

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE INVOCATION & 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: God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all.

C: **If we say that we have fellowship with God while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true.**

P: But if we walk in the light as God himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another,

C: **and the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanses us from all sin.**

(Silence for meditation and self-examinations)

P: Almighty God,

C: **You dwell in light unapproachable. Unprotected, we perish in your presence, for our hearts are darkened, our minds beclouded; we have loved darkness rather than the light; we call for night to cover our deeds. The darkness of death awaits.**

P: Jesus Christ is the light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.

C: **For his sake we beg forgiveness.**

P: For his sake God hears your prayer. God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shined in your hearts, to give you the light of the glory of God in the face of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

C: **We have seen the Lord's glory; we have heard the Lord's voice.**

P: Walk, then as children of light...in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

THE HYMN – "Amazing Grace"

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom
and to teach with authority.
Anoint us with the power of your Spirit,
that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted,
bind up the brokenhearted,
and proclaim liberty to the captive;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

THE OFFICE HYMN – "Follow On"

THE SERMON

THE APOSTLES CREED (not spoken on Saturday evening)

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 PRESENTATION 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 RECESSIONAL HYMN – “The River Is Here”

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 448

F Dm Bb F
 1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, That
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; His

Dm F Am F
 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re-lieved; How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
 Word my hope se-cures; He will my shield and

Bb F Dm F C7 F
 now am found; Was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.

Follow On

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WILLIAM O. CUSHING, 1823-1902

ROBERT LOWRY, 1826-1899

1. Down in the val-ley with my Sav-ior I would go, Where the flowers are
 2. Down in the val-ley with my Sav-ior I would go, Where the storms are
 3. Down in the val-ley or up - on the mount-ain steep, Close be - side my

bloom-ing and the sweet wa-ters flow; Ev - 'ry-where He leads me I would
 sweep-ing and the dark wa-ters flow; With His hand to lead me I will
 Sav - ior would my soul ev - er keep; He will lead me safe-ly in the

fol-low, fol-low on, Walk-ing in His foot-steps till the crown be won.
 nev - er, nev - er fear, Dan - ger can - not fright me if my Lord is near.
 path that He has trod, Up to where they gath - er on the hills of God.

CHORUS

Fol - low! fol - low! I would fol-low Je - sus! An-y-where, ev-'ry-where,


I would fol-low on! Ev - 'ry-where He leads me I would fol-low on!

Trust and Obey



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JOHN H. SAMMIS, 1846-1919


DANIEL B. TOWNER, 1850-1919




1. When we walk with the Lord In the light of His Word, What a glo-ry He
 2. Not a shad-ow can rise, Not a cloud in the skies, But His smile quick-ly
 3. Not a bur-den we bear, Not a sor-row we share, But our toil He doth
 4. But we nev-er can prove The de-lights of His love Un-til all on the
 5. Then in fel-low-ship sweet We will sit at His feet, Or we'll walk by His


sheds on our way! While we do His good will He a - bides with us still,
 drives it a - way; Not a doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a tear,
 rich - ly re - pay; Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross,
 al - tar we lay, For the fa - vor He shows And the joy He be - stows
 side in the way; What He says we will do, Where He sends we will go -



CHORUS



And with all who will trust and o - bey.
 Can a - bid while we trust and o - bey.
 But is blest if we trust and o - bey. Trust and o - bey - For there's
 Are for them who will trust and o - bey.
 Nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.




no oth - er way To be hap - py in Je - sus But to trust and o - bey.

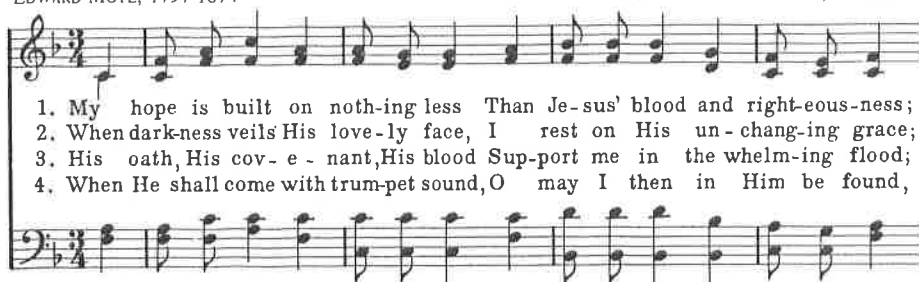


The Solid Rock

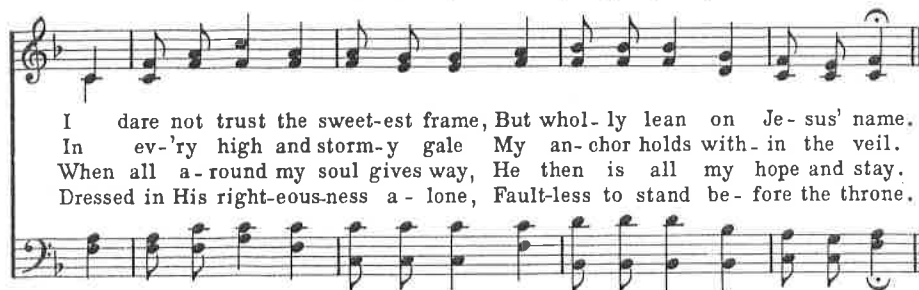
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EDWARD MOTE, 1797-1874

WILLIAM B. BRADBURY, 1816-1868

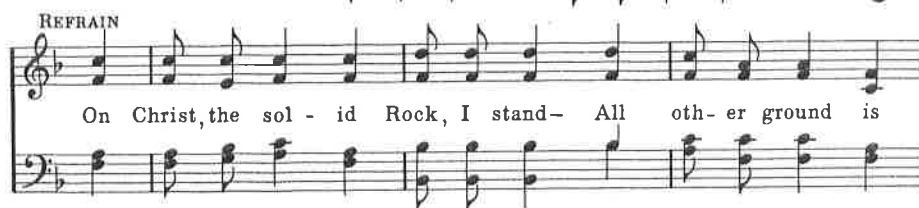


1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je-sus' blood and right-eous-ness;
 2. When dark-ness veils His love-ly face, I rest on His un-chang-ing grace;
 3. His oath, His cov-e - nant, His blood Sup-port me in the whelm-ing flood;
 4. When He shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in Him be found,

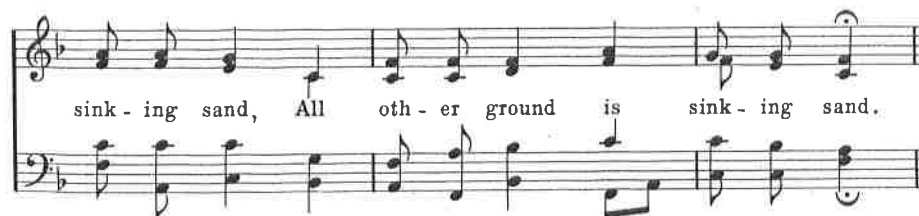


I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.
 In ev-'ry high and storm-y gale My an-chor holds with-in the veil.
 When all a-round my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
 Dressed in His right-eous-ness a-lone, Fault-less to stand be-fore the throne.

REFRAIN



On Christ, the sol-id Rock, I stand- All oth-er ground is



sink-ing sand, All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

THE RIVER IS HERE

- 1. Down the mountain the river flows
and it brings refreshing wherever it goes.
Through the valleys and over the fields
the river is rushing and the river is here.**

Chorus:

**The river of God sets our feet a dancing,
the river of God fills our hearts with cheer.
The river of God fills our mouths with laughter,
and we rejoice for the river is here.**

- 2. The river of God is teeming with life
and all who touch it can be revived,
And those who linger on this river's shore
will come back thirsting for more of the Lord. (Chorus)**
- 3. Up to the mountain we love to go
to find the presence of the Lord.
Along the banks of the river we run,
we dance with laughter giving praise to the Son. (Chorus)**

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