

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Confirmation Sunday

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Worship Focus
The Word is for All



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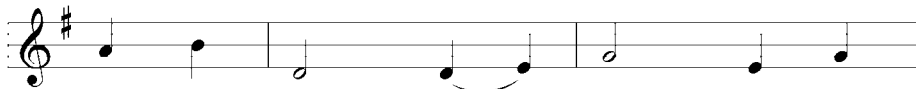
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OPENING HYMN

768 - How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints
2 "Fear not! I am with you. Oh, be
3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned
4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path -
5 "Through - out all their life - time my peo -



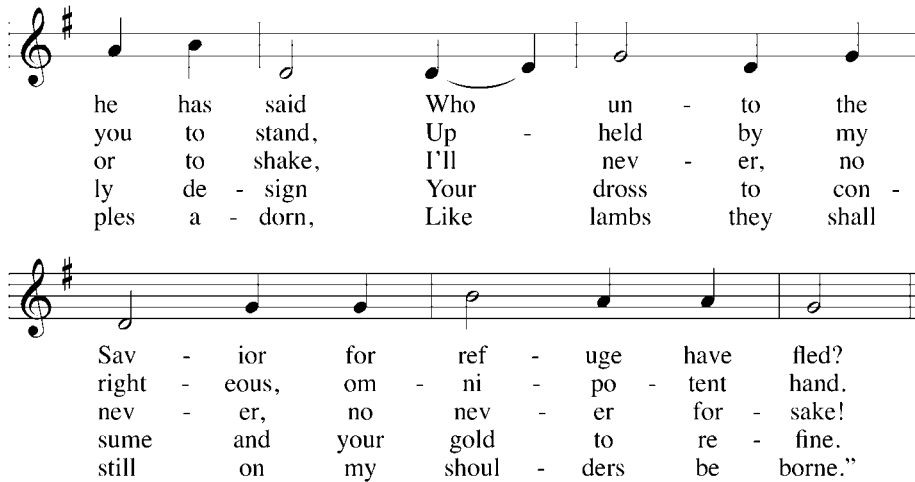
of the Lord, Is laid for your
not dis - mayed; For I am your
for re - pose I will not, I
way shall lie, My grace all - suf -
ple shall prove My sov' - reign, e -



faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What
God and will still give you aid; I'll
will not, de - sert to his foes. That
fi - cient shall be your sup - ply. The
ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love, And



more can he say than to you
strength - en you, help you, and cause
soul, though all hell should en - deav -
flames will not hurt you; I on -
then, when gray hair shall their tem -



he has said Who un - to the
 you to stand, Up - held by my
 or to shake, I'll nev - er, no
 ly de - sign Your dross to con -
 ples a - dorn, Like lambs they shall

Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!
 sume and your gold to re - fine.
 still on my shoul - ders be borne."

The beloved words of this hymn are wed to its traditional American melody.

Text: *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, alt.

Tune: FOUNDATION (11 11 11 11) Traditional American melody; Caldwell's *Union Harmony*, 1837.

INVOCATION

Minister The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

M God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.**

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called 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.

LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

M For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

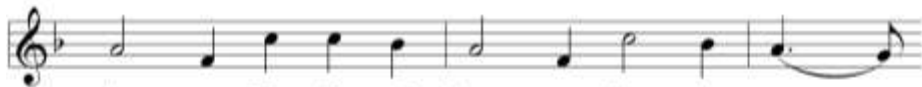
PRAYER AND PRAISE



1 In you is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness,
2 If he is ours, We fear no pow - ers,



Je - sus, Sun - shine of my heart. By you are
Not of earth or sin or death. He sees and



giv - en The gifts of heav - en; You the true
bless - es In worst dis - tress - es; He can change



Re - deem - er are. Our souls are wak - ing; Our bonds
them with a breath. Where - fore the sto - ry Tell of



are break - ing. Who trusts you sure - ly Has built se -
his glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -



cure - ly And stands for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -
joic - es In him for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -



ia! Our hearts are pin - ing To see your shin - ing,
ia! We shout for glad - ness, Win o - ver sad - ness,



Dy - ing or liv - ing To you are cling - ing
Love him and praise him And still shall raise him



Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549-1631; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.
Tune: IN DER IST FREUDE (PM) Giovanni G. Gastoldi, c. 1556-c. 1622.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Let us pray. O God, you rule over all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON 1 Kings 8:22,23, 41-43

Solomon dedicates God’s house and prays that those not of the house of Israel might use it, too.

¹KINGS 8:22 Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in front of the whole assembly of Israel, spread out his hands toward heaven ²³ and said:

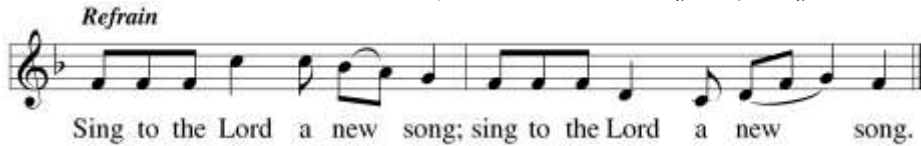
“O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below--you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way.

⁴¹ “As for the foreigner who does not belong to your people Israel but has come from a distant land because of your name-- ⁴² for men will hear of your great name and your mighty hand and your outstretched arm--when he comes and prays toward this temple, ⁴³ then hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and do whatever the foreigner asks of you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your own people Israel, and may know that this house I have built bears your Name.

PSALM

Psalm 100

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Shout for joy to the LORD, | all the earth.*
Worship the LORD with | gladness;

Come before him with | joyful songs.*
Know that the | LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and | we are his;*
we are his people, the sheep of his | pasture.

Refrain

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his | courts with praise;*
give thanks to him and | praise his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures for | ever;*
his faithfulness continues through all gener | ations.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON Galatians 1:1-10

Paul speaks stern words to the Galatians, Gentiles who were in danger of losing the true Word.

To the churches in Galatia:

GALATIANS 1:3 Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, ⁵ to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

⁶ I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you by the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel-- ⁷ which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let him be eternally condemned! ⁹ As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let him be eternally condemned!

¹⁰ Am I now trying to win the approval of men, or of God? Or am I trying to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ.

VERSE OF THE DAY

**Your Word is like a heav'nly light
That guides us all the day,
And through the dangers of the night
A lamp to lead our way. (509:2)**

GOSPEL Luke 7:1-10

Christ commends the Roman centurion for his faith.

LUKE 7:1 When Jesus had finished saying all this in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. ² There a centurion's servant, whom his master valued highly, was sick and about to die. ³ The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and heal his servant. ⁴ When they came to Jesus, they pleaded earnestly with him, "This man deserves to have you do this, ⁵ because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue." ⁶ So Jesus went with them.

He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: “Lord, don’t trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof.⁷ That is why I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But say the word, and my servant will be healed.⁸ For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and that one, ‘Come,’ and he comes. I say to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.”

⁹ When Jesus heard this, he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, “I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel.”¹⁰ Then the men who had been sent returned to the house and found the servant well.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



L U K E 7 : 9



I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith

HYMN OF THE DAY

190 - We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost



1 We now im - plore God the Ho - ly Ghost
 2 Shine in our hearts, O most pre - cious Light,
 3 O sa - cred Love, grace on us be - stow,
 4 O high - est Com - fort in ev - 'ry need,



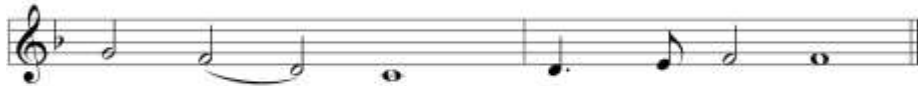
For the true faith which we need the most,
 That we Je - sus Christ may know a - right,
 Set our hearts with heav'n - ly fire a - glow
 Grant that nei - ther shame nor death we heed



That in our last mo - ments he may be -
 Cling - ing to our Sav - ior, whose blood has
 That with hearts u - nit - ed we love each
 That e'en then our cour - age may nev - er



friend us And, as home - ward we jour - ney,
 bought us, Who a - gain to our home - land
 oth - er, Of one mind, in peace with ev -
 fail us When the foe shall ac - cuse and



at - tend us, Lord, have mer - cy!
 has brought us, Lord, have mer - cy!
 'ry broth - er, Lord, have mer - cy!
 as - sail us, Lord, have mer - cy!

Text: German hymn, c. 13th century, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483-1546, st. 2-4; tr. composite.
 Tune: NUN BITTEN WIR (99 11 10 4) *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524, alt.

SERMON

Luke 7:1-10

I Want You to Have This Faith

1. One that trusts the Word of Jesus' purpose
2. One that trusts the Word of Jesus' power

CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED (8:00)

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (8:00)

M Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

C **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

M Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (8:00)

**C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

8:00 Service continues on page 17, marked The Sacrament.

CONFIRMATION (11:00)

Confirmation is a public profession of the Christian faith, following a period of instruction. It is a rite by which a person is recognized as one who is properly prepared to receive Holy Communion.

Those being confirmed stand and approach the altar.

**Joe Antonio Aguero
Cadman Scott Jackson
Josiah Luke Koelpin
Abigail Theodora Machaj
Tyler Alan Pringle
Gary Charles Quam
Alice Lauren Smith**

M Brothers and sisters in Christ, our Lord Jesus said to his disciples: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

In obedience to the Lord’s command, you have been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. You have been taught the precious truths of the Christian faith as confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church. You know what God has given you by his grace and what he expects of you as his dear child. You now have the privilege of receiving the Lord’s body and blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

You are here to make a public profession of your Christian faith. The apostle Paul, writing to the Romans, said: “If you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Therefore, lift up your hearts to the God of all grace and joyfully answer these questions:

M Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this congregation, acknowledge that in Baptism, God gave you forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation?

R **I do.**

M Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises?

R **I do.**

M Do you believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit?

R **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated 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.**

M Do you believe all the books of the Bible to be the inspired Word of God?

R **I do.**

M Do you believe that the teaching of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, as you have learned to know it from Luther's Small Catechism, is faithful and true to the Word of God?

R **I do.**

M Do you intend to continue steadfast in this teaching and to endure all things, even death, rather than fall away from it?

R **I do, and I ask God to help me.**

M Do you intend faithfully to conform all your life to the teachings of God's Word, to be faithful in the use of the Word and sacrament, and in faith and action remain true to God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as long as you live?

R **I do, and I ask God to help me.**

The minister addresses the congregation.

M Since it is God alone who enables us both to will and to do his good pleasure, it is right for us, dear friends in Christ, to call on him for these confirmands, that he would graciously complete the good work which he has begun in them. Let us, therefore, bow our heads and pray.

PRAYER

M Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for your great goodness in bringing these sons and daughters of yours to the knowledge of your Son, Jesus Christ, and in giving them both hearts to believe and mouths to confess his saving name. Enable them to bring forth the fruits of faith and to continue steadfast and victorious until the day comes when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

M Brothers and sisters in Christ, what we as a Christian congregation have here asked our heavenly Father to confer on all of you, we now ask him to give each of you individually.

The minister may lay his hand on the head of each one and speak a blessing.

A confirmation text may also be read for each.

After all the confirmands have received the blessing, the minister dismisses them, saying

M Your church now invites you to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's body and blood. Accept this invitation with deep reverence and holy joy. Regard your communing at the Lord's Table as a precious privilege given you by God through his Church; receive this Sacrament thankfully and often. The almighty and most merciful God—Father, Son, (+) and Holy Spirit—bless and keep you.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE and PROPER PREFACES

M The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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

M Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.
You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.
I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -
va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus. It consists of six staves of music in C major, 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C' and the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.' The second staff continues with 'The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.' The third staff has 'You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.' The fourth staff has 'I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -'. The fifth staff has 'va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.' The sixth staff concludes with 'The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style with clear note heads and stems.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

405 - Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink



1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink Though
 2 That will not mur - mur nor com - plain Be -
 3 A faith that shines more bright and clear When
 4 That bears un - moved the world's dread frown Nor
 5 A faith that keeps the nar - row way Till



pressed by man - y a foe, That will not trem - ble
 neath the chas - t'ning rod, But in the hour of
 tem - pests rage with - out, That, when in dan - ger,
 heeds its scorn - ful smile, That sin's wild o - cean
 life's last spark is fled And with a pure and



on the brink Of pov - er - ty or woe,
 grief or pain Can lean up - on its God,
 knows no fear, In dark - ness feels no doubt,
 can - not drown Nor Sa - tan's arts be - guile,
 heav'n - ly ray Lights up the dy - ing bed.

6 Lord, give us such a faith as this,
 And then, what'er may come,
 We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss
 Of an eternal home.

Text: William H. Bathurst, 1796-1877.

Tune: ST. PETER (CM) Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799-1877.

The TESTING of your
FAITH
 PRODUCES
ENDURANCE.
 ~~~~~ James 13, NRSV ~~~~~

## THANKSGIVING

### THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise, Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## PRAYER AND BLESSING

M Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

**M** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



## CLOSING HYMN

765 – Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me,  
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me  
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me



Bring - ing com - fort to my anx - ious soul.  
Strength to serve and wis - dom to o - bey;  
When my bur - dens grow too great to bear;



Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me  
I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



Draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal.  
O'er the paths I strug - gle day by day.  
When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.



Love di - vine, be - yond all mor - tal meas - ure,  
I will fear no e - vil of the mor - row;  
Day by day, no mat - ter what be - tide me,



Brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest;  
I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace.  
You will hold me ev - er in your hand.



Sav - ior, lead me to the home I treas - ure,  
Sav - ior, help me bear life's pain and sor - row;  
Sav - ior, with your pres - ence here to guide me,



Where, at last, I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
Till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.  
I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

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Tune: BLOTTEN DAG (10 9 10 9 D) Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882

*After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.*

