

# MAYFLOWER

Congregational Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP

January 21, 2024 - 10:30am



**WE BELIEVE:** Faith is a journey, God is good, Jesus saves, and the Spirit leads us to faith, hope, and love as we honor the dignity of all God's people.

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*\*Indicates please stand if you are able.*

Bolded text or music score indicates congregational response.

Please sign the friendship register located in your pew. Prayer request cards may be placed in the offering and will be added to our prayer list.

*As you enter the sanctuary, we invite you to prepare your hearts for worship.*

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### **PRELUDE**

*Nettleton (Come Thou Fount)*  
by Gerre Hancock

Dr. Julia Brown

### **WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE\***

Rev. Dr. Shawn Bawulski

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Response: And also with you.**

### **NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

Rachael Cooley

### **INTROIT**

*The Queen's Responses*  
by Philip Stopford

Chancel Choir

O Lord open Thou our lips - And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise

O God make speed to save us - O Lord make hast to help us

Praise ye the Lord – The Lord's name be praised.

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Anne Marie Church

Leader: The word of God came to Jonah

**People: The word of God comes to us:**

Leader: Go

**People: despite your fears,**

Leader: Speak

**People: the truth of God,**

Leader: Love

**People: your neighbor and you enemy,**

Leader: Forgive

**People: as you have been forgiven,**

Leader: Receive

**People: grace upon grace,**

**All: overflowing from the fullness of God!**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN 245\*** *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

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### **OPENING PRAYER\***

Anne Marie Church

**GLORIA PATRI\***

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM**

This morning we are pleased to baptize **Aaron Visser**, son of Jessica Visser and grandson of Tom and Terri Visser, and **Lyric Ledesma**, daughter of Josh and Lindsay Ledesma.

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ’s church; for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you, and to help you know and follow Christ.**

**HYMN 518** *Good Shepherd, Take This Little Child* AMY

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** Rachael Cooley

**SCRIPTURE READING** Jonah 1 Anne Marie Church  
PEW BIBLE, PAGE 655

Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

**CHORAL RESPONSE** *Lead Me, Lord* Chancel Choir  
by Samuel Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness;  
make your ways plain before my face.  
For it is you, Lord, only, that makes me dwell in safety.

**SERMON** *The Prodigal Prophet* Rev. Dr. Bawulski

**HYMN 19\*** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

**CALL TO OFFERING** Rev. Dr. Bawulski

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** *How Great Thou Art* Chancel Choir  
arr. Dan Forrest

Text for this anthem can be found in the hymnal #27

**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.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION\*** Rev. Dr. Bawulski

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Bawulski

### 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.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### HYMN 248\*

*How Firm a Foundation*

FOUNDATION

### BENEDICTION\*

Rev. Dr. Bawulski

### DISMISSAL\*

Leader: To wherever God has called you this week, go in peace  
to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Amen! We go forth in the name of Christ. Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
(based on the American Folk Tune NETTLETON)  
by Emma Lou Diemer

Dr. Brown

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cover art by Scott Erickson, [www.scottericksonart.com](http://www.scottericksonart.com)

Altar flowers are given by Sydney Edlund in loving memory of her only sister, Polly Cryderman.

## GREETERS AND TREATS

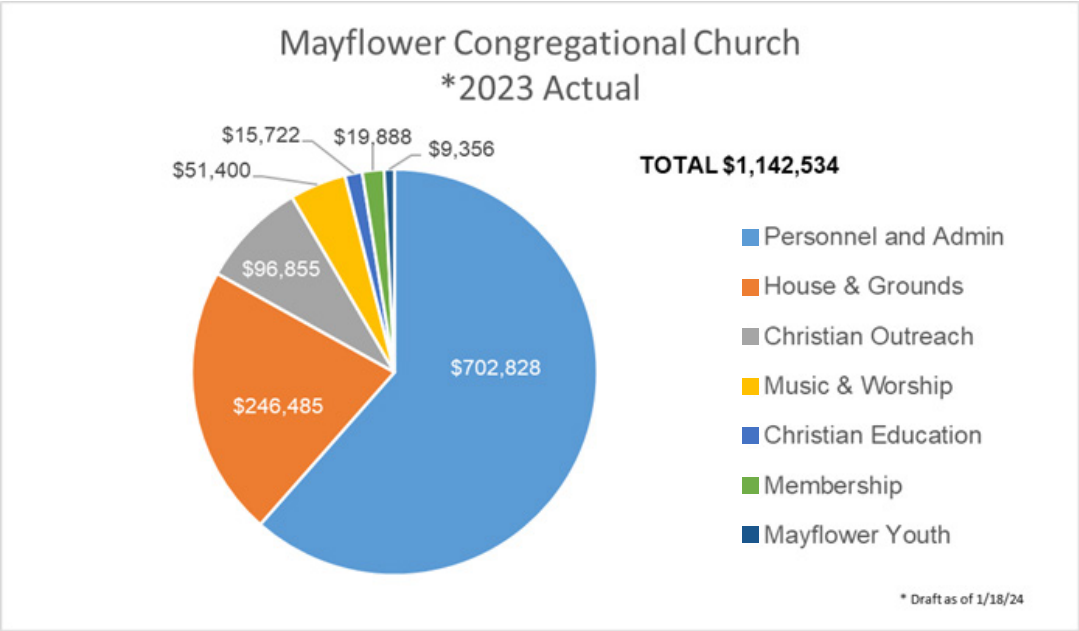
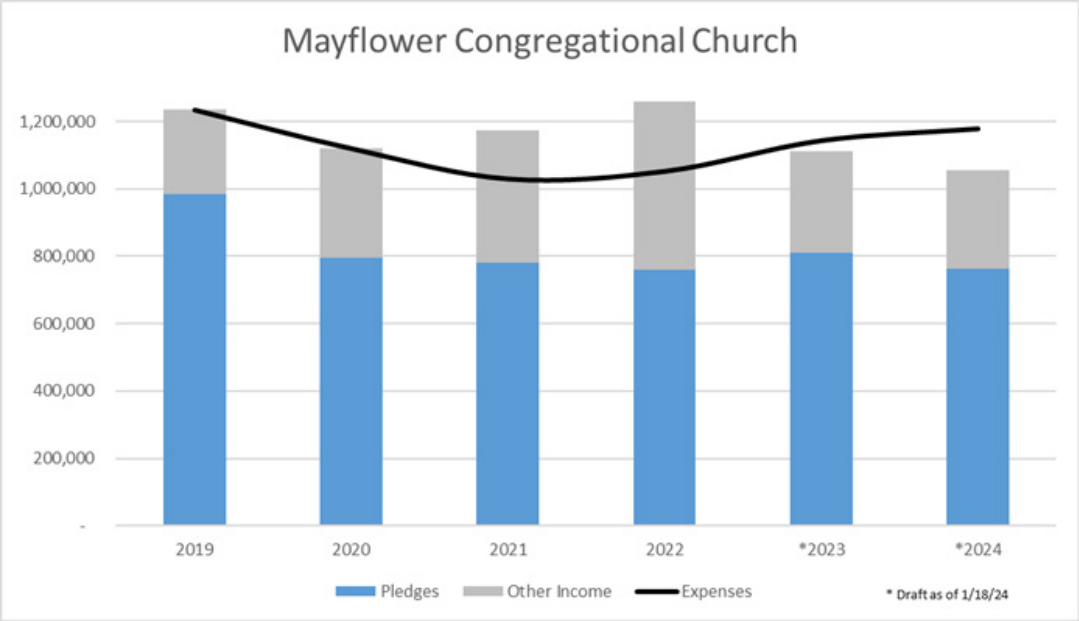


**Mayflower invites you to support  
our hospitality efforts by joining us  
to greet on Sundays before the  
service or provide treats for the  
coffee hour following the service.**

Please Sign up in the Atrium or  
visit [MayflowerChurch.org/join-us](http://MayflowerChurch.org/join-us) and  
click the link at the bottom of the page.

***Thank you!***

# MAYFLOWER FINANCIAL UPDATE



# MAYFLOWER

## *Praises and Prayers*

Congregational Church

*Mayflower weekly prayer list includes members and loved ones of members for up to a month-long duration unless an update is provided for extension.*

***Week of January 21, 2024***

### **PRAISE FOR THOSE WHO CELEBRATE**

We celebrate with **Tom and Terri Visser** who welcomed a new grandson, Owen Arthur Kucharah, born Friday, December 22. (12/22)

### **PRAY FOR THE NEEDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Please pray for **Ron Shippy** as he is now in hospice care as he battles cancer. (01/02)

### **PRAY FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF MAYFLOWER**

Prayers for **Bruce Galloway's** father, of Traverse City, who has returned home from the hospital and is now beginning cancer treatment. (1/17)

Please keep **Gary Church**, brother of **Anne Marie Church**, in your prayers as he grapples with the challenges of cancer. (1/02)

Please pray for **Adam Lipscomb** as he recovers from a detached retina. Adam is the Church Partner Strategist for Mel Trotter Ministries and a dear friend of the Outreach Committee. (12/20)

Our hearts go out to the family of **Tessa Stanley**, the 17-year-old girl from Forest Hills who was tragically killed by a car while walking. Tessa was a dear friend of **Hope and Eve Urban**. We also pray for the teenage driver of the car and his family. (12/13)

Keep **Joanie Ellafrits** in your prayers as she deals health concerns. (11/21)

### **PRAY FOR THOSE WHO MOURN**

Please keep **Marcia Bacon** and her family in your prayers as they mourn the death of her husband, **Charles Bacon**, who died on January 9. (1/17)

Pray for the family of **Doug Schumacher**, friend and classmate of **Steve Miller**, who died on December 30. (1/10)

Please pray for **Eric Britcher** who lost his 91-year-old brother on December 24. (12/27)

Pray for the children of **Robert and Rudean Fairman** who will be having a joint memorial service for their parents on Friday, January 26 at 11:00 am. (12/11)

## **PRAY FOR THOSE IN ONGOING CONFLICTS AROUND THE WORLD**

The violence in Israel and Gaza and the safe release of all being held captive, the war in the Ukraine, the civil war in Myanmar (Burma), the insurgency in the Maghreb region in Northwest Africa, the civil war in Ethiopia, and the war in Sudan. Pray for peace and justice.

For refugees and internally displaced people who are fleeing violence and persecution and who are seeking safety in a new life. Pray for compassion and action from the world community.

As a congregation, there is nothing more powerful that we can do for one another, than to lift up cares, concerns and praises in prayer. Here at Mayflower, our Prayer List is emailed weekly along with the worship bulletin.

***If you would like to receive, or make note of someone to be added to the weekly Prayer List, please reach out to the office to be included on the list.***

***Prayer Cards are also in the pews and collected during Sunday morning services.***

# *Welcome!* We are so glad you joined us today!

*Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship!*

Hearing assistance is available on the main floor by using the T-switch on your hearing aid.

Handheld receivers with earphones are also available from the ushers.

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**Nursery is available** for children birth through 3 years. You are welcome to sign your child(ren) in prior to the service and receive a pager if needed.

### **Sunday School | 4-year-olds through 5th graders**

Meets during the service following the Children's Message in the lower-level Youth Rooms.

Children are asked to bring their Bibles weekly to use them as they grow in their knowledge and faith. Sharing the "Highs and Lows" from the week, Bible trivia, Songs, and a Bible story lesson with activity fill this time together.

~ **Rachael Cooley**, Director of Ministries





EVERYONE IS  
WELCOME TO JOIN!

Please RSVP to  
Susan Jones  
([sjones9200@aol.com](mailto:sjones9200@aol.com))

# 59UP GROUP BRUNCH

Terra GR | TODAY | 12pm

*Directions from church:* Turn right onto Robinson Rd., turn left onto Lake Dr., Terra is on the left.



# CONFIRMATION 2024



*Parent Meeting* | TODAY | 11:30am

*Classes Begin* | Sunday, February 4 | 4-5pm

*Confirmation Sunday* | March 17

CONTACT RACHAEL COOLEY WITH QUESTIONS: [Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org](mailto:Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org)





533 Stocking Ave. NW

# 29UP BOWLING

Sunday | Jan. 28 | 1-3pm

Families are invited to enjoy a fun afternoon of bowling and pizza at *CLIQUE LANES*.

\$30/family | Cash or Venmo accepted

RSVP to Rachael Cooley at [rachael@mayflowerchurch.org](mailto:rachael@mayflowerchurch.org)

## 69UP GROUP EVENT



Please RSVP to  
Murry Idema  
[ridema58@gmail.com](mailto:ridema58@gmail.com)

## WINE & APPETIZERS

February 15 | 5-7 pm

Please bring an appetizer or bottle of white wine to share.



Where: Lovell Hand & Orthopedic Center  
2155 E Paris Ave SE, Suite 210

# Mayflower ART CAMP!

JUNE 10-13 | 9am-12pm

REGISTRATION: \$50/Child  
Rising Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade

[mayflowerchurch.org/artcamp](http://mayflowerchurch.org/artcamp)

Experience God's creativity in playful new ways that will bring inspiration and joy! Engage in 12 different art forms to grow imagination and expand your world.

- Bucket Drumming
- Cooking
- Writing
- Playing Music
- Gardening
- Creating art

**AND SO MUCH MORE!**

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## MIDWEEK WEDNESDAYS | MAYFLOWER CHURCH

### SCHEDULE

4:30-5:00 : Chimes

5:00-5:30 : Dinner/playtime and Children's Choir

5:30-5:50 : Chapel

5:50-6:15 : Midweek Youth Group

6:15-6:45 : Choir (2nd-5th)







## Baxter COMMUNITY CENTER

### Most Requested FOOD ITEMS

- BEANS (BLACK, PINTO, KIDNEY)
- RICE
- COOKING OIL
- CANNED GREEN CHILIES
- SPAGHETTI, DRIED PASTA
- CANNED CANDIED YAMS, SWEET POTATOES
- CORNBREAD MIX
- CANNED TOMATOES
- BLACK EYED PEAS
- CANNED GREEN BEANS
- PEANUT BUTTER
- TUNA FISH



## WE ARE YOUR NEIGHBOR.



We're all familiar with Jesus' commandment to, "love your neighbors as yourself." Mayflower friends, Baxter Community Center is our neighbor located 2.3 miles away. The lives of the people Baxter serves, however, are quite different from ours, especially during the winter regarding food security.

During the winter months, the donations of food to the Baxter Marketplace reduce drastically.

Mayflower is a generous community and we have been asked to **FILL BAXTER'S MARKETPLACE SHELVES** during the Lenten season with the food items listed.

COLLECTION BOXES ARE IN THE PORTICO ENTRANCE AND NARTHEX.

Reach out to Rachael Cooley with any questions. [Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org](mailto:Rachael@MayflowerChurch.org)

## ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS



Scan the QR Code with your phone to give/pay directly through E-Zekiel: no sign-up required.

Download the app and create an account for future secure scan-and-go transactions.



### TEXT TO GIVE

On your phone, simply text the word: GIVE To: 16163446255 (no spaces) and then follow the prompts.

# MAYFLOWER COOKIEBOOK

*Be a part of the Mayflower Cookiebook!*



When you donate homemade cookies and treats for the Sunday morning reception, we would like your recipe published in the **NEW Mayflower Cookiebook.**

Recipes can be sent or handed to Murry Idema.  
(murry@mayflowerchurch.org).

Donations for the completed Cookiebook will go towards the Sunday reception coffee and supplies.

## MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

2345 Robinson Road SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506  
616-459-6255 [www.MayflowerChurch.org](http://www.MayflowerChurch.org)

Rev. Dr. Shawn Bawulski, Senior Pastor

Dr. Julia Brown, Director of Music and Organist

Scott Bosscher, Chancel Choir Director | Abby Brooks, Director of Children's Choirs

Melia Colwell, Children's Choir Accompanist

Rachael Cooley, Director of Ministries | Murry Idema, Director of Congregational Care

Amy Dunham, Office Manager | Andy Ely, Business Manager

Kristen Van Stee, Communications Coordinator

Jon Lang, Facility Manager | Jana DeShane, Custodial Services

# THE TRIUNE GOD

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## Eternal Father, Strong to Save

William Whiting, 1825–1878, alt.

John B. Dykes, 1823–1876



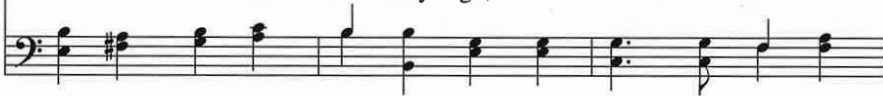
1. E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm doth bind the
2. O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word, The winds and waves sub -
3. O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood Up - on the cha - os
4. O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r! Our breth - ren shield in



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its  
mis - sive heard, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep, And  
dark and rude, Who bad'st its an - gry tu - mult cease, And  
dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep, O hear us when we  
calm a - mid its rage didst sleep, O hear us when we  
gav - est light, and life, and peace, O hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall



cry to Thee, For those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to Thee, For those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to Thee, For those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to Thee Glad hymns of praise from land and sea. A - men.



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# THE HOLY TRINITY

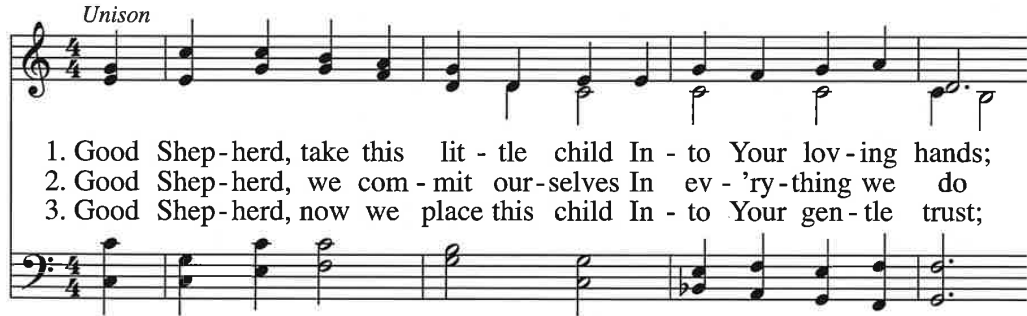
# Good Shepherd, Take This Little Child

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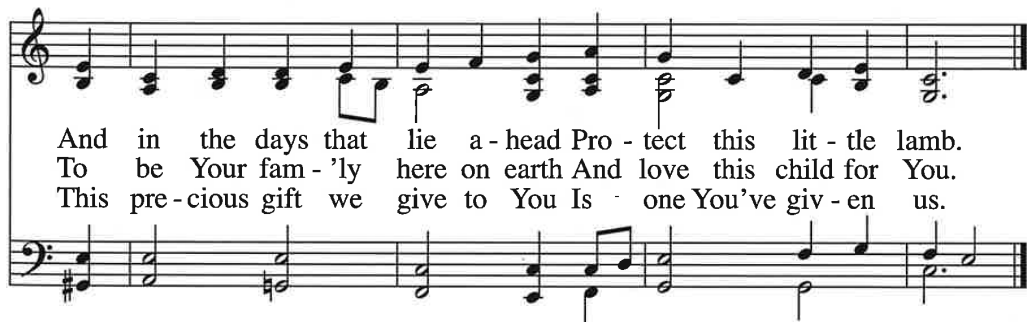
Claire Cloninger, 1942–

Kenneth P. Barker, 1955–

*Unison*



1. Good Shep-herd, take this lit - tle child In - to Your lov - ing hands;  
2. Good Shep-herd, we com - mit our-selves In ev - 'ry - thing we do  
3. Good Shep-herd, now we place this child In - to Your gen - tle trust;



And in the days that lie a - head Pro - tect this lit - tle lamb.  
To be Your fam - 'ly here on earth And love this child for You.  
This pre - cious gift we give to You Is - one You've giv - en us.

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**Baptism**

**THE CHURCH**

# THE TRIUNE GOD

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## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1 Samuel 7:12

Robert Robinson, 1735-1790

Traditional American Melody

John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

1. Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to  
 2. Here I raise mine Eb - en - e - zer; Hith - er by Thy  
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -

sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for  
 help I'm come; And I hope, by Thy good pleas - ure, Safe - ly  
 strained to be! Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fet - ter, Bind my

songs of loud - est praise: Teach me some me - lo - dious  
 to ar - rive at home: Je - sus sought me when a  
 wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I

son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove; Praise the  
 stran - ger, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to  
 feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my

mount! I'm fixed up - on it, Mount of Thy re - deem - ing love.  
 res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
 heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

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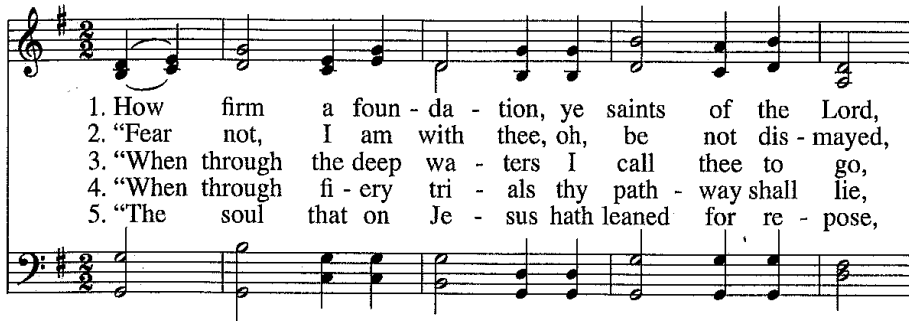
THE FATHER

*Praise to God*

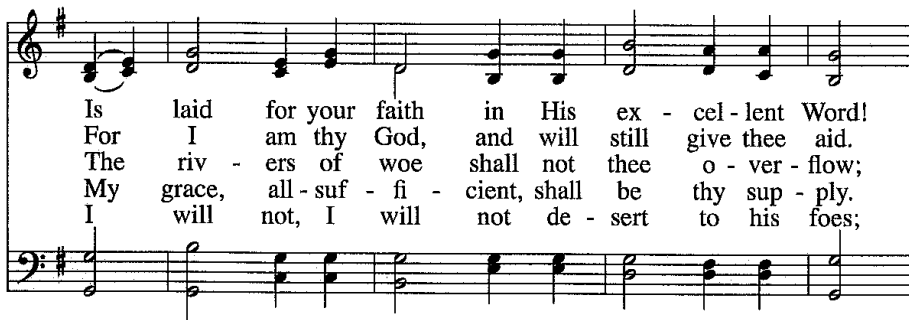


## How Firm a Foundation

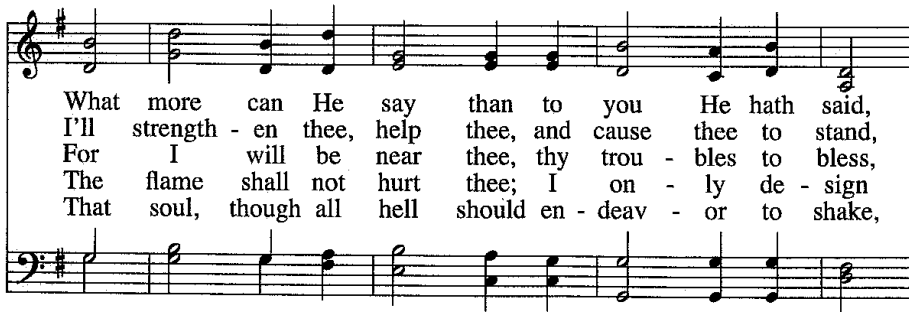
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Rippon's, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.Traditional American Melody  
Caldwell's, *Union Harmony*, 1837


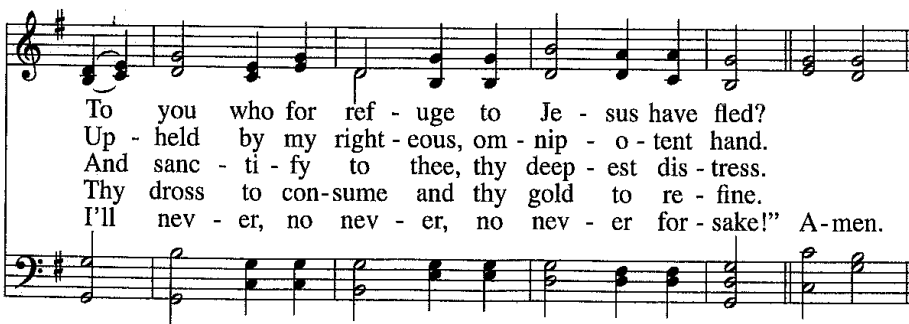
1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!  
 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid.  
 The riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;  
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply.  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;



What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 For I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,



To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 Up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 And sanc - ti - fy to thee, thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 Thy dross to con - sume and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!" A-men.