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Wait for the LORD
and keep his way,
and he will exalt you
to inherit the land;
you will look on
when the wicked are cut off.

~ Psalm 37:34 ~



“Preaching God’s Sovereign Grace to a World of Need”

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The Lord's Day

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God's Call to Us to Worship Him

"Be still and know that I Am God"

Psalm 37:3-6, 34

***His Call to Us to Worship Him**

Psalm 98:1-4

Elder: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

People: **The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

Elder: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

People: **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

Elder: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Elder: Let us worship God.

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymns of Our Procession Into the Presence of God**

O Church Arise

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The Father Reaffirms His Covenant with Us

Scripture Reading

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Responsive Reading of Psalm 37:23-40

Call to Confession

When we gather to praise God, we remember that we are people who have preferred our wills to his. Accepting his power to become new persons in Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

Elder led prayer and silent prayer

Assurance of His Pardon

To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's Word of grace: We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved. This gift we have from God. **Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

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Intercessory Prayer

Christ is Made Known to Us

Hymn of Prayer

He Will Hold Me Fast

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His Word is Opened to Us

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Scripture: Exodus 13:17-22

"The grass withers, the flower fades ...

But the Word of our God will stand forever."

Message: Follow the Lord

Prayer for Response and Obedience

We Depart with His Blessing

And Sending of His Spirit

Presenting His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Gloria Patri

***Hymn of Our Procession Into the World**

Lead On, O King Eternal

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***Charge and Benediction**

(Trinity Hymn Book #576, vs. 1)

Awake, my soul, stretch ev'ry nerve, and press with vigor on;
a heavenly race demands your zeal, and an immortal crown,
and an immortal crown.

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

The Life and Times of Moses, the Servant of YHWH

Follow the Lord

Exodus 13:17-22

(see also: Gen. 50:24-25; Ex. 7:1; Ps. 37; Micah 6:8; Mt. 5:5;

2 Cor. 6:17; Heb. 11:8-16)

Scripture teaches Christians to 'go out ...

- a) and be just like the world.
- b) and hide your faith so as to get along.
- c) be separate.

YHWH is the one leading the people in the wilderness.

I. A study of Psalm 37

The world is given to the:

The believer must:

II. The Israelites follow the Lord.

Why is the name 'Red Sea' so confusing?

III. The Israelites honor their forefather Joseph.

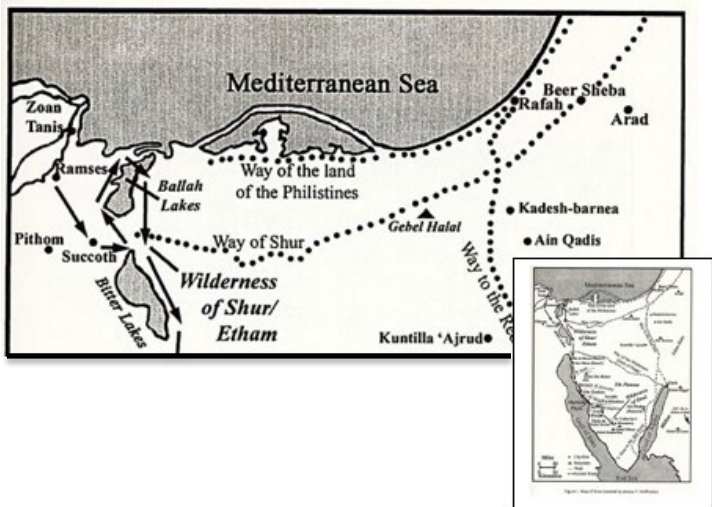
What did Joseph have to do in his life?

How did he handle his situation?

IV. The gift of direction and assurance.

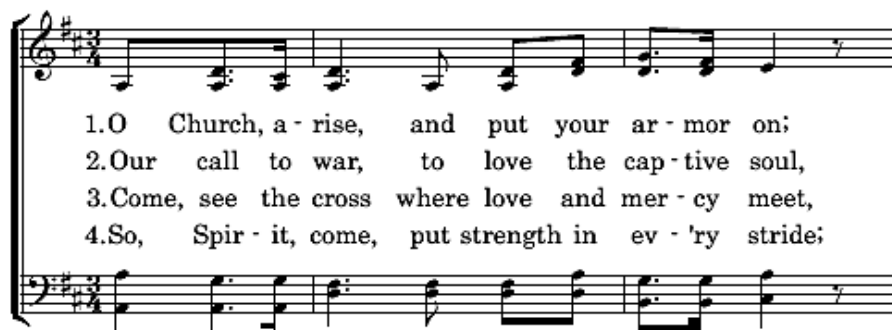
The Lord is leading. Are you following?

My Personal Thoughts

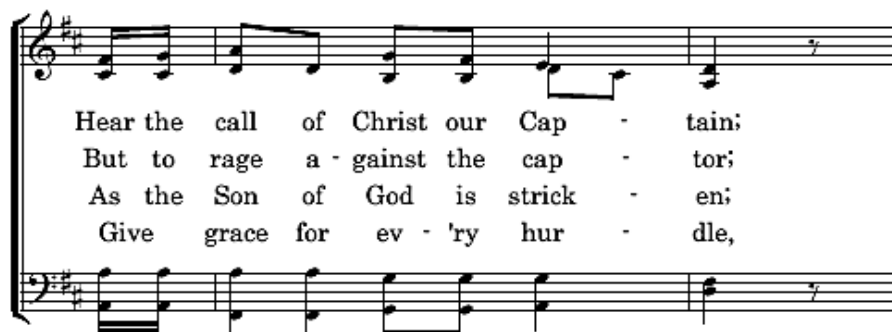


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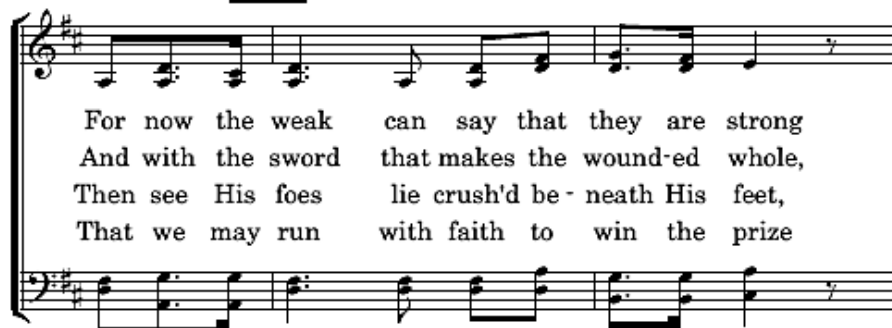
O Church, Arise



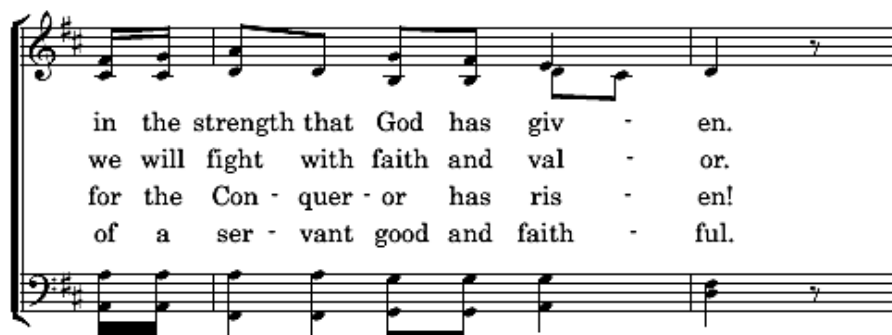
1. O Church, a - rise, and put your ar - mor on;
2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul,
3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet,
4. So, Spir - it, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride;



Hear the call of Christ our Cap - tain;
But to rage a - gainst the cap - tor;
As the Son of God is strick - en;
Give grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle,



For now the weak can say that they are strong
And with the sword that makes the wound - ed whole,
Then see His foes lie crush'd be - neath His feet,
That we may run with faith to win the prize



in the strength that God has giv - en.
we will fight with faith and val - or.
for the Con - quer - or has ris - en!
of a ser - vant good and faith - ful.

With shield of faith and belt of truth,
When faced with trials on ev - 'ry side,
And as the stone is rolled a - way,
As saints of old still line the way,

we'll stand a - gainst the Dev - il's lies:
we know the out - come is se - cure;
and Christ e - mer - ges from the grave,
re - tell - ing tri - umphs of His grace,

An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle - cry is love,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died:
This vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues till the day
We hear their calls and hun - ger for the day

reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
an in - her - i - tance of na - tions.
ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him.
when with Christ we stand in glo - ry.

Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode

He is my stronghold, my refuge and my savior. 2 Sam. 22:3

1. Who trusts in God, a strong a-bode in heav'n and earth pos - sess-es;
 2. Though Sa - tan's wrath be - set our path, and world - ly scorn as - sail us,
 3. In all the strife of mor - tal life our feet shall stand se - cure-ly;

who looks in love to Christ a - bove, no fear his heart op - press-es.
 while you are near we will not fear, your strength shall nev - er fail us:
 temp - ta - tion's hour shall lose its pow'r, for you shall guard us sure-ly.

In you a - lone, dear Lord, we own sweet hope and con - so - la - tion:
 your rod and staff shall keep us safe, and guide our steps for - ev - er;
 O God, re - new, with heav'n - ly dew, our bod - y, soul, and spir - it,

our shield from foes, our balm for woes, our great and sure sal - va - tion.
 nor shades of death, nor hell be - neath, our souls from you shall sev - er.
 un - til we stand at your right hand, through Je - sus' sav - ing mer - it.

Responsive Reading of Psalm 37:23-40

If the LORD delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm;

though he stumble, he will not fall, for the LORD upholds him with his hand.

I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.

They are always generous and lend freely ; their children will be blessed.

Turn from evil and do good; then you will dwell in the land forever.

For the LORD loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones.

They will be protected forever, but the offspring of the wicked will be cut off;

the righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever.

The mouth of the righteous man utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks what is just.

The law of his God is in his heart; his feet do not slip.

The wicked lie in wait for the righteous, seeking their very lives;

but the LORD will not leave them in their power or let them be condemned when brought to trial.

Wait for the LORD and keep his way.

He will exalt you to inherit the land; when the wicked are cut off, you will see it.

I have seen a wicked and ruthless man flourishing like a green tree in its native soil,

but he soon passed away and was no more; though I looked for him, he could not be found.

Consider the blameless, observe the upright; there is a future for the man of peace.

But all sinners will be destroyed; the future of the wicked will be cut off.

The salvation of the righteous comes from the LORD ; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The LORD helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

It Is Well with My Soul

*The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts
and your minds in Christ Jesus. Phil. 4:7*

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
3. My sin— O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!—my sin, not in
4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled

sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,

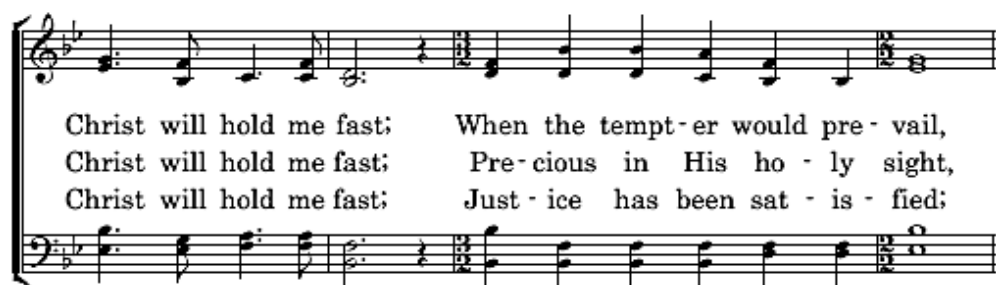
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"It is well, it is well with my soul."
and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
"E - ven so"—it is well with my soul.

with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.
with my soul;

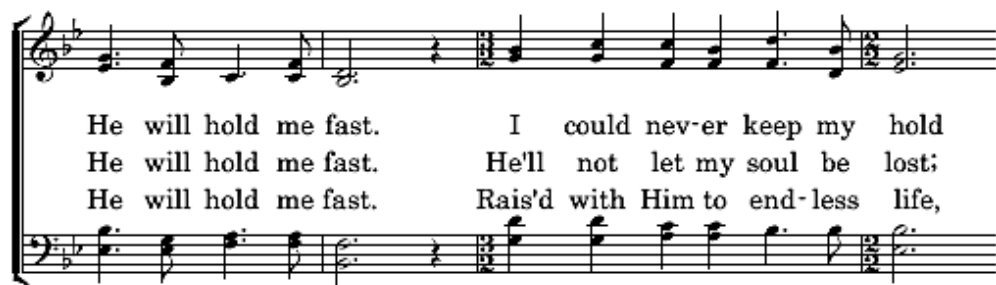
He Will Hold Me Fast



1. When I fear my faith will fail,
 2. Those He saves are His de - light,
 3. For my life He bled and died,



Christ will hold me fast; When the tempt - er would pre - vail,
 Christ will hold me fast; Pre - cious in His ho - ly sight,
 Christ will hold me fast; Just - ice has been sat - is - fied;



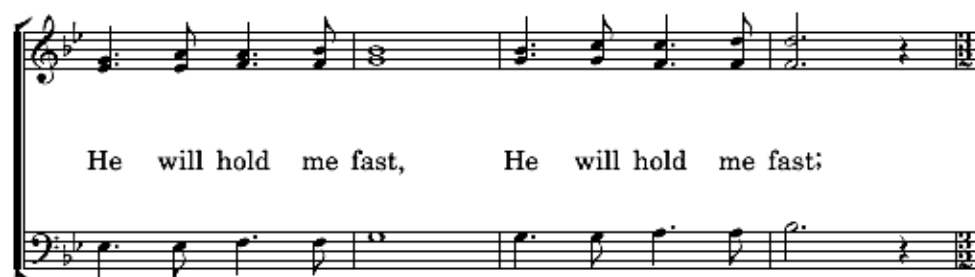
He will hold me fast. I could nev - er keep my hold
 He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost;
 He will hold me fast. Rais'd with Him to end - less life,



through life's fear - ful path; For my love is oft - en
 His prom - is - es shall last; Bought by Him at such a
 He will hold me fast 'Till our faith is turned to



cold; He must hold me fast.
cost, He will hold me fast.
sight, when He comes at last!



He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;



For my Sav - ior loves me so,



He will hold me fast!

Lead On, O King Eternal

I am the LORD your God ... who directs you in the way you should go. Is. 48:17

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1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;
 2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease;
 3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home;
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing where - e'er thy face ap - pears;

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,
 for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
 thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;

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and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
 the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might.