

FIRST WORSHIP

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November 2025

Prelude

*Gathering Words *adapted from Matthew 5:3-12*

The teacher said:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are those who mourn, **for they will be comforted**

Blessed are the meek, **for they will inherit the Earth.**

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, **for they will be filled.**

Blessed are the merciful, **for they will be shown mercy.**

Blessed are the pure in heart, **for they will see God.**

Blessed are the peacemakers, **for they will be called children of God.**

May our worship this day transform us into the blessed ones of God.

May our lives be a blessing. Amen.

*Opening Song

Shall We Gather at the River

Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we eve - ry bur - den down;

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: and Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry, 1864

Welcome

Scripture

**Please stand if it is comfortable for you.*

Reflection

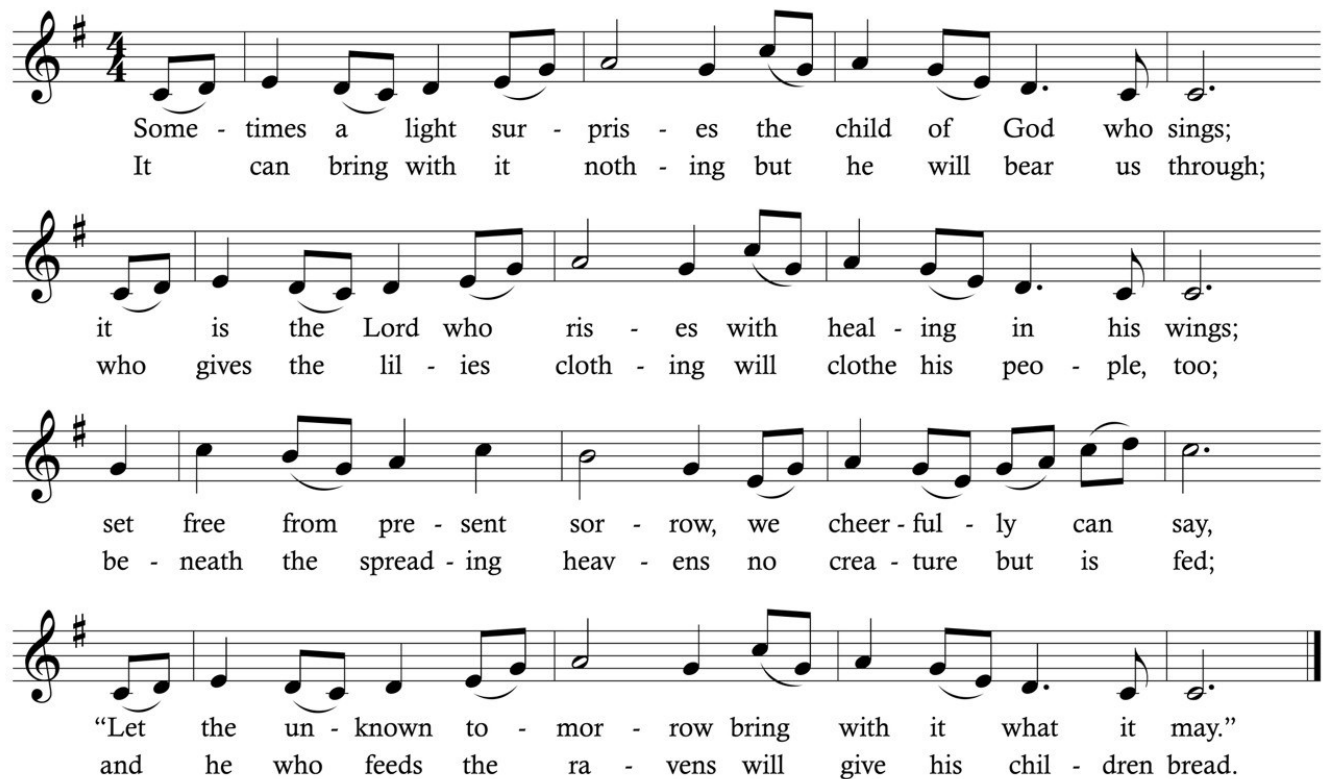
First Singers

Anyone can be a First Singer! Simply join us Sunday at 8:30 a.m. to rehearse our song for the day.

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response

Sometimes a Light Surprises



Some - times a light sur - pris - es the child of God who sings;
It can bring with it noth - ing but he will bear us through;
it is the Lord who ris - es with heal - ing in his wings;
who gives the lil - ies cloth - ing will clothe his peo - ple, too;
set free from pre - sent sor - row, we cheer - ful - ly can say,
be - neath the spread - ing heav - ens no crea - ture but is fed;
“Let the un - known to - mor - row bring with it what it may.”
and he who feeds the ra - vens will give his chil - dren bread.

Text: William Cowper, 1779, alt.

Music: SALLEY GARDENS, Irish folk melody

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Offertory & Sung Response (Amen!)

Sharing in the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Children's Message

*Closing Song

Go to the World!



Go to the world! Go in - to eve - ry place. Go
Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray; the
Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for
live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace. Go
nights of tears give way to joy - ous day. As
I am with you till the age shall end, when
seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1985

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

*Benediction & Passing the Peace

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

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