



January 28, 2024 • ORDER OF WORSHIP

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection
as we begin our preparation for worship.*

PRELUDE

Sicilienne

Durufle

TOLLING OF THE TOWER BELL

Gabriella Carter

LIGHTING OF THE CHANCEL CANDLES

WELCOME

Rev. Pete Jones

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Pete Jones

Leader: In the company of God's people, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: Great are the works of God, full of glory and majesty.

Leader: Our God is gracious and compassionate.

People: Our God is merciful and forgiving

Leader: Our God is faithful and trustworthy,

People: Our God is just and good.

Leader: So come, let's worship God together.

People: God's praise will last forever!

*** PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"To God Be the Glory"

No. 634

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Katherine Pater

O God, source of life and grace, we are aware that we are, at times, prisoners of fear and habit. Through the healing touch of Christ, set us free to live and to love, that we may be the people you have created us to be.

Silent Prayer...Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Katherine Pater

Leader: The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again.

Through the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ:

People: **We are forgiven. Amen!**

*** ACT OF PRAISE**

"Gloria Patri"

No. 581

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.**

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Rev. Pete Jones

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

Rev. Pete Jones

Children in grades K-5th are invited to Sunday School following the Time with Children. They will be escorted to the top floor of the Memorial building. (K-2nd must be picked up by a parent or designated caregiver. 3rd-5th will be dismissed independently unless otherwise notified.) Childcare for children ages 6 months to 4 years old is provided in room 31 throughout Worship. They must be dropped off and picked up by a parent or designated caregiver.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Katherine Pater

Open our ears, O God, that we may hear your Word proclaimed this day. Open our minds and hearts to be changed. Free us from the unclean spirits of worry, fear, destruction, and pride. Teach us, Lord, that we may follow you more faithfully. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 111

Rev. Katherine Pater

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them. Full of honour and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures for ever. He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the Lord is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant. He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy. They are established for ever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever. Holy and awesome is his name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practise it have a good understanding. His praise endures for ever.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1: 21-28

Rev. Pete Jones

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²² They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³ Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴ and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' ²⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' ²⁶ And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷ They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' ²⁸ At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM**"Awake, My Heart"**

Marshall

*Awake, my heart, and render To God thy sure defender,
Thy maker, thy preserver, A song of love and fervor
Confirm my deeds and guide me: My day, with thee beside me,
Beginning, middle, ending, Will all be upward tending
My heart shall be thy dwelling, With joy and gladness swelling;
Thy word is my nurture, Given to bring me on toward heaven.
Awake, my heart, and render To God thy sure defender,
Thy maker, thy preserver, A song of love and fervor.*

Chancel Choir

SERMON**"Talk is Cheap"**

Rev. Pete Jones

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD*** HYMN****"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"**

No. 729

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Rev. Katherine Pater

We believe in God, the creator of all things, the giver of life and breath. We believe in Jesus Christ, born Emmanuel, God with us, baptized and revealed the most beloved Son of God; he sought to heal humanity by taking our brokenness upon himself, suffering for us, dying for us, and being raised from the dead for our sake, and for the sake of all the world. We believe that he will come again. We believe in the Holy Spirit, continually pouring out, refreshing our lives, leading us into a new day. Thanks be to God! Amen.

CALL TO THE OFFERING (For virtual giving see end of this Order for more information.)

Rev. Katherine Pater

OFFERTORY**"Be Thou My Vision"**

Rutter

(See Hymn No. 450 for text)

Chancel Choir

*** DOXOLOGY***Old Hundredth*

**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 OF DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Rev. Katherine Pater

GIVE THANKS TO GOD**CONGREGATIONAL PREPARATION FOR PRAYER**

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Come and fill our hearts. Hear our prayer. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly.

Come and fill our hearts. Hear our prayer. Al-le-lu-ia!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Pete Jones

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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* CLOSING HYMN

"Come, Labor On"

No. 719

* BENEDICTION

Rev. Pete Jones

* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Filii et Filliae

Farnam

** Those who are able, please stand. **Please use gender-neutral, non-binary, or feminine language for God if you feel so called. ***or Mother or Loving Parent*

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and
in and in celebration of and gratitude to the ministry and mission
of Hitchcock Church

THANK YOU

COFFEE HOUR HOST – Margaret Black

[For the month of January, Coffee Hour is provided courtesy of The Elders of Session.]

USHERS – Peggy Berretta and Emma Hall



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THIS MONTH AT HITCHCOCK

Wednesdays at Hitchcock - 4- 8pm
AFYA Author Event - 1/31 - 6pm - 8pm

ALL PEOPLE OF THE CHURCH – MINISTERS

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Rev. Katherine Pater Associate Pastor
Dr. John T. King..... Minister of Music
Rev. William Weisenbach, D.D. Parish Associate
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To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
 2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
 and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

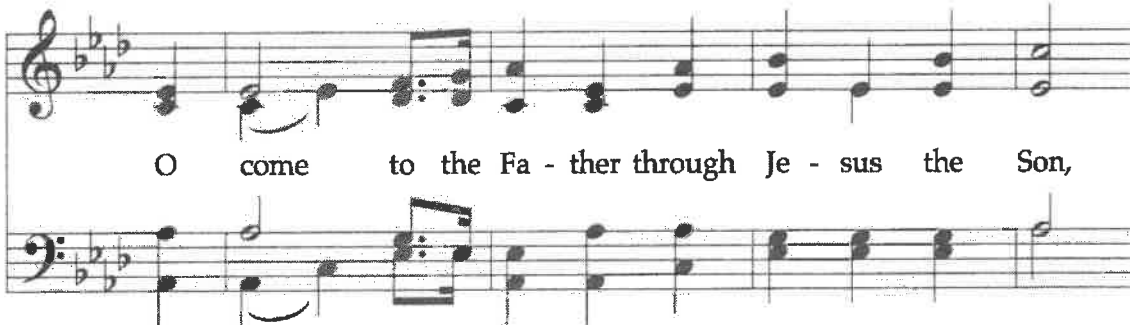
Refrain




Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people re-joice!

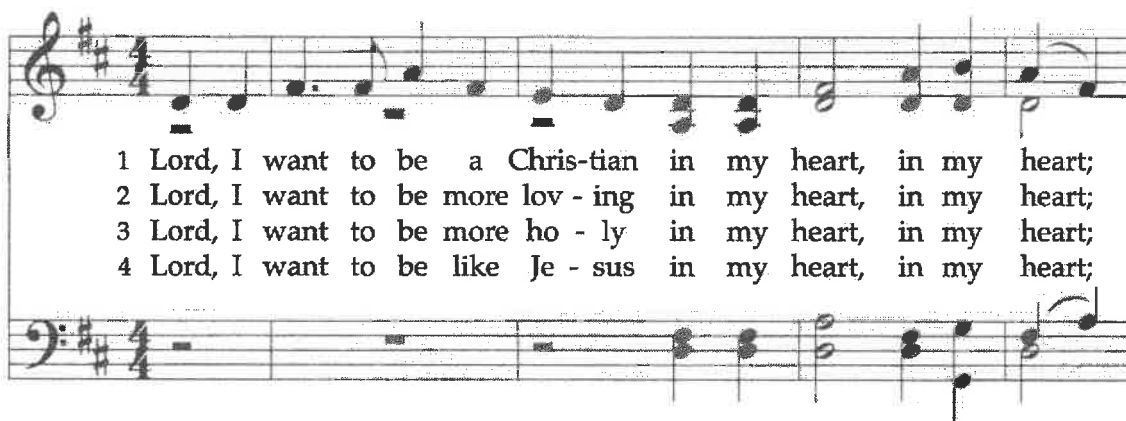


O come to the Fa-ther through Je-sus the Son,

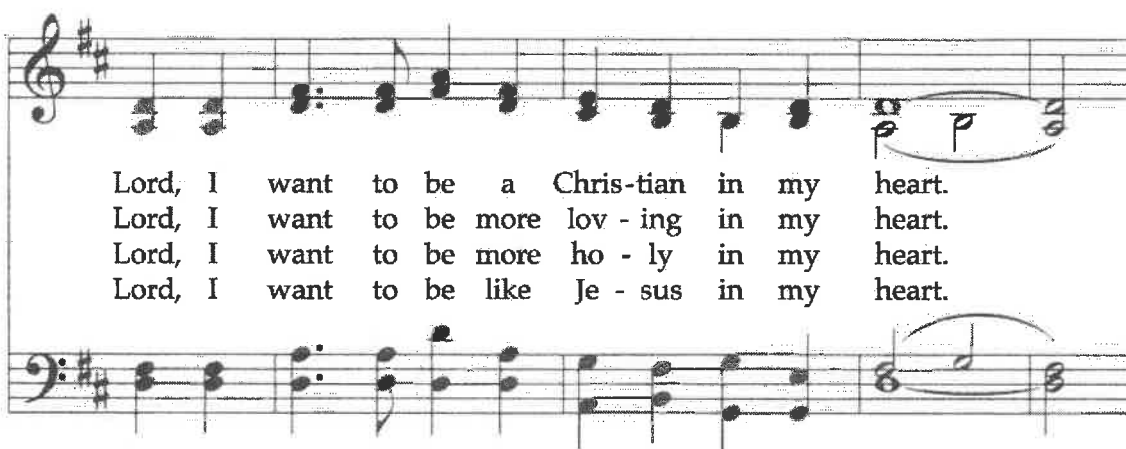


and give him the glo-ry: great things he has done!

729 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian



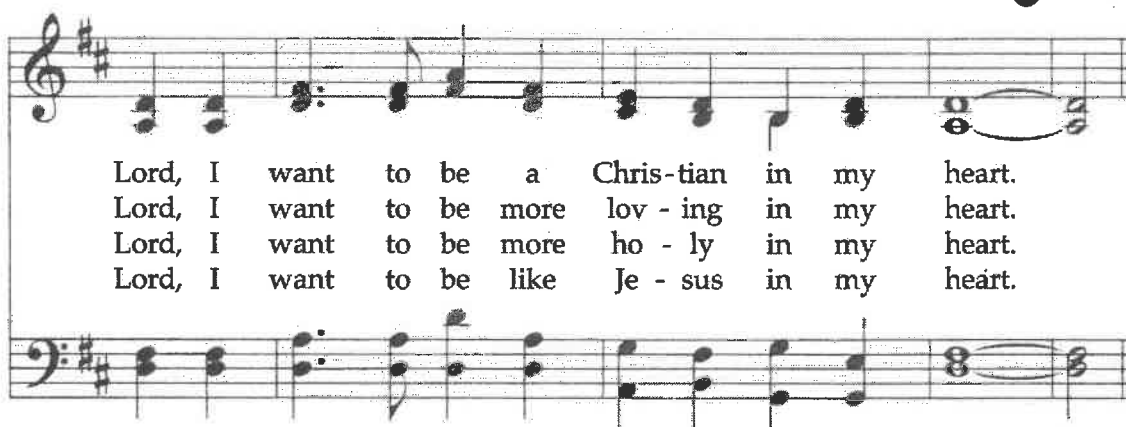
1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;



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



In my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart,



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

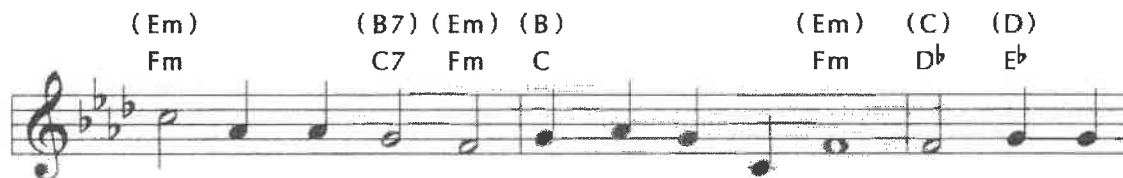
Through its recurring phrase, "in my heart," this poignant African American spiritual expresses the desire that our professed faith will not be superficial or hypocritical but will permeate the very center of our being, so that we may truly be the people God calls us to be.

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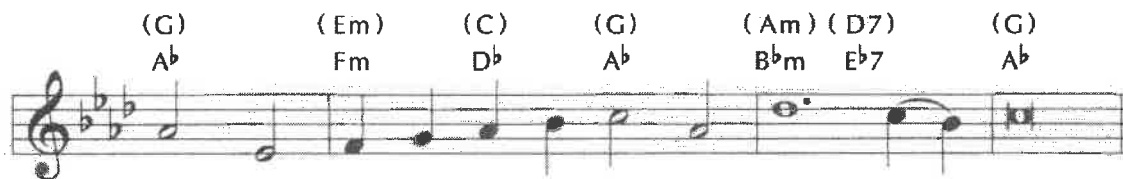
Come, Labor On



1 Come, la-bor on. Who dares stand i - dle on the har - vest plain
 2 Come, la-bor on. Claim the high call - ing an - gels can - not share;
 3 Come, la-bor on. Cast off all gloom-y doubt and faith-less fear!
 4 Come, la-bor on. No time for rest, till glows the west-ern sky,



while all a - round us waves the gold - en grain? And to each
 to young and old the gos - pel glad-ness bear. Re - deem the
 No arm so weak but may do ser - vice here. Though fee - ble
 till the long shad-ows o'er our path-way lie, and a glad



ser - vant does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."
 time; its hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.
 a - gents, may we all ful - fill God's righ - teous will.
 sound comes with the set - ting sun, "Well done, well done!"

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Using Jesus' harvest imagery in John 4:35-38 and Matthew 9:37-38/Luke 10:2, this urgent text sounds a compelling call to Christian service. The words gain energy from the strong unison tune in the English cathedral style, whose name echoes the Benedictine motto "Prayer is work."