



ST. PAUL'S  
PRESBYTERIAN

*For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples*

# EVENSONG & COMMUNION

On the Lord's Day Evening  
July 20, 2025, at 6:00 pm



*To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Ringing of the Bells** - *The sounding of the bells calls us to quiet our hearts before worship.*

**Instrumental Prelude**

**I Cannot Tell**

LONDONDERRY AIR

*I cannot tell why He, the Joy of Heaven,  
Should give Himself to suffer for my sin,  
Why Holy God should love me in my shameful sin,  
Why He should die to draw my soul to Him.  
But this I know: that Christ the Lord is risen,  
And praise His name, He's risen now in me!  
Because He lives, I'll rise to life eternal!  
He took my guilty heart, and I'm forever free!*

**Silent Preparation**

**Entrance Anthem**

**The Lord Is My Light**

*Mode 6 melody; adapt. Bruce E. Ford*

Cantor: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

People repeat:



† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

Cantor: The Lord is the strength of my life:

People:



And my sal - va - tion.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

People:



The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion.

Cantor: I will bless the Lord at all times:

Cantor and People:



His praise shall ev - er be in my mouth.

## Entrance of the Light

Minister: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever.

Unison: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one lights a lamp to put it under a bucket, but on a lampstand, where it gives light for everyone in the house. And you, like the lamp, must shed light among your fellow men, so that they may see the good you do, and give glory to your Father in heaven."

## Prayer for Light

Unison: Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers,  
Creator of the changes of day and night, giving rest  
to the weary, renewing the strength of those who are  
spent, bestowing upon us occasions of song in the  
evening. As you have protected us in the day that is  
past, so be with us in the coming night; keep us from  
every sin, every evil, and every fear; for you are our  
light and salvation, and the strength of our life. To you  
be glory for endless ages. Amen.

† Hymn of Proclamation                      All People That on Earth Do Dwell  
Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #1                      OLD HUNDREDTH

† Scripture Lesson                      Matthew 9:35-38  
Pew Bible, page 814

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Thanks be to the Lord!

Homily                      Rev. John Cherne  
*Our Lord's Prayer Request*

## Litany for Evening

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: O Lord, our God, we thank you that you have brought  
this day to its close.

People: We thank you, O Lord.

Minister: We thank you that you give rest to body and soul.

People: We bless you, O Lord.

Minister: Your hand has been over us, guarding and preserving us.

People: **Defend us, O Lord.**

Minister: Forgive our feeble faith and all the wrong we have done this day.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Minister: Grant that we may sleep in peace, and defend us from temptation of darkness.

People: **Spare us, good Lord.**

Minister: Into your hands we commend our loved ones, our homes, our bodies and souls.

People: **O God, your holy name be praised. Amen.**

#### ✠ Confession of Sin & Silent Prayer

Unison: **Most holy and merciful God, who has searched and known us, and are acquainted with all our ways, we confess before you our sinfulness and seek your forgiveness. We have failed in our duty; we have forgotten our high calling; we have fallen into many temptations. We have dishonored your name; we have injured our neighbors; we have hurt our own souls. Give us, we pray, the spirit of true repentance, that we may turn from our sins and forsake them with our whole heart; and in your great love, have mercy on us and absolve us from our guilt; for the sake of your dear Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen**

#### ✠ Assurance of Pardon

Minister: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Unison: **Thanks be to God!**

## Celebration of Communion

Minister: The Lord be with you!

**People:** And also with you!

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord!

**People:** It is good and right so to do!

Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. All your creatures praise you, and your faithful servants bless you, confessing before the rulers of this world the great name of your only Son. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name as we sing,

# † Sanctus

Sosa



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly, Lord God of hosts most  
2. Blessed is he that com-eth in the name of the



ho - ly both heav'n and earth are full of thy  
Lord Ho - san - na O Ho - san - na



glo - ry O most high.  
in the high - est.

## ✠ Prayer of Consecration

### Words of Institution

Minister: Therefore, we proclaim the faith:

People: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

*The elements will be served by the elders/deacons. Please refrain from partaking of the elements until everyone has been served.*

### Communion Hymns

*The congregation is invited to sing as the sacrament is observed.*

#### Hymn

Hymn B

Oh, to See the Dawn (The Power of the Cross)

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

#### Hymn

Hymn C

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Words and Music by Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore

## † Prayer of Thanks

Unison: **Dearest Lord, Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for satisfying our hungry hearts with this holy meal shared in the Spirit with your Son who is the true bread from heaven. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Soloists: *Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep, and tend the sick, dear Lord Christ. Give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; all for your love's sake. Amen.*



## † Benediction

## † Dismissal Hymn

Plainsong, Tone 8



Lord, bid your ser - vant go in peace, your word is  
This is the Sa - vior of the world, the Gen - tiles'



now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -  
prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwel - ling



va - tion's dawn, this child so long fore - told.  
in our midst, the joy of Is - ra - el.

## Postlude

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

EBENEZER

# All People That on Earth Do Dwell

*Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Ps. 100:1*

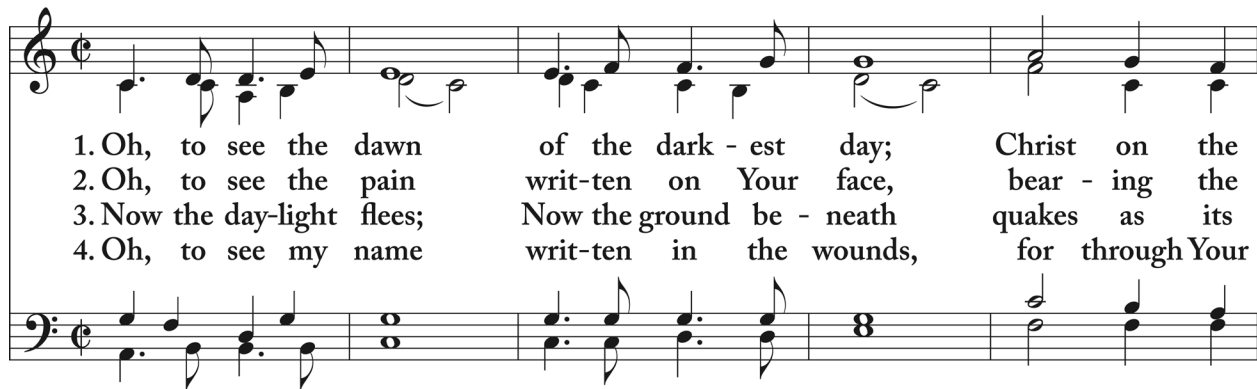
1. All      peo - ple      that      on      earth      do      dwell,      sing  
 2. The      Lord      ye      know      is      God      in -      deed;      with -  
 3. O      en -      ter      then      his      gates      with      praise,      ap -  
 4. For      why?      The      Lord      our      God      is      good,      his

to      the      Lord      with      cheer - ful      voice;      him      serve      with      fear,      his  
 out      our      aid      he      did      us      make;      we      are      his      folk,      he  
 proach      with      joy      his      courts      un -      to;      praise,      laud,      and      bless      his  
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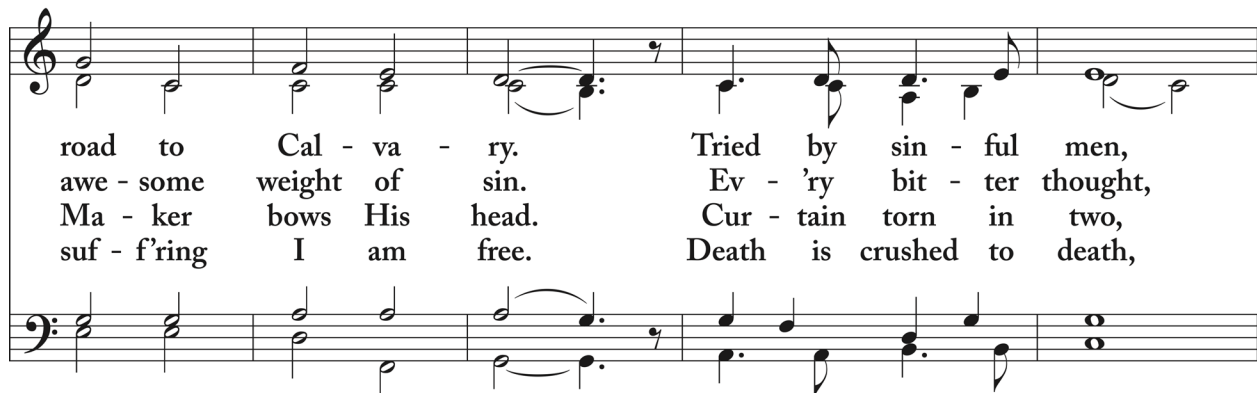
praise      forth -      tell,      come      ye      be - fore      him      and      re -      joice.  
 doth      us      feed,      and      for      his      sheep      he      doth      us      take.  
 name      al -      ways,      for      it      is      seem - ly      so      to      do.  
 firm - ly      stood,      and      shall      from      age      to      age      en -      dure.

# Oh, to See the Dawn

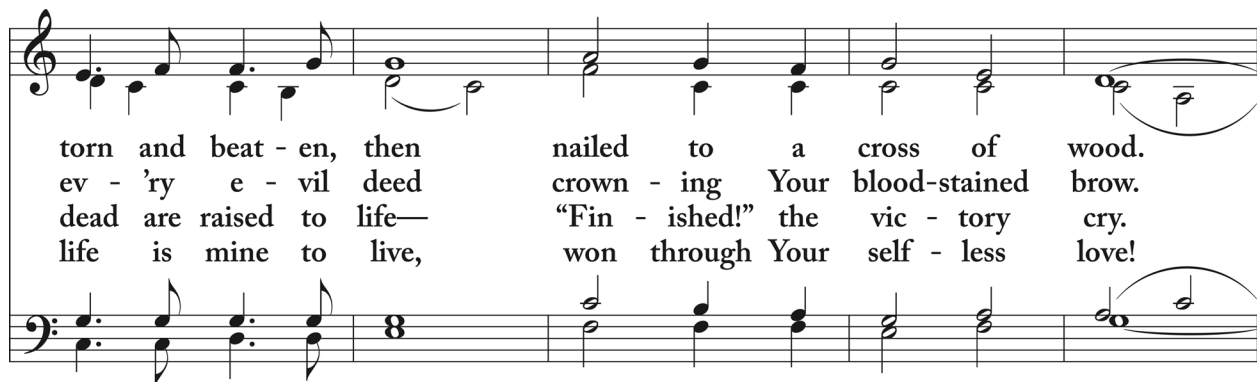
*(The Power of the Cross)*



1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ on the  
2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear - ing the  
3. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath quakes as its  
4. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for through Your



road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,  
awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,  
Ma - ker bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two,  
suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death,



torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood.  
ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.  
dead are raised to life— "Fin - ished!" the vic - tory cry.  
life is mine to live, won through Your self - less love!

# Refrain

(1.,2.,3.) This the pow'r of the cross: Christ be-came sin for us.

(4.) This the pow'r of the cross: Son of God slain for us.

Took the blame, bore the wrath; We stand for-gi-ven at the cross.

What a love, what a cost! We stand for-gi-ven at the cross.

# We Will Feast in the House of Zion

## Chorus



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things, we will say to - geth - er.



Fine

We will feast and weep no more.

## Verse



1. We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our  
2. In the dark of night, be - fore the dawn, my soul, be not a -  
3. Ev - 'ry vow we've bro - ken and be - trayed, You are the faith - ful



God. We are not con - sumed by the flood; up -  
fraid. For the prom - ised morn - ing, oh how long? Oh,  
one. And from the gar - den to the grave, bind



held, pro - tec - ted, gath - ered up.  
God of Ja - cob, be my strength.  
us to - geth - er, bring sha - lom.