

Sunday, June 7, 2026
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
WELCOME to Emanuel's Lutheran Church!
It is our joy to have you worship with us today.



PRELUDE

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God. Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray,

C: Amen.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

Children's Church: Kindergarten to 5th Grade gathers in the Chapel.

GATHERING HYMN

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

ELW 855

Suggested by Melissa Barbre

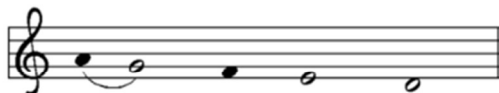
GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



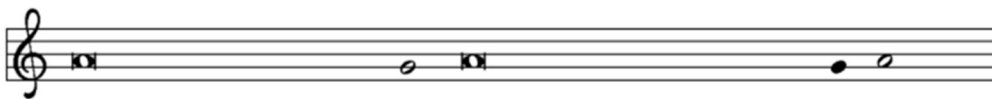
Lord, have mer - cy.



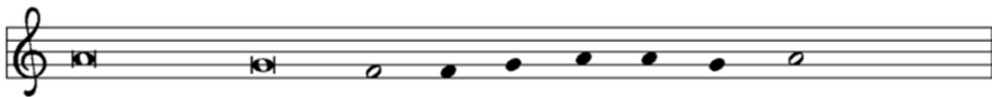
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: Let us pray together.

C: O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Hosea 5:15-6:6

L: A reading from Hosea.

¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: ^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the LORD, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days

he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings. The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Romans 4:13-25

L: A reading from Romans.

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants 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, neither is there transgression. ¹⁶For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, 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. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners." ¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread through all of that district.

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Even You"

Pastor Paul Theiss

HYMN OF THE DAY "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

ELW 772

Suggested by Elizabeth Jandt

APOSTLES CREED

AM: Let us confess the faith of the church, using the words of the Apostles Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

AM: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world. God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we might extend the mercy we receive.

Response to each petition: AM: God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

AM: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING HYMN

"Here I Am Lord"

ELW 574

Suggested by Susan Bagwell, Ann Cruz, and Earlene Jarzombek

Giving information is located on the back of the bulletin.

OFFERING PRAYER

AM: Let us pray.

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

COMMUNION

Communion will take place via continuous line (right side) and continuous kneeling (left side). We welcome all baptized persons to the Lord's Table who believe Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. Children are welcome to be brought forward to receive a blessing. Participants to the right will be offered a wafer and invited to eat with these words, "the body of Christ given for you." Gluten free wafers are available. Next, step to the right, to the silver tray that contains glasses of white grape juice at the center and outer empty glasses for wine. Lastly, participants will step to the last assistant who will pour the wine and share these words, "the blood of Christ shed for you." Place your glass in the small silver bowl at the end of the first pew as you return to your seat. If you wish to come forward and not receive either element, simply cross your arms for a blessing.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

ELW 779

Selected by Debbie Almquist

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

ELW 623

Selected by Marsha Schroeder

TABLE BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

AM: Let us pray.

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

ELW 543

Selected by Beverly Seidenschwarz

DISMISSAL

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP LEADERS for Sunday, June 7, 2026: Preaching and Presiding: Pastor Paul Theiss; **Assisting Minister:** Stephanie Robbins; **Communion Assistants:** Carrie Moseley, Jeannie Hall, Earlene Jarzombek, Jeanne Palmer, Barbara McCall; **Reader:** Drue Pike; **Ushers:** Allan Bode, Bill Meier, Ron Schneider, Keith Vinyard; **Altar Guild:** Carrie Moseley, Jeanne Palmer; **A/V Tech:** Allan Bode; **Council Greeter:** Tim Kent; **Hospitality:** Nancy Meier, Bill Meier, Fran Vinyard, Keith Vinyard; **Safety Attendants:** TBD

WORSHIP LEADERS for Sunday, June 14, 2026: Preaching and Presiding, Pastor Marcus; **Assisting Minister:** Bill Salt; **Communion Assistants:** Marsha Schroeder, Linda Salt, Elizabeth Jandt, Rissa Springs, Bill Elley; **Reader:** Cathy Anderson; **Ushers:** Doug Parker, Debbie Parker, Hughlene Micheli, Karen Weinstein; **Altar Guild:** Sandra Schneider, Nancy Meier, Natalia Almquist; **A/V Tech:** Luke Leon-Weinman; **Council Greeter:** Sharon Herbold; **Safety Attendants:** TBD; **Hospitality:** Cathy Anderson, Caro Hamilton, Rachel Abrameit

WELCOME PASTOR PAUL

Pr. Paul Theiss was born and raised right here in Seguin. A 2006 graduate of Seguin High School, and 2010 graduate of Texas Lutheran University where he majored in Theology. After getting married in 2013 he and his wife, Kelsie, attended Wartburg Theological seminary and were ordained in 2017. This time of year you can easily find Pr. Paul working alongside his Dad, Billy Theiss, in their "small" gardens at the corner of FM 467 and Elm Creek Rd.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Carroll Dalton in memory of John Schwartz.

RADIO BROADCAST, PULPIT, LECTERN, and CHAPEL FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in celebration of Patrick and Ilene Cherry's 45th wedding anniversary on June 6.

EMANUEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP is in the sanctuary, online, and aired on KWED AM 1580 radio at 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT TO SHARE? Submit a brief, yet detailed description of your event to info@elcsequin.org on Mondays for consideration in the Weekly News and bulletin.

SUNDAY STUDIES:

- **THE HERITAGE CLASS.** Room 307 at 9:15am. Seeking to unlock the wisdom of the Bible through fellowship and robust group discussion. Spring Study: "Lament, Confession, Rebirth"
- **DISCIPLES CLASS June 14-July 19: Old Testament, New Testament, and Jesus.** Family Life Center at 9:00am. This comparative study explores the deep connection between the Old and New Testaments as one unified story of God's saving work, centered in Jesus Christ. Rather than separate writings, Scripture is revealed as a single narrative of promise and fulfillment—where God's covenant, spoken through the Law and the Prophets, finds its completion in Christ. Through the Gospels and the witness of the apostles, including Paul the Apostle and Peter the Apostle, we see how Jesus is proclaimed as the fulfillment of God's promises—bringing grace, redemption, and new life for all. Grounded in Lutheran theology, this study invites us to encounter the Bible as one continuous story of God's grace, calling us to faith in Christ and sending us into the world as witnesses to that good news.
- **JOY CLASS:** Bible stories and songs for adults with intellectual disabilities. Class meets one Sunday a month in the WMR at 9:00am.
- **CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** During worship Children's Ministry volunteers lead our PK to 5th graders to the Children's Church room, down the hall from the sanctuary, returning as we share the peace.
- **THE COMPASS COOPERATIVE** will resume Sunday gatherings on August 30 with our church partners- Emanuel's, St. Andrew's, and Spirit of Joy - at Spirit of Joy campus. Let Hannah know if you aren't on her email list to find out about Middle School and High School events this summer: Hannah@elcsequin.org

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY STUDIES AND PROGRAMS:

Line Dancing with Handsome Rob (Fellowship Hall): Mondays at 2:00pm

Chair Yoga with Gina (Family Life Center): Wednesdays at 9:00am

3C: Community-Connection-Conversation (Church Lawn): Tuesdays at 7:30am

The Wired Word (Family Life Center): Resumes in September

Sweet Hour of Prayer (Family Life Center): Thursdays at 10am

Pathways to Healing Grief Support (Family Life Center): 2nd Sunday at 2:00pm

Pub Theology (1916 Bar & Bistro): 3rd Thursday at 5:30pm

Caregiver Café (Family Life Center): 3rd Sunday at 2:00pm

Iron & Ember Men's Group (Various places): 2nd Thursdays at 6:30pm

Faith Circle (Women's Ministry Rm): 3rd Tuesdays at 2:00pm

Joy Circle (Women's Ministry Rm): 2nd Thursday at 9:30am

Ladies Aid (Women's Ministry Rm): 1st Wednesdays at 2:00pm, not in July

LUTHERAN LUNCH BUNCH meets every 1st Sunday after church. On **Sunday, June 7** diners are headed back to The Cowboy's Palace Restaurant, 550 TX-123 Suite #184, Seguin, TX 78155. With full hearts from the service and empty stomachs ready for fellowship, you're invited to dive into hearty meals, laughter, and lively conversation. Donna Simmons is the contact.

COMPASS SUMMER REGISTRATION is now open online! Sign up your *Vacation Bible School* Kinder-5th Graders (June 8-12), *God's Explorers* 3rd-8th Graders (June 29-July 2), and *Music Camp* 2nd-5th Graders (Aug.3-5). Scan QR code or go to www.forms.gle/Vjyxe2mjauHCv1j18

UNWIND WOMEN'S MINISTRY gathers for the first time on **Friday, June 12** at Blue Lotus Winery 5151 FM 20, Seguin, TX 78155 from 6-8pm. Each month the group will meet for a time of fellowship, connection, and prayer, creating space to share life together and support one another. Together they will study and reflect on thoughtfully curated materials for women ages 21-49. Whether you are new to church or have followed Jesus for many years, you are invited to come as you are. Coordinated by the Gather & Grow Ministry Team. Register by June 8 with the QR code.



ODD & HOLY: GOD'S GRACE IN SCRIPTURE'S STRANGEST SCENES: God's grace meets us not in curated spirituality, but in real humanity – fearful, tired, sarcastic, stubborn, laughing, and sulking, where Christ makes us new through baptism. Join us for this 10-week sermon series each Sunday at 10:30am, **June 14 - August 16**, as we learn, laugh, and grow together!

CAMPUS CLEAN-UP: This summer, we invite everyone for three days of cleaning, sorting, organizing, and inventorying our church campus. We will gather on **June 15, 16, and 17**, with most of our work taking place indoors. There may be an occasional need to take items out to the dumpster, but the primary focus will be indoor projects throughout the campus. We will work each day during the morning hours, 8am-12pm, with afternoons available for touch-up work, spot-cleaning, and finishing any projects that need a little extra attention. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers, so please sign up in the Narthex or with the QR code here so that we can order food appropriately. Many hands make light work, and this will be a wonderful opportunity to care for the spaces that support our worship, ministry, outreach, and community life. Please reach out to Pastor Marcus with any questions. We hope you will join us!



SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB PICNIC LUNCH is **Thursday, June 18**. Join us in the Women's Ministry Room from 11:30 – 1:30 for hamburgers and hot dogs. Everyone is asked to bring a side or dessert to share. We will play bingo after we eat! RSVP to Donna by Monday, June 15, donna@elcsequin.org.

LADIES AID BAKE Sale is **Sunday, June 21**. We'd like to help folks celebrate Father's Day with desserts by providing homemade baked goods for purchase via a freewill offering (no set prices). Cakes, pies, cookies, cupcakes, and more will be available for purchase in the narthex.

EMANUEL'S CONGREGATION COUNCIL And Ministry Team Liaisons

President, Bryce Kennedy, *Outreach & Service Team*

Vice President, Sheila English, *Fellowship & Feast Team*

Secretary, Paul Sims, *Education Team*

Treasurer, Sharon Herbold

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Charles Jobe, *Safety and Property Team*

Tim Kent, *Fellowship & Feast Team*

Janelle Leon-Weinman, *Gather & Grow Team*

Bill Salt, *Education Team*

Rissa Springs, *Worship Team*

Darlene Zies, *Outreach & Service Team*

ALL TEAM MEETING NIGHT

Wednesday, July 29

5:30pm in the Women's Ministry Room

All of Emanuel's Ministry Teams gather on a single evening to share a meal, collaborate, plan, and schedule upcoming events and ministry projects.

EMANUEL'S STAFF

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EMANUEL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "To be the church God is calling us to be by declaring God's love, serving others, and embracing all."

GIVE HERE



GIVING AT EMANUEL'S: Donations and tithes to the church may be given by envelopes in the pews, mailed to the church, online, or scanned with QR Code.

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Crown Him with Many Crowns



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

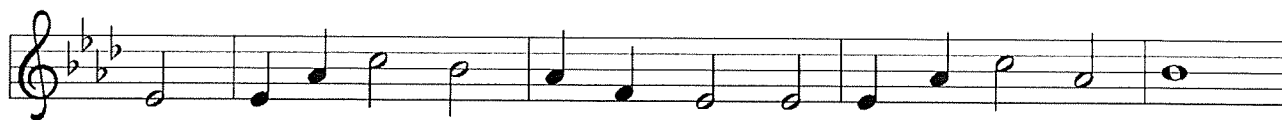


A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!
- 2 Or - der my foot-steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;
- 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;
- 4 Make me to walk in your com-mands, 'tis a de-light - ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!
let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, but keep my con-science clear.
and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan-d'ring sheep.
nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

Here I Am, Lord



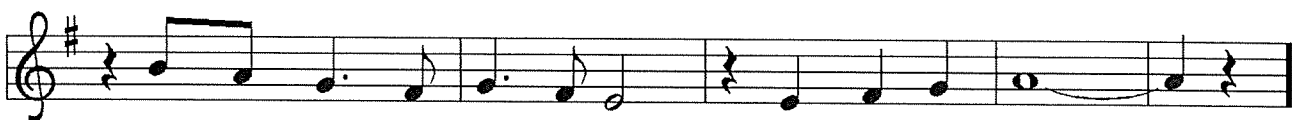
1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

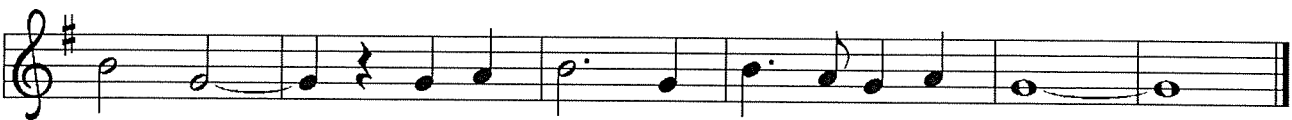
Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte

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Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



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
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



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
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



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.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5
 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

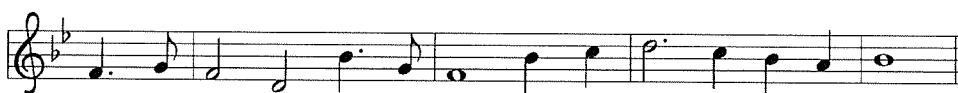
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
Na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;
when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

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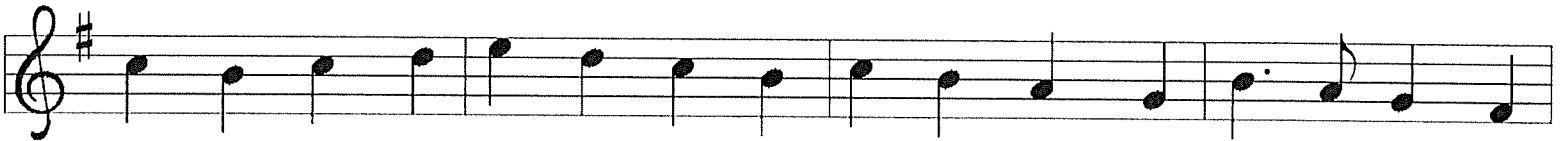
Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

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