

# THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER

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- . God told the disciples: "This is my Son... Listen to him" (Mark 9:7).  
Welcome to worship, where we pause intentionally to listen to Jesus.

## 6th Sunday after Epiphany Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024

11:00 AM

### Silent Preparation for Worship

We might never see Jesus in the shining brilliance  
that some disciples witnessed (Mark 9:2-9).

But, God, help us recognize him in the dazzling light of love  
poured out selflessly among neighbors.

### Welcome

\* *Hymn of Praise #561* - "Since Jesus Came into My Heart"

\* *Call to Worship: (responsively)*

It is good that we should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.

**THE SECRET OF THE LORD IS WITH THOSE WHO LOVE HIM: AND THE LORD WILL  
SHOW THEM HIS COVENANT AND SHARE HIS GRACE.**

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in all things.

**WE WILL LIFT UP OUR VOICES IN PRAISE UNTO GOD, OUR REDEEMER. OUR  
GATHERING TODAY IS AN EXPRESSION OF OUR WORSHIP AND TRUST, OUR  
HOPE AND OUR RELIANCE UPON GOD WHO PROVIDES US WITH ALL GOOD  
GIFTS. IN HIM, WE HAVE EVERYTHING. AMEN.**

\* *Prayer of Praise and Adoration*

\* *Confession of Faith - Apostles' Creed* (#622 in hymnal), page 5 on this PDF

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O GOD, CREATOR OF US ALL, WE CONFESS TO YOU THAT OFTEN WE FAIL TO FORWARD YOUR KINGDOM IN THIS WORLD. DO WE HELP TO ALLEVIATE THE SUFFERING OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS? MANY TIMES WE FALL SHORT OF HELPING TO HEAL THE HURTS OF OTHERS. WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE YOU FOR OUR PAST NEGLECTS AND NOW ASK FOR YOUR MERCY AND FORGIVENESS. WE HAVE MANY SHORTCOMINGS. BE GRACIOUS TO US. GIVE US GREATER PASSION FOR YOUR WILL IN OUR LIVES. MAKE US READY AND DILIGENT, BY OUR PRAYERS, OUR GIFTS AND OUR EXAMPLES, TO SPREAD THE PROMISE OF YOUR TRUTH AND LOVE. OFTEN OUR LOVE IS NARROW. ENLARGE THE BOUNDARIES OF YOUR KINGDOM WITHIN US. MAY THE LOVE OF CHRIST CONSTRAIN US AND MAY WE DO ALL TO YOUR GLORY. AMEN.

### Announcements

\* *Hymn of Preparation #532 - "He Touched Me"*

*Epiphany Theme: "Jesus Is the Light of the World!"*

*Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-12 (vv.1-3,7-9,10-12)*

*Mark 9:2-9 (vv.2-4,5-7,8-9)*

*Sermon: "Jesus is the Light of the World: Who Was Transfigured to Transform Us!"*

### Lord's Prayer

\* *Doxology (#39)*

\* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

\* *Prayer*

\* *Closing Hymn #544 - "Something Beautiful"*

\* *Choral Benediction: "Shalom to You" (congregation)*

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

\* *Benediction (Pastor)*

## Church of the Master Ministries

<b>Sunday</b>	11:00 AM	<b>Worship Service</b> (Holy Communion celebrated on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month)
<b>Monday</b>	5:00-9:00 PM	Bushiken Karate
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 PM	<b>Online Bible study:</b> Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	5:00-9:00PM	Bushiken Karate
<b>Thursday</b>	7:30 PM	Women's Alcoholic Anonymous
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 PM	<b>"Hour of Prayer Power"</b> virtual meeting
		The conference call-in number is 605-475-4860, code - 371231#
<b>Saturday</b>	12:00 noon	<b>Online Bible study:</b> Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	9:30AM-1:00PM	Bushiken Karate

## MINISTRY OF PRAYER

“Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer”

### The Prayer List

Our prayers reflect a wonderful and whole-hearted commitment to intercessory prayer by this congregation. Each name will remain on the prayer list for 3 weeks.

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

Prayers for Those with Special Needs:

Diane \* Anne Dowling \* Jerry Kempf \* Jane Maze \* Donald Zuvich

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Naomi Shapiro \* Barbara \* Skip Adams \* Deanna \* Loretta Byrd & Wendy \* Terry Mahon \* Leon Stinson \* Aunt Betty \* Diante \* Stephanie Leeder \* Virginia & Joe Smith \* John Almodovar \* Ellen McCullough \* Peter Koys \* Ethan \* Carole Mahon \* Olga Caldera \* Damon George Hayden \* Allen Ford \* Alice & Alex Rivera \* Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers \* Rosa Stewart \* LouEllen Crowley \*  
People with COVID

Prayers for Those Dealing with Turmoil or Family Difficulties:

Shapiro family \* Dorothy \* Sharon Alexander \* Damon & Alex and family \* Jay & family \* Delgado family \* Wintress \* Domina \* Denise Waldron \* Byrd family \* Kiera & Avery & Martz family \* Tyler, Nicole & Jackson \* Ed Reidy & family \* All caregivers \* everyone battling addictions

Prayers For Those Seeking Direction:

Zechariah \* Diante Stinson \* Corey Streeter \* young adults

Prayers for Those Seeking Employment:

Nick \* Alex Ingram \* Terry Mahon

Prayers for World Concerns:

An end to the war between Russia & Ukraine and the Middle East conflict \* An end to all the violence \* Peace and healing in our community and the nation \* COVID patients, families & all healthcare workers \* All first responders \* Our country's safety \* The future of our churches \* Our President and his administration \* Pastor Sohail Latif and his congregation in Pakistan \* Worldwide conflicts \* Sean Reidy & Katie Mahon and all active duty members & their families

Prayers for the families & friends of those who have died:

**PRAYERS FOR THE GROWTH OF CHURCH OF THE MASTER:**

**Lord, please send people through our doors with whom we can share the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.**

## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

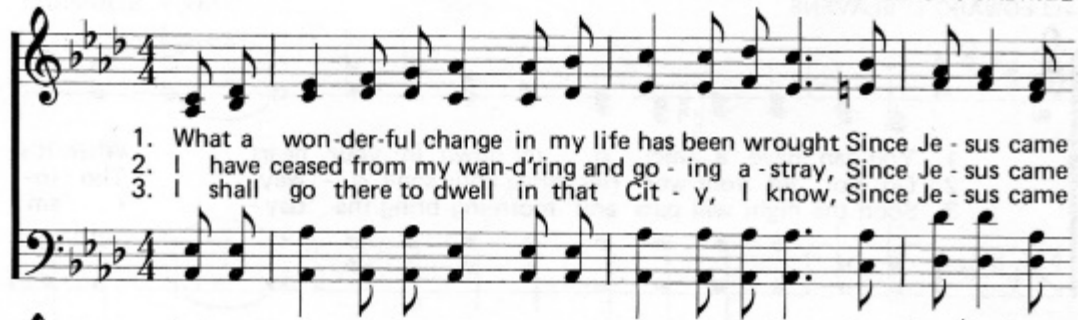
### CHURCH OF THE MASTER MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a Christ-centered community church united in prayer and loving Christian fellowship, Bible teaching and preaching Christ crucified, risen and coming again.*

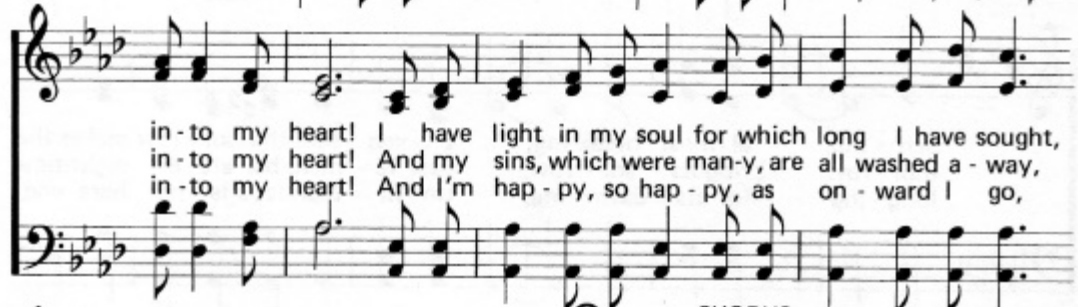
# Since Jesus Came into My Heart — 561

RUFUS H. McDANIEL

CHARLES H. GABRIEL



1. What a won-der-ful change in my life has been wrought Since Je - sus came  
2. I have ceased from my wan-d'ring and go - ing a - stray, Since Je - sus came  
3. I shall go there to dwell in that Cit - y, I know, Since Je - sus came

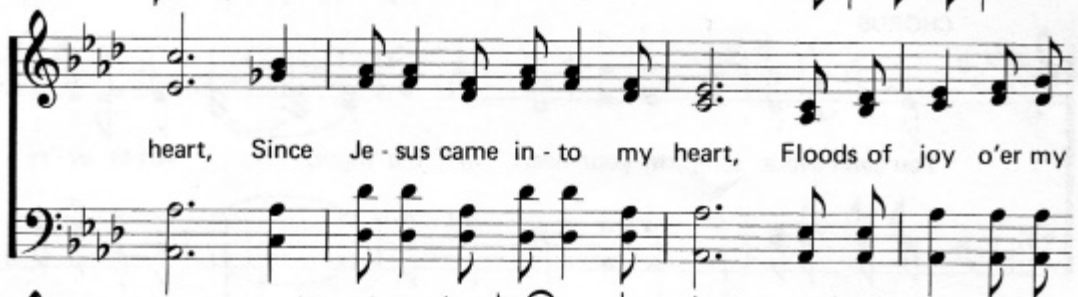


in - to my heart! I have light in my soul for which long I have sought,  
in - to my heart! And my sins, which were man-y, are all washed a - way,  
in - to my heart! And I'm hap - py, so hap - py, as on - ward I go,

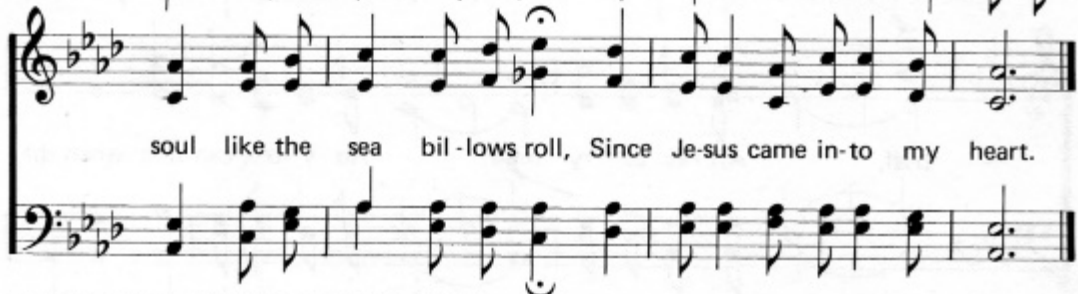


CHORUS

Since Je - sus came in - to my heart! Since Je - sus came in - to my



heart, Since Je - sus came in - to my heart, Floods of joy o'er my



soul like the sea bil - lows roll, Since Je - sus came in - to my heart.

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# The Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

# 532 — He Touched Me

WILLIAM J. GAITHER

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1. Shack- led by a heav - y bur - den, 'Neath a load of  
2. Since I met this bless - ed Sav - ior, Since He cleansed and

guilt and shame— Then the hand of Je - sus touched me,  
made me whole, I will nev - er cease to praise Him—

And now I am no long - er the same. He touched me, O He  
I'll shout it while e - ter - ni - ty rolls.

touched me, And O the joy that floods my soul! Some-thing

happened, and now I know He touched me and made me whole.

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## 2 Kings 2:1-12 (vv. 1-3, 7-9, and 10-12)

### Mark 9:2-9 (vv. 2-4, 5-7, and 8-9)

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup>The company of prophets<sup>[a]</sup> who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

<sup>4</sup>Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup>The company of prophets<sup>[b]</sup> who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.” <sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on.

<sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the company of prophets<sup>[c]</sup> also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. <sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.”

<sup>10</sup>He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” <sup>11</sup>As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup>Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one<sup>[a]</sup> on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

<sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings,<sup>[b]</sup> one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved;<sup>[c]</sup> listen to him!”

<sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

# Something Beautiful — 544

GLORIA GAITHER

WILLIAM J. GAITHER

Some-thing beau-ti - ful, some- thing good— All my con-

The first system of music consists of a vocal line in the treble clef and a bass line in the bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line begins with a quarter rest, followed by a half note chord (F4, B-flat4), a quarter note chord (G4, B-flat4), a quarter note chord (A4, C5), and a quarter note chord (B-flat4, D5). The bass line begins with a quarter rest, followed by a half note chord (F3, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (G3, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (A3, C4), and a quarter note chord (B-flat3, D4).

fu - sion He un-der - stood; All I had to of-fer Him was

The second system of music continues the vocal and bass lines. The vocal line has a quarter note chord (B-flat4, D5), a quarter note chord (C5, B-flat4), a quarter note chord (B-flat4, A4), a quarter note chord (A4, G4), and a quarter note chord (G4, F4). The bass line has a quarter note chord (F3, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (G3, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (A3, C4), a quarter note chord (B-flat3, D4), and a quarter note chord (C4, B-flat3).

bro-ken-ness and strife, But He made some - thing beau-ti-ful of my life.

The third system of music concludes the vocal and bass lines. The vocal line has a quarter note chord (F4, B-flat4), a quarter note chord (G4, B-flat4), a quarter note chord (A4, C5), a quarter note chord (B-flat4, D5), a quarter note chord (C5, B-flat4), a quarter note chord (B-flat4, A4), a quarter note chord (A4, G4), and a quarter note chord (G4, F4). The bass line has a quarter note chord (F3, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (G3, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (A3, C4), a quarter note chord (B-flat3, D4), a quarter note chord (C4, B-flat3), a quarter note chord (B-flat3, A3), a quarter note chord (A3, G3), and a quarter note chord (G3, F3).

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