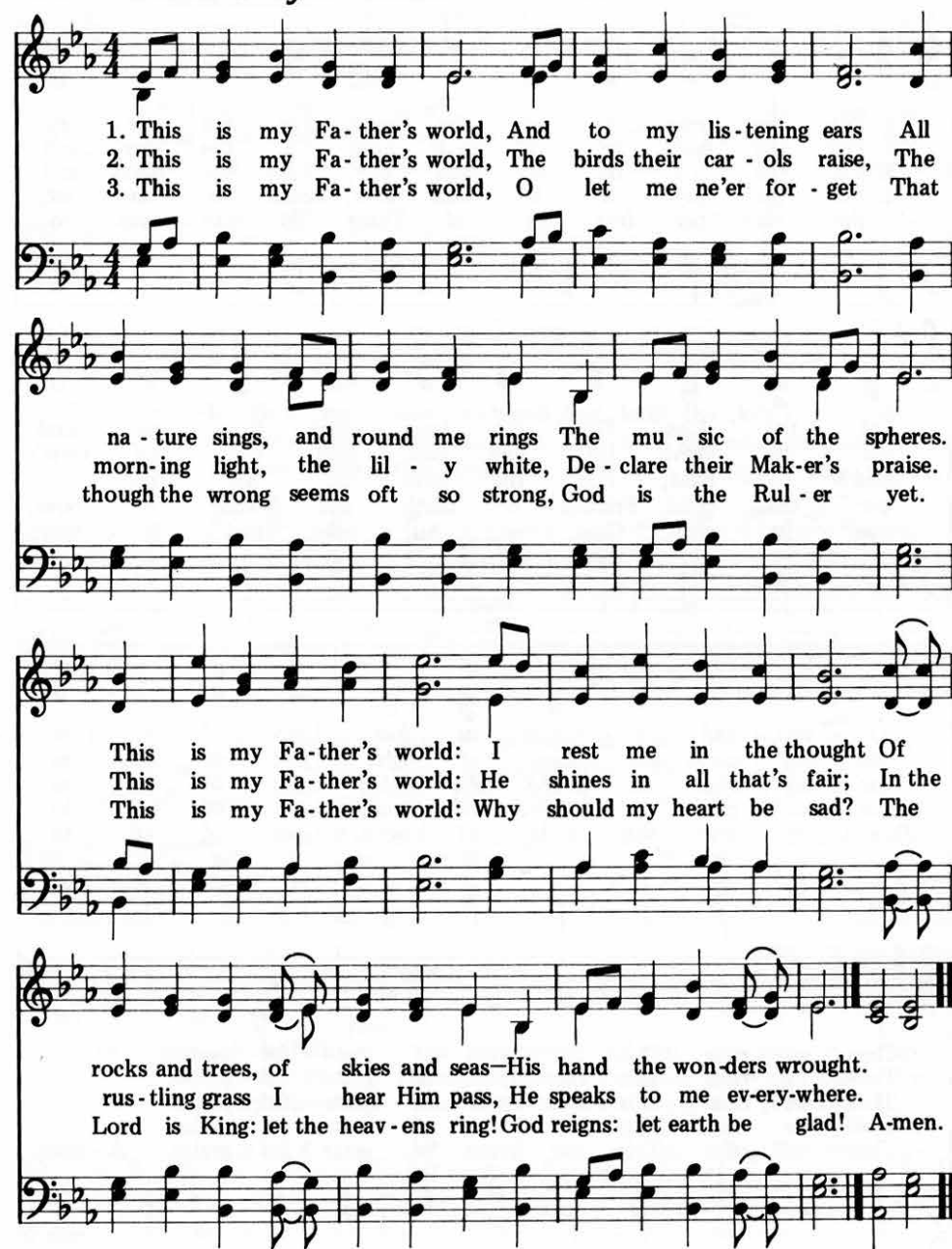


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Organist	Pat Shroff	Hospital Visitor This Week:	Ruth Turner, 717-926-1543
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Hymn Leader, Vocalist	Maureen Logan
Flutist	Shirley Long	Children's Church	Jenn Danielson & Sonya Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist	Sonya Valentino	Greeters	Francy & Bob Lindenmuth
Trumpeter, Pianist	Marcy Garman	Office Administrator	Maureen Logan
Trumpeter	Melanie Leedom	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Lector	Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Responder	Jim Danielson	Visitation Minister	Patricia Strain
		Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Tim Valentino

50 This Is My Father's World



1. This is my Fa-ther's world, And to my lis-tening ears All
 2. This is my Fa-ther's world, The birds their car-ols raise, The
 3. This is my Fa-ther's world, O let me ne'er for-get That

na-ture sings, and round me rings The mu-sic of the spheres.
 morn-ing light, the lil-y white, De-clare their Mak-er's praise.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul-er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world: I rest me in the thought Of
 This is my Fa-ther's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the
 This is my Fa-ther's world: Why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas—His hand the won-ders wrought.
 rus-tling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev-ery-where.
 Lord is King: let the heav-ens ring! God reigns: let earth be glad! A-men.

Call to Worship: **Psalm 24:1-2**

¹The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;

²**for he founded it on the seas
and established it on the waters.**

The Old Testament Lesson: **Daniel 8:15-27**

¹⁵While I, Daniel, was watching the vision and trying to understand it, there before me stood one who looked like a man. ¹⁶And I heard a man's voice from the Ulai calling, "Gabriel, tell this man the meaning of the vision."

¹⁷As he came near the place where I was standing, I was terrified and fell prostrate. "Son of man," he said to me, "understand that the vision concerns the time of the end."

¹⁸While he was speaking to me, I was in a deep sleep, with my face to the ground. Then he touched me and raised me to my feet.

¹⁹He said: "I am going to tell you what will happen later in the time of wrath, because the vision concerns the appointed time of the end. ²⁰The two-horned ram that you saw represents the kings of Media and Persia. ²¹The shaggy goat is the king of Greece, and the large horn between its eyes is the first king. ²²The four horns that replaced the one that was broken off represent four kingdoms that will emerge from his nation but will not have the same power.

²³"In the latter part of their reign, when rebels have become completely wicked, a fierce-looking king, a master of intrigue, will arise. ²⁴He will become very strong, but not by his own power. He will cause astounding devastation and will succeed in whatever he does. He will destroy those who are mighty, the holy people. ²⁵He will cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior. When they feel secure, he will destroy many and take his stand against the Prince of princes. Yet he will be destroyed, but not by human power.

²⁶"The vision of the evenings and mornings that has been given you is true, but seal up the vision, for it concerns the distant future."

²⁷I, Daniel, was worn out. I lay exhausted for several days. Then I got up and went about the king's business. I was appalled by the vision; it was beyond understanding.

The Response: **Psalm 23:1-6** (with Musical Refrain)

¹The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

²**He makes me lie down
in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,
³he refreshes my soul.**

ALL SING:

*Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,
For we need You to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us,
For we need Your strength from day to day.*

He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake.

⁴**Even though I walk
through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.**

ALL SING:

*Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,
For we need You to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us,
For we need Your strength from day to day.*

⁵You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.

**You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.**

⁶Surely your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,

**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.**

ALL SING:

*Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,
For we need You to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us,
For we need Your strength from day to day.*

The New Testament Lesson: **Philippians 4:1-9**

¹Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

²I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Worship in Giving: **Proverbs 3:9-10**

⁹Honor the LORD with your wealth,
with the firstfruits of all your crops;

¹⁰then your barns will be filled to overflowing,
and your vats will brim over with
new wine.

418 Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us

Gen - tle Shep - herd, come and lead us, For we need You to
help us find our way. Gen - tle Shep - herd, come and feed us,
For we need Your strength from day to day.

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William J. Gether, 1974
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439 Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

2. Prayer is the simplest form of speech That infant lips can try; Prayer,
the sublimest strains that reach The Majesty on high. A - men.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The second system ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

WORDS: James Montgomery, 1818
MUSIC: Traditional American melody; arr. Robert G. McCutchan, 1935

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This Kingdom

Jesus, God's righteousness revealed.
The Son of Man, the Son of God
His kingdom comes.
Jesus, redemption's sacrifice,
Now glorified, now justified,
His kingdom comes.

CHORUS

*And this kingdom will know no end,
And its glory shall know no bounds,
For the majesty and power
Of this kingdom's King has come.
And this kingdom's reign,
And this kingdom's rule,
And this kingdom's power and authority,
Jesus, God's righteousness revealed.*

Jesus, expression of God's love.
The Grace of God,
The Word of God revealed to us.
Jesus, God's holiness displayed,
Now glorified, now justified,
His kingdom comes.

REPEAT CHORUS 2X

Jesus, God's righteousness revealed.

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

CHORUS

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

REPEAT CHORUS 1X

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory, whoa!

REPEAT CHORUS 2X

Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are my living hope

I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace 276

1. I know not why God's won-drous grace To me He hath made known,
2. I know not how this sav - ing faith To me He did im - part,
3. I know not how the Spir - it moves, Con - vinc - ing men of sin,
4. I know not when my Lord may come, At night or noon-day fair,

Nor why, un - wor - thy, Christ in love Re - deemed me for His own.
Nor how be - liev - ing in His Word Wrought peace with - in my heart.
Re - veal - ing Je - sus through the Word, Cre - at - ing faith in Him.
Nor if I'll walk the vale with Him, Or "meet Him in the air."

Refrain
But "I know whom I have be - liev - ed, And am per - suad - ed that He is

a - ble To keep that which I've com - mit - ted Un - to Him a - gainst that day."

WORDS: Daniel W. Whittle, 1883
MUSIC: James McGranahan, 1883

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PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH! October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Please take the time to give or send a card or note to Pastor Tim and Sonya, thanking them for all they do throughout the year. There is an envelope in your box of offering envelopes if you wish to make a monetary contribution. Let's show our pastor and his wife how much we appreciate their leadership and shepherding here at Christ Community Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday: MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY Online via Zoom @ 7:00 p.m.

Sundays: SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages @ 9:00 a.m.

MORNING WORSHIP in Dech Chapel @ 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, October 26: WOMEN OF FAITH

@ 7:00 p.m. in the Student Lounge

UPDATE: MEN OF ADVENTURE will not meet on October 12, but will meet on **Thursday, November 9** @ 7:00 p.m. at the Keller home.

Monday, November 13: MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING

7 p.m. in Zinn Commons + Online via Zoom

Saturday, October 28: TRUNK OR TREAT • **WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS**

TO DECORATE THEIR TRUNKS! • Candy donations are greatly

appreciated to help out those who are decorating their cars for Trunk or Treat.

There is a box in the lobby for your donations. All candy must be wrapped.

Sugar free, peanut free and gluten free items are also needed. • Let us know

if you will be decorating a car by signing the sheet in the narthex.

Saturday, November 26: MYERSTOWN HOLIDAY PARADE

- The list of **Sharing Cupboard** current food needs:
- canned vegetables
 - canned fruits
 - crackers (Saltines and other types of boxed crackers)
 - cookies
 - cereal
 - regular items—basically anything will help fill their shelves.

Prayer Requests: If you have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at pastortim@christcomm.church or (484) 269-4313.

SOCTOBER DONATIONS: Jackson Elementary is collecting new items for DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION. Items include: socks, canned food, hats & gloves, blankets, toiletries. Final date for drop off (at the school) is November 1, 2023.