

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



JONAH 1 AND 4:1-4 AND MATTHEW 9:35-10:8

"Harvest"

**ANTE COMMUNION
3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 14, 2026**

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SERVICE OF ANTE COMMUNION**

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

GATHER

PRELUDE

"Elevation"

Theodore DuBois

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

- 1. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of slavery; you shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Mark 12:28-31

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

2 Corinthians 13:13

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***THE KYRIE**

Mark 10:47, WOV pg. 28

AM: Kyrie eleison

C: Lord, have mercy.

AM: Christe eleison

C: Christ, have mercy.

AM: Kyrie eleison

C: Lord, have mercy.

***GLORY TO GOD**

Luke 2:14, John 1:29, WOV pg. 29

Refrain

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

Verse 1

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

Refrain

Verse 2

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

Refrain

Verse 3

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Refrain

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

C: God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

JONAH 1 AND 4:1-4

¹ Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying, ² "Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it, for their wickedness has come up before me." ³ **But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.**

⁴ **But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the**

sea that the ship threatened to break up. ⁵ Then the sailors were afraid, and each cried to his god. They threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten it for them. Jonah, meanwhile, had gone down into the hold of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. ⁶ The captain came and said to him, “What are you doing sound asleep? Get up; call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish.”

⁷ The sailors said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots, so that we may know on whose account this calamity has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. ⁸ Then they said to him, “Tell us why this calamity has come upon us. What is your occupation? Where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” ⁹ “I am a Hebrew,” he replied. “I worship the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.” ¹⁰ Then the men were even more afraid and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the Lord, because he had told them so.

¹¹ Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea was growing more and more tempestuous. ¹² He said to them, “Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great storm has come upon you.” ¹³ Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to bring the ship back to land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more stormy against them. ¹⁴ Then they cried out to the Lord, “Please, O Lord, we pray, do not let us perish on account of this man’s life. Do not make us guilty of innocent blood, for you, O Lord, have done as it pleased you.” ¹⁵ So they picked Jonah up and threw him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. ¹⁶ Then the men feared the Lord even more, and they offered a sacrifice to the Lord and made vows.

¹⁷ But the Lord provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

¹ But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ² He prayed to the Lord and said, “O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning, for I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment. ³ And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴ And the Lord said, “Is it right for you to be angry?”

L: The Word of the Lord.

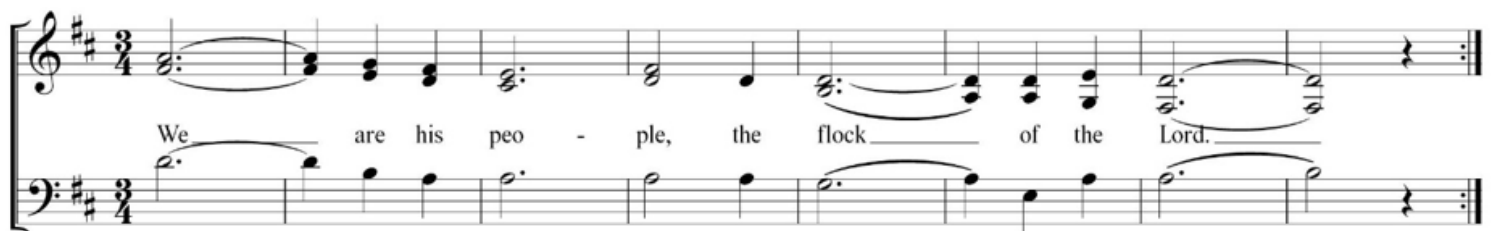
C: Thanks be to God.

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*

PSALM 100



Cry out with joy to the Lord, all you lands, all you lands.
Serve the Lord now with gladness, come before him singing for joy!

Refrain

Know that the Lord is God! Know that the Lord is God!
He made us, we are his, his people, the sheep of his flock!

Refrain

Go, now within his gates giving thanks, giving thanks.
Enter his courts singing praise, give him thanks and bless his name!

Refrain

Indeed how good is the Lord, his mercy endures for ever,
for the Lord, he is faithful, he is faithful from age to age!

SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 5:1-8

¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 6:68

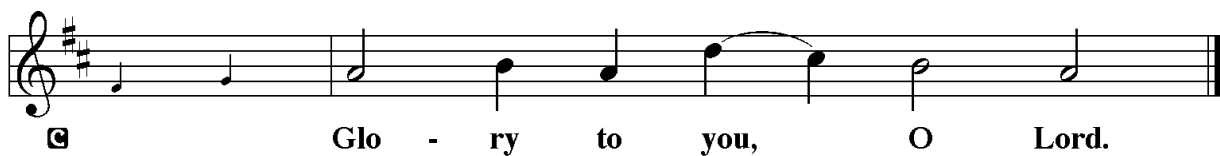
Alleluia. Lord to who shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

***GOSPEL**

MATTHEW 9:35-10:8

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

Response after the announcement:



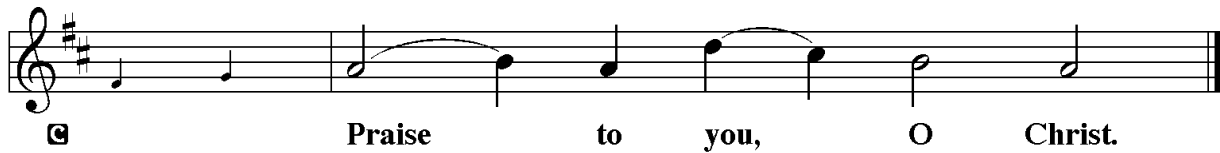
³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

¹ Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to

gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ ⁸ Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

“Harvest”

On the Prophet Jonah The Spiritual Harvest of Souls

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: In what ways have I been lost? Am I helping to harvest souls for Christ or am I apathetic?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: There is a plentiful harvest as Jesus equips us to gather, invite, and encourage all in His holy Christian Church.

So What?/Plain Sense: What is going on in your life? Where is God in all this? What one thing did you learn from the Word of the Lord? What one question do you have from the Word of the Lord? Who in my family, daily work, and community needs to be invited to Christ?

*HYMN OF THE DAY “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

ELW #815

*THE APOSTLES’ CREED

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

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 thence 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.

***THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Philippians 4:7

P: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Antiphonal Cantate"

Greg Gilpin

Translation:

Cantate Domino

Sing to the Lord

Canticum novum

A new song

Omnis terra

All the land

***OFFERTORY**

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Psalm 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.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

AM: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

ELW #807

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Tune"

Gordon Young



In Honor & **MEMORY**

OUR ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the Glory of God by Bob and Jenny Williamson in honor of their children and grand children.

Serving the **CHURCH**

Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Susan Hibsich
Director of Music Ministries.....	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist.....	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister.....	Chris Lowe
Acolyte.....	Cameron Bell
Lector.....	Steve Clark
Crucifer.....	Maddie Potter
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Debra Hoffman
Council Members of the Month.....	Mary Ann Burgoon & Debi Jean Wankel

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.



OWLS: We hope you’ll join us for our OWL-standing time of fellowship on **Thursday, June 18** at 11:00 am at Strawberry Hill, 3092 Highway 11 West, Chesnee, SC. The bus and carpool will leave the church at 9:30 am.

CLOTHING CLOSET DONATIONS NEEDED: Our community clothing donations are down, and our last giveaway was so successful that the clothing closet now needs everyday summer clothes. Here’s your good excuse to clean out that closet. All ages and sizes wanted, no fall/winter items please! The side porch of the old parsonage is always open for your donations, and we check it daily. Thank you, the Outreach Committee.

LOVE OFFERING FOR JUNE: The love offerings for June will be collected for the Lutheran Support Group of Gaston which provides ongoing support for Faith Farm, Bess Town Road property (now known as Camp Centurion) and Mountain Ridge Group Homes. They help with the maintenance and upkeep of group homes for adults with developmental disabilities in Gastonia.

CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES: Please remember that we will continue to collect food for the Crisis Assistance Ministry throughout the year. You may place food in the blue collection box in the hallway near our fellowship hall and in the CAM basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. The Social Ministry team will deliver to CAM when the box is full – so keep us busy! Thank you so much!

Weekly CALENDAR

Sunday, June 14

8:00 am Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 8:30 am Fellowship
 9:00 am Sunday School
 10:00 am Worship(Sanctuary)
 11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
 4:00 - 6:00 pm Life in Christ (Fellowship Hall)
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, June 15

Tuesday, June 16

8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
 6:00 pm Pickup Basketball (Family Life Center)

Wednesday, June 17

8:30 am Preschool
 6:00 pm Suffrages and the Chosen (Chapel)

Thursday, June 18

8:00 am Preschool
11:00 am Owls

Friday, June 19

Office closed

Saturday, June 20

9:30 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, June 21

8:00 am Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 8:30 am Fellowship
 9:00 am Sunday School
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00 am Council Meeting
 11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Next Week's LESSONS

Wednesday, June 17

Vespers and the Chosen - Psalm 113 "*Servants of the Lord*" and The Chosen "*The Upper Room Part 1*"

Sunday, June 21

Morning Prayer - Galatians 2:1-10 "*Apostolic Mission*"

Bible Study -

Chapel Class – Acts 5 "*The First Christian Charity Scam*"

Fellowship Class – Matthew 16 "*Following Jesus*"

Joy Class – Joshua 3 and 4 "*Remembering God's Works*"

Story of Salvation (Church Facebook Page) – Isaiah 6 "*On the Prophet Isaiah*"

Worship - Isaiah 6 and Matthew 10:24-39 "*Precious Children of God*"

Let's PRAY

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 24 June 14 to June 21, 2026. Read the whole Bible.

- 06/14 Morning Reading: Acts 1—Evening Reading: Ezra 9, 10
- 06/15 Morning Reading: Acts 2:1-21—Evening Reading: Nehemiah 1, 2, 3
- 06/16 Morning Reading: Acts 2:22-47—Evening Reading: Nehemiah 4, 5, 6
- 06/17 Morning Reading: Acts 3—Evening Reading: Nehemiah 7, 8, 9
- 06/18 Morning Reading: Acts 4:1-22—Evening Reading: Nehemiah 10, 11
- 06/19 Morning Reading: Acts 4:23-37—Evening Reading: Nehemiah 12, 13
- 06/20 Morning Reading: Acts 5:1-21—Evening Reading: Esther 1, 2
- 06/21 Morning Reading: Acts 5:22-42—Evening Reading: Esther 3, 4, 5

This QR code goes to the Daily prayers page on the website with commemorations for the week. Daily devotions are at Our Daily Bread odbm.org



THE PSALMS - Pray the Prayer book the Holy Spirit gives!

Holy Trinity to St. Peter and St. Paul - God: Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit grows His Christian Church with prophets, apostles and martyrs.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Morning</i>	95, 1	95, 9	95, 16	95, 23	95, 25	95, 31	95, 37
<i>Evening</i>	3	15	22	24	29	34	41

Invitatory through St. Peter and St. Paul: The Lord has gathered us in the true faith: O come let us worship Him.

Antiphon through St. Peter and St. Paul: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him and He will act. (Psalm 37:5)

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Ann Behringer, Olivia Berghello, Shirley Bradley, Miles Carpenter, Shirley Carpenter, Todd Carpenter, George Cashion, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Judy Gault, Baker Hampton, Jason Lineberger, Pat Robinson, Pam Thornburg and **Keith Yarborough**.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Kathy Bradley, Deborah Carpenter, Doris Coggins, Debbie Dempel, Genniser Devega, Tucker Doyne, Carolyn Gantt, Abi Gordon, **Dawn Gullede**, Terri Hartsfield, John, Sherry McCart, Mrs. Myers, Jake Parks, John and Ann Peters, Rita Pasour, Jeff Smith, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Daniel Wankel, Lougene Webber, **Starr and Judith Wilhite**, and For our Nation and Military during Operation Epic Fury.

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

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⁴ But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up. Jonah 1:3-4



God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

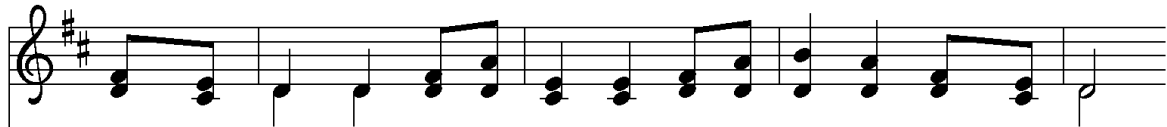
day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

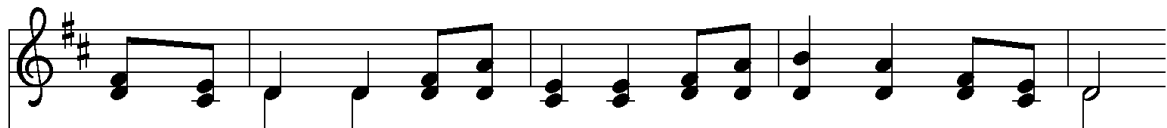
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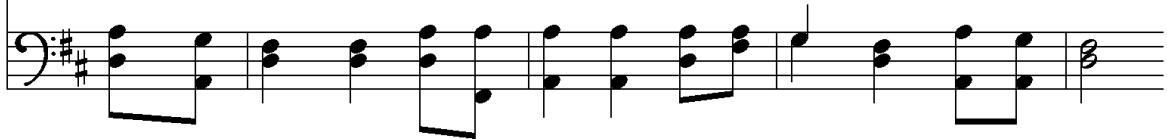
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

