

“And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his  
Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”  
– Galatians 4:6 ESV

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# Welcome and Greeting

*Please Stand*

## Call to Worship

**P** This is the day the Lord has made!

**C** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

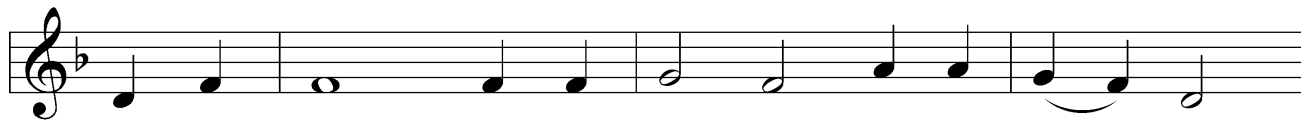
**P** We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen!

## 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



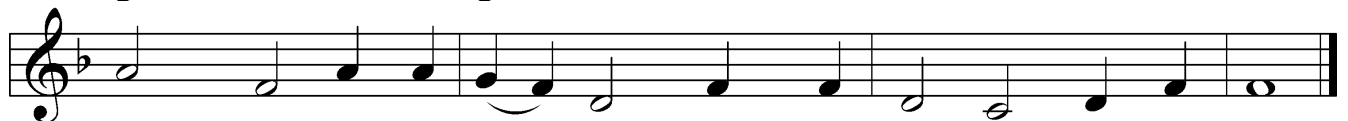
at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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## Confession of Sin

- P** If God is for us, who is against us? He who gave us his own Son, now gives us the Spirit and power! The Holy One is in our midst, but we realize that we are far from being holy. We know our failures and come to our Lord in humility to confess our sins, and God meets us with mercy.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Prayer of Confession:

- P** If we confess our sins, God is faithful and will cleanse us.
- C** **Loving Father, there is more to life than we can grasp, yet how often we try to shrink the mystery of your Spirit, or limit what is possible by your grace. Your Spirit is always blowing new life into our days, surprising us with wonder and blessing. Forgive us for dull awareness, resistance to your will, and for being hesitant witnesses to your power in our lives. Cleanse us and make us new once again. Thank you for your love for us in Jesus. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## Assurance of Faith

- P** Because God has lavished his love and mercy on us in Jesus we are forgiven. He sends and fills us with his Holy Spirit. We are more than conquerors; we are forgiven!
- C** **Praise God, we are set free! We are overwhelmed by your Mercy and Grace!**

*Please be seated*

## Hymn of Praise Video: "Overwhelmed" by Big Daddy Weave

## Prayer of the Day

### Galatians 3:23–4:7

Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary

principles of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please Stand*

### **Luke 8:26-39**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.” For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

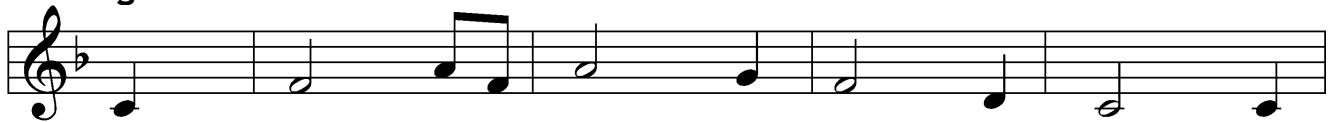
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right 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.

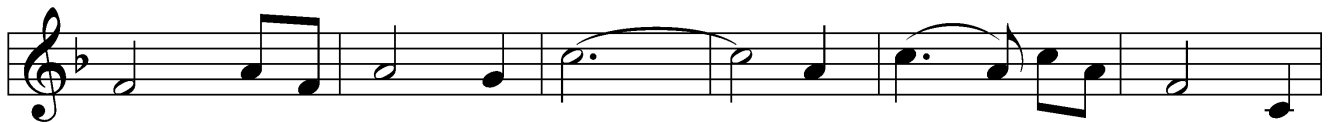
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## 744 Amazing Grace

*sts. 1-5*



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me  
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall  
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
 safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.  
 then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.  
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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## SERMON: BEFORE AND AFTER GALATIANS 3:23-4:7

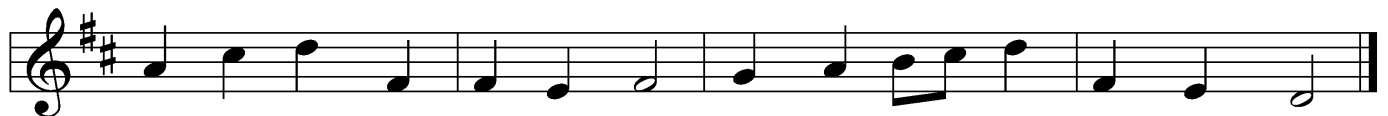
*Please Stand*

### 783 Take My Life and Let It Be

*sts. 1, 5-6*



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;  
 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no long - er mine;  
 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its trea - sure store;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy roy - al throne.  
 Take my-self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

### Prayer of the Congregation

- Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

### 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 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.

*Please remain standing*

### Words of the Institution

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** And also with you.

*Please be seated*

**Video During Communion: "No Longer Slaves" by I AM THEY**

### Continuous Distribution by Pastor

*(Family units come forward to receive the elements and take them to their seats. Please wait to eat and drink until instructed.)*

### All Receive the Sacrament together

*(Pastor will indicate when to take the wafer and then the cup.)*

### 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is  
thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -  
ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

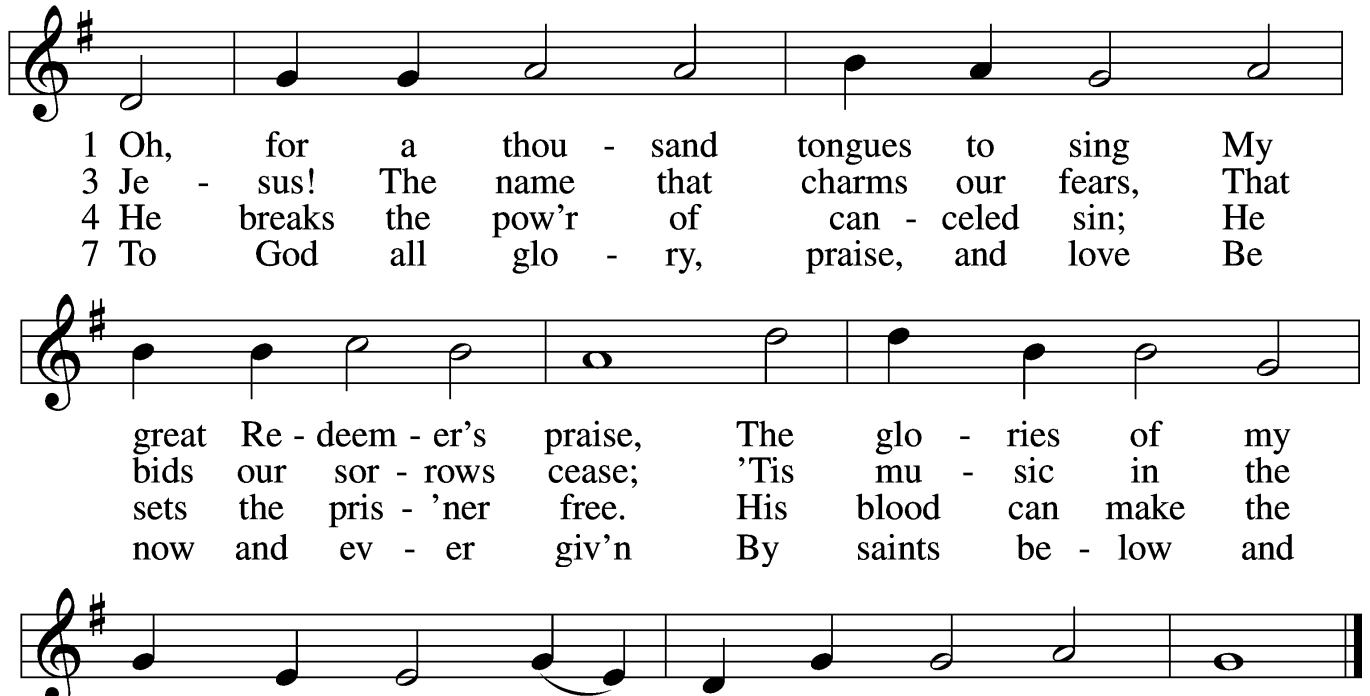
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## Benediction

### 528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

sts. 1, 3–4, 7



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My  
3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That  
4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He  
7 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love Be

great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my  
bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the  
sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the  
now and ev - er giv'n By saints be - low and

God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!  
sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.  
foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.  
saints a - bove, The Church in earth and heav'n.

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### The Dismissal

**P** Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God!

*Please be seated and please wait for the ushers to dismiss you.*

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