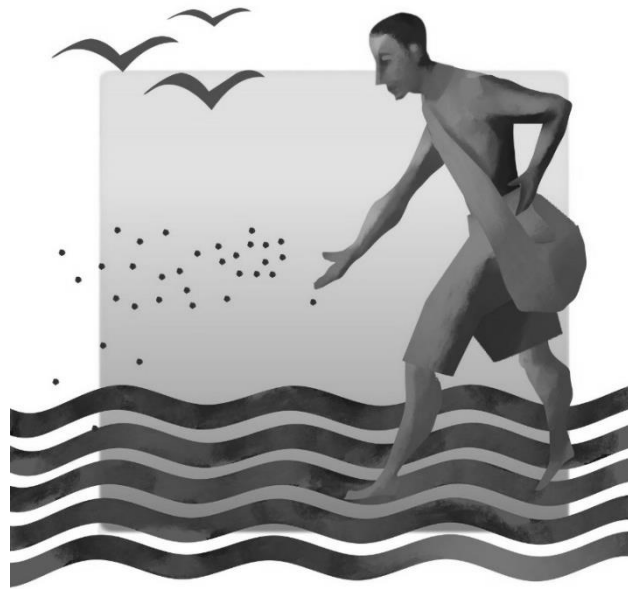


# *“Growing God’s Kingdom”*



## *THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### **MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**TODAY’S INTRODUCTION:** *The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.*

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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Altar Guild  
Acolyte  
Offering Presenter

## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST June 13, 2021 – 9:15 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

### PREPARATION

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE:

[Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.]

### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**C Amen.**

P Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Reconciling God,

**C we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

P Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## GATHERING

\* GATHERING HYMN

“When Peace, like a River”

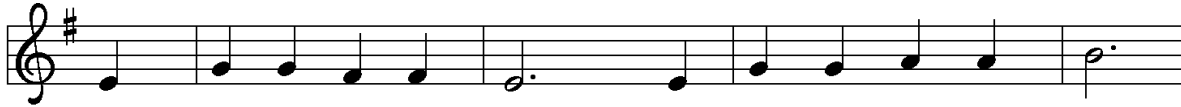
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\* GREETING

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.

\* KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.

2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.

3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

\* CANTICLE 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 (*In Unison*)

P Let us pray...

**C O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**WORD**

*Tree imagery is used in a messianic prophecy to tell how the LORD will choose someone from Judah's royal family (the cedar tree) to reign over all creation. This tree will be planted on Mount Zion, the location of the holy temple.*

FIRST READING ..... Ezekiel 17:22-24

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.

<sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup>All the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the LORD have spoken; I will accomplish it.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: ..... Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 (*Responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praise to your name, O Most High;

<sup>2</sup>**to herald your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night;**

<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and on the lyre, and to the melody of the harp.

<sup>4</sup>**For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD; and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**

<sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

<sup>13</sup>**Those who are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God;**

<sup>14</sup>they shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be green and succulent;

<sup>15</sup>**that they may show how upright the LORD is, my rock, in whom there is no injustice.**

*Paul encourages believers to live by faith and not by sight. We do not consider Jesus from a human perspective but through the eyes of faith, believing he died for all and was raised. All who are in Christ are now in God's new creation.*

SECOND READING..... 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17

<sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive

recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup>From 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. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!


L: 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.

*Jesus frequently uses parables to teach ordinary people as they are able to hear and understand. Images of sowing and growing show the vitality of God's kingdom.*

\* GOSPEL .....Mark 4:26-34

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)**

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus said,] "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup>and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

<sup>30</sup>He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it?"

<sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;

<sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so

that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)**

SERMON

Vicar Leister

HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Love to Tell the Story"

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\* APOSTLES' CREED (*In Unison*)

**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 the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

OFFERING PRESENTATION

\* SUNG OFFERTORY ('vineyards')

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

\* OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life,

**C you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty.**

**Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

\* HOLY COMMUNION

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 your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

\* **THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)**

P Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**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.**

P The Body of Christ given for you. (Wafer)

P The Blood of Christ shed for you. (Juice)

\* **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

\* **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P Let us pray,

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**SENDING**

\* **BLESSING**

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)**

\* **SENDING HYMN**

“I Love to Tell the Story”

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\* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

**PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN WITH YOU AND DISPOSE OF AT HOME!**

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Cynthia Smith

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Kay Varner & Kim White (5/31/21—6/27/21)

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTE – Brea Beward

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING PRESENTER – Julia Martin

**WELCOME TO ALL!**

JUST A THOUGHT – Dave Veerman, Christian Thinker: Biblical application means allowing the truth of the scripture to penetrate our lives, to make a difference in how we live.

**CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

PRAYER CHAIN – If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Vicar Leister at [sleister@gmail.com](mailto:sleister@gmail.com).

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for **one month**. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for an additional month, please contact the church office at 436-6213 or [mlchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com). If you have anyone who is a “last minute” addition after the bulletin has been printed on Fridays, please fill out an orange prayer card in the pew and lay it on the stand where the gluten free wafers are placed PRIOR to the morning worship service.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE for any change in addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or for any requests for building usage. There are a lot of activities and some coordination is needed so events are not “overbooked” in any specific areas of the church (this also applies to church groups who meet in the church). Please contact the office at 436-6213 or email [mlchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com) for any changes or requests.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY NEEDS OR CONCERNS, please contact Vicar Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Vicar Leister know. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at [sleister@gmail.com](mailto:sleister@gmail.com).

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION will be offered following the sending hymn in order to minimize any contact during the meal. We will be using communion kits that are pre-packaged and sealed that include a wafer and grape juice. Each person desiring to share in the meal will take a packaged kit when you receive a bulletin.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING 2020 AND 2021 SENIORS: Zane Hazard (2020), son of Bob and Tina Hazard; Marina Holderman (2020), daughter of Bill and Christie Holderman; Garrett Berry (2020), son of Steve and Jean Berry; Tai Kepler (2021), son of Marc and Nasreen Kepler; Drew Lauver (2021), son of Andy and Rachael Lauver; Nathan Swailes (2021), son of Kevin and Kate Swailes; and Jace White (2021), son of John and Kim White.

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, Messiah congregational splash party at Central Juniata Park Pool in Mifflin. More information will follow.

ANYONE WITH CHILDREN entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade or higher in the fall of 2021 who would like to register their child for the upcoming confirmation class (and is not already registered) are asked to contact Vicar Leister or the church office.

JUNE'S "MISSION OF THE MONTH" at Messiah will be for the Hockenberry Family of East Waterford who not only lost everything in a house fire on May 17<sup>th</sup>, but also lost their mother and grandmother due to that fire. The monies will be sent from Messiah directly to the Hockenberry Family for this cause. In addition to your generosity, the PPC allocated funds to match congregational donations up to \$1,000.00. This is just one way in which we can continue to extend our mission in Christ's love beyond the walls of our church building.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT:

May 30, 2021 Attendance – 40

Total Offering	\$2,461.00	<u>Other Funds</u>	
Other Funds	<u>529.00</u>	Benevolence	\$ 100.00
General Fund	\$1,932.00	Building Fund	110.00
		Fire Victims	100.00
		Back Pack Program	175.00
		Flowers	<u>44.00</u>
		Total	\$ 529.00

OUR WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE AT MESSIAH has begun talks about possibly changing the starting times of all Sunday services to an earlier time. Discussion centered around possibly starting services at 10 AM at the beginning of 2022, with the Sunday School hour then being adjusted as well. *HOWEVER*, we need your input!! Is 10 AM a time which would seem a good time to have all Sunday services? (Please remember that we now have air conditioning in our building. The lack of A/C in the past was a huge reason why we started having summer services at 9:15 AM). What do *YOU* think about a 10 AM start time? Would you prefer another, earlier time? What time would you like to see the Sunday School "portion" of the morning to begin?? Again, *WE NEED YOUR INPUT!* Please take the time to talk to any of our Worship & Music Committee members – Vicar Sam, Bob St. Clair, Diana Wise, Michelle Stoner, Andrea Cameron, or Jamie Miller – and share any ideas you may have concerning our start time in 2022. Remember, whatever time is selected will be that same start time all year round. But, as you may have heard, ***WE NEED YOUR INPUT!!*** Reach out to one of the committee members today! COPIES OF MARCH 21, 2021 PPC MINUTES are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.      Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.      Friday – 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER – Kate Swailes is serving as our congregation's camperson with Camp Mount Luther again this year. She has information on programs for the summer. If you have additional questions, you can contact her or the camp office at 570-922-1587 or [cml@campmountluther.org](mailto:cml@campmountluther.org). Since our congregation has a camperson, each camper from our church will receive Camel Bucks from Kate for use at the camp store this

summer! Campers who attended camp at Mount Luther in the past should have already received the camp brochures in the mail (additional brochures are available in the Adult Sunday School Room). For more information on Camp Mount Luther or to print the camp registration form, visit [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org). Submit your camp registration form to Kate along with a \$50 payment payable to Messiah Lutheran Church which will go toward the non-refundable deposit. The remaining portion of the cost of camp will be covered by various fundraising events, donations, etc. Kate will submit the registration forms to Mount Luther. Because Camp Mount Luther is accepting a lower number of campers this summer, Chad Hershberger recommends that families register their campers as soon as possible. Registration will not be accepted within the two weeks prior to each camp week.

### **WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

NEW BATH-SIZE BARS OF SOAP (4 oz. to 5 oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) is continuously collected as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

### **COMMUNITY**

#### **FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JUNE:**

ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, PERSONAL CARE ITEMS, CLEANING SUPPLIES, PAPER PRODUCTS. SUMMER BACKPACK LUNCH PROGRAM: SINGLE SERVE MEALS, JELLO CUPS, FRUIT CUPS, NON-CHOCOLATE PUDDING, SMALL BOXES OF RAISINS. WE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS FOR GROCERY & DISCOUNT STORES.

#### **THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH**

- Today:** -9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion.
- Monday:** -7:00 p.m., AA in Youth Area.
- Wednesday:** -9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion.

## **PRAYER LIST**

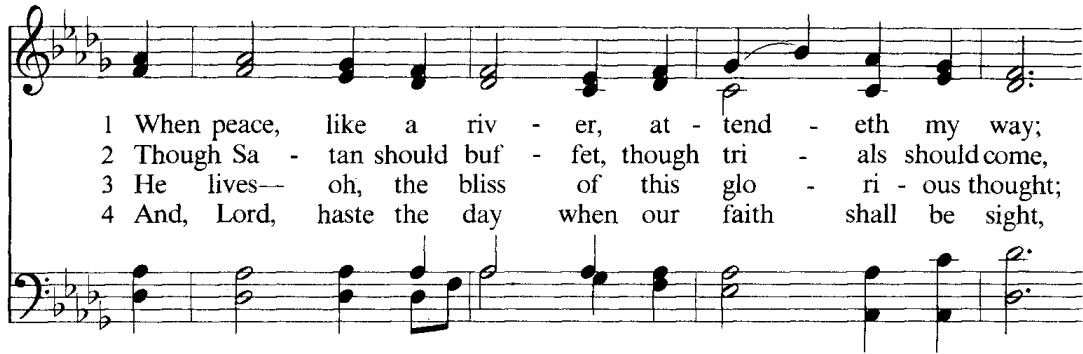
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Roxanne Boyer	Sue Henderson	Ken Mummah
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Ron Chambers	Brenda Imes	Dave Phelan
Andrew & Daris Ciecierski	Annie Ingle	Butch & Sandy Pines
Curtis Clark	Doc Johnston	Cheryl Pinkerton & family
Randy Clark	Guy Kerstetter	Betty Ranck
Terry Coder	Denny King	Keith Ranck
Leann Crimmel	Darvin Krouse	Mike Rhoades
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## **PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS**

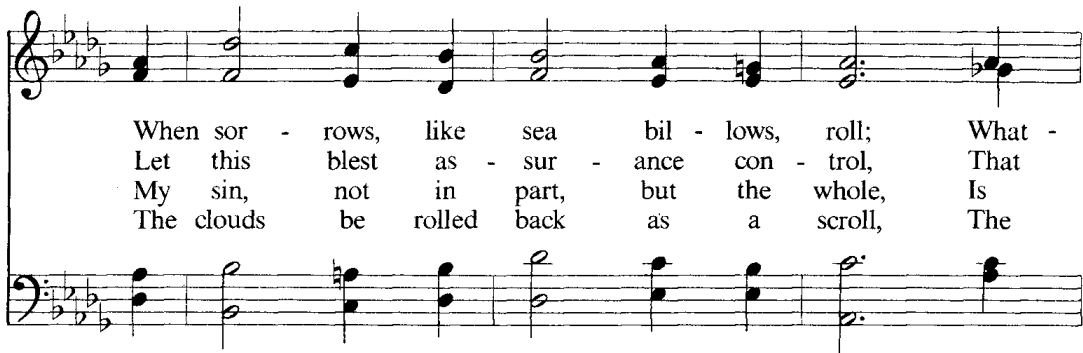
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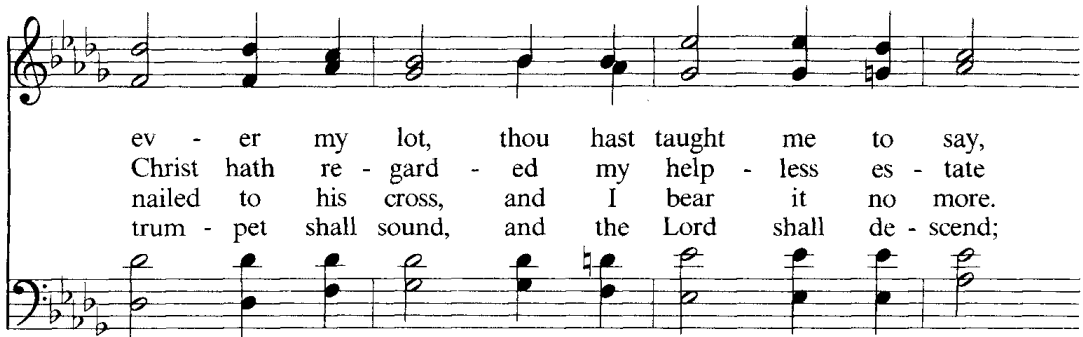
## When Peace, like a River



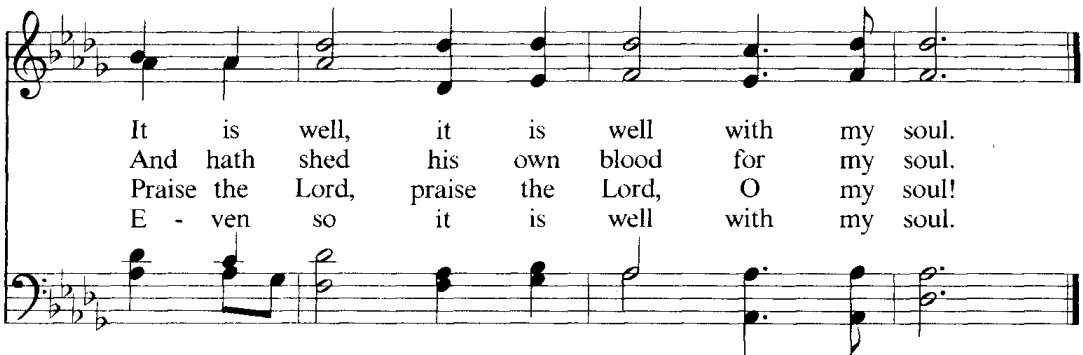
1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way;  
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come,  
 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought;  
 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,



When sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What -  
 Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That  
 My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is  
 The clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The



ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
 Christ hath re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate  
 nailed to his cross, and I bear it no more.  
 trum - pet shall sound, and the Lord shall de - scend;



It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 And hath shed his own blood for my soul.  
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 E - ven so it is well with my soul.

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888  
 Tune: Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

IT IS WELL  
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## I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,  
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: How pleas - ant to re - peat  
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best

Of Je - sus and his glo - ry, Of Je - sus and his love.  
 What seems, each time I tell it, More won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, For some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

It sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.  
 The mes - sage of sal - va - tion From God's own ho - ly Word.  
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto - ry; I'll sing this theme in glo - ry

And tell the old, old sto - ry Of Je - sus and his love.