

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



GALATIANS 5:16-24 and LUKE 20:27-38

"What About the Resurrection?"

**ANTE COMMUNION
22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 9, 2025**

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***BOLD** indicates congregational responses - * Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"Blessed Assurance"

ELW #638

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Helen Veverka

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

Presentation

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Helen baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

P: As you bring Helen to receive the gift of baptism you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy Scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that Helen may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God has made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Helen grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do and I ask God to help me.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

P: People of God, do you promise to support them and pray for Helen in his new life in Christ.

C: We do and we ask God to help us.

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

P: Do believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: 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 thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: 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.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer is lifted up recalling God's mighty works from creation to the days of Noah, the Exodus, the baptism of our Lord Jesus, and the Great Commission given to the church and leading up to now.

Administration of Baptism and Welcome

Holy Baptism is administered by water poured on the head or immersion into the waters.

P: I baptize you in the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the newly baptized and may anoint with oil.

P: Helen, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: Amen!

A lighted candle may be given to the family of the newly baptized sharing the words of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew 5:13.

P: Let your light so shine before others that they see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

C: Amen!

The peace of Christ may be shared by the assembly as the Service continues.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

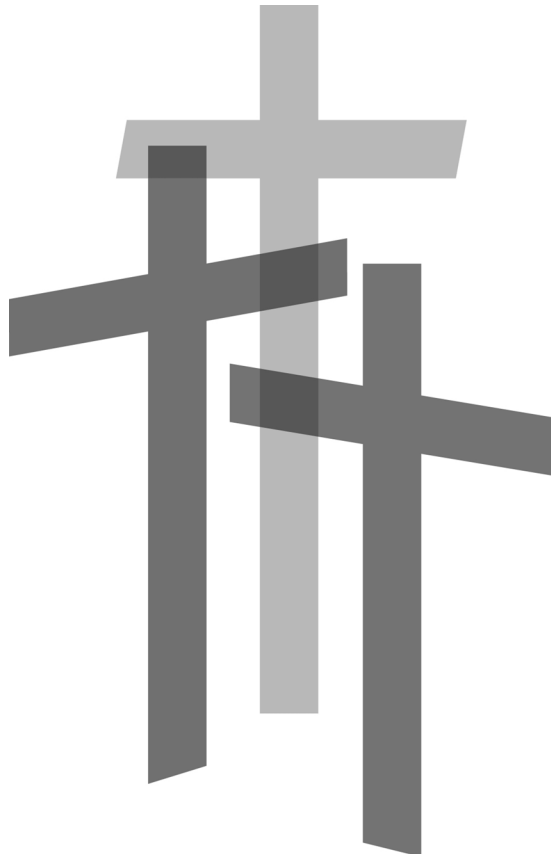
FIRST LESSON

JOB 19:23-27A

²³ “O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
²⁵ For I know that my vindicator lives
and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
²⁶ and after my skin has been destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
^{27a} whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

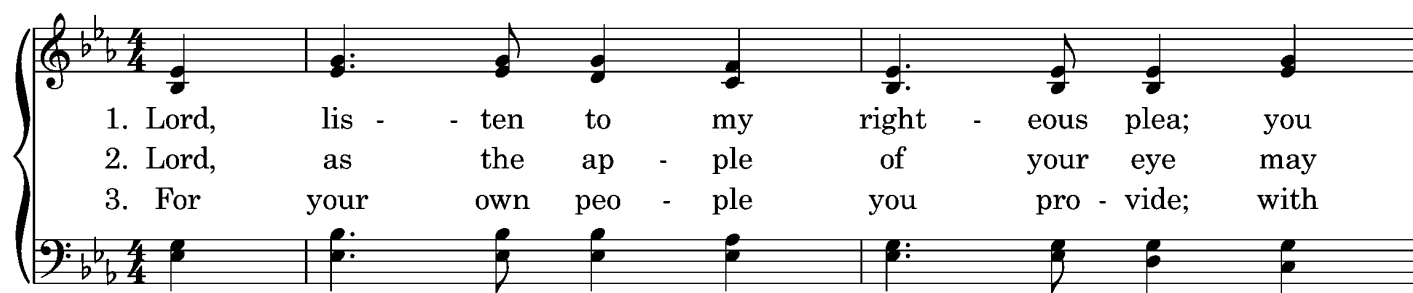
C: Thanks be to God.



PSALM 17

Choir: Vs. 1

All: Vs. 2-3



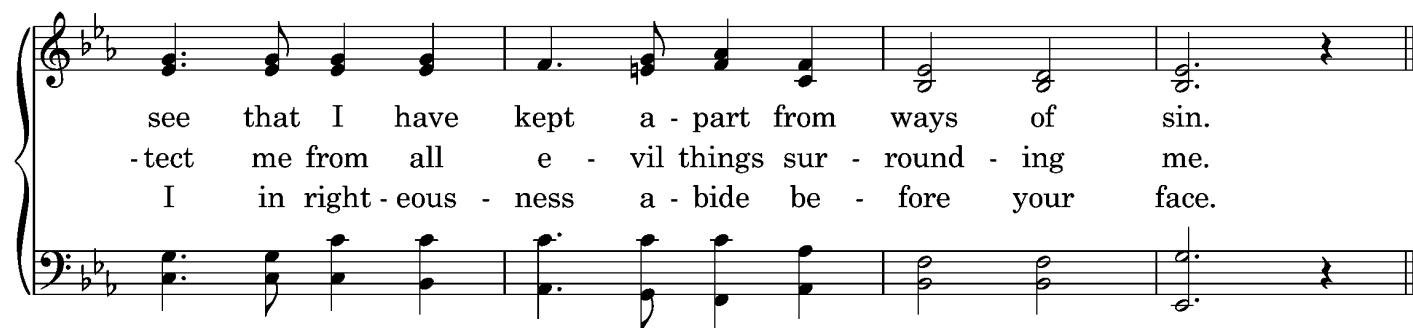
1. Lord, lis - - ten to my right - eous plea; you
2. Lord, as the ap - ple of your eye may
3. For your own peo - ple you pro - vide; with



will not find de - ceit in me as my prayers rise.
I be kept in safe - ty by your might - y hand.
gifts their chil - dren you sup - ply from your great store.



Ex - - am - - ine me and probe my heart to
Be - neath the shad - ow of your wings pro - -
At dawn I will be sat - - is - fied, when



see that I have kept a - part from ways of sin.
-tect me from all e - vil things sur - round - ing me.
I in right - eous - ness a - bide be - fore your face.

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STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

GALATIANS 5:16-24

¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² **By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.** ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Memory verse is in bold.

*Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges : Kings and Prophets : Exile :
Restoration : 2nd Temple : JESUS : +**Apostles** : Last Day : New Creation*

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:68

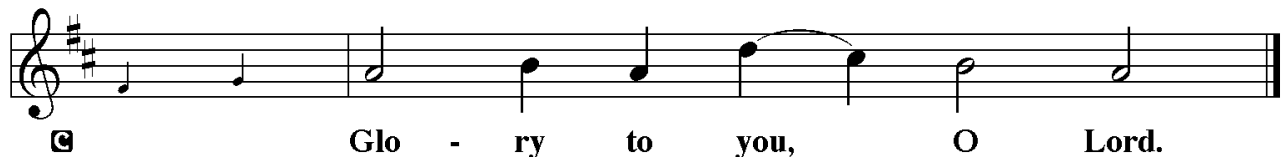
Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

*GOSPEL

LUKE 20:27-38

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

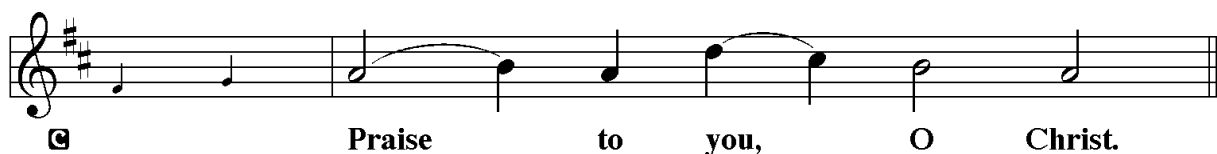
Response after the announcement:



²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸ and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

“What About the Resurrection?”

Fruits of the Holy Spirit
Attacks from the Sadducees

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Death is the end, right? No more life, relationship and future after the last breath, right?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: Jesus, the I AM, who gives us life reveals those believe in Him will never die.

So What? Live like you are dying is the country song – which means live to the fullest now yet know that what you don't get done off your bucket list, you can get to it in the mystery of forever



*HYMN OF THE DAY

"Borning Cry"

ELW #732

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

MUSICAL OFFERING

"What Wondrous Love Is This?"

Arr. by Jay Althouse

Offered by Crown Hoffman

*OFFERTORY

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Psalms 51:10-1

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

(In Unison)

C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Matthew 6:9-13

**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.**

Upcoming EVENTS



GENERAL INFORMATION: If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE: This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



TRIP TO LENOIR: All are welcome to join us at Lenoir University for worship and a tour on **Wednesday, November 12**. The bus will be leaving at 8:30 am. Please let the Pastor know if you are interested in attending

HOLY EUCHARIST: Your presence is requested at the Rite of Installation for Rev. Emily K. Hartner of the North Carolina Synod, on **Saturday, November 15**, at 2:00 pm, reception immediately following at the Christ Lutheran Church at 4519 Providence Rd., Charlotte.

TABLE TALKS: Lutheran Chapel is united by our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and by our theology based on the Lutheran Confessions. In short, the Lutheran churches are connected by ideas. Consider coming for a monthly Table Talk to explore these ideas. *What is this?* A central topic from Scripture and Confessions. A simple meal. Fellowship time. The 1st Table Talk on the Ten Commandments will be on **Sunday, November 16**, immediately following the Service from 11:00 am to Noon or so. If you are interested, please share with the Pastor or indicate on the registry of attendance.

SAMARITANS PURSE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES: The shoebox collection will be from **November 17-24**. Boxes are available, please fill a box if you can!

OWLS: We hope you'll join us for our OWL-standing time of fellowship on **Thursday, November 20**, at 11:00 am at Dinos, Bessemer City.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET: The Christmas Banquet will be held on **Saturday, December 13** at 6:00 pm. Tickets are now available from Steve Clark, Rick Peak, Terry Ratchford or Charles Edwards.

SANTA LUNCH: The Christian Ed, Youth & Family and Worship & Music committees would like to invite everyone to stay for a Santa Lunch and birthday celebration for Jesus immediately following the **December 14** Cantata Worship Service. We will have a yummy lunch, birthday cake and even a very special guest! We hope you will mark your calendars and plan to join your Lutheran Chapel family as we celebrate Jesus' birth.

LOVE OFFERING FOR NOVEMBER: The Crisis Pregnancy Center's mission is to affirm the value of life by compassionately sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ and providing the following services: pregnancy counseling, abstinence education, limited ultrasounds and various other medical services, adolescent parenting programs, abortion education- procedures, risks and alternatives, post abortion counseling to women, men, and families affected by crisis pregnancy situations, with the hope of changing lives.

Weekly CALENDAR



Sunday, November 9

8:30 am Fellowship with coffee
 9:00 am Sunday School and Bible Study
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 am Soup Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
 4:00 - 6:00 pm Life In Christ
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, November 10

8:30 am Preschool
 6:00 - 9:30 pm Via De Cristo
 7:00 - 9:00 pm Cantumous Choir

Tuesday, November 11

8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
 5:30 pm Chapel Ringers (S)
 6:00 pm Basketball Pickup (Gym)

Wednesday, November 12

8:30 am Preschool
 6:00 pm Evening Suffrages and Episode of the Chosen
8:30 - 12:00 pm Trip to Lenoir Rhyne

Thursday, November 13

8:30 am Preschool
 11:00 am Bible Study (Library)

Friday, November 14

9:00 am Men's Community Bible Study

Saturday, November 15

9:00 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, November 16

8:30 am Fellowship with coffee
 9:00 am Sunday School and Bible Study
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 am Table Talks (Fellowship Hall)
 11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)



DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!: Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1, 55:17*). May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 46—November 9 to November 16, 2025

11/09 Morning Reading: Hebrews 6—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 46, 47
11/10 Morning Reading: Hebrews 7—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 48, 49
11/11 Morning Reading: Hebrews 8—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 50
11/12 Morning Reading: Hebrews 9—Evening Reading: Jeremiah 51, 52
11/13 Morning Reading: Hebrews 10:1-18—Evening Reading: Lamentations 1, 2
11/14 Morning Reading: Hebrews 10:19-39—Evening Reading: Lamentations 3, 4, 5
11/15 Morning Reading: Hebrews 11:1-19—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 1, 2
11/16 Morning Reading: Hebrews 11:20-40—Evening Reading: Ezekiel 3, 4



This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Margaret Berghello, Shirley Bradley, Gail Brown, Miles Carpenter, Delana Clark, Ruby Cook, Baker Hampton, Henry Hoffman, Ken Lentz, Alfred Lineberger, Jason Lineberger, Ann Lowe, and Fred Ward.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Kyle Banes, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Gage Brown, Deborah Carpenter, Zandra Chavis, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, Kenny Falls, Jameson Franklin, Abi Gordon, Jan Green, Jerry Green, John, Kathy Jenkins, Kirk Jordan, Debbie Kerspie, Don Kincaid, Sherry McCart, Bobby Myers, Betty Parlier, Rita Pasour, Jeff Rawls, Jeff Smith, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner and Kennedy Williams.

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

Wednesday, November 12 ~ Evening Suffrages and The Chosen

Psalm 91 “*Angels Watching Over Us*” - Chosen “Moon to Blood”

Thursday, November 13 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

Galatians 5:16-24 “*Fruits of the Holy Spirit*”

Sunday, November 16 ~ Holy Communion

Ephesians 5:21-28, 31-33 and Luke 21:5-19 “*Hated for the Sake of Jesus' Name*”



Live by the Spirit,
and you will not
gratify the desires
of the sinful nature.

- Galatians 5:16 -



Poinsettia Order

If you wish to place a poinsettia in the church for the Christmas season, please fill out the form below and return it along with your payment to the church office by **Sunday, November 23rd**. Make your check payable to Lutheran Chapel. Please be sure to pick up your flowers after the Christmas Eve Service.

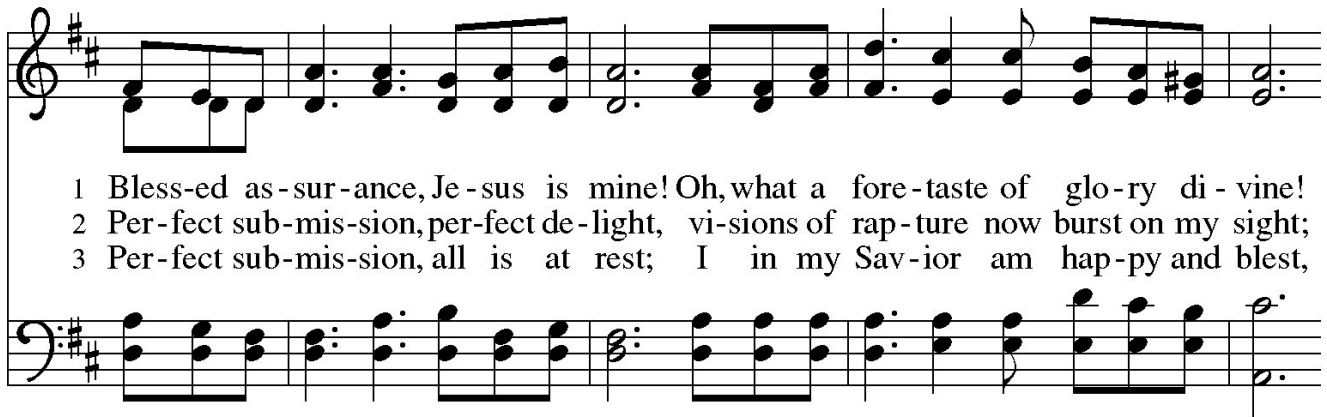
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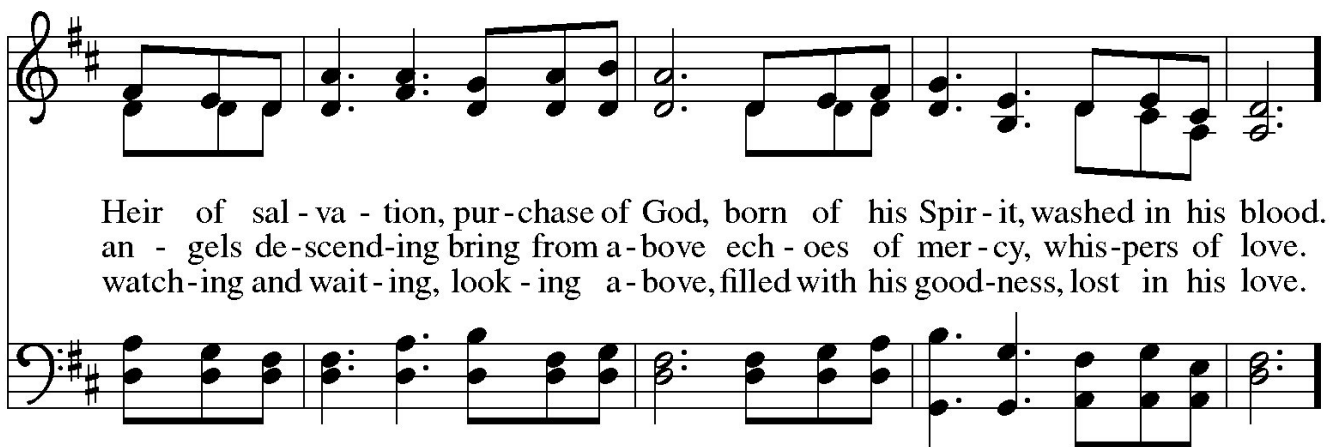
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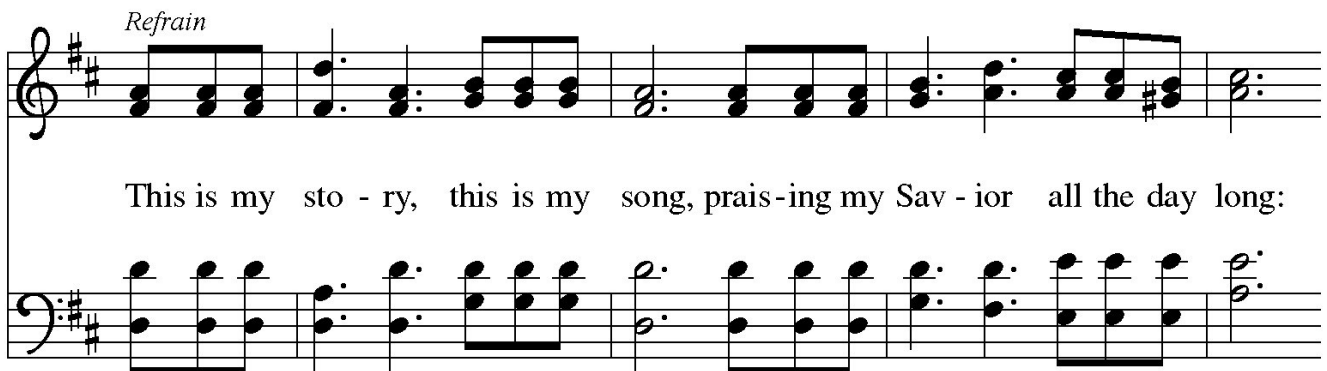
Blessed Assurance



1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



Refrain
This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

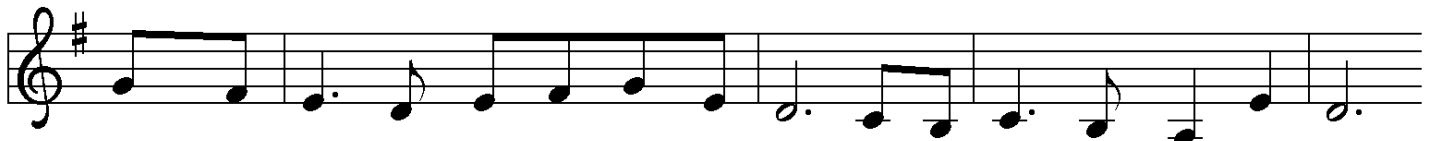
Borning Cry



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."

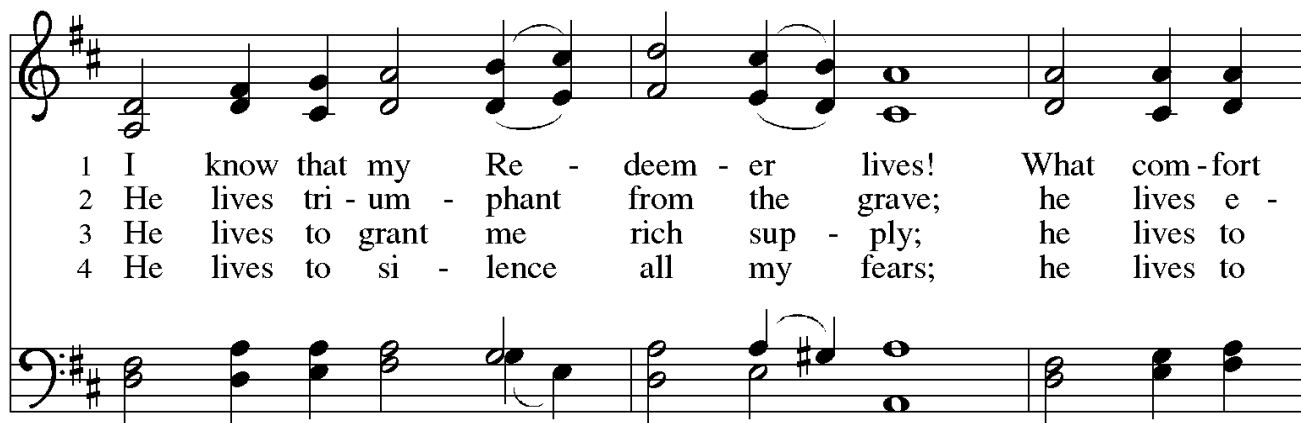


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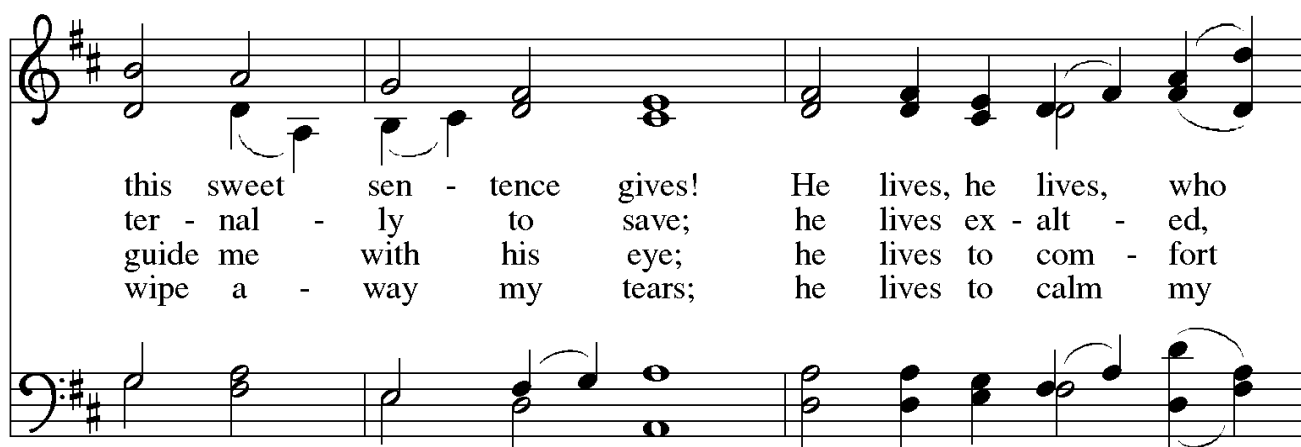


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I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
 He lives, my Savior, still the same;
 what joy this blest assurance gives:
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799, alt.
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793