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10:00AM

## GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

SIGN IN AND FELLOWSHIP

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

*Welcome to worship this day.*

***Thank you. We're glad to be here.***

*Some have come seeking; some have come struggling*

***Lord, be with each one of us today. Feed our hearts and souls with your transforming love.***

*God is truly with you all today, guiding, lifting, feeding, restoring your souls.*

***Praise be to God who continually abides with us. Amen.***

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN 409

*God Is Here!*

A TIME OF CONFESSION

Prayer of Confession (unison)

***Lord of mercy and hope, we know that we have fallen short of being the kind of disciples that you have called us to be. We have turned our backs on people in need; we have closed our ears to the cries of the voiceless. And so we hesitate to come before you because we believe that you are disappointed in us. Remind us again that you are merciful, and your love transforms and changes our lives. When we falter and slide off the path of hope you place before us, you "pick us up and dust us off" and put us again on the trail, confident of your faithful presence with us. Forgive us of our weakness. Strengthen us for the journey, give us the courage to endure, and help us to be bearers of your good news of peace. We pray this in Christ's name. AMEN.***

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn 39, v. 3

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

***Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see!  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.***

The Peace (responsive)

We are washed in the waters of God's grace. Let us share this good news of God's love for us: The peace of Christ be with you.  
***and also with you...***

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Poppy Orendorf & Nancy Bidlack

THE BLESSING OF OUR OFFERINGS

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 606

*The Doxology*

***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.***

### HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING      Genesis 32:22-31

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

GOSPEL READING                      Matthew 14:13-21

SERMON      *Strength for the Journey in Difficult Times*      Rev. Dr. Samuel L. Adams

HYMN OF REFLECTION 187                      *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to The Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

*Lord...*

***in Your mercy, open Your hand. Pour out Your Spirit, so that  
they may be filled.***

Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People



# God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo-ple meet to  
 2 Here are sym-bols to re-mind us of our  
 3 Here our chil-dren find a wel-come in in  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king-dom, in the

of-fer praise and prayer, may we find in  
 life-long need of grace; here are ta-ble,  
 Shep-herd's flock and fold; here as bread and  
 age of change and doubt keep us faith-ful

full-er mea-sure what it is in Christ we share.  
 fort, and pul-pit; here the cross has cen-tral place.  
 wine are tak-en, Christ sus-tains us as of old.  
 to the gos-pel; help us work your pur-pose out.

Here, as in the world a-round us, all our  
 Here in hon-es-ty of preach-ing, here in  
 Here the ser-vants of the Ser-vant seek in  
 Here, in this day's ded-i-ca-tion, all we

var-ied skills and arts wait the com-ing  
 si-lence, as in speech, here, in new-ness  
 wor-ship to give, re-ceive: what in it means in  
 have to re-ceive: we, who can-not

of the Spir-it in-to o-pen minds and hearts,  
 and re-new-al, to the Spir-it and to each.  
 dai-ly liv-ing, be-lieve a-dore, a-dore.  
 live with-out you, we a-dore you! We be-lieve!

Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship! The tune was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

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 MUSIC: Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941  
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ABBOTT'S LIECH  
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# Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 187

1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.  
 2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.  
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.

In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-pare.  
 Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.  
 Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us; love us still.

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This unattributed hymn, like many that are now meaningful to adults, was written for children and develops shepherd imagery from Psalm 23 and John 10:1-18. The tune, composed for these words, was originally named for the text but has come to be known by the composer's name.

