

For I know the plans  
I have for you, declares the Lord...  
Plans to give you  
*Hope* and a *Future*  
Jeremiah 29:11

4th Sunday of Easter

**April 21, 2024**



**Making Christ Known Through His Gospel**

*Mercy of God*

*Grace of God*

*In the Forgiveness of God*

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## **What is the Lord's Supper?**

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and the wine, for Christians to eat and to drink. Jesus himself started this practice. The Lord's Supper assures Christians of the forgiveness of our sins and draws us closer to the Lord and His people. If you believe this and are baptized, please come join us at the Altar today for the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions about The Lord's Supper or your participation, please see Pastor.

Please note in the communion tray  
The darker colored cups contain wine.  
The center lighter cups contain grape juice.

We encourage you to bring your children to the Altar. If they have not been confirmed in the faith or a not baptized, please have them cross the arms across their chest for a blessing.

**WELCOME** to our worship service this morning.

We invite you to worship with us often and consider our family of faith your family. We pray God's rich blessings upon you as you hear His Word and praise His holy name.

Everything you need for worship is printed in this bulletin. However, we do present the entire service on the front screen for you convenience. Also, Quiet Bags (for our very young worshipers) are available at the entrance of the Sanctuary.

# My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

1 My hope is built on nothing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I

blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -

own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

*Refrain*

On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

## INVOCATION

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the **†** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## OPENING SENTENCES

*John 12:26; Ephesians 4:15; Psalm 25:1–3, 5, 10; 106:48*

P: Jesus said: “If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.”

**C: Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.**

P: To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust.

**C: Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame.**

P: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.**

P: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

**C: And let all the people say, “Amen!” Praise the Lord!**

P: Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and pray for His gracious forgiveness.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

**C: O Lord God Almighty, we confess that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not put You first at all times. We have not followed in the ways You have set forth for us. We have not always been thoughtful caretakers of Your creation and have not shared its bounty on all occasions. We have not kept our thoughts, words, and deeds fully pure and honorable. We have sinned in ways we know and**

**in ways we do not even recognize. We have not honored those in authority and have not without reservation encouraged them. We have not completely put the best construction on all things and on all people. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us all our sins, and finally by Your grace, bring us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## † SACRAMENT OF THE WORD †

### INTROIT

*Psalm 23; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b*

P: I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my

life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

## **KYRIE**

P: Lord, have mercy

**C: Christ, have mercy**

P: Lord, have mercy

## **SALUTATION**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

# FIRST READING

*Acts 4:1–12*

*(Peter and John are brought before the Jerusalem Council.)*

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

*Psalm 23*

Jim: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**C: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**

Jim: He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

**C: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**

Jim: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

## **EPISTLE**

*1 John 3:16–24*

*(Followers of Christ are called to love in deed and in truth.)*

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Jim: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



# GRADUAL

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

**C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.**

P: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

**C: He has put all things under His feet.**

## VERSE

*Romans 6:9; John 10:14*

P: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

**C: Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me. Alleluia.**

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 10:11–18*

*(Jesus prays for and about His disciples.)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have

authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again.  
This charge I have received from my Father.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness  
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed  
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in  
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant  
love He sought me And on His shoul - der  
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my

I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.  
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.  
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
And, oh, what transport of delight  
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
Within Thy house forever!

# God's Message

## † APOSTLE'S CREED †

**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 Spirit born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God  
the Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord, beseeching Him for the needs of ourselves and others.

Trusting in God's loving response, we pray for the church and all who are called to lives of service to God's people, asking that the Lord will bless His undershepherds and all who care for His flock. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for ourselves, that the Holy Spirit guide us into gracious ways and instill in us a holy confidence in the goodness of our God, aiding us in our prayers. With thanks for the faithful examples set by those whose earthly journeys are complete and whose witness to Christ yet inspires us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for the blessing of God upon our nation and its leaders that we may lead peaceable lives, and we pray for the needs of ourselves and others for healing and restoration, for solace and comfort. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*We open our Hearts to You, O lord...*

P: These things and all else that we should have asked grant us according to Your gracious will, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**



OFFERING



## † SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

**PREFACE** 2 Timothy 4:22 *We open our Hearts to You, O lord...*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

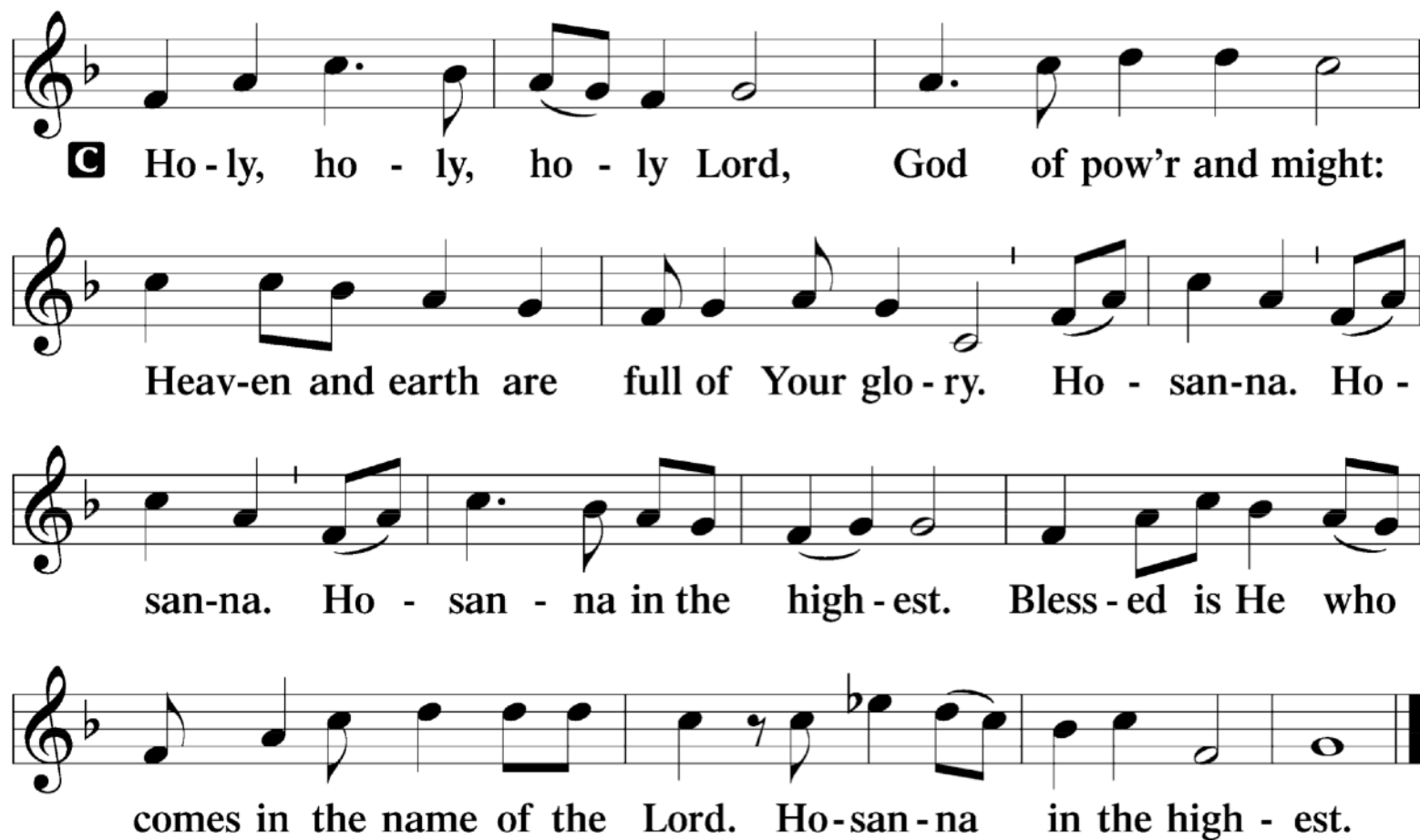
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.


# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING


**P:** Blessed are You, O Lord of heaven and earth. We give thanks to You for the gifts of bread and wine here before us and for Your gracious provision for all Your creatures. Invited by Your grace and supported by Your love, we come to Your Table with thanksgiving and praise. Grant that we receive, with true faith and trust in Your words of promise, the bread and wine, that is, the very body and blood of Christ, as a guarantee of the salvation that He purchased for us through His innocent suffering and death on the cross. Receive our prayers and praises and grant that we may follow You as Your people, in this season of Easter and always. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

*1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

**P:** As often as we eat His body and drink His blood, we proclaim the Lord’s death and resurrection until He comes.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P:** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**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 Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **PAX DOMINI**

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

**C: Amen.**

*You may come forward for communion*

*Where Christ comes to us  
to nourish the faith of Christians and the church.*

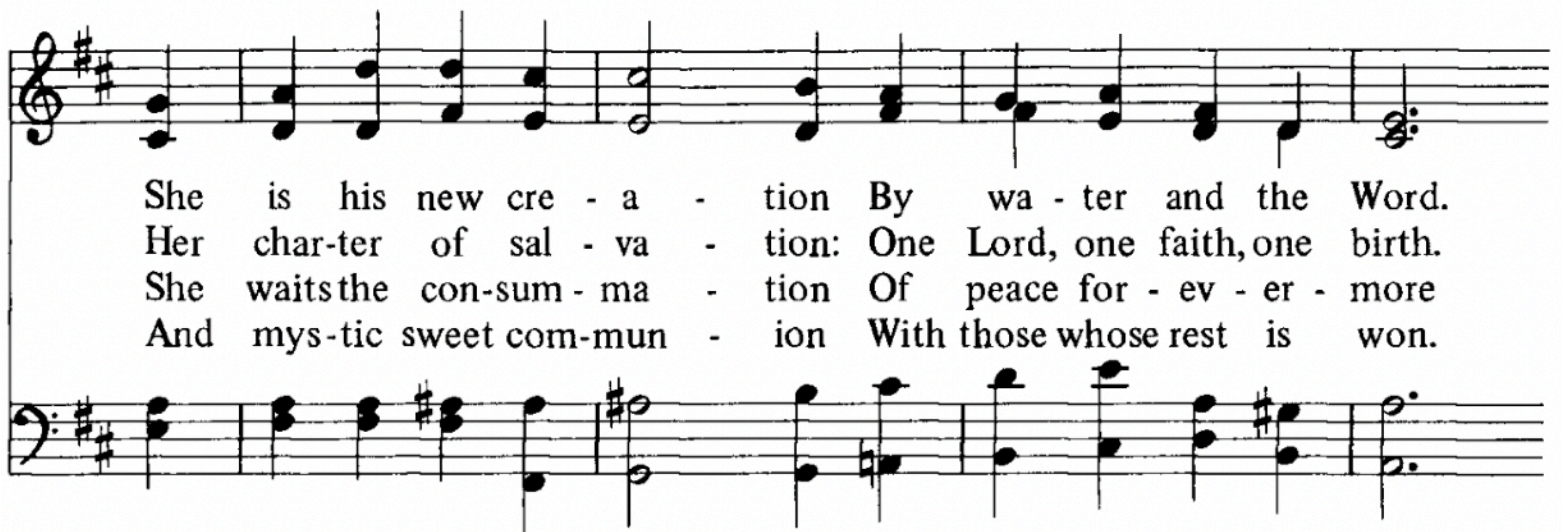
# Have Thine Own Way, Lord

As Performed by  
Previn Hudetz

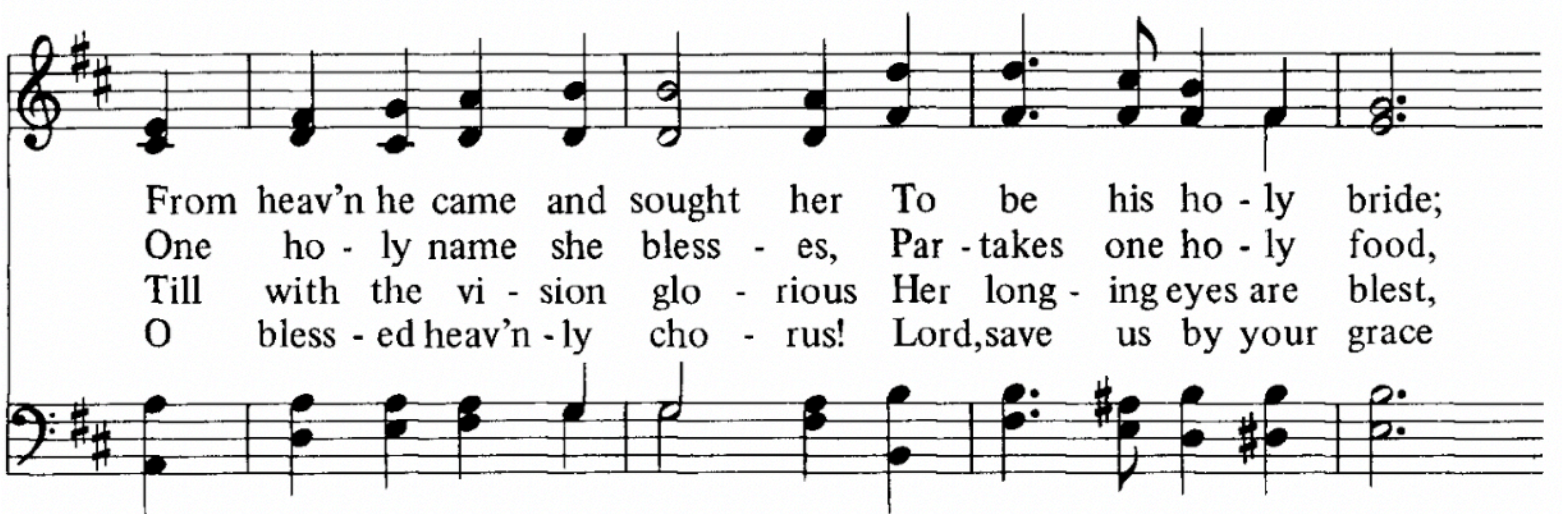
## The Church's One Foundation



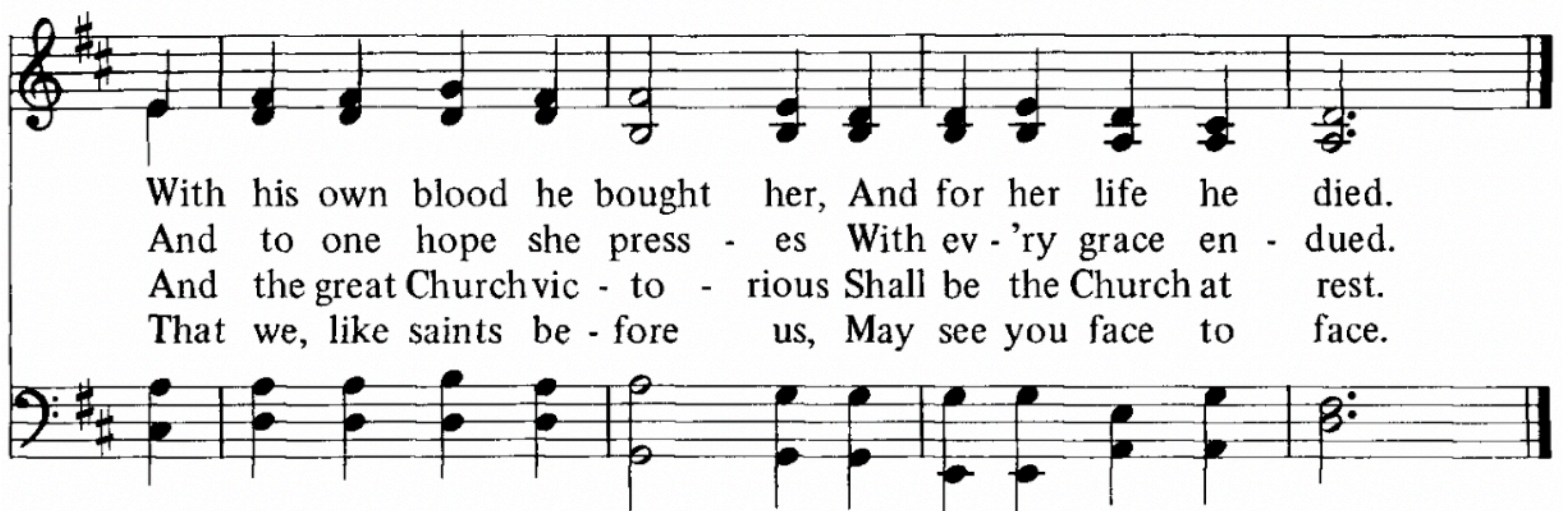
1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
3 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war  
4 Yet she on earth has un - ion With God, the Three in One,



She is his new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.  
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more  
And mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her To be his ho - ly bride;  
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,  
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,  
O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace



With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.  
And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
That we, like saints be - fore us, May see you face to face.



# POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: **and His mercy endureth forever.**

P: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## BENEDICTIMUS

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## BENEDICTION

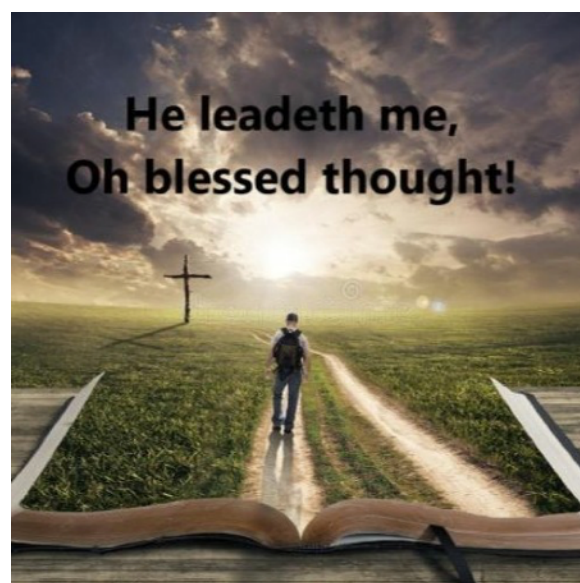
*Numbers 6:24–26*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**



# He Leadeth Me

1. He lead - eth me! O bless - ed thought! O words with heav'n - ly com - fort fraught!  
2. Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, Nor ev - er mur - mur nor re - pine,  
3. And when my task on earth is done, When, by Thy grace, the vic - t'ry's won,

What - e'er I do, wher - e'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that lead - eth me!  
Con - tent, what - ev - er lot I see, Since 'tis Thy hand that lead - eth me!  
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God thru Jor - dan lead - eth me!

*Refrain*

He lead - eth me, He lead - eth me, By His own hand He lead - eth me:

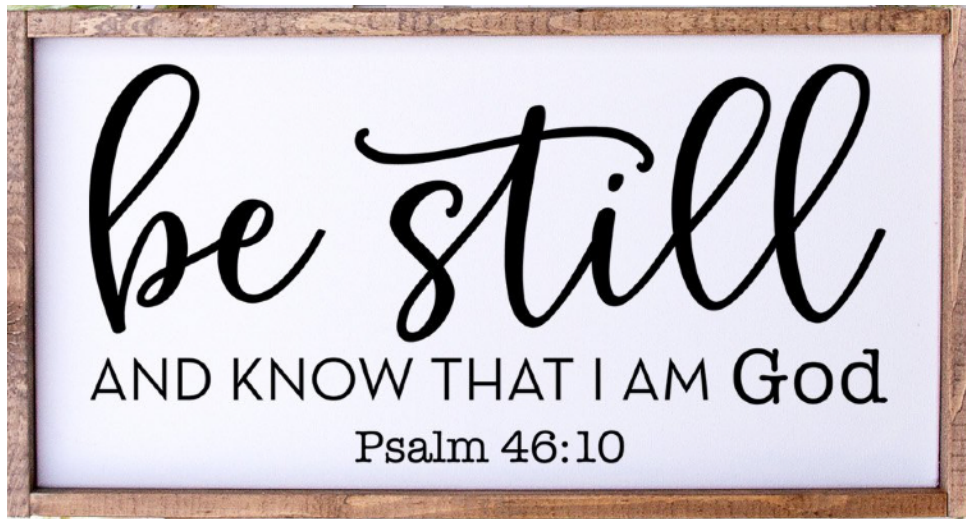
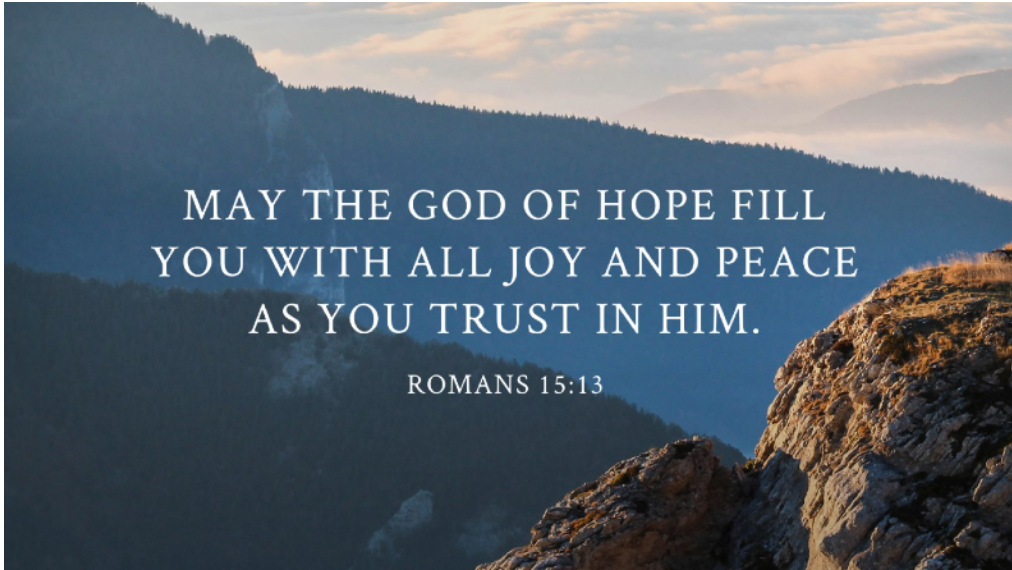
His faith - ful fol - l'wer I would be, For by His hand He lead - eth me.

P: He is Risen!!

C: **He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!!**

P: Go in peace and serve our risen Savior!

C: **Thanks be to God.**



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