

Sunday, August 10, 2025

Ninth Sunday of Kingdom Time
The Lord's Day

Organ Voluntary & Quiet Reflection	1. Finlandia - Jean Sibelius 2. Stand by Me - Tindley / Hughes	Pat Shroff
Call to Worship	Psalms 104:1-2, 33	Rev. Tim Valentino Shawn Garman
Hymn	48: I Sing the Almighty Power of God	Congregation
Prayer of Adoration		Rev. Tim Valentino
Scripture Readings		
The Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20	Shelley Miller
The Response	Psalms 56:1-13	Shelley Miller/Shawn Garman
The New Testament Lesson	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	Shelley Miller
Worship in Giving	2 Corinthians 9:1-2	Rev. Tim Valentino
Prayer Hymn	396: Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord (v. 2)	Congregation
Prayer Led by Pastor		Rev. Tim Valentino
Praise and Worship	My Soul Will Wait / He Will Keep You	Congregation
Sermon	Singing in the Rain, Part 5: Trusting God through Hostility (Psalms 56:1-13)	Rev. Tim Valentino
Response Hymn	486: The Master Has Come and He Calls Us	Congregation
Benediction		Rev. Tim Valentino
Postlude	With Might and Majesty - Steven Scott	Pat Shroff

Hospital Visitor This Week: Marlin Bohannon, 717-383-11533

Lector	Shelley Miller	Children's Church Leader	Tracy Farmer
Responder	Shawn Garman	Nursery	Julie Barskey & Jennifer Danielson
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Kaye & Dave Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Violin	Rebecca Sorg	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist, Vocalist	Marcy Garman, Sonya Valentino	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Guitar	Scott Auchenbach, Dale Brubaker	Counters, month of August	Shirley Long, Grace Miller
Vocalist	Susie Auchenbach	Director of Buildings & Grounds	Will Robertson
Hymn Leader, Vocalist, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan		

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48 I Sing the Almighty Power of God



1. I sing th'al-might - y pow'r of God That made the moun - tains rise,
2. I sing the good - ness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;
3. There's not a plant or flow'r be - low But makes Thy glo - ries known;

That spread the flow - ing seas a - broad And built the loft - y skies.
He formed the crea - tures with His word And then pro-nounced them good.
And clouds a - rise and tem-pests blow By or - der from Thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or-dained The sun to rule the day;
Lord, how Thy won - ders are dis-played Where-e'er I turn my eye,
While all that bor - rows life from Thee Is ev - er in Thy care,

The moon shines full at His com-mand And all the stars o - bey.
If I sur - vey the ground I tread Or gaze up - on the sky!
And ev - ery-where that man can be, Thou, God, art pres-ent there.

WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1715
MUSIC: Traditional English melody; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
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Call to Worship: Psalm 104:1-2, 33

¹ LORD my God, you are very great;

**you are clothed with
splendor and majesty.**

²The LORD wraps himself in
light as with a garment;

**he stretches out the
heavens like a tent**

³³I will sing to the LORD all my life;

**I will sing praise to my
God as long as I live.**

The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

¹ The vision concerning Judah and
Jerusalem that Isaiah son of Amoz
saw during the reigns of Uzziah,
Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah,
kings of Judah.

¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom;
listen to the instruction of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

¹¹ “The multitude of your sacrifices—
what are they to me?” says the LORD.

“I have more than enough of burnt
offerings, of rams and the fat
of fattened animals;

I have no pleasure in the
blood of bulls and lambs and goats.

¹² When you come to appear before me,
who has asked this of you,
this trampling of my courts?

¹³ Stop bringing meaningless offerings!
Your incense is detestable to me.

New Moons, Sabbaths and convocations—
I cannot bear your worthless
assemblies.

¹⁴ Your New Moon feasts and your
appointed festivals
I hate with all my being.

They have become a burden to me;
I am weary of bearing them.

¹⁵ When you spread out your hands in prayer,
I hide my eyes from you;
even when you offer many prayers,

I am not listening.

Your hands are full of blood!

¹⁶ Wash and make yourselves clean.
Take your evil deeds out of my sight;
stop doing wrong.

¹⁷ Learn to do right; seek justice.
Defend the oppressed. ^r

Take up the cause of the fatherless;
plead the case of the widow.

¹⁸ “Come now, let us settle the matter,”
says the LORD.

“Though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red as crimson,
they shall be like wool.

¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient,
you will eat the good things of the land;

²⁰ but if you resist and rebel,
you will be devoured by the sword.”
For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Response: Psalm 56:1-13 (Responsive)

¹ Be merciful to me, my God,
for my enemies are in hot pursuit;
all day long they press their attack.

² **My adversaries pursue me all
day long; in their pride many
are attacking me.**

³ When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

⁴ In God, whose word I praise—

**in God I trust and am not afraid.
What can mere mortals
do to me?**

⁵ All day long they twist my words;
all their schemes are for my ruin.

⁶ **They conspire, they lurk,
they watch my steps,
hoping to take my life.**

⁷ Because of their wickedness do not let
them escape; in your anger, God,
bring the nations down.

⁸ **Record my misery;
list my tears on your scroll—
are they not in your record?**

⁹ Then my enemies will turn back
when I call for help.
By this I will know that God is for me.

¹⁰ **In God, whose word I
praise, in the LORD,
whose word I praise—**

¹¹ **in God I trust and am not afraid.**
What can man do to me?

¹² I am under vows to you, my God;
I will present my thank offerings
to you.

¹³ **For you have delivered me
from death and my feet
from stumbling,
that I may walk before God
in the light of life.**

The New Testament Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹ Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ² This is what the ancients were commended for.

³ By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. ⁹ By faith he made

his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

¹¹ And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. ¹² And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

¹³ All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. ¹⁴ People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

Worship in Giving: 2 Corinthians 9:1-2

¹ There is no need for me to write to you about this service to the Lord's people. ² For I know your eagerness to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action.

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord 396

2. When I am sad at heart, Teach me Thy way! When earth-ly joys de-part,
Teach me Thy way! In hours of lone-li-ness, In times of
dire dis-tress, In fail-ure or suc-cess, Teach me Thy way! A-men.

WORDS and MUSIC: B. Mansell Ramsey, 1919

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Psalm 62: My Soul Will Wait

When the enemy surrounds
and my heart grows faint within
When the darkness overwhelms
and my fears are pressing in
I will trust in You, O Lord,
in the silence I will wait
I will stand upon Your Word

[CHORUS]

**You're my solid rock
and my salvation
My steadfast hope that
won't be shaken
My soul will wait,
my soul will wait for You**

You're my stronghold and my shield,
in the midst of every threat
Though the wicked never yield,
they will vanish like a breath
Yes, I know the outcome's sure,
Satan's evil plans will fail
In Your power I'm secure

[REPEAT CHORUS]

**You're my comfort when
I feel forsaken
My refuge and my
sure foundation
My soul will wait,
my soul will wait for You**

This is love I can't explain,
this is mercy unreserved
Through Your sacrifice so great,
I have peace that's undeserved
For the battle has been won,
and I fear no shame or loss
Now the sting of death is gone

[REPEAT CHORUS]

[TAG 2X]

Pouring out our hearts
before You
We will trust in You
Perfect Savior, strong defender
We will trust in You

He Will Keep You

I lift my eyes and see,
I need not be afraid
All my help comes
from the Lord
Who the earth and
sky has made

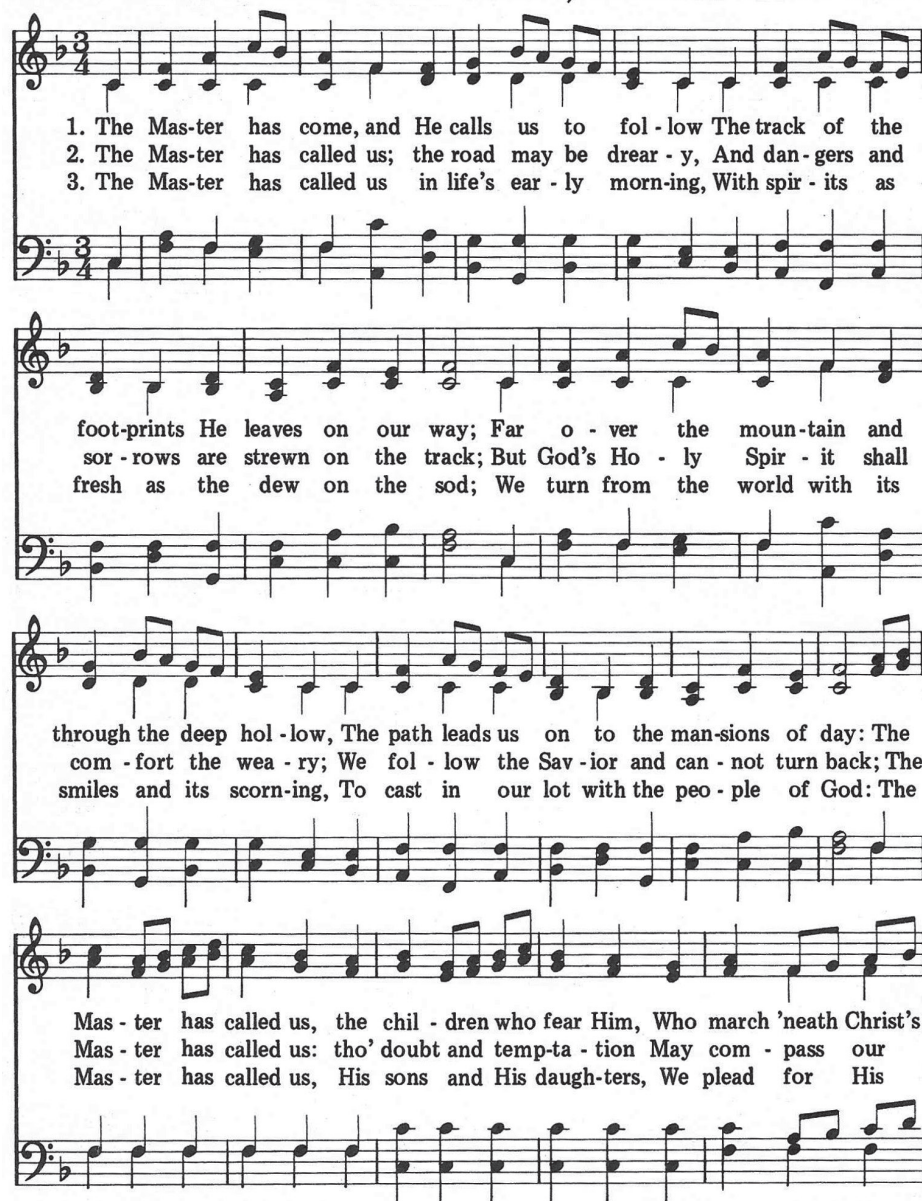
(CHORUS)

**He will keep you
from all evils,
behind you and before
He will sustain you,
through this journey
From now and evermore**

The Lord will never sleep
My steps He has
ordained
For the One who
holds the night
Is the Sovereign
of my days

(REPEAT CHORUS 2X)

486 The Master Has Come, and He Calls Us



1. The Mas-ter has come, and He calls us to fol-low The track of the
 2. The Mas-ter has called us; the road may be drear-y, And dan-gers and
 3. The Mas-ter has called us in life's ear-ly morn-ing, With spir-its as

foot-prints He leaves on our way; Far o-ver the moun-tain and
 sor-rows are strewn on the track; But God's Ho-ly Spir-it shall
 fresh as the dew on the sod; We turn from the world with its

through the deep hol-low, The path leads us on to the man-sions of day: The
 com-fort the wea-ry; We fol-low the Sav-ior and can-not turn back; The
 smiles and its scorn-ing, To cast in our lot with the peo-ple of God: The

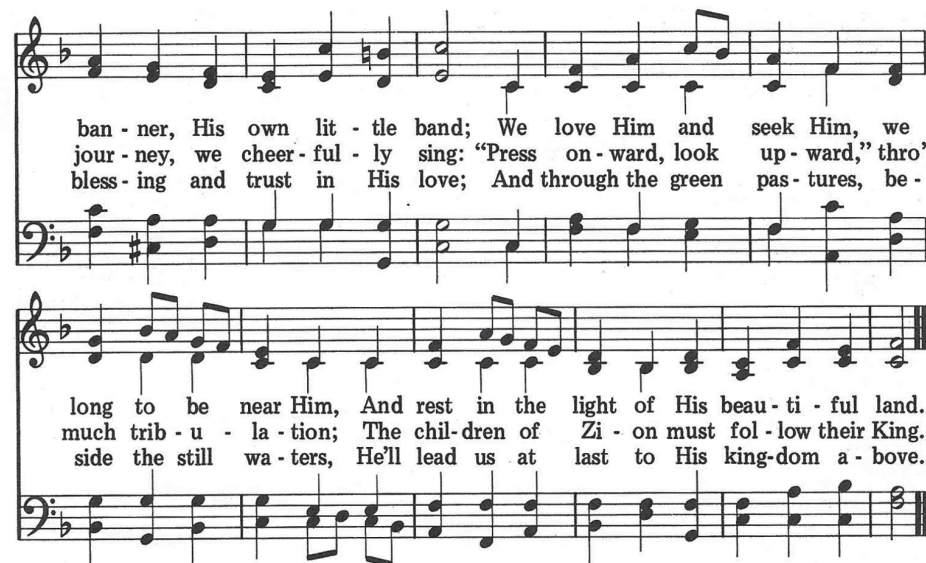
Mas-ter has called us, the chil-dren who fear Him, Who march 'neath Christ's
 Mas-ter has called us: tho' doubt and temp-ta-tion May com-pass our
 Mas-ter has called us, His sons and His daugh-ters, We plead for His

SHARING CUPBOARD NEEDS

- SPAGHETTI SAUCE • CANNED FRUIT
- Soup • Cereal • Snack Foods • Peanut Butter
- Corn • Chips & Pretzels • Cookies & Crackers
- Spaghetti • Liquid & Bar Soap • Toothpaste
- Women's Care Items

PRAYER REQUESTS:

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



ban-ner, His own lit-tle band; We love Him and seek Him, we
 jour-ney, we cheer-ful-ly sing: "Press on-ward, look up-ward," thro'
 bless-ing and trust in His love; And through the green pas-tures, be-

long to be near Him, And rest in the light of His beau-ti-ful land.
 much trib-u-la-tion; The chil-dren of Zi-on must fol-low their King.
 side the still wa-ters, He'll lead us at last to His king-dom a-bove.

WORDS: Sarah Doudney, 1871
 MUSIC: Traditional Welsh melody

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LOOKING AHEAD

* Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex

Monday, August 11 @ 6:30 p.m. MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING • Zinn Commons

Wednesday, August 13 @ 7:00 p.m. MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY • Zoom

Wednesday, August 20 @ 7:00 p.m. BAPTISMAL SERVICE • StoneRidge Retirement Community

THREE-DAY PICNIC AT THE VALENTINO HOUSE

Friday, August 22 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 24 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

221 West Jackson Avenue, Myerstown (Drop in as you are able)

Thursday, August 28 @ noon LUNCH WITH MISSIONARIES*

Missionary guests: Dan & Mary Lynne Wills, from Wycliffe Bible Translators
 • Country Fare Restaurant, Myerstown • Dutch treat

September 7 @ 10:30 a.m. COMMUNION SUNDAY

September 14 @ 9:00 a.m. LECTOR WORKSHOP • Room 210

October 11 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. WOMEN'S RETREAT • Zinn Commons