

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pre-Service Music

Welcome, Announcements, and Service Notes

Prelude

Call to Worship & Prayer of the Day

Hymn “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” EIN’ FESTE BURG

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord, we confess: we do not live as those worthy to be entrusted with the good news of your grace; we relate to others callously as though we do not trust that gospel ourselves; we seek to please and manipulate, using flattery to gain praise and distinction; we use condescension as a mask to cover insecurity or a need for power. Our motives are mixed, impure. Lord, reassure and cleanse us, in Jesus’ name. Amen.

(Moment for Silent Reflection)

Declaration of Forgiveness & The Peace of Christ

THE WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Special Music “Weeping” Dan Heymann

Epistle Lesson Romans 3: 19 – 28 (CEV)

Psalmody Psalm 46 – God Will Be Our Refuge AMPARO

Gospel Lesson John 8: 31 – 36

Sermon *The Reformation: A Theology of Freedom*
Rev. Anthony L. Larson

Hymn “Open My Eyes, That I May See” OPEN MY EYES

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sharing Joys and Concerns

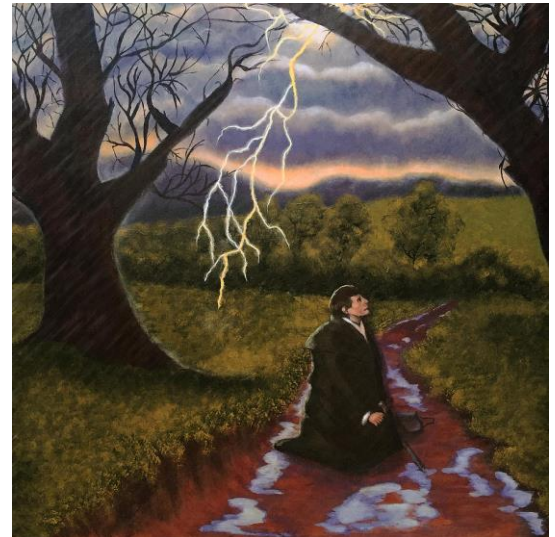
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

SENT BY GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

Hymn “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” AZMON

Charge & Benediction

Postlude



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1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

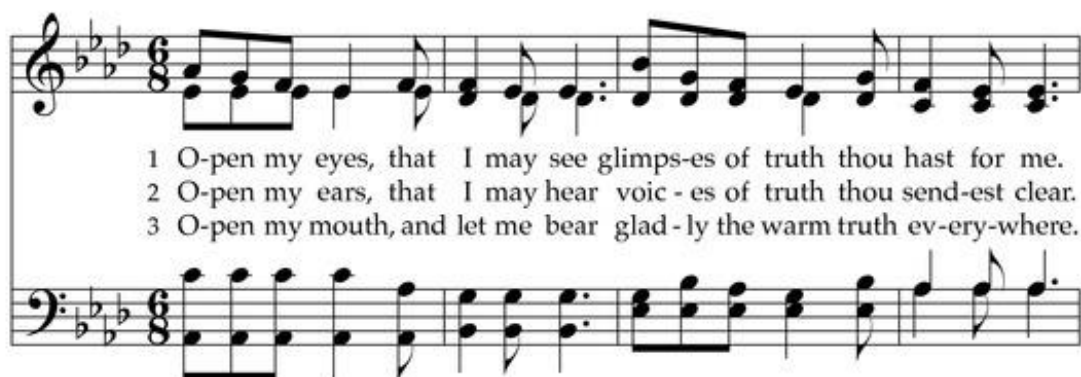
fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

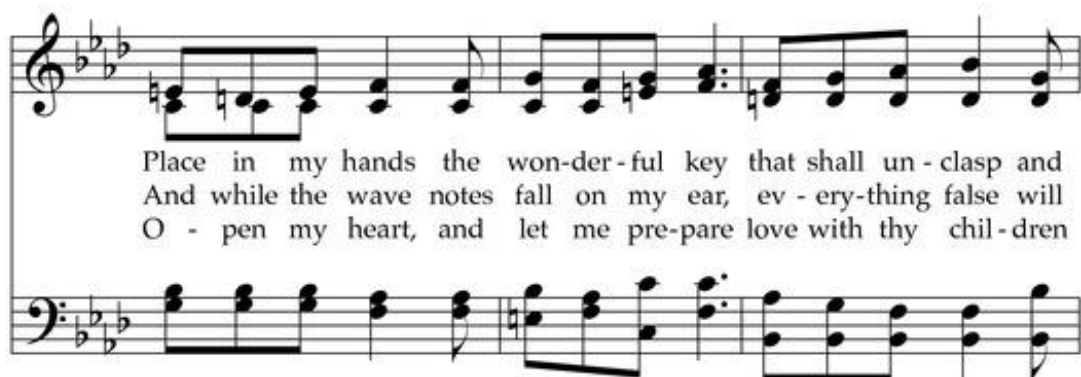
seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.
 truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.

Open My Eyes, That I May See 451



1 O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.
 2 O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic - es of truth thou send-est clear.
 3 O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth ev-ery-where.



Place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un - clasp and
 And while the wave notes fall on my ear, ev - ery-thing false will
 O - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare love with thy chil-dren



set me free. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy
 dis - ap-pear. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy
 thus to share. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy



will to see. O - pen my eyes; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di-vine!
 will to see. O - pen my ears; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di-vine!
 will to see. O - pen my heart; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di-vine!

The first woman to publish a collection of her own anthems, this author/composer has created in this hymn a sung prayer for illumination. It not only asks God to help us understand Scripture but also prays for the strength and courage to make God's love known to others.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 96

N.C. $\frac{G}{B}$ G D G D7 Em D G $\frac{D7}{F\#}$ G D

1 O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
 2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
 3 Je-sus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor-rows cease,
 4 He breaks the power of can-celled sin, he sets the pris-oner free;
 5 To God all glo-ry, praise, and love be now and ev-er given

D G $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

the glo-ries of my God and King, the tri-umphs of his grace!
 to spread thro' all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.
 'tis mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 his blood can make the foul-est clean, his blood a-vailed for me.
 by saints be-low and saints a-bove, the Church in earth and heaven.

WORDS: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.
 MUSIC: Carl G. Gläser (1784-1829); arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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