

Service for the Lord's Day

Pre-Service Music

Fugue in C major, BWV 547

J. S. Bach

Andrew Hackett, Organist

Concerns of the Congregation

Call to Worship

Hugh Ralston

One: The trumpet of the Lord sounds, calling us to examine our souls,

All: for we have not only met temptation, we have felt its grip.

One: The trumpet of the Lord sounds, calling us to mend our ways,

All: for we have not only committed sin, we have felt its sting.

One: The trumpet of the Lord sounds, calling us to rend our hearts,

All: for we have not only witnessed forgiveness, we have felt its power.

O come, let us worship the Lord!

Prelude

Gute Nacht, O Wesen, BWV 227

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(Good Night, Earthly Joys)

Ringing of the Revere Tower Bell

Let the ringing of the bell call our attention away from ourselves and
onto the living Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Hymn #28

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Invocation

All: Holy and loving God, as we worship you today, we long for your Spirit to both comfort and challenge us, to help us become more holy and more loving. In a world that does not understand repentance, we pray for new understanding, humility, patience, and discipline that will help us die to sin and live for Jesus. Amen.

*Prayer of Confession

One: O God, in creation you fashion us in your image,

All: in Christ you reveal to us your love,

One: through the Holy Spirit you welcome us into the fellowship of believers;

All: we bow in gratitude before you.

One: We constantly distort your image, but still you restore it.

All: We daily betray your love, but still you extend it.

One: We often disrupt fellowship, but still you bless it.

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All: Lost in our culture of lies, you are the way, the truth and the life.

One: We call upon you in our distress.

All: Come unto us at this time and in this place, O Lord,

One: that your image in us might be revealed, your love for us returned,

All: and our fellowship in Christ renewed. Amen.

***Moments of Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Psalm 51:17

One: The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. As we offer our broken hearts as a sacrifice to God, know that because of Christ's sacrifice we are forgiven of our sin! This is the Good News.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Gloria Patri #575**

Glory Be to the Father

Anthem

Witness

Lloyd Larson

Who will be a witness? Who will be a witness? Will you be a witness for my Lord?

The God of life came down to live among us,
and we have seen the pow'r of love revealed.
Foretold by prophets that he'd dwell among us;
Now by his grace our pardon has been sealed.

The Son of God came down to live among us.
The blind were made to see, he healed the lame,
he said that we could live a life victorious.
Sing "Hallelujah! Praise his holy name!"

In Christ we bear witness to God's holy plan:
God's Son, made flesh for all to see, to see.
By faith we touch the nail prints in his hands,
and by his grace our spirits are set free.
Who will be a witness? Who will be a witness for my Lord?

The land of God was pierced for our transgressions,
a man of sorrow and of suffering;
his punishment, the price for our salvation;
Messiah Lord of lords, and King of kings.

Who will be a witness! Who will be a witness for my Lord?

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Offertory

God So Loved the World

John Stainer

Zach Burnham, Baritone; Jarrett Hazelton, Tenor

Text: John 3:16-17

***Doxology #572** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #260

Just as I am

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 4:1-4

Rev. Dr. Robert Anderson

Pew Bible pg. 682 Large Print Bible pg. 1499

One: This is God's Word for God's People.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Facing the Heat: Our Heat Shield

Rev. Dr. Robert Anderson

*Hymn #340

I Need Thee Every Hour

*Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation on *Nettleton*

Andrew Hackett, Organist

*Those who are able, please stand.

The flowers on the communion table are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Donald W. Ross, Sr. on the anniversary of his 100th Birthday, March 14, from his children Don, Carl, David, and Ruth.

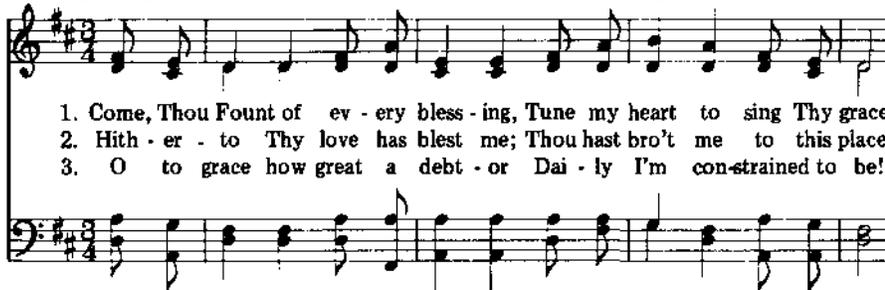
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 28

Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits. Psa. 68:19

NETTLETON 8787D.

Robert Robinson, 1758
Adapt. by E. Margaret Clarkson, 1973

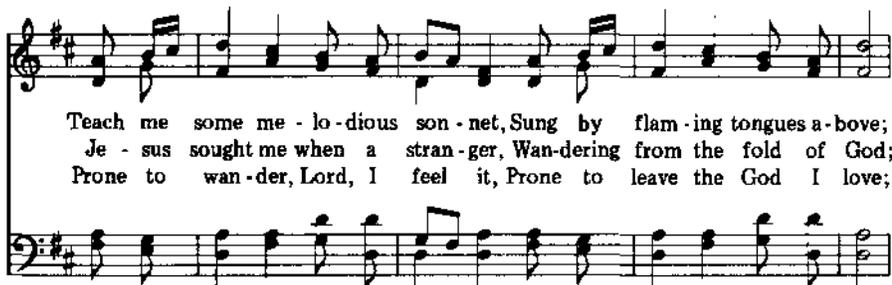
Traditional American melody
John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813



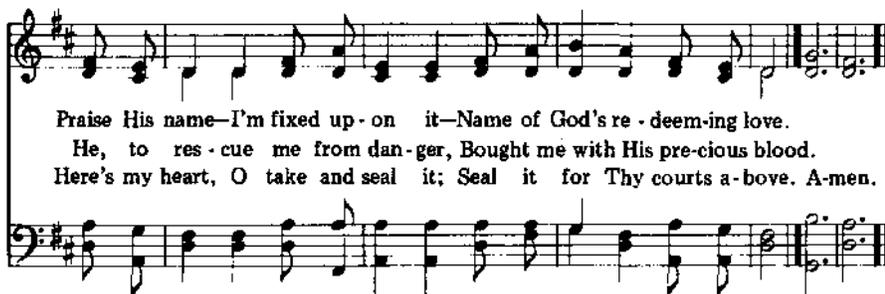
1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
2. Hith - er - to Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place;
3. O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!



Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.
And I know Thy hand will bring me Safe - ly home by Thy good grace.
Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - dering heart to Thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - dering from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;



Praise His name—I'm fixed up - on it—Name of God's re - deem - ing love.
He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, Bought me with His pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts a - bove. A - men.

HIS PRAISE

Just As I Am, without One Plea 260

Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. John 6:37

WOODWORTH L.M. Coda

William B. Bradbury, 1849

Charlotte Elliott, 1834

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy blood was
 2. Just as I am, and wait - ing not To rid my soul of
 3. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - ya con - flict,
 4. Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es, heal - ing
 5. Just as I am, Thou wilt re - ceive, Wilt wel - come, par - don,

shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O
 one dark blot, To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O
 man - ya doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out, O
 of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee I find, O
 cleanse, re - lieve; Be - cause Thy prom - ise I be - lieve, O

Coda (after last stanza)

Lamb of God, I come! I come!
 Lamb of God, I come! I come! O Lamb of God, I come. A-men.

THE CALL OF CHRIST

340 I Need Thee Every Hour

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor and needy. Psa. 86:1

Annie S. Hawks, 1872

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Robert Lowry, 1872

1. I need Thee ev - ery hour, Most gra - cious Lord; No ten - der voice like
2. I need Thee ev - ery hour, Stay Thou near by; Temp - ta - tions lose their
3. I need Thee ev - ery hour In joy or pain; Come quick - ly and a -
4. I need Thee ev - ery hour, Most Ho - ly One; O make me Thine in -

Refrain

Thine Can peace af - ford.
pow'r When Thou art nigh. I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev - ery hour I
bide Or life is vain.
deed, Thou bless - ed Son!

need Thee; O bless me now, my Sav - ior, I come to Thee!

Sunday, March 13 — Daylight Savings Time Begins

9 AM — Choir Rehearsal
9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM — Teen Bible Study
10:30 AM — Worship
11:30 AM — Fellowship Time

Monday, March 14

6:30 PM — Session Meeting

Wednesday, March 16

12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Saturday, March 19

7:30 AM — Men's Bible Study in the Chapel

Sunday, March 20

9 AM — Choir Rehearsal
9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM — Teen Bible Study
10:30 AM — Worship
11:30 AM — Fellowship Time

Wednesday, March 23

12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Friday, March 25

Courier Deadline

Saturday, March 26

7:30 AM — Men's Bible Study in the Chapel
Time TBD — Dinners for Eight in people's homes

Looking Ahead — March 20

Next Sunday, March 20 we will look again at Jesus temptation during the 40 days. Take some time to reflect on how you are tempted in life. In what ways might those temptations be the testing of God to purify you for his service?