

Order for the Public Worship of God
January 31, 2021
4th Sunday after Epiphany
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“I Will Arise and Go to Jesus”

Southern Folk Melody
arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Michele White, Soloist

*Let the whole creation cry, “Glory to the Lord on high.”
Heaven and earth, awake and sing, “Praise to our almighty King.”
Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;
sun and moon, uplift your voice; night and stars in God rejoice!*

*Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold;
join with children’s songs of praise; worship God through length of days.
From the north to southern pole let the might chorus roll:
“Holy, holy holy One, glory be to God alone!”*

—Stopford A. Brook, 1881

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

HYMN #65

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

CWM RHONDDA

**Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through 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.**

**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.**

**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.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Together*)

O God, be gracious to us, for we have sinned against you. In our busyness we have failed to call on you. In our self-centeredness we have ignored your hurting people. We have uttered empty words and wearied you with empty deeds. We have been unwilling to see our own iniquity and have not dared to believe that you can heal us. Come to us now to forgive and make new. In Jesus name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

arr. Mark Hayes
Traditional Spiritual

(recorded March 1, 2020, conducted by the arranger)

Heather Wood, Clarinet; Adrienne Clover, Flute; Jarrett Mattson, Djembe

I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me.

All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, comfort me. In my trials, Lord, comfort me.

When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to comfort me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord stay with me. When I'm in trouble, Lord stay with me.

When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to stay with me.

I want Jesus to walk with me.

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

HYMN #181

“Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit”
(organ introduction by Aaron David Miller)

EBENEZER

“Silence! Frenzied, unclean spirit,” cried God's healing, Holy One.

“Cease your ranting! Flesh can't bear it. Flee as night before the sun.”

**At Christ's voice the demon trembled, from its victim madly rushed,
while the crowd that was assembled stood in wonder, stunned, and hushed.**

**Lord, the demons still are thriving in the gray cells of the mind:
tyrant voices, shrill and driving, twisted thoughts that grip and bind,
doubts that stir the heart to panic, fears distorting reason's sight,
guilt that makes our loving frantic, dreams that cloud the soul with fright.**

**Silence, Lord, the unclean spirit, in our mind and in our heart.
Speak your word that when we hear it all our demons shall depart.
Clear our thought and calm our feeling; still the fractured, warring soul.
By the power of your healing make us faithful, true, and whole.**

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalms 111 (NRSV)
Mark 1:21-28 (NRSV)

SERMON

“What Is Our/Your Story of Deliverance?”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

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 spring time 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*

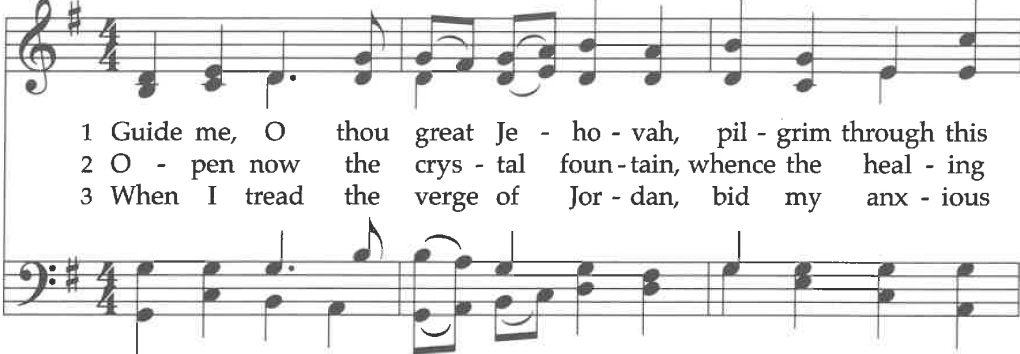
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CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Hymn Improvisation on CWM RHONDDA”

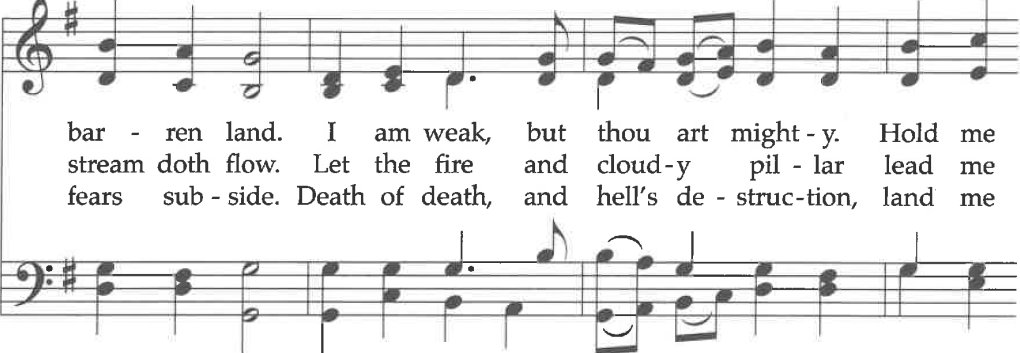
Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

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

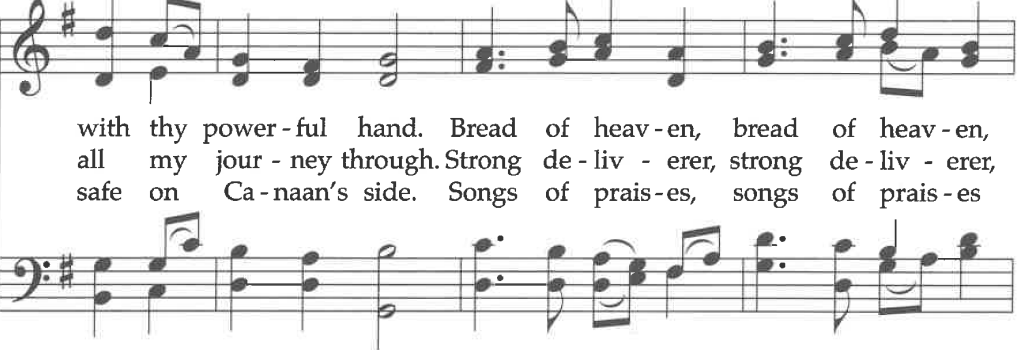
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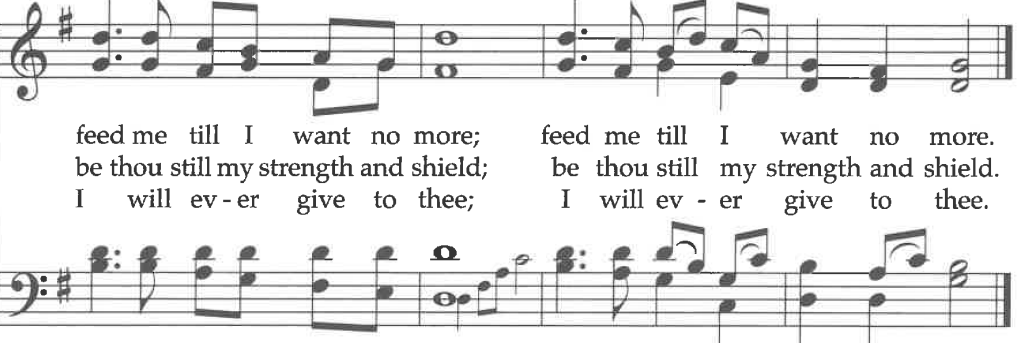
1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

181 Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit

1 "Si - lence! Fren - zied, un - clean spir - it," cried God's
 2 Lord, the de - mons still are thriv - ing in the
 3 Si - lence, Lord, the un - clean spir - it, in our

heal - ing, Ho - ly One. "Cease your rant - ing! Flesh can't
 gray cells of the mind: ty - rant voic - es, shrill and
 mind and in our heart. Speak your word that when we

bear it. Flee as night be - fore the sun."
 driv - ing, twist - ed thoughts that grip and bind,
 hear it all our de - mons shall de - part.

Based on Mark 1:21–28/Luke 4:31–37, this text recalls how Jesus exorcized a demon, ponders what demons mean today, and concludes with a prayer for wholeness. It is set here to a familiar Welsh tune whose recurring three-note figures help to convey a sense of internal turmoil.

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

At Christ's voice the de - mon trem-bled, from its vic - tim
doubts that stir the heart to pan - ic, fears dis - tort - ing
Clear our thought and calm our feel - ing; still the frac - tured,

mad - ly rushed, while the crowd that was as -
rea - son's sight, guilt that makes our lov - ing
war - ring soul. By the pow - er of your

sem - bled stood in won - der, stunned, and hushed.
fran - tic, dreams that cloud the soul with fright.
heal - ing make us faith - ful, true, and whole.

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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.

TEXT: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

MUSIC: William Marion Runyan, 1923

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FAITHFULNESS

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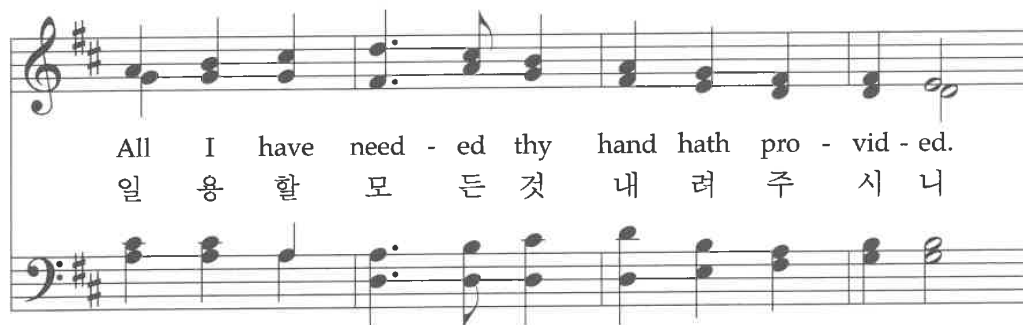
Refrain



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