



WELCOME!



Asbury United Methodist Church

Open Doors with Loving Hearts

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CENTERING SONG

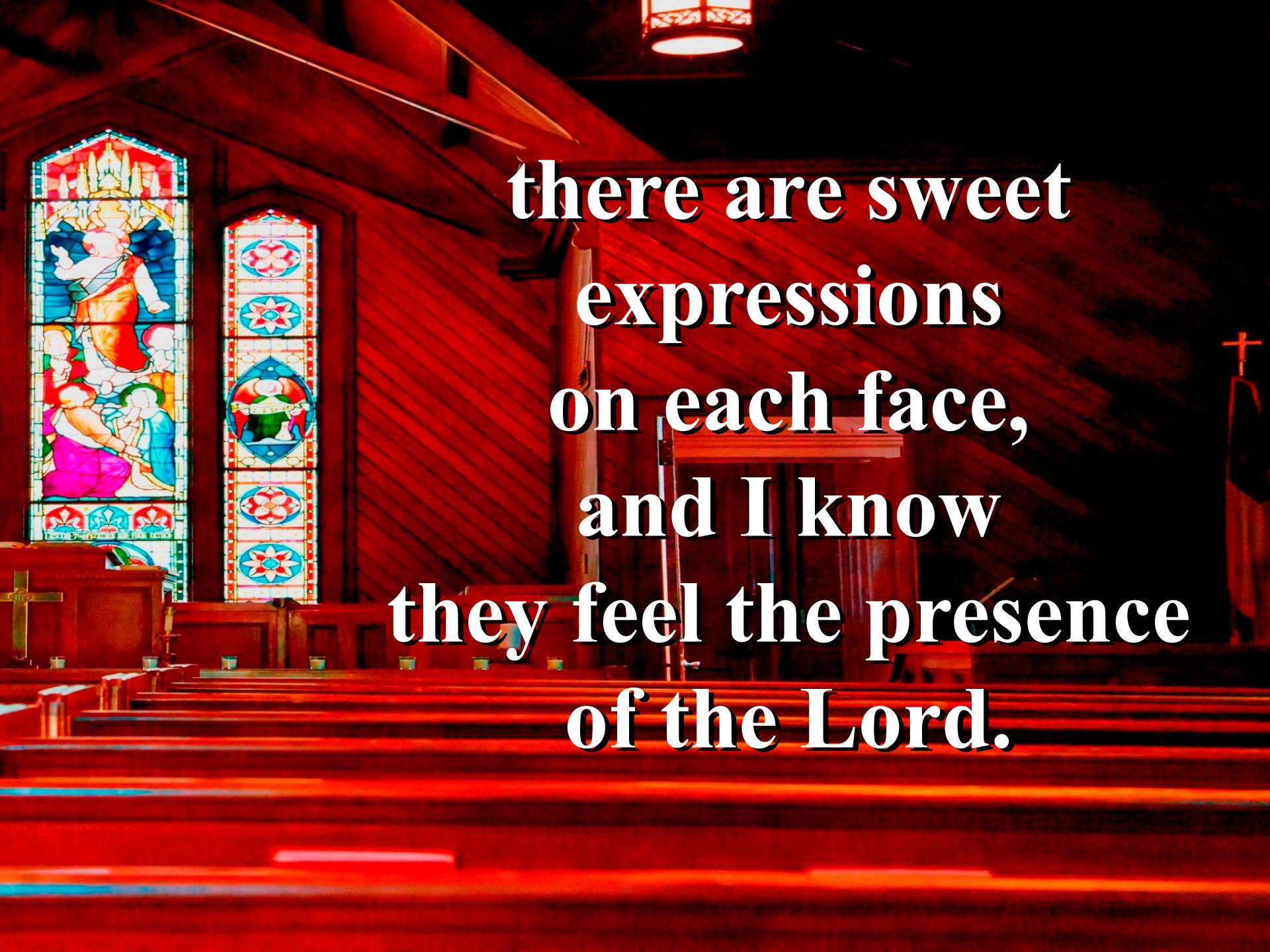
“SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT”
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Sweet, Sweet Spirit

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WORDS: Doris Akers, 1962

There's a sweet,
sweet Spirit
in this place,
and I know that it's
the Spirit of the Lord

A photograph of a church interior. The foreground shows rows of wooden pews. On the left, a large stained glass window depicts a religious scene with figures in red, blue, and yellow. Above the pews, a wooden chandelier hangs from the ceiling. The background shows the dark interior of the church with a cross visible on the right.

there are sweet
expressions
on each face,
and I know
they feel the presence
of the Lord.

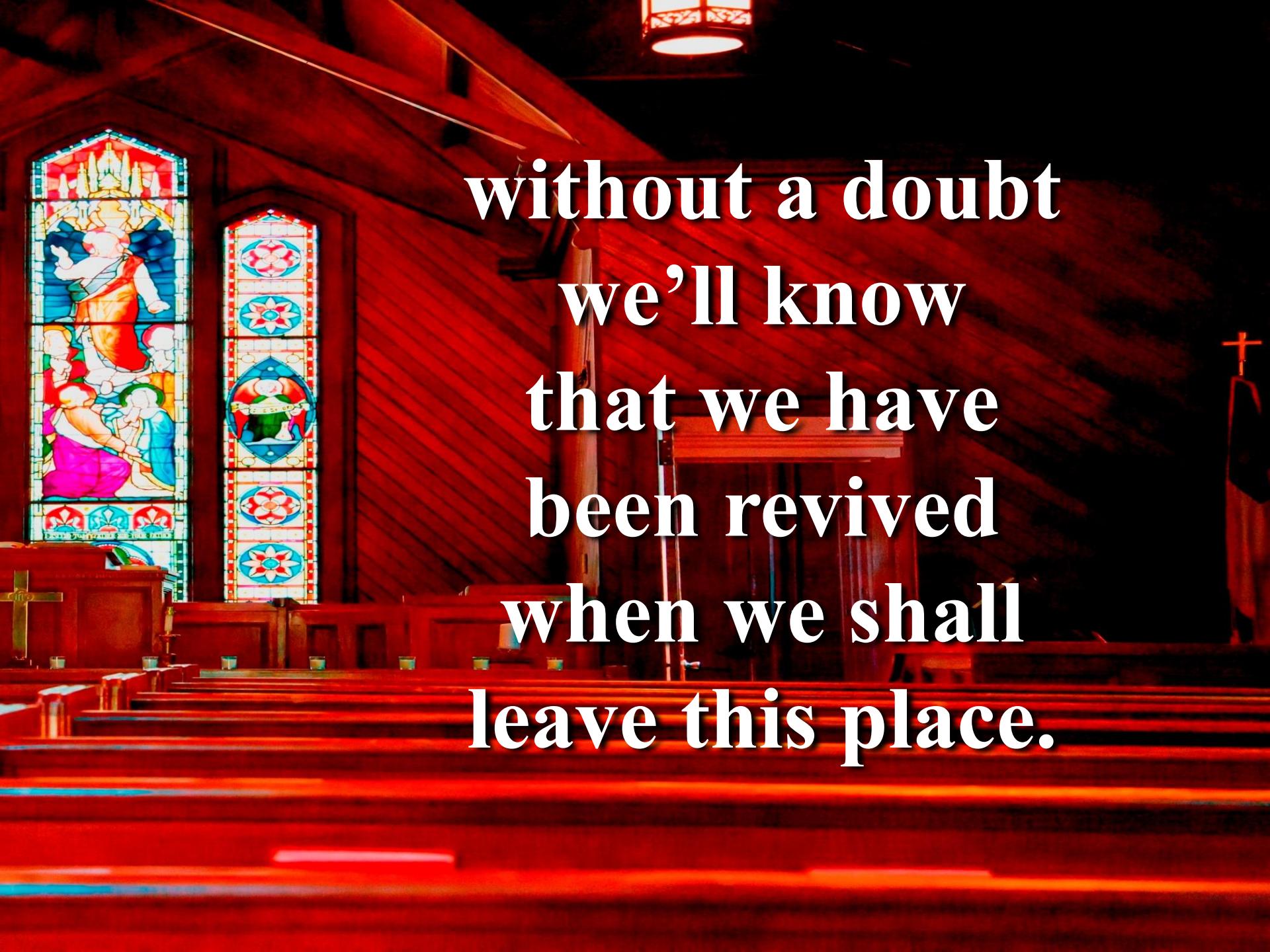
The background image shows the interior of a church. In the foreground, there are rows of wooden pews. To the left, a large stained glass window depicts a scene with figures in red, blue, and yellow. Above the pews, a red light fixture hangs from the ceiling. The walls are made of dark wood paneling.

Refrain

Sweet Holy Spirit,
sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us,
filling us with your love;



and for these blessings
we lift our hearts
in praise;

A photograph of a church interior. The view is down the central aisle, flanked by rows of wooden pews. On the left, there is a large, colorful stained glass window depicting figures, possibly saints or angels. Above the pews, a wooden chandelier hangs from the ceiling. The lighting is warm and focused on the pews and the window.

without a doubt
we'll know
that we have
been revived
when we shall
leave this place.



UNITY IN THE Body of Christ

EPHESIANS 4

“HERE I AM TO WORSHIP”

[Check out this video, "Here i am to worship short version hillsong lyrics youtube"](#)

Light of the world, You stepped down
into darkness Opened my eyes, let me
see, Beauty that made this heart adore
You, Hope of a life spent with You

And here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me



King of all days, oh, so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above, Humbly You
came to the earth You created, All for
love's sake, became poor

And here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
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I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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PRELUDE





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EPHESIANS 4

**WELCOME
&
ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Birthday/Anniversary



CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Climb the mountain of God.

People: We will watch and wait.

Leader: Wait for God's glory to shine like the sun.

People: Wait for Christ to reveal the heart of God.



Leader: Wait to gain courage for the terror of the night.

People: Wait for the Spirit to dispel the darkness.

Leader: Climb the mountain of God.

All: We will watch for things worth waiting for.





OPENING SONG

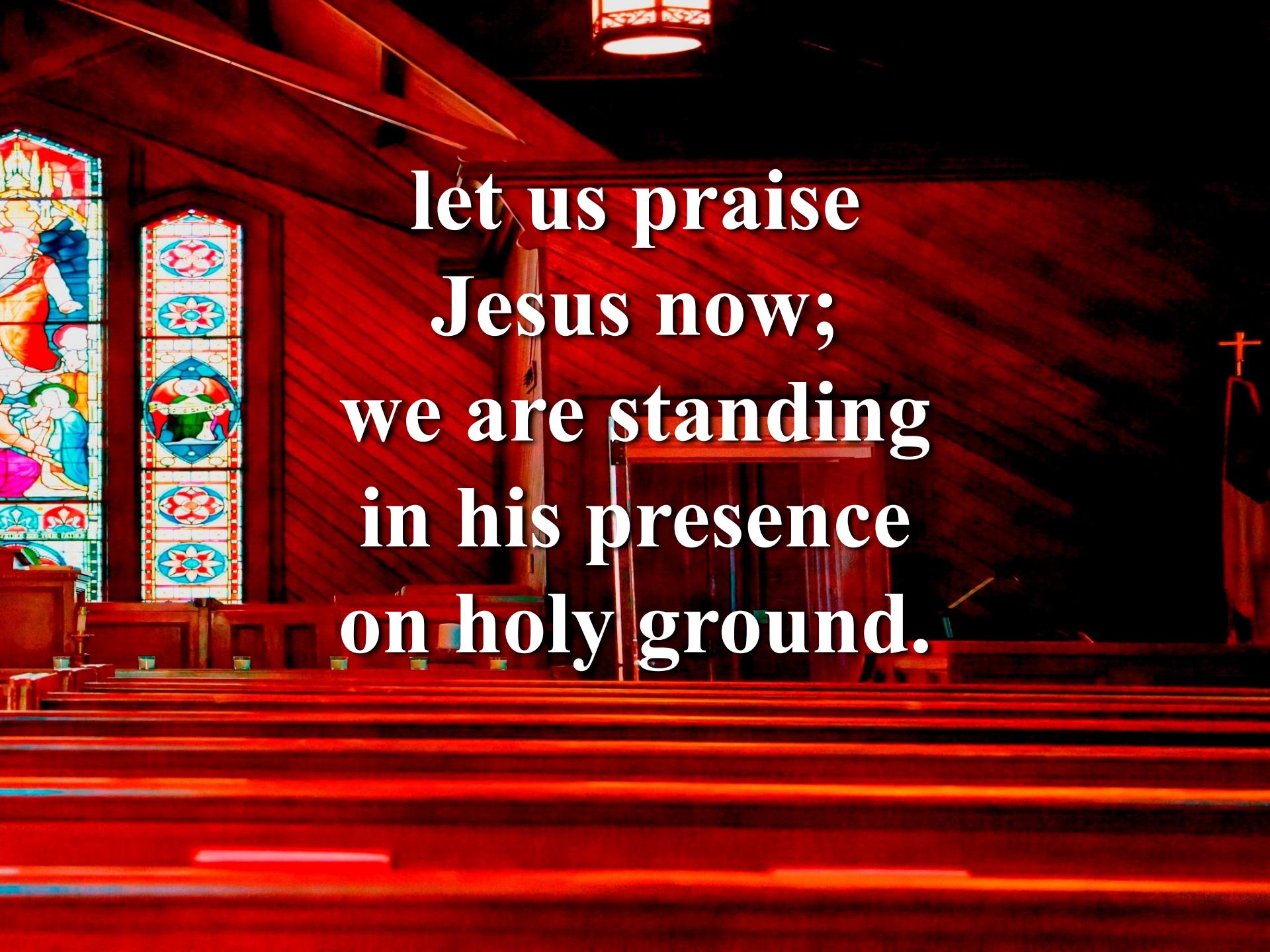
“HOLY GROUND”

Holy Ground

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Geron Davis (Exod. 3:5)

We are standing
on holy ground,
and I know
that there are angels
all around;



let us praise
Jesus now;
we are standing
in his presence
on holy ground.

OPENING PRAYER

Source of light and love, reveal to us your glory. As you appeared to your servant Moses in devouring fire on Mount Sinai, appear to us now in power and might during our time of worship. As you revealed Christ's resplendent

light to his disciples on the mountaintop, reveal your radiant light to us during our fellowship together. Transform us with your glory, that our souls might shine your light into a world shrouded in darkness. Amen.





“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

WORDS: African American spiritual (Rom. 8:15-17)

Refrain

Every time I
feel the Spirit
moving in my heart,
I will pray.



Yes, every time I
feel the Spirit
moving in my heart,
I will pray.



1. Upon the mountain,
my Lord spoke,
out his mouth
came fire and smoke.



All around
me looks so shine,
ask my Lord
if all was mine.



Refrain

**Every time I
feel the Spirit
moving in my heart,
I will pray.**



Yes, every time I
feel the Spirit
moving in my heart,
I will pray.



2. Jordan river
runs right cold,
chills the body,
not the soul.



Ain't but one
train on this track,
runs to heaven
and right back.



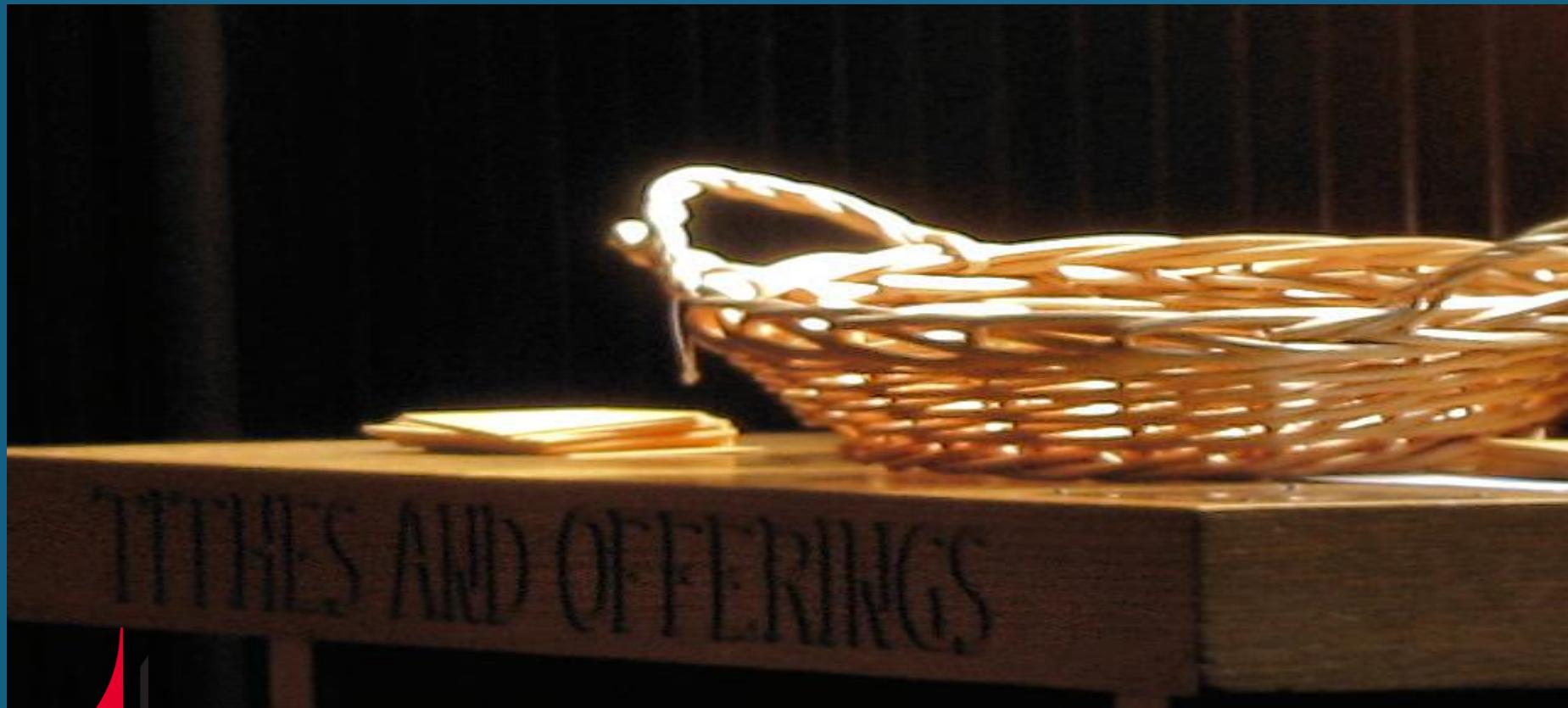
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OFFERING:

Praising God with Our Gifts
Open Doors with Loving Hearts



“DOXOLOGY”

**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.**



“CHILDREN’S MESSAGE”



“PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION”

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.



SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 17:1–9

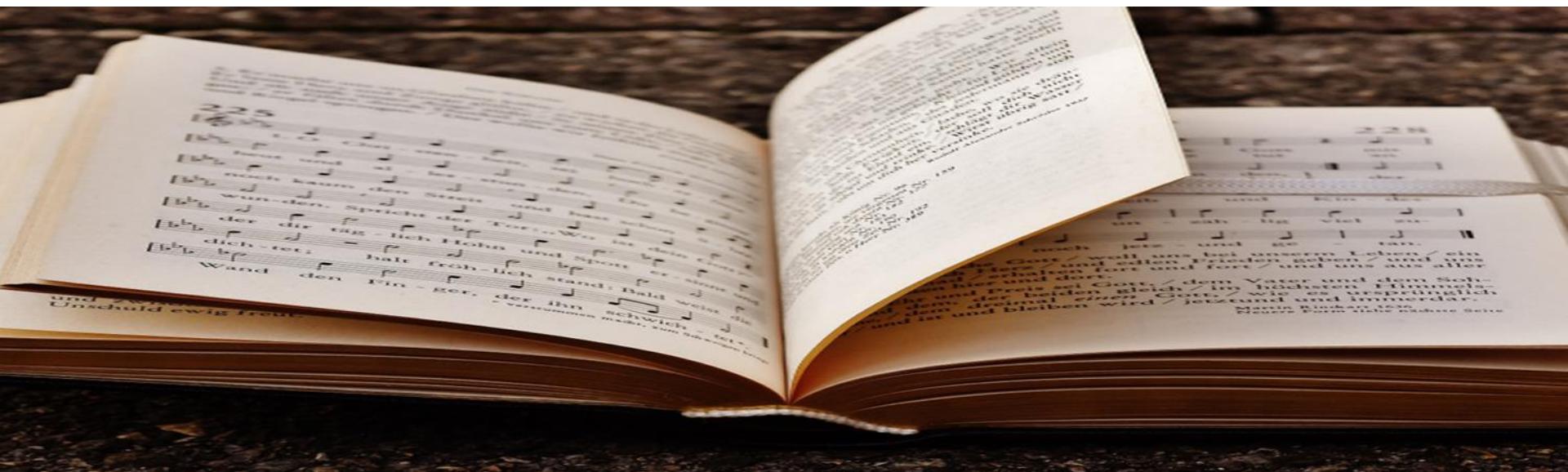
 1 After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. 2 There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. 3 Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. 4 Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three



shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” 5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!” 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. 7 But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.” 8 When they looked up, they saw no one except



Jesus. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, “Don’t tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.





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SERMON

“FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES”



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



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 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. Amen.



“PRAYER OF CONFESSION”

Mighty God, we yearn to be called on a journey to climb your mountain of love and light. We long for the courage of Moses as we wait for your appearance, even when your powerful presence is like a devouring fire. Test our hearts, O God, that we might face our fears and prove ourselves worthy of your holy calling. Amen.



“WORDS OF ASSURANCE”

**With tenderness and grace,
Jesus shows us the power
and the glory of God. Walk in
the assurance of God’s mercy
and the promise of Christ’s
strength for the journey.**



CLOSING SONG

“JOYFUL, JOYFUL,
WE ADORE THEE”

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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WORDS: Henry Van Dyke, 1907; st. 4 alt. 1989

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like
flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of
sin and sadness;
drive the dark of
doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

2. All thy works with
joy surround thee,
earth and heaven
reflect thy rays,
stars and angels
sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest,
vale and mountain,
flowery meadow,
flashing sea,
chanting bird and
flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving
and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the
joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father,
Christ our brother,
all who live in
love are thine;
teach us how to
love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the
mighty chorus
which the morning
stars began;
love divine is
reigning o'er us,
binding all within its span.

Ever singing,
march we onward,
victors in the
midst of strife;
joyful music
leads us sunward,
in the triumph song of life.



BENEDICTION

Climb the mountain of God. We will walk in the light and truth of God. Do not fear the voice that calls from the heavens. We will heed our call to follow Jesus. Draw near to God's holy fire. We will bathe in the warmth of our God. Shine the light of Christ in the world. We will be bold, for God goes with us.



564 Threefold Amen

<divWalter Henry Hall (1862-1935)

A musical score for a hymn. The top staff is in G major (Clef: G, Key Signature: 4 sharps) and 4/4 time. It features a soprano vocal line with a melodic line consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics 'A-men, A-men, A - - men.' are written below the notes. The bottom staff is in E major (Clef: C, Key Signature: 1 sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a piano accompaniment with a bass line and a treble line. The piano part includes a bass clef, a sharp sign, and a '4' indicating 4/4 time.



“I TRUST IN GOD”

<https://youtu.be/QS04WbSnxok>

(Chris Brown & Isaiah Templeton) | Elevation Worship



CARRY OUT THE LIGHT

