

Round Hill Presbyterian Church

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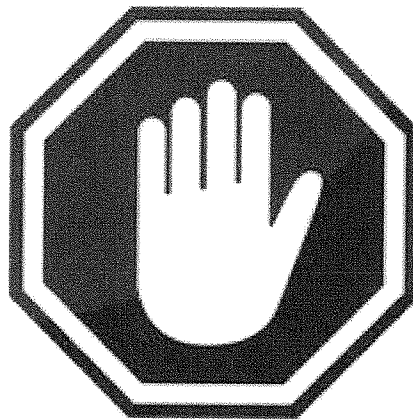
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October 12, 2025

Verse for Meditation:

Psalm 16:11

“You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.”

WELCOME

* INVOCATION

Pastor Paul Thwaite

* HYMN

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

No. 342

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving Lord, we gather once again in your presence to offer you the praise and adoration you so fully deserve. Your steadfast love and faithfulness are new every day of our lives. You sustain us and grant us abundant blessings day by day. For this we are truly grateful! Yet, we also recognize and acknowledge our failure to fully appreciate those blessings and our tendency to seek after the things in the world which offer us little peace and satisfaction - possessions, status, and pleasure to name a few. We ask for your forgiveness as well as a deepened awareness that you alone offer us true peace and satisfaction in our relationship with you. By your Holy Spirit, cleanse us and renew in us the desire to seek after you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Now hear our silent prayers of confession...

(Now follows a brief time for silent, personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* PRAISE: *“Gloria Patri”*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end, Amen, Amen.

*RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 103:1-8

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name!

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity and heals all your diseases,

People: who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Leader: who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

People: The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

Leader: He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

People: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

* GREETING - PASSING THE PEACE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 64:1-7

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence— ² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil— to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! ³When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. ⁵You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. ⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 7:14-25

¹⁴For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am of the flesh, sold into slavery under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

SERMON

“Not So Fast!”

Pastor Paul Thwaite

* Confession of Faith: Westminster Larger Catechism, Question 78

Q. Why are believers not completely sanctified?

A. Believers are not completely or perfectly sanctified because they retain some remnants of sin throughout their whole being and are continually plagued with desires of their old sinful nature that are contrary to the spirit. Consequently, believers are frequently defeated by temptation, commit many sins, and are hindered from performing their spiritual obligations, so that their best works in God's eyes are imperfect and defiled.

*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

* HYMN

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain?”

No. 260

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF SELF AND SERVICE

* Doxology:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

* HYMN

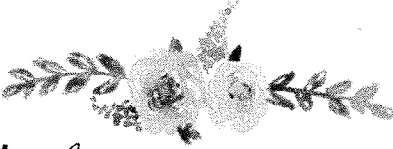
“Nothing but the Blood”

No. 266

BENEDICTION

* RESPONSE:

*God be with you 'til we meet again,
if life's trials should confound you,
God will put His arms around you:
God be with you 'til we meet again.*



*i loved you
at your darkest.*



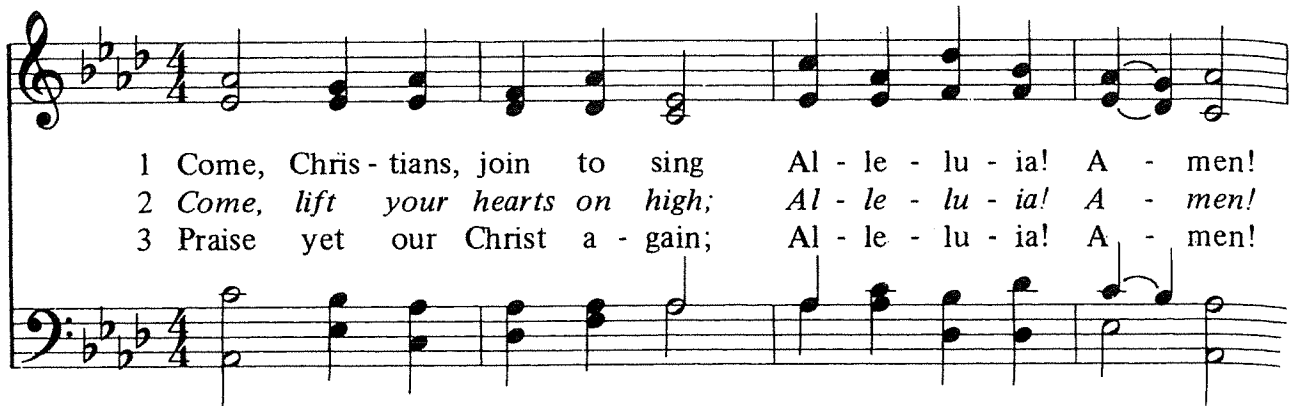
—ROMANS 5:8—

For . . . we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

— II Corinthians 5:1

Christian Henry Bateman

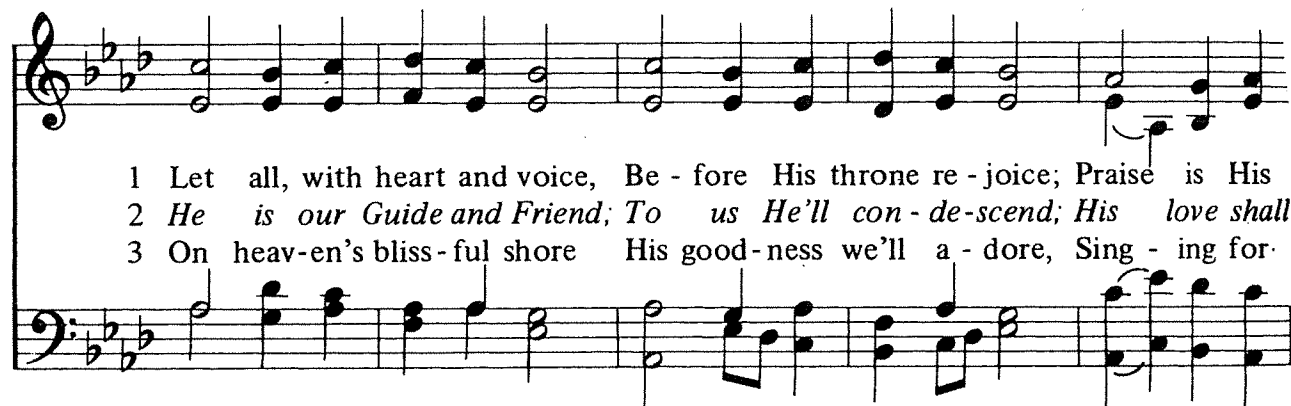
MADRID
Traditional



1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



1 Loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



1 Let all, with heart and voice, Be - fore His throne re - joice; Praise is His
 2 He is our Guide and Friend; To us He'll con - de - scend; His love shall
 3 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore His good - ness we'll a - dore, Sing - ing for -



1 gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! A - men!
 3 ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!" A - men.

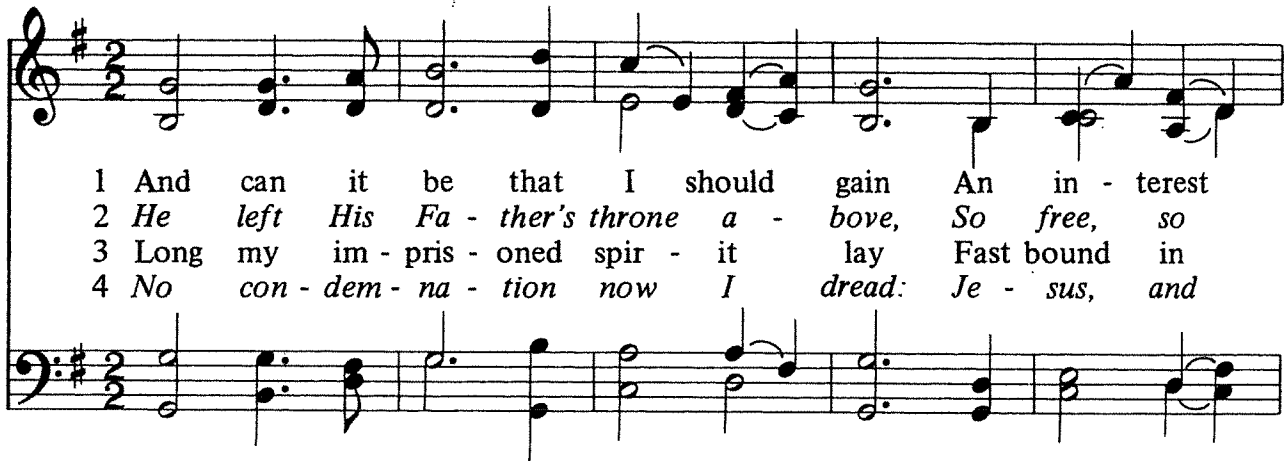
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And Can It Be That I Should Gain?

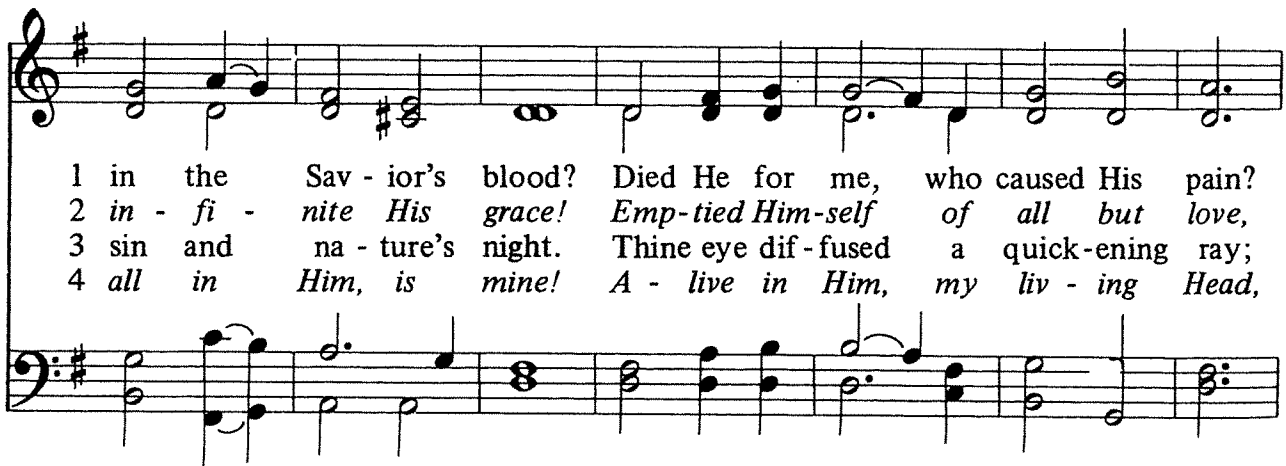
For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but . . . salvation, by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Charles Wesley

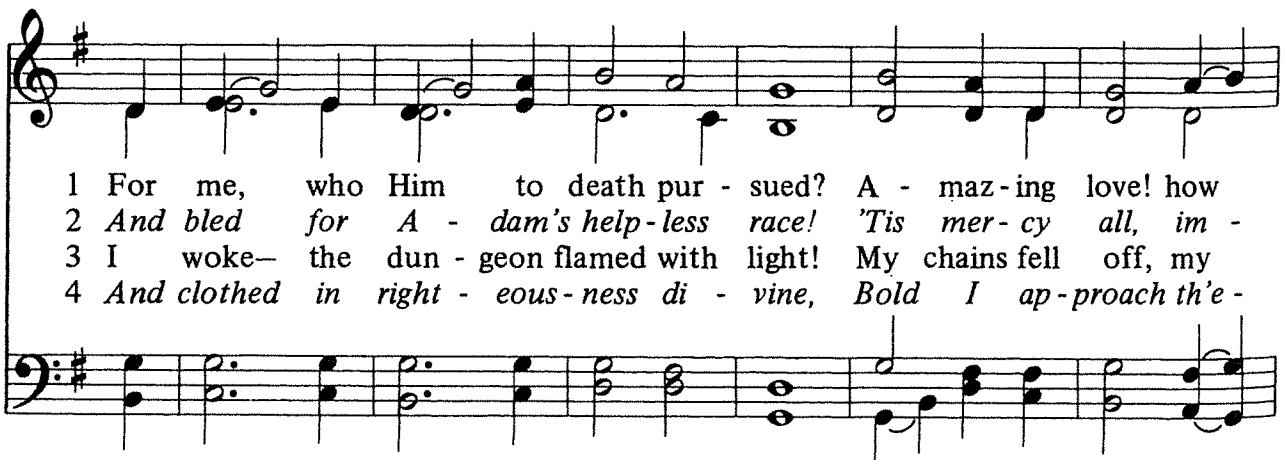
— I Thessalonians 5:9

SAGINA
Thomas Campbell


1 And can it be that I should gain An in - terest
2 He left His Fa - ther's throne a - bove, So free, so
3 Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay Fast bound in
4 No con - dem - na - tion now I dread: Je - sus, and



1 in the Sav - ior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His pain?
2 in - fi - nite His grace! Emp - tied Him - self of all but love,
3 sin and na - ture's night. Thine eye dif - fused a quick - ening ray;
4 all in Him, is mine! A - live in Him, my liv - ing Head,



1 For me, who Him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love! how
2 And bled for A - dam's help - less race! 'Tis mer - cy all, im -
3 I woke— the dun - geon flamed with light! My chains fell off, my
4 And clothed in right - eous - ness di - vine, Bold I ap - proach th'e -



1 can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
2 mense and free; For, O my God, it found out me.
3 heart was free, I rose, went forth, and fol - lowed Thee.
4 ter - nal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Nothing but the Blood

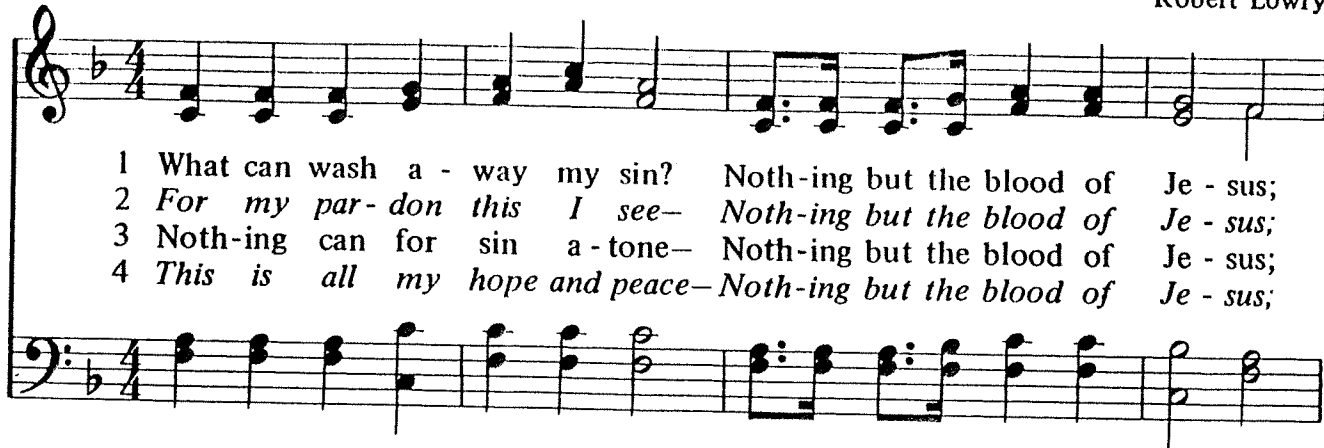
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*Christ died for us, much more then,
being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved.*

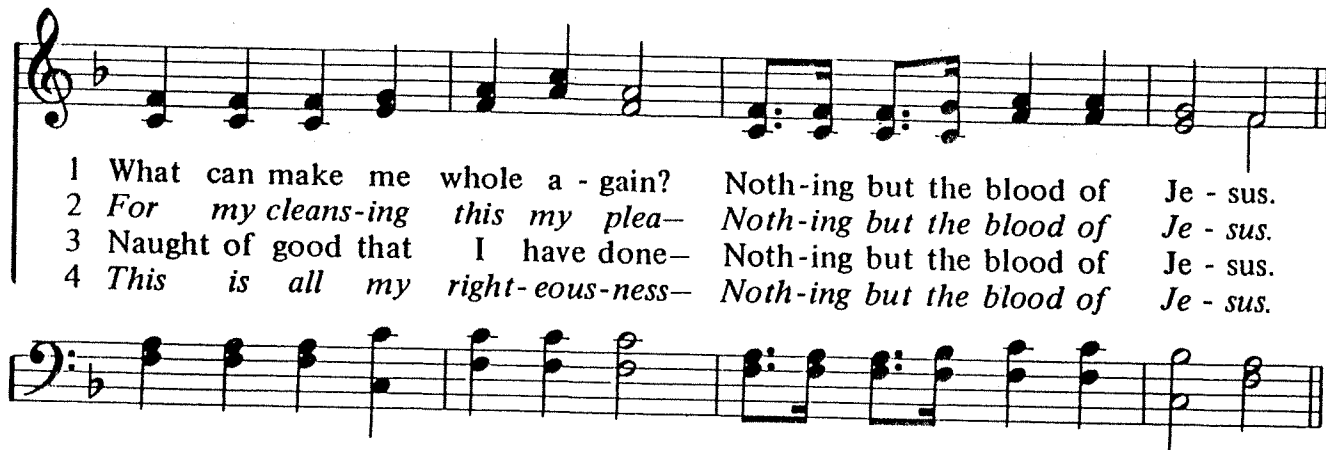
— Romans 5:8, 9

Robert Lowry

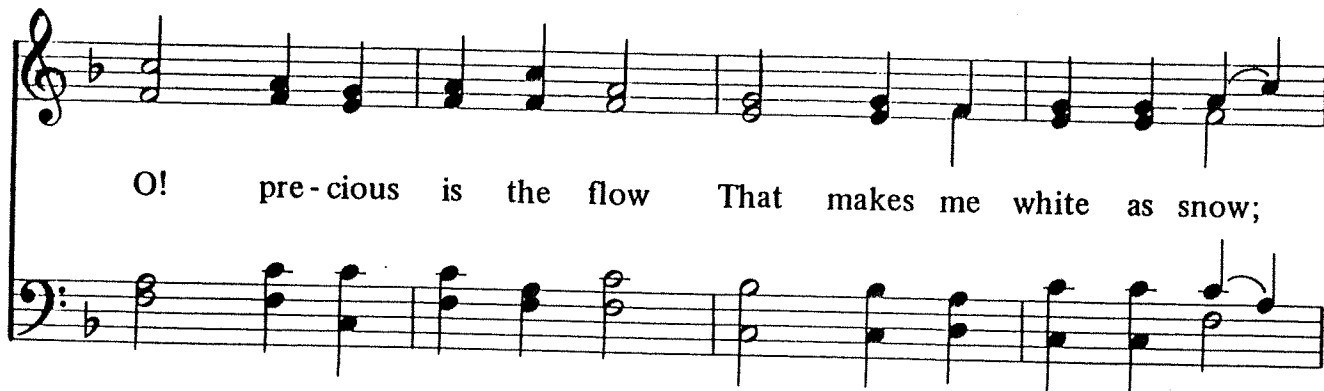
PLAINFIELD
Robert Lowry



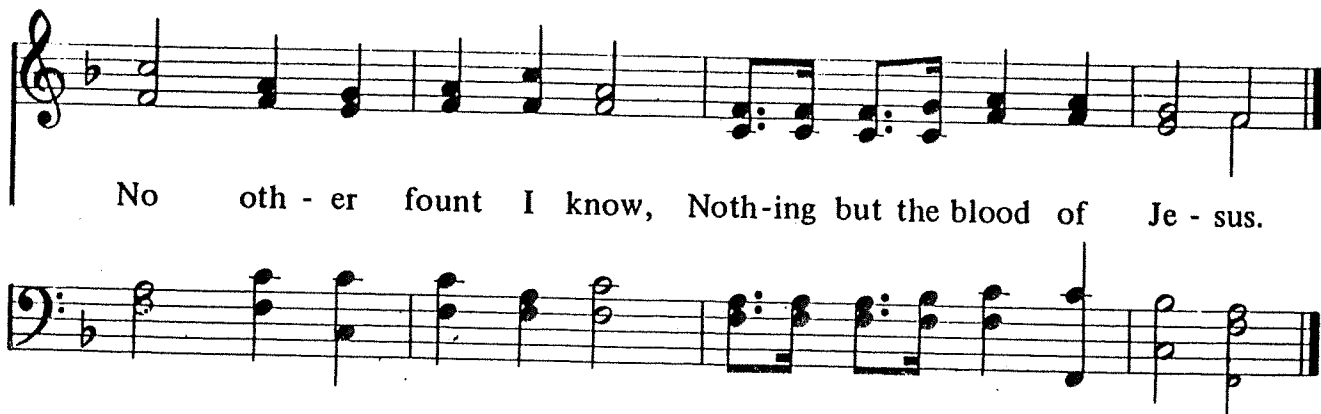
1 What can wash a - way my sin? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
2 For my par - don this I see— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
3 Noth-ing can for sin a - tone— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
4 This is all my hope and peace— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;



1 What can make me whole a - gain? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
2 For my cleans-ing this my plea— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
3 Naught of good that I have done— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
4 This is all my right-eous-ness— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.



O! pre-cious is the flow That makes me white as snow;



No oth - er fount I know, Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

Liturgist – Bill Leggett Greeter – Diana Hicks

STAFF

Pastor	
Director of Music/Accompanist	Mayim Stith
Nursery Director	Karen Simon
Custodian	Tim Guffey
Secretary	Mary Beth Katonik

SESSION ELDERS

Bonnie Craig/ Class of 2025 412-400-9284	Diana Hicks/ Class of 2025 412-384-3675
Linda Leggett/ Class of 2026 412-901-0149	Julius Simon/ Class of 2027 412-480-7260
Lisa Wagner/ Class of 2025 412-650-5482	Jesse Sandor/ Class of 2027 412-877-6760
Gayle Larcinese/ Class of 2027 412-860-4659	Bob Leggett 412-384-4175 Clerk of Session / Class of 2027

TRUSTEES

Finance / Jackie Karnes	Support /
Physical Property / Fran Hicks	Corporate Secretary / Bev Harchelroad
President / Jackie Karnes	

DEACONS

<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>
Laurie Ferraton	Robin Lane	Kevin Fritz
Tanya Jackson	Eileen Russell	Bill Leggett
Mayim Stith	Bob Zirkle	Leslee Schwirian
Moderator of Deacons / Tanya Jackson & Eileen Russell		

MONTH/YTD INCOME & EXPENSE

Month/Year to Date	Aug 2025	Aug 2025 YTD	Aug 2024 YTD
Weekly Offering/Gen Fd	\$12,674.00	\$90,400.00	\$100,695.00
Total Receipts	\$30,472.00	\$130,855.00	\$113,821.00
Payments	\$29,095.00	\$94,802.00	\$160,375.00
Checking account balance as of August 31, 2025: \$71,360.88			



Electronic Giving Code



October 12, 2025

Intercessory Prayer Group - gathers in the C.E. building on Tuesday at 10:00 AM; open to all. We are praying for weekly prayer requests along with other concerns as led by God's Spirit.

Prayer Requests: Email dreamstogo2@gmail.com or fill in a prayer request form and place it in the offering plate. **Prayer requests for the following were received this past week; please include them in your prayers:**

B. J. Berich, Karen Dugosh, George Jarmon, Jesse Sandor, Traci Yavoich

On-Going Requests: Joanne Boback, Barry Branik, Elfriede Christ, Steven Evans, Caleb Fritz, Byron Harris, Frank & Sandy Hayden, Janet LaFrankie, New Life Options, Jesse Sandor, Earl Schwalm, Round Hill Home Church, Round Hill Leaders & Support Staff, Growth of the Congregation of Round Hill Church, Children & Teens at RHPC, Round Hill Church's transition, President Trump & Governing Leaders

Military: Aaron Baumann, Ben Elder, Kat Gower, Matthew Gross, Corey Hobough, Noah Reed, Aerion Salas, Joram Stith, Grayson Wonsettler, Samuel Wonsettler, and all those serving in the Armed Services

College Students: Ava Karnes, Audra Morgan, Luke Napoli, Corrine Wright

Special Prayer: Pastoral Search Committee, Nominating Committee

Prayers for POA Churches: Bridge City Church (Pastor Abner)

Prayers for EPC Missionaries: Shawn & Lisa (U. S. Based/CO-OP Support & Field Development

Always pray and never give up. – Luke 18:1



RHPC Announcements October 12, 2025

October



This Week at Round Hill Church

Mon. Oct. 13	Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	Session Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tues. Oct. 14	Intercessory Prayer	10:00 a.m.
	Thriving Survivors Lunch	1:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 10	Bible Study	1:00 p.m.



UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

Jeannie DeCarlo Oct. 14

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING

Right after **TODAY'S** Worship Service.

THRIVING SURVIVORS

This Tuesday, Oct. 14th, at 1:00 p.m., we will be dining at Tillie's (308 36th St., McKeesport 15132) for our Thriving Survivors lunch. Those in need of a ride should meet in the church parking lot by 12:30.

If you are interested in joining our adventure, **please let Janice Sherman know (412-818-1725)** and she will reserve a seat for you.

2026 CALENDARS NEEDED

Marilyn Christenson is collecting 2026 calendars for the food pantry clients; If you have any extra 2026 calendars, please bring them in and place them in the box specially marked, located in the narthex.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The Food Pantry is requesting **pasta for October**. Please place these items either in the basket in the vestibule or drop them off in front of the Food Pantry door. *Thank you for helping those in need!*

