

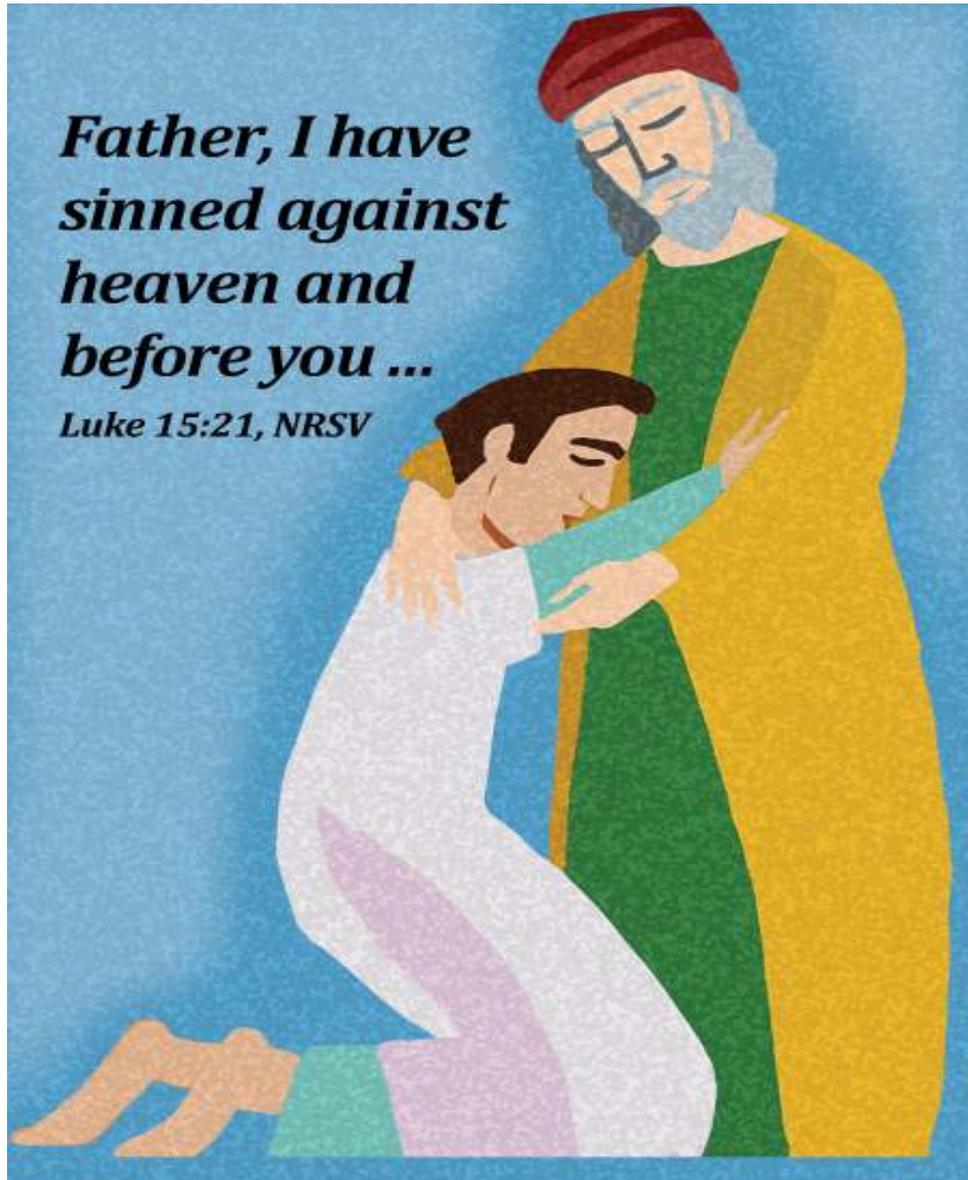
8:30 & 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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MARCH 27, 2022 FORTH SUNDAY IN LENT

All Are Welcome!

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling or standing at the altar rail. For your safety and convenience, you will have a choice of coming to the altar rail or taking communion in your pew in an individually sealed container. If, for any reason, you are not comfortable receiving communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms, indicating you wish to receive a blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (lighter color), as well as wine (darker color), for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. One chalice will hold both wine and grape juice. Communion is continuous with kneeling or standing. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Jeff to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet. The office phone number and Pastor Jeff's cell phone number are on the cover of the bulletin.

Ministries for Today

Lector: Darlene Momberg

Altar Guild: 8:30 a.m. Darlene Momberg
10:30 a.m. Lynn Karle

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. Leslie & Hank Beers
& Penny Morken

10:30 a.m. Betty & Clay Baker
& Doug Walck

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March 27 2022, 8:30 & 10:30 A.M. Worship - Setting I

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE 8:30 a.m. “*All Our Joy*” sung by: *John Sherman*
10:30 a.m. *Megan Cianflone, Director of Music*

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage.

C **Amen.**

P Holy One,

C **we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.**

P Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In + Jesus’ name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

C **Amen.**

+ **OPENING HYMN** “*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*” **ELW 807**

+ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

+ **CHOIR ANTHEM** (8:30 a. m.) “*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*”

FIRST READING: Joshua 5: 9-12

⁹The Lord said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. ¹⁰While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. ¹¹On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. ¹²The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

+ PSALM 32: *(Read responsively)*

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you
forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time
of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸**“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.**

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”

¹⁰**Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

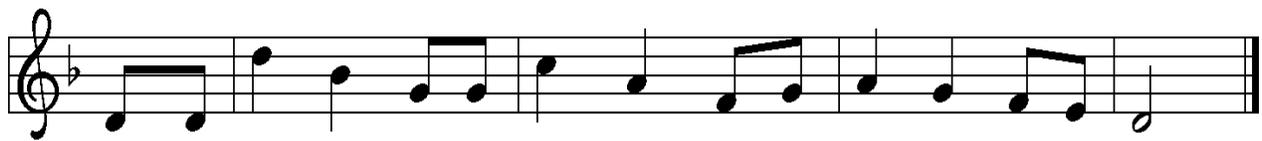
A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

+ LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ^{11b}“There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ ²⁰So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ ²²But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

²⁵“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ ²⁸Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ ³¹Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’ ”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Text: Lessons for the day

+ **HYMN OF THE DAY** “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling” **ELW 608**

A Let us proclaim our trust in the presence and power of God in our lives with the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

+ **APOSTLES’ CREED** **ELW 105**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.**

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting.

Amen.

+ **THE PRAYERS**

A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A Jesus formed the disciples in the ways of extravagant mercy and profound welcome. Lead your church to be a community marked by forgiveness, hospitality, and celebration. Send us to transform a world plagued by fear and condemnation. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A You make the land to produce a harvest that sustains your entire creation. Equip farmers and farm workers who till the soil. Nourish the earth with ample rainfall and abundant sunshine. Heal grounds tainted by pollution or misuse.
Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Countries are divided and leaders often harbor grudges. Reconcile nations that experience conflict, especially, Ukraine. Act quickly to bring an end to war. Anoint peacemakers trained in the art of diplomacy and foster a spirit of collaboration among political rivals. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Your people cry for help in times of distress. Resolve disagreements among family members. Save those experiencing financial hardship. Hear our prayers for those who are sick or grieving, especially: Susie Espersen, Angelo Campanello, Renna Knotek, the Unga Family, Bonny Dery & Family, the Lentini Family, the C.B. Williams Family, James Caulder II, Jim Sauer, Nina Smarejesse, Sherry & Ed Larson, Tom Dunlop, Sandy Lofthouse, Micah Smith, Jim Opperman, Leo Malinowski, and Nick & Anita Lehr. Console us with the promise that everything can become new. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Your love comes to us when a table is set and a feast is prepared. Bless the feeding ministries of this congregation. Bring an end to hunger in our community and around the world. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A The one who was dead is alive again. We give thanks for those who have died, confident that steadfast love surrounds them. Shelter them in your love until we are gathered at your heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A God of mercy, you are our resurrection. We give you thanks, oh God, for the celebration of birthdays within our faith community. Today we pray for Megan Cianflone, Mike Dean, Paul Keller, Rod Barikmo, Richard Bartsh, Vicki Dunlop & La Morris Cook as they celebrate their birthdays. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

+ **OFFERTORY**

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW 107

A Let us pray.

C Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

+ **PROPER PREFACE**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C 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.

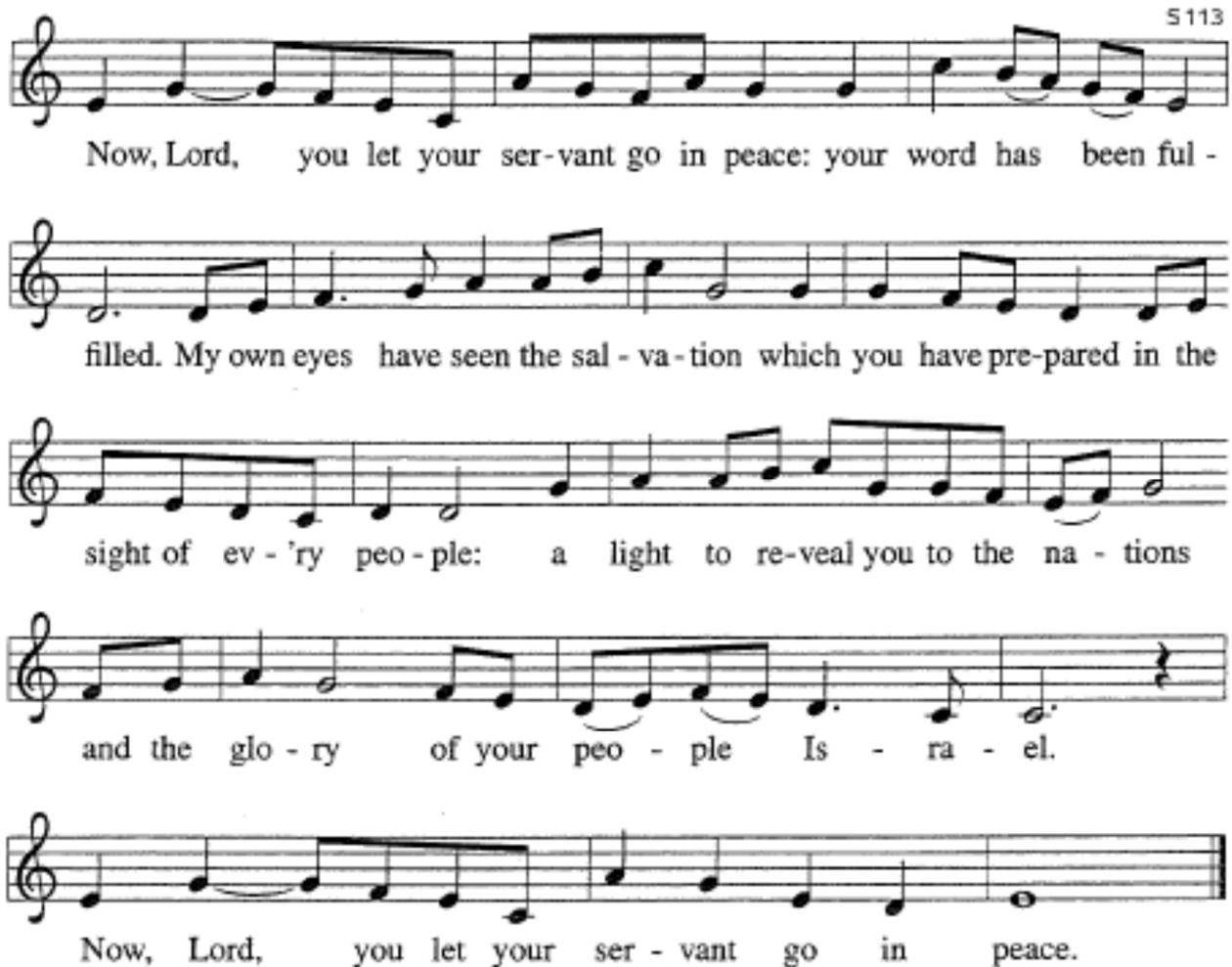
+ **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

+ **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body,
the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.
C **Amen.**

+ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the
sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions
and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

+ **THE BLESSING (8:30)** *Pastor Jeff & Betty Sauer sing "An Irish Blessing"*

P You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey.
Almighty God, merciful, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always.

C **Amen.**

+ **SENDING HYMN** "What Wondrous Love Is This" **ELW 666**

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the Chancel this morning have been given by Heidi & Mike Dziubla in loving memory of Lina Soldner.

HOSPITALIZATIONS

Local hospitals are no longer calling church offices to advise of the hospitalizations of parishioners. If you are hospitalized, or know of someone that is hospitalized, please let the church office know so that we may keep you/them in our prayers and provide pastoral support.

PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE LIVE STREAMING

When the prelude begins, we begin Worship and live streaming the service. Please remember to use quiet reflection when the prelude begins.

T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER

The evangelism committee has been wearing a T-Shirt that shows who we are and what we stand for, (it says “God’s Work - Our Hands” and has Shepherd of the Glades Lutheran Church under the display of hands). This T-Shirt was so popular with the congregation, we decided to make it a fundraiser benefiting other outreach opportunities. The cost of the T-Shirts will be \$20.00 paid in advance. If you would like to order a T-Shirt, please see Kelli Unga after the service to let her know your name and what size you need, or call the office and we will take your request.

BEAUTIFICATION OF THE CHURCH

Easter Lilly order forms will be in the March Newsletter and available in the Narthex. This is a wonderful way to remember a loved one while beautifying the Church on Easter Sunday. The cost is \$18.00 per plant, and orders must be submitted to the office before Friday, April 1, 2022.

HELPING UKRAINE

The Endowment Committee approved giving \$10,000 to the Lutheran World Relief Organization to support the Ukrainian crisis. The donations will be matched up to \$250,000. Anyone in the congregation that would like to make an private donation may do so by going to LWR.ORG/MATCH, or just make a check out to SOTG and mark LWR in the memo section of their check.

BACKPACK PROJECT

The Evangelism Committee is currently partnering with Grace Place to fill 40 backpacks for preschool thru second grade students. We are encouraging the congregation to participate by either making a monetary donation to allow the committee to buy the backpacks and supplies in bulk, or by purchasing school supplies themselves and dropping them off at the church office. The committee will have a table set up in the courtyard after each worship service to answer any questions about the project and provide more detailed information.

UPCOMING CONCERT

The Church Council is planning a special concert to be held at Shepherd of the Glades on Saturday, April 23, 2022, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The concert will feature our very own John Sherman who will sing Elvis Presley and Neil Dimond songs as “Johnny & the Ghost Riders”. There will be a “freewill” offering (suggested amount \$10 -\$20 per person). The offering will benefit the people of Ukraine through Lutheran World Relief. We encourage you to plan to attend and invite a friend. The tickets for this event will be available after each worship service, or in the church office. Tickets will also be sold at the door the afternoon of the concert.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT FOR THOSE IN NEED

We have been blessed and wish to bless others. We have some durable medical equipment available to be used at no cost for those in need. Please ask Kelli Unga or in the office if you know of someone in need. Thank you.

JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Jeff is providing a Bible study session every Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.

Elaine Sima is providing a Women's Bible study the first Friday of each month. The study begins at 10:00 a.m. and is held in the choir room.

THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:

The office is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Pastor Jeff will be available by appointment.

Forth Sunday in Lent, March 27, 2022, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., public worship with Pastor Jeff Unga. Worship will also be live streamed on YouTube, or you can access on our website. See website for details - www.sotgweb.org.

Monday, March 28th and Wednesday, March 30th, Bone Builders class, 9-10 :00 a.m.

Tuesday, March 29th, Sew-Sews meet in Hanson Hall, 8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 30th, Funeral for Bobby Hicks at 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 30th, Lenten worship service at 6:00 p.m.

Friday, April 1, Women's Bible study with Elaine Sima at 10:00 a.m. in the choir room.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 3, 2022, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., public worship with Pastor Jeff Unga. Worship will also be live streamed on YouTube, or you can access on our website. See website for details - www.sotgweb.org.

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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



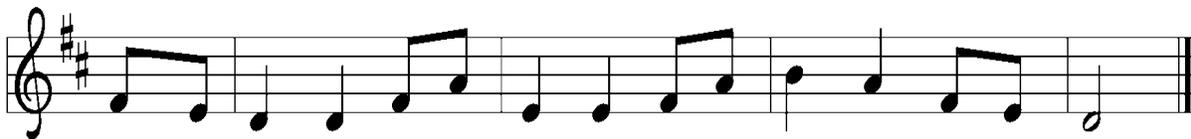
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



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.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



- 1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
- 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
- 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

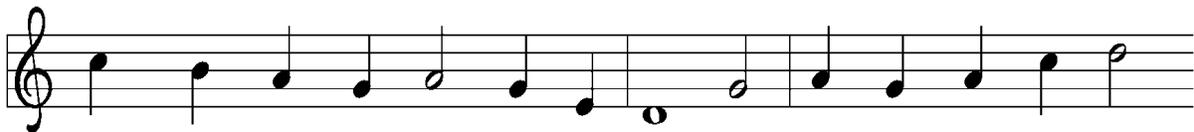


Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

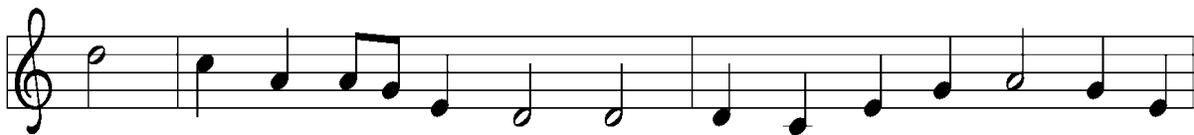
What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down
God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835