

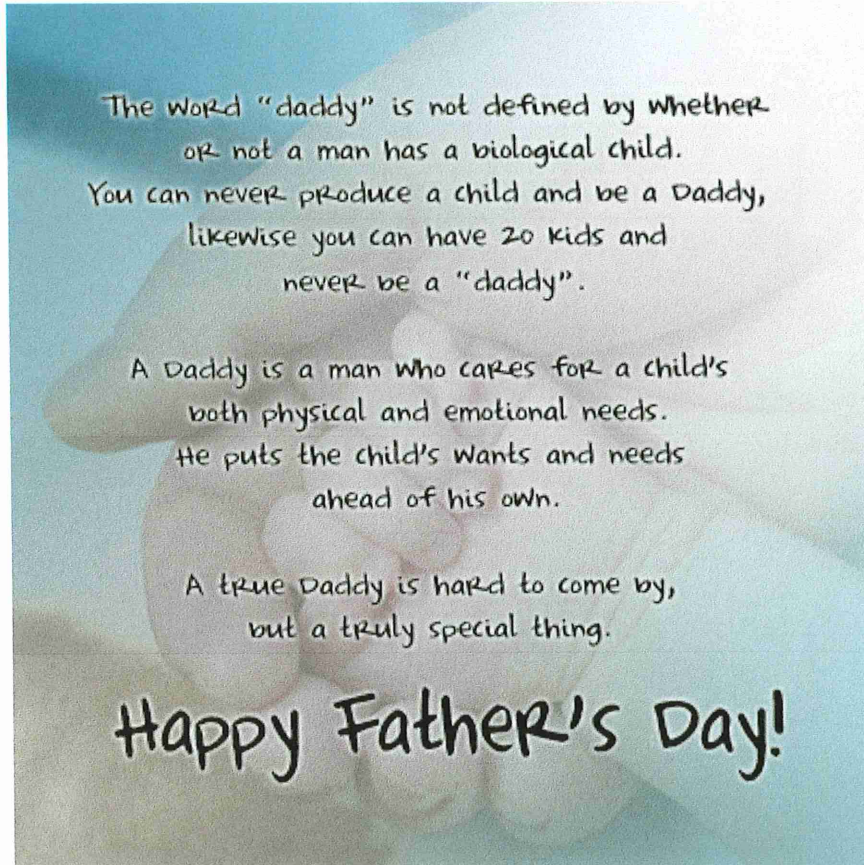
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*No matter who you are,  
or where you are on life's journey,  
you're welcome here.*



*Welcome to our Combined  
10:15am Worship Service  
In-Person & Streaming Online*



**June 19, 2022  
Second Sunday after Pentecost  
Father's Day  
10:15 a.m.**

# Welcome

*May God's loving presence be very real to you,  
and may you receive strength and guidance today  
That will enable you to handle life's challenges.*

## **Children's Bulletins**

Crayons and activity bulletins are available in the narthex.  
The activities match today's Bible readings and are designed for 3-6 & 7-12 year olds.

## **Biblias en Español**

Biblias Bilingües en Español y Inglés están disponible en el vestíbulo narthex en la mesa de visitantes azul.  
(*Bilingual Bibles in Spanish & English are available in the narthex hallway on the blue visitors' table.*)

## **Nursery**

Persons of all ages (including children) are very welcome to participate in the entire worship service. For safety, during the COVID pandemic we temporarily ceased having supervised nursery for 0-8 year olds, on Sunday, September 11, 2022. In the meantime, parents who would like to do so, are welcome to watch their own children in the nursery, where a closed circuit TV is located, so that you can still see and hear the worship service.

## **Junior Worship**

For safety, during the pandemic we temporarily ceased offering Junior Worship. We will resume Junior Worship on Sunday, September 11, 2022. The option of Junior Worship is offered downstairs, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, following the children's sermon, for elementary age children to learn about today's scripture lessons.

## **Restrooms**

Restrooms are located both on the first and second floors to the left of the elevator.

## **Changing Tables**

All four of our restrooms have changing tables. Each restroom has two "child care protection seats" to keep toddlers safe and secure while their parents use the restroom.

## **Water Fountains**

For the safety of all, our water fountains are disabled during the pandemic.

## **Sunday School & Adult Faith Formation Classes**

Classes for all ages are held at 9:00am.

## **Sunday Worship**

Sunday Worship is held at 10:15am.

## **Prayer and Care**

If you would like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list, or request a pastoral call, please call or email the church office. You are welcome to take home with you a copy of *Our Daily Bread* daily devotional booklet, located on a table in the narthex hallway.

## **Looking for a Church to Call Home**

If you are looking for a new church family home, we would be happy for you to consider St. Paul's or Zion United Church of Christ. For more information about St. Paul's, Zion, and the UCC, we invite you to talk with our pastors, an usher, a greeter, or any member of our churches.

## **More Information....**

Additional literature about our missions, ministries, and fellowship opportunities is located on the **Blue Visitor Table** in the narthex hallway, or contact us using the contact information on the front page of this bulletin.

Please let us know if we can be in prayer with you or if there is any way in which we can help make your worship experience more meaningful.

*{Symbols used in this bulletin: \*= if able please stand; ♪# = Red Hymnal Page; □# = Blue Hymnal Page}*



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## **Virtual Worship Service**

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*If you have any access problems, please let us know at 610-621-5770 or [Office@sprucc.org](mailto:Office@sprucc.org)*

# We Gather

*We are coming together as a community of faith to worship our God,  
and provide for one another our love, support, and care.*

*Please Do Not move the red ribbons or sit where they are placed.  
They are there for your safety and the safety of those around you to help designate social distancing.*

## A TIME OF GATHERING

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP<sup>②</sup> *(Unison)*

**God, our refuge and our hope, come among us today to give us energy and purpose. Move us beyond the discipline of the law to the discipleship of faith. Free us from the shackles of fear and a sense of failure that keeps us from stepping bravely into your future. Grant us the sense that we are not alone but are part of a great company of your faithful people of every nation and tongue. Amen.**

LITURGICAL DANCE      *"This Little Light of Mine"*  
Danced by Lily and Ava Ostimchuk

PIANO PRELUDE      *"Spirit of God, Descend upon my Heart"*      arr. for piano by Cindy Berry

*{Those who are able, please rise}*

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN      *"In Christ There Is No East or West"*      Cel #428  
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#### \*INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of God the Father, and of God the Son, and of God the Holy Spirit.  
**ALL: Amen.**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>②</sup>

Leader: All are welcome here as brothers and sisters in Christ.  
Here is a place to find healing and promise.

**People: Our spirits long for God, as a deer longs for water.  
Our help is from God, who is in covenant with us.**

Leader: God did not come to Elijah as earthquake, wind, or fire.  
Rather, in a moment of sheer silence, God was revealed.

**People: We come in quiet expectation to this holy place.  
We approach the altar of God, hungering to be fed.**

## We Repent

*This is a time to confess our wrongdoings and neglects, ask for God's mercy, admit our need for God's forgiving grace, hear the assurance of our forgiveness, and then give God our thanks and praise.*

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION ② (Leader)

When we ask to be delivered from deceitful and unjust people, we need to examine ourselves to see if we are completely honest and just. When we sense demonic forces in our world, we must ask if there is any evil in us. When we are tempted to exclude, we are met by an inclusive God who calls us to repentance. Let us confess our sins before God, and before one another and beseech God to change us, heart, soul, and mind.

### \*CONFESSION OF SIN ② (Unison)

**Almighty and Sovereign God, we confess that we have broken covenant with you, despised some of your children, and accused you of forgetting us. Our lives do not praise you as fully as they should, our actions too frequently deny you, our work is too often carried out without reference to your will, and we do not share our faith in words with others as boldly as we should. We draw lines of distinction among ourselves rather than celebrating our common humanity. When we are zealous for the faith, we sometimes trample on others rather than learning to know and appreciate them; and at other times we are not zealous enough, and remain silent when we should speak up. O God, forgive us and change us. Amen.**

### \*SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

*{A time to silently offer our personal prayers of confession}*

### \*SUNG PRAYER FOR MERCY “Lord, Thy Mercy, Now Entreating”

♫E&R #216

**Lord, Thy mercy now entreating,  
Low before Thy throne we fall;  
Our misdeeds to Thee confessing,  
On Thy Name we humbly call.**

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON ② (Leader)

When we want to be helped, God is ready to pardon us and equip us for new life. Wounded spirits are restored to wholeness. Enemies can become friends. We can grow in faith and love. God puts a song on our lips and confidence in our hearts. Praise God! **Amen.**

### \*CALL TO PRAISE ⑩

Leader: Uplift your voices in praise to God.

People: **We weekly gather to sing praise to the Lord.**

**\*SUNG PRAISE**    “All Creatures of Our God and King”

♪ E&R#15

**All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One  
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*(Please be seated)*

## **We Hear the Word of God**

*We seek to learn more about God's love and grace, and how we are to live our lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. The Bible is our primary text on faith, which we consider to be scripture - sacred writings. We believe the Bible to be the "inspired word of God." Gospel (which means "Good News") refers to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, which are Christians' most central books of the Bible.*

### **Proclamation of Scripture**

**First Lesson:** [Isaiah 65:1-9](#)

**Second Lesson:** [Galatians 3:23-29](#)

**Leader:** This is the word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL LESSON:** [Luke 8:26-39](#)

**Leader:** This is the word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**HYMN**

*"I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me"*

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### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**CHILDREN'S SONG**    God, our Father, hears my prayer  
Anytime and anywhere,  
He will listen when I pray,  
Hear the loving words I say.

**SERMON**

## We Respond with Thanks

*We have heard God's call and have come and worshiped,  
we have confessed our sins and been assured of our forgiveness, we have  
learned more about God's grace and God's will. We now respond by  
re-affirming our faith in God,  
praying with and for one another, trusting in God's providence in our world, and  
giving of ourselves for the sake of the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.*

(Those who are able, please rise)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)** Preamble to the United Church of Christ Constitution  
**We acknowledge as the sole Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, Son of God  
and Savior.**  
**We acknowledge as kindred in Christ all who share in this confession.**  
**We look to the Word of God in the Scriptures,  
and to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit,  
to prosper the Church's creative and redemptive work in the world.**  
**We claim as our own the faith of the historic Church expressed in the  
ancient creeds  
and reclaimed in the basic insights of the Protestant Reformers.**  
**We affirm the responsibility of the Church in each generation  
to make this faith its own in reality of worship,  
in honesty of thought and expression,  
and in purity of heart before God.**  
**In accordance with the teaching of our Lord  
and the practice prevailing among evangelical Christians,  
we recognize two sacraments: Baptism and the Lord's Supper or Holy  
Communion.**  
**Amen.**

(Please be seated)

### CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

### FATHER'S DAY BLESSING ③

Leader: For our fathers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them respect and love,

People: **we pray to the Lord.**

Leader: For fathers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them.

People: **we pray to the Lord.**

Leader: For men, though without children of their own, who like fathers have nurtured and cared for us,

People: **we pray to the Lord.**

Leader: For fathers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children and who have not sustained their families,

People: **we pray to the Lord...**

**ALL:** God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord, who taught us when we pray to say...

**LORD'S PRAYER** (*Unison*)

**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.**

**\*PRAYER RESPONSE** "O Thou Who Hearest Every Heartfelt Prayer" ♪ E&R #503  
**O Thou who hearest every heartfelt prayer,  
With Thy rich grace Lord, all our hearts prepare;  
Thou art our Life, Thou art our Love and Light,  
O let this Sabbath hour with Thee be bright. Amen.**

**OFFERTORY INVITATION** ②

**Leader:** God has richly provided all we need for life's journey.  
**People:** **What are we doing with God's bounty?**  
**Leader:** How much of ourselves and the resources we command are we investing in the work God has called the church to do?  
**People:** **May our dedicated dollars reflect a consecrated congregation.**

**Liturgical Dance** "One Light, One Sun" Raffi  
Danced by Lily and Ava Ostimchuk

*{Those who are able, please rise}*

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE** "Old Hundredth Doxology" ♪ E&R #551  
**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.**

*{As we share in hybrid worship, there is no passing of the plate in person.  
A plate is placed in the rear of the sanctuary for offerings to be placed  
when arriving or departing from the sanctuary.}*

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the safest way to offer your tithe and offering to God through his church  
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**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER** (Leader) ②

God of all times and places, may our tithes and offerings reflect confidence, not cowardice; altruism, not egotism; inclusiveness, not exclusiveness. We devote them to bringing all humanity into harmony with your purposes. May the programs we undertake build up the body of Christ among us and far beyond us, may you bless these gifts and those who give them. **Amen.**

## **We Are Sent Out**

*In response to God's love and grace,  
we go out into the world to share God's Good News  
through our words and actions.*

**\*COMMISSION** ⑩

**Leader:** God has come quickly to aid and instruct us.  
Now we depart to help others and to listen to them.

**People:** **We will share our stories of faith within the congregation.**  
**We will witness in God's name to one another in word and deed.**

**Leader:** God's family includes those outside the church.  
With God, there are no outsiders or insiders.

**People:** **We will carry the grace of God into the world without distinction.**  
**God's abundant steadfast love will sustain us and strengthen us to share Good News.**

**ALL:** **Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*THREE FOLD SUNG AMEN**

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**\*SENDING HYMN** "God of Grace and God of Glory"

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*{Acolyte carries the light back into the world, leading us,  
as we now go to carry God's light and love back into the world.}*

**POSTLUDE**

**TIME OF FELLOWSHIP**





## The Flow of the Worship Service

Our worship service has an intentional order to it. The flow of worship is called the liturgical movement. The movement reminds us weekly of our journey in faith of moving from being separated from God by sin, to being restored by God's grace as disciples of Christ. It is based on the sixth chapter of the Biblical book of Isaiah.

- (1) God welcomes us and invites us
- (2) We respond to God's call by worshiping Him
- (3) We confess our need for God's forgiveness and grace
- (4) We are assured of God's forgiveness and grace
- (5) We learn more about God's will through scripture, song, and sermon
- (6) We grow closer to God and one another through prayer
- (7) We give God thanks by offering our time, talent, and treasure
- (8) God sends us into the world to share His love and grace with others



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## About Today

**Church Season: Pentecost** –which is the season of the church in mission. It is the time between the ascension of Christ and his second coming, which is the time we are presently living in today, and as such is the longest season of the church year. During this season we focus on how we, as disciples of Jesus Christ, are called by God to go out into the world and share his Good News through both our deeds and words.

**Color of the Paraments** (cloths on the altar and pulpit):

**Green** –symbolizing the growth of the Christian church, as we go out into the world and share God’s Good News with both our words and actions, and invite others into the church of Jesus Christ.

The suggested scripture lessons are from the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), which selects passages throughout the Bible over a three year cycle. The RCL is the most common lectionary used by Christian churches. We are in **Year C**, which emphasizes the Gospel of Luke.

The Bible is in two sections: Old Testament - OT (scripture prior to Christ’s birth), located in the first 2/3 of the Bible; and New Testament - NT (about Christ & early church). The first four books of the NT are called the “Gospels,” which Christians consider the most central books of the Bible; the rest of the NT takes place after his ascension into heaven.

### **This Sunday, June 19, 2022 -- Lectionary Reading for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Isaiah 65:1-9

Psalm 22:19-28

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

#### **Isaiah**

The book of Isaiah (OT) is attributed to three prophets. The first of whom is from where the book gets its name, and is about Isaiah’s call to become a prophet and his prophecy that Jerusalem will face God’s judgement regarding its immorality in order to e God’s Holy City (chaps. 1-9, written 738-688 B.C.), the second is about living in exile in Babylon (chaps. 40-55, written 597-539 B.C.), and the third is about the return from exile to Judah and the rebuilding of the Temple (chaps. 56-66, written 520-515 B.C.). A prophet is one who is divinely appointed by God to lead and instruct.

#### **Psalm 22:19-28**

This OT song is attributed to King David. This song is a prayer to God, asking for help in times of distress, giving thanks and praise to God for his presence and deliverance in times of affliction, and reaffirming the vow to worship and follow in the ways of the Lord.

#### **The Letter of Paul to the Galatians**

This NT Epistle (letter) was written to the churches of Galatia by the apostle Paul sometime between 49-55 A.D. Within this letter is the critical theological doctrine of justification by faith (salvation by God’s actions through Jesus Christ, not by our own actions). Paul was a Christian, Jew, Pharisee, Roman citizen, and church leader, who had a direct encounter with Jesus Christ on the road to Damascus after Jesus’ ascension into heaven. Paul wrote more of the NT than any other person.

#### **The Gospel According to Luke**

The Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles is attributed to Luke “the beloved physician,” written around 59-90 A.D. (C.E.). Not having met Jesus personally, Luke undertook the task of “investigating everything carefully from the very first, to write an orderly account” of Jesus Christ, “so that you may know the truth concerning the things about which you have been instructed.”

### **Next Sunday, June 26 -- Lectionary Reading for the Third Sunday after Pentecost**

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Psalm 16

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62



June 19, 2022

## Recap of 2022 Annual Spring Meeting Past Moderator, Rev. Antonio L. Villareal

Reflecting on the recent Spring Conference meeting, I am filled with wonderful memories. It was good to be together after a two years absence. I missed being with friends, meeting new friends, and sharing with fellow Christians in worship. It was very good to be together.

The meeting incorporated the theme of "Living the Jesus Life: Contemplatives in Action" in all aspects. From the beginning call together with the drumming to the final communion service, we explored many different methods and ways of experiencing contemplative practices in the ordinary of everyday. Even during the business plenaries, I found the influence of the emphasis on contemplative practices to be helpful.

We adopted changes to the Bylaws of the Conference to better reflect our practices. But we also explored ministries that sought to address justice and care of the environment, addiction and relationships in our society. We shared how we as a people seek to care for one another in disaster outreach.

And, we worshipped! The gathering of the body of Christ in worship is one of the joys of returning to in person meeting. We experienced inspiring music, singing with our many voices combining in joyful praise, uplifting my soul as I shared with you. The Word was prophetically proclaimed by robust preaching, and joyful singing. We officially welcomed Rev. McLemore with his installation service. We concluded the meeting with a moving communion experience as we bade a joyful sabbatical leave for our Conference Minister, Rev. Worley.

But, the best part of this Conference gathering was getting together one with another. You made the meeting inspirational, meaningful. Sharing time with one another in conversation and fellowship; during meals, meetings, and one on one connections was the highlight of our renewed gathering. It was good to be with one another, it made the time very special.

As the outgoing moderator, I want to thank the Planning Committee for envisioning such a gathering, and executing the program with care. I also want to thank the Worship Team for very inspiring and challenging worship experiences; and, the Tech Team for enabling all the aspects of the meeting to be shared with the visuals, sound, and out on the web for others to participate.

I would also thank the Staff; our Conference Minister, Associate Conference Ministers, the Support staff, and the many volunteers, who helped to make the meeting run smoothly and inspiringly.

Most importantly, I want to thank you for participating and making this truly a gathering of the body of Christ in worship and service to the world!

In Christian Love,  
Rev. Antonio L. Villareal, Past Moderator



## From the Addiction & Recovery Taskforce: Step Two

Step Two - We came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

Many addicts have a hard time with the idea of a Higher Power until the full measure of our powerlessness is accepted. We became willing to consider seeking help from a Power greater than our disease. Our understanding of a Higher Power is up to us. We can call it the group, the program, or we can call it God. The only suggestion is that it be loving, caring, and greater than ourselves.

Addicts experience unconditional love by receiving help from other addicts. For most, this may be their first experience. The group's collective experience is itself a Power greater than our own. We begin learning what works and what doesn't through others shared experiences. Attending meetings day after day is an example of the presence of a Higher Power; an attractive, caring force that helps addicts stay clean. By keeping an open mind, we identify other sources of that Power and find a way to incorporate it into our daily lives.

Our understanding and relationship deepens with our Higher Power as we go further into our personal recovery. We continue the journey by moving on to Step Three.

# In Christ There Is No East or West 428

God does not show favoritism but accepts those from every nation who fear Him. Acts 10:34-35

D F#m G D F# A A7 D Em D A7 D A

1. In Christ there is no East or West, In Him no South or North;  
 2. In Him shall true hearts ev - ery - where Their high com - mu - nion find;  
 3. Join hands then, broth - ers of the faith, What - e'er your race may be;  
 4. In Christ now meet both East and West; In Him meet South and North.

D 1 G B D G D F# 2 E sus A7 D Bm 3 D Em D A 4 A A7 D

But one great fel - low - ship of love Thro' - out the whole wide earth.  
 His ser - vice is the gold - en cord Close bind - ing all man - kind.  
 Who serves my Fa - ther as a son Is sure - ly kin to me.  
 All Christ - ly souls are one in Him Thro' - out the whole wide earth.

TEXT: John Oxenham  
 MUSIC: Alexander R. Reinagle

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# I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me

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*African-American spiritual*

1 I'm so glad, Je-sus lift-ed me, I'm so glad,  
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me, Sa - tan had me bound,  
3 When I was in trou - ble, Je-sus lift-ed me, when I was in trou - ble,

Je - sus lift - ed me, I'm so glad,  
Je - sus lift - ed me, Sa - tan had me bound,  
Je - sus lift - ed me, when I was in trou - ble,

Je - sus lift - ed me, sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus lift - ed me.

*Just as the spirituals were adapted to be sung in a folk-song style during the 1960s music festivals and civil rights marches, so have they been adapted in a gospel style. This is a spiritual that especially lends itself to gospel rendering.*

Tune: I'M SO GLAD Irr.  
*African-American spiritual*

# 435 God of Grace and God of Glory

*Be strong and courageous; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you. Joshua 1:9*

G C G/B G/A G G/B G/D D G C/E C Am7 G/D D7

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Thy peo - ple pour Thy  
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn Thy Christ, as - sail His  
 3. Cure Thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to Thy con -  
 4. Set our feet on loft - y plac - es; Gird our lives that they may

G C G/B G/A G G/B G/D D G C/E G/B C

pow'r. Crown Thine an - cient Church - 's sto - ry; Bring her bud to  
 ways! From the fears that long have bound us, Free our hearts to  
 trol. Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, Rich in things and  
 be Ar - mored with all Christ - like grac - es In the fight to

G/D D G D7 G/D D7 D/F# G D7 G G/B

glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom; Grant us cour - age  
 faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom; Grant us cour - age  
 poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom; Grant us cour - age  
 set men free. Grant us wis - dom; Grant us cour - age

G/B D7/A G D/F# Em7 D G/B D7/A G C G/D D D7 G

For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.  
 For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.  
 Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal, Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal.  
 That we fail not man nor Thee, That we fail not man nor Thee.