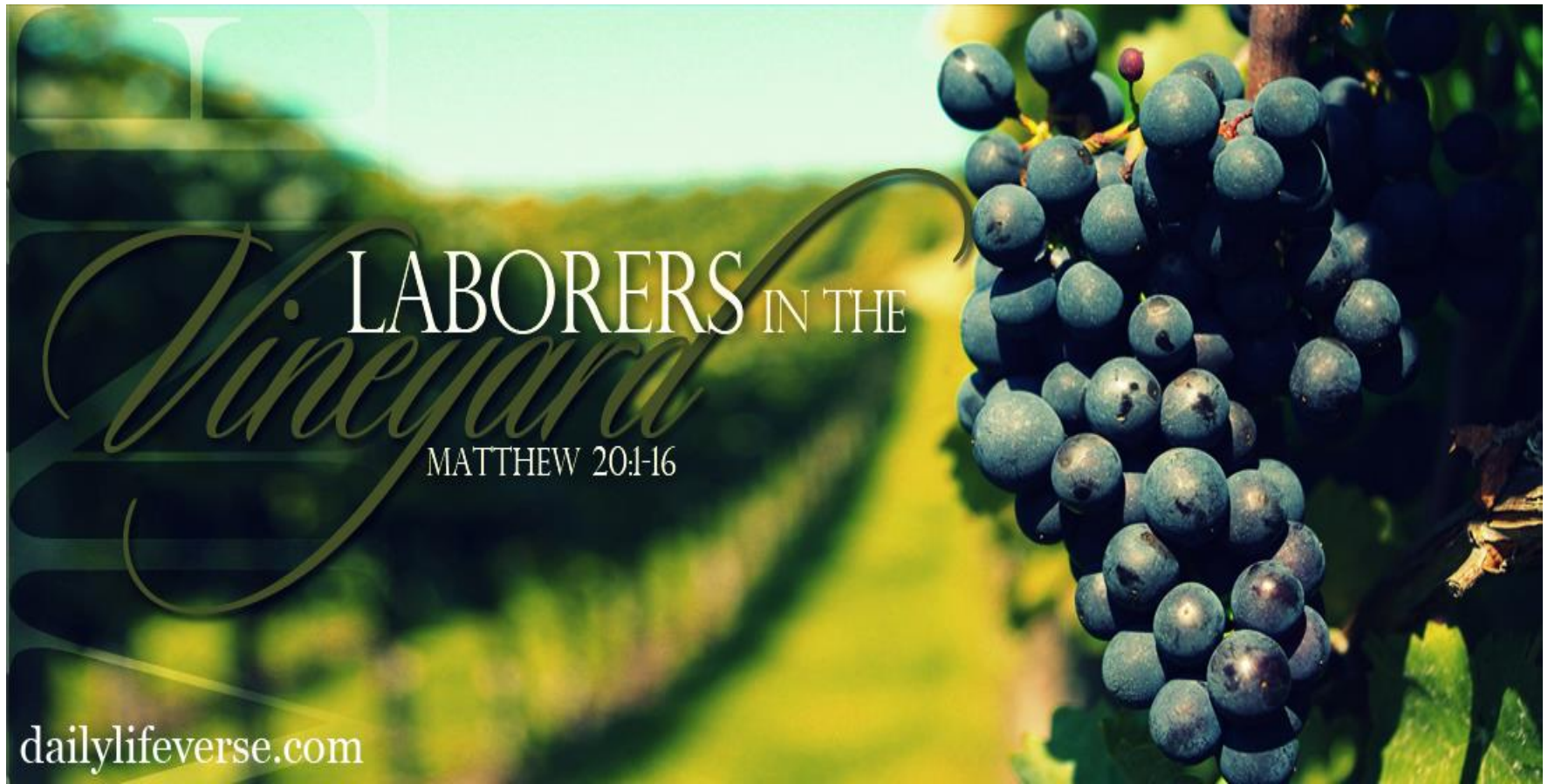
Reader: **The Gospel of Christ.**

People: **Praise to you,
Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Open our eyes, Lord.
We want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him,
And say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord,
And help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord.
We want to see Jesus.**

Repeat 2 more times





LABORERS IN THE

Vineyard

MATTHEW 20:1-16

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Homily Rev. Rob Henderson



Prayers of the People

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost – Creation Season

**Let us pray with confidence
to the Lord, saying,
God our Creator:**

Hear Our Prayer.

**Loving God, we pray in thanksgiving
for Mother Earth in whom all life is
rooted, Brother Sun whose energy
radiates life, Sister Water who
nurtures and revives us, and
co-creatures with whom we live, and
for whom we are called to till and
keep this garden. God our Creator.
Hear Our Prayer.**

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

**Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters,
harming no one.
God our Creator.**

Hear Our Prayer.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and the forgotten of this Earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

**Touch the hearts of those who look
only for gain at the expense of the
poor and the Earth.
God our Creator.**

Hear Our Prayer.

**Teach us to discover the worth of
each thing, to be filled with awe
and contemplation, to recognize
that we are profoundly united with
every creature as we journey
towards your infinite light.
God our Creator.**

Hear Our Prayer.

Today we pray for all who need the healing touch of Jesus.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list, especially today:

Molly Rose, Al & Yvonne, Sandy M., Linda R., and Steve I.

God our Creator.

Hear Our Prayer.

God our Creator, we thank you that you know our needs before we ask, and you also know all the circumstances that are hidden from us. Grant our prayers as may be best for us according to your will. All these things we ask through the love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: **Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love
and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.**

Celebrant: **Most merciful God,**

People: **we confess**

that 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 neighbours as ourselves.

**We are truly sorry
and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Celebrant: **Almighty God**
 have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you
from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you
in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**



Celebrant: **The peace of the Lord
be always with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Go Now In Peace



Carrie Luke

Verse 1

Go now in peace.

Go now in peace.

**May the love of God surround you
Everywhere, Everywhere,
You may go.**



Receiving the gifts of money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church.





Altar Flowers

The flowers for the Altar today
are given to the Glory of God by
Shirley & Horst Ammons
in memory of their beloved
granddaughter Samantha Rohde.

Prayer Over The Gifts

God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



**SEASON OF
CREATION**

**Eucharistic
Prayer**

Celebrant: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: **Lift up your hearts.**

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

Celebrant: **Let us give thanks to the Lord,
our God of all of Creation .**

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

Celebrant: **You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth, all things, came to be.**

Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements, and you brought forth life in forms innumerable, including this our fragile earth, and we amongst its inhabitants.

**As our past is in you, so our hope
for the future rests with you.**

**As we have turned from your way,
so we turn again to the warmth of
your love.**

**Through you all things are brought
to new life.**

And now we give you thanks for the glories of your creation given into our care, and for the opportunities we have to share that richness with all your people.

**And so, with the wonders of
creation and the songs of praise
of all your creatures
both in heaven and on earth,
we praise you
now and for ever
saying:**

Holy, Holy, Holy (Dufford)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.

God of Power and Might

Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna on high.

Blessed is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the Highest,

Hosanna in the Highest,

Hosanna, Hosanna on High.

Celebrant:

**In the night that Jesus was
betrayed,
he took bread,
work of human hands,
gift of our earth,
and gave thanks to God.**

**He broke the bread to speak to us
of the breaking of his body
upon the cross.**

**He gave it to his friends and said:
“Take and eat,
for this is my body
which is given for you.**

Do this in remembrance of me.”

**He took the wine,
work of human hands,
gift of our earth,
and gave thanks to God, Creator.**

**He poured out the wine
to speak to us of the
pouring out of his blood.**

He gave it to his friends saying:

**“This is my blood of the
new covenant, shed for you
and for all creation for the
forgiveness of sins.**

**Every time you drink of the wine,
do this in remembrance of me.”**

**So we proclaim
the mystery of faith:**

All: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

**Therefore God,
we who seek your reconciliation;
we who need reconciliation one
with another;
we who hope for reconciliation with
all creation,
draw close to this mystery.**

**In being broken, spilt, and buried,
life sprang forth again.**

**In the breaking,
there is an opening up;
in the spilling,
there are the roots of sharing;
in death and burial, there is the
seed of the new life to come.**

**As we look in our world,
in our lives,
and in our hearts,
for his second coming,
keep us close to this vision
that we have seen.**

**Through the giving
in the bread and wine,
reconcile us to our world
and give us the broken oneness,
the spilt unity,
and the buried resurrection by
which we can restore your creation
and fulfil your will.**

**Send upon us,
and upon all your creation,
the life-giving Spirit who first
moved upon the waters of the deep.
Stir in us the creative
and redeem the destructive.**

**Unite us with you through
the body and blood of your Son,
your Word made flesh as
your Word has made flesh.**

**By whom,
and with whom
and in whom,
in the unity of your Creative Spirit,
with all that has been, is,
and will be in your universe.**

**We stand before you
and worship you, God of all,
in songs of everlasting praise.**

**Blessing and honour,
and glory and power,
be yours for ever and ever.**

People: **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Our
Father
in
Heaven



The Lord's Prayer (Landry)

Cantor: Let us pray to God our Father in the way
Jesus taught us to pray:

All: **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 trespasses,
as we forgive
those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom,
And the power,
and the glory,
Now and for ever. Amen**



Breaking of The Bread #1

Celebrant:



**“I am the bread of life,”
says the Lord.**

**“Whoever comes to me
will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me
will never thirst.”**

People:

**Taste and see that the
Lord is good; happy are
they who trust in him!**



**The gifts of God
for the
People of God.
*People: Thanks be to God.***

*Lamb
of
God*



Verse 1

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.**

All: **Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.**

Verse 2

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.**

All: **Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.**

Verse 3

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
grant us peace.**

All: **Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
grant us peace.**



Come
to
the
Table

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE,
IT IS JESUS WHO INVITES YOU.**

**Please allow personal distance when
approaching to receive the sacrament.**

**If you do not wish to receive the wafer,
please cross your arms in front of your
chest to receive God's blessing.**

Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn



Spirit of the Living God
Book of Common Praise 647



Verse 1

**Spirit of the living God,
Move among us all;
Make us one in heart and mind,
Make us one in love:
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing-
Spirit of the living God,
Fill our lives with love.**

Verse 2

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me;

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me;

Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me,

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.



We Say Together the Prayer After Communion:

**Ruler of the universe, all creation
yearns for its fulfilment in your Son.
May we who have shared in holy
things grow into maturity in him.
This we ask in the name of the
same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Doxology

Celebrant: **Glory to God,**

People: **whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than
we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from
generation to generation,
in the Church and in
Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.
Amen.**



**THE
BLESSING**



O Jesus, I Have Promised
Book of Common Praise 438

Verse 1

**O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end:
Be thou forever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.**

Verse 2

**O let me feel thee near me!
The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But Jesus, draw thou nearer,
And shield my soul from sin.**

Verse 3

**O Jesus, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee,
That where thou art in glory
There shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
My Master and my friend.**


Verse 4

**O let me see thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in thy strength alone.
O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then in heaven receive me,
My Savior and my Friend.**



The Dismissal





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He Touched Me

Verse 1

**Shackled by a heavy burden,
'Neath a load of guilt and shame.
Then the hand of Jesus touched me.
And now I am no longer the same.**

Chorus

**He touched me,
oh He touched me.
And oh, the joy that floods my soul!!
Something happened,
And now I know!
He touched me and made me whole.**

Verse 2

**Since I met this blessed Savior,
Since He cleansed
And made me whole,
I will never cease to praise Him,
And shout it while eternity rolls.**

Chorus

**He touched me,
oh He touched me.
And oh, the joy that floods my soul!!
Something happened,
And now I know!
He touched me and made me whole.**



Thank you for worshipping with us!

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD
AND PROCLAIM HIS GREATNESS.
LET THE WHOLE WORLD KNOW
WHAT HE HAS DONE.

———— Psalm 105:1 ————

GOD BLESS YOU,
GO WITH GOD