



Sunday, October 20, 2024
 22nd Sunday After Pentecost
WELCOME to Emanuel's Lutheran Church!
 It is our joy to have you worship with us today.



"Stewardship & Mission"

PRELUDE

GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A LITANY OF HOPE AND BLESSING: Lutheran World Relief Quilts and Kits

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

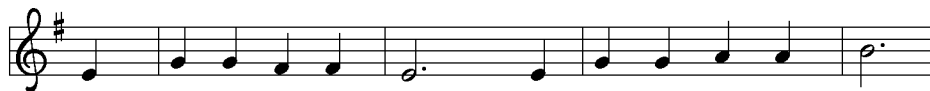
P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: Let us pray together.

C: Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

STEWARDSHIP TEXT: Nehemiah 2:18b

L: A reading from Nehemiah. This translation is from the MSG (The Message).

"They said, 'We're with you. Let's get started.' They rolled up their sleeves, ready for the good work."

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 91:9-16

Congregation reads bold text.

L: ⁹Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

**C: ¹⁰no evil will befall you,
nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you,
to guard you in all your ways.

**¹²Upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

**¹⁴I will deliver those who cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they know my name.**

¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

**¹⁶With long life will I satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.**

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-12

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the

laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹²I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Bishop Sue Brinner

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Church of Christ, in Every Age"

ELW 729

APOSTLES CREED

AM: Let us confess the faith of the church, using the words of the Apostles Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

AM: Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation. Holy One, we give thanks for all servant leaders of the church. Bless bishops, pastors, and deacons with humble wisdom and ground them in your love.

Response to each petition: AM: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

AM: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING HYMN

"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

ELW 712

Giving information is located on the back of the bulletin.

OFFERING PRAYER

AM: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

AGNUS DEI

"Lamb of God"



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION

Communion will take place via continuous line (right side) and continuous kneeling (left side). We welcome all baptized persons to the Lord's Table who believe Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. Children are welcome to be brought forward to receive a blessing. Participants to the right will be offered a wafer and invited to eat with these words, "the body of Christ given for you." Gluten free

wafers are available. Next, step to the right, to the silver tray that contains glasses of white grape juice at the center and outer empty glasses for wine. Lastly, participants will step to the last assistant who will pour the wine and share these words, "the blood of Christ shed for you." Place your glass in the small silver bowl at the end of the first pew as you return to your seat. If you wish to come forward and not receive either element, simply cross your arms for a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN	"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" "On Eagle's Wings"	ELW 659 ELW 787
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TABLE BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

AM: Let us pray.

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P: God all mighty, God most merciful ✝ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN	"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"	ELW 551
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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Altar Flowers are given in memory of Marvin Friedeck by Earlene and J.J. Jarzombek and Tom and Jeannie Hall.

Welcome Bishop Sue Briner

Emanuel's welcomes Bishop Sue Briner today as our guest preacher in the congregation's "Stewardship and Ministry" series. The Rev. Susan (Sue) J. Briner of New Braunfels was re-elected May 5, 2024, to serve a second six-year term as bishop of the Southwestern Texas Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). She is the first woman to serve as a bishop in the history of the three ELCA synods in Texas. As an immigrant herself, Bishop Briner is passionate about welcoming the stranger, and our territory has the longest border with Mexico of any synod. She currently serves on the board of Global Refuge, and is the co-chair of the Bishop's Immigration Ready Bench. Her synod is coordinating a multi-synodical grant, *Sembrando en Los Margenes*, focused on a coordinated effort to support and sustain vibrant ministry along the border.

Musician: Edward Workmon, organ

WORSHIP LEADERS for today, October 20, 2024: Preaching: Bishop Sue Briner; **Presiding:** Pastor Marcus; **Assisting Minister:** Marsha Schroeder; **Communion Assistants:** Dave English, Fran Vinyard, Bev Seidenschwarz, Karen Weinstein, Emily Prochnow; **Reader:** Bill Salt; **Ushers:** Jacqueline Springs, Rissa Springs, Ilene Cherry, Darlene Zies; **Altar Guild:** Doug Abrameit, Cindy Pique, Sheila English, Dave English; **AV/Tech:** Paul Sims; **Council Greeter:** Sarah Kennedy; **Hospitality:** Gloria Hanna, Stephanie Robbins, Dorris Jefferies; **Safety Attendants:** Brandon May, Allan Bode

WORSHIP LEADERS for Sunday, October 27, 2024: Preaching: Pastor Marcus; **Presiding:** Pastor Marcus; **Assisting Minister:** Wayne Stalsworth; **Communion Assistants:** Tonya Darnell, Keith Vinyard, Darlene Zies, Elaine Giesber, Cindy Pique; **Reader:** Cathy Anderson; **Ushers:** Tim Troell, Joe Kane, Deborah Almquist, Bev Seidenschwarz, Barbara McCall; **Altar Guild:** Cathy Anderson, Elizabeth Jandt, Jimed Darnell, Tonya Darnell; **A/V Tech:** Allan Bode; **Council Greeter:** Tim Kent; **Hospitality:** Deborah Almquist, Gerry Harrison, Carolyn Blumberg, Sheila English; **Safety Attendants:** Joe Kane, Brandon May

EMANUEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP is in-person, online, and aired on KWED AM 1580 radio at 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH NURSERY is available for children 4 and under on Level 2 anytime between 9-Noon.

SUNDAY STUDIES:

- **THE HERITAGE CLASS (307):** 9:15am. Participants explore the deeper meaning found in the Bible and seek to unlock its' wisdom through fellowship and robust group discussion. The aim is to make the Bible relevant and applicable to daily life.
- **JOY CLASS (Women's Ministry Room):** Bible stories and songs for adults with intellectual disabilities. Class meets on Sept. 1, Oct. 20, Nov. 10, and Dec. 8 at 9:00am.
- **"LIFE TOGETHER" ADULT CLASS (Family Life Center):** 9 am Oct 27 – Nov 24: Reading Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book "Life Together" plus a theatre matinee. Books available in the church office. Please read Chapter 1 before first class so we can discuss together.
- **CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** During worship Children's Ministry Coordinator Jordana leads our PK to 5th grade learners to the Children's Church room, just down the hall from the sanctuary, as we begin the "Gathering Hymn" and then return as we "Share the Peace."
- **THE COMPASS COOPERATIVE** gathers every Sunday with our four church partners- Emanuel's, St. Andrew's, Spirit of Joy, and Friedens Church - at Spirit of Joy campus. Middle School (6-8 grades) from 4-5pm, dinner for everyone at 5pm, and High School (9-12 grades) from 5:30-6:30pm.
- **GODLY PLAY** for children ages 4 years old -5th grade is from 4-5pm at Spirit of Joy campus.
- **CONFIRMATION CLASSES** for our 6th to 8th graders meets this year on the 4th Sunday of every month after worship in the Women's Ministry Room.

WEEKDAY STUDIES:

Faith Circle (Women's Ministry Rm): 3rd Tuesdays at 2:00; **Joy Circle (Women's Ministry Rm):** 2nd Thursday at 9:30; **Ladies Aid (Women's Ministry Rm):** 1st Wednesdays at 2:00. No meeting in July.

LWR BLESSING OF THE QUILTS is **today, October 20** during worship. Bishop Sue Briner joins us for this special occasion as part of our "Stewardship and Ministry" series. Emanuel's LWR Quick Quilters have made more than 200 quilts this year that will be shipped across the globe to be of service to people in need. Please join us as we bless these quilts made in love for our neighbor.

2024 STEWARDSHIP SERMON SERIES: "Stewardship & Mission" September 22 – October 20. Emanuel's Stewardship Team concludes our 5-week sermon series centering on Nehemiah 2:18. Thank you to our presenters for sharing their reflections and opening our eyes and hearts: Garry Miller, Paul Sims, Pastor Gerry Harrison, Deacon John Dellis, and Bishop Sue Briner.

DISASTER RELIEF: By giving to Lutheran Disaster Response, you enable the ELCA to act quickly after disasters such as the recent hurricanes and to remain for as long as the recovery takes. Here are three ways to give: (1) Check to Emanuel's, indicating Lutheran Disaster Response on the memo line; (2) phone ELCA at 800-638-3522; or (3) go online at ELCA.org.

MY HEART SHALL SING! All are invited to a "casual concert" celebrating the gift of music! Musicians in collaboration: Pastor Kara Hairell-Speed, Leah Matocha, and Keith Robinson. Guest artists: Madison Clark, dancer; Debbie Ealy, flute. **Today, Oct. 20** at 4pm, Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, 416 Dolle Ave, Seguin.

IT'S COFFEE CAKE SEASON! Emanuel's Ladies Aid is baking their famous coffee cakes as they celebrate their 125th Anniversary! **Tuesdays, October 8, 15, and 22.** Contact a Ladies Aid Member or the Church Office at 830-379-5046 for more information. Coffee Cakes can be picked up on the baking day after 2PM. The price is \$7.50 each -- Apple, Peach, and Streusel.

CONVERSATIONS WITH PARTNER'S IN SERVICE: BLUE SANTA on **Thursday, October 24** at 9:15 in the Women's Ministry Room. Emanuel's is partnering with the Seguin Police Department's Blue Santa Program again this year to bring hope and joy to families who struggle to make ends meet. Please make time to meet Officer Larrimore as we learn more about Blue Santa, volunteer opportunities during the event, and ways Emanuel's can to be a welcoming presence in our community.

TRUNK OR TREAT is a great way to welcome cooler temps, all things pumpkin, and a wee bit of mischief. Let Jordana know if you will be hosting a trunk and hand out treats to little goblins on **Friday, October 25th** from 6-8pm in Emanuel's parking lot. Candy donations are also welcome in the narthex and church office. Start thinking about your costumes and invite your friends. It'll be a delightfully spooky time!

JOURNEYING THROUGH GRIEF is **Sunday, October 27** from 2-4pm in the Family Life Center. Discussions focus on how our journey through grief affects us, our daily lives, and how we can help ourselves as we grieve. Contact Donna Simmons at donna@elcseguin.org.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY MORNING ADULT CLASS: Join us **October 27 – November 24** in the Family Life Center as we read and discuss "Life Together" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a book about real and practical Christian community from the perspective of one of the great modern Lutheran theologians who wrote during the reign of the Nazi Regime in Germany. As a bonus, there is a Bonhoeffer movie (Bonhoeffer: Pastor. Spy. Assassin) to be released in theaters during the final weekend which we will go see together as a matinee. Copies of Life Together are available in the Church Office for anyone who would like to read with us. Please read up through Chapter 1 before the first class so we can discuss together.

C3 (Community-Connection-Conversation) is a time of gathering, starting **Tuesday Mornings** out under the Oak Tree, from 7:30-8:30am. Bring a chair and join us as we share in fellowship, invite new faces to sit and share their stories, and welcome visitors who pass us on the street. Our format is to be open, very fluid, and provide a place to share, visit, and grow together as a community of faith.

SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB CHRISTMAS LIGHTS BUS TRIP is **Thursday, December 12** from 4-9pm. Only a few spots left to join us on the private motorcoach from Emanuel's to the San Antonio River Walk for dinner at Casa Rio followed by a river boat tour under the festive lights. RSVP or confirm your reservation with Donna at donna@elcseguin.org.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

November 3, 2024

During worship we will remember and celebrate those who have died this year and those who were baptized. As each loved one's name is read, families will be invited to come to the front of the church for a special time of prayer and the gift of flowers. A "Remembrance Table" will be at the front steps of the altar in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited to bring a framed, standing photo of loved ones they would like to honor this day, even if they passed before this year or were not affiliated with Emanuel's.

FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP celebrates the holidays on **Sunday, November 3** at Noon with Thanksgiving turkey and dressing plates from Davila's BBQ at \$15/plate. This ministry serves single, widowed, divorced, and separated people. RSVP to donna@elcseguin.org before October 28.

LWR INGATHERING is **Wednesday, November 6**. Volunteers needed to load a flatbed trailer and deliver 80-90 boxes of quilts and kits to St. John Lutheran Church in Marion. The boxes will be loaded onto 18-wheeler trucks and headed to a distribution center before being disbursed to people in need across the globe. Text 830-305-2970 to volunteer for this amazing, heart-warming experience.

PARK & PLAY is **Saturday, November 9** at 10:30am at Max Starke Park. Fun for the whole church! Bring the kids, neighbors, family, and friends! Don't forget your favorite chairs and drinks. We will provide the burgers, hotdogs, and all the fixings. Questions? Jordana can help at jordana@elcseguin.org

HEALING HOLIDAYS is **Sunday, November 10** at 2pm in the Family Life Center. "Healing Holidays" is presented by Emanuel's Bereavement Ministry with Pastor Darwin Huartson. This workshop is designed to help those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Participants will use the holidays to discover how their loved one can live on into their life story, using this special time to continue to heal.

DAY SCHOOL VETERAN'S DAY PARADE is **Monday, November 11** at 10am. We invite YOU to participate in our Veteran's Day Walking Parade on the church lawn, honoring your service and dedication. Veterans who attend Emanuel's Lutheran Church as well as veterans who are family members of our Day School children are warmly welcomed to join in the celebration. We encourage you to come dressed in uniform to proudly represent your branch of service.

THE CAREGIVER CAFE is a support group for caregivers hosted by Spirit of Joy and Emanuel's meeting on the 3rd Sunday of the month at Emanuel's from 2-4 pm. Please contact Donna Simmons at donna@elcseguin.org for more information.

HOMECOMING SUNDAY

October 27, 2024

Mark your calendars for Reformation Sunday worship service followed by our annual sausage lunch on the lawn. This year we are also celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Emanuel's Lutheran Day School, the 125th Anniversary of Emanuel's Ladies Aid, and the 155th year of Deutsche Evangelish Lutherische Emanuels Kirche, now fondly known as Emanuel's.

The 10:30 am traditional worship service honoring our Reformed heritage will feature musical selections on the organ and special arrangements from *Emanuel's Chamber Chorus*, *Emanuel's Ringers* handbell choir, and Emanuel's Lutheran Day School students.

Randall Springs is smoking delicious sausage links and *Mike and the Middletones* German Band returns to entertain during the meal. First responders are invited to lunch as a small token of appreciation for their service. Canned goods donations will be collected for the Christian Cupboard. There will be additional fun and games for all ages.

Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex for what to bring as well as volunteers for set up on Saturday and Sunday, serving food and beverages, and clean up following.

This is truly a Homecoming Sunday- invite your family and friends to the celebration!

EMANUEL'S CONGREGATION COUNCIL

President, Rissa Springs, *Worship Team*
Vice President, Garry Miller, *Stewardship Team*
Secretary, Melissa Barbre, *Worship Team*
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Sarah Kennedy, *Outreach & Service Team*
Tim Kent, *Congregational Care Team*
Debby Richardson, *Stewardship Team*
Paul Sims, *Education Team*
Darlene Zies, *Outreach & Service Team*
In memoriam, Aaron Jenke

ALL MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT **Wednesday, November 6 at 5:30pm**

All of Emanuel's Ministry Teams gather on a single evening each month to share a meal, collaborate, plan, and schedule upcoming events and ministry projects. Join us in the Women's Ministry Room!

EMANUEL'S STAFF

Senior Pastor, The Rev. Marcus Bigott, 830-377-8643 cell, pastormarcus@elcseguin.org
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EMANUEL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "To be the church God is calling us to be by declaring God's love, serving others, and embracing all."

GIVING AT EMANUEL'S: Donations and tithes to the church may be given by envelopes in the pews, mailed to the church, online, or scanned with QR Code below.



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The Church of Christ, in Every Age



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698-1768

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Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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Will You Let Me Be Your Servant



1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

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On Eagle's Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.



2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring you no



fear; un-der God's wings your ref-uge, with faith-ful-ness your shield.



3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by



day; thou- sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come.



4 For to the an-gels God's giv - en a com-mand to



guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will



bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.



And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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