

THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER

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We welcome all who have come to glorify God through worship.

May our spirits reach out to God and to one another in love.

We are glad that you are here.

5th Sunday After Pentecost

July 13, 2025

10:00 AM

Silent Preparation for Worship

*As summer rains fall from heaven, ripening grass, flowers and crops,
so God's word comes down from heaven, producing abundant harvests in our lives.*

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Welcome

** Hymn of Praise #319 - "Blessed Assurance"*

** Call to Worship: (in unison)*

O GOD OUR SAVIOR, THE HOPE OF ALL, EVEN OF THOSE WHO ARE THE
FARTHEST AWAY FROM YOU: BY YOUR POWER, YOU FORMED THE MOUNTAINS,
AND BY YOUR STRENGTH, YOU CALMED THE SEAS. YOU STILL THE CHAOS AND
TURMOIL IN OUR HEARTS AND LIVES AND RELATIONSHIPS. AWESOME AND
WONDERFUL YOU ARE! EVERY MORNING AS THE SUN RISES, EVERY EVENING
AS THE DAY FADES INTO NIGHT, ALL CREATION IS DRAWN INTO SONG,
DECLARING YOUR BEAUTY, GLORY AND LOVE. WE JOIN THAT SONG IN
WORSHIP AND PRAISE! THANKS BE TO YOU, O GOD. 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 STRUGGLE TO FIND A PLACE OF HUMILITY IN OUR HEARTS, O GOD. MAY YOU AID US IN OUR TRUE CONFESSION THIS DAY. YOU PROMISE TO LOVE, WE RESPOND BY WORSHIPPING IDOLS. YOU PROMISE US YOUR PRESENCE, WE RESPOND BY ATTEMPTING TO CONTROL. YOU PROMISE US NEW LIFE, WE RESPOND BY FOLLOWING OLD WAYS. FORGIVE US.

TEACH US TO BE MINDFUL OF OUR MOTIVES. TEACH US TO BECOME OUR TRUE SELVES. TEACH US TO WORSHIP YOU, NOT SELF OR POSSESSIONS OR PRESTIGE. TEACH US TO BE YOUR CHILDREN, LIVING IN YOUR IMAGE OF GRACE AND LOVE. FOR THESE ARE THINGS JESUS TEACHES US, AND THESE ARE THE VERY THINGS WITH WHICH WE STRUGGLE. WE REPENT, HOLY GOD. REDEEM US YET AGAIN. IN THE ASSURANCE OF YOUR FORGIVENESS, WE GIVE THANKS FOR YOUR GRACE AND LOVE FOR US! AMEN.

Announcements

- * *Hymn of Preparation #381 - "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"*

Pentecost Theme: "Pentecost Power from On High!"

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:9-14 (vv.9-11,12-14)

Luke 10:25-37 (vv.25,26-28,29-31,32-34,35-37)

Sermon- "Pentecost Power from On High: Reminds Us the Word of God is Very Near to Us and We Should Go and Do Likewise Unto Our Neighbors According to God's Word!"

Lord's Prayer

- * *Doxology (#39)*
- * *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*
- * *Prayer*
- * *Closing Hymn #395 - "Close to Thee"*
- * *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
	5:00-9:00PM	Bushiken Karate
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:

Jean * Terry Mahon * Gene Peterson * Mary Beasley * Jean * Don's neighbor * Nancy * Damon Hayden * Nicky * Tommy * Cynthia * Janet (friend of Mahon family) * Beverly Morrison * Robert Solimando * John T * Michael Campinello * Patti Zeig & John * Stephanie * Rev. Singletary * Connie * Pat Lynam * Carole Mahon * Loretta Byrd & Wendy * Diante * Allen Ford * Alice & Alex Rivera * Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers * Rosa Stewart

Prayers for Those Dealing with Turmoil or Family Difficulties:

Nancy & Gene Peterson * Barbara * Jay Escobar & family * Close friends of the Bungerts * 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:

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

Prayers for Those Seeking Employment:

Zachariah Bungert

Prayers for World Concerns:

Concerns for job security for Federal workers * 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 * 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:

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.

Blessed Assurance — 319

FANNY J. CROSBY

PHOEBE P. KNAPP

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light! Vi - sions of rap - ture now
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion—all is at rest, I in my Sav - ior am

glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,
 burst on my sight; An - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove
 hap - py and blest; Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

CHORUS
 Born of His Spir - it, washed in His blood.
 Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. This is my sto - ry,
 Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love.

this is my song, Prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; This is my

sto - ry, this is my song, Prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

ASSURANCE AND TRUST

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.**

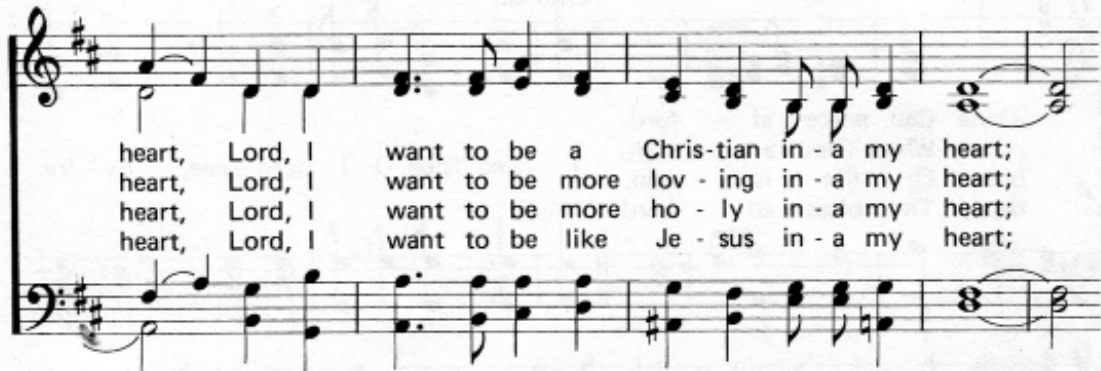
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Traditional

Traditional Spiritual



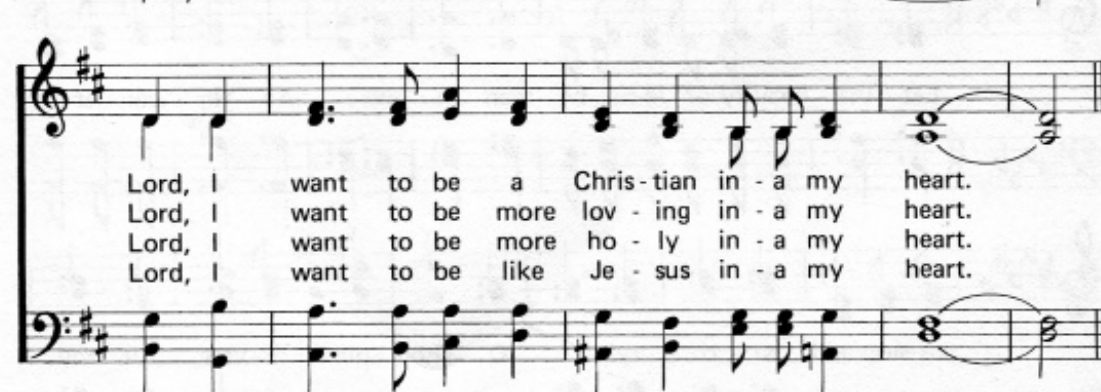
1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in-a my heart, in-a my
 2. Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in-a my heart, in-a my
 3. Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in-a my heart, in-a my
 4. Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in-a my heart, in-a my



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 heart, Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in-a my heart;
 heart, Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in-a my heart;
 heart, Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in-a my heart;



In-a my heart, In-a my heart,
 In-a my heart, In-a my heart,



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 Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in-a my heart.
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ASPIRATION

Deuteronomy 30: 9-14 (9-11, 12-14)

Luke 10:25-37 (vv. 25, 26-28, 29-31, 32-34 and 35-37)

⁹ Then the LORD your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The LORD will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your ancestors, ¹⁰ if you obey the LORD your God and keep his commands and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law and turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹ Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach.

¹² It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, “Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?” ¹³ Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, “Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?” ¹⁴ No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. ^[i] “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” ²⁷ He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰ Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

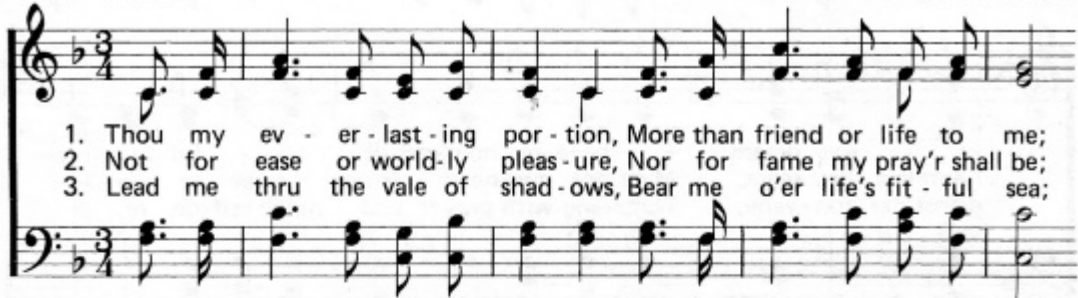
³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, ^[k] gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” ³⁷ He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Close to Thee — 395

FANNY J. CROSBY

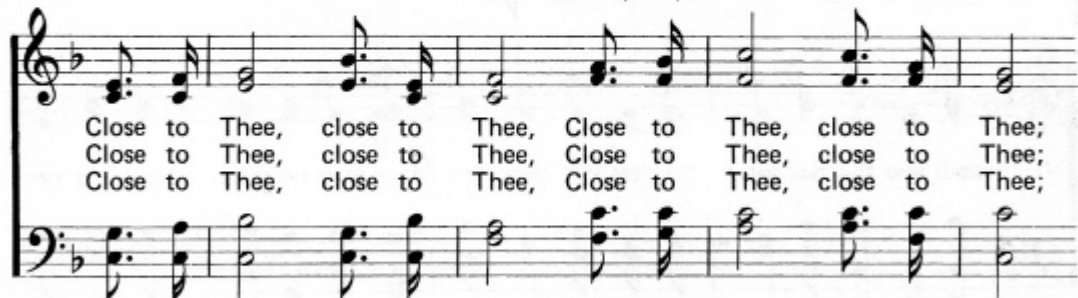
SILAS J. VAIL



1. Thou my ev - er - last - ing por - tion, More than friend or life to me;
 2. Not for ease or world - ly pleas - ure, Nor for fame my pray'r shall be;
 3. Lead me thru the vale of shad - ows, Bear me o'er life's fit - ful sea;



All a - long my pil - grim jour - ney, Sav - ior, let me walk with Thee.
 Glad - ly will I toil and suf - fer, On - ly let me walk with Thee.
 Then the gate of life e - ter - nal May I en - ter, Lord, with Thee.



Close to Thee, close to Thee, Close to Thee, close to Thee;
 Close to Thee, close to Thee, Close to Thee, close to Thee;
 Close to Thee, close to Thee, Close to Thee, close to Thee;



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