

St. Luke Anglican Church

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Mission: To Make Christ's Presence Visible In Our Community

Proper 18

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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7th September, 2025

8:00 a.m.

REGULAR SERVICES FOR SUNDAY

- 6:30 a.m. Said Eucharist and Sermon
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday School (Christian Education)
- 8:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist and Sermon

OPENING SENTENCE

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.” *Psalm 139:13, 14*

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. *Isaiah 40:28*

He builds his lofty palace in the heavens and sets its foundation on the earth; he calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out over the face of the land— the Lord is his name. *Amos 9:6*

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT HYMN: 533 A&M

Oh how fair that morning broke,
When in Eden man awoke!
Beast and bird and insect bright

Revell'd in the gladsome light;
God look'd down from Heav'n above,
All was life and joy and love.

Ah! the doleful change when sin
Darkly, subtly enter'd in!
War and pestilence and dearth
Mar and sadden God's fair earth;
Human sorrow fills the air;
Death is reigning everywhere.

Yet rejoice; for God on high
Hath not left His world to die!
God's dear Son, with dying breath,
Broke the power of sin and death;
Christ the Tempter overthrew,
Christ is making all things new.

Lord, in me be sin subdued,
So may I with heart renew'd,
Fight the fight and run the race,
Work in my appointed place,
Waiting for the glad new birth
Of Thy perfect Heav'n and earth.

HYMN: CPWI 711

For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our grateful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our grateful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
pleasures pure and undefiled,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our grateful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine,
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,

flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our grateful hymn of praise.

For thy church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our grateful hymn of praise.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL:

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all
desires known and from you no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your
Holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father:**

receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord:**

**you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

COLLECT

PRESIDENT: Let us pray.

Proper 18 (page 178)

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always confound the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PRAYER BEFORE THE READINGS

Dear Lord, as we prepare to read Your Word, we ask for the presence of Your Holy Spirit to be with us. May we feel Your nearness and experience a deep connection with You through the scriptures. Open our hearts to encounter You, Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 18:1-11

Jeremiah is instructed to observe the potter at work, and God explains how God works – how good that is promised may not happen if a nation turns to evil, and bad that is prophesied may not happen if the nation repents and turns back to God. Then God's people are called to turn back to God.

READER: A reading from the Word of God written in **the Book of Jeremiah chapter 18 verses 1 to 11**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord:
2 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' 3 So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. 4 The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. 5 Then the word of the Lord came to me: 6 'Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done?' says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. 7 At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it,⁸ but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that

I intended to bring on it.⁹ And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it,¹⁰ but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it.¹¹ Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

The Word of the Lord (or Here ends the reading.)

ALL: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17 (Page 654)

A song of celebration for how intimately and completely God knows us – God formed us before we were born and knows the path God wanted us to follow.

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

13 I will thank you because I am marvellously
made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.

16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be forever. Amen.

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

Paul writes to Philemon asking him to “do the right thing” and accept Onesimus, his runaway slave, back as a brother in Christ, without judgement or punishment.

READER: A reading from the Word of God written in **the Letter of Paul to Philemon verses 1 to 21**

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ² to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵ because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. ⁶ I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷ I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. ⁸ For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰ I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹² I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³ I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of

service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵ Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, ¹⁶ no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. ¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Word of the Lord (or Here ends the reading.)

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: CPWI 502

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold,

I'd rather be his than have riches untold;
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands,
I'd rather be led by his nail-pierced hand.

Refrain:

*Than to be the king of a vast domain
and be held in sin's dread sway;
I'd rather have Jesus than anything
this world affords today.*

I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause,
I'd rather be faithful to his dear cause;
I'd rather have Jesus than world-wide fame,
I'd rather be true to his holy name.

Refrain

He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom,
he's sweeter than honey from out the comb;
he's all that my hungering spirit needs,
I'd rather have Jesus and let him lead.

Refrain

THE GOSPEL:

The cost of following Christ is everything, and Jesus encourages us to count the cost before committing ourselves to him.

READER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

READER: A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **St. Luke [14:25-33]**

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

²⁵ Now large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ ‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with

ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

READER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,**

one in Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake He was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day He rose again
in fulfilment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
He is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit and
born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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, and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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.**

THE PRAYERS – FORM A

Extempore prayers shall be offered.

Men's Fellowship Prayer

Almighty God, Father of every family, who through your son Jesus Christ, has poured out your best gift of love to be the bond of perfectness among men, and the means of bringing men together; bless, we beseech you, all Men's Fellowship Organisations throughout the world, and especially in this Diocese; let love and happiness ever be found among us and may our faith in you grow stronger each day we live; through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ACT OF PENITENCE

PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PRESIDENT

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM A

ALL

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Or

FORM B

Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving God, we have messed up in so many ways. You gave us a wonderful world, filled with beauty, power, and majesty, and we have ravaged it - tearing away at its gifts with our own greed and cowardice. We have not treated this world or one another with compassionate love. We have turned our backs on situations of need in which we could have been instruments of help, healing, and peace. We have neglected service to others and have focused our lives

on accumulating things and status. We have chased after false gods – greed, power, fame. You are the potter, O Lord. You fashioned us, but we focused on developing our flaws rather than working with our strengths. Please forgive us, Lord. Refashion us to be your people, celebrating your love in service to others. For we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

FORM A

PRESIDENT

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were

all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

FORM B

PRESIDENT

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you.

ALL

Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

FORM C

PRESIDENT

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PEACE SONG:

Let there be love shared among us

Let there be love in our eyes

May now your love sweep this nation

Cause us Oh Lord to arise

Give us a fresh understanding

Of brotherly love that is real

Let there be love shared among us

Let there be love.

Let there be hope shared among us

Let there be hope in our eyes

May now your hope sweep this nation

Cause us Oh Lord to arise

Give us a fresh understanding

Of brotherly love that is real

Let there be hope shared among us

Let there be hope.

Let there be joy shared among us

Let there be joy in our eyes
May now your joy sweep this nation
Cause us Oh Lord to arise
Give us a fresh understanding
Of brotherly love that is real
Let there be joy shared among us
Let there be joy.

OFFERTORY HYMN: *'How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord'*

How clear is our vocation, Lord,
When once we heed Your call:
To live according to Your Word
And daily learn, refreshed, restored,
That You are Lord of all
And will not let us fall.

But if, forgetful, we should find
Your yoke is hard to bear;
If worldly pressures fray the mind,
And love itself cannot unwind
Its tangled skein of care:
Our inward life repair.

We marvel how Your saints become
In hindrances more sure;
Whose joyful virtues put to shame
The casual way we wear Your name
And by our faults obscure
Your pow'r to cleanse and cure.

In what You give us, Lord, to do,
Together or alone,
In old routines or ventures new,
May we not cease to look to You,
The cross You hung upon—
All You endeavoured done.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we

**and all your people become channels of your love;
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PRESIDENT The Lord be with you.
ALL **And also with you.**

PRESIDENT Lift up your hearts.
ALL **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRESIDENT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
ALL **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

PRESIDENT
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.**

B

PRESIDENT

Holy and gracious Father,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
All life, all holiness, comes from you
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
whom you sent to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts,
and we ask you to make them holy by the power of
your Spirit,
that they may become the Body and Blood of your
Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who offered Himself in obedience to your will,
the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

On the night He was betrayed,
He took bread,
and when He had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said:
“Take this and eat it:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper He took the cup of wine:
and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them
and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the New Covenant,
Which is shed for you and for many for the
forgiveness of sins.
Do this, whenever you drink it,

For the remembrance of me.”

One of the following Acclamations shall be said:

ALL

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we
proclaim the death of Christ until He comes
again.**

Or

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Or

Christ Jesus is Lord.

**He has set us free from the law of sin and death:
In His name alone is our salvation.**

PRESIDENT

Father, calling to mind the death your Son
endured for our salvation;
His glorious Resurrection and Ascension;

His continual intercession for us in heaven;
and looking for His coming again in glory,
we offer you, in thanksgiving,
this holy and life-giving sacrifice.

Look with favour on your Church's offering,
and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts
may be filled with your Holy Spirit
and become one body in Christ,
and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you and
enable us,
in communion with blessed Mary
and the whole company of heaven,
to share in the inheritance of your Saints.

With Him, and in Him, and through Him,
by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you,
Father Almighty, with all who stand before you
in earth and heaven in songs of everlasting praise:

**ALL
Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDENT

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name;
your kingdom come; your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

PRESIDENT

God of promise, You have prepared a Banquet for us.

ALL

**Happy are those who are called to the supper of
the Lamb.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation

PRESIDENT

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL

**Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will
sing glad songs of praise to Him.**

COMMUNION HYMN: CPWI 601

Jesu, my Lord, my God, my all,
hear me, Blest Saviour, when I call,
hear me, and from thy dwelling-place
pour down the riches of thy grace;

Refrain:

*Jesu, my Lord, I thee adore,
O make me love thee more and more.*

Jesu, too late I thee have sought,
how can I love thee as I ought?
And how extol thy matchless fame,
the glorious beauty of thy name?

Refrain

Jesu, what didst thou find in me,
that thou hast dealt so lovingly?
How great the joy that thou hast brought,
so far exceeding hope or thought!

Refrain

Jesu, of thee shall be my song,
to thee my heart and soul belong;
all that I have or am is thine,
and thou, Blest Saviour, thou art mine.

Refrain

COMMUNION HYMN: CPWI 538

O thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work and speak and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire
and still stir up the gift in me.

Still let me prove thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

COMMUNION HYMN: CPWI 521

Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way!

Thou art the potter. I am the clay!
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Purer than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power all power surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Saviour divine!

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

COMMUNION HYMN: CPWI 850

Search me, O God, and know my heart today;
try me, O Lord, and know my thoughts, I pray:
see if there be some wicked way in me,
cleanse me from every sin and set me free.

I praise thee, Lord, for cleansing me from sin;
fulfil thy word, and make me pure within;
fill me with fire, where once I burned with shame,
grant my desire to magnify thy name.

Lord, take my life, and make it wholly thine;
fill my poor heart with thy great love divine;
take all my will, my passion, self and pride;
I now surrender – Lord, in me abide.

O Holy Ghost, revival comes from thee;
send a revival - start the work in me:
thy word declares thou wilt supply our need;
for blessing now, O Lord, I humbly plead.

HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: '*He's Got The Whole World In His Hands*'

He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the wind and the rain in his hands.
He's got the wind and the rain in his hands.

He's got the wind and the rain in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the little tiny baby in his hands.
He's got the little tiny baby in his hands.
He's got the little tiny baby in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, brother, in his hands.
He's got you and me, brother, in his hands.
He's got you and me, brother, in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, sister, in his hands.
He's got you and me, sister, in his hands.
He's got you and me, sister, in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got everybody here in his hands.
He's got everybody here in his hands.
He's got everybody here in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 'Since Jesus Came Into My Heart'

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought

Since Jesus came into my heart!

I have light in my soul for which long I have sought,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain:

Since Jesus came into my heart,

Since Jesus came into my heart,

Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,

Since Jesus came into my heart.

I have ceased from my wand'ring and going astray,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

And my sins which were many are all washed away,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain

I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure,

Since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain

There's a light in the valley of death now for me,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And the gates of the City beyond I can see,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain

I shall go there to dwell in that city, I know,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

ALL

**Eternal God and Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you, and all persons in you, with
gladness and singleness of heart, through your
Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are called to live lives of love that bring hope and confidence to others. May our presence this week refresh the hearts of all those we meet. Let the joy and love of the Lord flood into your hearts and lives today. Let this day of discipleship be a day of celebration as we go into the world to serve God. May we go from this place carrying the blessing and assurance that the Triune God, Creator of the universe, knows our name; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL Amen.

PRESIDENT:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN: CPWI 440

We are soldiers of Christ, who is mighty to save,
and his banner the cross is unfurled;
we are pledged to be faithful and steadfast and brave
against Satan, the flesh, and the world.

We are brothers and comrades, we stand side by
side,
and our faith and our hope are the same;
and we think of the cross on which Jesus has died,
when we bear the reproach of his name.

At the font we were marked with the cross on our
brow,
of our grace and our calling the sign:
and the weakest is strong to be true to his vow,
for the armour we wear is divine.

We will watch ready armed if the tempter draw near,
if he comes with a frown or a smile:
we will heed not his threats, nor his flatteries hear,
nor be taken by storm or by wile.

We will master the flesh, and its longings restrain,
we will not be the bond-slaves of sin,
the pure Spirit of God in our nature shall reign,
and our spirits their freedom shall win.

For the world's love we live not, its hate we defy,
and we will not be led by the throng;
we'll be true to ourselves, to our Father on high,
and the bright world to which we belong.

Now let each cheer his comrade, let hearts beat as
one,
while we follow where Christ leads the way;
'twere dishonour to yield, or the battle to shun,
we will fight, and will watch, and will pray.

Though the warfare be weary, the trial be sore,
in the might of our God we will stand;
Oh! What joy to be crowned and be pure evermore,
in the peace of our own fatherland.

DISMISSAL HYMN: CPWI 526

God be in my head, and in my understanding;
God be in my eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
God be at my end, and at my departing.

HAVE YOU NOT KNOWN?
HAVE YOU NOT HEARD?

THE LORD IS THE EVERLASTING GOD,

THE CREATOR OF THE ENDS

of the earth.

ISAIAH 40:28

ISAIAH 40:39

Thank you for joining us!



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