



“Therefore thus I will do to you, O Israel;
because I will do this to you,
prepare to meet your God, O Israel!”

AMOS 4:12

We gather to worship God, who mercifully warns the wayward.

Preparatory Hymn

“Be Thou My Vision”

Welcome

Scriptural Call to Worship

James 4:8-10

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Hymn

“Abide With Me”

Hymn

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Scripture Reading

2 Kings 13:1-7. 22-23, 14:23-27

Scripture Reading

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Hymn

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Prayer of Petition

Sermon

Amos 4:1-13

Prepare to Meet God

Hymn

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Hymn

“Arise My Soul Arise”

Hymn

“Doxology”

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

Moment of Silent Reflection

PREPARATORY HYMN: BE THOU MY VISION

1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;
 3. Rich - es I heed not, or man's emp - ty praise,
 4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art:
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 Thou my and great Fa - ther, I Thy true son,
 Thou of Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
 Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
 High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
 Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

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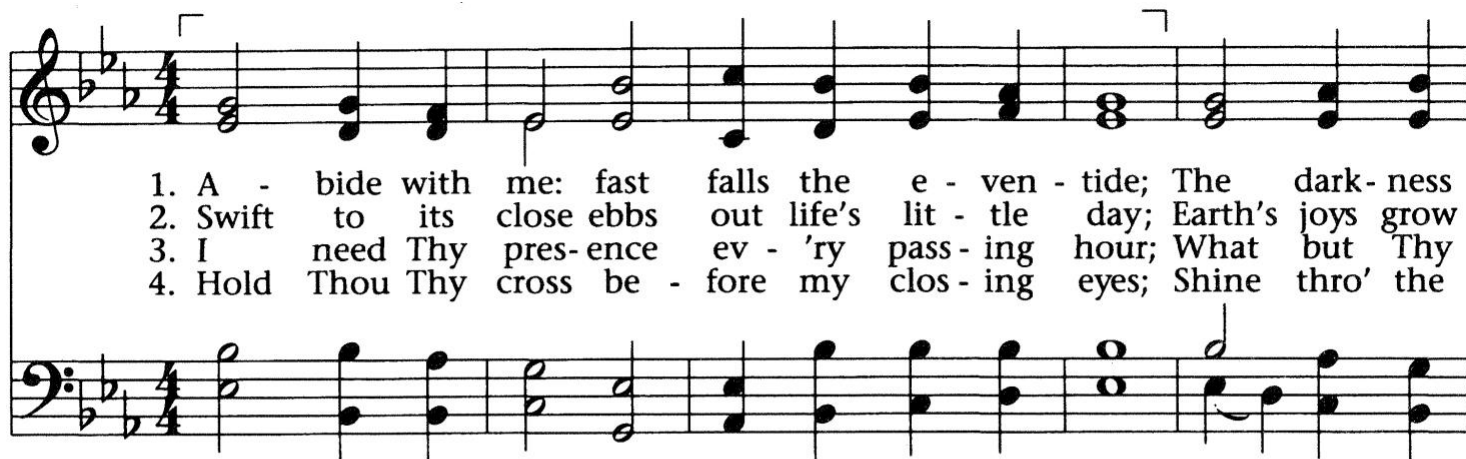
SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP

JAMES 4:8-10

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

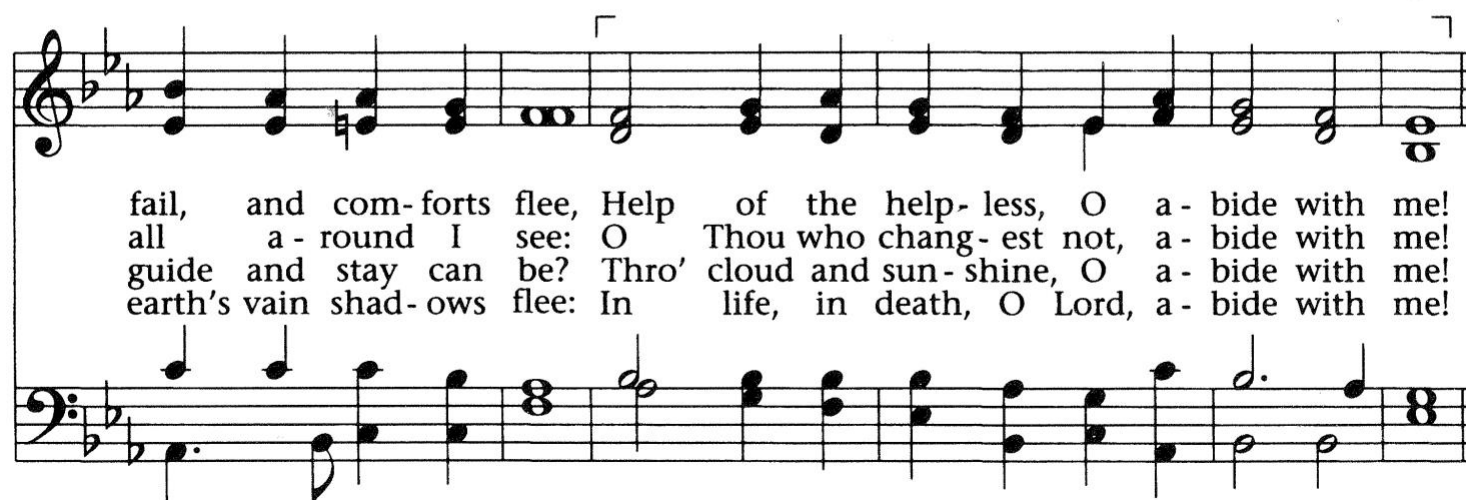
ABIDE WITH ME



1. A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide; The dark - ness
 2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day; Earth's joys grow
 3. I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour; What but Thy
 4. Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes; Shine thro' the



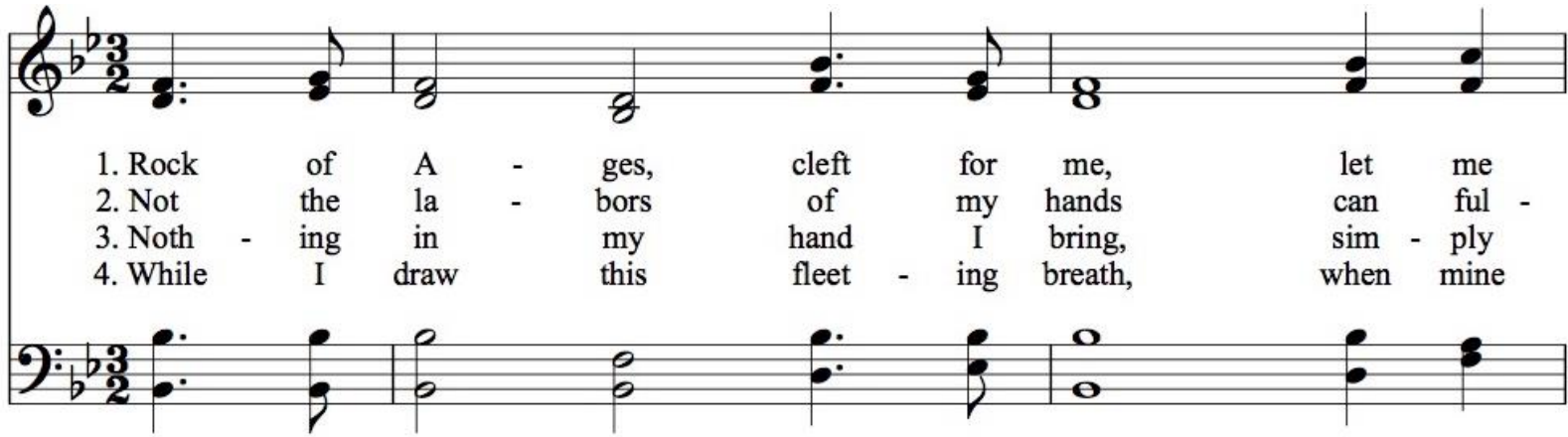
deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide: When oth - er help - ers
 dim, its glo - ries pass a - way; Change and de - cay in
 grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r? Who like Thy - self my
 gloom, and point me to the skies: Heav'n's morn - ing breaks and



fail, and com - forts flee, Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me!
 all a - round I see: O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me!
 guide and stay can be? Thro' cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me!
 earth's vain shad - ows flee: In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me!

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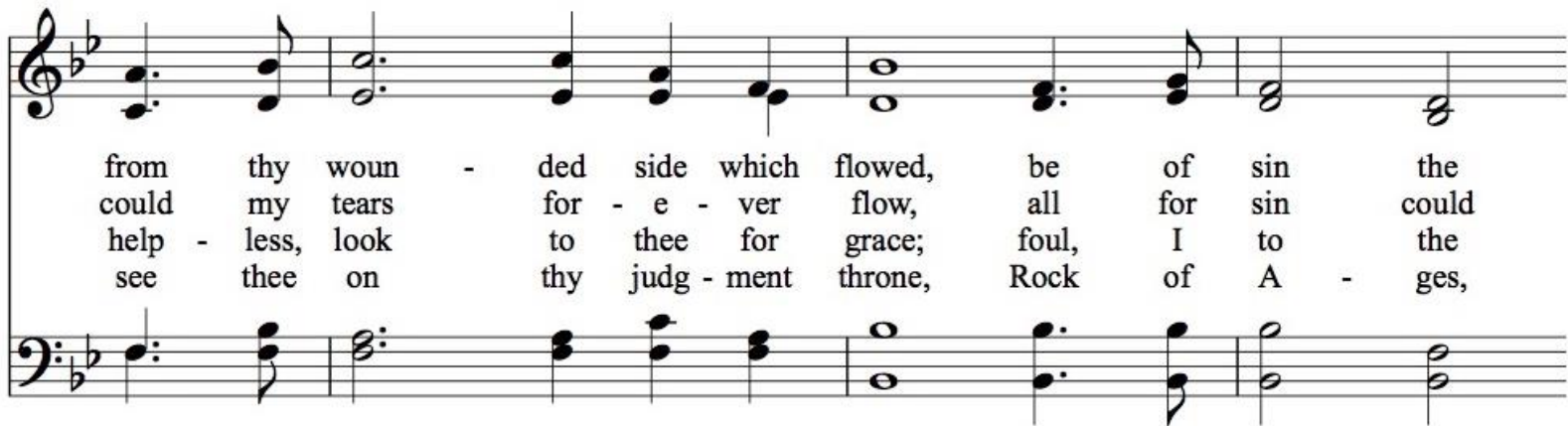
ROCK OF AGES



1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful -
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine



hide my - self in thee; let the wa - ter and the blood,
 fill thy law's de - mands; could my zeal no re - spite know,
 to the cross I cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress;
 eyes shall close in death, when I soar to worlds un - known,



from thy woun - ded side which flowed, be of sin the
 could my tears for - e - ver flow, all for sin could
 help - less, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the
 see thee on thy judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges,



dou - ble cure; save from wrath and make me pure.
 not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foun - tain fly; wash me, Sa - vior, or I die.
 cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 KINGS 13:1-7, 22-23

13 In the twenty-third year of Joash the son of Ahaziah, king of Judah, Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and he reigned seventeen years. ² He did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin; he did not depart from them. ³ And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he gave them continually into the hand of Hazael king of Syria and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael. ⁴ Then Jehoahaz sought the favor of the LORD, and the LORD listened to him, for he saw the oppression of Israel, how the king of Syria oppressed them. ⁵ (Therefore the LORD gave Israel a savior, so that they escaped from the hand of the Syrians, and the people of Israel lived in their homes as formerly. ⁶ Nevertheless, they did not depart from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, which he made Israel to sin, but walked in them; and the Asherah also remained in Samaria.) ⁷ For there was not left to Jehoahaz an army of more than fifty horsemen and ten chariots and ten thousand footmen, for the king of Syria had destroyed them and made them like the dust at threshing.

²² Now Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz. ²³ But the LORD was gracious to them and had compassion on them, and he turned toward them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, nor has he cast them from his presence until now.

2 KINGS 14:23-27

²³ In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash, king of Judah, Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel, began to reign in Samaria, and he reigned forty-one years. ²⁴ And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin. ²⁵ He restored the border of Israel from Lebo-hamath as far as the Sea of the Arabah, according to the word of the LORD, the God of Israel, which he spoke by his servant Jonah the son of Amittai, the prophet, who was from Gath-hepher. ²⁶ For the LORD saw that the affliction of Israel was very bitter, for there was none left, bond or free, and there was none to help Israel. ²⁷ But the LORD had not said that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven, so he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.

SCRIPTURE READING

REVELATION 3:14-22

¹⁴ “And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: ‘The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God’s creation.

¹⁵ “‘I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. ¹⁷ For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. ¹⁸ I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. ¹⁹ Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. ²⁰ Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. ²¹ The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. ²² He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.’”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

JOEL 2:12-13

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD,
 “return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
 and rend your hearts and not your garments.”
Return to the LORD your God,
 for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;
 and he relents over disaster.

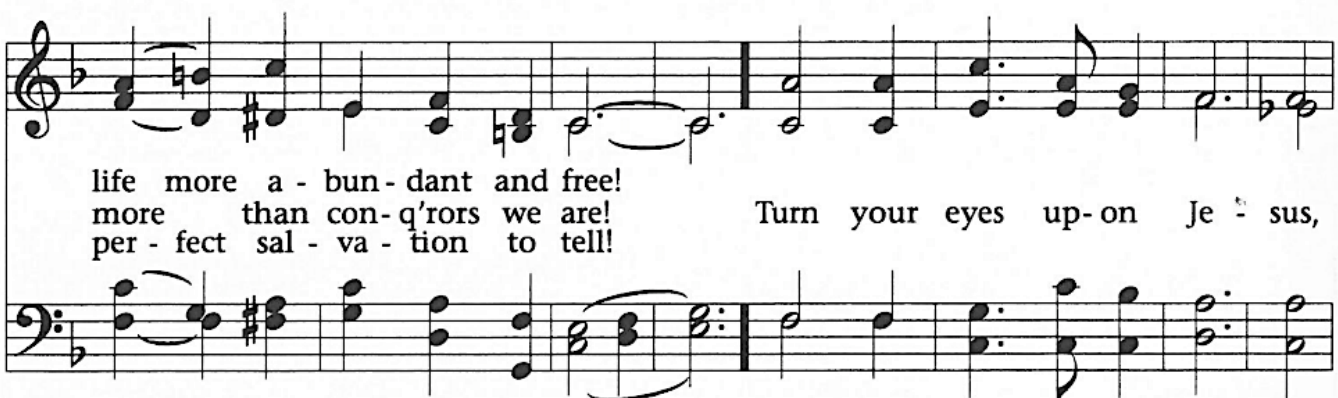
TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS



1. O soul, are you wea - ry and trou - bled? No light in the
 2. Thro' death in - to life ev - er - last - ing He passed, and we
 3. His word shall not fail you — He prom - ised; Be - lieve Him, and



dark - ness you see? There's light for a look at the Sav - ior, And
 fol - low Him there; O - ver us sin no more hath do - min - ion — For
 all will be well: Then go to a world that is dy - ing, His



life more a - bun - dant and free!
 more than con - q'rors we are! Turn your eyes up - on Je - sus,
 per - fect sal - va - tion to tell!



Look full in His won - der - ful face, And the things of



earth will grow strange - ly dim In the light of His glo - ry and grace.

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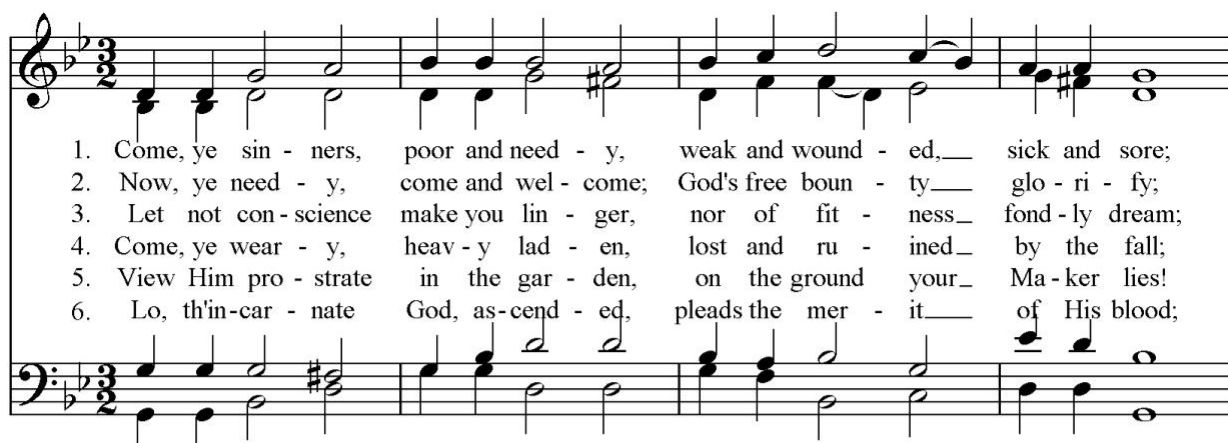
PREPARE TO MEET GOD

AMOS 4:1-13

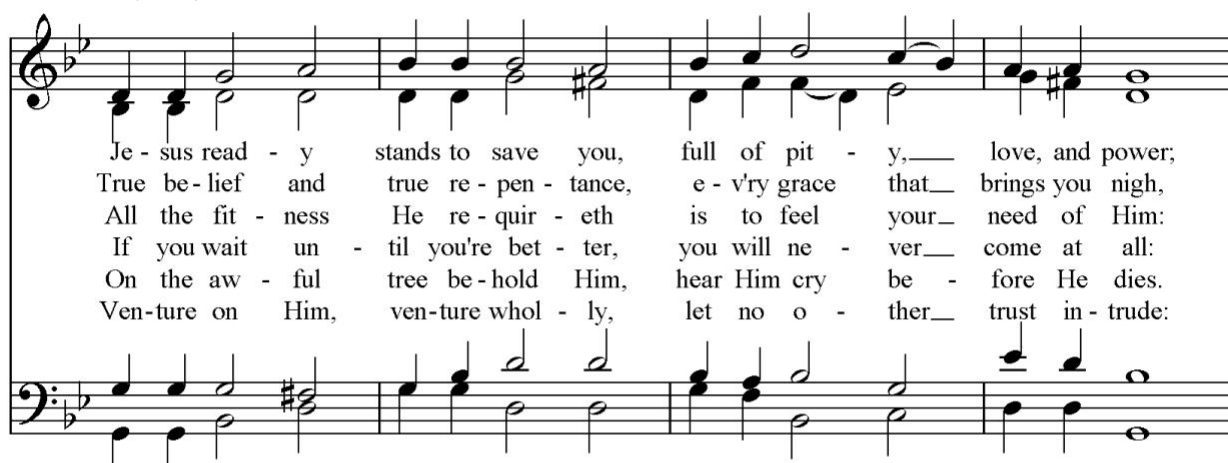
- 4 “Hear this word, you cows of Bashan,
who are on the mountain of Samaria,
who oppress the poor, who crush the needy,
who say to your husbands, ‘Bring, that we may drink!’
- 2 The Lord GOD has sworn by his holiness
that, behold, the days are coming upon you,
when they shall take you away with hooks,
even the last of you with fishhooks.
- 3 And you shall go out through the breaches,
each one straight ahead;
and you shall be cast out into Harmon,”
declares the LORD.
- 4 “Come to Bethel, and transgress;
to Gilgal, and multiply transgression;
bring your sacrifices every morning,
your tithes every three days;
- 5 offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving of that which is leavened,
and proclaim freewill offerings, publish them;
for so you love to do, O people of Israel!”
declares the Lord GOD.
- 6 “I gave you cleanness of teeth in all your cities,
and lack of bread in all your places,
yet you did not return to me,”
declares the LORD.
- 7 “I also withheld the rain from you
when there were yet three months to the harvest;
I would send rain on one city,
and send no rain on another city;

- one field would have rain,
and the field on which it did not rain would wither;
8 so two or three cities would wander to another city
to drink water, and would not be satisfied;
yet you did not return to me,”
declares the LORD.
- 9 “I struck you with blight and mildew;
your many gardens and your vineyards,
your fig trees and your olive trees the locust devoured;
yet you did not return to me,”
declares the LORD.
- 10 “I sent among you a pestilence after the manner of Egypt;
I killed your young men with the sword,
and carried away your horses,
and I made the stench of your camp go up into your nostrils;
yet you did not return to me,”
declares the LORD.
- 11 “I overthrew some of you,
as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah,
and you were as a brand plucked out of the burning;
yet you did not return to me,”
declares the LORD.
- 12 “Therefore thus I will do to you, O Israel;
because I will do this to you,
prepare to meet your God, O Israel!”
- 13 For behold, he who forms the mountains and creates the wind,
and declares to man what is his thought,
who makes the morning darkness,
and treads on the heights of the earth—
the LORD, the God of hosts, is his name!

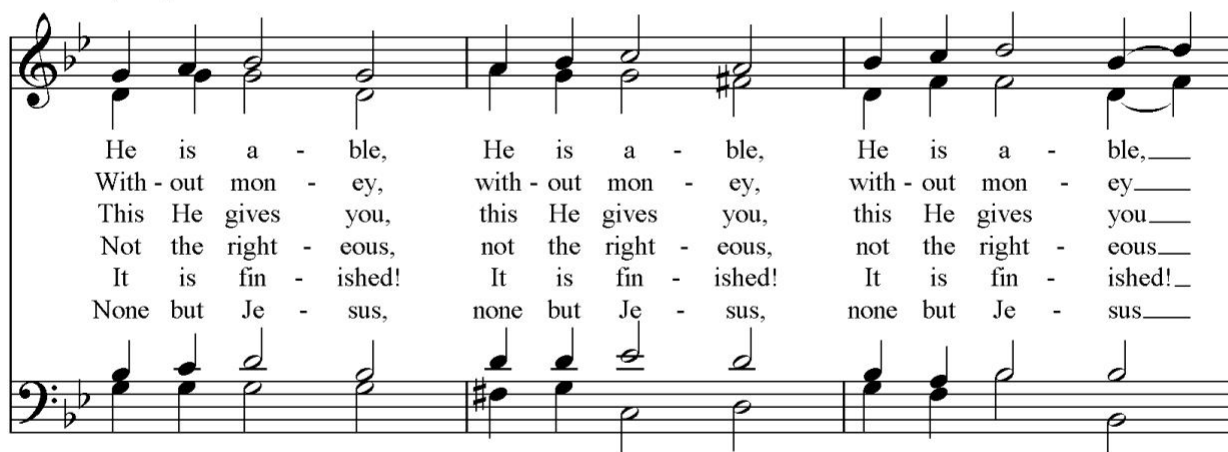
COME, YE SINNERS, POOR AND NEEDY



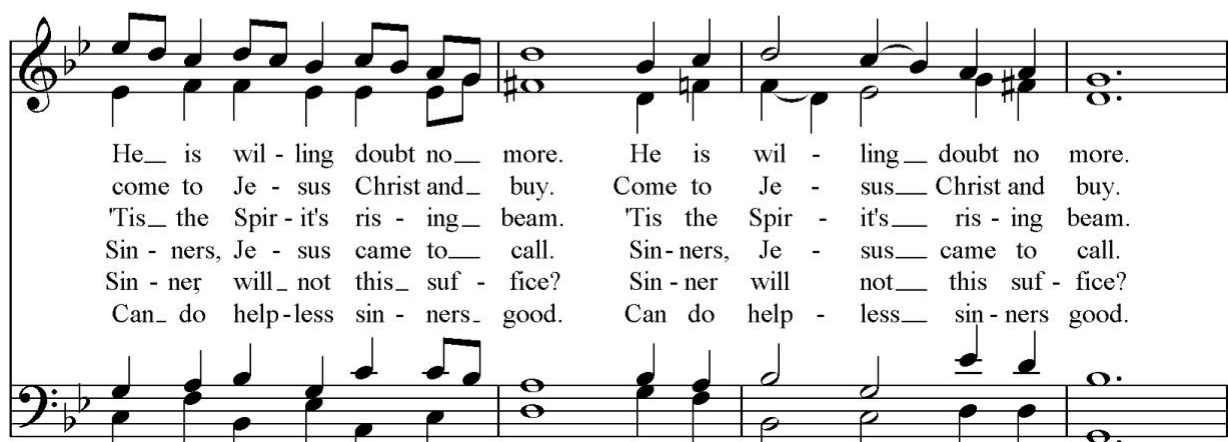
1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound - ed, sick and sore;
 2. Now, ye need - y, come and wel - come; God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;
 3. Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;
 4. Come, ye wear - y, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined by the fall;
 5. View Him pro - strate in the gar - den, on the ground your Ma - ker lies!
 6. Lo, th'in - car - nate God, as - cend - ed, pleads the mer - it of His blood;



Je - sus read - y stands to save you, full of pit - y, love, and power;
 True be - lief and true re - pen - tance, e - v'ry grace that brings you nigh,
 All the fit - ness He re - quir - eth is to feel your need of Him:
 If you wait un - til you're bet - ter, you will ne - ver come at all:
 On the aw - ful tree be - hold Him, hear Him cry be - fore He dies.
 Ven - ture on Him, ven - ture whol - ly, let no o - ther trust in - trude:

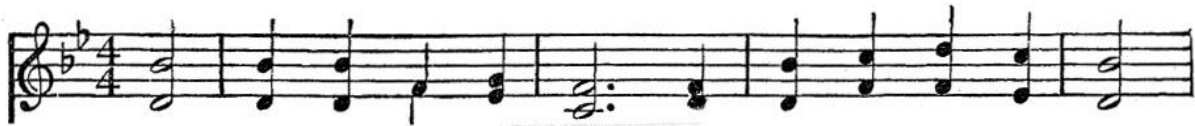


He is a - ble, He is a - ble, He is a - ble,
 With - out mon - ey, with - out mon - ey, with - out mon - ey
 This He gives you, this He gives you, this He gives you
 Not the right - eous, not the right - eous, not the right - eous
 It is fin - ished! It is fin - ished! It is fin - ished!
 None but Je - sus, none but Je - sus, none but Je - sus



He is wil - ling doubt no more. He is wil - ling doubt no more.
 come to Je - sus Christ and buy. Come to Je - sus Christ and buy.
 'Tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam. 'Tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam.
 Sin - ners, Je - sus came to call. Sin - ners, Je - sus came to call.
 Sin - ner will not this suf - fice? Sin - ner will not this suf - fice?
 Can do help - less sin - ners good. Can do help - less sin - ners good.

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE



1. A - rise, my soul, a - rise; Shake off thy guilt - y fears;
2. Five bleed-ing wounds He bears, Re - ceived on Cal - va - ry;
3. The Fa - ther hears Him pray, His dear a - noint-ed One;
4. My God is rec - on - ciled; His par-d'ning voice I hear;



The bleed-ing Sac - ri - fice In my be - half ap - pears:
 They pour ef - fec - tual prayers, they strong-ly plead for me:
 He can - not turn a - way the pres - ence of His Son;
 He owns me for His child, I can no lon - ger fear:



Be - fore the throne my Sure - ty stands, Be - fore the throne my
 "For-give him, O for - give," they cry, "For - give him, O for -
 His Spir - it an - swers to the blood, His Spir - it an - swers
 With con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, With con - fi - dence I



sure - ty stands, My name is writ - ten on His hands.
 give," they cry, "Nor let that ran-somed sin - ner die!"
 to the blood, And tells me I am born of God.
 now draw nigh, And, "Fa-ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther," cry.



DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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WHO IS JESUS?

Our greatest prayer for you is that you would come to know Jesus. Though we have all rebelled against God, He sent Jesus, His only Son, into our broken world. Through Jesus's obedient life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection, sinners can be forgiven and reconciled to God through turning from our sins and trusting in Him.

FOLLOWING JESUS

Baptism is publicly professing your faith in Jesus and identifying with His people.

Discipleship is walking together in life and helping one another follow Jesus faithfully.

Membership is our mutual commitment to follow Jesus together in the context of a local church.

Service to the church and the world is what characterizes Jesus's followers as we seek to make Him known.

If you would like to learn more about Jesus and what it means to follow Him, we would love to talk with you. Please speak with one of our elders or submit a connect card (scan the QR code below).

VISITORS & GUESTS

Welcome! If you are new to our church, we invite you to connect with an elder in the foyer after the service so that we can welcome you personally. You can also complete a **Connect Card**, available in the pews or via this QR code, to request more information about this church or about what it means to be a Christian.



Families with Children We offer Sunday School classes at 9:30am for grades K-12 and childcare for infants to pre-K during the 10:45 worship service. Canvas 'busy bags' are available in the lobby for children to use during the service. Additional information about our Children's Ministry is available on our website.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Ladies' Christmas Tea – December 7

Sisters, mark your calendars to join us for our annual Ladies' Christmas Tea on December 7th from 10am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall. Diane Boutz will give our devotional this year. Invitations are available in the foyer. Please invite friends, neighbors, and coworkers to this evangelistic outreach!

Membership Matters Class

If you are interested in learning more about membership here at FBC, mark your calendars and plan to attend the next session of Membership Matters on December 8, 15, and 22 at 9:30am. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please reach out to the church office at office@franconiabaptist.org

Sunday Classes Schedule

Please note that next Sunday (December 1) will be a "Family Sunday" meaning that we will have all of our little ones join their parents for morning worship in the main hall.

There will also be no Discipleship Hour classes on December 22, December 29, or January 5.

Sermon Text for Next Week: 2 Peter 1:1-15

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