



**July 27, 2025**

*We embrace our call to love and serve Jesus Christ  
as we cultivate community and empower our neighbors.*

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# A Service of Divine Worship on the Lord's Day

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### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

**Gathering Song:** *My Life is in You Lord*

### \*The Call to Worship

Liturgist: Come, let us bow down in worship.

**People: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

Liturgist: For the Lord is our God.

**People: and we are the people of God's pasture, the flock under divine care.**

**\*Opening Hymn:** *To God Be the Glory*

*Please be seated.*

### A Call to Confession (Liturgist)

When we are bold and take an honest inventory of our lives, we realize that we have fallen short of God's intention for us. In humility and candor let us confess our sin to God.

### Unison Prayer of Confession (prayed aloud by all)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

**Silent Confession** *Please take a moment for silent confession*

### Asking for God's Forgiveness

Liturgist: Let us now ask God's forgiveness.

**People: Merciful God, forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. This is our good news: in Jesus Christ, God has forgiven us.

**People: Amen! Thanks be to God!**

**Sung Response to Confession:**   *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*  
*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.*  
*The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

## \*Passing the Peace of Christ, Sharing in Christ's Welcome

Liturgist: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And, also with you.**

Liturgist: Let us stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

*(Congregation shares peace with one another in the pew, over the phone, across the screen.)*

## Anthem

## *I Surrender All*

## Bob Levkus

## Children's Moment

## Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, as we open our hands in praise, we open our minds and hearts that we may hear your word and follow as you lead us to abundant life.

## Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 43:1-3a, 4a; Romans 8:31-35, 37-39; Matthew 11:28-29

## The Message:

### *Interview of Two AA Group Members*

**Rev. Dr. Steve Wilson**

### Hymn of Affirmation:

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

## Sharing Our Life Together

## The Lord's Prayer:

*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

## Offertory

## Thanksgiving in Song:

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below*

*Praise Him above ye heavenly host*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen.*

**\*Sending Hymn**

## Great is Thy Faithfulness

### \*Charge and Benediction

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## To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of B-flat major (three flats) and 3/4 time. The score consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (Soprano and Bass) and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the melody. The first system includes two verses of lyrics. The second system continues the melody and lyrics. The third system continues the melody and lyrics. The fourth system concludes the piece with a final chord and a double bar line.

*Refrain*

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory: great things he has done!

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1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.  
 2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.  
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-pare.  
 Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a-stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.  
 Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us; love us still.

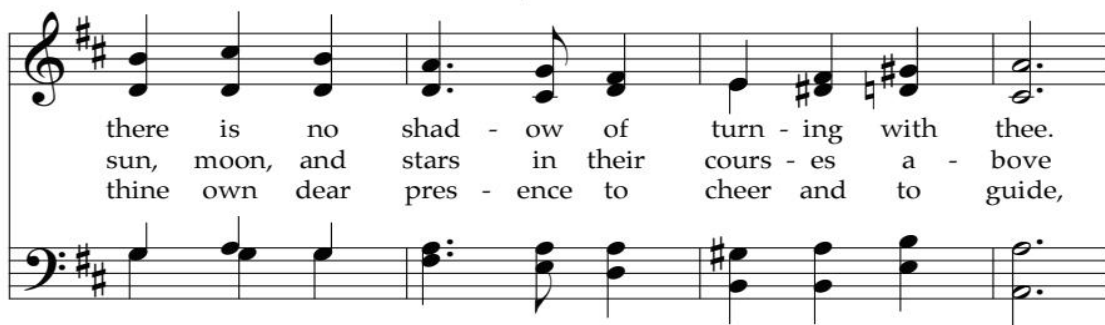


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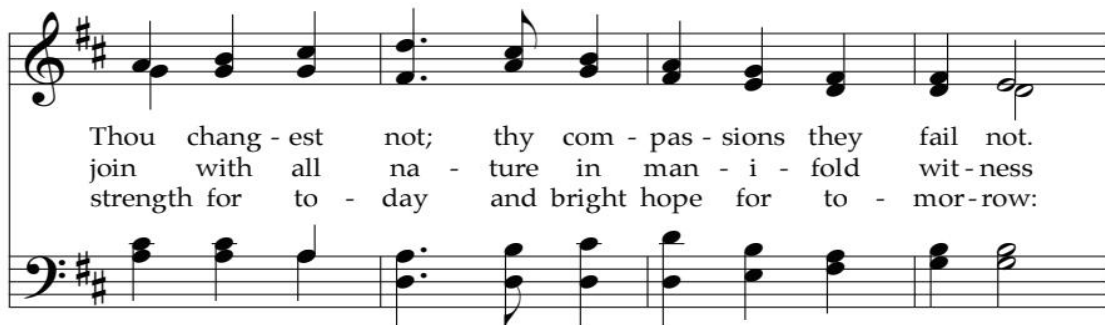
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1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,



Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:



As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.  
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베풀 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.  
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주