

“PENSIVE, DOUBTING, FEARFUL HEART”

1. Pensive, doubting, fearful heart,
Hear what Christ the Savior says;
Every word should joy impart,
Change thy mourning into praise.
Yes, He speaks and speaks to thee,
May He help thee to believe;
Then thou presently will see,
Thou has little cause to grieve.

2. Fear thou not, nor be ashamed;
All thy sorrows soon shall end,
I, who heaven and earth have framed,
Am thy Husband and thy Friend;
I the High and Holy One,
Israel's God, by all adored,
As thy Savior will be known,
Thy Redeemer and thy Lord.

3. For a moment I withdrew,
And thy heart was filled with pain;
But my mercies I'll renew;
Thou shall soon rejoice again;
Though I seem to hide my face,
Very soon my wrath shall cease;
'Tis but for a moment's space,
Ending in eternal peace.

4. Though afflicted, tempest tossed,
Comfortless awhile thou art,
Do not think thou can be lost,
Thou art graven on my heart;
All thy wastes I will repair;
Thou shalt be rebuilt anew;
And in thee it shall appear,
What the God of love can do.

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WE THANK GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS (DOXOLOGY)

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. / Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD: **Philippians 3:2-9**

“Attention Deficit Gospel, Part 3: Paul's Hyper-activity”

Pastor Michael Colvard

WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER (gluten-free bread available)

(Please dispose of cups on your way out of the Sanctuary.)

“AMAZING GRACE”

Trinity Hymnal #460

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil, A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise, Than when we'd first begun.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING OVER US (BENEDICTION)



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We are a family of God, bound together to glorify and enjoy Him forever. We do this by sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ, strengthening each other in Him, and showing Him to our community and the world

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP: Psalm 116:5-9 (selections)

(Please Read Responsively)

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

The Lord preserves the simple; when I was brought low, He saved me.

Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you. For You have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US

...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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

“COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING”

Trinity Hymnal #457

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

WE CONFESS OUR SIN TOGETHER:

Precious Heavenly Father,

It is difficult to see the Pharisee within ourselves, and painful to admit how hypocritical and judgmental we really are. We see the sins of others with crystal clarity, yet are deceived and mesmerized daily by our own outward goodness. We excel at performing for the applause of a watching world, while ignoring and hiding the...sinful thoughts that dominate our minds for most of the day, every day. We lust, covet, and exalt ourselves constantly. We steal your glory by taking credit for your work in our lives, and create entire kingdoms in our imaginations where we are worshiped instead of you. In this we have offended your holiness and committed treason against you in every corner of our depraved hearts and minds. *

*Barbara R. Duguid and Wayne Duguid Houk, *Prone to Wander: Prayers of Confession and Celebration*, ed. Iain M. Duguid (Phillipsburg, NJ: P&R Publishing, 2014),142.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS IN OUR HEARTS (silently)

GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN: Romans 4:5

And to the one who does not work but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness

“HIS MERCY IS MORE”

1. What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more
(chorus)

2. What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more
(chorus)

Chorus:

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more

3. What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more
(chorus)

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH TOGETHER: Westminster Shorter Catechism 82

Q. 82. Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

A. No mere man, since the fall, is able, in this life, perfectly to keep the commandments of God; but does daily break them, in thought, word, and deed.

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE: Ephesians 2:1-3

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

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1. Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore

3. Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armor for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore

2. Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes His work in me

4. And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

BRIDGE

Come rejoice now O my soul
For His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore (repeat)

WE READ FROM GOD'S WORD: Galatians 1:13-16a

¹³ For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it. ¹⁴ And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. ¹⁵ But when He who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by His grace, ¹⁶ was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles...

WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION

I pray for someone who doesn't know Jesus: _____

Jim Aldridge

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