

Order for the Public Worship of God
February 7, 2021
5th Sunday after Epiphany
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Charles Callahan

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

William J. Gaither

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

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN #645

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

MIT FREUDEN ZART

(stanzas 1,2,3)

**Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:
to God all praise and glory!**

**What God’s all mighty power has made God’s gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade God’s watchful eye ne’er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of God’s might, lo! all is just and all is right:
to God all praise and glory!**

**The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing,
an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing,
as with a mother’s tender hand God gently leads the chosen band:
to God all praise and glory!**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

Almighty God, we often forget the glory of creation and everything you have done for us. We ignore the beauty you place all around us. We brush aside the ways you strengthen us. We sing songs of lament instead of songs of praise and thanksgiving. We lose ourselves in the business of life, and forget that we are only found in you. Forgive us. Fill our hearts and our lips with your praises, and turn our lives to-ward you. 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.**

APOSTLES' CREED *(Together)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SOLO

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”
Barbara Jordan, Soloist

arr. Mark Hayes

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.

There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain;

But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

If you can preach like Peter, if you can preach like Paul,

Go home and tell your neighbor, “He died to save us all.”

--Traditional Spiritual

CALL TO OFFERING

HYMN #796

“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”

LAND OF REST

(omit stanza 4)

**We come to you for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul,
and pray that by your Spirit's touch we may again be whole.**

**As once you walked through ancient streets and reached toward those in pain,
we know you come among us still with power to heal again.**

**You touch us through physicians' skills, through nurses' gifts of care,
and through the love of faithful friends who lift our lives in prayer.**

**We come to you, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain,
In trust that through our nights and days your grace will heal, sustain.**

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 147:5-7; Mark 1:29-39 (NRSV)

SERMON

“The Touch of Jesus' Hands”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF
THE CUP; THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(Please plan to celebrate communion during this livestream service by preparing a small portion of juice—or something to drink—and bread for your use at home.)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #465

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

CONVERSE

**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Emma Lou Diemer

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

645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
 2 What God's al-might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
 4 Thus all my toil - some way a - long I sing a - loud

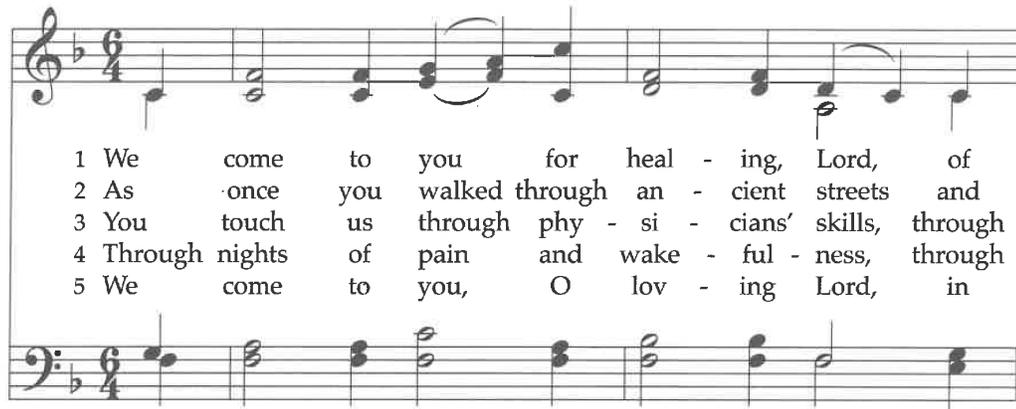
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 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song

the God of our sal - va - tion. With
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 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be

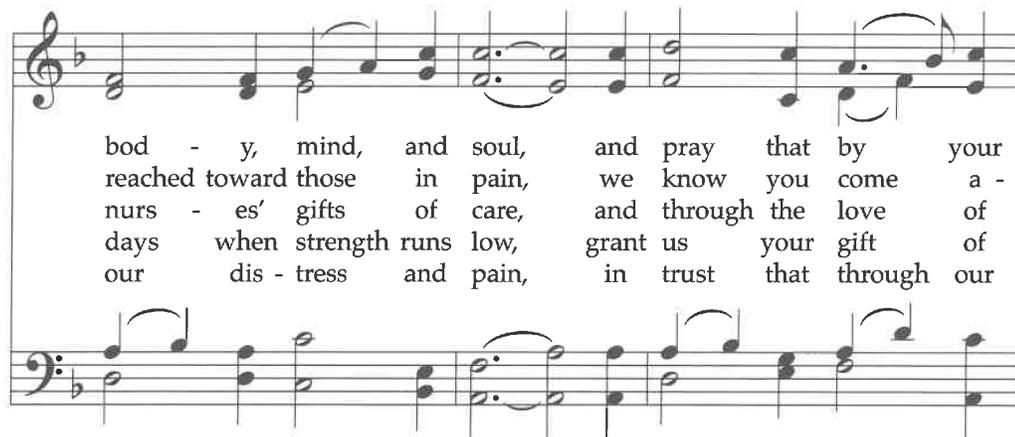
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 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,

mur - mur stilled:
 all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
 cho - sen band:
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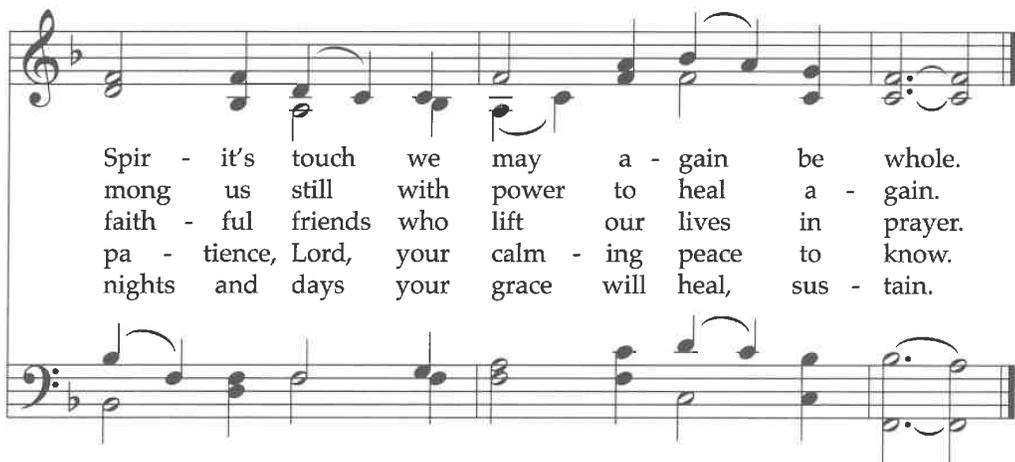
We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
 2 As - once you walked through an - cient streets and
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
 4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
 reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our

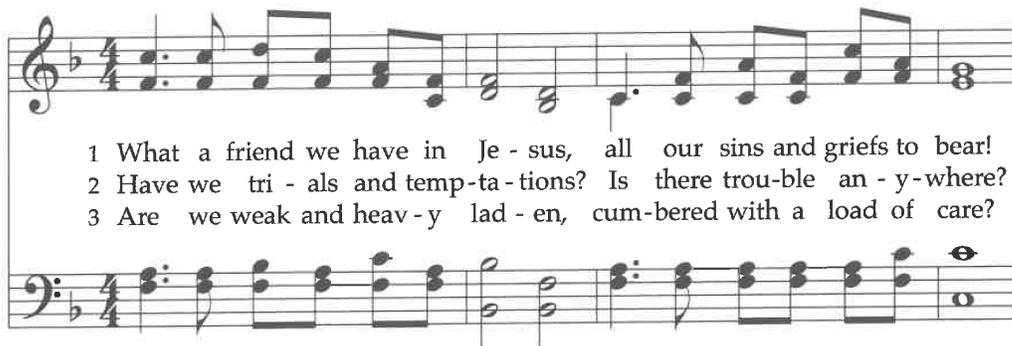


Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
 mong us still with power to heal a - gain.
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

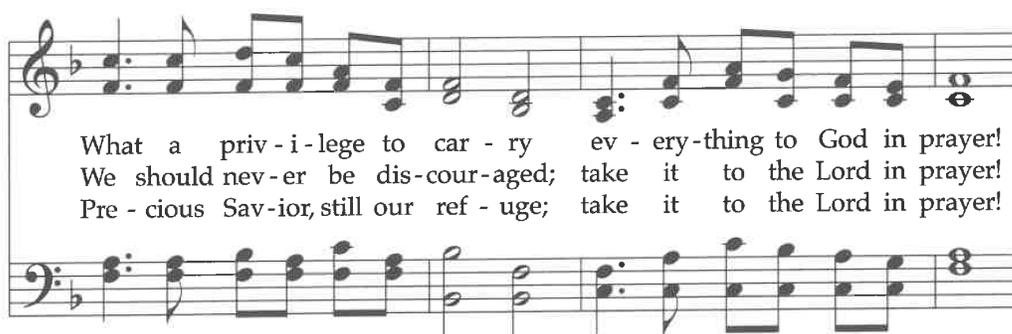
Unlike many hymns on the theme of healing, this text appropriately includes the ministry of medical personnel as instruments of God's healing activity. It also acknowledges that illness is not limited to physical symptoms, but involves mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions.

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

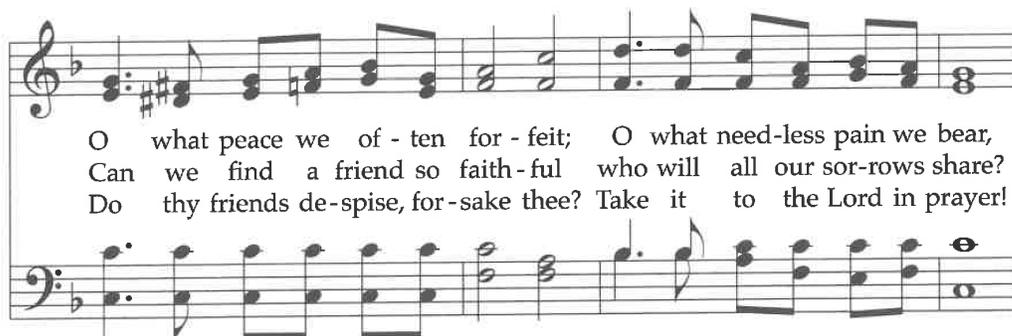
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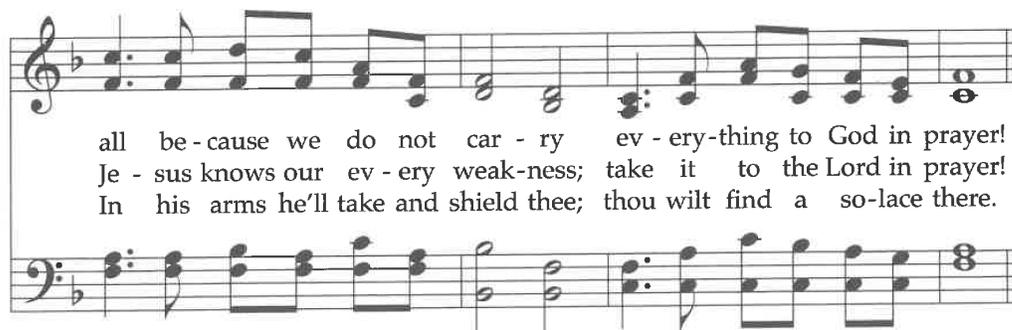
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-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!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need-less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
 Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak-ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so-lace there.

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.