

# Zion Lutheran

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



**Twenty fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
November 10, 2024**

**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**

**TEMPLE TALK-TRANSFORMING THROUGH SERVICE-TRUST**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN#532**

**“Gather Us In”**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
our refuge,  
our delight,  
our beginning and our end.  
**Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,  
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us  
and we are complicit in its power.**  
**We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.**  
**Unbind us and set us free.**  
**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,  
that we may live just and generous lives  
for the good of your world  
and the care of our neighbors,  
following in the servant way of Jesus.**  
**Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true:  
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,  
swallowing up death forever.  
For his sake, you are forgiven  
and God remembers your sin no more.  
Let your heart be glad again,  
and rejoice in your salvation.  
**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**

**O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

### **FIRST READING**

1 Kings 17:8-16

A reading from 1 Kings.

<sup>8</sup>The word of the Lord came to [Elijah,] saying, <sup>9</sup>“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” <sup>10</sup>So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” <sup>11</sup>As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” <sup>12</sup>But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” <sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son.

<sup>14</sup> For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” <sup>15</sup> She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup> The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.  
Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 146**

“Praise the Lord”  
sung to the melody  
“Ode to Joy”

- 1 Praise the Lord, my soul, O praise Him; to the Lord your praises give;
- 2 I will praise Him my whole life; sing praise to God long as I live.
- 3 Do not put your trust in princes; in mere man who cannot save—
- 4 When they die, their plans are nothing; they descend into the grave.
  
- 5 Bless-ed is the one whose help is Jacob’s God—how bless’d is he!  
Bless-ed is the one whose hope is in the Lord his God, for He
  
- 6 is the Maker of the heavens, Maker of the earth and sea;  
He, the Lord, made all that fills them, and keeps faith eternally.
  
- 7 He upholds the cause of those who are oppressed—to them is kind;  
He gives food unto the hungry; and gives sight unto the blind.
- 8 The Lord sets the pris’ners free and lifts up those who are bowed down;  
The Lord loves the righteous ones, and does their lives with glory crown.
  
- 9 The Lord watches o’er the strangers; and sustains the fatherless;  
Helps the widows, but He frustrates wicked ones who would oppress.
- 10 The Lord God will reign forever; your God, Zion, evermore;  
He reigns for all generations; hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

## **SECOND READING**

Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from Hebrews.

<sup>24</sup> Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own;

<sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.  
Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION HYMN#794** "Calm to the Waves"  
**Songleader sings 1st time then congregation joins the 2nd time**

**GOSPEL READING** Mark 12:38-44

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

<sup>38</sup> As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup> and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! <sup>40</sup> They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." <sup>41</sup> He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup> A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup> Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup> For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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

**SERMON**

Pastor Jan LaVake

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Be Not Afraid"  
**see insert**

## **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**

**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

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

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERING MUSIC**

**"Simple Gifts"  
Tower Ringerz**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

**Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,  
you offered yourself in love for the world,  
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.  
Fill us with your abundance,  
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,  
trusting in your name.  
Amen.**

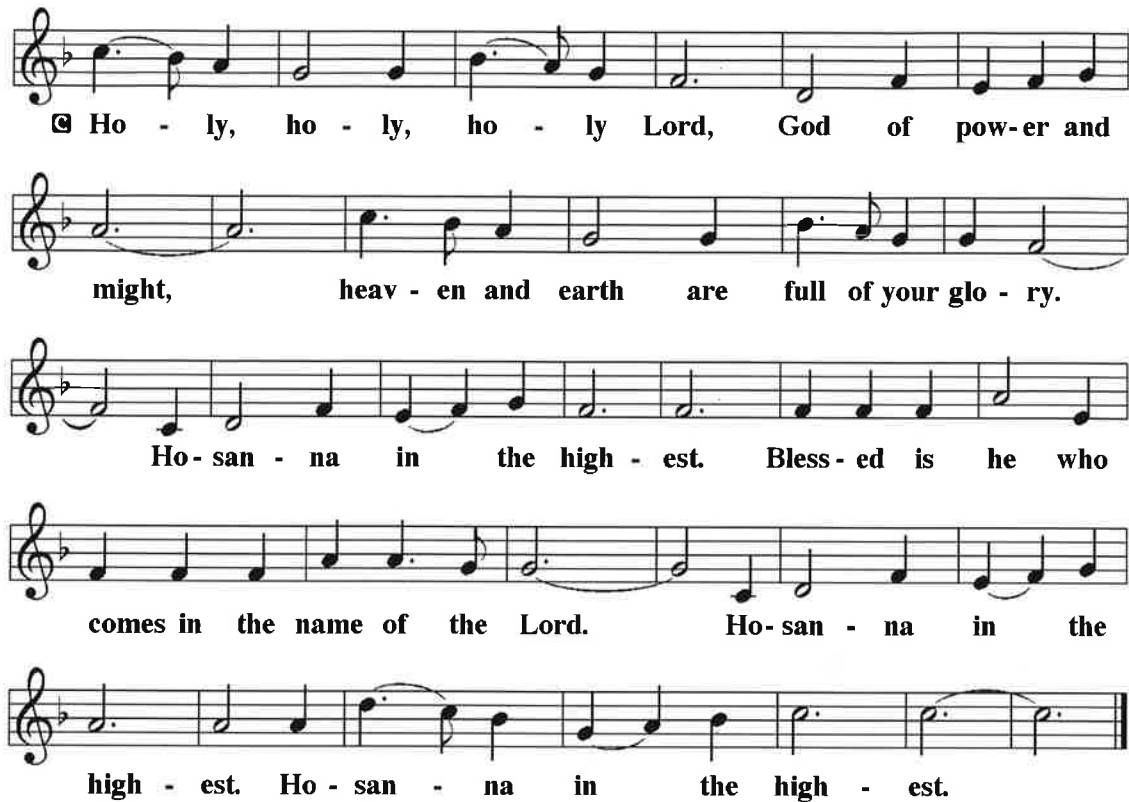
## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**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

Behold, God is making all things new.

Take your place in the new creation.

### COMMUNION

#### TOWER RINGERZ

“Sing To The Lord Of Harvest”

#### COMMUNION HYMN#465

“As the Grains of Wheat”

### 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

Faithful God,  
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink  
in the body and blood of your Son.  
Now send us out to labor with you,  
in service to the world you have made,  
and among the people you have made your home,  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**



## **BLESSING**

The Ancient One, enthroned,  
the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN#790**

“Day by Day”

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**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!

## Announcements!

Vivian Schutte, long time member of Zion, passed away. Services will be held on Saturday, November 16th with visitation starting at 9:30am, service at 11:30am, followed by a luncheon at 12:30pm. Please pray for Vivian's family.

**Today** there will be a very special concert when the FELC Parish Choir and members of the Appleton community perform The Solemn Mass of Louis Vierne, written for two organs and choir. Some of our choir members are participating. The concert is at 3PM at First English Lutheran Church, 326 E. North Street, Appleton. If you are unable to attend in person you can view it live online at [felc.com](http://felc.com) OR [krempinschool.org](http://krempinschool.org). A celebratory reception immediately follows the concert. Hope to see you then!

Appleton MacDowell Male Chorus welcomes the Singing Statesmen from the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire for one concert to open our 91<sup>st</sup> year of performances and brotherhood. They will be performing on **Veteran's Day, November 11, 2024**, at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Church, 404 W Lawrence St, Appleton. A salute to our country's veterans will be included in the show. Because of the special nature of this concert, no tickets are required. In place of an admission charge, free-will donations are accepted at the door to help support future performances of the chorus.

The 32nd annual Miscarriage, Infant and Child Loss Memorial Service will be held on **Tuesday, Nov. 12** at 6:00pm at St. Bernard Catholic Parish, 1617 W. Pine St. Appleton. This service honors our children who have been called home to heaven and is a special time to remember them and pray for their precious souls. It is open to people of all faiths. There is a form that needs to be filed out & returned to them. See the poster on the bulletin board for the form & details.

Golden Years Resource Alliance presents an informational panel of community professionals and experts. On **Tuesday, Nov. 12th** from 11:30-12:30 at the Neenah Public Library-Shattuck Room there will be a presentation of how to protect yourself from scams. You are welcome to attend this & future presentations.

On Sunday, November 24 the service will be Stewardship/  
Volunteer Recognition Sunday. Please plan to attend to give your  
thanks to all the volunteers we have at Zion.

Christmas will be here soon. It is time to mark your calendar for  
**Sunday, November 24th** after the 9 am service. Join the family  
trimming of the trees and decorating of the sanctuary! Everyone  
is invited. Enjoy a cup of coffee and a snack in the Fellowship Hall  
and come in to help get ready for the Christmas season!

Time to order your poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to  
help beautify our Sanctuary for the Christmas services there are  
order forms in the narthex. The orders are due by Sunday,  
December 1st.

Special Worship Music and Celebrations at ZION.  
December 24: String Quartet (4 pm) and Organ (6 pm)  
January 4: Epiphany Walk and Brunch

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.

Transforming Through Service "Each of you should use whatever  
gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of  
God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10). Reflect on the  
gifts you have received and how you can use them to serve and  
transform your community.

Everyone likes gift cards for Christmas gifts. Remember to order  
them through Zion. Also think about where you do your  
shopping each week & I am sure we can get you a gift card for  
that store. There are order forms in the narthex with contact  
information to be able to place an order.

In the narthex there will be a sign up sheet for the lunch social  
that is held every 3rd Thursday of the month. Please see the sign  
up sheet for details.

Linwood Community is sponsoring a presentation on  
Understanding Your Lab Results at 425 N. Linwood Ave. Appleton  
on Thursday, November 21st at 2pm.

You are invited to the movie: BONHOEFFER about the life and death of the renowned German Lutheran pastor and author. It is Sunday, December 8 at Marcus Hollywood Cinema in Appleton at 1 pm (No Packer game!). See the poster on the bulletin board for information.

The Fox Valley Lions Medical Equipment Locker provides access to medical equipment without charge to the residents of the Fox Valley communities. They are always in need of new or used medical equipment. If you have any unused or unwanted medical equipment that is in good condition, please consider donating it to them. Hearing aid batteries can be donated at the locker, and people can come in when the locker is open and request free hearing aid batteries. Currently, there are 13, 312 and some 675 batteries. They have a volunteer that is willing to drop off batteries at the church. For more information, please visit their website: <https://sites.google.com/view/fvml/home>

## THIS WEEK AT ZION

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### Sunday, November 10th

1 Kings 17:8-16, Ps 146

Heb 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:40 am

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

Followed by

Coffee Hour

Sunday School & Confirmation

### Lectionary 32 (Pentecost 25)

Pastor Jan LaVake

Assisting Minister: Tom Meltz

Acolyte: Lily Gruselle

Musician: Heather Watney

Opens: Gene Wiese

Closes: Tammy Mossholder

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### Tuesday, November 12th

Zion Mutual Homes Meeting 10:00am

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### Wednesday, November 13th

Tower RingerZ Rehearsal 4:15pm

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### Sunday, November 17th

Dan 12:1-3, Ps 16

Heb 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:40 am

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

followed by

Coffee Hour

Sunday School & Confirmation

### Lectionary 33 (Pentecost 26)

Vicar Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer

Assisting Minister: Gwen Schwandt

Acolyte: Alexa Rusch

Musician: William Surtees

Opens/Closes: Jim Schley

# Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his - t'ry,  
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the  
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the  
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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# Calm to the Waves

Musical notation for the first line of the hymn, written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a dotted quarter note at the end of the phrase.

Calm to the waves.    Calm to the wind.    Je - sus whis - pers, "Peace, be still."

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn, continuing the melody from the first line. It features quarter and eighth notes, ending with a dotted quarter note.

Balm to our hearts.    Fears at an end.    In still-ness, hear his voice.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: CALM SEAS, Thomas Pavlechko, b. 1962

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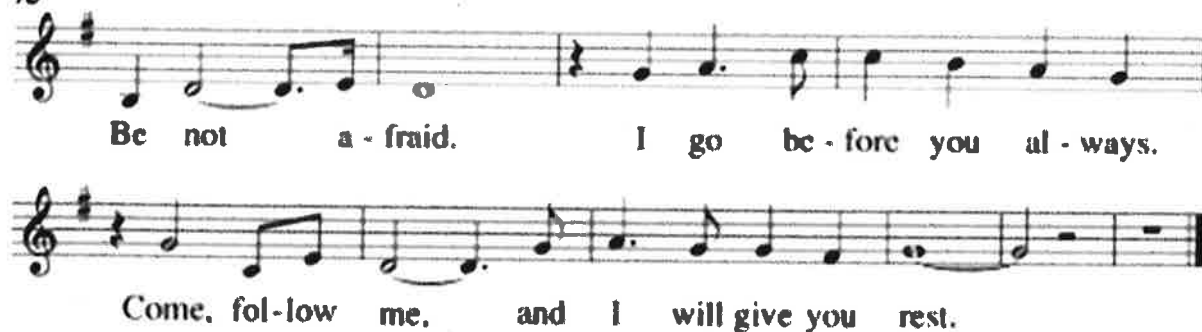
# Be Not Afraid

## Verse 1



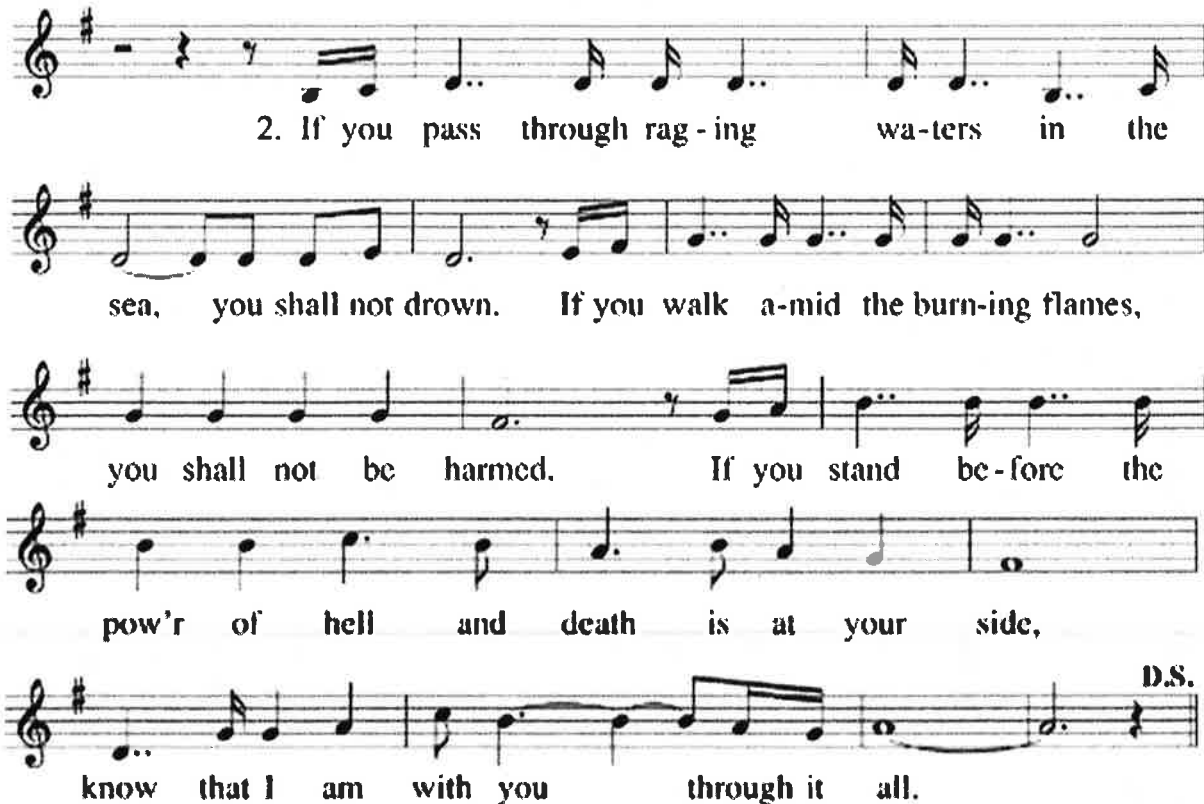
1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

## Refrain



Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways.  
Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.

Verse 2



2. If you pass through rag - ing wa - ters in the  
sea, you shall not drown. If you walk a - mid the burn - ing flames,  
you shall not be harmed. If you stand be - fore the  
pow'r of hell and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it all. **D.S.**

Verse 3



3. Bless - ed are your poor, for the king - dom shall be  
theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for  
one day you shall laugh. And if wick - ed tongues in -  
sult and hate you all be - cause of me,  
bless - ed, bless - ed are you! **D.S.**



# As the Grains of Wheat

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,

2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*Refrain*

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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## Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort  
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and  
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me  
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all  
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil  
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,  
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,  
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.  
with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005

Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882

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