



Full courage and joy

May 17, 2020

Covenant Presbyterian Church of Chicago
6th Sunday of Eastertide

Prelude by Justin Bowse

Call to Worship, *led by Iva Riggs and Justin Bowse*

from Psalm 147

- Leader: Praise the Lord!
For it is good to sing praises to our God;
All: for he is beautiful, and a song of praise is fitting.
- Leader: He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
**All: He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.**
- Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.
**All: Praise the Lord!
For it is good to sing praises to our God.**

Led by Iva Riggs

1 I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
2 I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;
3 There's not a plant or flower below but makes your glories known,

that spread the flowing seas a-broad and built the lofty skies.
he formed the creatures with his word and then pronounced them good.
and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne;

I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
Lord, how your wonders are displayed wherever I turn my eye,
while all that borrows life from you is ever in your care,

the moon shines full at his command and all the stars obey.
if I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky!
and everywhere that I may be, you, God, are present there.

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of six systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are placed between the vocal and bass lines of each system.

I Sing the Mighty Power of God, Words: Isaac Watts, 1715. Music: Gesangbuch der H. W. K. Hofkapelle, 1784

Confession of Sin

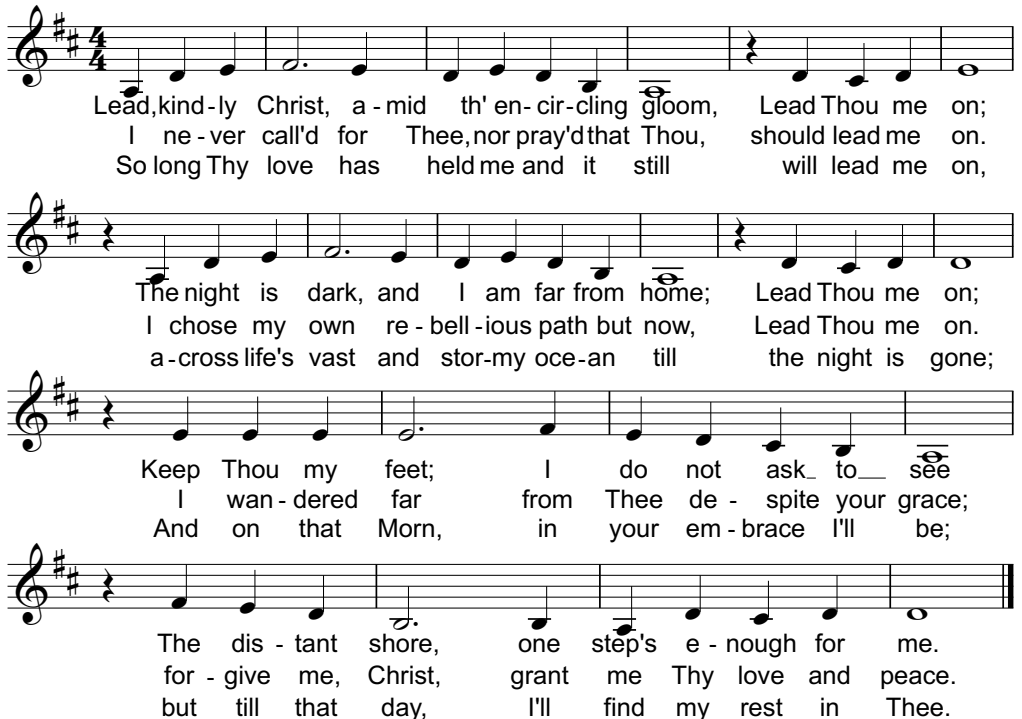
Leader: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age. *Titus 2:11-12*

A prayer for confession:

Loving God,
You were victorious on that first Easter morning, and you are victorious now.
You conquered the grave and made a way for peace with us.
Yet we confess our unbelief.
We confess our anxious hearts and minds.
Help us in our unbelief.
Forgive us our sins.
Help us to rest in you and your mercy,
for through the cross and resurrection of your Son, you redeemed us and made us whole.
Amen.

Silent time to pray and confess

All: Sing to Confess



Lead, kind-ly Christ, a-mid th' en-cir-cling gloom, Lead Thou me on;
I ne-ver call'd for Thee, nor pray'd that Thou, should lead me on.
So long Thy love has held me and it still will lead me on,
The night is dark, and I am far from home; Lead Thou me on;
I chose my own re-bell-ious path but now, Lead Thou me on.
a-cross life's vast and stor-my oce-an till the night is gone;
Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
I wan-dered far from Thee de-spite your grace;
And on that Morn, in your em-brace I'll be;
The dis-tant shore, one step's e-nough for me.
for-give me, Christ, grant me Thy love and peace.
but till that day, I'll find my rest in Thee.

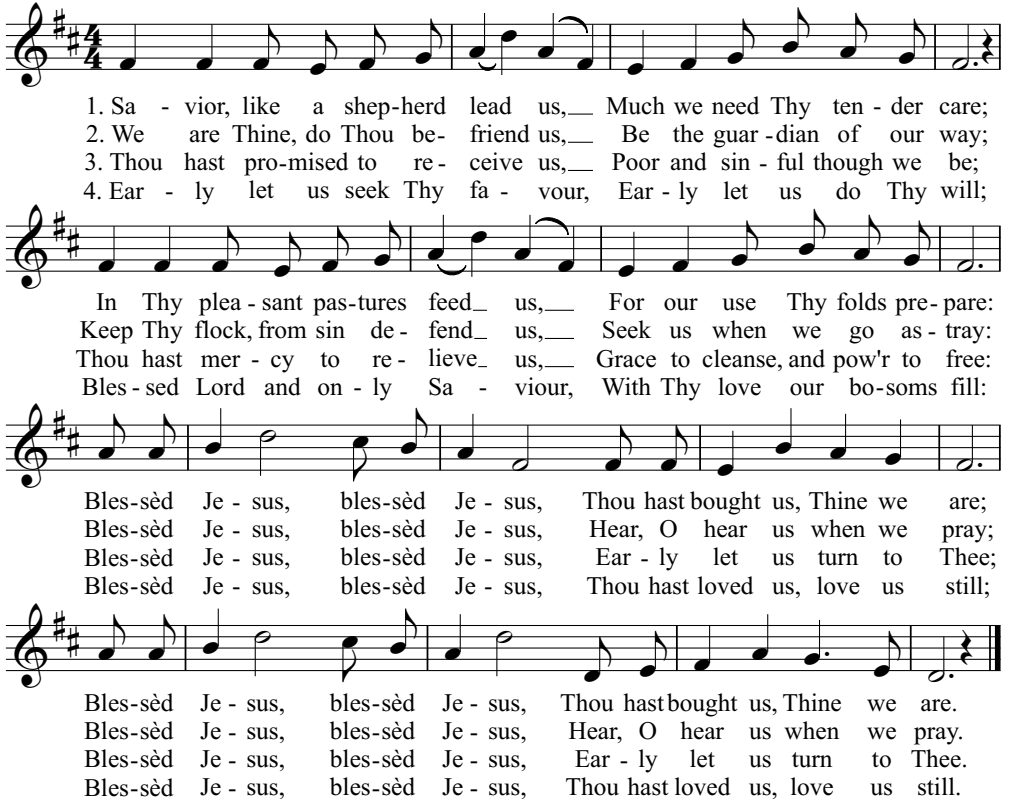
Lead Kindly Christ, Words based on John Newman Text, 1833; Based on a tune by John Bacchus Dykes, 1865.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: We wait for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.
Titus 2:13-14

led by Kevin Jones

All:



1. Sa - vior, like a shep-herd lead us, — Much we need Thy ten - der care;
2. We are Thine, do Thou be- friend us, — Be the guar - dian of our way;
3. Thou hast pro-mised to re- ceive us, — Poor and sin - ful though we be;
4. Ear - ly let us seek Thy fa - vour, Ear - ly let us do Thy will;

In Thy plea - sant pas-tures feed_ us, — For our use Thy folds pre- pare:
Keep Thy flock, from sin de- fend_ us, — Seek us when we go as - tray:
Thou hast mer - cy to re - lieve_ us, — Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:
Bles - sed Lord and on - ly Sa - viour, With Thy love our bo-soms fill:

Bles-sèd Je - sus, bles-sèd Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Bles-sèd Je - sus, bles-sèd Je - sus, Hear, O hear us when we pray;
Bles-sèd Je - sus, bles-sèd Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to Thee;
Bles-sèd Je - sus, bles-sèd Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;

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Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us, Dorothy Thrupp 1836, music, William Bradbury, 1859

Lessons from the Word *read by Jake Lane*

Old Testament Lesson -
Gospel Lesson -

Isaiah 45.22-23
Mark 10.35-45

Reader: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

The Word

Pastor Aaron Baker
Humility of God, Philippians 2.1-11

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayers of the People



1. Peace, per - fect peace. In our dark world of sin,
2. Peace, per - fect peace. By thron - ing du - ties pressed,
3. Peace, per - fect peace. With sor - rows surg - ing round,
4. Peace, per - fect peace. Our fu - ture's all un - known,
5. Peace, per - fect peace. Death clings to us and ours,



your blood, Lord Je - sus, whis - pers peace with - in. _____
to do your will, oh Je - sus, this is rest. _____ *to chorus*
be - neath your sha - dow, on - ly calm is found. _____
but you we know, our Sav - ior on the throne. _____ *to chorus*
yet you have van - quished death and all its powers. _____ *to chorus*



Peace, per-fect peace, ___ it is e - nough. Lord Je - sus, give us peace. ___

Peace, Perfect Peace: Words, Edward Bickersteth, 1875; Music and addl. words, Paul van der Bijl, 2020

Prayers for our community, our city, and our world led by Fernando Kim

Leader: Lord in your mercy

All: **Hear our Prayer**

**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, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen

Announcements in our community

Go With Joy



1. What hope we have, e-ven in the long-est night, for the
2. What peace we have, e-ven in this wound ed world where the
3. What joy we have, for the stone is rolled a - way, and the
4. What hope we have, e-ven in the long-est night, for the



light will o - ver come.____ We will not fear, for we know the
bat - tle ra - ges on.____ We will not fear, for we know who
tomb holds no-thing now.____ No sting of death, no pow'r o - ver
light will o - ver come.____ And we shall live; sin - ners, we will



sun will rise. Hal-le - lu - jah is our song.____
heals our souls. Hal-le - lu - jah is our song.____ Hal-le-
sin or grave. Hal-le - lu - jah is our song.____
rise to saints. Hal-le - lu - jah is our song.____



lu - jah, hal-le - lu - jah! He is ri-sen o - ver all. Hal-le-



lu - jah, hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah is our song.

Hallelujah is Our Song, Words and Music by Sarah Hart, 2013

Leader: **Benediction**

Romans 15:5-7 May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.