

March 19, 2023 ~ 4th Sunday in Lent

Gathering Music ~ Mark Handford

Welcome and Announcements ~ Pattie Benoit, liturgist

Prelude ~ "All For Jesus" (B. Buda) ~ Katie Achterhof and Cindy Handford

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: We worship our Lord this day as we gather together.

People: We bring our praise to the Lord who has shown us such great love.

Leader: The Lord called us into loving relationship with God and each other.

People: Our God is great and God's love endures forever.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn #649 ~ "Amazing Grace"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Lord, when we were still lost in sin you brought us back into relationship with you. For the times when we have fallen prey to sin, forgive us God. Jesus, renew our souls through the work of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #625 ~ "How Great Thou Art!" (refrain)

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #1 ~ "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Offering Prayer

**Doxology#606 ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (traditional)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 27

Special Music ~ "Since I Have Been Redeemed" (P. Drennan) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ Matthew 26:47-56

Message ~ “That’s Rough: Betrayal”

*Hymn #835 ~ *“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”*

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation#627 ~ *“I Love You, Lord”*

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.

Take joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison*

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;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

*Hymn #853 ~ *“We are Marching in the Light of God”*

*Benediction

*Choral Response #614 ~ *“Great Are You, Lord”*

Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love.

Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.

Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice: great are you, Lord!

Great are you, Lord!

Postlude ~ *“I Believe”* (E. Drake, I. Graham, J. Shiri, A. Stillman)

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Annual Tigers Fest - next Sunday, March 26. In celebration of the upcoming opening of the baseball season, you are invited to wear your Tigers shirts and stay and enjoy some Detroit based treats after the service!

The **Board of Deacons** requests donations during the month of March to be sent to Redford Interfaith Relief.

A cart is in the lobby for collecting and the requested items are:

Dish soap, laundry soap, toilet bowl cleaner, and gravy (cans, jars, and/or packets).

Thank you for your support of our partners in ministry.

The Lenten Study of Galatians with Pastor Nate meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00PM, beginning with a soup supper, and will continue through March 29.

For those who may wish to join from home at 6:30 - Google Meet joining info Video call link:

<https://meet.google.com/xvv-iyvr-jod> Or dial: (US) +1 301-845-5168 PIN: 376 157 808#
More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/xvv-iyvr-jod?pin=9724390705665>

From Kathy Potter... **Beginning March 21st, for 4 weeks, we will be viewing & discussing the video study *The Case for Easter with Lee Strobel!*** Many of you may remember studies with Strobel, including *The Case for Christ* that we did in December. He is an engaging apologist for Christ. I hope you can join us at 9am sharp at GoogleMeet meet.google.com/ofb-mozw-shc or by phone at (US)+1 513-818-1609 PIN: 389 490 359#. or at the church in the preschool room!

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE



Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin, August and Faith Kornowicz
Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell
Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson
Nate Statly ~ friend of Joey Nicholas; Peter Hodge ~ friend of Jan and John Lapenta
Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips; sister-in law and nephew of Pat Garvey
Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff
Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair
John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham
Sharon and George and Rita Czanko ~ cousins of Terry Earnley
Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz
Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley
Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock
Rosemary Jaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis

Just a Closer Walk with Thee 835

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system includes a refrain with three verses. The second system continues the main melody. The third system concludes the piece with a final cadence.

Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it,
 1 I am weak, but thou art strong; Je - sus,
 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I
 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for

Je - sus, is my plea, dai - ly walk - ing close to
 keep me from all wrong; I'll be sat - is - fied as
 fal - ter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my bur - den
 me will be no more; guide me gent - ly, safe - ly

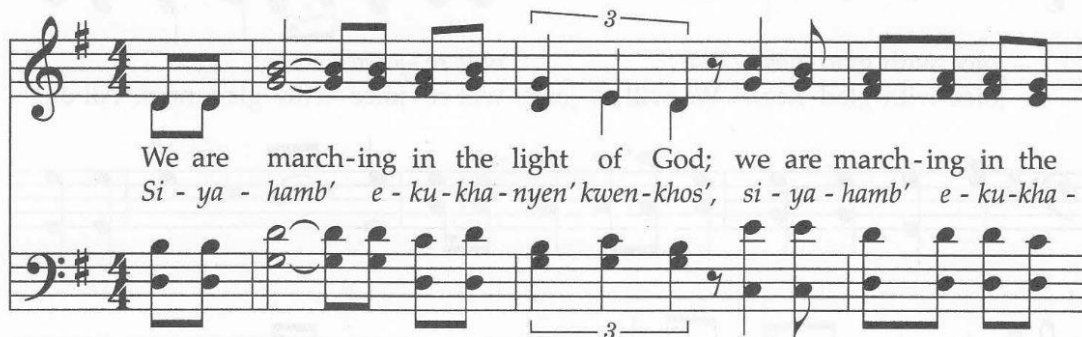
thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
 long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*
 shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*
 o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. *Ref.*

The chromatic musical style of this anonymous short hymn suggests that it probably dates from the early 20th century. It also seems to owe much of its popularity to radio broadcasts and recordings as well as to evangelistic meetings and singing conventions of that era.

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

853 We Are Marching in the Light of God

Siyahamba



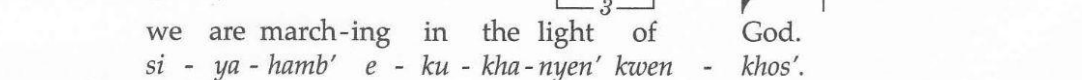
We are march-ing in the light of God; we are march-ing in the
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -



light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God;
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',



we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.



we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

This lively Zulu/Xhosa freedom song originated in a Methodist young men's group in South Africa and has gone on to become popular in many other languages around the globe. Some additional stanzas are suggested, but others may be improvised as appropriate to the occasion.

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

We are march - ing
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo
oo

We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march - ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march - ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

We are march - ing
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo
oo

We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march - ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing...

We are praying...

We are singing...