

# *THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER*

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*“Hallelujah! Welcome to worship as we come together  
to praise our living Savior! Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!”*

## *2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

*April 7, 2024*

*11:00 AM*

### *Silent Preparation for Worship*

*Risen Christ, thank you for sharing new life with me.*

*My heart praises you!*

### *Welcome*

*\* Hymn of Praise #548 - “Glory to His Name”*

*\* Call to Worship: (responsively)*

*Christ is risen!*

**CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!**

*Make a joyful noise, all you lands.*

**SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS AND COME BEFORE THE LORD WITH  
SINGING.**

*Know that the Lord is God, it is He who made us and not we ourselves. We are his people  
and the sheep of his pasture.*

**ENTER INTO HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING, AND INTO HIS COURTS WITH  
PRAISE.**

*Be thankful to him and bless his name.*

**FOR THE LORD IS GOOD AND HIS MERCY IS EVERLASTING AND HIS TRUTH  
ENDURES TO ALL GENERATIONS. 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)

HOW EASY IT IS, O GOD, TO FALL BACK INTO OUR OLD WAYS, OUR OLD LIVES. WE FORGET HOW REMARKABLE IT IS TO SEE THE RISEN CHRIST. WE TAKE FOR GRANTED THAT ANOTHER WEEK HAS PASSED, AND WE REMAIN IN COMFORTABLE ROUTINES. HAVE WE SPENT THIS TIME SINCE EASTER AS CHANGED AS WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN? OR HAVE WE NEGLECTED EASTER LIFE BECAUSE DAILY LIFE BECKONS SO STRONGLY? FORGIVE US WHEN WE FORGET WHAT EASTER MEANS FOR EVERYTHING WE DO. HELP US TO RECOGNIZE YOUR VOICE AND LISTEN FOR YOUR WORDS THAT DIRECT US TO WHERE WE CAN SERVE. ENABLE US TO DO THE WORK YOU SET BEFORE US. AMEN.

### Announcements

\* *Hymn of Preparation #398 - "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"*

*Easter Theme: "Resurrection Hope!"*

*Scripture: Isaiah 25:6-9*

*Luke 24:13-32 (vv.13-15,16-18,19-21,22-24,25-28,29-32)*

*Sermon- "Resurrection Hope: We Need Jesus to Walk with Us!"*

\* *Doxology (#39)*

\* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

\* *Prayer*

*Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion*

*Lord's Prayer*

\* *Closing Hymn #227 - "At the Cross"*

\* *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

<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:

Melanie Muzsik \* Connie \* Pat Lynam \* Mr. Lacosia \* Marva Taitt \* Sandra McPherson \* Carole Mahon \* Naomi Shapiro \* Loretta Byrd & Wendy \* Terry Mahon \* Diante \* Ellen McCullough \* Peter Koys \* Ethan \* 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:

Close friends of the Bungerts \* Stephanie \* Jessica and Julian \* 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

We have received our new assessment bill in the amount of \$1,980 for 2024. Each member's share is \$110 for the year, or \$27.50 per quarter. Please help us with our quarterly payments by contributing your membership fee.

### 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.*

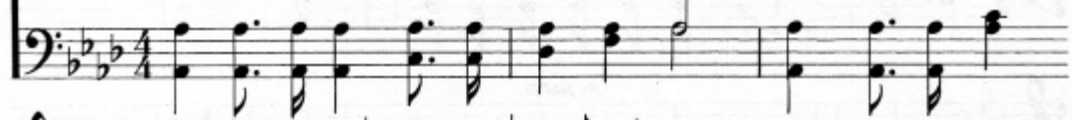
# Glory to His Name — 548

ELISHA A. HOFFMAN

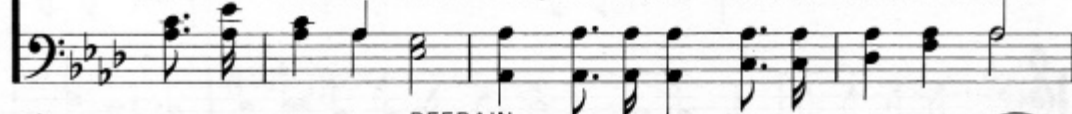
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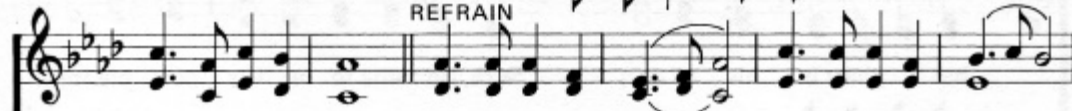
1. Down at the cross where my Sav - ior died, Down where for cleans -
2. I am so won - drous - ly saved from sin, Je - sus so sweet -
3. O pre - cious foun - tain that saves from sin, I am so glad
4. Come to this foun - tain so rich and sweet, Cast thy poor soul



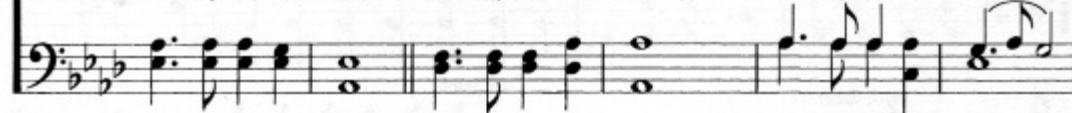
ing from sin I cried, There to my heart was the blood ap - plied -  
ly a - bides with - in; There at the cross where He took me in -  
I have en - tered in; There Je - sus saves me and keeps me clean -  
at the Sav - ior's feet; Plunge in to - day and be made com - plete -



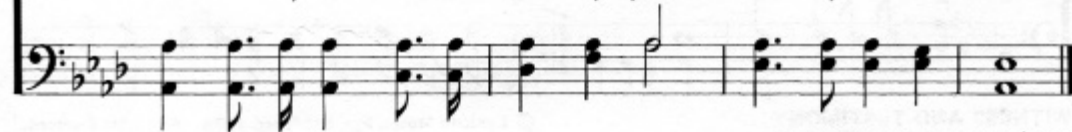
## REFRAIN



Glo - ry to His name. Glo - ry to His name, Glo - ry to His name;



There to my heart was the blood ap - plied - Glo - ry to His name.



WITNESS AND TESTIMONY

# 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.**

# 398 — Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Traditional  
Adapted by N. J.

Traditional Spiritual  
Arr. by Norman Johnson



1. I am weak but Thou art strong— Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
2. Thru this world of toil and snares, If I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
3. When my fee - ble life is o'er, Time for me will be no more;

Chorus Just a clos - er walk with Thee— Grant it, Je - sus, if you please;



*D.C. for Chorus*

I'll be sat - is - fied as long As I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.  
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.  
On that bright e - ter - nal shore I will walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.  
Dai - ly walk - ing close to Thee— Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.



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## Isaiah 25:6-9

### Luke 24:13-32 (vv. 13-15, 16-18, 19-21, 22-24, 25-28 and 29-32)

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup> And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup> It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles<sup>[a]</sup> from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them,

<sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad.<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?”

<sup>19</sup> He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth,<sup>[c]</sup> who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.<sup>[d]</sup> Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

<sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.”

<sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah<sup>[e]</sup> should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.

<sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us<sup>[f]</sup> while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”

# THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Meaning of the Sacrament,  
The Invitation  
Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you  
**AND ALSO WITH YOU**  
Lift up your hearts!

**WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**FOR IT IS HOLY AND RIGHT TO DO SO**

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord our Creator, almighty and everlasting God! You created heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty. You have given us life and being, and preserve us by your providence. But you have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you we praise and bless you, O God. With your whole Church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD OF HOSTS! HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY, HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST! BLESSED IS HE THAT COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD, HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!**

(A short period of silence and the prayer continues)

## Sharing the Bread & Sharing the Cup

### Thanksgiving after Communion

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
**AND ALL THAT IS WITHIN ME, BLESS GOD'S HOLY NAME**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
**AND FORGET NOT ALL GOD'S BENEFITS**

who forgives all your iniquity,  
**WHO HEALS ALL YOUR DISEASES**

who redeems your life from the Pit,  
**WHO CROWNS YOU WITH STEADFAST LOVE AND MERCY**

The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
**SLOW TO ANGER AND ABOUNDING IN STEADFAST LOVE**

God does not deal with us according to our sins,  
**NOR REQUIRE US ACCORDING TO OUR INIQUITIES**

for as the heavens are high above the earth,  
**SO GREAT IS GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE TOWARD THOSE WHO FEAR HIM**

as far as the east is from the west,  
**SO FAR DOES GOD REMOVE OUR TRANSGRESSIONS FROM US**

as a father pities his children,  
**SO THE LORD PITIES THOSE WHO FEAR HIM**

God did not spare His only son, but gave him up for us all,  
and will also give us all things with Him.

**THEREFORE SHALL MY MOUTH AND HEART SHOW FORTH THE PRAISE OF THE LORD, FROM THIS TIME FORTH FOREVERMORE. AMEN.**



# 227 — At the Cross

ISAAC WATTS

Chorus—Ralph E. Hudson

RALPH E. HUDSON

1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed? And did my Sov - 'reign die?  
2. Was it for crimes that I have done He groaned up - on the tree?  
3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide And shut his glo - ries in,  
4. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay The debt of love I owe:

Would He de - vote that sa - cred head For such a worm as I?  
A - maz - ing pit - y! grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!  
When Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died For man the crea - ture's sin.  
Here, Lord, I give my - self a - way—'Tis all that I can do!

## CHORUS

At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light And the

bur - den of my heart rolled a - way— It was there by faith

I re - ceived my sight, And now I am hap - py all the day!

CHRIST: HIS PASSION