

February 5, 2023 ~ 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering Music ~ *“When Morning Gilds the Skies”* (arr. Larson) ~ Leigh Emmett

Welcome and Announcements ~ Don Tulley

Prelude ~ *“Trust and Obey”* (arr. Larson)

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: Out of the depths we cry out to the Lord. Lord save us from our trials and heal us from pains.

**People: As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.**

Leader: As a Mother cannot forget her child, so God cannot and has not forgotten us in our longings.

**People: We praise the Lord God who has written our names upon God’s hands and who walks with us through the example of Christ and the movement of the Holy Spirit every day. Amen.**

*\*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

*\*Hymn #735 ~ “I Need Thee Every Hour ”*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

(A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #35 ~ *“Glad Adoration”*

***All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!***

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #753 ~ *“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”* (v. 1)

***Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.***

***Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there’s doubt, true faith in you.***

Offering Prayer

*\*Doxology ~ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* (Avery & Marsh)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;***

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 103

Special Music ~ “*Oh, How Good It Is*” (arr. M. James)

Christian Scripture ~ John 11:17-44

Message ~ “Fireside Chats: Why does God allow sickness? Where is God when it hurts?”

\*Hymn #819~ “*Be Still My Soul*”

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation ~ “*Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*”  
*Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;  
Incline Thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace.*

The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison*

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper ~ *responsive*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

“*All Belong Here*”~ (L. Rand/H. Rand) as recorded by The Many

*Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.*

*Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.*

*At this table come as you are, broken and bleeding’s ok.*

*At this table eat and be filled, come and drink in this grace.*

*Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.*

*Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.*

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion

\*Hymn #836-*"Abide with Me"*

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response #136 ~ *"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"* (refrain x 2)

*Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!*

Postlude ~ *"Heavenly Sunlight"* (arr. Hayes)

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The **Livonia Community Theatre** will present the musical *"Don't Hug Me"* on Friday February 10 @ 7:30PM and on Saturday, February 11 @ 2:00PM and @ 7:30PM. Tickets are at ticketleap.com or \$15.00 **CASH ONLY** at the door.

**The Annual Meeting of the Congregation is called for Sunday, February 12, 2023 immediately following the worship service. The annual "Souper Bowl" will be held, with an opportunity to donate on behalf of your favorite team to support the Crossroads Soup Kitchen. Coffee hour will follow the meeting.**

The Mission Team is planning another Adult Mission Trip to Madisonville, Kentucky, leaving on **Sunday, March 26 and returning on Saturday, April 1.** We will be staying at the First Presbyterian Church of Madisonville. Please contact Gary Earnley for details.

Please consider making a donation of **\$35.00** to St. Paul's **Per Capita** obligation for 2023. The assessment is \$4,278.05, based on **each member on the rolls** and a donation from each member will lessen the financial impact on the General Fund. An envelope was provided in your January packet, with an option to also donate to Shared Mission.

**Thank you** to those who have already made a donation!

**Stewardship update:** General Fund pledges: 43 units @ \$131,093.00; Building Fund pledges: 23 units @ \$25,770.00. The budget goal for 2023 is \$225,000.00. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider doing so. **Thank you** to those who have made a financial commitment for 2023. Your support is a blessing!

Where your tithes and offerings go: **Consumers Energy ~ December 15, 2022-  
January 17, 2023: \$6,836.27.**

**Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE!**

*In Our Thoughts  
& Prayers*



Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin, August Kornowicz, Karen Bright Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips

Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips; sister-in law and nephew of Pat Garvey  
Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff  
Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair  
John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski  
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham  
Sharon and George and Rita Czanko ~ cousins of Terry Earnley  
John Candiloro ~ friend of August Kornowicz  
Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley  
Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor  
Chris O'Neill, Tracey Ford, Phil Decker and Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor  
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz  
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock  
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen  
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck  
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit  
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright  
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham  
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet  
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda and Bob Seymour  
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook  
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo  
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank  
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis

## 735 I Need Thee Every Hour

1 I need thee ev - ery hour, most gra - cious Lord;  
 2 I need thee ev - ery hour; stay thou near by;  
 3 I need thee ev - ery hour; teach me thy will,  
 4 I need thee ev - ery hour, Most Ho - ly One;

no ten - der voice like thine can peace af - ford.  
 temp - ta - tions lose their power when thou art nigh.  
 and thy rich prom - is - es in me ful - fill.  
 O make me thine in - deed, thou bless - ed Son.

*Refrain*

I need thee, O I need thee, ev - ery hour I need thee!

O bless me now, my Sav - ior— I come to thee!

Encouraged by her pastor in Brooklyn, New York, the author of this text wrote over four hundred hymn texts. This is the only one to receive wide use, but it has been translated into many languages. Her pastor composed this tune and, with her consent, added the text of the refrain.

## Be Still, My Soul

1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.  
 2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth un - der - take  
 3 Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on

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Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain.  
 to guide the fu - ture sure - ly as the past.  
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord;

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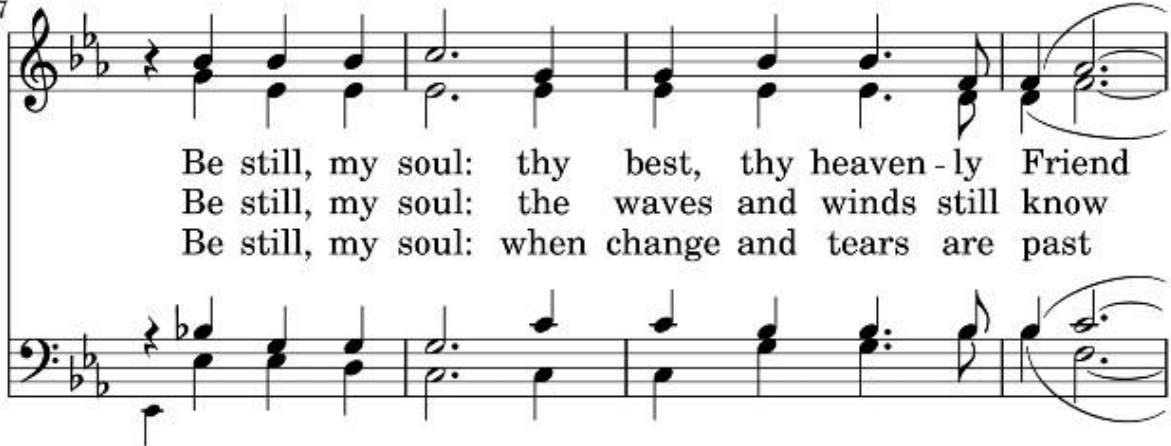
Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide,  
 Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;  
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,

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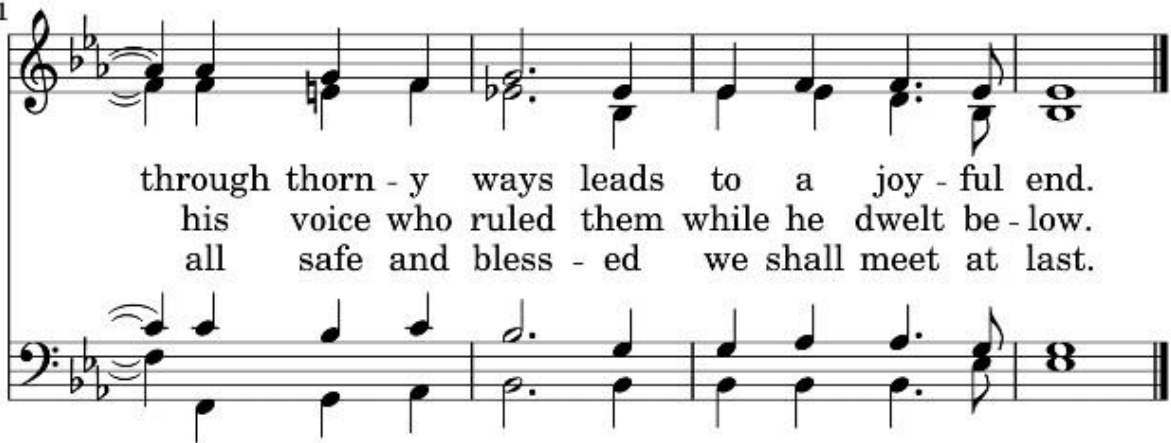
who through all chang - es faith-ful will re-main.  
all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.  
sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re-stored.

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Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heaven - ly Friend  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past

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through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.  
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

## 836 Abide with Me

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;  
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide!  
 earth's joys grow dim; its glo - ries pass a - way;  
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?  
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.  
 shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see.  
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?  
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?  
 Heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.  
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.  
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

By blending end of day and end of life, the imagery of this well-known Victorian hymn has made it valuable for both evening services and funerals. Although the author wrote his own music for it, the present tune has been firmly associated with this text for over 150 years.