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# Traditional Worship Guide

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

November 12, 2023

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ANTHEM (10:30) "Tribute to Armed Services" Chancel Choir

WELCOME

INVITATION & PSALM 95 (from Morning Prayer)

P: O Lord, open my lips.

C: **and my mouth shall proclaim your praise!  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the  
Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is  
now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Give glory to God, our light and our life.

C: **O come, let us worship and praise.**

P: Come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

C: **Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.**

P: For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler  
above all gods.

C: **In your hand are the caverns of the earth;  
the heights of the hills are also yours.**

P: The sea is yours, for you made it;  
and your hands have molded the dry land.

C: **Come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.**

P: For the Lord is our God,

C: **and we are the people of God's pasture  
and the sheep of God's hand.**

HYMN: "My Lord, What a Morning" ..... # **438**

GREETING

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

BIBLE READING *1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18* Bible, pg. 1840

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*congregation*)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 25: 1-13* Bible, pg. 1540

Say before the reading: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Say after the reading: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON *After the sermon at the 10:30 service, the preacher goes to the Contemporary Service in the Fellowship Hall.*

HYMN: "This Little Light of Mine" ..... # **677**

1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: **Everything old has passed away;  
behold everything has become new!** [2 Cor 5:17]

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.  
Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

*Silence for Reflection*

P: Most Merciful God,

C: **We confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.  
We have sinned against you in thought, word,  
and deed, by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have  
mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead  
us, so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*The pastor announces the words of forgiveness.*

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS & ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION

*Please sign and pass the black registration pads located near center aisle.*

TEMPLE TALK: November Hunger Relief Offering

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Response:* P: ...Lord in Your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER *(together)*

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.

## BENEDICTION

HYMN: "When Peace, Like a River" ..... # **785**

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way;  
when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.

### *Refrain*

It is well (it is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul,)  
it is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

4 Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight,  
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
even so it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

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## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be, live as, and make disciples of Jesus Christ.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **My Lord, What a Morning**

### ***Refrain***

My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

- 1 You will hear the trumpet sound,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. ***Refrain***
- 2 You will hear the sinner cry,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. ***Refrain***
- 3 You will hear the Christian shout,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. ***Refrain***

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