

ORDER OF WORSHIP
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Is your cell phone off? Thanks for checking.

AUGUST 16, 2026

10:00 A.M.

With doors wide open, we welcome all to come and discover how
God's love in Christ connects us more deeply with each other,
our community, the world and with God.

With arms wide open, we welcome all who are looking for something more,
who have questions, who want to make a difference as
they learn, serve and reach out in word and deed.

With hearts wide open, we welcome you.

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come... now is the time to worship

People: Come... now is the time to behold your God.

***HYMN #85 "What Wondrous Love Is This"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *In Unison*

Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE: #579 Hymnal "Gloria Patri"**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A TIME TO GREET ONE ANOTHER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT:

Jeremiah 9:23-24

Pew Bible, page 743

NEW TESTAMENT:

Luke 18:9-14

Pew Bible, page 1016

SERMON TITLE:

"The Pharisees and the Tax Collector"

Ken Pollitt

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN # 403 "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE HYMN # 316 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.*

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY, #592 Hymnal

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures
Here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN # 281 "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE: "May God's peace be with you."

POSTLUDE

Worship has ended; let Service begin.

* Please stand in body or in spirit.

The Lay Reader this morning is Jerry L.

*We thank Ken Pollitt for leading us in worship and Christopher Paolucci
for sharing his musical talents.*

~ Open Doors - Open Arms - Open Hearts ~

Thank you for worshiping with us. Please join us next Sunday.

Taizé Evening Vespers Worship

Jeremiah 9:23-24

AUGUST 16, 2026... *During the musical prelude we ask that you prepare for worship by quiet prayer and reflection. If you are visiting our virtual worship service, we extend a special welcome. Chancel flowers are a great opportunity to honor, or remember loved ones and to celebrate special occasions. If you like to sign up, the flower chart is located in the office hallway or call the church office to make arrangements. Welcome Packets can be found at either door and are available for visitors, also available to take and share with your neighbors or anyone else, so as to introduce them to the church. Please feel free to visit our website www.oysterbaypresbyterian.org, or call the church office if you have any questions.*

OUR SPECIAL MINISTRY OF PRAYER ... Please keep the following people in your prayers: Sylvie, Darrell, Jen, Cindy, Charlie and all those suffering from cancer, special prayers for those suffering from the wars in Ukraine, the Mideast, and other areas where conflict reigns, for the veterans and military personnel returning from service wounded in body, mind or spirit, and all those going through difficult times.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ... *are given to the glory of God and in celebration of.....*
..... by Suzie and Randy Ecton.

COFFEE HOUR...

Today: Suzie & Randy E.
Next Week: Taizé Evening Woship

HAPPY BIRTHDAY...

August 15 Emily P.
19 Dino W.
20 Deborah H.
21 Yoori Choi L.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY...

August 19 Cliff & Dana C.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER ... If you have need for special prayers, concerns or thanksgivings, please call the church office 922-5477 or Kristine L. 297-9962.

This week...

Today	Sunday Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sun 8/23	Taizé Evening Vespers	6:00 p.m.
	<i>followed by a picnic (weather permitting)</i>	

Coming Up...	L.I. Ducks	August 30
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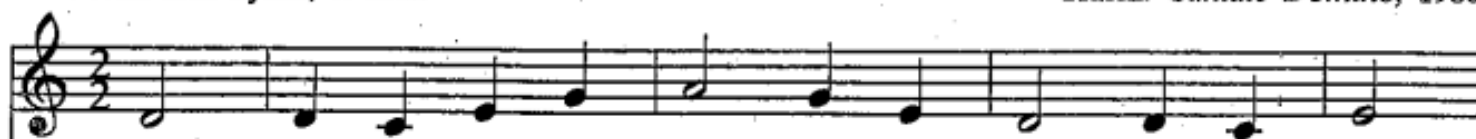
FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry donations will continue to be collected and delivered to local food pantries. Please place your food donations at the front of the church. Blue Bags are available in the vestibule. Your donations are greatly appreciated, Thank you!

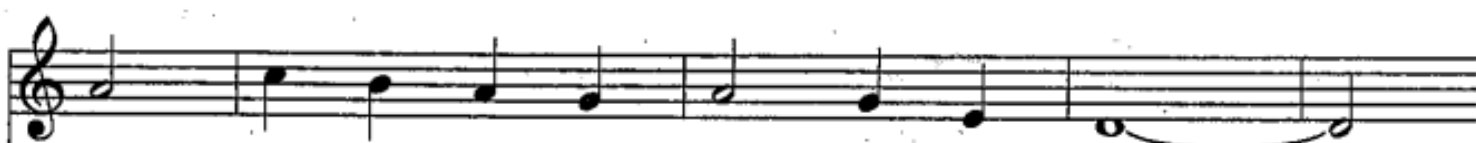
What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE 12.9.12.12.9

American folk hymn, c. 1811

Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835
Harm. *Cantate Domino*, 1980


1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,



What won - drous love is this, O my soul!
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;



What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be,



To bear the *heav - y cross for my soul, for my soul,
While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on,



To bear the *heav - y cross for my soul!
While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

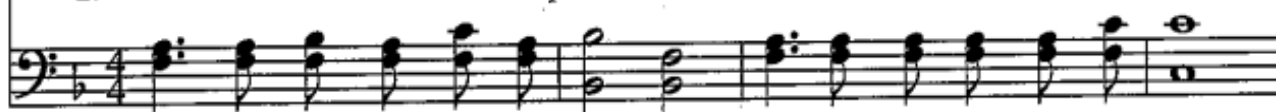
Joseph Scriven, c. 1855

Transliteration of Korean: Myung Ja Yue

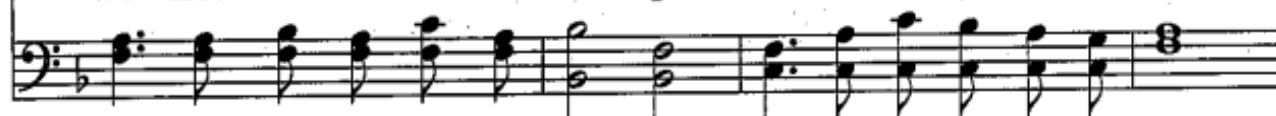
Charles Crozat Converse, 1868



1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?



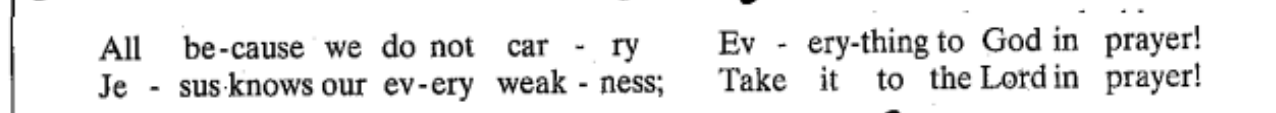
What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: Take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need-less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful, Who will all our sor - rows share?



All be-cause we do not car - ry Ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; Take it to the Lord in prayer!



3. Are we weak and heavy laden,
 Cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge—
 Take it to the Lord in prayer!

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
 Take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
 Thou wilt find a solace there.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

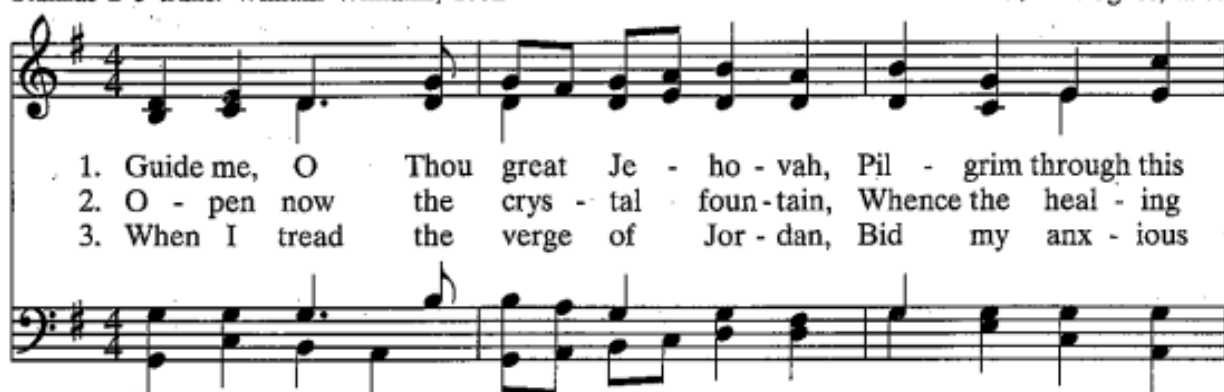
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William Williams, 1745

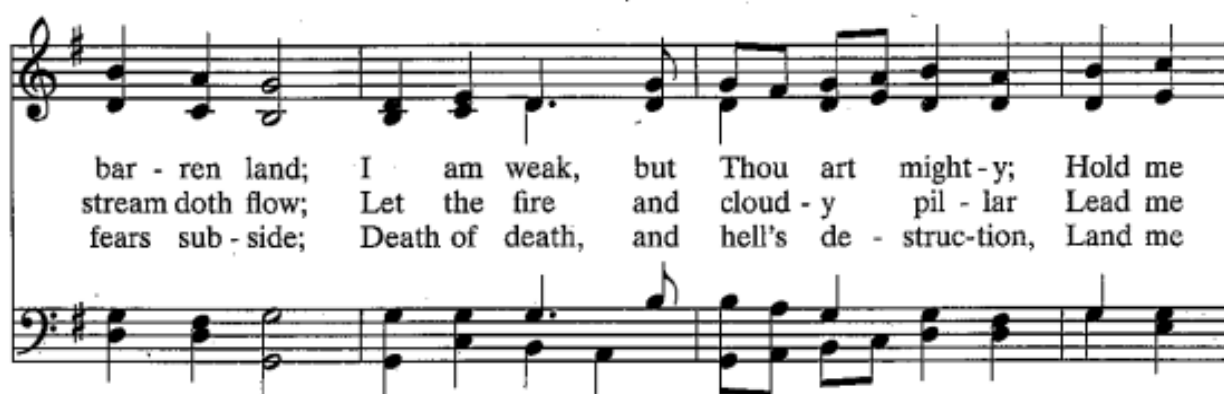
Stanza 1 trans. Peter Williams, 1771

Stanzas 2-3 trans. William Williams, 1772

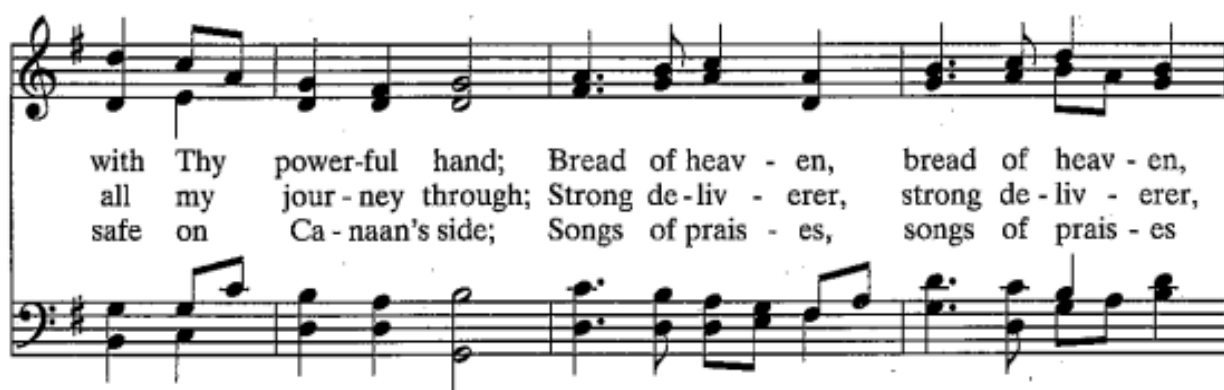
John Hughes, 1907



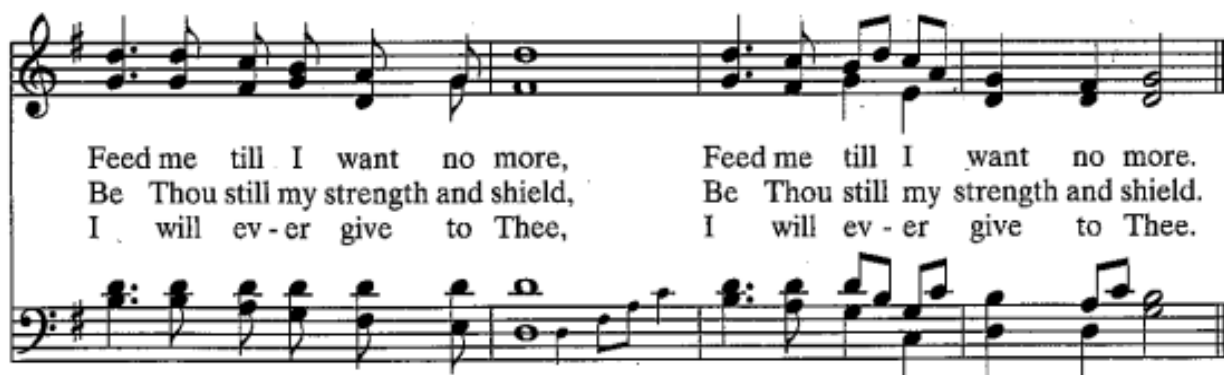
1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land; I am weak, but Thou art might - y; Hold me
 stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me
 fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, Land me



with Thy power - ful hand; Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through; Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side; Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.
 Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.