

THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER

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*Welcome to the Church of the Master as we gather for worship
and Christian fellowship this morning.*

*When the disciples told Jesus about their ministry, he urged them,
"Come away...and rest awhile" (Mark 6:31).*

Welcome to a time and place away from life's busyness. Rest - and worship!

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 19, 2026

10:00 AM

Silent Preparation for Worship

*I pray for other worshipers here today. You know their needs and burdens, Jesus.
If I can help someone, show me what to do. Amen.*

Welcome

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

** Call to Worship: (responsively)*

God invites us into the sanctuary of the divine presence.

WE ENTER WITH AWE AND DEVOTION TO MEET TOGETHER WITH GOD.

This is a safe place where we know we are loved.

WE FEEL THE PRESENCE OF GOD'S SPIRIT AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD'S PEOPLE.

Here God invites us to look honestly at our own lives.

WE TRUST GOD'S LOVE AND OPEN OUR HEARTS TODAY.

Know that God loves you as you are but God sees you as you can be as well.

MAY WE HONESTLY EXAMINE OUR LIVES AND BECOME ALL THAT GOD

CREATED US TO BE. PRAISE BE TO 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 CONFESS TO YOU, O GOD, AND BEFORE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE CHURCH, THAT WE HAVE FAILED TO LIVE AS YOUR IMAGE IN THIS WORLD. WHAT YOU INTENDED WHEN WE WERE CREATED HAS NOT COME TO FULFILLMENT AND THAT IS MOSTLY THROUGH OUR OWN STUBBORNNESS AND SELF-CENTEREDNESS. WE HAVE RESISTED THE GENTLE PROMPTING OF YOUR HOLY SPIRIT AS YOU HAVE URGED US TO CHOOSE LIFE. WE HAVE INSISTED ON OUR OWN WAY AND WE LIE BROKEN ON THE FLOOR OF THE POTTER'S SHED. TAKE US INTO YOUR LOVING HANDS AND REMOLD US; REMAKE US INTO THE IMAGE YOU CARRY OF US. SO FILL US WITH YOUR SPIRIT THAT WE MAY ALWAYS SEEK TO SAY 'YES' TO YOUR LEADING. AMEN.

Announcements

** Hymn of Preparation #392 - "More About Jesus"*

Pentecost Theme: "Pentecost Power Unleashed!"

Scripture: Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 (vv. 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 23-24)

Romans 8:12-25 (vv. 12-14, 15-17, 18-20, 23-25)

*Sermon- "Pentecost Power Unleashed: Enables Us to Know You, Lord
So That the World Will Know That We Are Children of God!"*

Lord's Prayer

** Doxology (#39)*

** Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

** Prayer*

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

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)
	12:00 PM	"Hour of Prayer Power" in Hahn Hall.
Monday	5:00-9:00 PM	Bushiken Karate
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	5:00-9:00 PM	Bushiken Karate
Thursday	7:30 PM	Women's Alcoholic Anonymous
Saturday	12:00 noon	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	9:30 AM-1:00 PM	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 Kemps * Jane Maze * Donald Zuvich

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Regina Harvey * Theo Beksha * Lester * Maddie * Jeannie * Ed Bungert * Catherine Gomez * Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers * Danielle * 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:

42 nurses laid off at Montefiore Hospital * Rob & family * Cintron 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 and all active duty members & their families

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

Kevin's cousin Kathleen Ruane & nephew Tyler Bello

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,

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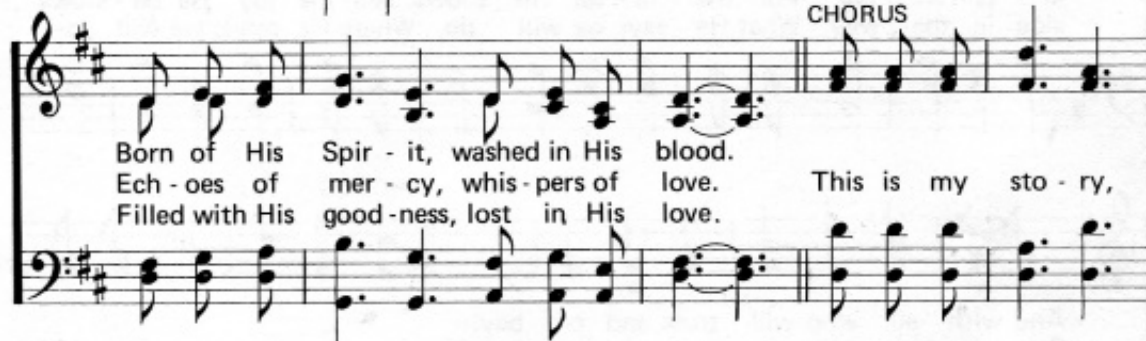
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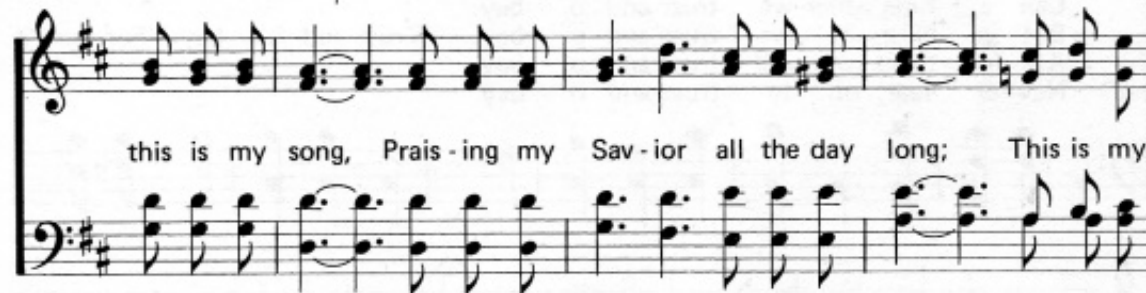
1. Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! O what a fore-taste of
 2. Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light! Vi-sions of rap-ture now
 3. Per-fect sub-mis-sion—all is at rest, I in my Sav-ior am



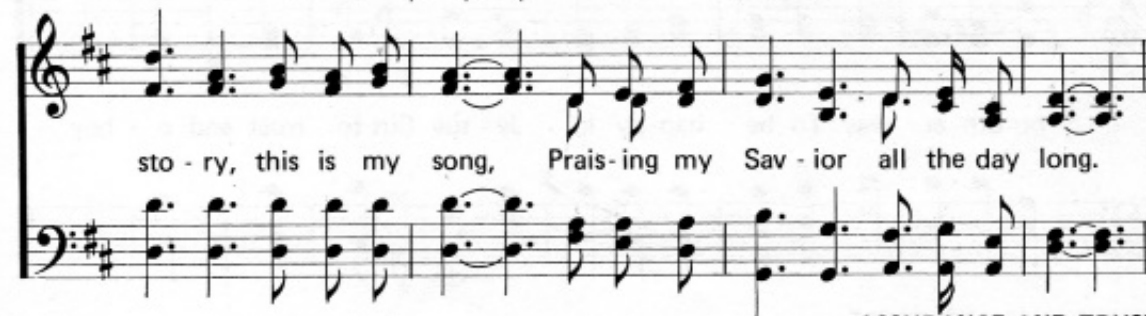
glo-ry di-vine! Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God,
 burst on my sight; An-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove
 hap-py and blest; Watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove,



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.**

More About Jesus — 392

ELIZA E. HEWITT

JOHN R. SWENEY



1. More a - bout Je - sus would I know, More of His grace to oth - ers show,
2. More a - bout Je - sus let me learn, More of His ho - ly will dis - cern;
3. More a - bout Je - sus in His Word Hold - ing com - mun - ion with my Lord,
4. More a - bout Je - sus on His throne, Rich - es in glo - ry all His own,



More of His sav - ing full - ness see, More of His love who died for me.
 Spir - it of God, my teach - er be, Show - ing the things of Christ to me.
 Hear - ing His voice in ev - 'ry line, Mak - ing each faith - ful say - ing mine.
 More of His king - dom's sure in - crease, More of His com - ing - Prince of Peace.



REFRAIN



More, more a - bout Je - sus, More, more a - bout Je - sus;



More of His sav - ing full - ness see, More of His love who died for me!



ASPIRATION

Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-24 (vv. 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 23-24)

Romans 8:12-25 (vv. 12-14, 15-17, 18-20, 23-25)

^vO LORD, you have searched me and known me.

² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.

³ You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
O LORD, you know it completely.

⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

⁷ Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?

⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.

^{v11} If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,”

¹² even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day,
for darkness is as light to you.

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.

²⁴ See if there is any wicked^[e] way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting

^{v12} So then, brothers and sisters, ^[i] we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—

¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba!^[m] Father!” ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness^[n] with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in^[o] hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes^[p] for what is seen? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

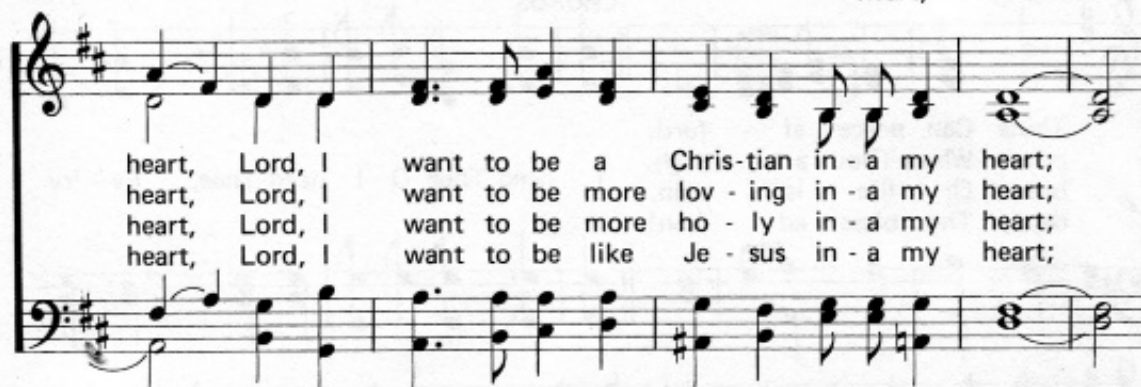
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Traditional

Traditional Spiritual



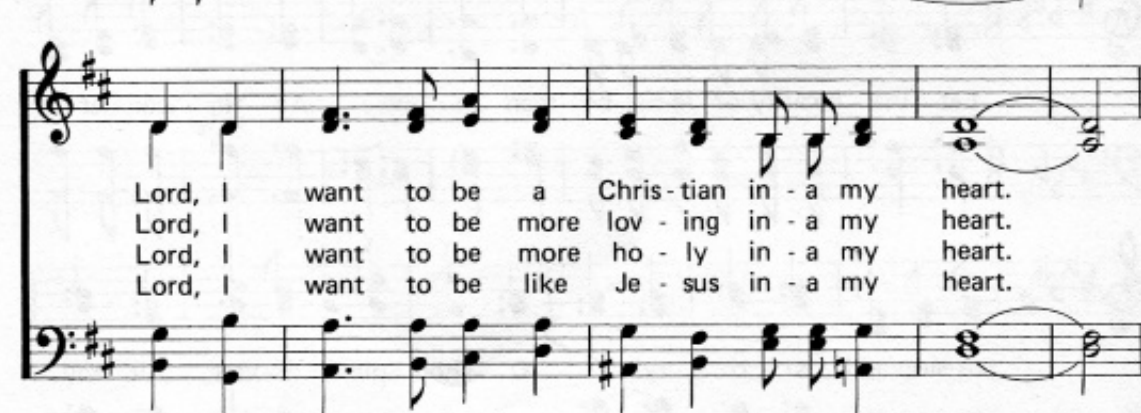
1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in-a my heart, in-a my
 2. Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in-a my heart, in-a my
 3. Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in-a my heart, in-a my
 4. Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in-a my heart, in-a my



heart, Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in-a my heart;
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In-a my heart, In-a my heart,
 In-a my heart, In-a my heart,



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