

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
320 South Pearl Street
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THE INVOCATION

WITH ANGELIC HOSTS PROCLAIM A CHRISTMAS BEGINNING

**Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.”
Joyful, all you nations, rise;
Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic host proclaim
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**

Almighty God, before whom angels veil their faces, and in whose presence they delight, with reverence and joy we acknowledge your glory and worship you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, eternal trinity.

**Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing o’re the plains,
And the mountains in reply,
Echoing their joyous strains:
Gloria in excelsis Deo...**

Confessing our sin and our unworthiness, we beseech your mercy and forgiveness, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh to dwell among us, full of grace and truth.

**Christ, by highest heav’n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of a virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**

When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, to redeem those who were under the Law, so that we might receive adoption as children.

**Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King
Gloria in excelsis Deo...**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who live in the land of deep darkness – on them the light has shined. For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given. And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings
Ris'n with healing in his wings
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that we no more may die
Born to raise each child of earth,
Born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"**

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

THE LESSONS

THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

THE HYMN

THE HOMILY

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Melody.....Angels from the Realms of Glory)

Cong.: **May the Lord be with us gathered
 'Round the table of the Son.
 Now we lift our hearts and voices
 Unto God who makes us one.
 Here we raise our thanks and praises
 For this great thing God has done.**

Pastor: God had come to earth from heaven,
 Christ the Word made flesh today.
 Humbly born, in manger lowly,
 Laid to rest upon the hay.
 May we share the light he brings us,
 And with angels let us pray:

Cong.: **Holy, Holy Lord, most holy,
 God of power, God of might,
 Heav'n and earth proclaim your glory,
 Shining brightly in your light.
 Sing hosanna in the highest!
 Sing hosanna at the sight!**

Pastor: You gave Abraham and Sarah
 Visions of your sacred dream.
 You sent prophets with the promise
 That the world you would redeem.
 Now, this day, your Son is shining
 With your Love's most radiant beam.

Pastor: Christ took bread and wine that ev'ning,
 Blessed and gave it unto all:
 "Eat my body, drink my blood-
 Given for the life of all.
 Share this food whene'er you gather.
 And by this my love recall."

Pastor: Send, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
 Now upon this bread and wine.
 Send your Spirit on all gathered
 At his feast on which we dine.

Cong.: May we praise your name most holy,
As within our hearts you shine.

Cong.: Praise to you, dear God the Father,
With the Spirit and the Son,
Praises for the Gift most holy-
That to us the Christ has come.
Star and manger, cross and grave.
Proclaim the vict'ry you have won.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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.**

THE DISTRIBUTION (Sing hymns 2 & 3 during Communion)

THE DISMISSAL & THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: May the Lord God bless and keep you;
May God's face upon you shine.
May God's grace be ever faithful,
Fill your lives with light divine.
May God look on you with favor;
May God's peace your hearts refine. Amen

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CLOSING HYMN

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On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry

1 On Jor - dan's banks the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es
 2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the
 3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge
 4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, And make us

that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,
 way for God with - in, And let us all our
 and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we
 rise to fall no more; Oh, let your face up -

for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
 hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.
 waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
 on us shine And fill the world with love di - vine.

- 5 All praise to you, eternal Son,
 Whose advent has our freedom won,
 Whom with the Father we adore,
 And Holy Spirit, evermore.

All Who Believe and Are Baptized

1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the Lord's sal - va - tion;
 2 Withone ac - cord, O God, we pray, Grant us your Ho - ly Spir - it;

Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, They are a new
 Help us in our in - fir - mi - ty Through Je - sus' blood

cre - a - tion; Through Christ's re - demp - tion they will stand A -
 and mer - it; Grant us to grow in grace each day By

mong the glo - rious heav'n - ly band Of ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion.
 ho - ly Bap - tism, that we may E - ter - nal life in - her - it.

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

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ROBERT JACKSON, 1842-1914

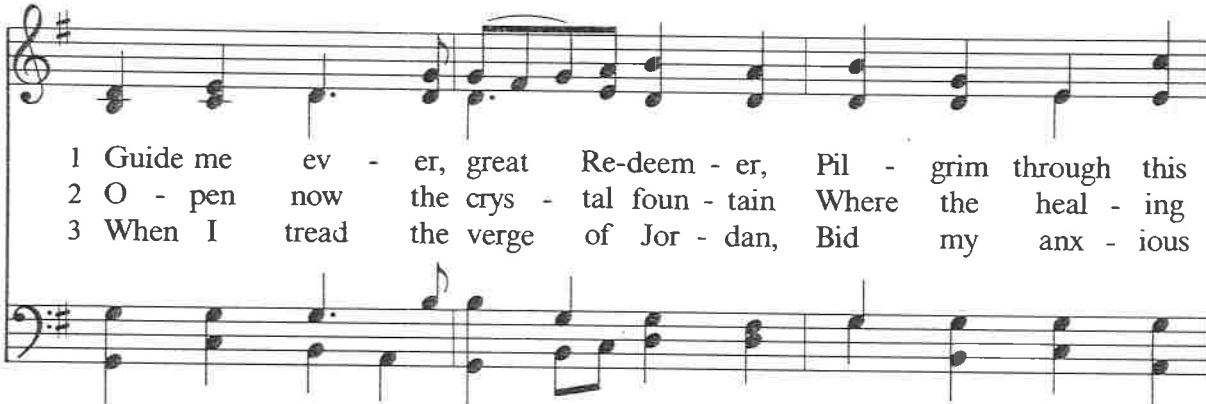
EDWIN HATCH, 1835-1889

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new,
 2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure,
 3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly Thine,
 4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I nev - er die,

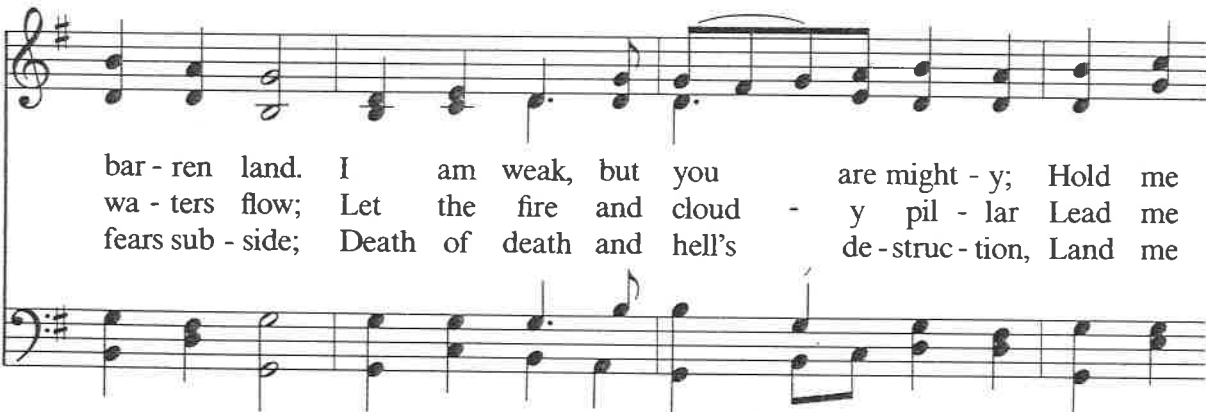
That I may love what Thou dost love And do what Thou wouldst do.
 Un - til with Thee I will one will - To do and to en - dure.
 Till all this earth - ly part of me Glows with Thy fire di - vine.
 But live with Thee the per - fect life Of Thine e - ter - ni - ty.

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

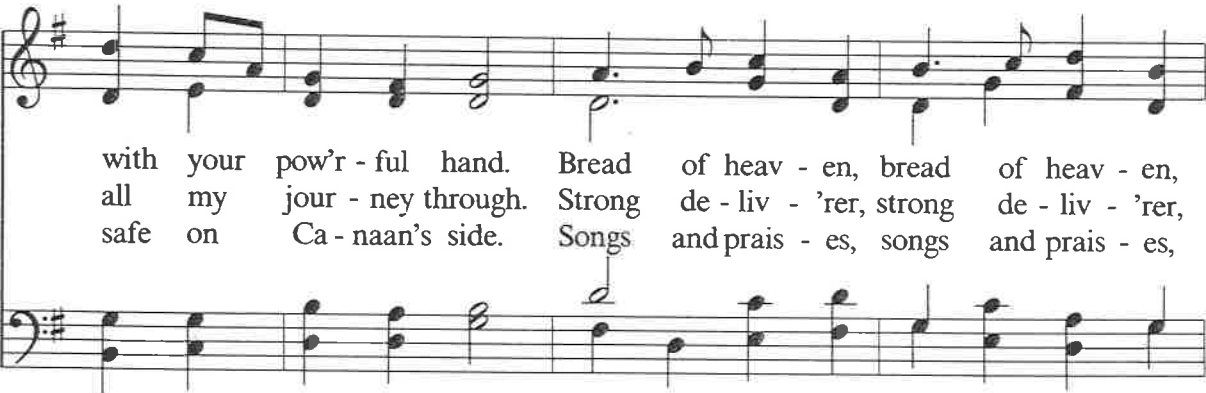
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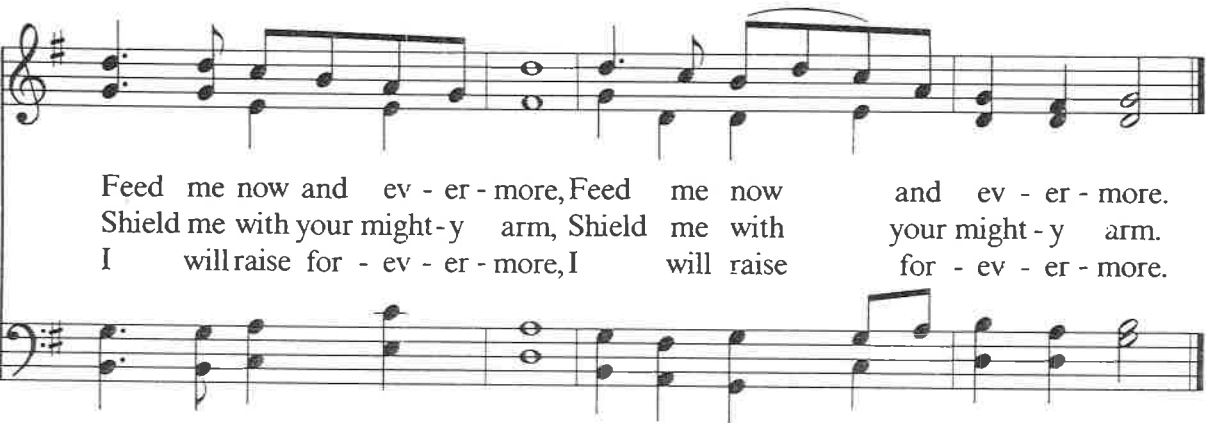
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re-deem - er, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Where the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; Hold me
 wa - ters flow; Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, Land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es,



Feed me now and ev - er - more, Feed me now and ev - er - more.
 Shield me with your might - y arm, Shield me with your might - y arm.
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

56. MY LIFE IS IN YOU, LORD

**My Life is in You, Lord,
My strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.
My Life is in You, Lord,
My strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You it's in You.**

**I will praise You with all of my life,
I will praise You with all of my strength;
With all of my life,
With all of my strength,
All of my hope is in You.**

**My Life is in You, Lord,
My strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.
My life is in You, Lord,
My strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord in You, it's in You.**

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