

# First Presbyterian Church Hastings



**Sunday, October 24, 2021**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:30 am Worship**

PRELUDE

“All Glory Be to God on High”

*James Coe*

*Linda Vollweiler, Organist*

*(The prelude is an opportunity to worship God, a time of prayer, meditation, and reflection.)*

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

INTROIT

“Jesus Loves Me”

*Alleluia Bell Choir, director Susan Oliver*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34)

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

*Bless the Lord at all times.*

***Let everyone bless God.***

*Praise the Lord continually.*

***Let everyone praise Christ.***

*Our souls boast in the Lord.*

***We boast in the Spirit’s greatness.***

*With one voice, we magnify and exalt the Lord, for God has delivered us and made us whole.*

***Let us come together in worship this morning to exalt our God, the Lord of life!***

\*OPENING HYMN

“To God Be the Glory”

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*Sarah Wolf, Song Leader (music is printed in this bulletin)*

**1.** To God be the glory; great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

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

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory: great things he has done!

**2.** Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

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

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory: great things he has done!

CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Transcendent God, there is so much of life we simply do not know. In our arrogance and pride, we often utter what we do not understand.***

***We fail to fully comprehend your love for us, and we fail to share that love with others. We choose to be people of despair and not people of hope. Rescue us, O Lord, from our afflictions.***

***Restore us, O God, from our self-inflicted wounds.***

***Have mercy on us, and save us by your unending intercession.***

## SILENT CONFESSION & QUESTIONS FOR CONTEMPLATION

*How have I rejected the love, and hope that God shares with me? When have I failed to share it with others?*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Cry out to Christ, our great High Priest,*

***For he has saved us.***

*Our faith has made us well, brought us forgiveness, and granted us peace.*

***Let us live in God's hope and peace! Let us seek to be hope and peace for others! Alleluia! Amen!***

## \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

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Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

## \*PEACE OF CHRIST

*The Peace of Christ be with you!*

***And also with you!***

(Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.)

To reduce the risk of disease transmission, please do not shake hands or hug people outside of your immediate family. Instead, maintain proper social distance, look someone in the eyes and hold their gaze. Share peace with them by holding your hand to your chest and bowing your head to them or share some other appropriate sign.

## SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***As we prepare to hear your Holy Word read and proclaimed, open our eyes so that we may see and our ears that we may hear:  
Open us to learning and understanding;  
Open us to love and compassion;  
Open us to your promise of hope found in these words. Amen.***

1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 126

ANTHEM

“Inner Peace”

Sandra Eithun

*Praise Bell Choir, director Susan Oliver*

2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7,11-13, 31:7-9

MESSAGE

“Hope in exile, Hope in Community!”

Greg Allen-Pickett

\*HYMN

“When God Restored Our Common Life”

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**1.**When God restored our common life, our hope, our liberty,  
at first it seemed a passing dream, a waking fantasy;  
a shock of joy swept over us, for we had wept so long;  
the seeds we watered once with tears sprang up into a song.

We praise the One who gave the growth, with voices full and strong.  
the seeds we watered once with tears sprang up into a song.

**2.**We went forth weeping, sowing seeds in hard, unyielding soil;  
with laughing hearts we carry home the fruit of all our toil.

**3.**Great liberating God, we pray for all who are oppressed.  
May those who long for what is right with justice now be blest.  
We pray for those who mourn this day, and all who suffer wrong;  
may seeds they water now with tears spring up into a song.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***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; 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. Amen.***

OFFERING *(All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to PC(USA) Hunger Fund.)*

For the health and safety of our members, we will not pass a plate or collect gifts during the offering. You are invited to give by dropping your offering as you leave in the plates at the back of the sanctuary, dropping it in the outside locked tithing box located on the second brick column under the portico, mailing it in, or giving online: <https://fpchastings.org/give-online/>



COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK &  
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

8:30 am: Informal Worship in the Sanctuary  
10:30 am: Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary and broadcast live on Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://www.facebook.com/fpchastings)

(Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.)  
10:30 am service will also be broadcast live on KICS 1550 AM and 92.7 FM

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**THE RADIO BROADCAST** airs during the 10:30 am service, simulcast on KICS 1550 AM and on 92.7 FM, and is given by JoAnn and Les Seiler.

**FLOWERS** are given in memory of Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Clarke by the family

**GREETERS 10/24/21:** Kathy & Curtis Reimer-Memorial Room; Willy and Scott Kummer-Narthex

**GREETERS 10/31/21:** Kim & Gaylon Hermann-Memorial Room; Marnie & Doug Soderquist-Narthex

**USHERS FOR OCTOBER: Team #2 Duane Huber (Captain)**

Steve Illingworth   Clyde Sachtleben   Daveta Brader   Lois Hafer

**ACOLYTES 10/24/21:** Olivia Canady and Ryan Barker

**ACOLYTES 10/31/21:** Collin Hermes

**NURSERY VOLUNTEER 10/24/21:** Renee Canady

**NURSERY VOLUNTEER 10/31/21:** *VOLUNTEER NEEDED*

***First Presbyterian Church of Hastings***  
***Sharing the love of Christ in the heart of Hastings since 1873***

**Head of Church:** Jesus Christ

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett

**Director of Children & Family**

**Ministries:** Rose Koepp

**Organist and Music Coordinator:** Linda Vollweiler

**Calvin/Westminster Choir Director:** Linda Johnson

**Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors:** Teresa & Tim Canady

**Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director:** Dr. Susan Oliver

**Accompanists:** Mary Plock

**Scholar in Residence:** Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh

**Ministers:** Members of the Church

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann

**Parish Associate:** Kili Wenburg

**Bookkeeper:** Deb Hamburger

**Chancel Choir Director:** Dr. Robin Koozer

**Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster**

**Bells Director:** Dr. Byron Jensen

**Church Office Administrator:** Sarah Allen

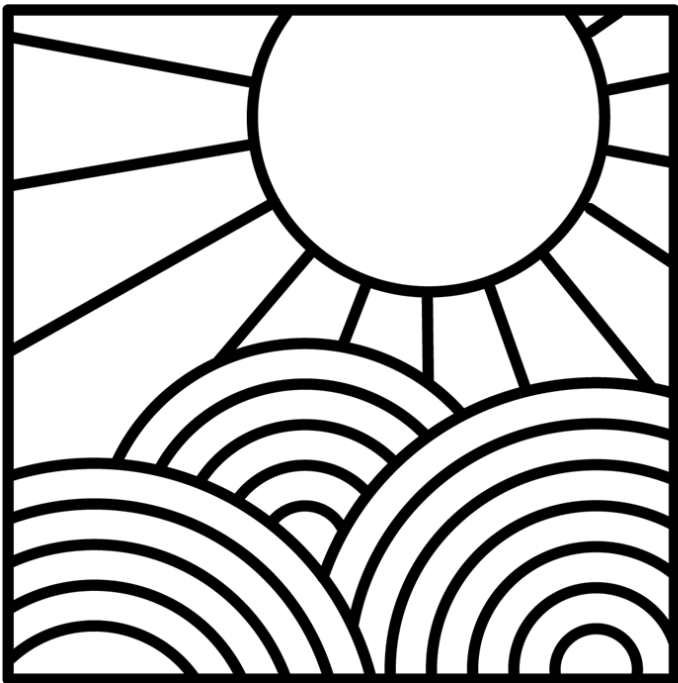
**Facilities Manager:** Tony Calhoun

**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey



# Please Pray For:

Carol and Frank Medsker ♡ Lois Hafer ♡ Katherine Sachtleben  
Bev Stein ♡ Greg Howard ♡ Rachael Lay ♡ Frank Georgiana ♡ Tommy Thomsen  
Family of Martha Stuckey ♡ Rich Portwood ♡ Shirley Gass ♡ Lanae Hall's Mother  
Elaine Schumacher ♡ Melba Trehern ♡ Chris Wheeler  
Rev. Dr. Cheryl Ann Elfond ♡ Pam & Don Canady ♡ Tut Ruei Family  
Brad Davis ♡ Family of Alana DeBellis ♡ Carl Utley



I WILL FULFILL TO YOU MY  
PROMISE AND BRING YOU  
BACK TO THIS PLACE.  
FOR SURELY I KNOW THE  
PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU,  
SAYS GOD, PLANS FOR  
YOUR WELFARE AND NOT  
FOR HARM, TO GIVE YOU  
A FUTURE WITH HOPE.

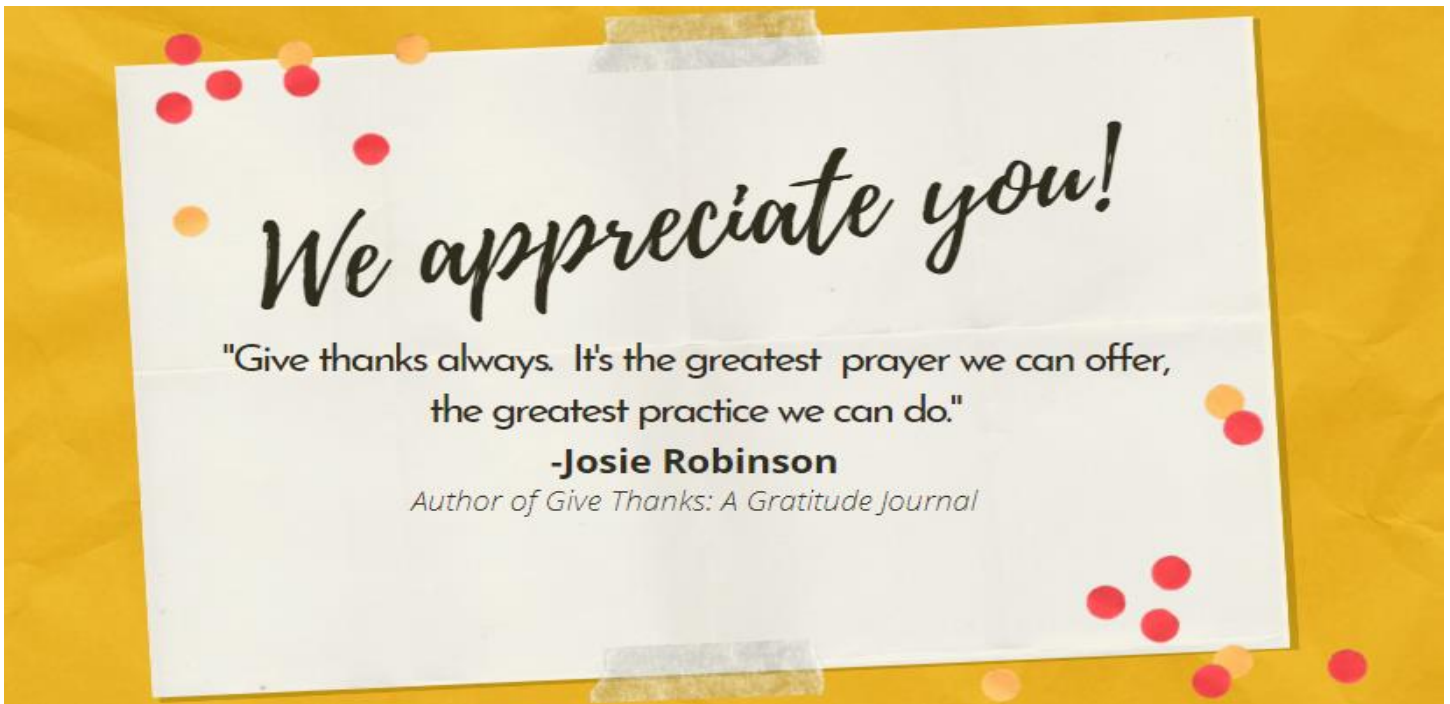
+ JEREMIAH 29:10-11

Stewardship Campaign letters, along with pledge cards and time and talent sheets, went out in the mail on Wednesday, October 20; please watch for yours to arrive. If you do not receive a letter, please reach out to Sarah in the office so we can make sure we have your correct mailing information.

If you would like to pick up a stewardship campaign packet, they are located in the Narthex.







While **October is Pastor Appreciation Month**, that certainly doesn't mean we don't appreciate our pastors *every single day*. Please take a moment to say a special word of thanks to both Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen for all they do for you, for us, and for our church.



**Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity that is not a huge time commitment but would be a huge help?** Our Thursday Food Distribution Team is looking for additional helpers on Thursdays for a couple of hours (could be alternate Thursdays). This is the former "Farm to Families" program which helps bring food to the tables of 40 families (pre-registered). Each family is provided with a box of produce, a pound of ground beef and additional items that can differ from week to week. There are 8-10 families who need one of our volunteers to deliver to them directly, the others come and pick up their box from you at the PEACE Center.

Please reach out to Jeni Howard or Sarah Allen in the office if you would like to learn more, or to help out.



If you are done with today's bulletin, we'd love you to recycle it. We mail these bulletins to individuals the Tuesday following worship. A recycling bin can be found in the Narthex just outside the Hands Around the World Store....and hey, why not stop into the store at the same time?

Our coat drive is not able to take place this year, however, that does not mean people won't still be cold this winter. With the generous help of Julie Thomsen, Jeni Howard, and Pastor Damen, we have decided to fill our office coat closet by filling it with coats of an individual who needs somebody who looks cold, a small number of coats. You can find a coat in the closet or welcome to our church office and pick out a coat. While we aren't driving at this time, if you have a coat that you are ready to add to our closet.



make the best use of our coats! If you know of a coat or come across please know that we have an invited person to come find a coat to direct someone in need. Sarah can help them pick a coat. If you happen to have a gently used coat that you are ready to part with, you could help. -Thank you!

**THE NURSERY IS IN NEED OF A VOLUNTEER THE 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH. PLEASE REACH OUT TO [FPC@FPCHASTINGS](mailto:FPC@FPCHASTINGS) IF YOU CAN HELP.**




**The Chorus of the Plains will be performing at**

***THE LARK***  
809 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

**Saturday  
October  
30<sup>th</sup>  
7:30pm**



SUN 10/24	8:30a-9:15a	Informal Worship Service	Church Sanctuary
	9:15a-10:15a	Sunday School All Ages	Various locations
	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	10:30a-11:15a	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary/Various Options
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	12:00p-2:00p	Music Staff Meeting	Choir Room
MON 10/25	8:30a-10:00a	Walkers/Walkers Coffee ( <i>Mon-Thurs</i> )	PEACE Gym PEACE NW Classroom
	1:00p-3:00p	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres Pickleball Open Gym	PEACE Gym
	5:30p-6:30p	Foundation Board Meeting	Parlor/Fellowship
	5:30p-6:30p	Nominating Committee	Anderson Room
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance Class	PEACE Center NE Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Boy Scouts	Scout Room
TUES 10/26	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting	Zoom
	11:45a-1:15p	Habitat for Humanity Meeting	Fellowship Hall
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study w/Pastor Greg	Anderson/Zoom
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	7:00p-8:00p	CCC Dog Obedience Class	PEACE NE Classroom
	8:15p-9:15p	CCC Dog Obedience Class	PEACE NE Classroom
WED 10/27	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Bible Study w/Dan	Zoom
	4:00p-6:45p	WNL 1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> grades	Check in at Fellowship Hall
	6:00p-6:45p	WNL Family Time Meal	Fellowship Hall
	6:20p-6:50p	6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
	6:50p-7:30p	6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Choir Rehearsal	TBD
	7:30p-8:30p	Youth Group	Youth Group Room
	5:15p-6:15p	New Members Class	Lydia Room
	6:45p-7:30p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary/Memorial Room
	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers	Lower Level Church
	6:30p-7:30p	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres Pickleball Open Gym	PEACE Gym
THURS 10/28	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance Lessons	PEACE NE Classroom
	6:30p-7:30p	Good Reads Book Club	Zoom
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Fellowship Hall
FRI 10/29	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Youth Group Room
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		HAPPY HALLOWEEN	

ADORATION

# 634 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.

# When God Restored Our Common Life 74

(Psalm 126)



1 When God re - stored our com - mon life, our hope, our lib - er -  
 2 We went forth weep - ing, sow - ing seeds in hard, un - yield - ing  
 3 Great lib - er - at - ing God, we pray for all who are op -



ty, at first it seemed a pass - ing dream, a  
 soil; with laugh - ing hearts we car - ry home the  
 pressed. May those who long for what is right with



wak - ing fan - ta - sy; a shock of joy swept  
 fruit of all our toil. We praise the One who  
 jus - tice now be blest. We pray for those who



o - ver us, for we had wept so long; the  
 gave the growth, with voic - es full and strong. The  
 mourn this day, and all who suf - fer wrong; may



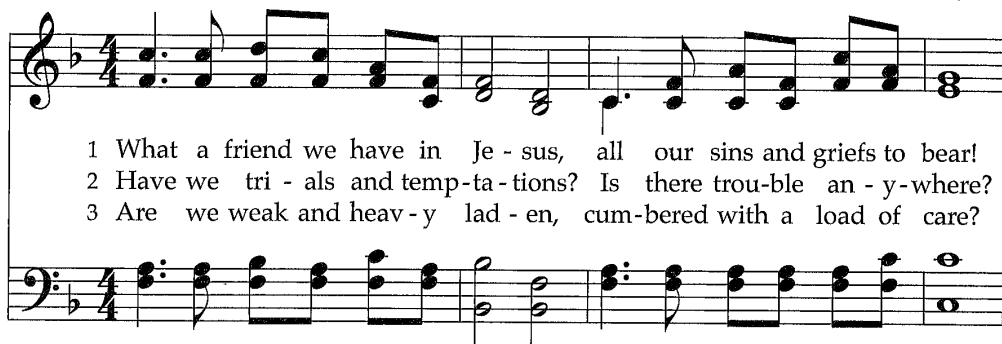
seeds we wa - tered once with tears sprang up in - to a song.  
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 seeds they wa - ter now with tears spring up in - to a song.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

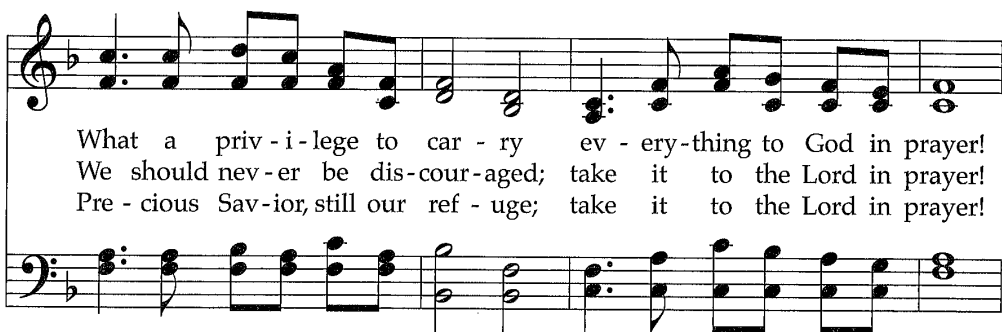
This paraphrase brings Psalm 126 to life in two ways: by turning the "they" of the final verses of the psalm to "we," and by adding a prayer for all who still wait for release from oppression. The shape note tune provides just the right balance of gratitude and urgency.

## 465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

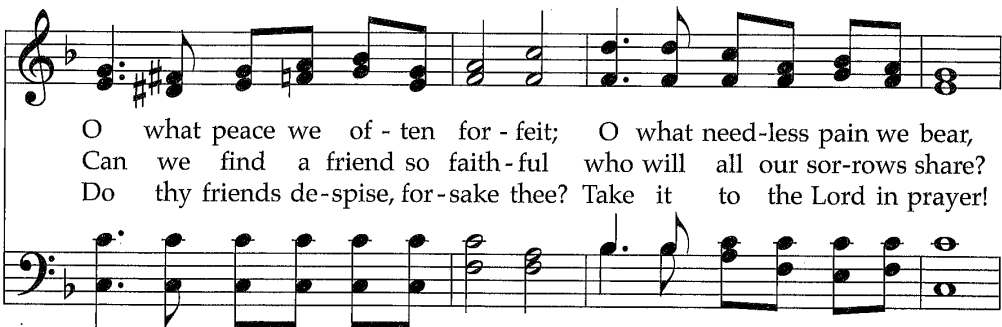
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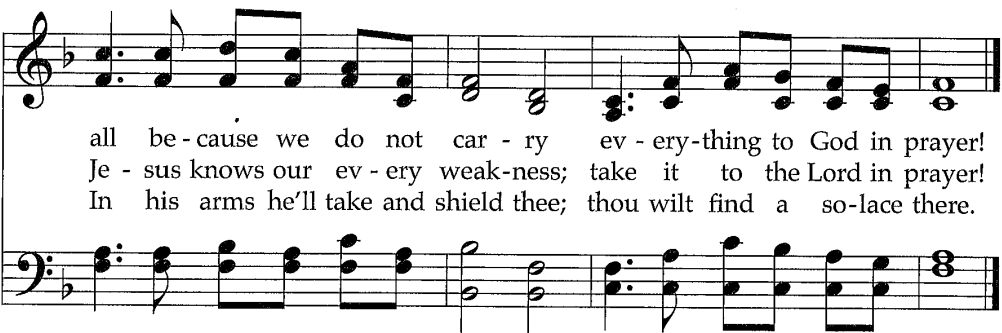
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,  
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.

