

# THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

## THE CONFESSION

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Jesus Christ is our great High Priest.

**C: By his blood we have confidence to enter the sanctuary.**

P: Let us then approach with a true heart, in full assurance of faith.

**C: Let us confess our sins and seek God's forgiveness.**

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

P: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

**C: we confess to you our disobedience and our unworthiness. Without your grace, we could not stand in your presence. Without your mercy we would be doomed on the Day of Judgment. For the sake of Jesus Christ, your obedient and worthy Son, we ask your forgiveness. May his perfect sacrifice avail.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you; he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. For his sake your sins are forgiven.

**C: The One who promised is faithful; we will hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering.**

P: Jesus Christ is our great High Priest.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: And also with you

## THE HYMN – “We have Come Into This House”

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Our Lord Jesus, you have endured the doubts and foolish questions of every generation. Forgive us for trying to be judge over you, and grant us the confident faith to acknowledge you as Lord. Amen.

## THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

## THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

## THE HYMN – “We’ve a Story to Tell”

## THE SERMON – “Making “Go” Happen”

## THE APOSTLES CREED

*LEADER: We confess our faith in the words of the Apostolic Creed:*

**CONG: 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 into hell.  
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 OF THE CONGREGATION

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.


People: Lord, have mercy.

## THE OFFERTORY AND THE GATHERING OF THE GIFTS

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.

People: Amen.

**THE HYMN:** "Prayer of St. Francis"

## **88. WE HAVE COME INTO THIS HOUSE**

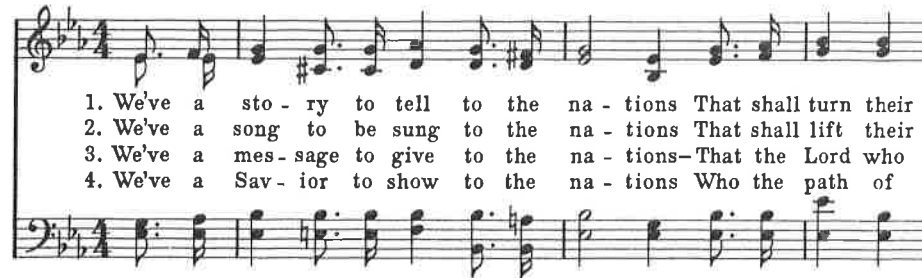
- 1. We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him.  
We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him.  
We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Christ the Lord.  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.**
- 2. So forget about yourself and concentrate on Him and worship Him.  
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So forget about yourself and concentrate on Him and worship Christ the Lord.  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.**
- 3. Let us lift up holy hands and magnify His name and worship Him.  
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Worship Him, Christ the Lord.**

## We've a Story to Tell

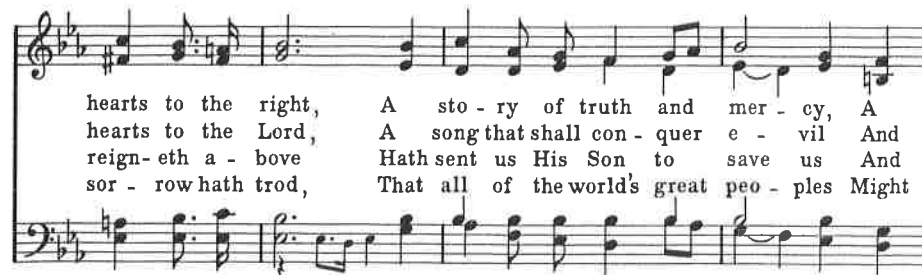
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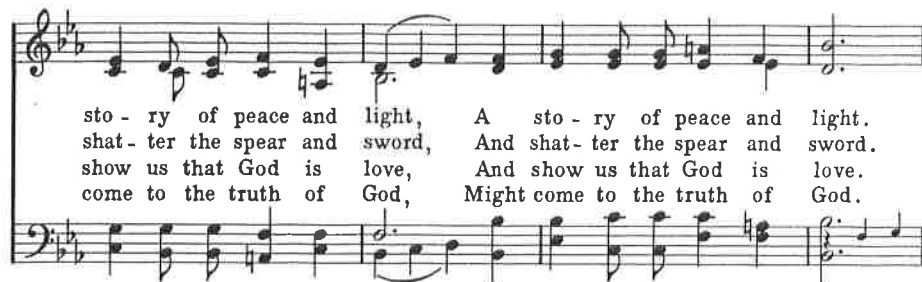
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1. We've a sto - ry to tell to the na - tions That shall turn their  
 2. We've a song to be sung to the na - tions That shall lift their  
 3. We've a mes - sage to give to the na - tions - That the Lord who  
 4. We've a Sav - ior to show to the na - tions Who the path of

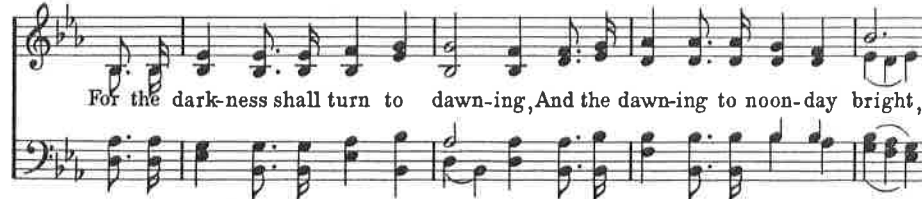


hearts to the right, A sto - ry of truth and mer - cy, A  
 hearts to the Lord, A song that shall con - quer e - vil And  
 reign - eth a - bove Hath sent us His Son to save us And  
 sor - row hath trod, That all of the world's great peo - ples Might



sto - ry of peace and light, A sto - ry of peace and light.  
 shat - ter the spear and sword, And shat - ter the spear and sword.  
 show us that God is love, And show us that God is love.  
 come to the truth of God, Might come to the truth of God.

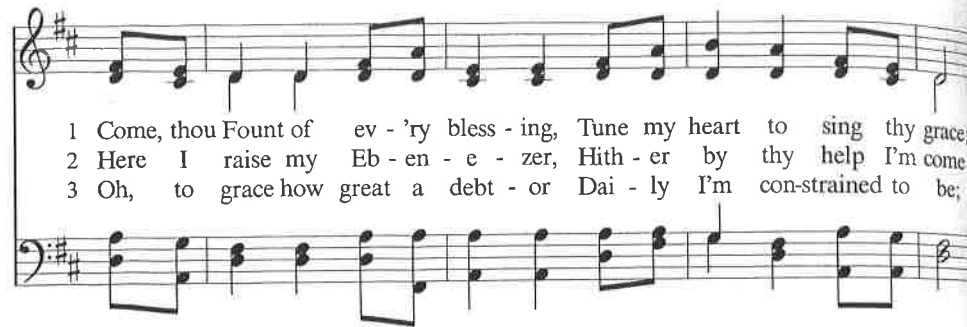
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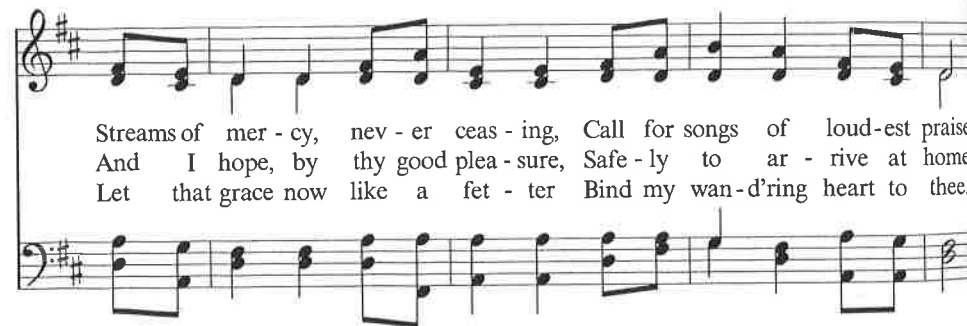
For the dark - ness shall turn to dawn - ing, And the dawn - ing to noon - day bright,



And Christ's great king - dom shall come to earth, The king - dom of love and light.



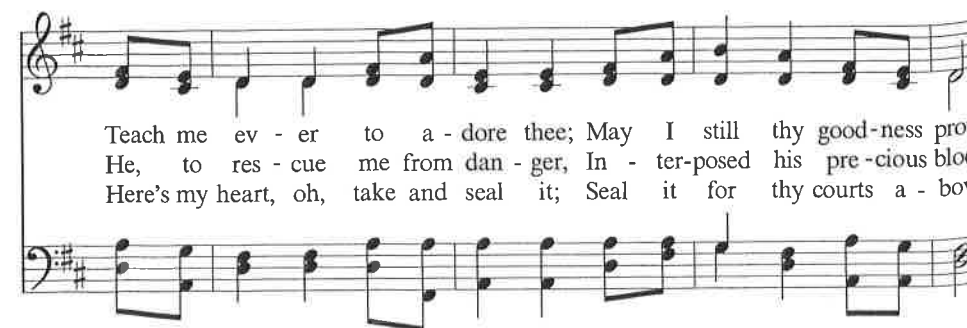
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 And I hope, by thy good plea - sure, Safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 Let that grace now like a fet - ter Bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love,  
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love.



Teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; May I still thy good - ness prove.  
 He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; Seal it for thy courts a - bove.

# The Old Rugged Cross

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1. On a hill far a-way stood an old rug-ged cross, The em-blem of  
 2. O that old rug-ged cross, so de-spised by the world, Has a won-drous at-  
 3. In the old rug-ged cross, stained with blood so di-vine, A won-drous  
 4. To the old rug-ged cross I will ev-er be true, Its shame and re-

suf-f'ring and shame; And I love that old cross where the dear-est and best  
 trac-tion for me; For the dear Lamb of God left His glo-ry a-bove  
 beau-ty I see; For 'twas on that old cross Je-sus suf-fered and died  
 proach glad-ly bear; Then He'll call me some day to my home far a-way,

CHORUS

For a world of lost sin-ners was slain.  
 To bear it to dark Cal-va-ry. So I'll cher-ish the old rug-ged  
 To par-don and sanc-ti-fy me. cross, the  
 Where His glo-ry for-ev-er I'll share.

cross, Till my tro-phies at last I lay down; I will cling to the  
 old rug-ged cross,

old rug-ged cross, And ex-change it some day for a crown.  
 cross, the old rug-ged cross,

## 63. PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

1. Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness only light,  
And where there's sadness ever joy.

### *Refrain*

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console  
To be understood  
as to understand  
To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

3. Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
In giving of ourselves that we receive,  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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