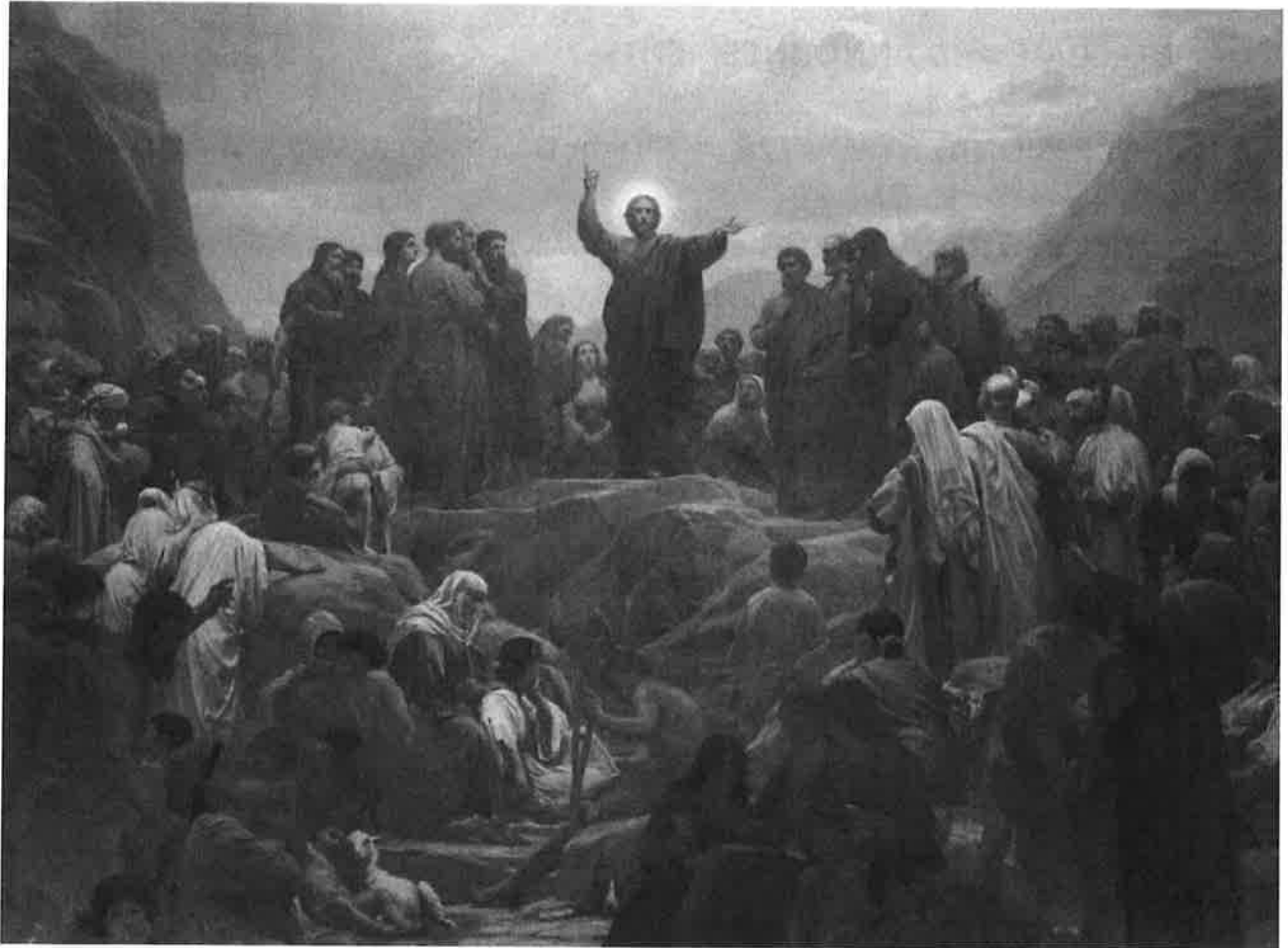


# Zion Lutheran

**Mission: Creating Community Through  
God's Love and Guidance**



**Sixth Sunday After Epiphany**

February 16, 2025

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**(The assembly speaks the bold print)**

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### **PRELUDE**

Please respect this time before worship for those who want to pray quietly in the sanctuary. Once the prelude begins, please use that time to listen to the music and prepare for worship. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN#726** "Light Dawns on a Weary World"

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, One God,  
our creator,  
our protector,  
our wellspring of life.

**Amen.**

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,  
**you speak blessing and compassion into the world.**  
**Forgive us for the ways we act**  
**with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**  
**We ignore the needs of our neighbors;**  
**we resist your call to oppose injustice;**  
**we give in to scarcity and fear;**  
**we assume the worst about one another.**  
**Cleanse us from our faults**  
**and release us from their grasp.**  
**Show us your lovingkindness.**  
**Restore our hearts and repair your world,**  
**that we may live in Christ's ways.**  
**Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine.”

In Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

**Amen**

### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

### **FIRST READING**

Jeremiah 17:5-10

A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>5</sup> Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. <sup>6</sup> They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. <sup>7</sup> Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. <sup>8</sup> They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. <sup>9</sup> The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? <sup>10</sup> I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

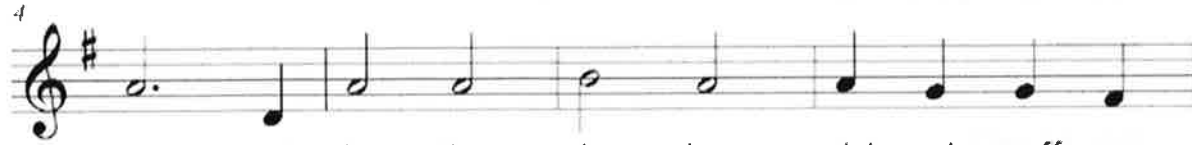
Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1

"Planted By the Water"



1. How bless - ed are the ones who nev - er  
2. Our joy is in the stat - utes of the  
3. The wick - ed shall not stand the judge - ment



walk with - in the place where wick - ed scoff - ers  
Lord, and night and day we pon - der on the  
day, but like the chaff, they'll all be blown a -



talk. We're like a tree that's plant-ed by the wa - ter.  
Word.  
way.



We shall not be moved! We shall not,



we shall not be moved! We shall not, we shall not be



moved, we're like a tree that's plant-ed by the wa -



ter. We shall not be moved!

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## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

<sup>12</sup> Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup> If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; <sup>14</sup> and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. <sup>15</sup> We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup> For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. <sup>17</sup> If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup> Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup> If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Setting 5

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL READING

Luke 6:17-26

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup> [Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>18</sup> They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup> And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

<sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

Pastor Karen Jewell

**HYMN OF THE DAY#769** "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### TOWER RINGERZ

"Bell Peal on Old 100th"  
by Louis Bourgeois

### OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,  
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:  
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,  
now and always.

**Amen.**

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

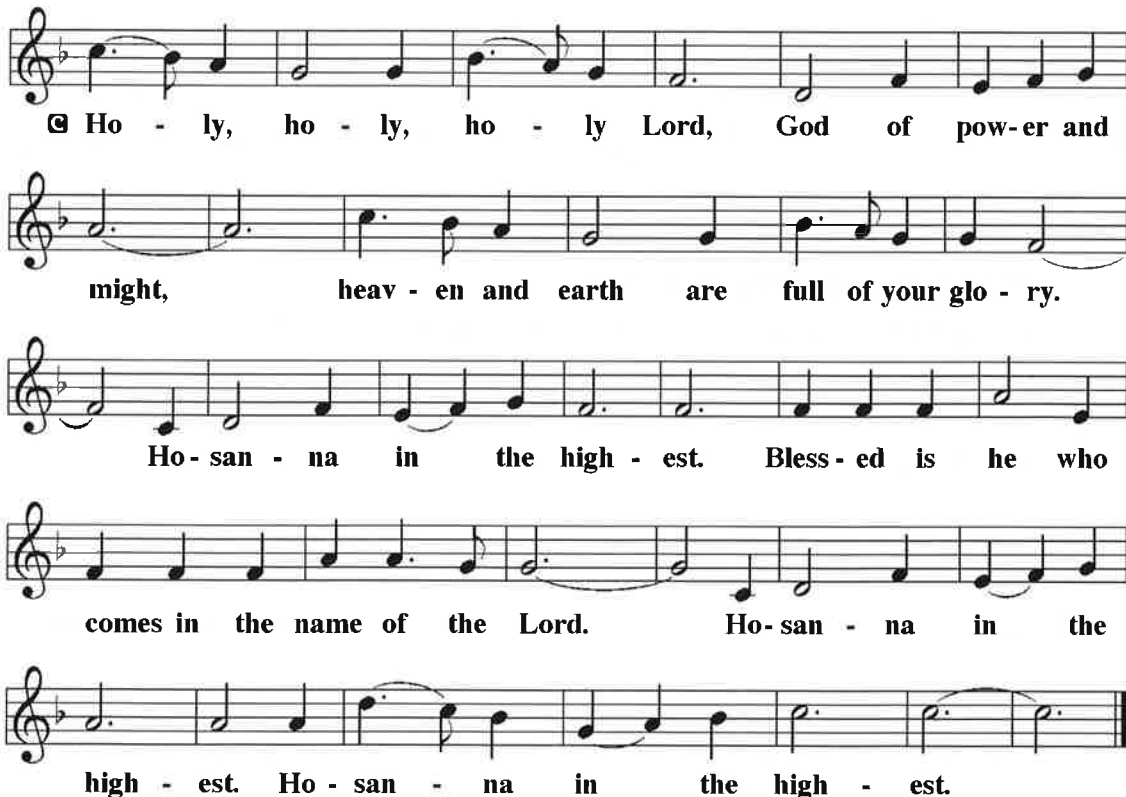
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

### HOLY HOLY HOLY

Setting 5



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.


## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### THE 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.

### LAMB OF GOD

Setting 5



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

### COMMUNION

### COMMUNION MEDITATION

### TOWER RINGERZ

"The Lord's My Shepherd"  
arr. Dan R. Edwards

### COMMUNION HYMN#491

"Come, Let Us Eat"



## **TABLE BLESSING**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Nourishing God,  
at this table you have refreshed us  
with holy gifts of food and drink.  
Strengthen us for service,  
and send us out to embody your good news  
of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.  
In the name of Christ we pray,  
**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The Spirit of the triune God  
bless you with joy,  
anoint you with compassion,  
and send you in love.  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN#710**

“Let Streams of Living Justice”

## **DISSMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live in hope.

**Creating Community through God’s Love and Guidance —  
thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

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**Welcome!**

We invite visitors to complete the card in the pew and put it in the collection basket. Thank You!

**Attendance:**

Last Week: 73

Last Year: 72

**Announcements!**

You are welcome to attend Hymnfest at Lawrence Chapel today at 2:30pm. The theme will be "Alleluia, Songs of Gladness". It is sponsored by Faith Lutheran Church Worship Arts Enhancement Fund.

Each week a Daily Discipleship, which is a take home Bible Study, will be on the tables at the back of sanctuary for you to take with you. It will also be on the website in the section where the weekly bulletin is.

Don't forget to sign up for the Lunch Social that will be held at Mark's East side on Feb. 20 at 11:30. The sign up sheet is in the narthex.

We will have an Ash Wednesday service on March 5th at 6:30pm. We will also have Lenten Soup Suppers starting March 12. See future bulletins for more information.

Starting Feb. 23 we will have greeters at the west door & in the narthex. If you are interested in being a greeter contact Lynn Walter.

We are planning on having some educational sessions on March 2, March 9 & March 16 after the service from 10:15-11:00. Jean from Linwood Community will be leading the sessions. See future bulletins for subjects to be discussed.

If you always received the messenger by email you need to go to our website, [zionappleton.org](http://zionappleton.org) to find it. It is listed under Ministries. There are past messenger if you want to read them.

The tenants of Linwood Community are sponsoring a hygiene supply drive for World Relief, a nonprofit that provides services and financial, emotional, cultural and spiritual support for recently arriving immigrant and refugee neighbors. Needed items include: shampoo, bar soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shaving cream and disposable razors. Help us show love and support to our newest neighbors by dropping off your items by Monday, February 17 at our flagpole entrance at 425 N Linwood Ave. Appleton.

**Grief Care:** Nancy Scheuerman, member of Prince of Peace Lutheran in Appleton, and the facilitator for the Grief Support groups wants to extend a welcome to all in our community to join a group if they wish. There is an evening group on Thursday, January 30th that will meet at 6:30-8:00PM for a total of 8 weeks over a 10 week time frame. And a possibility of a daytime group if there is enough interest to begin on Wednesday, February 19 at 9:30-11:00 AM for an 8 week period.

Columbus school is having open gym at Zion on Thursdays from Feb. 20 through March 20. It is from 6pm-7pm. The bowling alley, ark & gym will be open. All are welcome. The only thing they ask is if you are bringing a child an adult needs to accompany them.

The Fox Valley Chorus of Sweet Adelines will present "A Slice of American Pie" on Sat. Feb. 22nd. Doors open at 1:30; singing begins at 2:00. Location: First Presbyterian Church, 200 S. Church St., Neenah. Fellowship Hall entrance on Doty Ave. Tickets are \$10, which includes a slice of pie! Call 920-420-2192.

## THIS WEEK AT ZION

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### Sunday, February 16

Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1

1 Cor 15:12-20; Luke 6:17-26

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

Followed by

**Coffee Hour**

Sunday School & Confirmation

### 6th Week of Epiphany

Pastor Karen Jewell

Assisting Minister: Wendy Sachs

Acolyte: Freya Budde

Musician: Heather Watney

Opens: Gene Wiese

Closes: Gwen Schwandt

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### Monday, February 17

Parish Council Meeting 6:30pm

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### Wednesday, February 19

Tower RingerZ Rehearsal 4:15pm

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### Sunday, February 23

Gen 45:3-11, 15; Ps 37:1-11, 39-40

1 Cor 15:35-38, 42-50; Luke 6:27-38

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

Followed by

**Coffee Hour**

Sunday School & Confirmation

### 7th Week of Epiphany

Pastor Jan LaVake

Assisting Minister: Tricia Staedt

Acolyte:

Musician: William Surtees

Opens: Greg Pettigrew

Closes: Tammy Mossholder

# Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to  
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find  
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a  
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a  
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.  
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.  
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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## If You But Trust in God to Guide You



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle  
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less  
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and  
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -  
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's  
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -  
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in  
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who  
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has  
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.  
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.  
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.  
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

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# Come, Let Us Eat

Leader or All



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



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come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.  
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Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



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# Let Streams of Living Justice



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;  
2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,  
3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.  
for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.  
your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,  
Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;  
Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.  
on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.  
our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home - land bright - ly gleams.



Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;  
O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;  
In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;



a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.  
dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.  
your truth—the heart of strang - er; your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

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