

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

May 16, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

He's Always Been Faithful to Me

arr. V. Labenske

Lamentations 3:22-23: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

"Morning by morning I wake up to find the power and comfort of God's hand in mine; season by season I watch Him amazed, in awe of the myst'ry of His perfect ways. All I have need of His hand will provide; He's always been faithful to me."

(words and music by Sara Groves, Hope Publishing Co., 2000)

(song is based on Great Is Thy Faithfulness; words by T. Chisholm, 1923; music by W. Runyan, 1923; words and music are public domain.)

"Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness; morning by morning new mercies I see.

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me."

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace (L: Leader; P: People)

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

**Call to Worship

Allison Miller

L: Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!

L. Our riedres die reddy, O Lord, Our riedres die reddy:

P: We will sing and make melody! We will awaken the dawn!

L: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, we will sing praises to you among the nations.

P: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn** - 172

Blest Are They

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

God of justice and love, we confess to you and to each other that we have not offered food to the hungry or satisfied the needs of the afflicted. We have spoken evil of others and pointed fingers in blame. We have turned away from you and our community, pursuing instead our own interests. Parched for mercy, we cry out for your help. Forgive us, God, and teach us your ways, that we may be renewed like a garden freshly watered and be given the chance to grow and thrive as your faithful followers in Christ. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel...

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Response – 240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord!

Verse 3

Moment with Children Sarah Trodden

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures Psalm 1

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

L: The Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon The Replacement Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn** - 819 Be Still My Soul

Offertory 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus arr. L. Hostra

Psalm 9:10: Those who know your name trust in you, for you Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.

"Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word; just to rest upon His promise, just to know "thus saith the Lord." Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!"

(words by Louisa Stead, 1882; music by William Kirkpatrick, 1882; words and music are public domain) (this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co./The Lorenz Corporation, Inc., 2020)

****Doxology -** 716 God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Verse 1

Prayers of Thanksgiving with The Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

****Hymn** - 741 Guide My Feet

**Benediction

Postlude Strong In The Faith an instrumental solo by E. Broughton

Joshua 1: 9: Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 1973)

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Fellowship Hour today following worship

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This hymn paraphrases the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1–12), the opening portion of Christ's Sermon on the Mount. Similar words of blessing also occur in the Sermon on the Plain (Luke 6:20–23). Both sets of sayings reverse worldly values and offer a new understanding of God's ways.

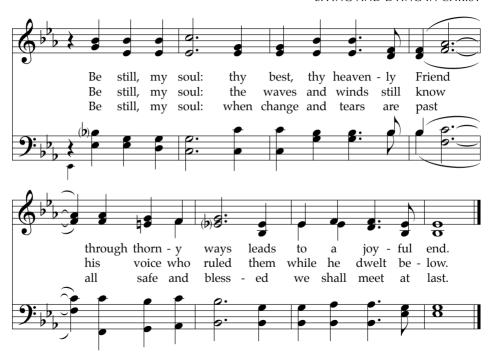
240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks



This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.



This meditative text seems to be rooted in Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God," while also reaching forward to 1 Thessalonians 4:17b, "we will be with the Lord forever." Much of the appeal of this hymn comes from its tune, named for the tone poem on which it is based.



God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716



- 1 God, whose giv ing knows no end ing, from your rich and
- 2 Skills and time are ours for press ing toward the goals of
- 3 Trea sure, too, you have en trust ed, gain through powers your



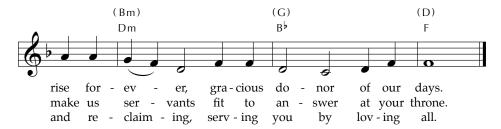
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grave's shat - tered door: bv gift - ed vou, we turn the church made joined, one. Now di - rect our dai - lv spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in



to you, of-fering up our - selves in praise; thank-ful song shall la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents, shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

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- 2 Hold my hand ...
- 3 Stand by me ...
- 4 I'm your child ...
- 5 Search my heart ...
- 6 Guide my feet ...

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1–2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.