

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



HABAKKUK 1:1-4, 2:1-5 AND MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23

"The Extravagant Sower"

**ANTE COMMUNION - RITE OF CONFIRMATION
7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 12, 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

"Voluntary"

Lynn Arthur Koch

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: Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

HABAKKUK 1:1-4, 2:1-5

¹ The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

² O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"
and you will not save?

³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

⁴ So the law becomes slack,
and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous;
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

¹ I will stand at my watchpost
and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

² Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.

³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come; it will not delay.

⁴ **Look at the proud!**
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

⁵ Moreover, wealth is treacherous;
the arrogant do not endure.

They open their throats wide as Sheol;
like Death they never have enough.

They gather all nations for themselves
and collect all peoples as their own.

L: The Word of the Lord.

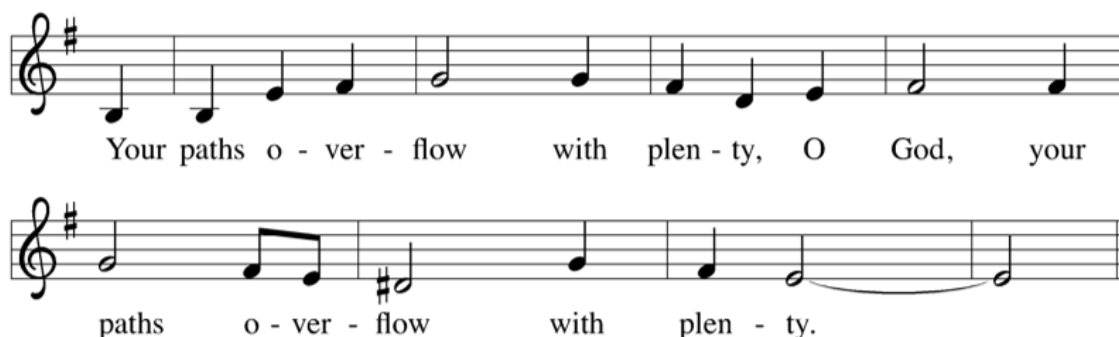
C: Thanks be to God.

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 65:9-13



- ⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; the river of God is | full of water.
You prepare the grain, for so you provide | for the earth.
- ¹⁰ You drench the furrows and smooth | out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and | bless its increase.
- ¹¹ You crown the year | with your goodness,
and your paths over- | flow with plenty.
- ¹² May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,
and the hills be | clothed with joy.
- ¹³ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak them- | selves
with grain;
let them shout for | joy and sing.

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 8:1-11

¹ Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 6:68

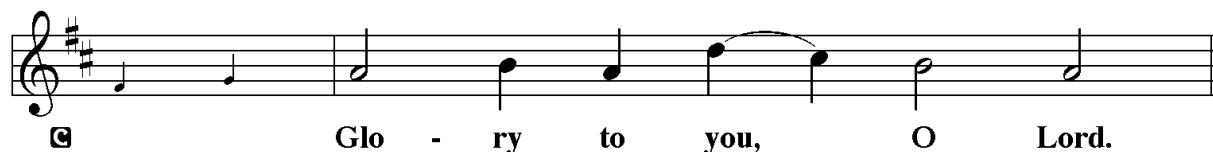
Alleluia. Lord to who shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

***GOSPEL**

MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23

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

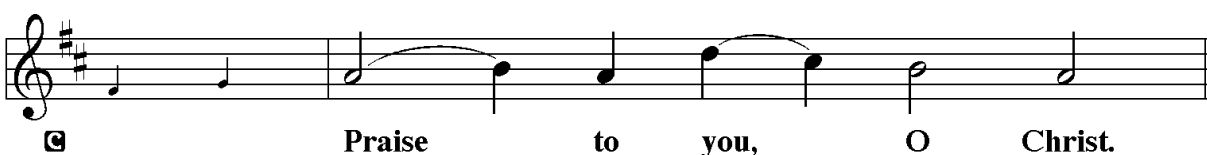
Response after the announcement:



¹ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ If you have ears, hear!”

¹⁸ “Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

“The Extravagant Sower”

On the Prophet Habakkuk
Sowing Seed, Sowing the Word

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: I have been in each kind of soil in my journey. Forgive my dense head and hard heart, please.

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: The Word of the Lord accomplishes the divine purpose with or without me. I pray to receive the Word and bear fruit a hundredfold, sixtyfold, and thirtyfold in Christ.

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? Choose to scatter God’s Word day by day – pass out God’s love is free cards, maybe?

*HYMN OF THE DAY

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

ELW #733

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Presentation

I present **Bryson Lineberger** who desires to make public affirmation of their baptism.

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?

Confirmand: I renounce them.

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

Confirmand: I renounce them.

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

Confirmand: I renounce them.

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit.

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.**

AFFIRMATION IN THE PRESENCE OF THE ASSEMBLY

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

- to live among God's faithful people
- to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper.
- to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
- to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and, to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmand: I do and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support our brother Bryson and pray for him in his life in Christ?

Congregation: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those affirming their baptism and confirming faith in Christ may kneel at the altar. The minister may lay both hands on the head of each one and pray:

Stir up in **Bryson Lineberger** the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in Your Presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Those making affirmation stand and face the assembly. A representative of the congregation may give gifts and the rite concludes –

P: Let us rejoice with our brother in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

***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

"Dona Nobis Pacem"

Arr. by David W, Moore
Offered by Debra Hoffman

***OFFERTORY**

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Psalms 51:10-11

**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

"Beautiful Savior"

ELW #838

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Von Himmel hoch, da komm ich her"

J. Pachelbel

In Honor & **MEMORY**



OUR ALTAR FLOWERS: Given by Nancy Rankin in memory of Tom, Bill and Betty Petty.

Serving the **CHURCH**



Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Susan Hibsich
Activities Director.....	Brit Borders
Director of Music Ministries.....	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist.....	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister.....	Adam DeLuca
Acolyte.....	Cameron Bell
Lector.....	Sylvia Fogle
Crucifer.....	Will Clark
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Gene Weaver
Council Members of the Month.....	Marry Ann Burgoon & Pam Overcash

thank you

Thank you for supporting Bram Comer's Concert trip to Austria. If you'd like to view the Youth Orchestra of Charlotte concert, the link is:

Vienna Concert: Youth Orchestra of Charlotte

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=iL0b66BGZ1o&ra=m>

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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, July 16** at 11:00 am at BBQ King, Lincolnton.

SPEAKER CAITLIN REESE KILLIAN: The Esther Circle at Lutheran Chapel Church will host Caitlin Reese Killian at the 10 AM October 5th meeting and she will speak to us about her cancer journey. Join us for this meaningful time of fellowship and encouragement. All ladies and guests are welcome. Please RSVP by September 27 if you will attend.

Caitlin will share her inspiring journey of faith, strength, and perseverance. In November 2019, at the age of 29, Caitlin was diagnosed with Stage 3 triple-negative breast cancer. After undergoing a double mastectomy and facing only a 50% chance of survival, she has continued to inspire others through her testimony of hope and God’s grace. Caitlin is a graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne University and formerly served as an elementary music teacher before her doctors advised her to step away from full-time teaching. She is now back working part-time and also hosts the “Goodness and Grace” podcast.

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 JULY: July’s love offering will be sent to the Holy Angels, which provides programs and services for children and adults with varying degrees of mental retardation; some of whom have physical disabilities and are medically fragile, requiring specialized care. Programs provided to the residents include residential services, special education, medical services, creative arts therapy, social work, habilitation services, nutrition, recreation, vocational training, and opportunities for spiritual growth. The support and donations given to this ministry offer families peace of mind knowing that their special child is receiving the highest quality of compassionate care and a loving home.

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, July 12

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

Monday, July 13

Tuesday, July 14

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

Wednesday, July 15

6:00 pm Suffrages and the Chosen (Chapel)

Thursday, July 16

11:00 am **Owls (BBQ King)**

Friday, July 17

Office closed

Saturday, July 18

9:30 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, July 19

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 (Conference)
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Next Week's LESSONS



Wednesday, July 15

Vespers and the Chosen - Psalm 117 "*The Nations Hallelujah!*" and The Chosen "*I Have Called You by Name*"

Sunday, July 19

Morning Prayer - Galatians 4:1-7 "*Heirs of the Kingdom in Christ*"

Bible Study -

Chapel Class – Acts 10 "*Peter and Cornelius: Crossing Borders*"

Fellowship Class – Matthew 19 "*Eternal Life*"

Joy Class – Joshua 24 "*Vital Decision*"

Story of Salvation (Church Facebook Page) – Habakkuk 2 "*On the Prophet Habakkuk*"

Worship - Jeremiah 17:1-13 and Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 "*Parable of the Weeds*"



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

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 28 July 12 to July 19, 2026. Read the whole Bible.

07/12 Morning Reading: Acts 17:16-34—Evening Reading: Psalms 4, 5, 6
 07/13 Morning Reading: Acts 18—Evening Reading: Psalms 7, 8, 9
 07/14 Morning Reading: Acts 19:1-20—Evening Reading: Psalms 10, 11, 12
 07/15 Morning Reading: Acts 19:21-41—Evening Reading: Psalms 13, 14, 15
 07/16 Morning Reading: Acts 20:1-16—Evening Reading: Psalms 16, 17
 07/17 Morning Reading: Acts 20:17-38—Evening Reading: Psalms 18, 19
 07/18 Morning Reading: Acts 21:1-17—Evening Reading: Psalms 20, 21, 22
 07/19 Morning Reading: Acts 21:18-40—Evening Reading: Psalms 23, 24, 25

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 (Book 5) - Pray the Prayer book the Holy Spirit gives!

God: Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit receives praise and worship from the Church and all angels.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Morning</i>	95, 110	95, 118	95, 121	95, 133	95, 136	95, 141	95, 146
<i>Evening</i>	116	119:105-112	130	134	139	145	150

Invitatory through St. Michael and All Angels: Glorious is God with His angels and saints: O come let us worship Him.

Antiphon through St. Michael and All Angels: You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore (*Psalms 16:11*).

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Olivia Berghello, Shirley Bradley, Miles Carpenter, Todd Carpenter, George Cashion, Renee Dockery, Deborah Gault, Baker Hampton, Jason Lineberger, and Pat Robinson.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Kathy Bradley, Deborah Carpenter, Doris Coggins, Debbie Dempel, Genniser Devega, Tucker Doyne, Carolyn Gantt, Abi Gordon, Terri Hartsfield, John, Sherry McCart, Jake Parks, John and Ann Peters, Rita Pasour, Jeff Smith, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Daniel Wankel, Lougene Webber, Starr 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).

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

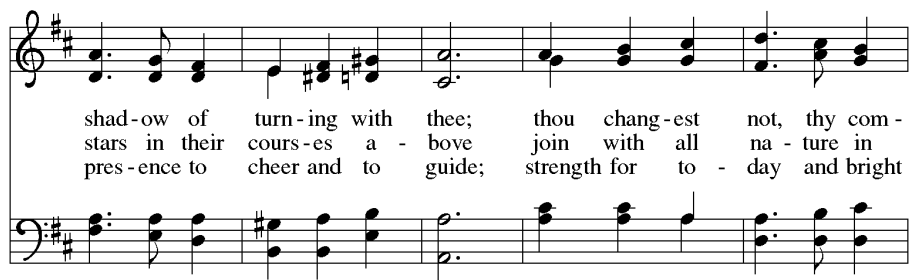
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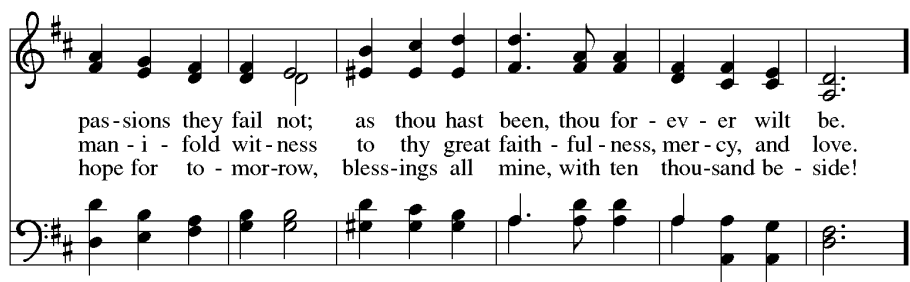
Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
 stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright

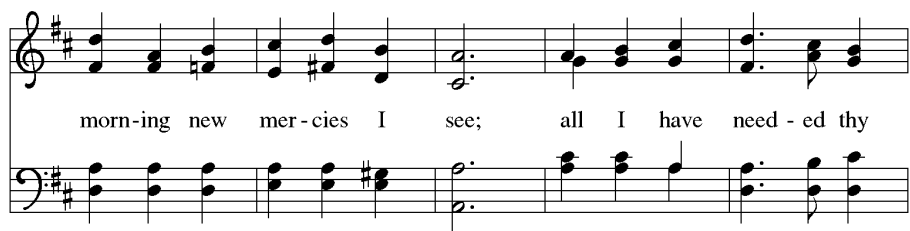


pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

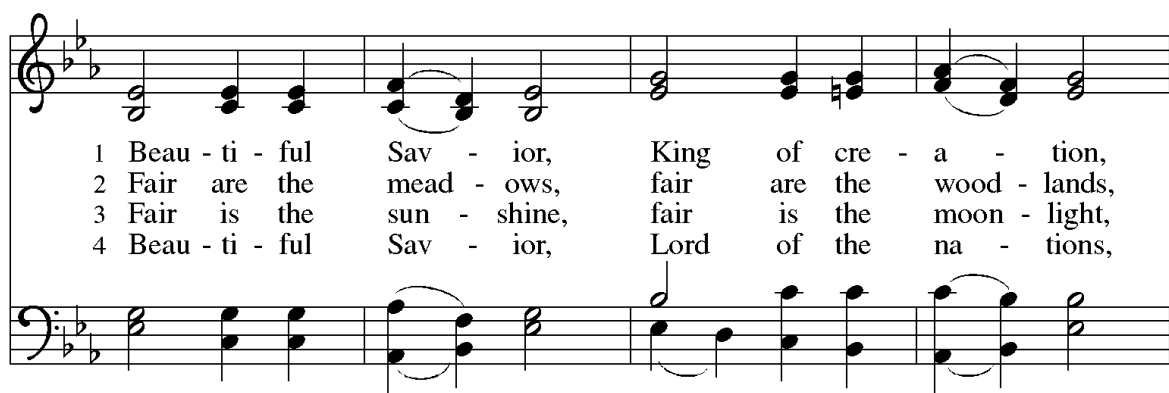


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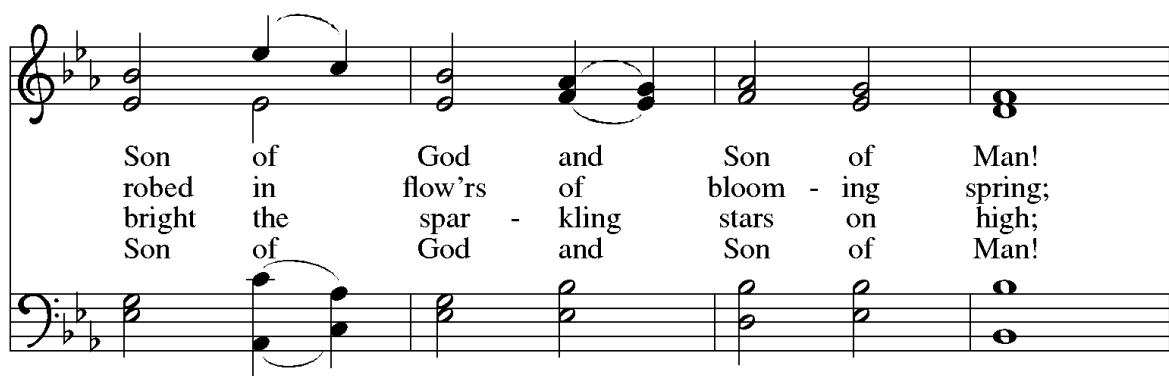


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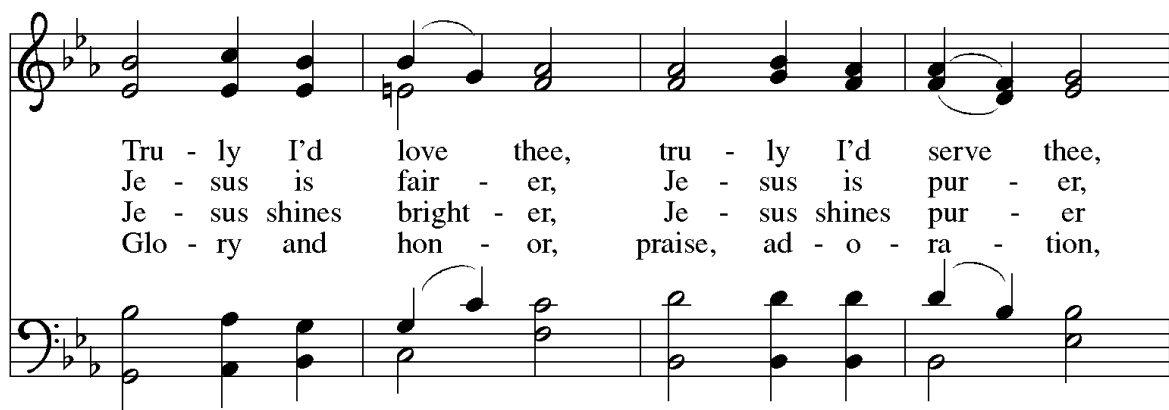
Beautiful Savior



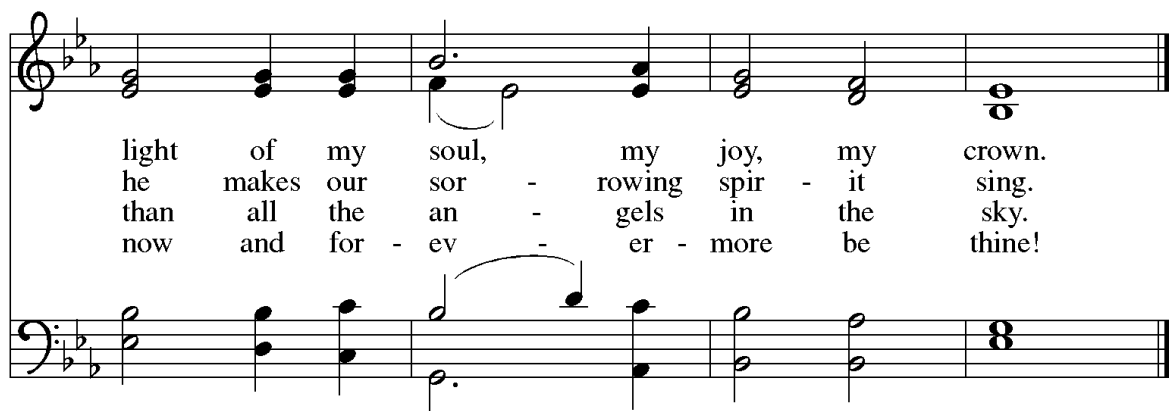
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the flow'rs of spring;
 bright in the spar - kling on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.