

June 21, 2020
Third Sunday after Pentecost

God
ALWAYS
KEEPS HIS Promises

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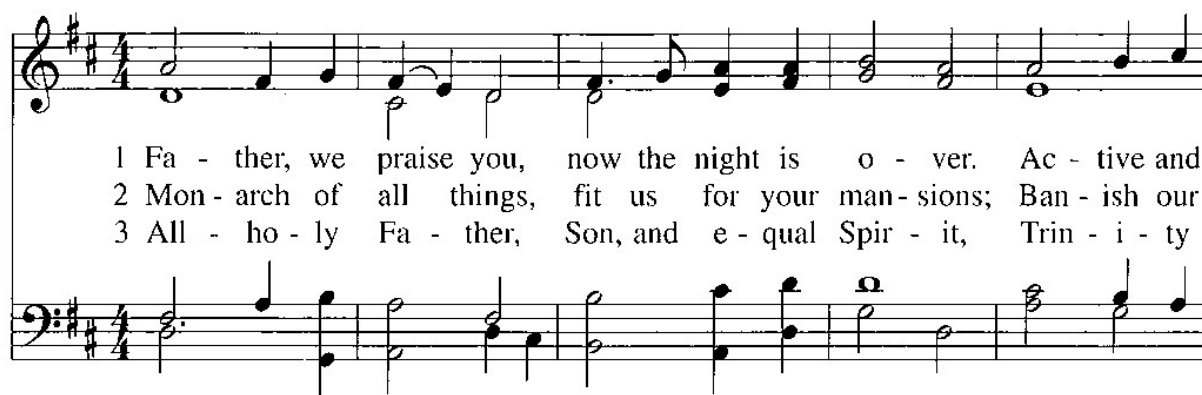
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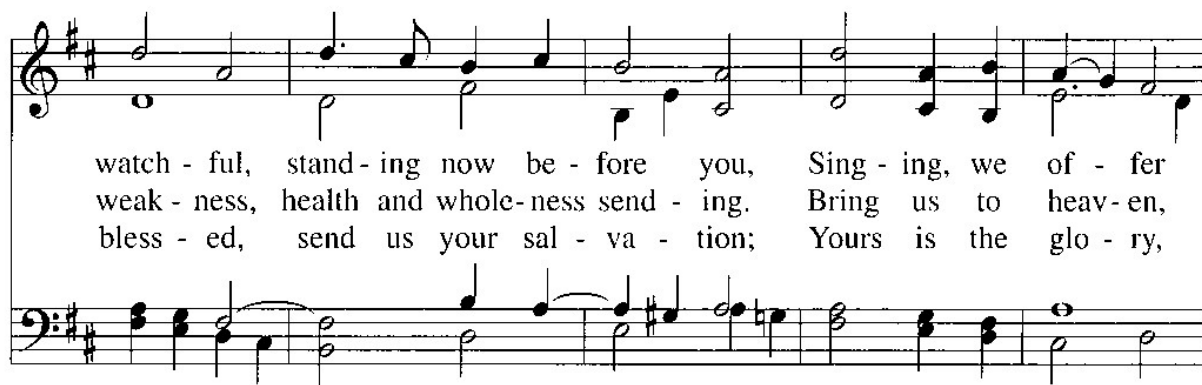
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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
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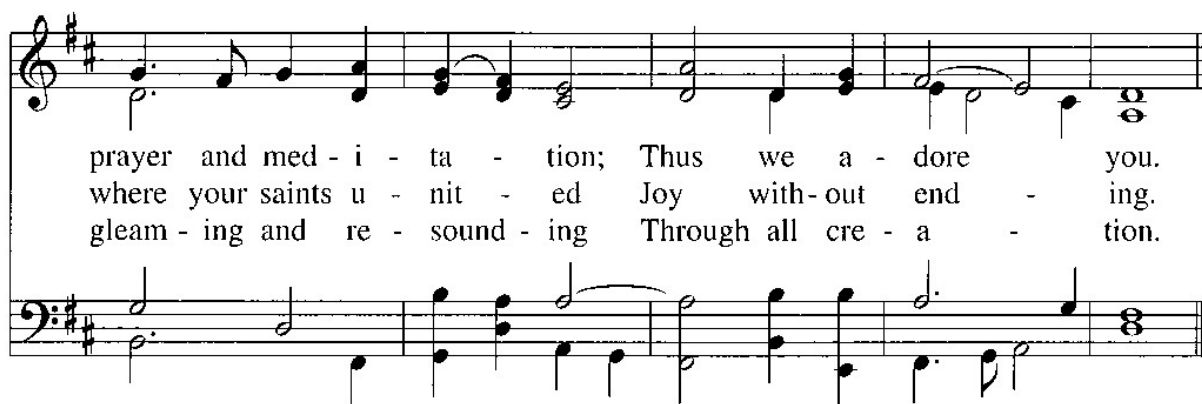
Hymn: *Father, We Praise You*..... CW # 581



1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver. Ac - tive and
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions; Ban - ish our
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it, Trin - i - ty



watch - ful, stand - ing now be - fore you, Sing - ing, we of - fer
weak - ness, health and whole - ness send - ing. Bring us to heav - en,
bless - ed, send us your sal - va - tion; Yours is the glo - ry,



prayer and med - i - ta - tion; Thus we a - dore you.
where your saints u - nit - ed Joy with - out end - ing.
gleam - ing and re - sound - ing Through all cre - a - tion.

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Confession and Absolution

L: *(rise)* The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: We pray, O Lord, teach us your ways,

C: That we may walk in your truth.

L: You comfort and help us day by day.

C: We trust your loving care.

L: You are the King of heaven and earth.

C: We give you praise and thanks. Alleluia!

L: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: AMEN

L: Come, let us sing to the Lord,

C: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

L: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,

C: Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

L: For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand;

C: The heights of the hills are also his,

L: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God,

C: We are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. AMEN

Prayer of the Day

L: O God, strengthen the faith of fathers and of all who trust in you and in your mercy hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us both the strength and the will to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen. (*seated*)

First Lesson:

Hosea 5:15-6:6

L: ¹⁵ Then I will go back to my place until they admit their guilt. And they will seek my face; in their misery they will earnestly seek me.” And the people said, “Come, let us return to the LORD. ^{6:1} He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds.

² After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us that we may live in his presence. ³ Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him.

C: As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth.”

L: ⁴ “What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your love is like the morning mist, like the early dew that disappears.

⁵ Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets, I killed you with the words of my mouth; my judgments flashed like lightning upon you. ⁶ For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings. (*The Word of our God*)

Psalm 119c

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Refrain



Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

Psalm tone



Oh, how I love your law!*

I meditate on it all day long.

I have more insight than all my teachers,*

for I meditate on your statutes.

I have more understanding than the elders,*

for I obey your precepts.

Refrain

I have kept my feet from every evil path*

so that I might obey your Word.

I have not departed from your laws,*

for you yourself have taught me.

How sweet are your words to my taste,*

sweeter than honey to my mouth!

Glory be 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.

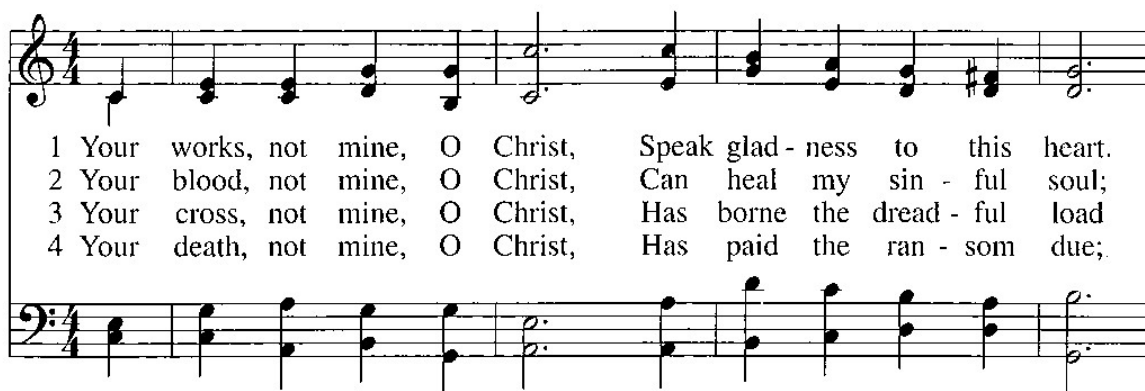
Refrain

2nd Lesson:**Romans 4:18-25**

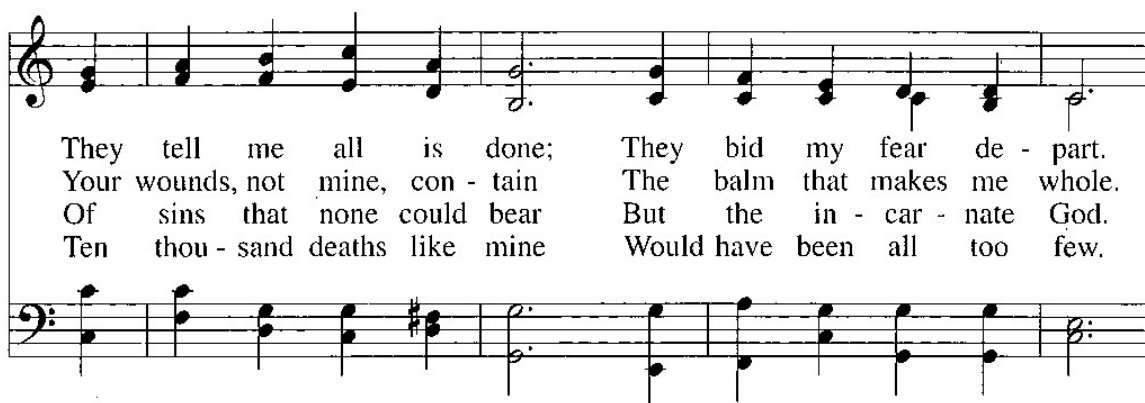
¹⁸ Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

¹⁹ Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. ²⁰ Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised.

²² This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness." ²³ The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, ²⁴ but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵ He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. (The word of the Lord)

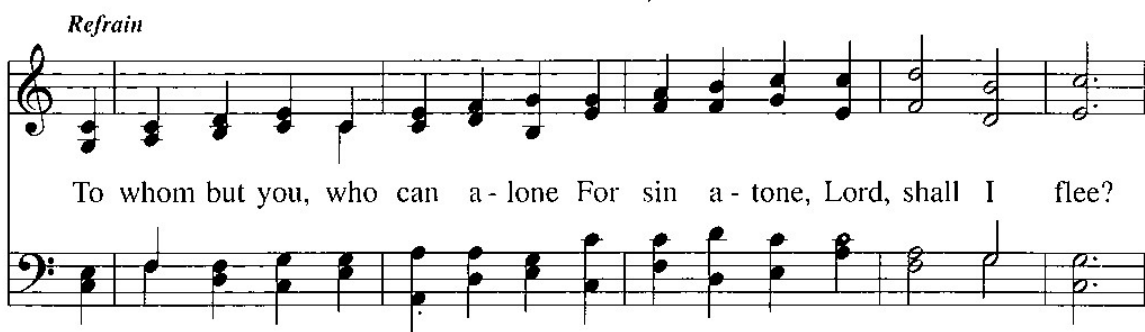
Hymn: *Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ* CW # 401 Stz 1-4

1 Your works, not mine, O Christ, Speak glad-ness to this heart.
2 Your blood, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my sin-ful soul;
3 Your cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the dread-ful load;
4 Your death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ran-som due;



They tell me all is done; They bid my fear de-part.
Your wounds, not mine, con-tain The balm that makes me whole.
Of sins that none could bear But the in-car-nate God.
Ten thou-sand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.

Refrain



To whom but you, who can a-lone For sin a-tone, Lord, shall I flee?

Gospel: *(rise)*

Matthew 9:9-13

L: ⁹ As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

¹⁰ While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

¹² On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. ¹³ But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord

C: *Praise be to you, O Christ!* *(seated)*

Hymn: *Grace Has a Thrilling Sound*..... **CW # 381**

1 Grace has a thrill - ing sound To each be - liev - er's ear; That
2 Grace first in - scribed my name In God's e - ter - nal book, And
3 Grace led my wan - d'ring feet To tread the heav'n - ly road, And
4 Grace taught my soul to pray And made my eyes o'er - flow; His
5 Grace all our work shall crown Through ev - er - last - ing days; The

peace with God through Christ is found Is news I glad - ly hear.
grace has brought me to the Lamb, Who all my sor - rows took.
grace sup - plies each hour I meet While press - ing on to God.
grace has kept me to this day And will not let me go.
heav'n - ly home God gives his own Shall ech - o with our praise.

Sermon:

Romans 4:18-25

God Keeps All His Promises



Apostles' Creed: *(Rise) (together we confess)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

***the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen***

Prayer: O Lord, your Word is useful for teaching, for reproof, for corrections, and for training in righteousness. Guide our footsteps by your Word so that we may remain steadfast in faith, my love you with all our hearts and our neighbors as our selves; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

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!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

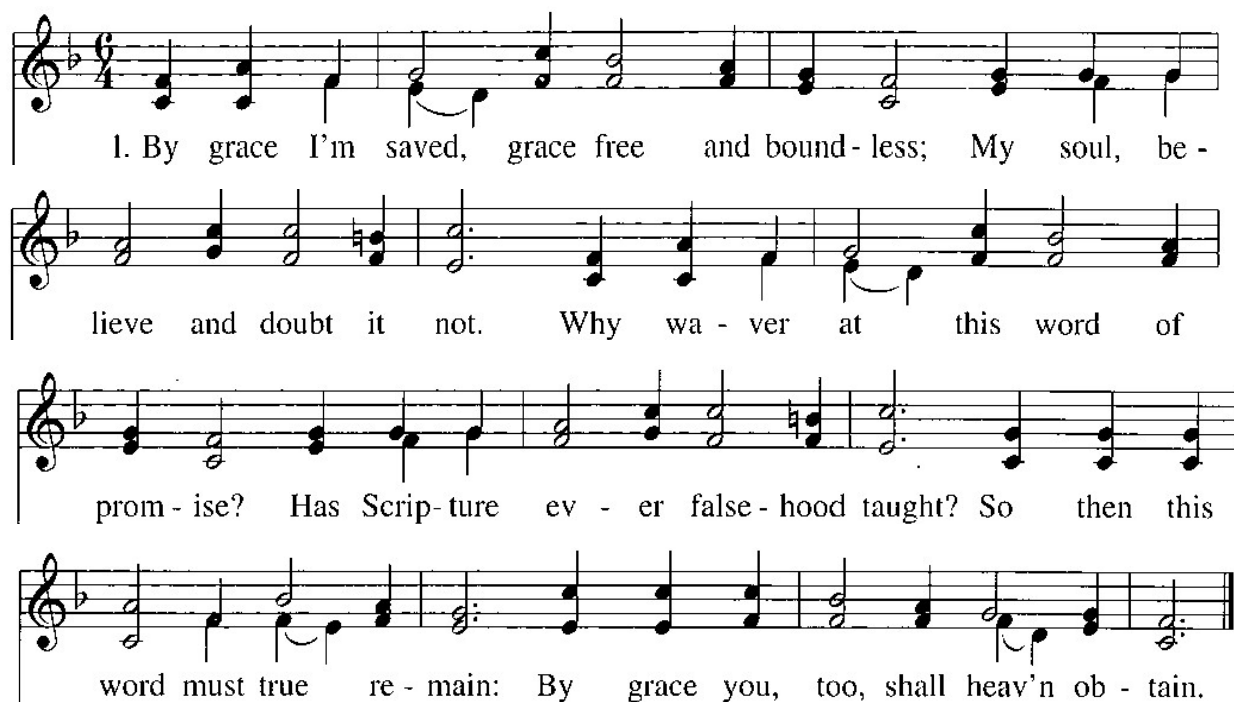
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen

Hymn: *By Grace I'm Saved*..... **CW # 384 Stz 1**

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1. By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be -
lieve and doubt it not. Why wa - ver at this word of
prom - ise? Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? So then this
word must true re - main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with '1. By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be -'. The second staff continues with 'lieve and doubt it not. Why wa - ver at this word of'. The third staff continues with 'prom - ise? Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? So then this'. The fourth staff ends with 'word must true re - main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.' The music is written in a simple, clear style, suitable for a hymn book.