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: Return to me with all your heart, says the Lord, with prayer and fasting, with weeping and mourning, with broken and contrite hearts.
- C: For the Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
- P: Those who are in Christ are a new creation.

(Silence for meditation and self – examination)

- P: O God, in your kindness, have pity.
- C: O God, in your mercy, wash away our sins. Cleanse us from the stain and guilt of the sins we cannot forget and those we cannot remember; for in our thinking, speaking and acting we have disobeyed you and done wrong. We deserve your wrath and punishment. For the sake of Jesus Christ, turn your eyes from our iniquity and cover our guilt, that we may know again the joy of your salvation.
- P: Our righteousness comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness of God based on faith.
- C: Nothing is as valuable as knowing Christ Jesus as Lord.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The

The peace of the Lord be with you

People:

And also with you

THE HYMN: Holden Evening Hymn

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness

we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
that we may follow your commands
and proclaim your reign of love;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

THE HYMN - "Give Me Oil In My Lamp"

THE SERMON - "Oil"

THE APOSTLES CREED

LEADER: We confess our faith in the words of the Apostalic 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: "Take My Life that I May Be"

Holden Evening Prayer

Setting by Marty Haugen



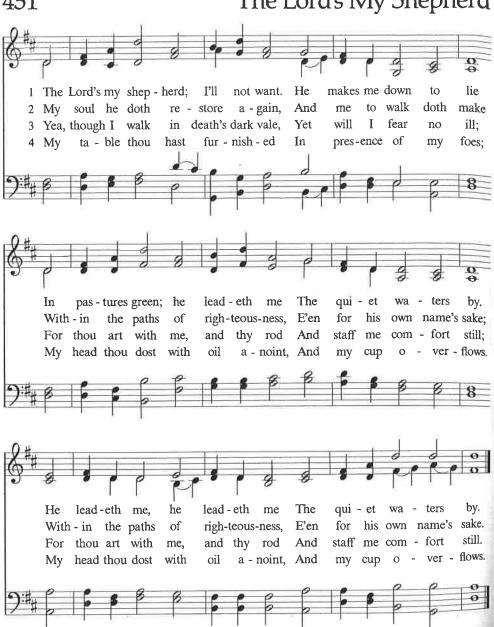
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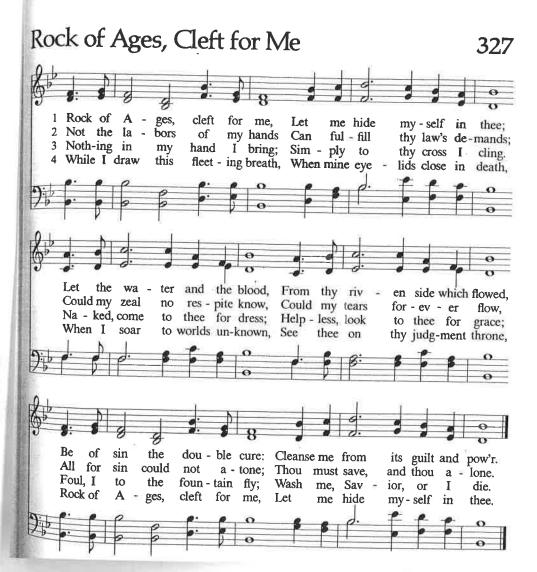


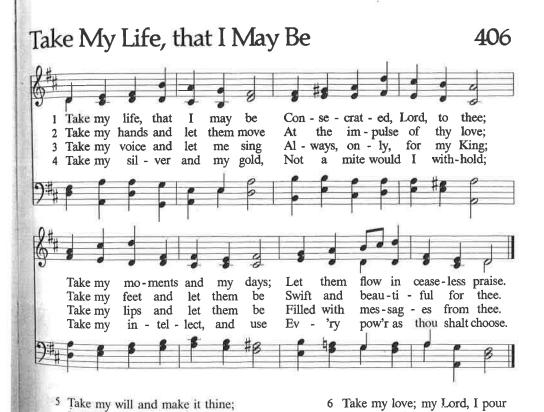
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The Lord's My Shepherd



5 Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me,And in God's house forevermore My dwelling-place shall be.





At thy feet its treasure store;

Take myself, and I will be

Ever, only, all for thee.

It shall be no longer mine.

It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my heart, it is thine own;