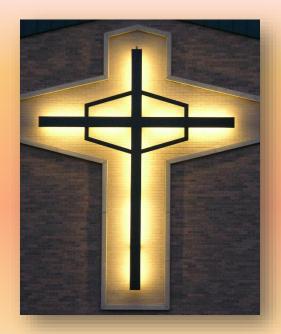
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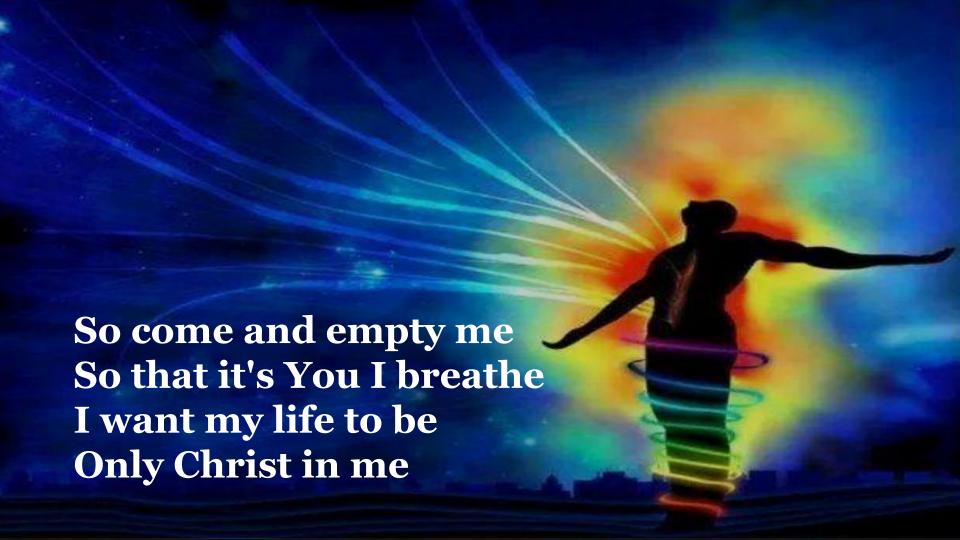
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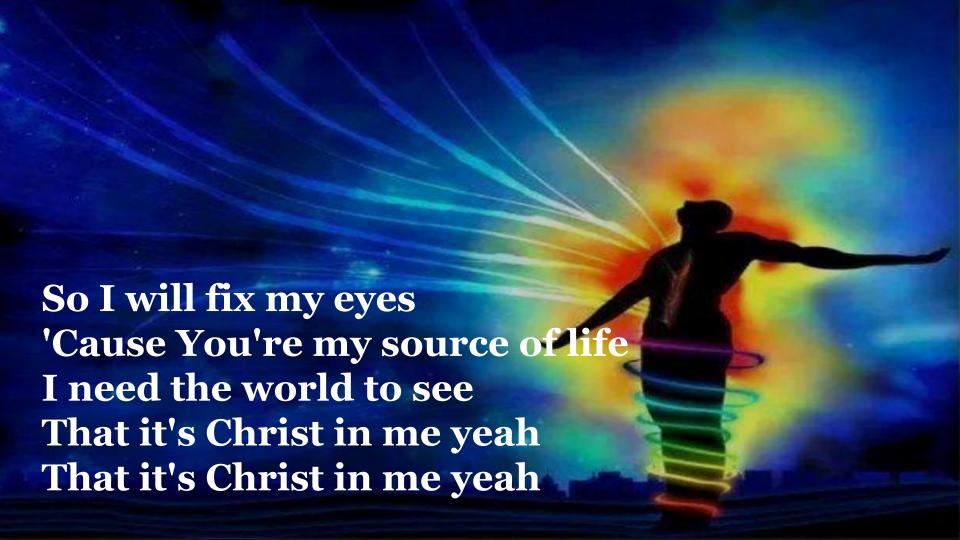
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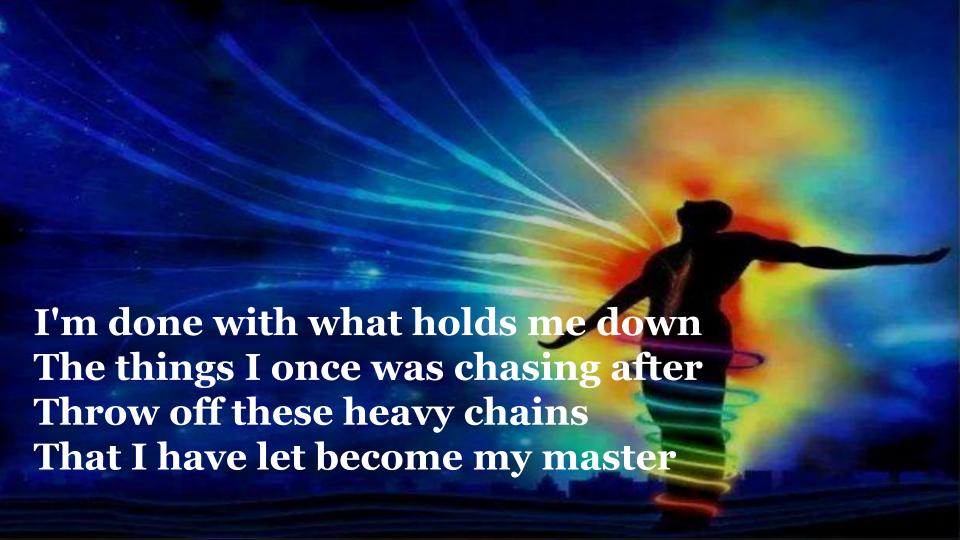
Christ In Me

In this obsession with
The things this world says make us happy
Can't see the slaves we are
In all this searching all the grasping

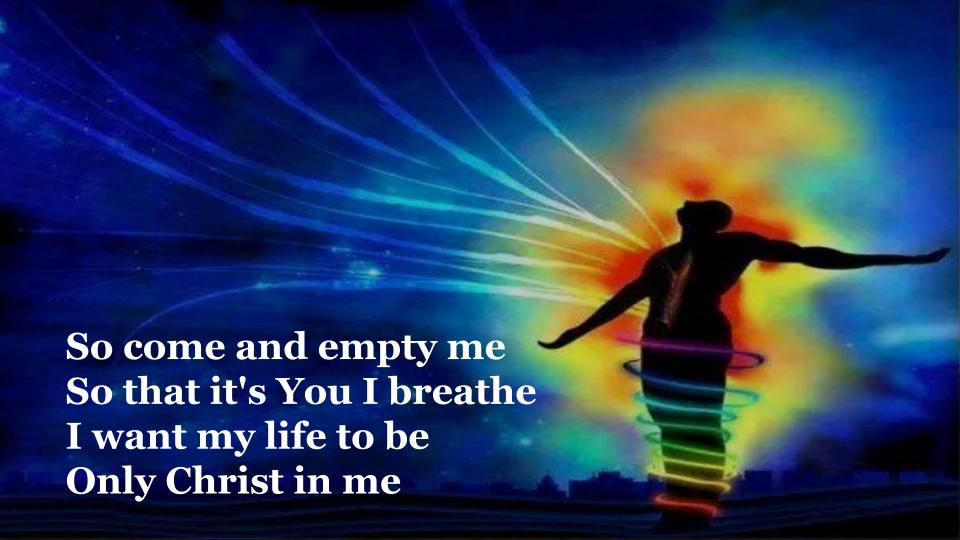


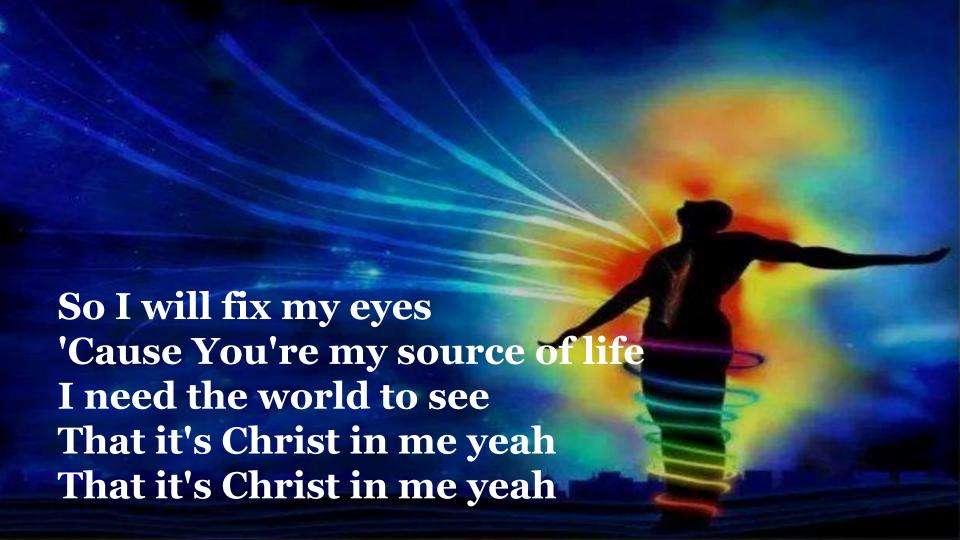


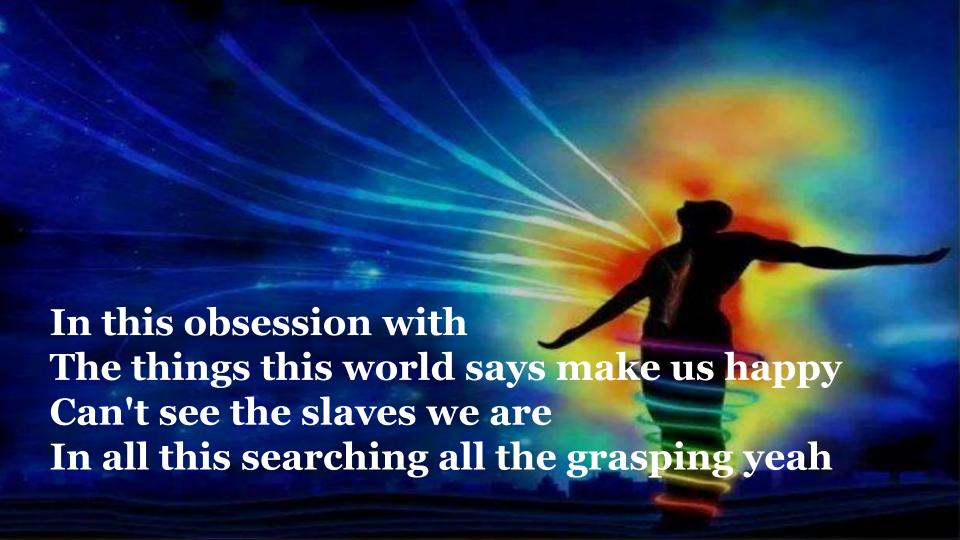


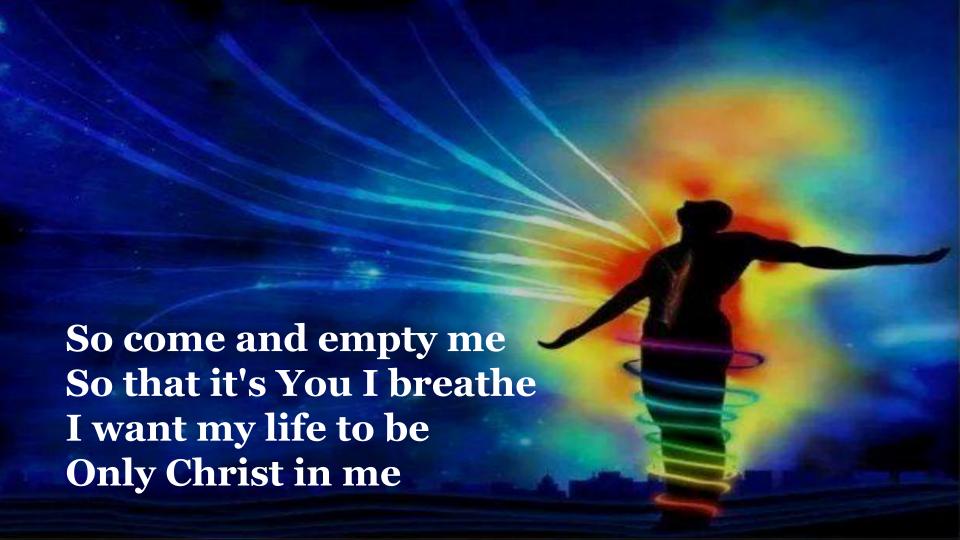








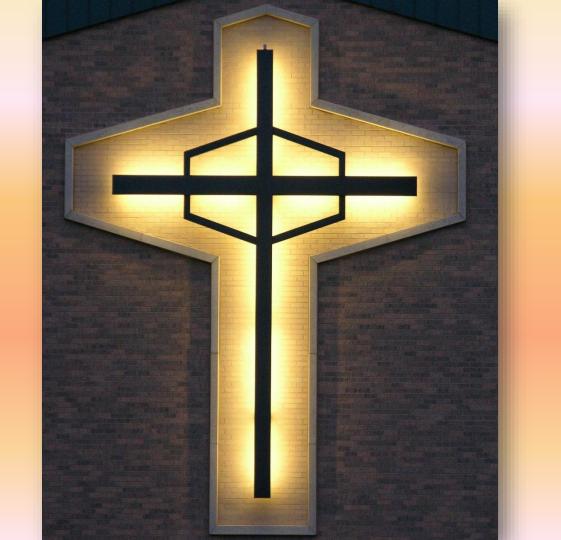








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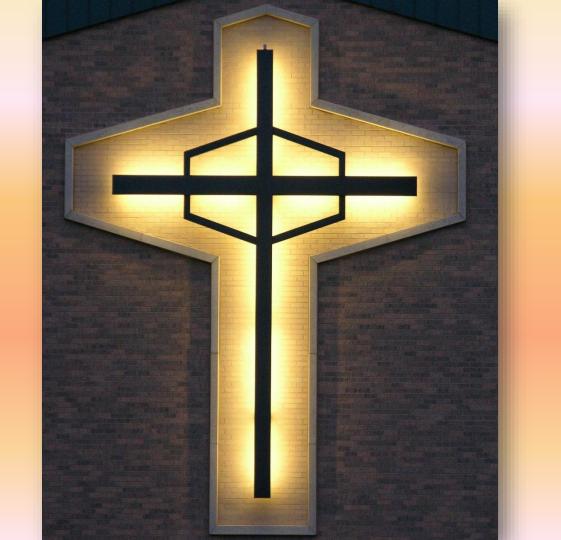
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Community of the Cross Lutheran Church



Touching Lives with the Love of God

- 1) Nurture the community within our congregation
- 2) Encourage the community within our neighborhood
- 3) Transform the various communities where our members live and work with the love of God



Thanksgiving for Baptism

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is Risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C: Amen.



P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Thanksgiving for Baptism Responsive Reading

P: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

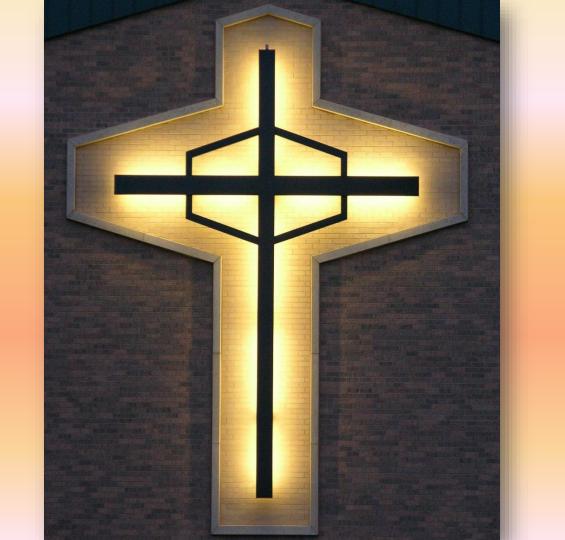
C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C: Amen.



You Are So Good To Me

You are beautiful My sweet sweet song You are beautiful My sweet sweet song You are beautiful My sweet sweet song I will sing again

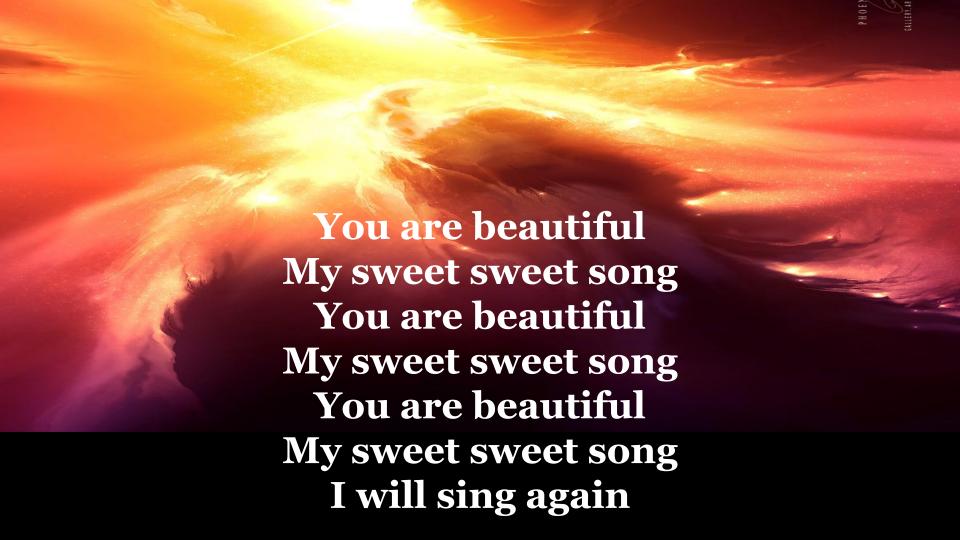




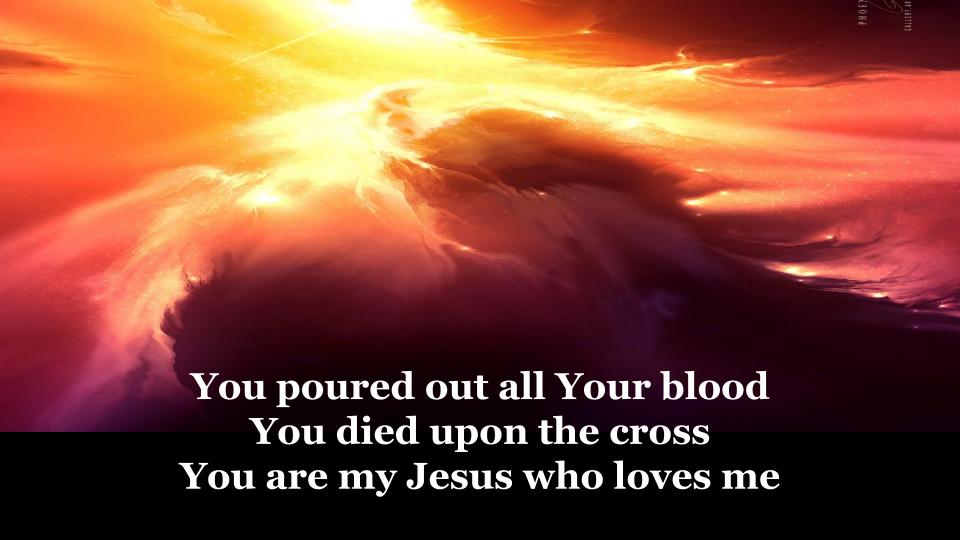


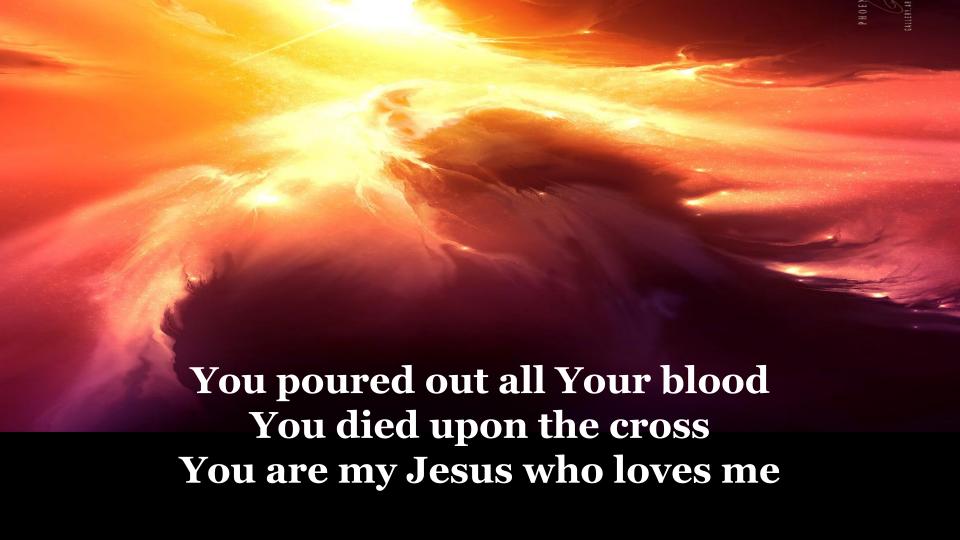


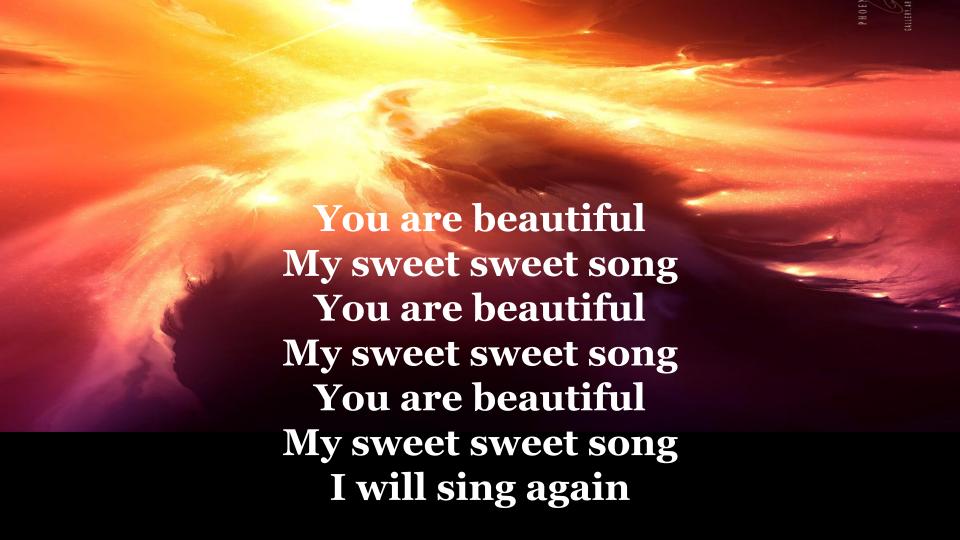


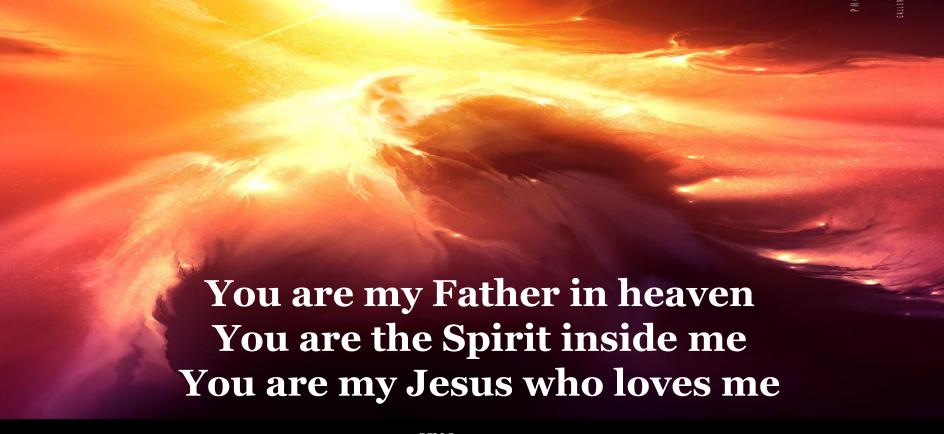




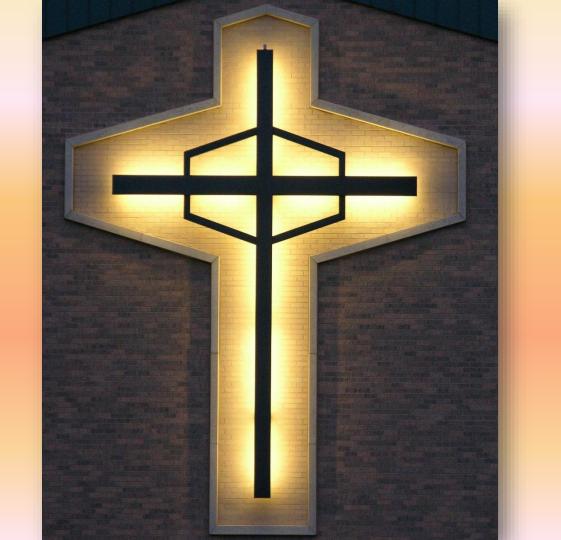








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Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

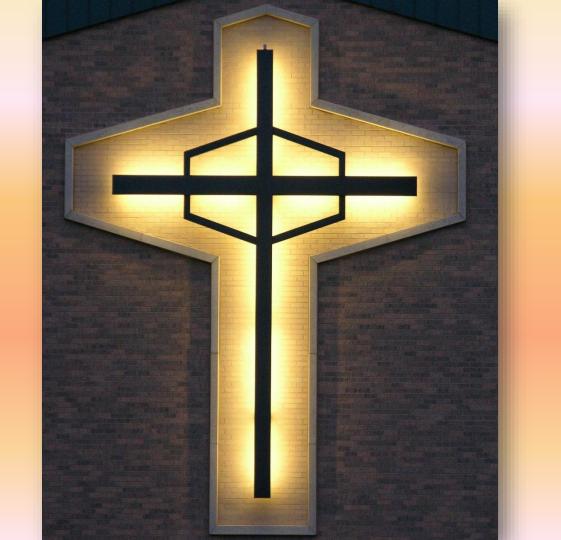
Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

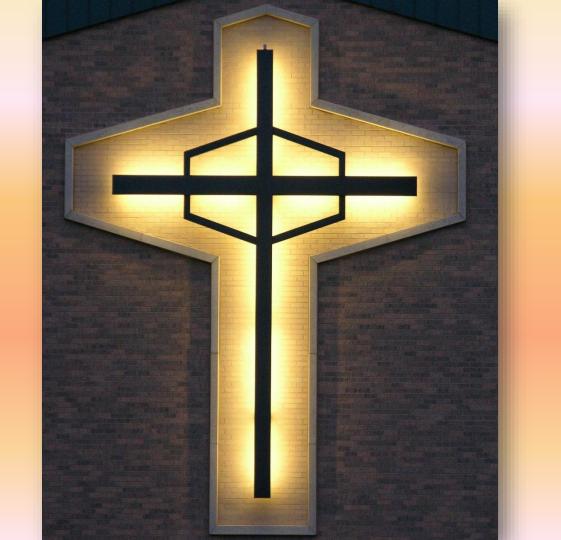
C: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will,

Prayer Cont'd

C: and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.







Reading

Acts 9:36-43



- 36 Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. 37 At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs.
- 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay."



39 So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.



40 Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.

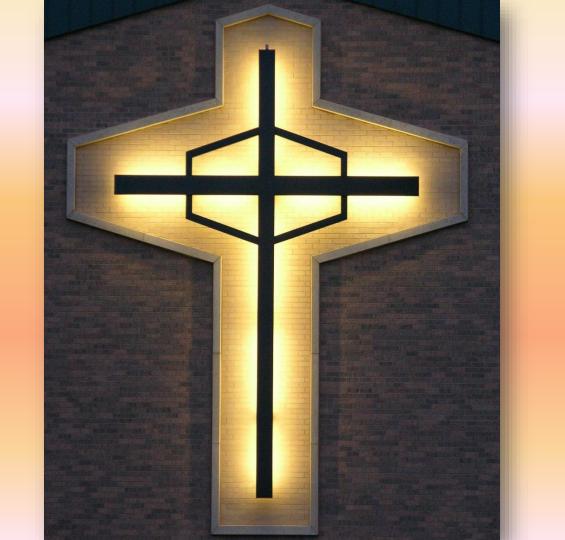


42 This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. 43 Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.



P: Word of God. Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.





Acclamation

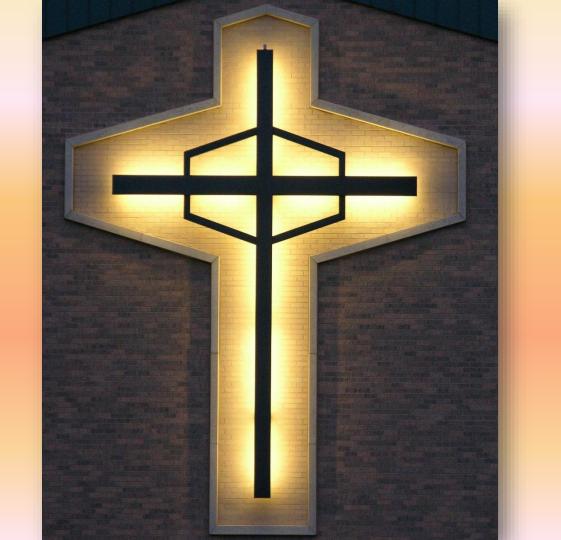
Alleluia Alleluia
For our Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia Alleluia
For our Lord God Almighty reigns



Alleluia holy Holy are You Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb



You are holy Holy are You Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb Amen



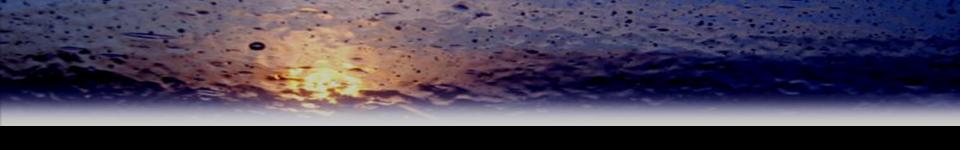
Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 10th chapter.

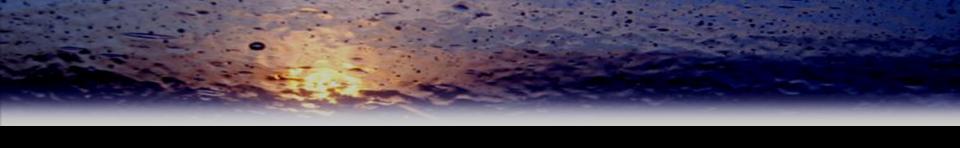
C: Glory to you, O Lord.



22 At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, 23 and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. 24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."



25 Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; 26 but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. 27 My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.



28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. 30 The Father and I are one."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.



Sermon:

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Prayers of Intercession

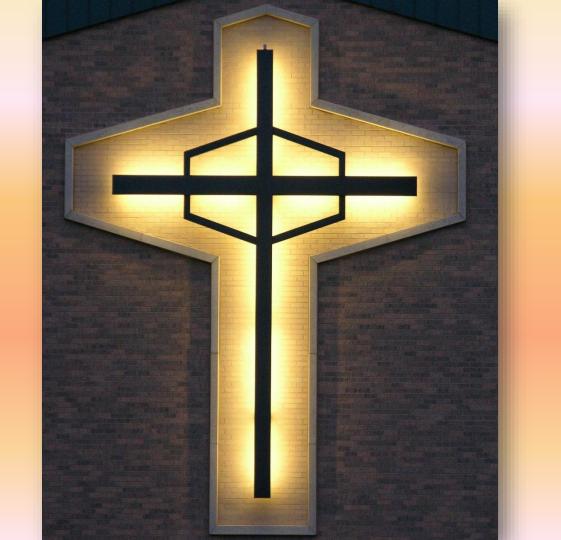
P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of Christ's Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.







They say sometimes you win some Sometimes you lose some And right now right now I'm losing bad



I've stood on this stage night after night Reminding the broken it'll be alright But right now oh right now I just can't



It's easy to sing
When there's nothing to bring me down
But what will I say
When I'm held to the flame like I am right now



I know You're able and I know You can Save through the fire with Your mighty hand But even if You don't My hope is You alone



They say it only takes a little faith
To move a mountain
Well good thing
A little faith is all I have right now



But God when You choose
To leave mountains unmovable
Oh give me the strength to be able to sing
It is well with my soul



I know You're able and I know You can Save through the fire with Your mighty hand But even if You don't My hope is You alone



I know the sorrow and I know the hurt Would all go away if You just say the word But even if You don't My hope is You alone



You've been faithful You've been good all of my days Jesus I will cling to You Come what may



Cause I know You're able I know You care



I know You're able and I know You can Save through the fire with Your mighty hand But even if You don't My hope is You alone



I know the sorrow and I know the hurt Would all go away if You just say the word But even if You don't My hope is You alone



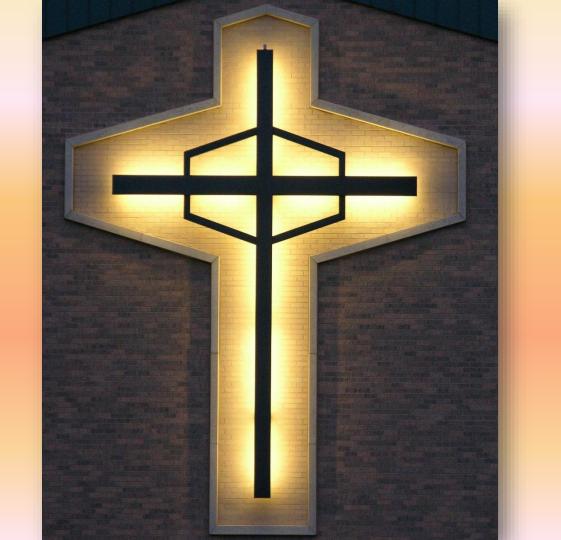
I hope in You alone ooh



It is well with my soul It is well it is well with my soul

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Offertory Prayer

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.



Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples to eat, saying: "This is my body given for you.

"Do this in remembrance of me."



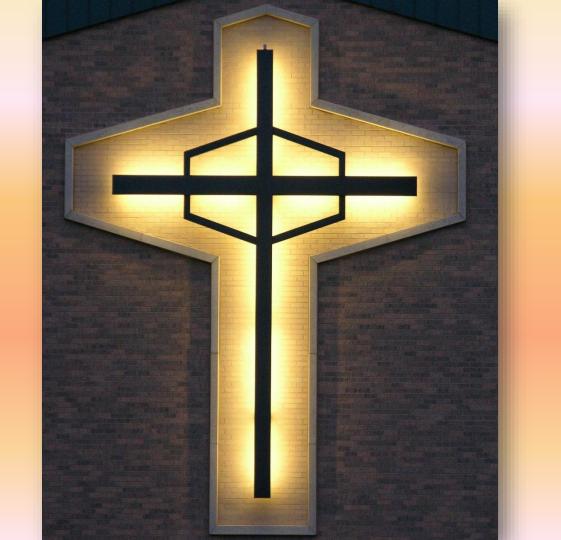
Words of Institution

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

"Do this in remembrance of me."

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 and ever. Amen.



Distribution

Gluten-free wafers are on the stand in front. White grape juice is available on the trays.

There are no outcasts, strangers, or unwelcome guests at Christ's table. All are welcome.

Overcome

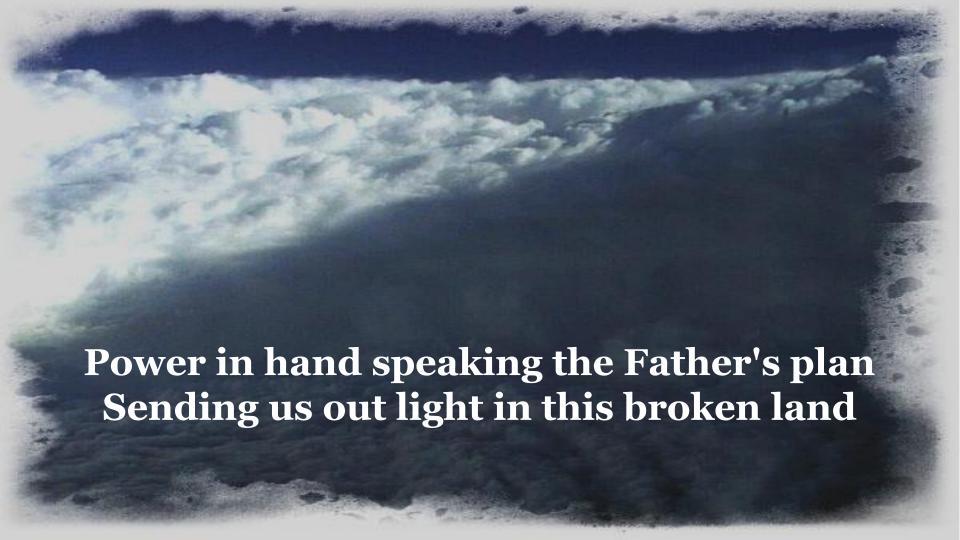
Seated above enthroned in the Father's love Destined to die poured out for all mankind







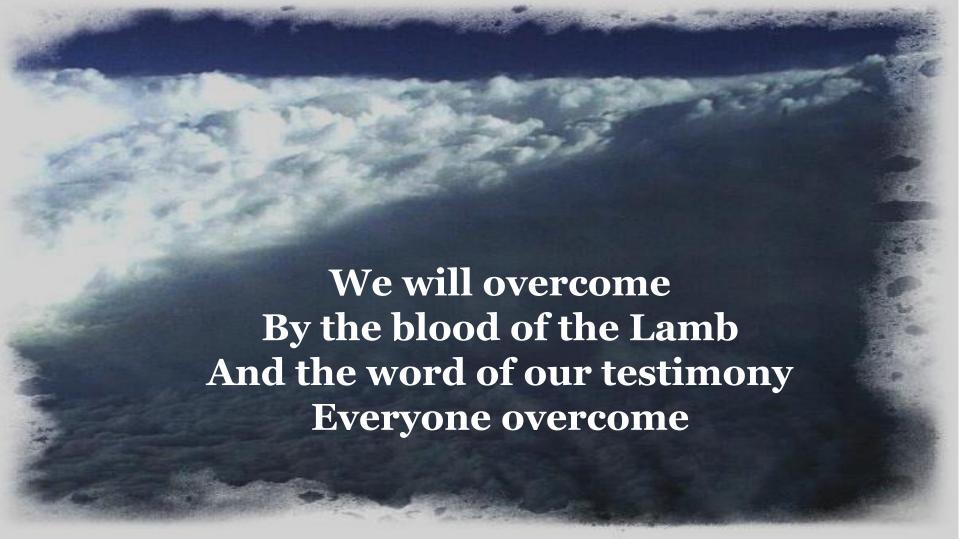


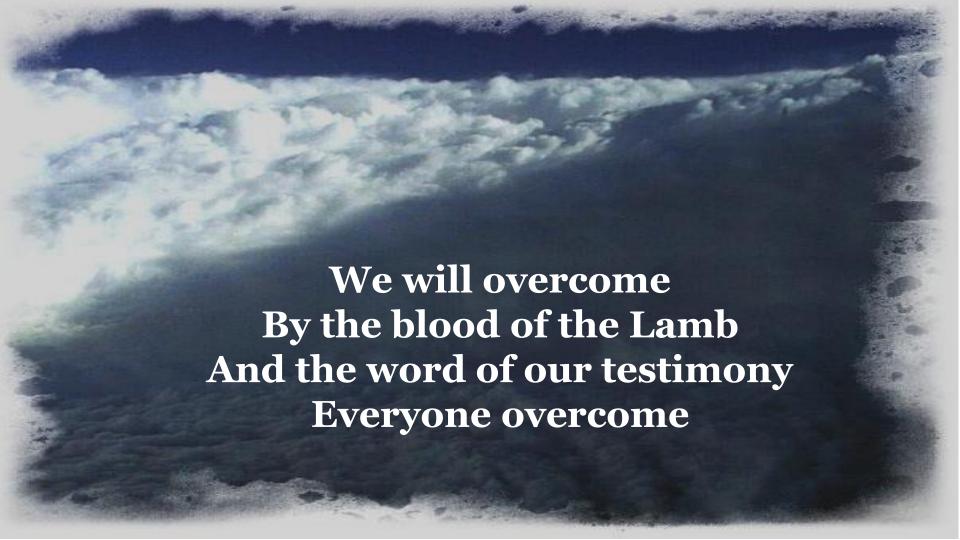














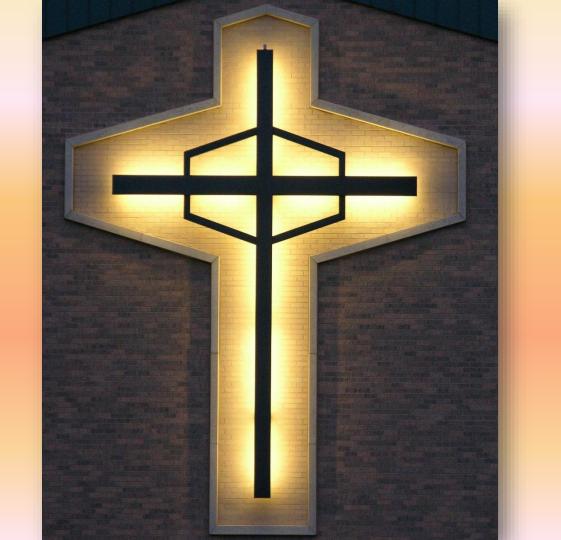
Jesus awesome in power forever Awesome and great is Your Name You overcame

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Post-Communion Prayer

P: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C: Amen.

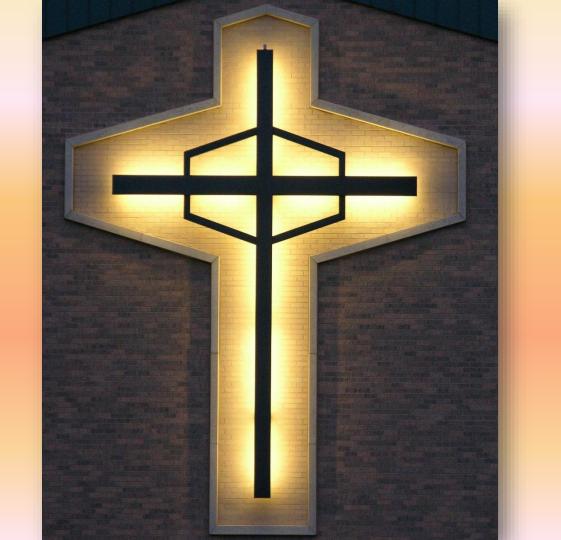
Blessing

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C: Amen.

CCLC Vision Statement:

C: We are all called to be ministers -Welcomed by the love of Jesus Christ, Nurtured in faith by the Holy Spirit, Sent to share God's promises with others.



Grace Wins

In my weakest moment I see You Shaking Your head in disgrace I can read the disappointment Written all over Your face

Here come those whispers in my ear
Saying who do you think you are
Looks like you're on your own from here
'Cause grace could never reach that far

But in the shadow of that shame Beat down by all the blame I hear You call my name saying it's not over

And my heart starts to beat so loud now Drowning out the doubt I'm down but I'm not out

There's a war between guilt and grace
And they're fighting for a sacred space
But I'm living proof
Grace wins every time

No more lying down in death's defeat
Now I'm rising up in victory
Singing hallelujah
Grace wins every time

Words can't describe the way it feels
When mercy floods a thirsty soul
The broke inside begins to heal
And grace returns what guilty stole

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For the prodigal son
Grace wins
For the woman at the well
Grace wins

For the blind man and the beggar Grace wins For always and forever Grace wins

For the lost out on the streets Grace wins For the worst part of you and me Grace wins

For the thief on the cross Grace wins For a world that is lost

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Every time Yeah I'm living proof Grace wins every time

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P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



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