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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 & 10:30 AM

**Inside Out: Faith Reflections on Big Emotions**

**Fear**

**Blanket Sunday**

*If you are a guest, thank you for worshipping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.*

*We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back of the sanctuary where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!*

*We pray God's blessing upon you. For today's service, we will be using the black hymnal.*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

*Be Not Afraid*

by Wagner

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup> & OPENING HYMN<sup>2</sup>**

**L:** Whenever we feel alone, forgotten, alienated, Jesus reaches out to us to lift us from our fears and loneliness. Our weakness is turned to strength by Jesus' healing touch.

**P:** Our lives rest in the power and love of Jesus. Even though times may get difficult, Jesus is with us, offering hope and power.

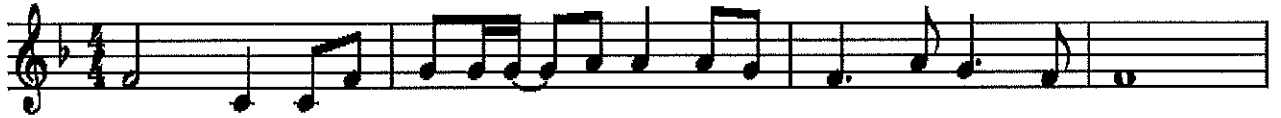
\*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

ALL SING: Thy Word is a Lamp (v. 1, see below)

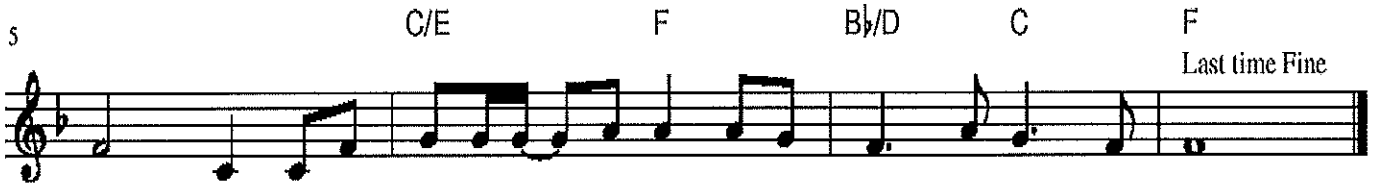
L: May our hearts be filled with love and strength as we respond to God's awesome love for us.

P: May our spirits soar as we are lifted from our anguish to pinnacles of hope through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL SING: Thy Word is a Lamp v. 2, see below)



Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.



Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

VERSE



1. When I feel a-fraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right be -  
2. I will not for-get Your love for me, and yet my heart for-ev-er is



-side me. Noth-ing will I fear as long as You are near.  
wan-der-ing. Je-sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side;



Please be near me to the end. \_\_\_\_\_  
I will love You to the end. \_\_\_\_\_

## \*TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>3</sup>

**ALL:** O God our Shelter and Rock, we far too often forget that you have the ability to take on our fears, to wash them away. We hold onto them so tightly. We spend our day worrying and fretting, forgetting to lay our burdens down at your feet. Forgive us. Help us to welcome you back into our lives. Help us to share our lives with you. Help us to hear your care and concern once again and walk with you in all aspects of our lives. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2218 (FWS, v. 1, see p. 5)

*You Are Mine*

**ALL SING:** I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear. You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be still and know I am here. Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

## BLANKET SUNDAY OFFERING

(10:30 AM) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 482 (black hymnal)

*I Will Lift the Cloud of Night*

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL:** 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

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**SPECIAL MUSIC** (sung by Debbie Butcher)

**OFFERTORY**

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*The Cloud's Veil*

by Lawton

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE (see p. 6)

*Those Who See Light*

**ALL SING:** Those who see light, can walk in the dark. Those who see love can see God. Those who see good in each person they meet, those who look after their neighbors in need, those who believe God's now living in them will see God's return.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 476 (black hymnal)

*How Can I Keep From Singing*

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

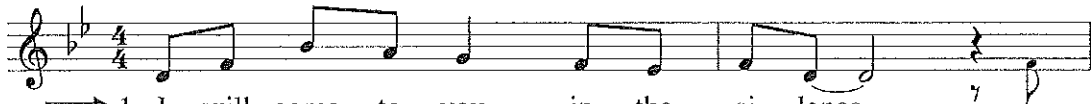
*Abide, O Dearest Jesus*

by Kang-Elert

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# You Are Mine

## Verses



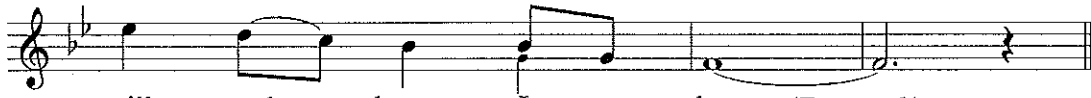
- 1. I will come to you in the si - lence,  
 2. I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
 3. I am strength for all the des - pair - ing,  
 4. am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



- I will lift you from all your fear.  
 I am eyes for all who long to see. In the  
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
 am the peace the world can - not give.



- You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be  
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light,  
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain, stand



- still and know I am here. (To verse 2)  
 come and rest in me. (To refrain)  
 all will know my name. (To refrain)  
 up, now walk, and live! (To refrain)

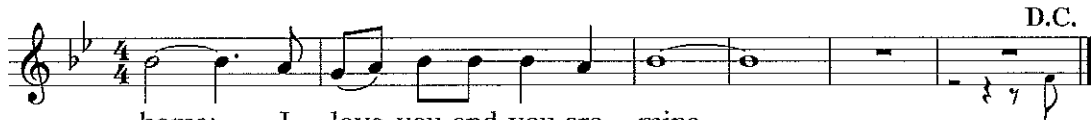
## Refrain



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you



each by name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you



home; I love you and you are mine.

D.C.

4. I

Text: David Haas, b.1957  
 Tune: David Haas, b.1957  
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# WORSHIP CORE PLANNING SESSION

Sun. August 26th at 11:30 AM

Council Liaison: Bonnie Murphy

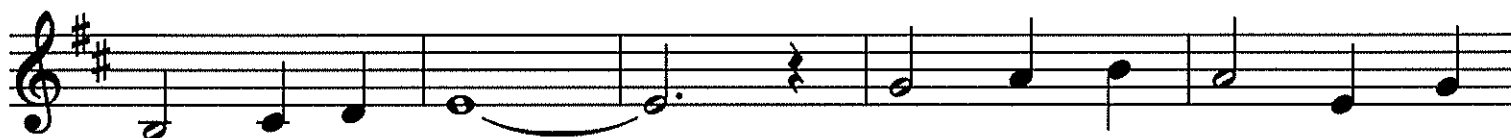
This group will set the worship calendar for 2018-2019, including Messy Church dates, discuss worship themes, continue the discussion around technology in worship, and explore ways to welcome families and children to worship.

## THOSE WHO SEE LIGHT

Nancy Elz



1-3. Those who see light can walk in the dark. Those who see



3. love can see God. Those who see good in each



3. per - son they meet, those who look af - ter their neigh-bors in



3. need, those who be - lieve God's now liv - ing in



3. them will see God's re - turn.

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# NOTES

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One vase of altar flowers is presented in honor of Margie & Darrell Howe's wedding anniversary on August 25th, by Jeff & Nancy Sleeper.

One vase of altar flowers is presented in memory of Grace Abel by Linda, Phil, & Janet Abel.

The bulletins are presented in memory of Josh Mottin and remembering the joy he brought to our lives, by John & Connie Wolfe.

Thank you to Debbie Butcher for providing special music at both services today.

We offer a hearing assistance system called *Listen Technologies*. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

8 AM Worship Tech: Connie Wolfe

8 AM Welcome Team: Dave, Steph, Cora, & Layla Beyer

8 AM Sound Tech: Denny Daugherty

8 AM Video Tech: George DeMers

8 AM Hall Monitor: Pam Minnich

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Lana Fritz

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Cora Beyer

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Video Tech: Jim Firestone

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Guy Wenck

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney & Robin Schriver

10:30 AM Summer Sunday School: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

<sup>1</sup><https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3910/worship-connection-june-5-2016>

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## I Will Lift the Cloud of Night

Charles P. Jones, 1916; alt.

1 I will lift the cloud of night be - fore you, what is  
 2 With an ev - er - last - ing love I'll love you, though with  
 3 Al - though Sa - tan in a rage would tear you, and with  
 4 I will lift the cloud of night be - fore you, I will

wrong I'll make it right be - fore you, all your bat - tles I will  
 tri - als I will test and prove you, still there's noth - ing that can  
 ev - ery win - ning art would snare you, yet from youth to your old  
 make the crook - ed straight be - fore you, I will spread my wings pro -

fight be - fore you, and the high place I'll bring down.  
 hurt or move you; and the high place I'll bring down.  
 age I'll bear you and the high place I'll bring down.  
 tect - ing o'er you; and the high place I'll bring down.

## Refrain

When you walk and lose the way I'll lead you; on the

pro-duce of the land I'll feed you; And a home with-in my heart I'll

deed you; and the high place I'll bring down.

## Out of the Depths I Call

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A New Version of the Psalms of David,  
ed. Nahum Tate and Nicholas Brady, 1696; alt.

Ps. 130

1 Out of the depths I call, to God I send my cry: Oh,  
2 For you my soul still waits with pa-tience un - de - terred; My  
3 My faint-ing spir - it longs for your en - liv - ening ray, More  
4 Let Is - rael trust in God, whose mer-cy bound-less grows, The

hear my sup - pli - ca - ting voice and gra - cious-ly re - ply.  
hopes are on your prom - ise built, your nev - er - fail - ing word.  
ea - ger than the morn - ing watch to greet the dawn-ing day.  
plen-teous source and spring from whom re - demp-tion ev - er flows.

# My Life Flows on in Endless Song

(How Can I Keep from Singing)

Ps. 46:1-7; 1 Cor. 3:21-23; 2 Cor. 5:17

Anon. in *Bright Jewels* for the Sunday School,  
ed. Robert Lowry, 1869; alt.  
St. 3, Doris Plenn, c. 1957

1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam - en -  
2 What though my joys and com - forts die? My Sav - ior still is  
3 When ty - rants trem - ble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells  
4 I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue a -

ta - tion, I hear the sweet, though far - off hymn that  
liv - ing. What though the shad - ows gath - er 'round? A  
ring - ing; When friends re - joice both far and near, how  
bove it; And day by day this path - way smooths, since

hails a new cre - a - tion. Through all the tu - mult  
new song Christ is giv - ing. No storm can shake my  
can I keep from sing - ing? In pris - on cell and  
first I learned to love it. The peace of Christ makes

and the strife, I hear the mu - sic ring - ing; It cont.  
in - most calm, while to that Rock I'm cling - ing; Since next  
dun - geon vile our thoughts to them are wing - ing; When page  
fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing; All

In various nineteenth-century hymnals this hymn was attributed to different poets, including Anna Warner. The earliest published source credits Robert Lowry as the composer, although Silas Vail later claimed the music. The third stanza was written by Doris Plenn in the 1950s when her friends were imprisoned during the McCarthy era.

Tune: ENDLESS SONG 8.7.8.7.D.  
Attrib. to Robert Lowry in *Bright Jewels*  
for the Sunday School, New York, 1869

HYMN NO. 476 - MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG *continued*

COMFORT AND ASSURANCE



finds an ech - o in my soul— how can I keep from sing-ing?  
Love com-mands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?  
friends by shame are un - de - filed, how can I keep from sing-ing?  
things are mine since I am Christ's—how can I keep from sing-ing?

