

"For thus says the LORD to the house of Israel:

'Seek me and live."

Amos 5:4

We gather to worship God, who calls the dead to life.

**Preparatory Hymn** "How Great Thou Art"

Welcome

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Seek the LORD and Live

**Baptismal Testimony** 

**Hymn** "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Baptism Adaline Russell

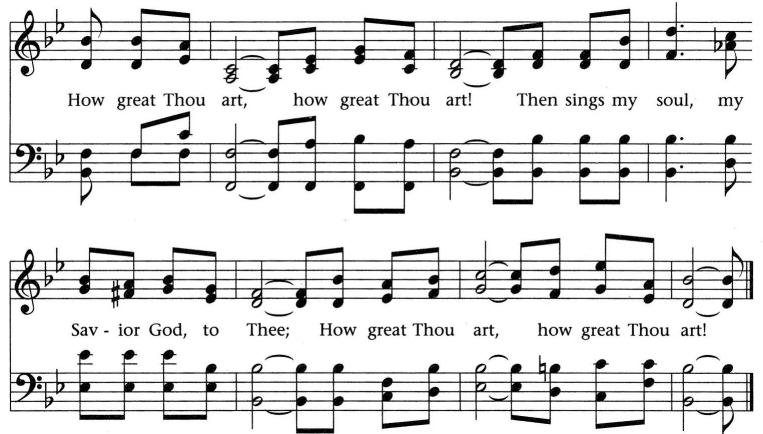
**Hymn** "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

Hymn "Doxology"

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Moment of Silent Reflection





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### SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP

### PSALM 145:17-21

The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

# PRAYER OF PRAISE

### WHERE SHALL I BE?





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# COME, YE SINNERS, POOR AND NEEDY



### SCRIPTURE READING

### 2 CHRONICLES 15:1-15

15 The Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded, <sup>2</sup> and he went out to meet Asa and said to him, "Hear me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin: The LORD is with you while you are with him. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will forsake you. <sup>3</sup> For a long time Israel was without the true God, and without a teaching priest and without law, <sup>4</sup> but when in their distress they turned to the LORD, the God of Israel, and sought him, he was found by them. <sup>5</sup> In those times there was no peace to him who went out or to him who came in, for great disturbances afflicted all the inhabitants of the lands. <sup>6</sup> They were broken in pieces. Nation was crushed by nation and city by city, for God troubled them with every sort of distress. <sup>7</sup> But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded."

<sup>8</sup> As soon as Asa heard these words, the prophecy of Azariah the son of Oded, he took courage and put away the detestable idols from all the land of Judah and Benjamin and from the cities that he had taken in the hill country of Ephraim, and he repaired the altar of the LORD that was in front of the vestibule of the house of the LORD. 9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and those from Ephraim, Manasseh, and Simeon who were residing with them, for great numbers had deserted to him from Israel when they saw that the LORD his God was with him. <sup>10</sup> They were gathered at Jerusalem in the third month of the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa. 11 They sacrificed to the LORD on that day from the spoil that they had brought 700 oxen and 7,000 sheep. <sup>12</sup> And they entered into a covenant to seek the LORD, the God of their fathers, with all their heart and with all their soul, <sup>13</sup> but that whoever would not seek the LORD, the God of Israel, should be put to death, whether young or old, man or woman. 14 They swore an oath to the LORD with a loud voice and with shouting and with trumpets and with horns. 15 And all Judah rejoiced over the oath, for they had sworn with all their heart and had sought him with their whole desire, and he was found by them, and the LORD gave them rest all around.

### SCRIPTURE READING

### REVELATION 3:1-6

**3** "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

"I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. <sup>2</sup> Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. <sup>3</sup> Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you. <sup>4</sup> Yet you have still a few names in Sardis, people who have not soiled their garments, and they will walk with me in white, for they are worthy. <sup>5</sup> The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. <sup>6</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## ISAIAH 55:6-7

"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

## GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH



## **Elder Vows**

## Members of Franconia Baptist Please Stand:

1. Do you, the members of the Franconia Baptist Church, acknowledge and publicly affirm this man as a pastor and a gift of Christ to this church? **We do.** 

2. Will you love him and pray for him in his ministry, and work together with him humbly and cheerfully, that by the grace of God you may accomplish the mission of the church, giving him all due honor and support in his leadership to which the Lord has called him, to the glory and honor of God? **We will.** 

# **SERMON** | MARK KIEFER

### SEEK THE LORD AND LIVE

### AMOS 5:1-17

5 Hear this word that I take up over you in lamentation, O house of Israel:

- <sup>2</sup> "Fallen, no more to rise, is the virgin Israel; forsaken on her land, with none to raise her up."
- <sup>3</sup> For thus says the Lord GOD:

"The city that went out a thousand shall have a hundred left, and that which went out a hundred shall have ten left to the house of Israel."

- <sup>4</sup> For thus says the LORD to the house of Israel:
- "Seek me and live;

  but do not seek Bethel,
  and do not enter into Gilgal
  or cross over to Beersheba;
  for Gilgal shall surely go into exile,
  and Bethel shall come to nothing."
- Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,
- O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth!
- <sup>8</sup> He who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning and darkens the day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea

and pours them out on the surface of the earth, the LORD is his name;

- who makes destruction flash forth against the strong, so that destruction comes upon the fortress.
- They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth.
- Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.
- For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins—
  you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate.
- Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time.
- Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said.
- Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.
- <sup>16</sup> Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of hosts, the Lord:

"In all the squares there shall be wailing, and in all the streets they shall say, 'Alas! Alas!'

They shall call the farmers to mourning and to wailing those who are skilled in lamentation, and in all vineyards there shall be wailing, for I will pass through your midst,"

# **SERMON NOTES**

## COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING



- 1. Come, Thou Fount of ev 'ry bless- ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
- 2. Here I raise mine Eb e- ne zer; Hith- er by Thy help I'm come;
- 3. O to grace how great a debt or Dai ly I'm con-strained to be!
- 4. O that day when freed from sinn-ing, I shall see Thy love-ly face;



Streams of mer - cy, nev -er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise: And I hope by Thy good plea-sure, Safe-ly to ar - rive at home: Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee: Cloth- ed then in blood washed lin-en, How I'll sing Thy sov-'reign grace;





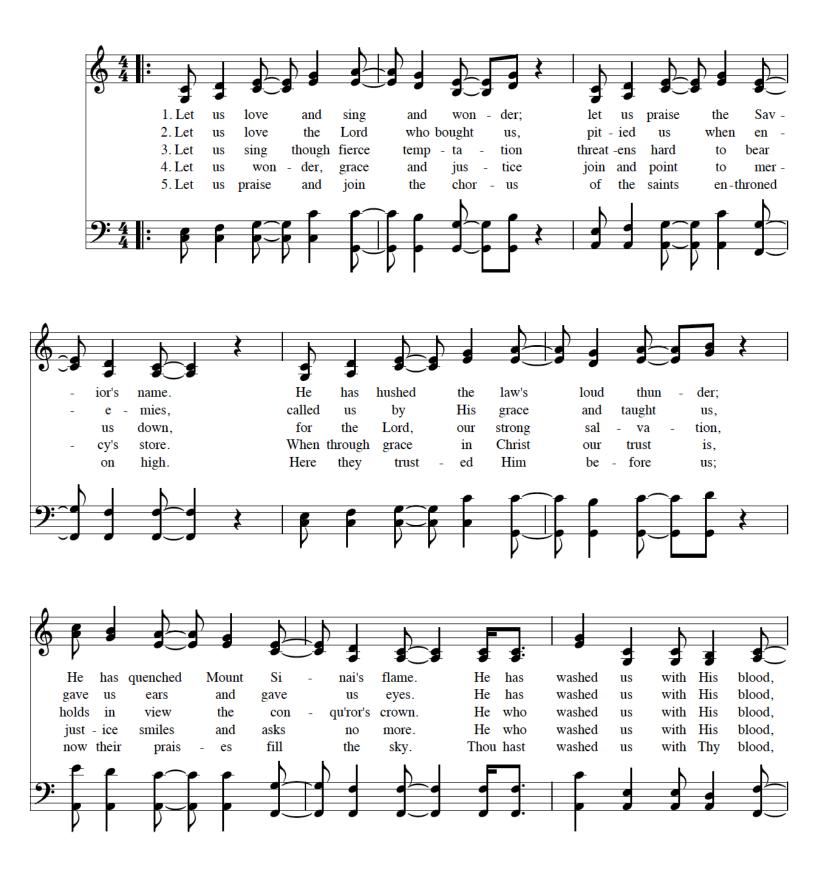
Teach me some me – lo- dious son – net, Sung by flam-ing tongues a –bove; Je - sus sought me when a stran-ger, Wan-d'ring from the fold of God; Prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Come, my Lord no long-er tar - ry, Take my ran-somed soul a – way;

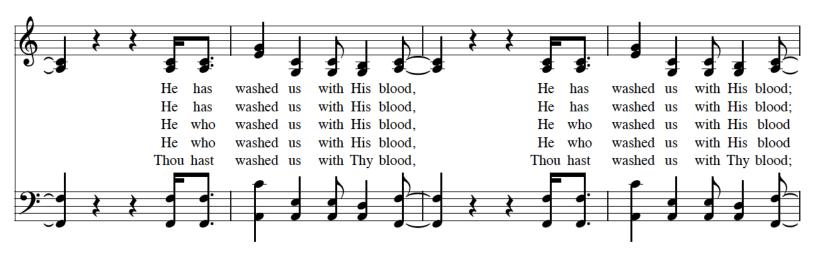


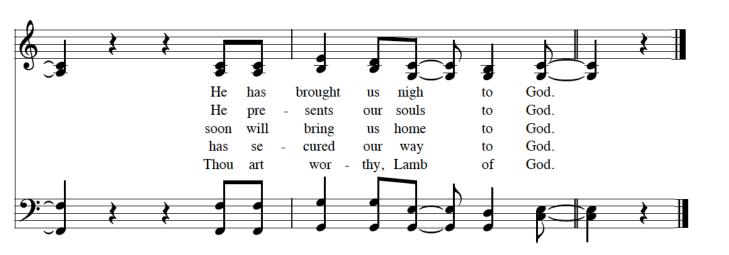
Praise the mount! I'm fixed up - pon it, Mount of Thy re- deem- ing love. He to res - cue me from dan-ger, In - ter -posed His pre-cious blood. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a- bove. Send thine an - gels now to car-ry Me to realms of end - less day.



## LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

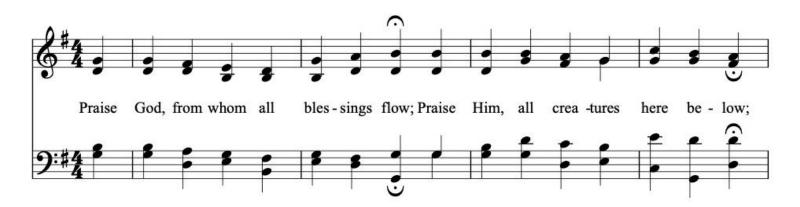






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# **DOXOLOGY**





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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**

### Women's Bible Study - Beginning in February

The ladies of FBC are studying the Sermon on the Mount for 9 weeks together with a Tuesday evening option AND a Wednesday morning option. The study began this week but if you missed the first gathering, there is still time to register. See Suzanne Glover with any questions. There is no cost for this study.

**Sermon Text for Next Week:** Amos 5:18-6:14

#### **CHURCH INFO**



