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Growing God's Family

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

**WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!**

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER: We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

BEFORE COMMUNING

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Thank You God For Saving Me

Words and music by
Chris Tomlin and Phil Wickham

♩ = 85

INTRO

D

D^{sus}

D

D^{sus}



1. What can _ I

VERSE 1

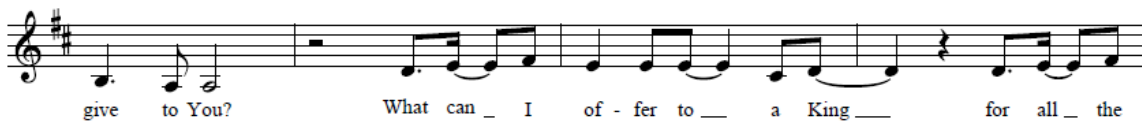
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G²

D

A/D

Bm⁷



give to You?

What can _ I of - fer to _ a King _ for all _ the

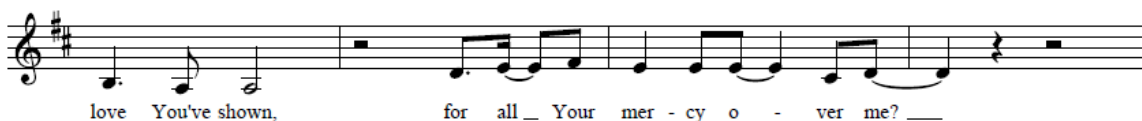
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D^{sus}

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Bm⁷



love You've shown,

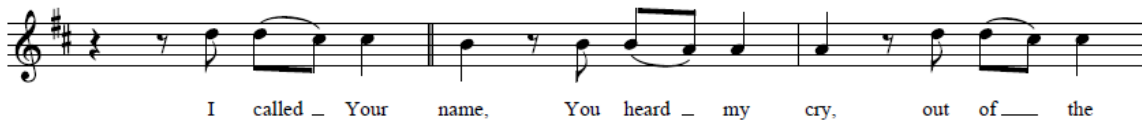
for all _ Your mer - cy o - ver me? _

CHORUS 1a

13

G/D

D



I called _ Your name, You heard _ my cry, out of _ the

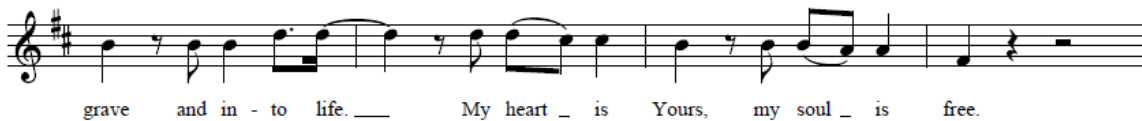
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G/D

Bm⁷

G²

D/F#



grave and in - to life. _ My heart _ is Yours, my soul _ is free.

20

D

D^{sus}

D




Thank You, God, _ for sav - ing me. _

Thank You, God, _ for sav -


VERSE 2

23 D^{sus} D D^{sus} G²



- ing me. _ 2. The Rock of _ Sal - va - tion, _

27 D A Bm⁷ G²



my hope _ is built on noth - ing less. _ Morn - ing _ by morn - ing, _


31 D A Bm⁷



how great _ is Your faith - ful - ness. _ I called _ Your

CHORUS 1b

35 G² D G²



name, You heard _ my cry, out of _ the grave and in - to life. _

38 Bm⁷ G² D/F#




_ My heart _ is Yours, my soul _ is free.

INSTRUMENTAL

41 D D^{sus} D G/D

Play 3 times



Thank You, God, _ for sav - ing me. _

BRIDGE

45 D G/D D



You gave Your life up - on the

48 G/D D G/D
 cross, You suf-fered once for all, You made a way.

51 D G/D D
 Je-sus, in vic-to-ry You rose. You made us all Your own; Now we are saved.

54 G/D D G
 Thank You, God, for sav-ing me.

57 D G D
 Thank You, God, for sav-ing me. Thank You, God, for sav-

60 G D G
 -ing me, for sav-ing me. I called Your

CHORUS 1c

63 G D G/D
 name, You heard my cry, out of the grave and in-to life.

66 Bm⁷ G/D D/F#
 My heart is Yours, my soul is free.

69 D D^{sus} Play 3 times D
 Thank You, God, for sav-ing me.

Please stand

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

C **O Lord, who could stand?**

P But with You there is forgiveness;

C **therefore You are feared.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

Absolution

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

Our God Saves

Words and Music by
Paul Baloche and Brenton Brown

♩ = 96

VERSE
D²

In the name of the Fa - ther, in the name of the _

3 G²
_ Son, in the name of the Spir - it, Lord, we _ come; Were gath-erd to -

6 Bm G²
-geth - er to lift up Your name, to call on our Sav - ior, to fall on Your .

9 D
_ grace; Hear the joy - ful _ sound _ of our of - fer - ing as Your

12 A^{sus} Bm
saints bow _ down, _ as Your peo - ple _ sing; We will rise with You, lift - ed

CHORUS

15 G² D
on Your _ wings, and the world will see _ that _ our God saves,

19 A^{sus} Bm G⁵
our God saves; There is hope in Your name;

25 D A^{sus}
Moum - ing turns to songs of praise; Our God

30 Bm G⁵ D
saves, our God saves.

¹When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. ³And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁴Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me." ¹⁰And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so." ¹¹And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come into his courts!

¹²Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

¹Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ²But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

G **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 Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)

Original Words by Robert Robinson

Arrangement, New Words
and Music by Chris Tomlin

♩ = 68

INTRO

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D²

A

F#m

D²



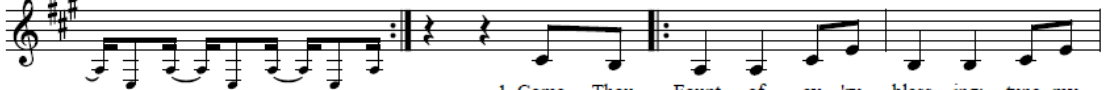
VERSE

4

A

A

E



1. Come Thou Fount of ev-'ry bless-ing; tune my
 (2. Here I) raise my Eb-e-nez-er; hith-er
 (3. Oh, to) grace, how great a debt-or dail-y

8

D²

A

E



heart to sing Thy _ grace. Streams of mer-cy, nev-er ceas-ing call for
 by Thy help I _ come. And I hope by Thy good pleas-ure, safe-ly
 I'm con-strained to _ be. Let Thy good-ness, like a fet-ter, bind my

12

D²

A

F#m

D²

A



songs of loud-est _ praise. Teach me _ some mel-o-dious son-net sung by
 to ar-rive at _ home. Je-sus _ sought me when a strang-er wan-d'ring
 wan-d'ring heart to _ Thee. Prone to _ wan-der, Lord, I feel _ it; prone to

16

F#m

D²

A

E

D²



flam-ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount, I'm fixed up - on it, mount of Thy re-deem-ing
 from the fold of God. He to res-cue me from dan-ger in-ter-posed His pre-cious
 leave the God I love. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts a -

21

A

1.

2, 3.

CHORUS 1a

D²

A



love. 2. Here I How Your kind-ness yet pur-sues me! How Your
 blood.
 -bove.

26 D^2 A D^2 $F\#m^7$ D^2 E

mer - cy nev - er fails me! 'Til the day that death shall loose me, I will sing, oh, I ___ will _

2nd time to Coda Φ

31 **TURNAROUND** $F\#m$ D^2 A $F\#m$ D^2 A

— sing.

35 $F\#m$ D^2 A $F\#m$ D^2 D.S. al Coda

3. Oh, to

38 Φ Coda D^2 E A D^2 A **CHORUS 1b**

sing, oh, I ___ will ___ sing. How Your kind - ness yet pur - sues me! How Your

42 D^2 A D^2 $F\#m^7$ D^2 E

mer - cy nev - er fails me! 'Til the day that death shall loose me, I will sing, oh, I ___ will _

47 **INSTRUMENTAL** A $A/C\#$ D^2 E $F\#m^7$ D^2 E A

— sing! 'Til the day that death shall loose me, I will sing, oh, I ___ will ___ sing.

52 **ENDING** $F\#m$ D^2

Prone to ___ wan - der, Lord, I

56 A $F\#m$ D^2 A E

feel ___ it, prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it

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Sermon

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, “Lord in Your Mercy”.
 The congregation will respond **“Hear our Prayer”**.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Please be seated

Please note:

St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine. His body and blood are not symbolically present or spiritually received, but real and tangible in the bread and wine, with the bread and wine, under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words, and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith. Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:

Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?

Are you truly sorry for your sins?

Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?

Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?

Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

Distribution

Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray...Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the Day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

All The People Said Amen

Words and Music by
Matt Maher, Trevor Morgan and Paul Moak

♩ = 96

G² D A G² D A G² D

VERSE 1

1. You are not a-lone

6 A Bm G² D A Bm

if you are lone - ly. When you feel a - fraid, you're not the on - ly.

9 G² D A Bm Em Bm⁷

We are all the same, in need of mer - cy, _ to be for - giv - en and be

12 A Em Bm⁷ A

free. It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need. ____

☞ **CHORUS**

15 D A D G D

And all the peo - ple said, "A - men." Whoa. ____ And all the peo - ple said, "A -

18 A⁽⁴⁾ G D F# Bm

-men." Give thanks to the Lord, _ for His love _ nev - er ends. _

21 G A 2nd time to Coda ◊ G D G D G² D

And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."

2. If you're rich or poor,

45 A⁽⁴⁾ G D F# Bm

-men." Give thanks to the Lord, _ for His love ___ nev - er ends. _

48 G A

And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."

50 2. ENDING Bm G A G D G D

-men." And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."

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