

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Divine Worship . . . 9:30am
SS/BC. . . 10:45/10:55am

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LENT TWO
 March 5, 2023

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 121 (TLH Pg. 152) • Prayers: 57 (TLH Pg. 107) 5 (TLH Pg. 118)
Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe • HYMNS: 409 145 155 330 784

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 409 - “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION (TLH Pg.15ff.)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution, -- “Amen.” The Introit... The Gloria Patri (Pg. 16)...The Kyrie (Pg. 17). Gloria in Excelsis (Pg. 17-19) The Salutation (Pg. 19) The Collect (Prayer for the Day) -- “Amen.”

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: GENESIS 12:1-8

Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan.

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Thomas Naumann has returned the call of Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA and Ascension Lutheran, Tacoma, WA. • Pastor Neal Radichel has returned the call of Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

PARSONAGE WINDOWS

The windows in the church parsonage are to be replaced in the spring of 2023. The total cost through Stonehouse Window and Door of Ishpeming is \$23,098.60. The initial payment of 60% or \$14,000.00 was paid 12/19/22. The remaining amount of \$9,098.60 is due within a week of the windows installation. The table below tracks the amount remaining.

PARSONAGE WINDOW PROJECT		
Remaining Amount	Amount Pledged (Including Memorial)	Amount Remaining
\$9,098.60	\$1,286.75	\$7,811.85

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2023		
<i>The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Calvary to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. The amount given to ‘Missions’ on your church envelope goes to this pledge. In the event that our offerings fall short of our pledge, the difference will be taken from the Calvary General Fund. In the event that our offerings exceed our pledge, additional funds will be placed in the General Fund.**</i>		
Amount Pledged 2023	Received as of 1/29/23	Amount Remaining
\$5000.00	\$255.00	\$4,745.00

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO		
MAY 2023 GOAL	RECEIVED 1/29/23	MAY 2023 GOAL
\$5.00	\$0	\$5.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 2/26/2023				
General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions (CBP)	Parsonage Windows	
\$995.00	\$232.30	\$160.00	\$100.00	
Offerings Total: \$1487.30				

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS MARCH 6-11, 2023

Monday - Luke 10:17-20 The disciples were astonished at the power displayed when they proclaimed peace in Jesus' name. It was Jesus' power, not theirs, and He saw much more than earthly enemies overcome. Even the great Accuser was thrown down from heaven, and the disciples' names were written in heaven.

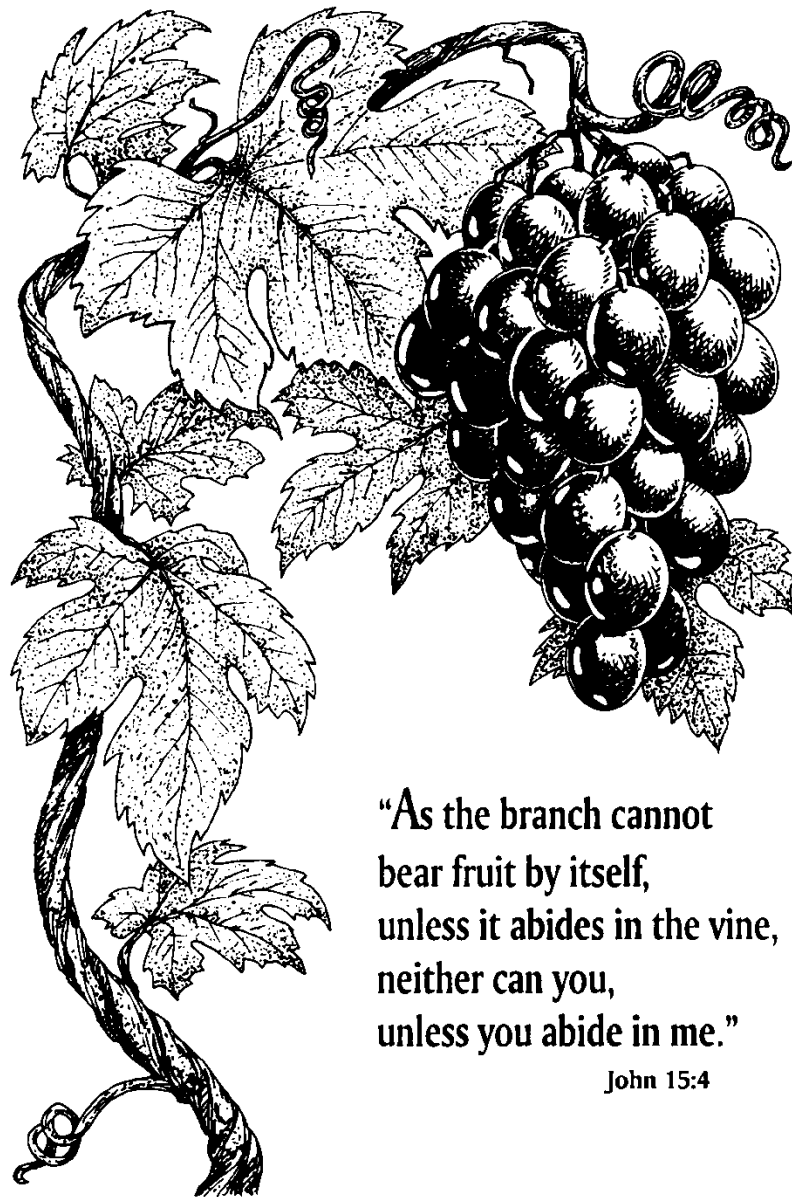
Tuesday - 1 John 2:12-17 In Jesus the entire church, youngest to oldest, is forgiven, knows the Father, and has overcome the evil one. Therefore they can see clearly that their great treasure is not in the things of the world, which is passing away, but in Him who is from the beginning and who abides forever.

Wednesday - Luke 22:54-62 Peter, who thought Jesus' warning foolish, finds out the same night that his own strength is not up to admitting that he is Jesus' disciple. After he has thoroughly denied knowing Jesus, he remembers Jesus' word and is back on the path of repentance to forgiveness.

Thursday - Exodus 33:17-23 Moses wants to see the LORD's glory, and the LORD responds by making His goodness pass before him and proclaiming His name. So much more powerful is this than all the glory of the world, that Moses needs special protection, which the LORD graciously supplies.

Friday - Isaiah 42:1-4 When the LORD presents His Servant, whom His power upholds, it is with words that remind us of Jesus, the beloved Son, in whom the Father is well-pleased (delights). How different is this One from the powerful ones of this world. He is meek and lowly in heart, bringing rest to our souls.

Saturday - Isaiah 42:5-8 Again the glory of the LORD is shown in His goodness and His name. The Servant whom He has called will be a covenant for His people, and a light for the gentiles. He comes to bring freedom to the captives and the light of life to those in the dungeon of darkness. Truly, His is a glory unmatched by all the "saviors" of this world!



**“As the branch cannot
bear fruit by itself,
unless it abides in the vine,
neither can you,
unless you abide in me.”**

John 15:4

LENT TWO

Calvary Lutheran Church March 5, 2023

Thank the Lord for His love, protection, and provision in caring for Pastor Olvera's son. **Ask the Lord** to continue to bless Pastor Olvera's efforts to proclaim the Gospel in Mexico and to train others to join him in this work.

The Philippines – Pastor Jordan Palangyos has completed the first introductory Online Theological Study course based on the CLC Statement of Faith and Purpose and continues to correspond regularly with Missionary Ohlmann. Pastor Rob Sauers (Bd of Missions) and Missionary Ohlmann are scheduled to travel to Manilla in late April for an initial face-to-face visit with Pastor Palangyos and those he serves. **Pray that the Lord would continue to bless this correspondence** and that it will lead to a God-pleasing unity of faith and teaching. **Ask the Lord** to provide opportunities and all that is necessary for Pastor Jordan to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ!

Zambia – While Missionary Ohlmann was in Zambia in December, an organizational meeting was held with representatives from the three areas of Zambia where the CLC has been actively involved for several years. This meeting was scheduled to take place a few years but was postponed due to the pandemic. Pastors from the northern Copperbelt District (near the DR Congo border), the Lusaka District, and the Livingstone District in the south (near the Zimbabwe border) met and discussed the progress on registration of the ZCLC and officially elected District Leaders. They also discussed plans for ongoing quarterly Pastoral Training Seminars. They plan to meet again in March to finalize plans and distribute registration certificates. This is a big and important step forward for the work in Zambia. Thank the Lord for His blessings on these efforts to organize the work of the ZCLC in a decent and orderly way. Pastor Ibrahim reports several new contacts and a few prospective students for the Martin Luther Bible School. **Pray that the Lord** would grant Pastor Ibrahim an extra measure of wisdom as he continues to lead and organize the work of the ZCLC. **Thank the Lord** for the opportunity to be a part of these efforts to faithfully proclaim the Good News of Jesus in Zambia.

Kenya –The CLC Bd of Missions recently began sending the MDF Grant funds that were approved to assist with much-needed classroom repairs and construction at both schools. Give thanks to the Lord for the privilege of assisting our brothers and sisters in Christ in the training of so many young souls through the two schools that are supported through Kinship. **Pray for the Lord's** continued blessings upon the teachers, students, and staffs of St. David's Kinship School and Emmaus Millimani School as they grow in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

....to be continued.

When they came to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD.*

EPISTLE LESSON:

ROMANS 4:1-5, 13-17

What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." ⁴Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. ⁵And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness,

¹³For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.*

THE GRADUAL

Pastor: The troubles of my heart have grown greater:

Congregation: **Bring me out of my distresses!**

Pastor: Look on my affliction and my pain:

Congregation: **Forgive all my sins! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

Pastor: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good:

Congregation: **His mercy endures forever! Hallelujah!**

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

JOHN 4:5-26

⁵ So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷ A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, **"Give me a drink."** ⁸ (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, **"If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."** ¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹² Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³ Jesus said to her, **"Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."** ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, **"Go, call your husband, and come here."** ¹⁷ The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, **"You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband.**

Tanzania – The students at the Wittenberg Lutheran Theological Seminary in Arusha are scheduled to return to classes on Monday, January 16th. They will have five students from Tanzania along with two students from the Kenya-CLC enrolled in the three-year seminary course. Three additional students will be enrolled in the one-year pre-seminary/evangelism course. The pre-seminary students will spend one-year studying basic theology, Bible History, Evangelism, and English. At the conclusion of the pre-seminary year of classes, the faculty will evaluate each student. Some students will receive an Evangelist certificate and be assigned to a congregation. Students who demonstrate the necessary gifts and commitment will move on to the three-year seminary program to prepare for ordination and a call into the pastoral ministry. **Ask for the Lord's blessings** on these students and those called to teach and train them.

Tanzania Missionary – Pastor Bruce Naumann has been led to accept the divine call to serve as a resident Missionary to Tanzania. His primary responsibility will be assisting the TZ-CLC as they continue to develop the Wittenberg Lutheran Theological Seminary. He will be teaching several classes and helping to develop seminary curriculum that will be used for years to come to train faithful pastors and leaders. Missionary Naumann will be commissioned in mid-March and is planning to take up residence in Tanzania by the last week of late March. This will give him a couple of weeks to get settled before second-semester classes begin shortly after the Easter break. Following a one-month furlough in the U.S. this summer he will be joined by his wife Paula when he returns to Tanzania in August in time for the beginning of the third semester. **Thank the Lord** for providing a faithful servant to take up this important work of training more workers for the harvest fields of East Africa and his faithful and willing wife! **Ask for the Lord's blessings** and wisdom as Missionary Naumann and Paula make final preparations to take up this new calling.

Nepal – Pastor Raju recently reported that classes at the Himalayan Bible Institute have resumed with ten students in attendance. **Thank the Lord** for these students who are dedicated to learning and teaching God's word so that others may be led to repent of their sins and rejoice in faith that their sins are forgiven and that they have a home in heaven.

Mexico – Pastor Olvera's son was recently hospitalized and underwent emergency surgery for intestinal blockage. The surgery was successful and he has returned home. The CLC Board of Missions and Kinship Committee were able to provide a medical aid grant to assist with the hospital and medical. It has been a few years since a visit has been made to our brothers and sisters in Mexico. Missionary Ohlmann is planning a visit sometime in 2023.

CLC World Mission Prayer List – February 2023

West Africa – Pastors from Togo, Liberia, Ghana, Benin, and Nigeria will be gathering in Lomé, Togo for the three day West Africa CLC Pastoral Conference the last week of February. This conference was originally scheduled for 2020 but was postponed due to the pandemic. There will be twenty pastors and seminary students in attendance. Missionary Evensen and Missionary Ohlmann will be hosting the conference. Six essays will be delivered by pastors from each nation. The conference will be highlighted by an evening worship service with Holy Communion. **Ask the Lord** to bless all those who will be traveling to Lomé on February 27th with safe and uneventful travels. **Thank the Lord** for this opportunity for these pastors to gather, study, encourage, and grow together in the Word of God. Pray that God will bless the preaching, teaching, and hearing of His word that His name may be honored.

Liberia – Missionary Peter Evensen (resident missionary to Togo) is currently working with Pastor Joseph Kwiwalazu as they conduct Bible seminars in Liberia and Guinea. Pastor John Hein (part-time visiting missionary to Liberia) continues cancer treatments and is unable to travel at this time. **Ask the Lord** to bless the treatments that Pastor Hein is receiving along with both strength and healing. **Pray also** for comfort and encouragement for his family and all those he is called to serve both at home and abroad. **Pray** for the Lord's continued blessings on the work of Missionary Evensen and Pastor Kwiwalazu as they teach and train others in the truths revealed in God's word and for the wisdom and provision to conduct the work He has given to all those involved.

Bangladesh –Pastor Monotosh continues to spread the Gospel in new areas of Bangladesh. He recently reported that recently one young lady has been baptized and two families have been received into the fellowship of the BLCM after seven months of Bible instruction. Pastor Monotosh also reports that they are completing negotiations on a piece of land upon which they hope to build a multipurpose building that would be used as a church headquarters, worship facility, and Bible School for training pastors and church leaders. The Board of Missions has approved a grant from the Mission Development Fund to assist the BLCM in purchasing land. Once the land is purchased and the building is constructed, this will be a great blessing for the BLCM. Over the past few years, they have had to move several times because of persecution. Missionary Ohlmann is planning a visit to Bangladesh in early May. **Ask the Lord** to continue to bless both the preaching and hearing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the BLCM. **Pray for the Lord's wisdom and provision** as the BLCM finalizes plans for the purchase of land and the construction of a building.

What you have said is true.”¹⁹ The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.”²⁰ Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.”²¹ Jesus said to her, “**Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father.**”²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.”²³ **But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.**”²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”²⁵ The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.”²⁶ Jesus said to her, “**I who speak to you am he.**”*

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE NICENE CREED

HYMN: 145 *“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”*

SERMON:

MARK 11:12-26

¹² Now the next day, when they had come out from Bethany, He was hungry. ¹³ And seeing from afar a fig tree having leaves, He went to see if perhaps He would find something on it. When He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ In response Jesus said to it, “**Let no one eat fruit from you ever again.**” And His disciples heard it. ¹⁵ So they came to Jerusalem. Then Jesus went into the temple and began to drive out those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. ¹⁶ And He would not allow anyone to carry wares through the temple. ¹⁷ Then He taught, saying to them, “**Is it not written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations’? But you have made it a ‘den of thieves.’**”¹⁸ And the scribes and chief priests heard it and sought how they might destroy Him; for they feared Him, because all the people were astonished at His teaching. ¹⁹ When evening had come, He went out of the city.

²⁰ Now in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. ²¹ And Peter, remembering, said to Him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree which You cursed has withered away." ²² So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. ²³ For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. ²⁴ Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them. ²⁵ "And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. ²⁶ But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses."**

FIG TREES AND FAITH

THE OFFERTORY/OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

THE OFFERING HYMN: (TLH 438:4-5)

We, Lord, would lay at Thy behest The costliest offerings on Thy shrine; But when we give, and give our best, We give Thee only what is Thine.

O Father, whence all blessings come; O Son, Dispenser of God's store; O Spirit, bear our offerings home: Lord, make them Thine forevermore.

PRAYER(S)

HYMN: 155 - "Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing"

THE LITURGY: (Pg. 24ff)

The Preface, The Sanctus (Pg. 26), The Lord's Prayer, The Words of Institution, The Pax Domini, The Agnus Dei (Pg. 28).



THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT:

The Lord's Supper is described in 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 as a most precious medicine for the soul. Like all medicines, of course, it must be used at the right time for the right purpose by the right person, lest it do more harm than good.

We ask all visitors to speak to the pastor before taking the sacrament, especially if you have not communed here before. Those who come forward are asked to put out their hands for the bread and choose their own individual cup.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

The Lutheran Hymnal #330- "I Come to Thee, O Blessed Lord"

THE LITURGY: (Pg. 29ff)

The Nunc Dimittis, The Thanksgiving; Prayer, "Amen." The Salutation; The Benedicamus.

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen, Amen, Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 784 - "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 5, 2023

THIS MORNING AFTER WORSHIP

Sunday School: Old Testament #50 – Naaman and Elisha

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: Confirmation Class 3:30pm; No Sunday School Teachers

Wednesday: Choir Practice 6pm; Midweek Lenten Worship 7pm

Thursday: Ladies of Calvary 7pm

Sunday: Worship 9:30am; Sunday School 10:45am; Bible Study 10:55am

VOTER'S MEETING

The Voters of Calvary will need to meet to clarify changes to the Calvary Constitution and to develop a Diploma of Vocation and Call Letter.

CHOIR PRACTICE

The Choir will practice on Wednesday at 6pm. Our next Midweek Lenten Service will follow at 7pm with Pastor Norman Greve doing the preaching on the basis of 1 John 1:7 under the theme: He Set Me Free from all Sin.

LADIES OF CALVARY

The Ladies of Calvary will meet this Thursday February 9th at 7pm in the Pastor's Office.

HYMN

LORD, TAKE MY HAND AND LEAD ME

1. Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way; Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day. Without Your grace and favor I go astray; So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.
2. Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear; For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near. Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe, For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.
3. Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come, I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home, And nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend! So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 121

¹I will lift up my eyes to the hills—From whence comes my help? ²My help *comes* from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth. ³He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴Behold, He who keeps Israel Shall neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵The LORD *is* your keeper; The LORD *is* your shade at your right hand. ⁶The sun shall not strike you by day, Nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; He shall preserve your soul.

⁸The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in From this time forth, and even forevermore.

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR AID AGAINST TEMPTATION

O God, you justify the ungodly and do not desire the death of the sinner. We humbly ask that you would graciously assist with Your heavenly aid, and shield with Your protection, Your servants who trust in Your mercy, that they may be separated from You by no temptation to sin and without ceasing serve You. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

O God, who desires not the death of a sinner, but rather that he turn from his evil way and live, I come to Thee although I have sinned and deserve only Thy wrath. But I flee to Thy mercy in Christ Jesus, my Lord, who gave His body and His blood for my redemption. Lord, grant that I may ever thus believe and never waver. Grant that in such faith I may worthily go to Thine altar to receive the very body and the true blood which Thy Son has given for my salvation, that I may duly praise, laud, and honor Thy love and Thy mercy all the days of my life. Hear me for the sake of Jesus Christ, Thy son, my Redeemer and Savior. Amen.

HYMN

LET US EVER WALK WITH JESUS

1. Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure, Flee the world, which would deceive us And to sin our souls allure. Ever in His footsteps treading, Body here, yet soul above, Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding. Faithful Lord, abide with me; Savior, lead, I follow Thee.

2. Let us suffer here with Jesus, To His image, e'er conform;
Heaven's glory soon will please us, Sunshine follow on the storm.
Though we sow in tears of sorrow, We shall reap with heavenly joy;
And the fears that now annoy Shall be laughter on the morrow.
Christ, I suffer here with Thee; There, oh, share Thy joy with me!

3. Let us also die with Jesus. His death from the second death,
From our soul's destruction, frees us, Quickens us with life's glad breath.
Let us mortify, while living, Flesh and blood and die to sin;
And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here I die to Thee There to live eternally.

4. Let us gladly live with Jesus; Since He's risen from the dead,
Death and grave must soon release us. Jesus, Thou art now our Head,
We are truly Thine own members; Where Thou livest, there live we.
Take and own us constantly, Faithful Friend, as Thy dear brethren.
Jesus, here I live to Thee, Also there eternally. Amen.

HYMN

JESUS, REFUGE OF THE WEARY

1. Jesus, Refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above, Oh,
how oft Thine eyes, offended, Gaze upon the sinner's fall! Yet,
upon the cross extended, Thou didst bear the pain of all.

2. Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see Thee wounded, bleeding, See Thy thorn-encircled brow?
Yet Thy sinless death hath brought us Life eternal, peace,
and rest; Only what Thy grace hath taught us Calms the sinner's stormy breast.

3. Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for Thee!
May our eyes be ever turning To Thy cross of agony Till in glory,
parted never From the blessed Savior's side, Graven in our hearts
forever Dwell the cross, the Crucified! Amen.

OFFERING

ALMIGHTY FATHER, HEAVEN AND EARTH

We, Lord, would lay at Thy behest The costliest offerings on Thy shrine;
But when we give, and give our best, We give Thee only what is Thine.

O Father, whence all blessings come; O Son, Dispenser of God's store;
O Spirit, bear our offerings home: Lord, make them Thine forevermore.

HYMN

SWEET THE MOMENTS RICH IN BLESSING

1. Sweet the moments, rich in blessing, Which before the cross we spend,
Life and health and peace possessing From the sinner's dying Friend.

2. Here we rest in wonder, viewing All our sins on Jesus laid;
Here we see redemption flowing From the sacrifice He made.

3. Here we find the dawn of heaven While upon the cross we gaze,
See our trespasses forgiven, And our songs of triumph raise.

4. Oh, that, near the cross abiding, We may to the Savior cleave,
Naught with Him our hearts dividing, All for Him content to leave!

5. Lord, in loving contemplation Fix our hearts and eyes on Thee
Till we taste Thy full salvation And we unveiled glory see. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN I COME TO THEE, O BLESSED LORD

1. I come to Thee, O blessed Lord, Invited by Thy gracious Word
To this Thy feast, to sup with Thee; Grant that a worthy guest I be.

2. I come to Thee with sin and grief, For Thou alone canst give relief.
Thy death for me, dear Lord, I plead: O Jesus, help me in my need!

3. Shouldst Thou a strict account demand, Who could, O Lord,
before Thee stand? Purge all my secret sins away: Be Thou, O Christ,
the sinner's Stay!

4. O Jesus, Lamb of God, alone Thou didst for all our sins atone;
Though I have sinned and gone astray, Turn not, O Lord, Thy guest away.

5. O Jesus, Lamb of God, alone Thou didst for all our sins atone;
Be merciful, I Thee implore, Be merciful forevermore. Amen.