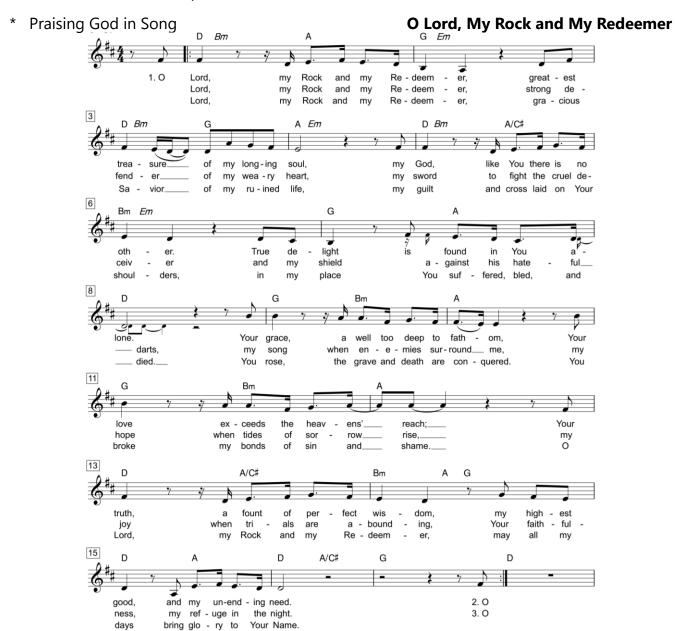


# The Lord's Day ~ April 24, 2022

\* God Calls Us to Worship & Welcomes Us

Psalm 19:14



Words & Music by Nathan Stiff CCLI 82151

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins...We love because he first loved us.

(1 John 4:10 & 19)

# My Jesus, I Love Thee



God Seeks Our Repentance

Revelation 2:1-7

## Confessing Our Sin

Our gracious God, we are saddened and confused by our fickle hearts. There are times when we think the right things and do the right things, even pressing forward with great effort in our Christian duties, yet without hearts beating with love for the Savior. The delight in Jesus that came so easily in those early days when His grace and sacrifice captivated our souls has now become hard. At times we feel dry and lifeless, almost indifferent toward the One Whose blood has ransomed us from unending pain and brought us into everlasting life. We have fallen from the highest peak of our created and redeemed existence—to adore with our whole being the Lamb slain for us, the Lion reigning for us, the Bridegroom returning for us—down into the lowest valley of acting out the Christian life without knowing the presence of Jesus Himself. How can this be? Why does this happen? In humility, we can only confess our need of Your grace to forgive and to transform.

Our Father, we thank You that Jesus wants our hearts, and calls on us right now to pursue the love for Him we had at first. Because you command us to turn in repentance, we trust that You are willing to forgive our sin. We also believe that You can more than restore the previous love we had for Jesus by giving us a zeal for Him the likes of which we've never known before, as well as the wisdom to guard that spiritual fervor all our days. Therefore, grant us ears by Your Spirit to pay attention to the words of our Savior, that we might all take freely of the tree of life for our joy and Your glory. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

Taking Our Requests to God in Prayer

Presenting & Dedicating Our Offerings to the Lord



\* Preparing to Hear God's Word

#644 May the Mind of Christ My Savior

God Speaks through His Word

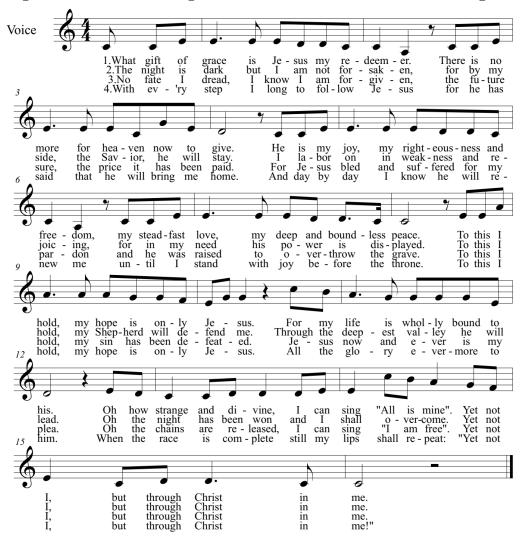
1 John 3:19-24

<sup>19</sup> By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; <sup>20</sup> for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup> Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; <sup>22</sup> and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup> And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup> Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

"Blessed Assurance" April 24, 2022
The comforting theme of Christian assurance once again takes center stage in these verses.
The pursuit of assurance (3:19-20)
The life of assurance (3:21-23)
The Spirit of assurance (3:24)

# \* Responding to God's Grace in Song

### Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me



Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, and Rich Thompson CCLI 82151

\* God Dismisses Us with His Blessing



### **Announcements**

- We hope you'll join us after the morning service for coffee and fellowship. **Sunday School** begins at 11:30, with our normal classes resuming today, with Pastor Kisler continuing a study of Philippians for the adult class.
- There will be a **pizza/craft night** this Wednesday from 6:30 8:00pm. All kids in grades K-8 are welcome to attend. Please RSVP your intentions to Jan by noon on Tuesday!
- We're having a **CompassCare** Virtual Rally Watch Party this Friday from 7 to 8 PM in Rm. 209. Also, remember to register for the in-person walk on Saturday as an opportunity to join other believers in our community in joyfully and lovingly expressing the value of human life made by God in his image.
- There will be an **Outreach Workday** on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM. If you've wanted to be part of our outreach efforts but haven't known how to be involved this would be a perfect opportunity to help out and learn more! Please see Jan with any questions.
- Save the Date for our **Church Retreat**, which will be held again at Ontario County Park on Saturday, June 4 from 9:45 to 4:00 p.m. Plan for a refreshing time of meeting with the Lord in prayer along with wonderful fellowship with your church family.
- Please pray for Pastor Kisler & Elder Giebel as they attend the meeting of presbytery in Bangor, ME this week. **Men's prayer** is cancelled this Wednesday.
- Helping with this morning's service are Cathy Beich (accompanist), Dan Lash & Dean Moore (ushers), Richard Backus (sound) and Tony Pisani (video).

#### Weekly Calendar 24 APR, SUN 10 - 11am In-person Morning Worship + YouTube In-person Sunday School + YouTube (Adult Class) 11:30am - 12:15pm 6 - 6:45pm In-person Evening Worship + Zoom 25 APR, MON Presbytery (Day 1/2) Pilgrim Orthodox Presbyterian Church All day 6:45 - 7:45pm Girl Scout Meeting 26 APR. TUE All day Presbytery (Day 2/2) Pilgrim Orthodox Presbyterian Church 6:30 - 8pm Kids' Pizza & Craft Night APR, WED APR, FRI 9:15 - 11am Ladies Bible Study In-person + Zoom Walk for Life Watch Party 7 - 8pm 30 APR, SAT 9am - 12pm Walk for Life 10 - 11am In-person Morning Worship + YouTube 1 MAY, SUN 11:30am - 12:15pm In-person Sunday School + YouTube (Adult Class) 6 - 6:45pm In-person Evening Worship + Zoom

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