

Order for the Worship of God
August 23, 2020
12th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsive*)

Leader: We gather for worship to praise God as our ‘Good Shepherd.’

People: The Lord is our Shepherd who provides all we need.

Leader: We gather to praise our ‘Good Shepherd,’ who safely leads and gives us strength for the journey.

People: The Lord is our Shepherd, who gives us rest and renewal.

Leader: We gather to worship our ‘Good Shepherd,’ who offers us a feast when we are under pressure.

People: The Lord is our Shepherd, who’s unfailing love always hovers over us. Amen.

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Nobody Knows/All Night, All Day” arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #39 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” FAITHFULNESS

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain: **Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *refrain***

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow;
blessings all mine, with ten-thousand beside! *refrain***

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Together*)

O God, we have listened to voices other than yours and followed in paths of our own making. We have evaded your commandments to do what pleases us. Our hearts condemn us, but we lack the will and the strength to change our ways. Have mercy on us and forgive us, we pray, that we may devote ourselves to doing what pleases you, Our God. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

ANTHEM

“Shepherd Me, O God”
(A recording of Westminster Youth Choir, April 7, 2019)

Marty Haugen
arr. Mark Hayes

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

*God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love.
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.*

*Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul.
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth.
My spirit shall sing the music of your name.*

*Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side.
Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.*

*You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
Crowning me with love beyond my pow’r to hold.*

*Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life.
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.*

Paraphrase of Psalm 23 by Marty Haugen

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

CALL TO OFFERING

SCRIPTURE WITH SUNG REFRAIN #473
(all sing the repeated refrain)

“Psalm 23”

SHEPHERD ME

Capo 1: (Em) (C) (G) (D)
Refrain Fm D^b A^b E^b

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -

(Bm7) (C) (Am7) (Bm7) (Em)
Cm7 D^b B^bm7 Cm7 Fm

yond my fears, from death in - to life.

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 23 (KJV)

SERMON

“Angels”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #546

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

SICILIAN MARINERS

(stanzas 1,2)

**Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O, refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.**

**Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel’s joyful sound;
May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Postlude on HYMN TO JOY”

Jason D. Payne

Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

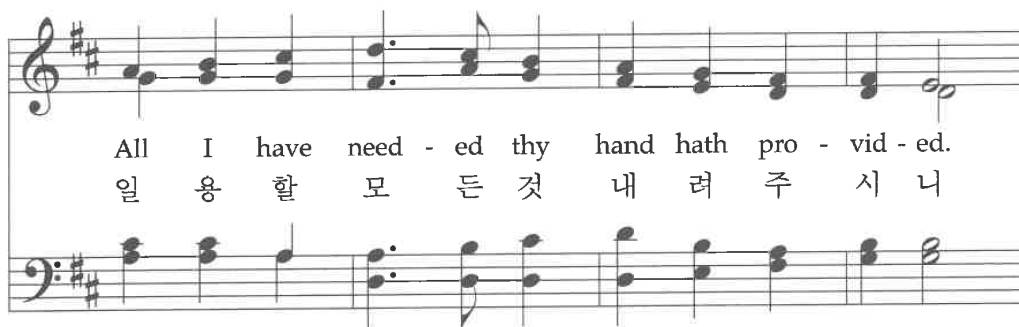
Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주



Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
날 마 다 자 비 를 베푸 시 며



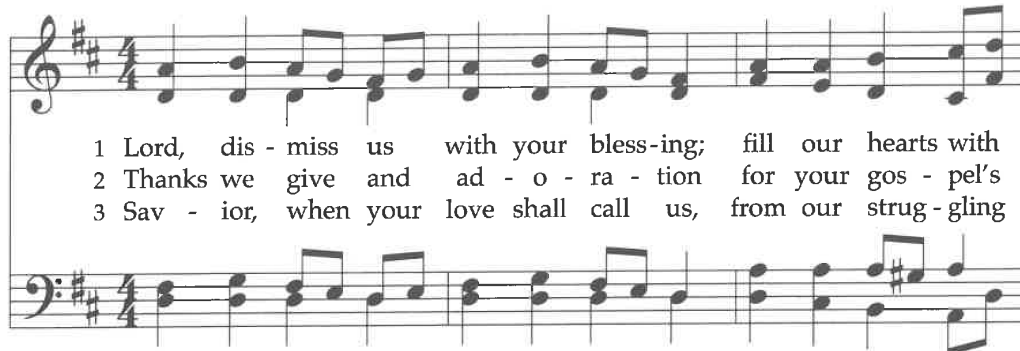
All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니



Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

SENDING

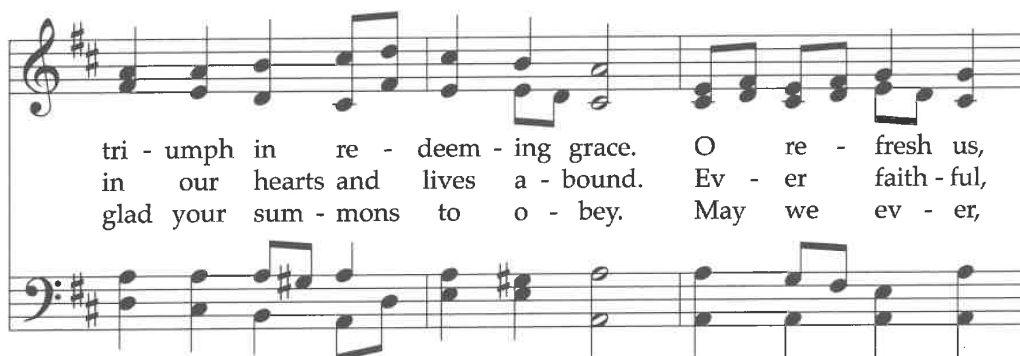
546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



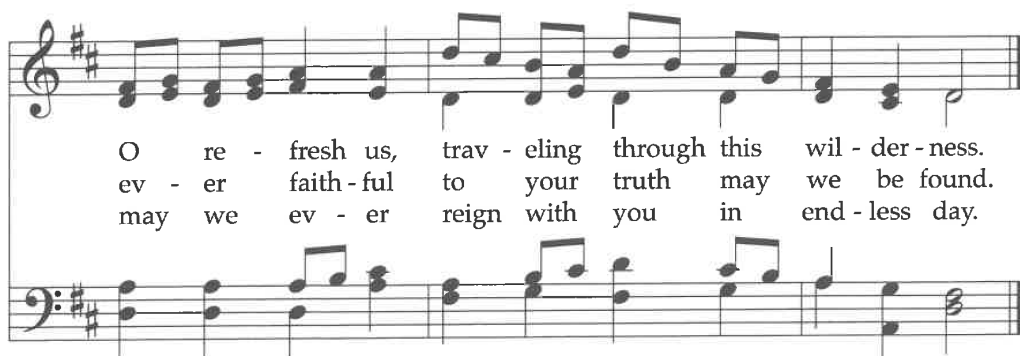
1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling



joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

This hymn of corporate benediction is one of several using the same first line. It was written by a Baptist pastor who dedicated his entire ministry to a small church in rural Yorkshire. The tune used here was first transcribed from Sicilian sailors in the late 18th century.

TEXT: Attr. John Fawcett, 1773, alt.; stanza 3, alt. Geoffrey Thring, 1880, alt.
 MUSIC: Sicilian melody, 18th cent.

SICILIAN MARINERS
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