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10:30 a.m.

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Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace of Christ

Greet one another with the Peace of Christ

“The Peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

Preparation for Worship

Led Zeppelin “Stairway to Heaven”

“Yes, there are two paths you can go by, but in the long run there's still time to change the road you're on. And it makes me wonder.

And if you listen very hard the tune will come to you at last. When all are one, and one is all, to be a rock and not to roll”

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Heather Sorenson

Call to Worship (Psalm 139)

Leader: You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

People: You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue, you, Lord, know it completely.

Leader: You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

People: Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

Leader: If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,”

All: even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Hymn of Praise

(music at end of bulletin)

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy

Call to Confession *(from Romans 8:12-14)*

Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation — but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. As members of God’s household, his very family, let us confess any brokenness and sin that separates us from God and from each other.

Prayer of Confession *(Psalm 139 32-34, Psalm 51:10-12)*

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness *(Romans 8:16-17)*

Leader: The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs — heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ,

People: Hear the Good News! In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.

Time with Children and Youth**Sheltering in God's House****Anthem***I Surrender All*

Weeden/arr. Sorenson

Prayer for Illumination *(From Valley Presbyterian Church)*

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. In the midst of the multitude of words in our daily lives, speak your eternal Word to us, that we may respond to your gracious promises with faithfulness, service, and love. Amen.

Scripture Readings Genesis 28:10-19 (NIV)

Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. There above it stood the Lord, and he said: "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it." He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven." Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. He called that place Bethel, though the city used to be called Luz.

Sermon**Stairway to Heaven**

Larry Vilardo

Hymn*O Jesus, I have Promised**(music at end of bulletin)***Prayers of the People**

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Doxology #591

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Leader: Lord of all you are with us and you will never leave us. You stand beside us in the good times and the bad, you guide us in the darkness and in the light.

All: **We dedicate ourselves to making every place holy by acknowledging your presence in all things.**

Closing Hymn

Arise, Your Light is Come!

(music at end of bulletin)

Charge

Look for the Holy, the presence of God in all things, things big and small. See the face of God in every face and see the children of God in every child. Life is holy because our Lord has come and lived among us.

Benediction *(Numbers 6:24-26 NIV)*

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

Postlude

Stairway to Paradise

Gershwin

THANK YOU

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Music Director: Nicki Kerns
Transitional Pastor: Larry Vilardo

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

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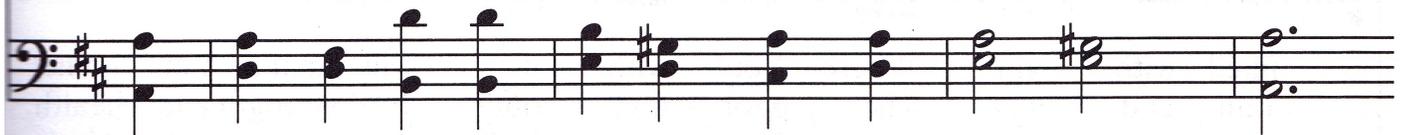
John Darwall, 1770



1. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
2. Long years have come and gone, And still God reigns su - preme,
3. Let cour - age be our friend, Let wis - dom be our guide,
4. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!



For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
Em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
As we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!



In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!



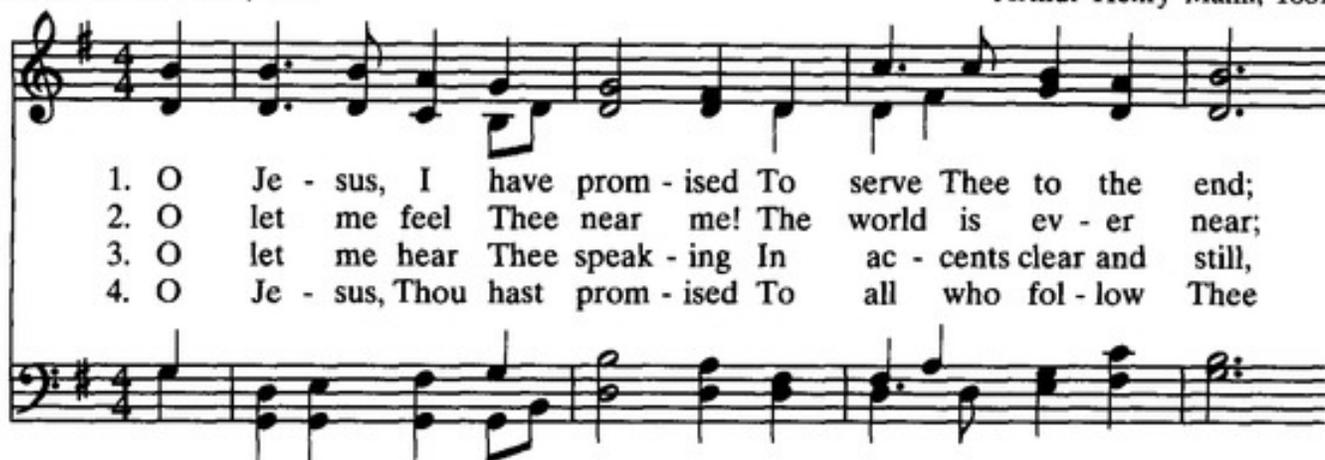
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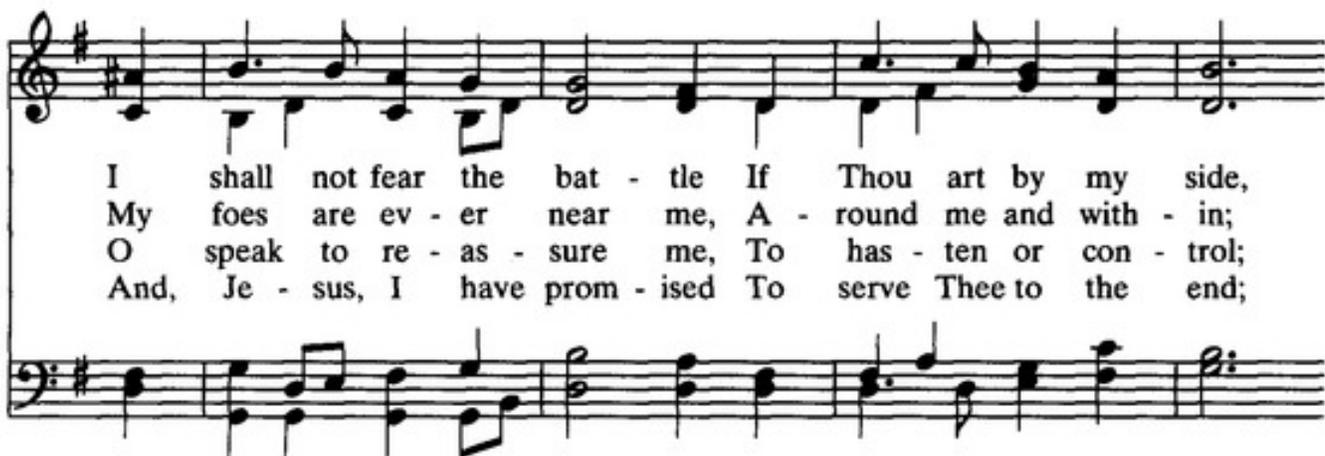
Arthur Henry Mann, 1881



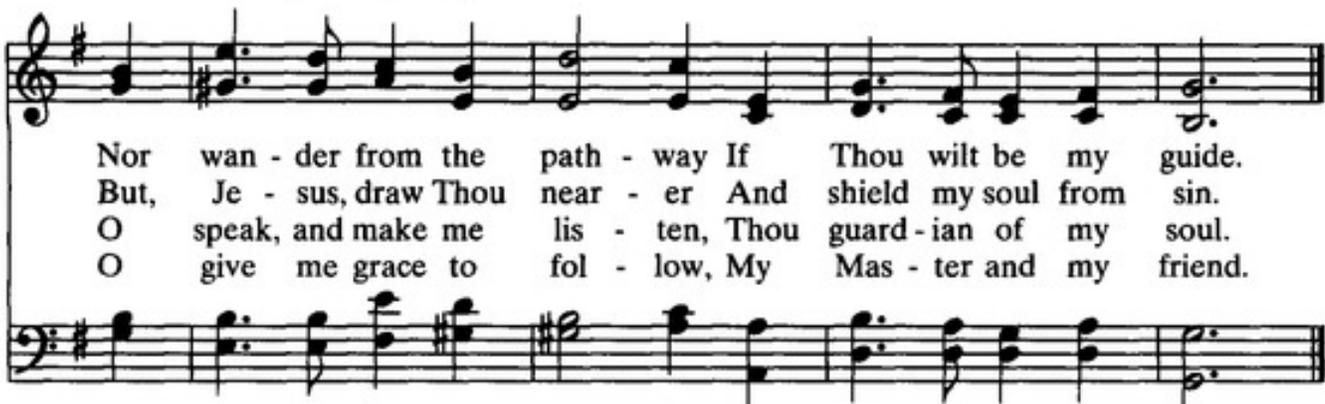
1. O Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve Thee to the end;
2. O let me feel Thee near me! The world is ev - er near;
3. O let me hear Thee speak - ing In ac - cents clear and still,
4. O Je - sus, Thou hast prom - ised To all who fol - low Thee



Be Thou for - ev - er near me, My Mas - ter and my friend;
I see the sights that daz - zle, The tempt - ing sounds I hear;
A - bove the storms of pas - sion, The mur - murs of self - will;
That where Thou art in glo - ry There shall Thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle If Thou art by my side,
My foes are ev - er near me, A - round me and with - in;
O speak to re - as - sure me, To has - ten or con - trol;
And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve Thee to the end;

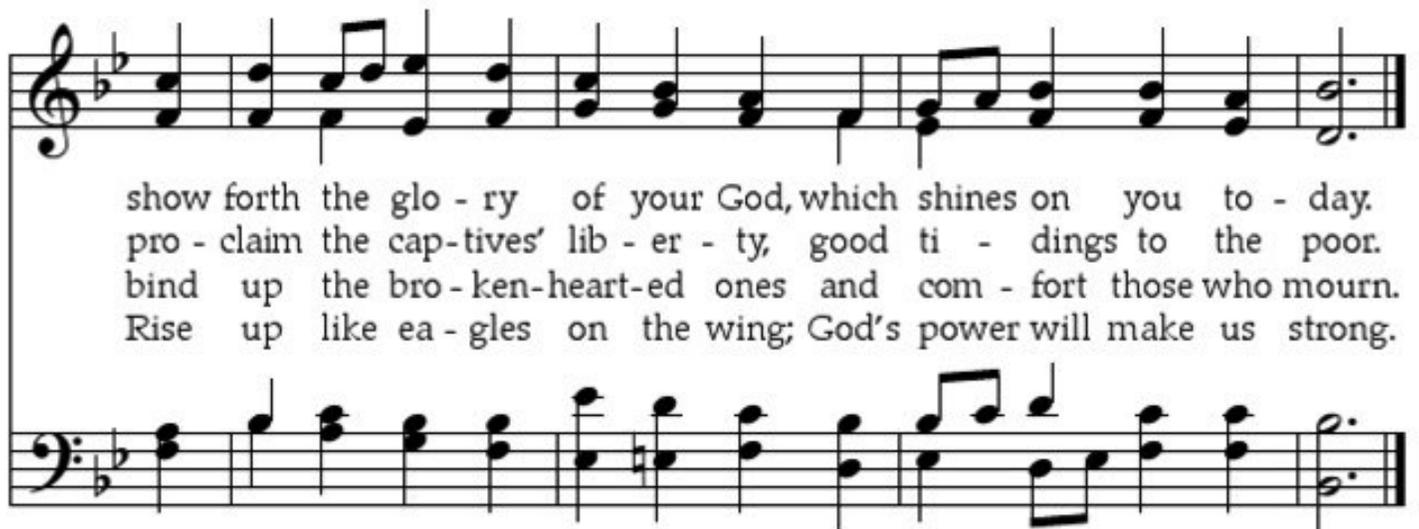


Nor wan - der from the path - way If Thou wilt be my guide.
But, Je - sus, draw Thou near - er And shield my soul from sin.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, Thou guard - ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, My Mas - ter and my friend.

744 Arise, Your Light Is Come!



1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!



show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.