

THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER

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Welcome, guests and members, to worship and Christian fellowship!
Thank you for being here, adding your voice to the others in prayer and praise.

1st Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025

11:00 AM

Silent Preparation for Worship

All week we face trials and temptations, Lord.
During this worship service, strengthen us to meet the days ahead,
relying on your goodness in our lives.

Welcome

** Hymn of Praise #426 - "Yield Not to Temptation"*

** Call to Worship: (responsively)*

Those who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord:

MY REFUGE AND MY FORTRESS; MY GOD IN WHOM I TRUST,

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord,

I WILL PROTECT THOSE WHO KNOW MY NAME.

When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble.

I WILL RESCUE THEM AND HONOR THEM, AND SHOW THEM

MY GRACE AND SALVATION.

** Prayer of Praise and Adoration*

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

Call to Confession

MOST MERCIFUL GOD, WHOSE SON JESUS CHRIST WAS TEMPTED IN EVERY WAY, YET WITHOUT SIN, WE CONFESS BEFORE YOU THAT WE HAVE SINNED. WE HAVE HUNGERED AFTER THAT WHICH DOES NOT SATISFY; WE HAVE COMPROMISED WITH EVIL; WE HAVE DOUBTED YOUR POWER TO PROTECT US. FORGIVE OUR LACK OF FAITH. HAVE MERCY ON OUR WEAKNESS. RESTORE IN US SUCH LOVE AND TRUST THAT WE MAY WALK IN YOUR WAYS AND DELIGHT IN DOING YOUR WILL. LEAD US THROUGH THESE FORTY DAYS OF LENT WITH HEARTS THAT KNOW THE PROMISE OF YOUR GRACE AND THE NEW LIFE THAT COMES FROM THE CROSS OF CHRIST. AMEN

Announcements

* *Hymn of Preparation #359 - "Gude Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

Lent Theme: "Bread of Life!"

Scripture: Deut. 26:1-11 (vv.1-3,4-6.9-11)

Luke 4:1-13 (vv.1-3,4-6,7-10,11-13)

Sermon- "Jesus Is the Bread of Life and the Living Bread!"

* *Doxology (#39)*

* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

* *Prayer*

* *Closing Hymn #556 - "Jesus Is All the World to Me"*

* *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)*

* Please stand if able

Church of the Master Ministries

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

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Kevin Martz * Janet (friend of Mahon family) * Beverly Morrison * Jack McCarrick * Robert Solimando * Cynthia * Karen * John T * Novella Thomas * Michael Campinello * Michele * Jeff * Michael * Devell * Anthony * Adam-Troy * Patti Zeig & John * Stephanie * Rev. Singletary * Connie * Pat Lynam * Carole Mahon * Loretta Byrd & Wendy * Diante Damon George Hayden * Allen Ford * Alice & Alex Rivera * Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers * Rosa Stewart

Prayers for Those Dealing with Turmoil or Family Difficulties:

Washington family * Cheryl & family * Jay Escobar & family * Close friends of the Bungerts * Sharon Alexander * Damon & Alex and family * Wintress * Byrd family * Kiera & Avery & Martz family * Tyler, Nicole & Jackson * All caregivers * everyone battling addictions

Prayers For Those Seeking Direction/Needing God's Presence in Their Lives:

Elvis Frias Sr. & Theresa * Devell * Zachariah Bungert * Diante Stinson * Corey Streeter * young adults

Prayers for Those Seeking Employment:

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 * The President and his administration * Pastor Sohail Latif and his congregation in Pakistan * Worldwide conflicts * Sean Buckley & Katie Mahon and all active duty members & their families

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

Ellen McCullough *

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.

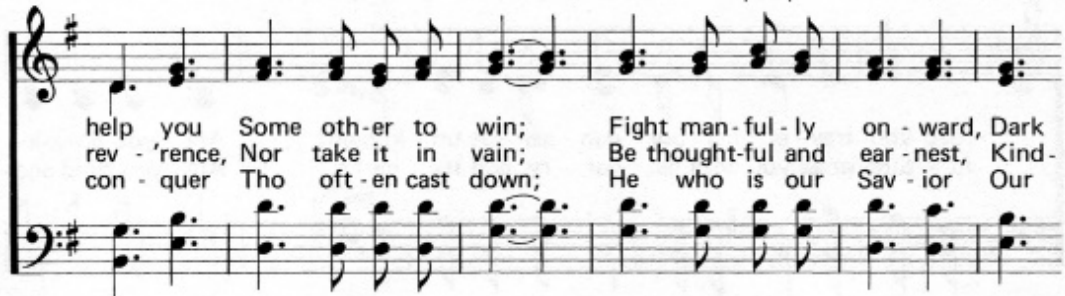
Yield Not to Temptation — 426

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1. Yield not to temp - ta - tion, For yield-ing is sin— Each vic - t'ry will
 2. Shun e - vil com - pan - ions, Bad lan - guage dis - dain, God's name hold in
 3. To him that o'er - com - eth God giv - eth a crown, Thru faith we will

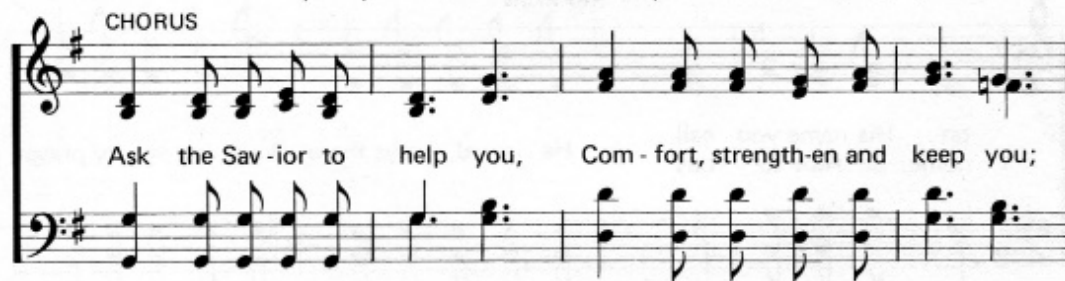


help you Some oth - er to win; Fight man - ful - ly on - ward, Dark
 rev - 'rence, Nor take it in vain; Be thought - ful and ear - nest, Kind -
 con - quer Tho oft - en cast down; He who is our Sav - ior Our

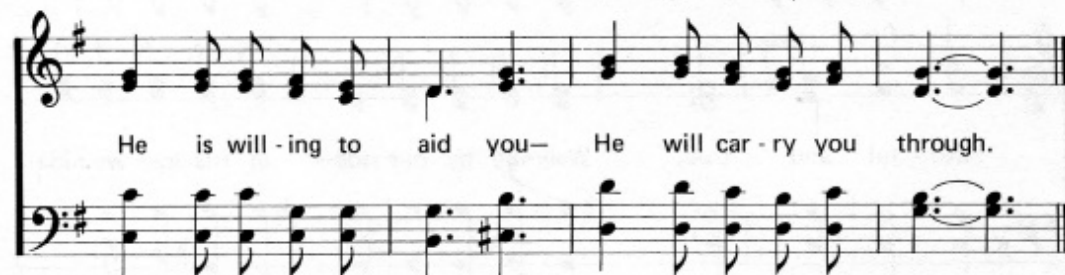


pas - sions sub - due, Look ev - er to Je - sus— He'll car - ry you through.
 heart - ed and true, Look ev - er to Je - sus— He'll car - ry you through.
 strength will re - new, Look ev - er to Je - sus— He'll car - ry you through.

CHORUS



Ask the Sav - ior to help you, Com - fort, strength - en and keep you;



He is will - ing to aid you— He will car - ry you through.

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CHALLENGE

The Apostle's Creed

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

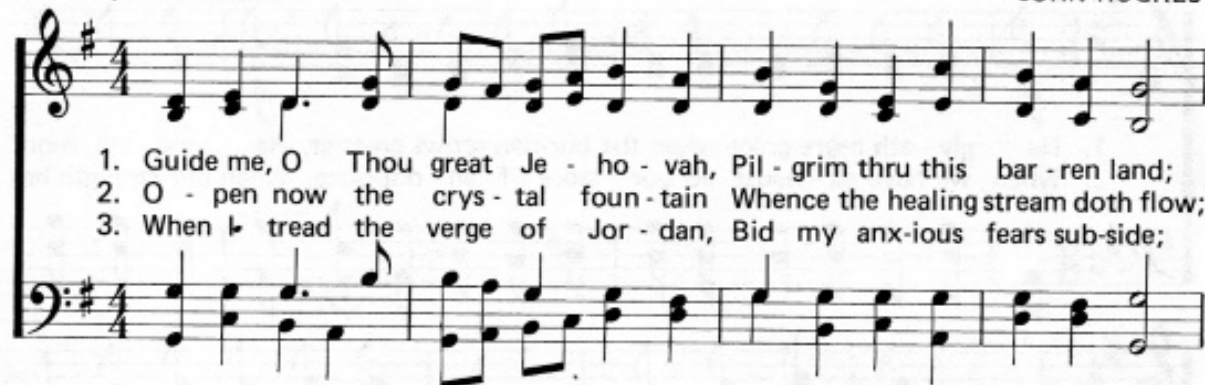
**And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand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

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah — 359

WILLIAM WILLIAMS
Trans. by Peter Williams

JOHN HUGHES



1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim thru this bar - ren land;
2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the healing stream doth flow;
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;



I am weak, but Thou art might - y— Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand:
Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me all my jour - ney thru:
Bear me thru the swell - ing cur - rent, Land me safe on Ca - naan's side:



Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
Strong De - liv - 'rer, strong De - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more, (want no more,) Feed me till I want no more.
shield, (strength and shield,) Be Thou still my strength and shield.
Thee, (give to Thee,) I will ev - er give to Thee.*

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

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GUIDANCE AND CARE

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 (vv. 1-3, 4-6, 9-11)

Luke 4: 1-13 (vv. 1-3, 4-6, 7-10, 11-13)

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, “Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.”

⁴ When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵ you shall make this response before the LORD your God: “A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us,

⁷ we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸ The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders;

⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.” You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹ Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³ The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.”

⁴ Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” ⁵ Then the devil ^[a] led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And the devil ^[b] said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please.

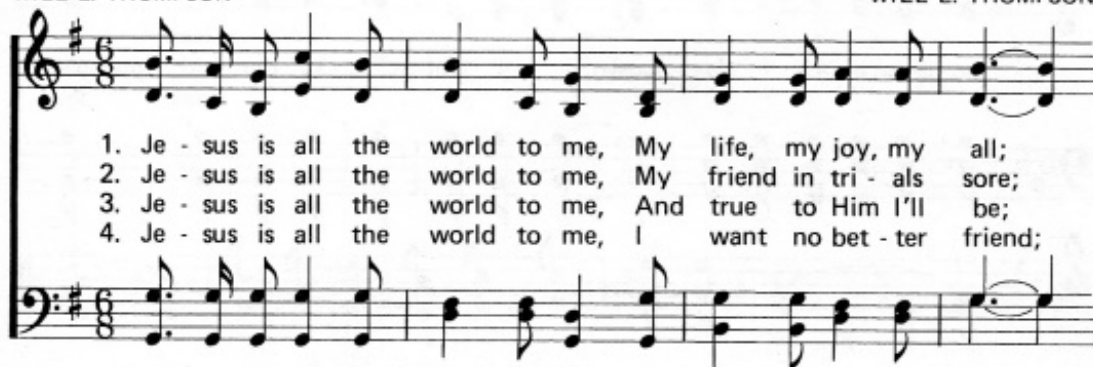
⁷ If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸ Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” ⁹ Then the devil ^[c] took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’

¹¹ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” ¹² Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

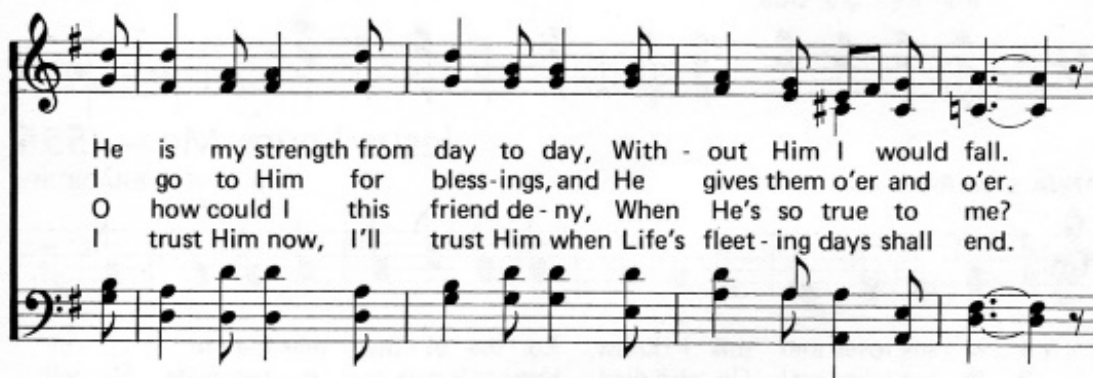
556 — Jesus Is All the World to Me

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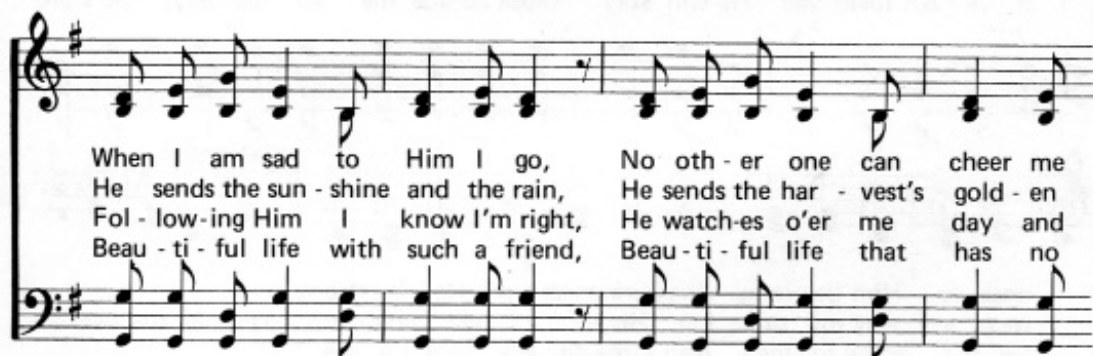
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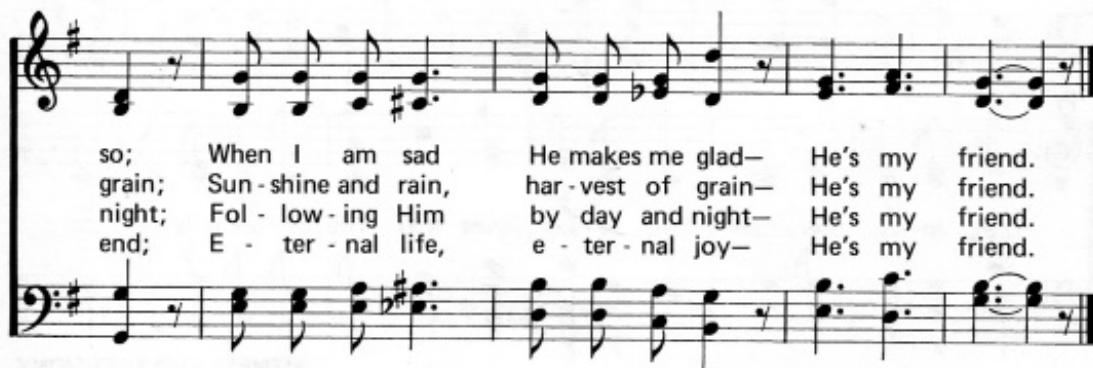
1. Je - sus is all the world to me, My life, my joy, my all;
 2. Je - sus is all the world to me, My friend in tri - als sore;
 3. Je - sus is all the world to me, And true to Him I'll be;
 4. Je - sus is all the world to me, I want no bet - ter friend;



He is my strength from day to day, With - out Him I would fall.
 I go to Him for bless - ings, and He gives them o'er and o'er.
 O how could I this friend de - ny, When He's so true to me?
 I trust Him now, I'll trust Him when Life's fleet - ing days shall end.



When I am sad to Him I go, No oth - er one can cheer me
 He sends the sun - shine and the rain, He sends the har - vest's gold - en
 Fol - low - ing Him I know I'm right, He watch - es o'er me day and
 Beau - ti - ful life with such a friend, Beau - ti - ful life that has no



so; When I am sad He makes me glad— He's my friend.
 grain; Sun - shine and rain, har - vest of grain— He's my friend.
 night; Fol - low - ing Him by day and night— He's my friend.
 end; E - ter - nal life, e - ter - nal joy— He's my friend.

WITNESS AND TESTIMONY