

WELCOME!

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OPEN DOORS WITH LOVING HEARTS

JULY 27, 2025



CENTERING SONG


“SURELY THE PRESENCE”
UMH 328

Surely the Presence of the Lord

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WORDS: Lanny Wolfe, 1977

Surely the presence
of the Lord is
in this place;
I can feel his mighty
power and his grace.

A photograph of a church interior, viewed from the back of the sanctuary looking towards the altar. The pews are dark wood and filled with people. The walls are light-colored wood paneling. On the left, there is a large, colorful stained glass window depicting a religious scene, possibly the Resurrection. To its right is a narrower stained glass window with a geometric pattern. The altar area is visible in the distance, featuring a cross and a red cloth. The text is overlaid in the center-right of the image.

**I can hear the brush
of angel's wings,
I see glory on each face;
surely the presence
of the Lord is in this place.**



GATHERING SONG

“SEEK YE FIRST”

Seek Ye First

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WORDS: Karen Lafferty, 1972 (Mt. 6:33; 7:7)

1. Seek ye first
the kingdom of God
and his righteousness,



**and all these things
shall be added
unto you.**

Allelu, alleluia!

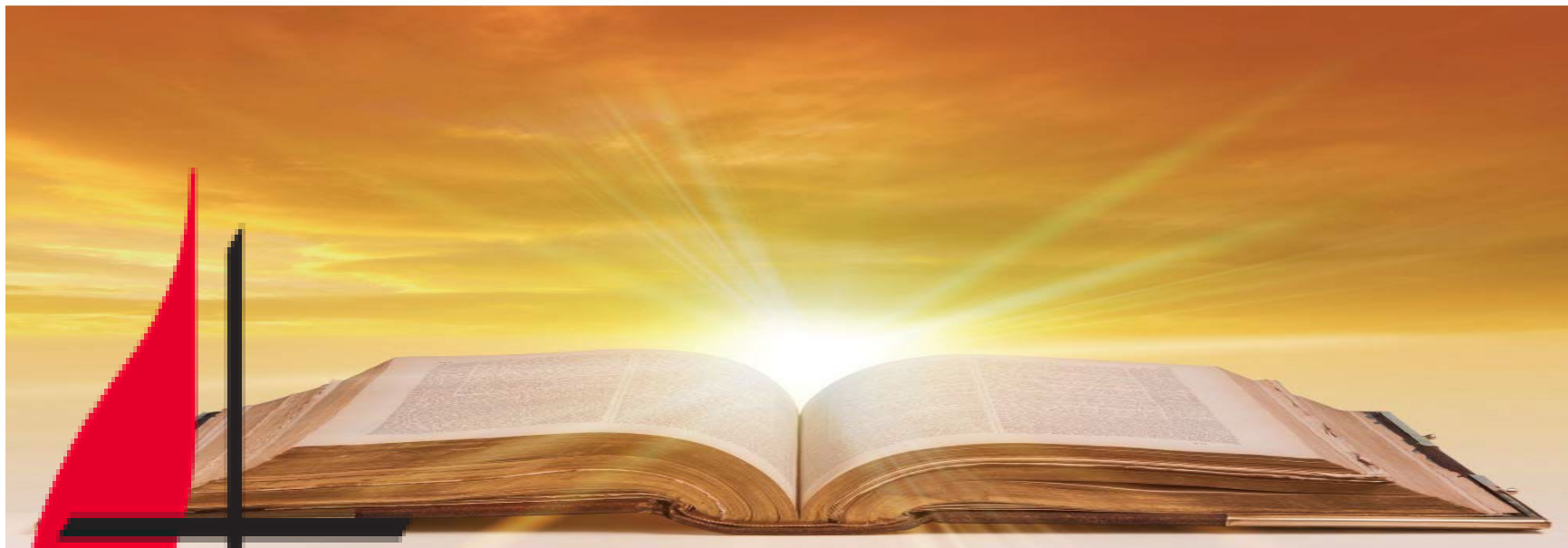


**2. Ask, and it shall
be given unto you;
seek and ye
shall find;**



**knock, and the door
shall be opened
unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!**





PRELUDE



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS



HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY

Birthday/Anniversary



CALL TO WORSHIP



Leader: Before we even knock,

People: Christ opens the doors
and invites us in.

Leader: Before we even ask,

People: God knows our every
need.

Leader: Come to seek; come to
pray; come to worship,

All: For the Spirit has called us
here.



OPENING SONG:

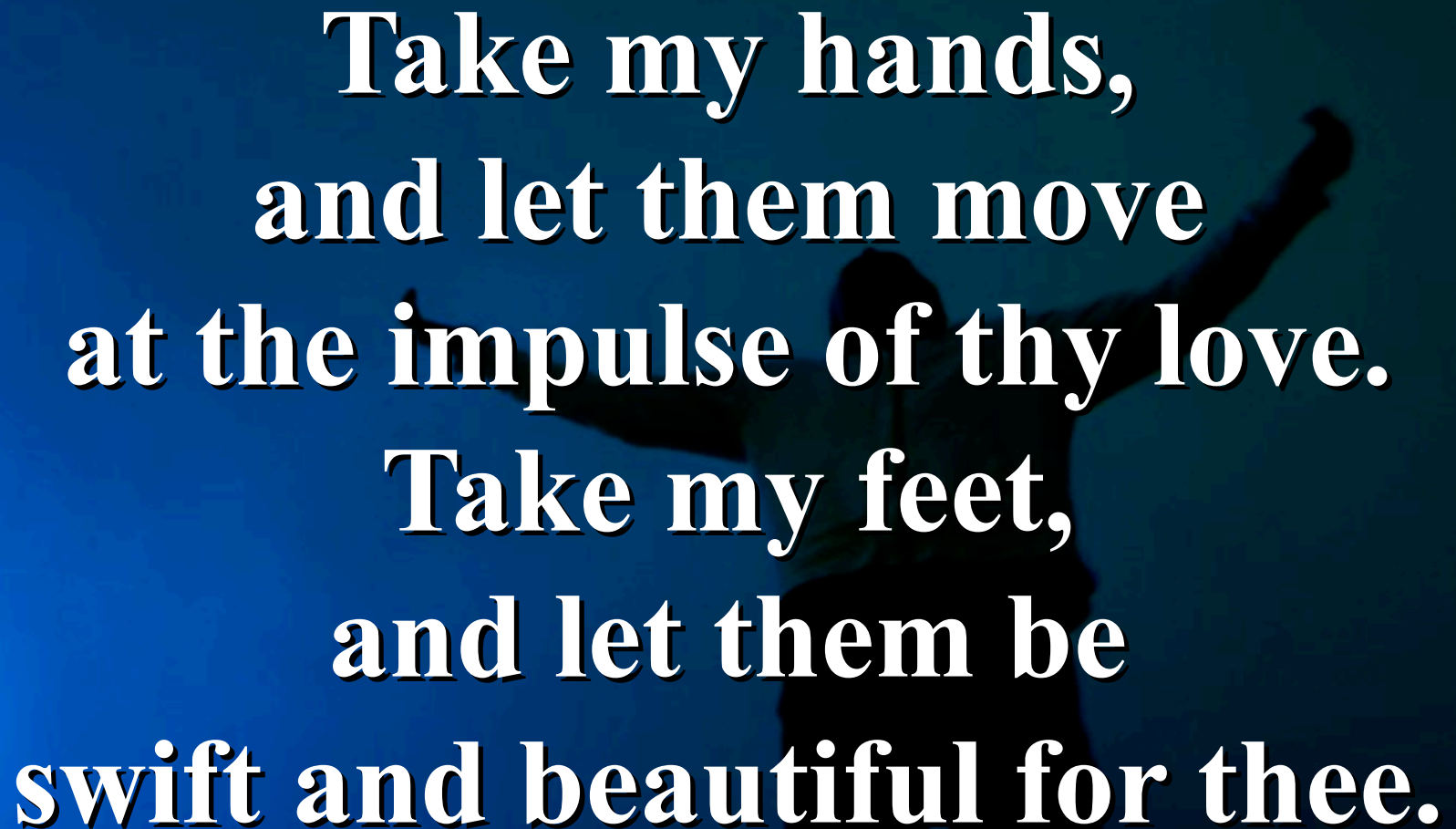
“TAKE MY LIFE, AND LET IT BE”

Take My Life, and Let It Be 399

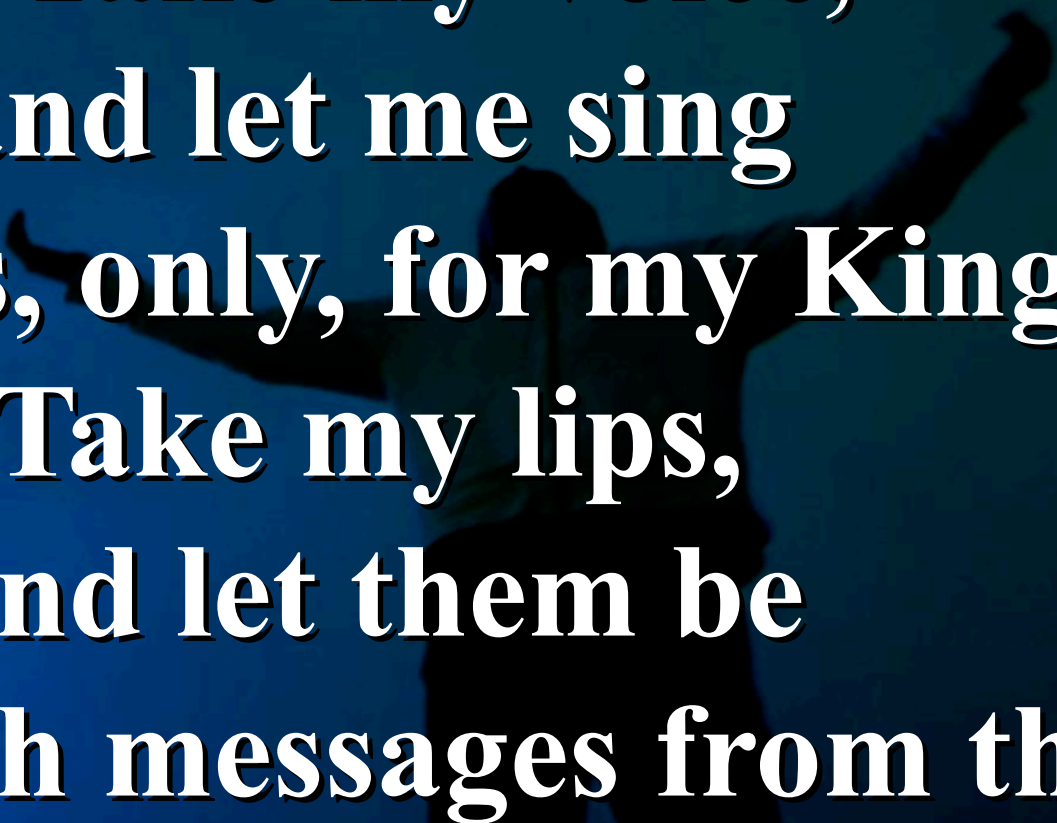
WORDS: Frances R. Havergal, 1873 (Rom. 12:1)

1. Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.

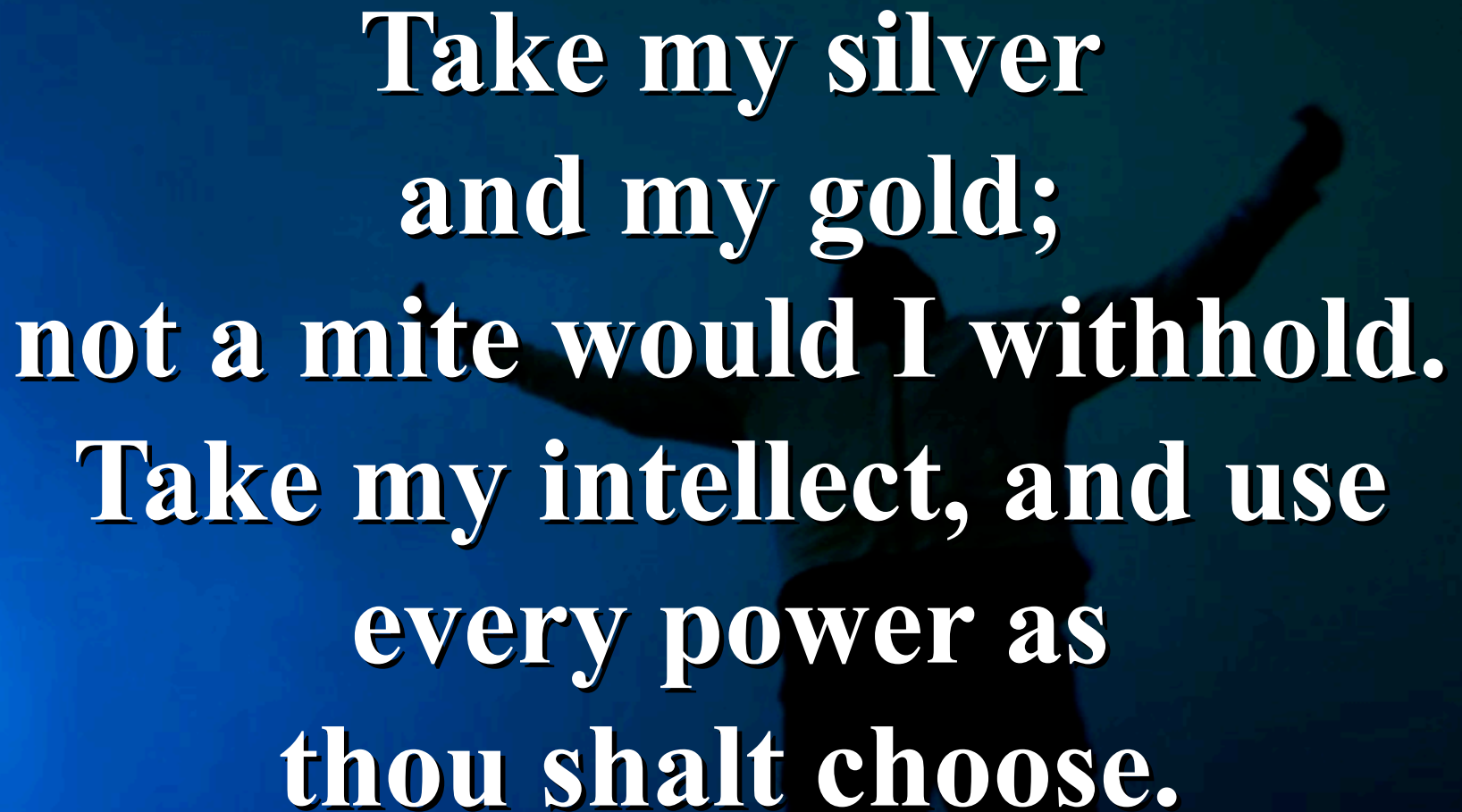
Take my moments
and my days;
let them flow
in ceaseless praise.

A silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or surrender, set against a blue gradient background. The text is overlaid on the image.

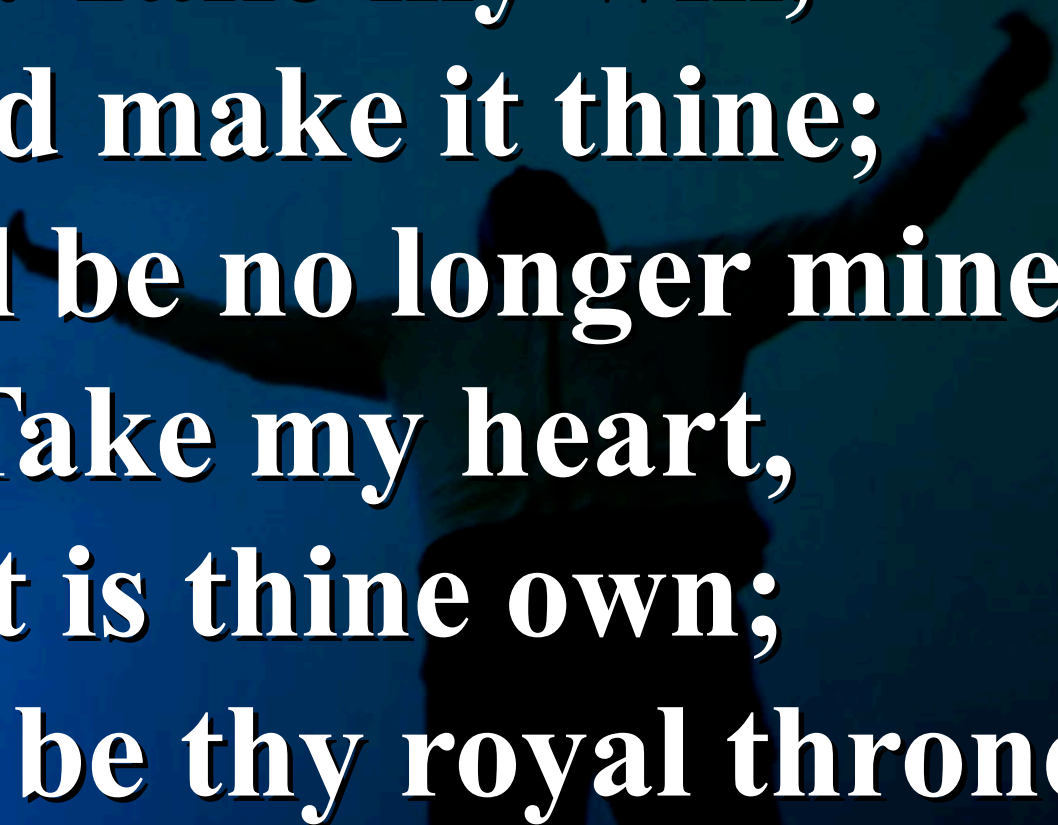
**Take my hands,
and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet,
and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.**

A dark silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or worship, set against a blue gradient background.

**2. Take my voice,
and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips,
and let them be
filled with messages from thee.**

A silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of surrender or offering, set against a blue gradient background. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, bold, serif font.

**Take my silver
and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as
thou shalt choose.**

A dark silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or surrender, set against a blue gradient background.

**3. Take my will,
and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart,
it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.**

**Take my love,
my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its
treasure-store.**

**Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.**



OPENING PRAYER

Sustaining God, grant us our basic needs. Where there is hunger, give us bread. Where there is homelessness give us shelter. Where there is loneliness, give us friendship. Where we have wronged



OPENING PRAYER

**another guide us into
reconciliation. And where
we have been wronged,
lead us on the journey of
forgiveness. Save in times
of trial and lead us in the
Way of life. Amen**



**“WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE
IN JESUS”**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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WORDS: Joseph M. Scriven, ca. 1855

**1. What a friend
we have in Jesus,
all our sins and
griefs to bear!**



**What a privilege
to carry
everything to God
in prayer!**



O what peace
we often forfeit,
O what needless
pain we bear,



all because we
do not carry
everything to God
in prayer.



**2. Have we trials
and temptations?
Is there trouble
anywhere?**



**We should never
be discouraged;
take it to the Lord
in prayer.**



**Can we find
a friend so faithful
who will all our
sorrows share?**



**Jesus knows
our every weakness;
take it to the Lord
in prayer.**



**3. Are we weak
and heavy laden,
cumbered with a
load of care?**



Precious Savior,
still our refuge;
take it to the Lord
in prayer.



**Do thy friends
despise,
forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord
in prayer!**



**In his arms he'll
take and shield thee;
thou wilt find a solace
there.**





...One Nation Under God...



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


LUKE 11:1–13




1 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.” 2 He said to them, “When you pray, say:” ‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. 3 Give us each




day our daily bread. 4 Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.’” 5 Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; 6 a friend of



mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' 7 And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and



give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need. 9 “So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone



who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. 11 “Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give

† good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”



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"Our Father who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as it is in heaven, so in earth. 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, the power, the glory, forever and ever, Amen."

Luke 11:2-4 KJV



SERMON

"LORD TEACH US TO PRAY"



PRAYER OF CONFESSION


**Grow in our lives, Christ Jesus.
Make our hearts larger with
each gift of your grace. Make
our spirits stronger with each
moment of your mercy. As you
fill our lives with your
presence, fill our hearts with**



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

your love, that we might grow into your likeness. As we grow in your love, may we give our love and grace as freely as you have generously given your love to us. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE



In the grace of Christ, we
are connected to God's
love, both now and
forevermore. Amen.



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.**



CLOSING SONG

“YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL”



You are my strength when I am
weak, You are the treasure that
I seek You are my all in all.

I'm seeking You like a precious
jewel Lord to give up I'd be a
fool You are my all in all.



Jesus, Lamb of God
Holy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God
Holy is Your name.



Taking my cross my sin my
shame, Raising again I praise
Your name You are my all in all.

When I fall down You pick me
up When I run dry You fill my
cup You are my all in all.



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BENEDICTION



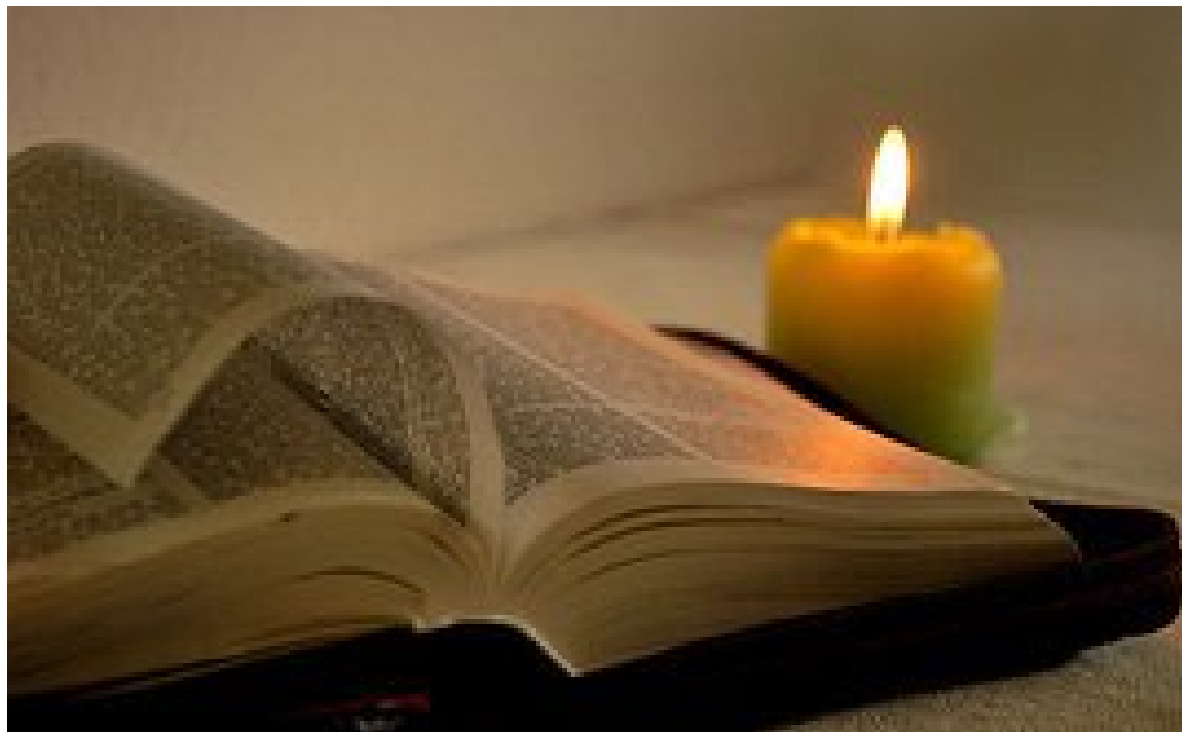
Rooted in Christ, grow in faith and love. Growing in love and faith, give these blessings to the world.



564 Threefold Amen

Walter Henry Hall (1862-1935)

A-men, A-men, A - - - men.



CARRY OUT THE LIGHT