

THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER

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"Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise (Psalm 145:3)

We gather to praise our God and Savior. Welcome!

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 26, 2026

10:00 AM

Silent Preparation for Worship

*May this time in God's presence strengthen our faith,
that we might leave eager to serve and glorify God.*

Welcome

** Hymn of Praise #385 - "I Am Thine, O Lord"*

** Call to Worship: (responsively)*

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

WHAT DID GOD DO TO HELP US?

God chose Israel to make a new beginning.

**THEY RECEIVED GOD'S COVENANT, AND PREPARED THE WAY FOR
JESUS TO COME AS OUR SAVIOR.**

Let us worship the God of the covenant.

THE GOD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH. 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)

PATIENT GOD, WE THINK WE KNOW SO MUCH, BUT WE DO NOT KNOW YOU AS WE SHOULD. WE TURN AWAY FROM YOUR TRUTH, AND WE SEE WHAT WE WANT TO SEE. WHEN WE THINK WE KNOW BETTER THAN YOU DO, DRAW US BACK TO YOUR WISE TEACHING. WE NEED TO BE REMINDED OF WHAT JESUS CHRIST HAS SAID AND DONE ON OUR BEHALF SO WE MAY LOOK TO HIM FOR GUIDANCE. SEND US YOUR SPIRIT NOW, AND LEAD US FORWARD INTO YOUR TRUTH. AMEN

Announcements

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

Pentecost Theme: "Pentecost Power Unleashed!"

Scripture: Romans 8:26-39)

Sermon- Elder Ron Rivera - "Pentecost Power Unleashed: Reminds Us That Nothing Can Separate Us from God's Love!"

Lord's Prayer

* *Doxology (#39)*

* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

* *Prayer*

* *Closing Hymn #403 - "Near 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

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
	5:00-9:00PM	Bushiken Karate
Thursday	7:30 PM	Women's Alcoholic Anonymous
Saturday	12:00 noon	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	9:30AM-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 Kemps * Jane Maze * Donald Zuvich

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Owen * Mildred Shannon * Rev. Edwards * Rev. Correa * Carol Cintron * 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:

Judy * Tony's Mom

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 thank Elder Ron Rivera for filling in for Rev. Hayden this morning
- There will be a Consistory meeting next Sunday, following the Prayer and coffee time.

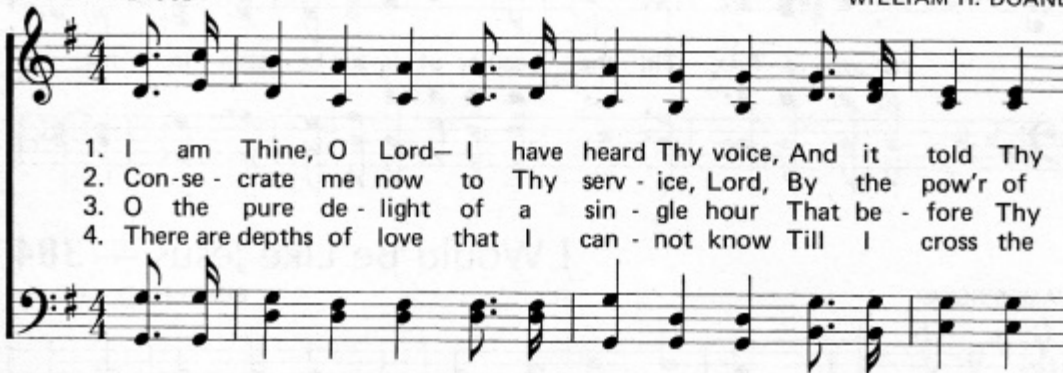
CHURCH OF THE MASTER MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Christ-centered community church united in prayer and loving Christian fellowship, Bible teaching and preaching Christ crucified,

385 — I Am Thine, O Lord

FANNY J. CROSBY

WILLIAM H. DOANE



1. I am Thine, O Lord— I have heard Thy voice, And it told Thy
 2. Con-se - crate me now to Thy serv - ice, Lord, By the pow'r of
 3. O the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour That be - fore Thy
 4. There are depths of love that I can - not know Till I cross the

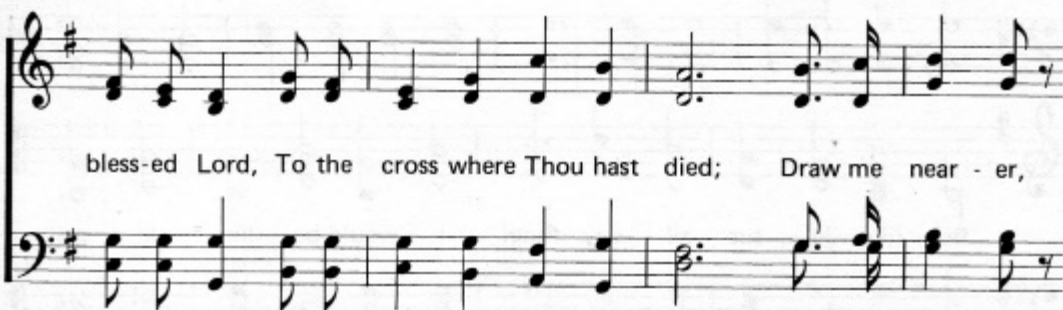


love to me; But I long to rise in the arms of faith
 grace di - vine; Let my soul look up with a stead - fast hope
 throne I spend, When I kneel in pray'r and with Thee, my God,
 nar - row sea; There are heights of joy that I may not reach

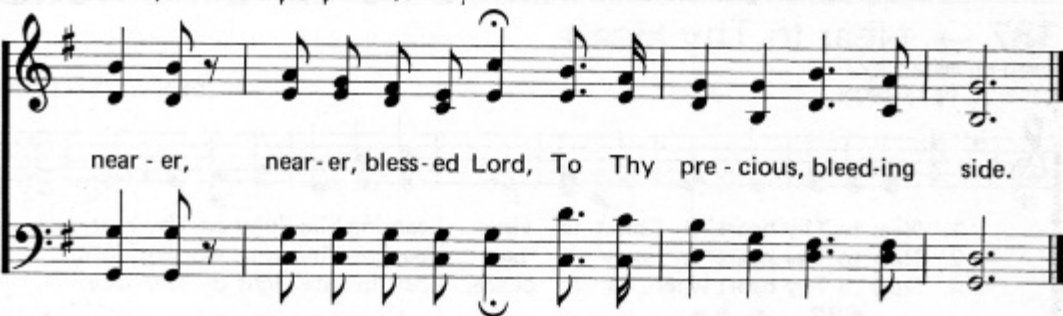
CHORUS



And be clos - er drawn to Thee.
 And my will be lost in Thine. Draw me near - er, near-er,
 I com - mune as friend with friend. near - er, near - er,
 Till I rest in peace with Thee.



bless-ed Lord, To the cross where Thou hast died; Draw me near - er,



near - er, near-er, bless-ed Lord, To Thy pre - cious, bleed-ing side.

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

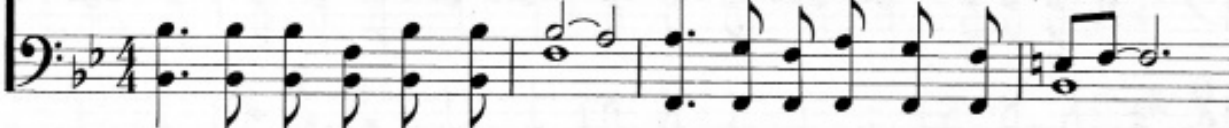
Traditional
Adapted by N. J.

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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Romans 8: 26-39

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes^[g] with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷ And God,^[f] who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit^[s] intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.^[t]

²⁸ We know that all things work together for good^[u] for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family.^[v] ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.^[w] ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Near the Cross — 403

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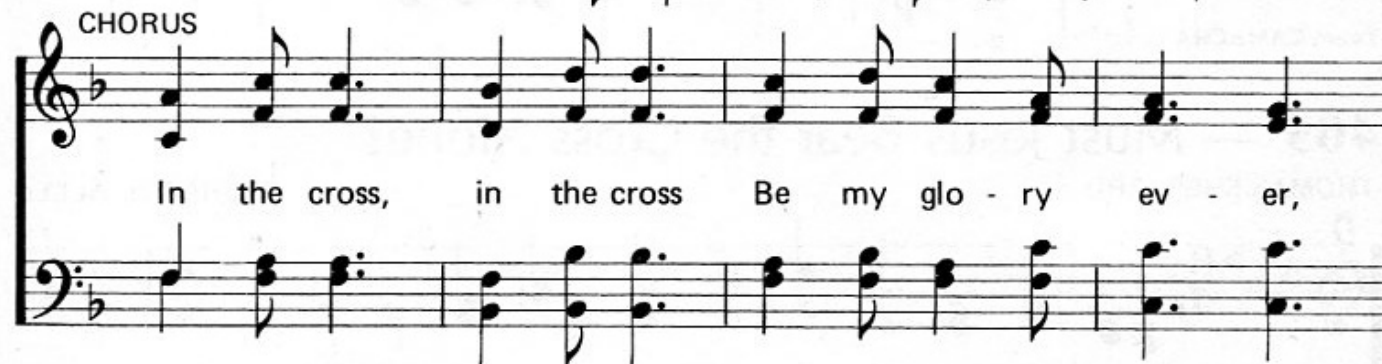


1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross— There a pre - cious foun - tain,
 2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, Love and mer - cy found me;
 3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes be - fore me;
 4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait, Hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

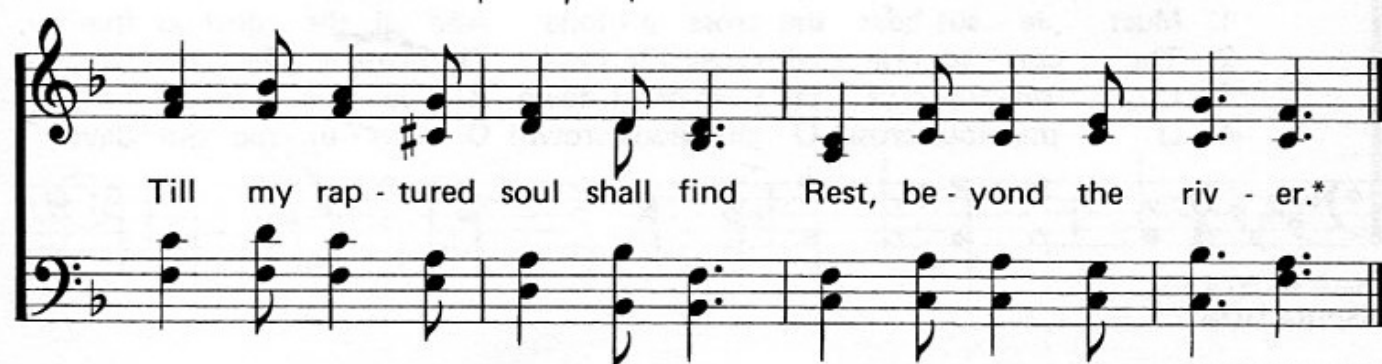


Free to all, a heal - ing stream, Flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
 There the Bright and Morn - ing Star Sheds its beams a - round me.
 Help me walk from day to day With its shad - ows o'er me.
 Till I reach the gold - en strand Just be - yond the riv - er.

CHORUS



In the cross, in the cross Be my glo - ry ev - er,



Till my rap - tured soul shall find Rest, be - yond the riv - er.*

ASPIRATION