

# *THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER*

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*Wherever two or three people gather in Christ's name,  
he is present (Mattheew 18:20)*

*We dedicate our time together to his glory, Welcome*

## *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

*May 3, 2026*

*11:00 AM*

### *Silent Preparation for Worship*

*"As the eunuch was open to Philip's teaching about the Scriptures  
(see Acts 8:30-38), may I be open to your Word today, Lord God.*

### *Welcome*

*\* Hymn of Praise #122 - "Standing on the Promises"*

*\* Call to Worship: (in unison)*

**THE GRACE OF GOD WAS GIVEN TO US IN CHRIST JESUS BEFORE THE  
BEGINNING OF TIME. BUT IT HAS NOW BEEN REVEALED THROUGH THE  
APPEARING OF OUR SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST, WHO HAS DESTROYED DEATH  
AND HAS BROUGHT LIFE AND IMMORTALITY TO LIGHT THROUGH THE  
GOSPEL. IT IS THIS GRACE AND FAITH WE PROCLAIM AND HOLD ON TO.  
IT IS THIS GOD AND SAVIOR WE WORSHIP. LET US PRAISE AND ADORE OUR  
LIVING LORD. 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)*

WE CONFESS TO YOU, GREAT LOVER OF ALL CREATION, THAT WE HAVE FAILED TO LOVE YOU WITH OUR WHOLE BEING. WE HAVE BEEN SEDUCED BY THE THINGS OF THIS WORLD AND HAVE LET THEM GUIDE OUR LIVES INSTEAD OF YOU. WE HAVE Poured OUT OUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS THAT COULD NEVER SATISFY. WE HAVE FAILED TO LOVE AND CARE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS AS WE DO OURSELVES. WE HAVE IGNORED MANY IN NEED AND WE HAVE HATED OUR ENEMIES. WE HAVE FAILED TO UNDERSTAND THAT ALL HUMANITY IS OUR NEIGHBOR. FORGIVE US AND BY THE POWER OF YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, RESTORE IN US A NEVER-FAILING LOVE OF YOU AND OF OUR NEIGHBORS. AMEN.

### *Announcements*

\* *Hymn of Preparation #227 - "At the Cross"*

*Easter Theme: "Resurrection Hope!"*

*Scripture: Psalm 31:1-5,15-16 (vv.1-3,5,15-16)*

*1 Peter 2:2-10 (vv.2-4,5-7,8-10)*

*Sermon- "Resurrection Hope: Total Trust in God for A Chosen Generation, A Royal Priesthood and A Peculiar People!"*

\* *Doxology (#39)*

\* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

\* *Prayer*

*Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion*

*Lord's Prayer*

\* *Closing Hymn #321 - "It Is Well with My Soul"*

*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)
	12:00 PM	<b>"Hour of Prayer Power"</b> in Hahn Hall.
<b>Monday</b>	5:00-9:00 PM	Bushiken Karate
<b>Tuesday:</b>	6:45 PM	<b>Bible Study Fellowship (Men's Group)</b> - contact Ed Bungert, <a href="mailto:zajdml@optimum.net">zajdml@optimum.net</a>
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 PM	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	5:00-9:00PM	<b>Bushiken Karate</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	7:30 PM	Women's Alcoholic Anonymous
<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:

Casey \* Diane \* Anne Dowling \* Jerry Kempes \* Jane Maze \* Donald Zuvich

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Jeannie \* Ed Bungert \* William Bungert \* Catherine Gomez \* Mark Cintron \* Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers \* Regina Harvey \* Danielle \* Lynn Koester \* Maryann Miletto \* Elder Ron Rivera \* Denise Reidy \* Carole Mahon \* Pat \* Rev. Liz Brantum \* Frank Font \* Sharon Alexander \* Rosa Stewart \* Gene Peterson \* Damon Hayden \* Janet (friend of Mahon family) \* Beverly Morrison \* Patti Zeig \* Rev. Singletary \* Connie \* Loretta Byrd & Wendy \* Diante \* Allen Ford \* Alice & Alex Rivera \*

Prayers for Those Dealing with Turmoil or Family Difficulties:

Cintron family \* LaTaya Stinson family \* Pat's family \* Heather \* Donny & Carolyn Rosemond \* Nancy & Gene Peterson \* Barbara \* Jay Escobar & family \* Sharon Alexander \* Damon & Alex and family \* Wintress \* Kiera & Avery & Martz family \* Tyler, Nicole & Jackson \* All caregivers \* everyone battling addictions

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

Heather \* Zachariah Bungert \* Ed & Marnie Reidy and their sons \* Elvis Frias Sr. & Theresa \* 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 war with Iran \* An end to all the violence \* Peace and healing in our community and the nation \* 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:

Maryann's brother, Thomas Miletto

**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've paid this quarter's Assessment bill. Each member is assessed for \$137.00. We ask that you help us make these assessment payments by including the amount along with your weekly offering. You can pay quarterly, \$34.25, if you wish.

### 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,*

# 122 — Standing on the Promises

R. KELSO CARTER

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1. Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of Christ my King, Thru e - ter - nal  
 2. Stand-ing on the prom-is - es that can - not fail When the howl-ing  
 3. Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of Christ the Lord, Bound to Him e -  
 4. Stand-ing on the prom-is - es I can - not fall, Lis - t'ning ev - 'ry

a - ges let His prais - es ring! Glo - ry in the high - est I will  
 storms of doubt and fear as - sail; By the liv - ing word of God I  
 ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord, O - ver - com - ing dai - ly with the  
 mo - ment to the Spir - it's call, Rest - ing in my Sav - ior as my

CHORUS

shout and sing— Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God.  
 shall pre - vail— Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God. Stand-ing,  
 Spir - it's sword— Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God.  
 all in all— Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God.

stand - ing, Stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God my Sav - ior;

Stand - ing, stand - ing, I'm stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God.

# 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.**

# 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

## Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 (vv. 1-3, 4, 15-16)

### 1 Peter 2: 2-10 (vv. 2-4, 5-7, 8-10)

In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;  
do not let me ever be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.

<sup>2</sup> Incline your ear to me;  
rescue me speedily.

Be a rock of refuge for me,  
a strong fortress to save me.

<sup>3</sup> You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,

<sup>4</sup> take me out of the net that is hidden for me,  
for you are my refuge.

<sup>5</sup> Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful  
God.

<sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand; deliver me from  
the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

<sup>16</sup> Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.

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<sup>2</sup> Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup> Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and

<sup>5</sup> like living stones, let yourselves be built<sup>[a]</sup> into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him<sup>[b]</sup> will not be put to shame.”

<sup>7</sup> To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,  
“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,”

<sup>8</sup> and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people,<sup>[c]</sup> in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

<sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

# 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 REQUITE 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.**

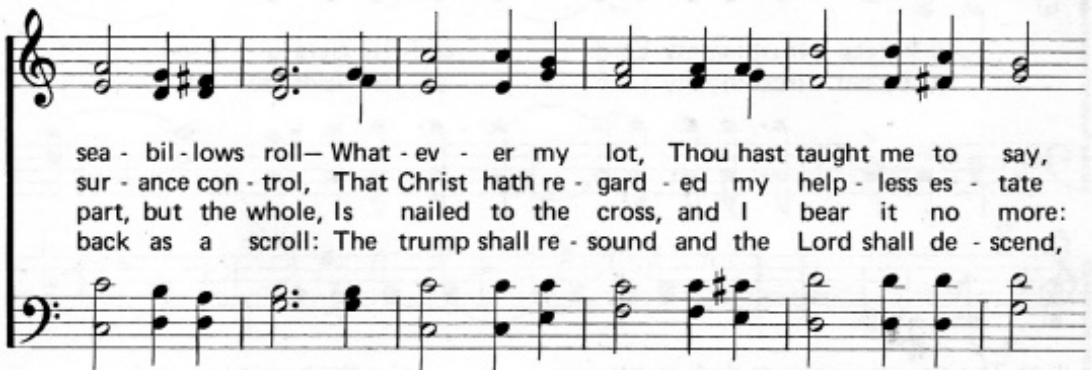
# It Is Well with My Soul — 321

HORATIO G. SPAFFORD

PHILIP P. BLISS



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, When sor - rows like  
2. Tho Sa - tan should buf-fet, tho tri - als should come, Let this blest as -  
3. My sin— O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous tho't— My sin, not in  
4. And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled

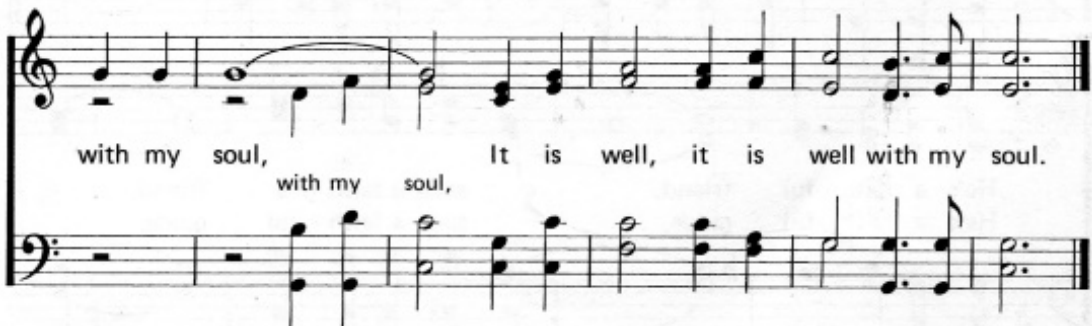


sea - bil-lows roll— What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate  
part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:  
back as a scroll: The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,



CHORUS

It is well, it is well with my soul. -  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. It is well  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well  
"E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.



with my soul, with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

ASSURANCE AND TRUST