

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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9:30 A.M. WORSHIP

**LET WHAT YOU SAY
BE SIMPLY**

“YES”

OR

“NO”

MATTHEW 5:37, ESV

**FEBRUARY 12, 2023
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER
THE EPIPHANY**

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 you have an offering for the church, the offering plates are located at the entrance of the church.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to 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

Altar Assistant: Pastor Bob & Colleen Hoffman,
and Sandy Lofthouse

Lector: Penny Morken

Altar Guild: Barb Modjeska

Ushers: Penny Morken, Darlene Momberg,
and Doug Walck

A/V Technicians: Doc Lofthouse
Abraham Unga

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Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 12, 2023, 9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting 10

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

“ONE PAIR OF HANDS”

By: John & Mary Sherman

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

+ **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P Holy One, source of our renewal,

C **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P Thus says our God: “The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare.” God’s mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.

C **Amen.**

+ **OPENING HYMN**

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

ELW 582

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.**

+ PRAYER OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C **O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30: 15-20

Moses said to the people:]¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live,

²⁰loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 119: 1-8 (Read responsively)

¹Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who follow the teaching of the LORD!

²**Happy are they who observe your decrees
and seek you with all their hearts,**

³who never do any wrong,
but always walk in your ways.

⁴**You laid down your commandments,
that we should fully keep them.**

⁵Oh, that my ways were made so direct
that I might keep your statutes!

⁶**Then I should not be put to shame,
when I regard all your commandments.**

⁷I will thank you with a true heart,
when I have learned your righteous judgments.

⁸**I will keep your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me.**

SECOND READING: 1Corinthians 3:1-9

¹Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? ⁴For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. ⁹For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to: Matthew 5:21-37

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples:] ²¹“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ ²²But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

²⁷“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

³¹“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ ³²But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

³³“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ ³⁴But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

+ SERMON

Pastor Jeff Unga

Text: Lesson of the Day

+ HYMN OF THE DAY “Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” ELW 772

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.

+ **INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

(Richard & Rebecca McDanel, Kenneth & Marjorie Oberst, Brett Karlsen, and Judith Quandt)

+ **THE PRAYERS**

A Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.
A brief silence.

A Inspire your church that it may be a sign of life throughout the world. From the exploration of faith with children and new believers to missionaries and bishops, shape lives of faithfulness, so that all find abundant life in your ways.

Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Nourish your creation. Accompany all who plant and water. Bless the work of farmers; provide for subsistence farmers facing drought and climate change. Guide the work of agricultural scientists toward sustainable ways to feed the world.

Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Give growth where there seems to be no hope for life. In nations and regions where reconciliation seems impossible, empower peacemakers with your Spirit. Where death holds sway through violence, disease, and hunger, equip relief workers to bring hope. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Nurture all in need, especially: Irmi, Lucy Stegner, Jackie Jacobs, Christine Jensen, Bev Smith, Ashley Nell, Lois Horky Family, Pastor Peter Lyberg, Tracey Dunlap & Lillian Mendez, Dick Reumann, Bill & Mary Ann Todd, Susanne Thomas, Maureen Drum, Willie Nation and his spouse, Pedro Gonzalez, the Dyer family, Lisa Stenback, Lisa Marie Farnsworth, Kate Connell, Tom Watts, Lanna Williams, Lisa Carson, Nick & Anita Lehr, Patty Musielak, Nadine Kelly, Rev. Bernie Jorn, Marilyn Day, the Opperman Family, Carl & Jean Lipke, and Micah Smith. Bring healing to all who experience trauma caused by systems of injustice and destructive relationships. Give courage to those struggling to repent and those seeking reconciliation. Sustain all who work for restoration. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Encourage this congregation. Call us to a common purpose and keep us from quarrelling. Turn our hearts toward you and guide our leaders, so that our choices may be lifegiving for all. 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 and anniversaries within our faith community. Today we pray for Michael Cowles, Ron Limpus, Earnie Keller, and Cindy Quehl as they celebrate their birthdays. We also pray for Deborah Moeser & Andrea Tack, Larry & Barb Tommingo, and Bob Saaranen & Nola Halverson as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries.

Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Thanks be to you for the lives of all who have died in Christ. Teach us to follow them in your ways and gather us with them into the promise of eternal life with you. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

C **Amen.**

+ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

+ **WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES**

+ **OFFERTORY**

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW 107

A Let us pray.

C **Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, 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 HYMN** "On Eagle's Wings" *By: John Sherman*

+ **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

C **Amen.**

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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. 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**

P The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's Rod+ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C **Amen.**

+ **SENDING HYMN** “O Master, Let Me Walk with You” **ELW 818**

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the chancel this morning are given by Ken Sebe in loving memory of his wife, Charlotte Sebe.

NEW GRANDBABY!!!

Pastor Jeff and Keli Ungs are pleased to announce the birth of their first grandchild, Alora Elouise Ungs, born 2/1/23, weighing 8lb. 11 oz., to proud parents Amanda & Elijah Ungs.

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.

JOIN OUR PRAYER GROUP

Prayer warriors are answering the call to lift before God the needs of the people. We are informed by email or text message, no need to call anyone. We meet on Wednesdays after Bible study (about 11:15 a.m.) in the sanctuary. We are grateful to lift those in need, trusting God is working for the good of all. Anyone who wishes to join or has a need please let us know. You can call the church office or contact Kelli Ungs at (641) 529-0969.

2023 ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, February 19, 2023 we will have our Annual Meeting following the worship service. Annual reports are available in the Narthex. Each committee chairman will have submitted a written report and the treasurer will highlight the 2023 goals, and answer any questions regarding the budget. Please plan on attending!

HAVE AN INTEREST IN SEWING?

The quilters would welcome anyone that enjoys sewing, quilting, cutting, tying or would just like to gather for fellowship with the ladies on Tuesday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (all are welcome!)

LENTEN SERVICES

Lenten services begin February 22, 2023. Ash Wednesday service will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a soup supper to follow in Hanson Hall. There will be a Lenten service every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. during Lent with a soup supper to follow until Holy Week.

THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:

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

Please call the church office or Pastor Jeff's cell phone if you have pastoral needs.

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany February 12, 2023, 9:30 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, February 13th & Wednesday, February 15th, Bone Builders from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, February 14th, Church Council meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 15th, No Bible Study this week!

Wednesday, February 15th, Prayer Warriors will not meet this week!

Sunday, February 19, 2023, 2023 Annual meeting immediately following worship service.

Transfiguration of Our Lord, February 19, 9:30 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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Our Mission is "Transforming lives through the Living Word of God."

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Congregational President

Bonny Dery

Administrative Assistants to the Pastor

Lynn Dickerman and Linda Tidmore

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. H. Peter Lyberg

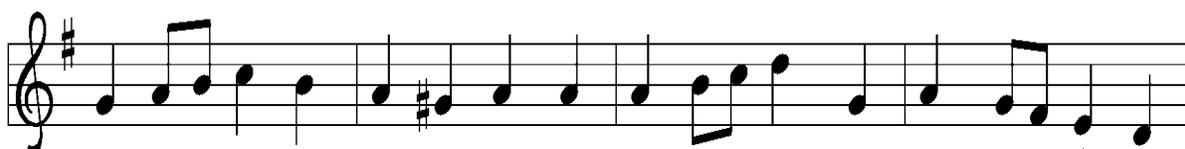
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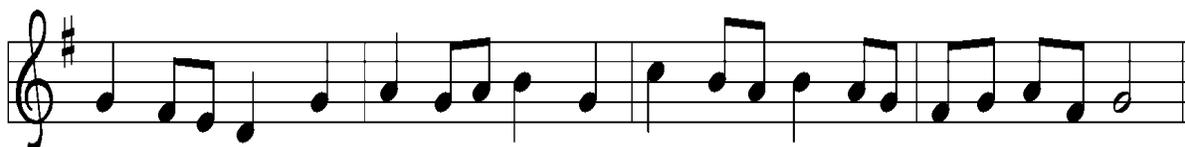
1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;
2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;
3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er rais-ing those of earth to thrones on high;
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul

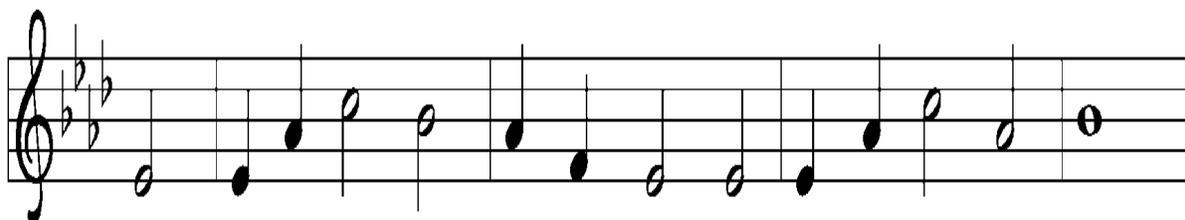


liv-ing, life-im-part-ing Spir-it, you we praise and mag-ni-fy.
you we praise with end-less wor-ship for your gifts and fruits un-priced.
in com-mu-nion nev-er end-ing, you we wor-ship and ex-tol.

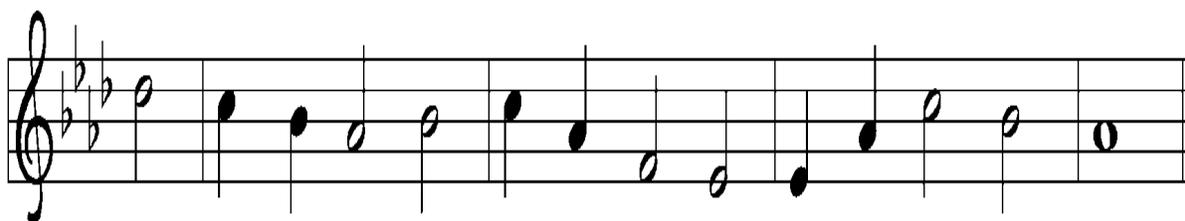
Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt.

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!
- 2 Or - der my foot-steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;
- 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;
- 4 Make me to walk in your com-mands, 'tis a de-light - ful road;

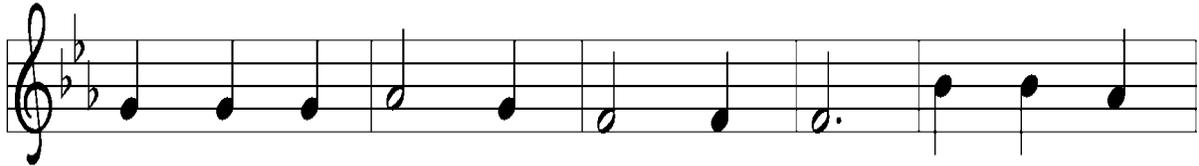


Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!
let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, but keep my con-science clear.
and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan-d'ring sheep.
nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

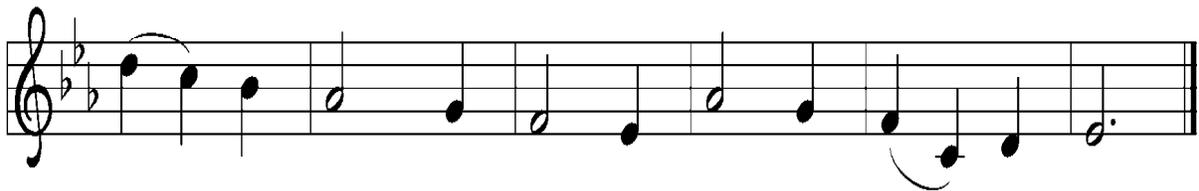
O Master, Let Me Walk with You



1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918, alt.

Music: MARYTON, H. Percy Smith, 1825-1898