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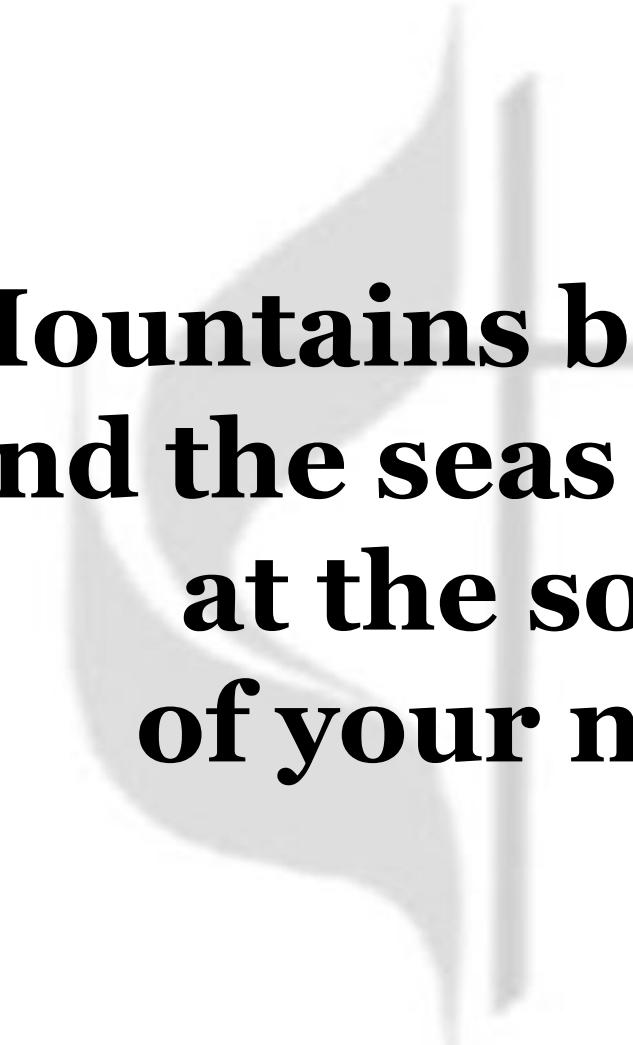
- Thank you for wearing your name tags and returning them after worship!
- Find yours or make one in the Gathering Space (Narthex)

Shout to the Lord

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Darlene Zschech (Ps. 47:1; 92:4; 96:1, 6, 10; 98:7-9; Isa 49:13)

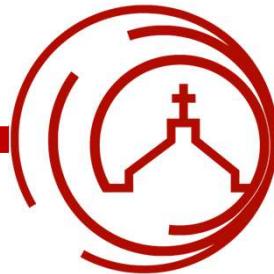
**Shout to the Lord,
all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty,
praise to the King.**



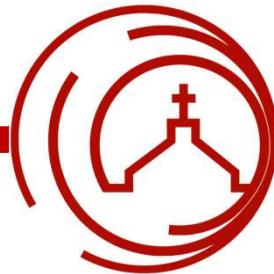
**Mountains bow down
and the seas will roar
at the sound
of your name.**



**I sing for joy
at the work of your hands,
forever I'll love you,
forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the
promise I have in you.**



Words of Welcome



Gathering Words

Let us start this service well, by
reminding ourselves:

That it is not we who chose Christ,
but Christ who chose us,

That we are not here because of our
goodness **but because of Christ's
grace,**

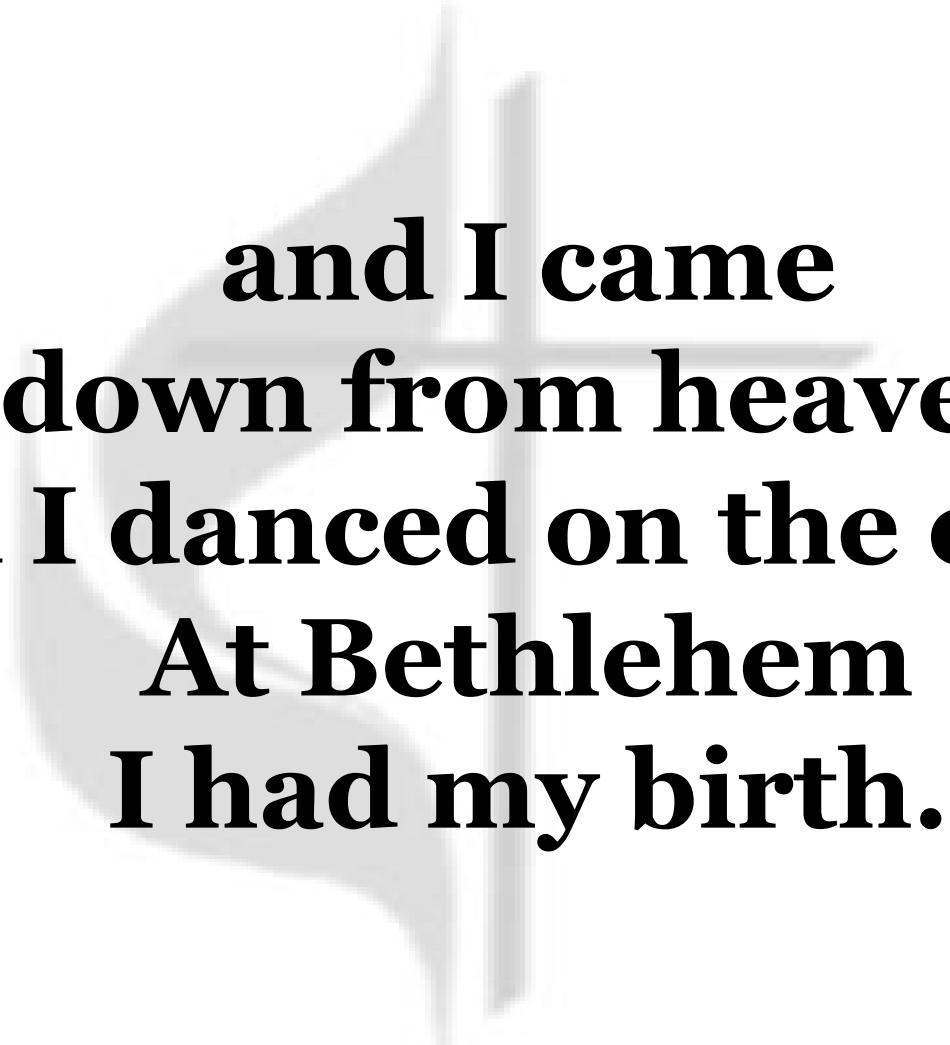
That we are not here to enlighten
ourselves, **but to allow Christ to
enlighten us,**

That we have not come to be
entertained **but to worship God**
with heart, soul, mind and
strength.

Lord of the Dance 261

WORDS: Syndey Carter, 1963

**1. I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon
and the stars
and the sun,**

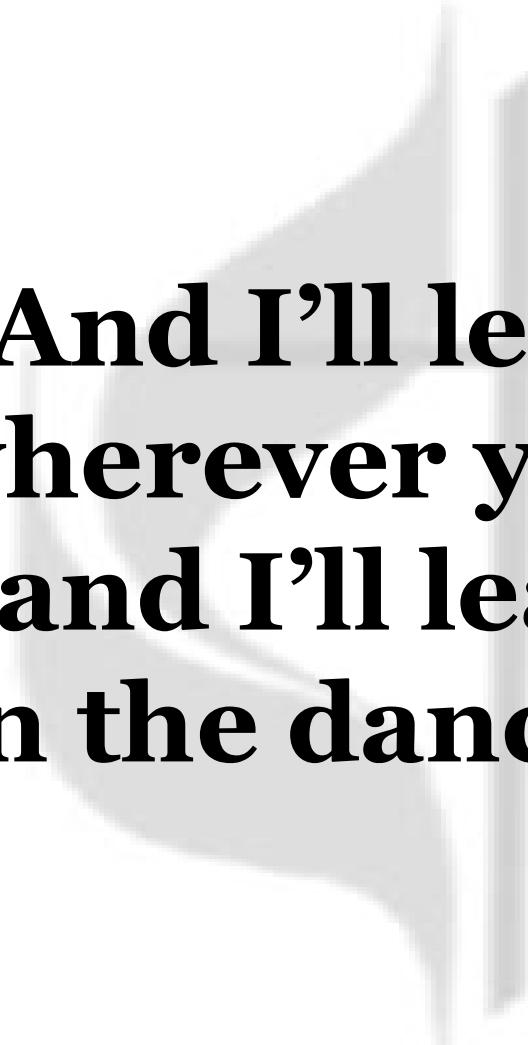


**and I came
down from heaven
and I danced on the earth.**

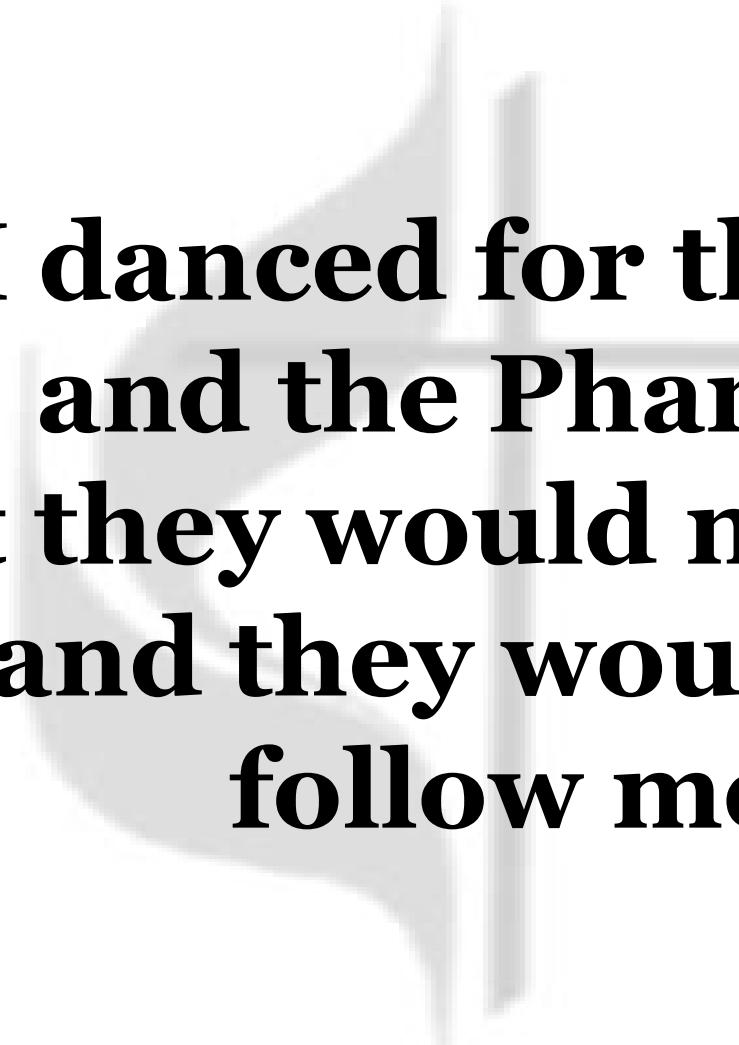
**At Bethlehem
I had my birth.**

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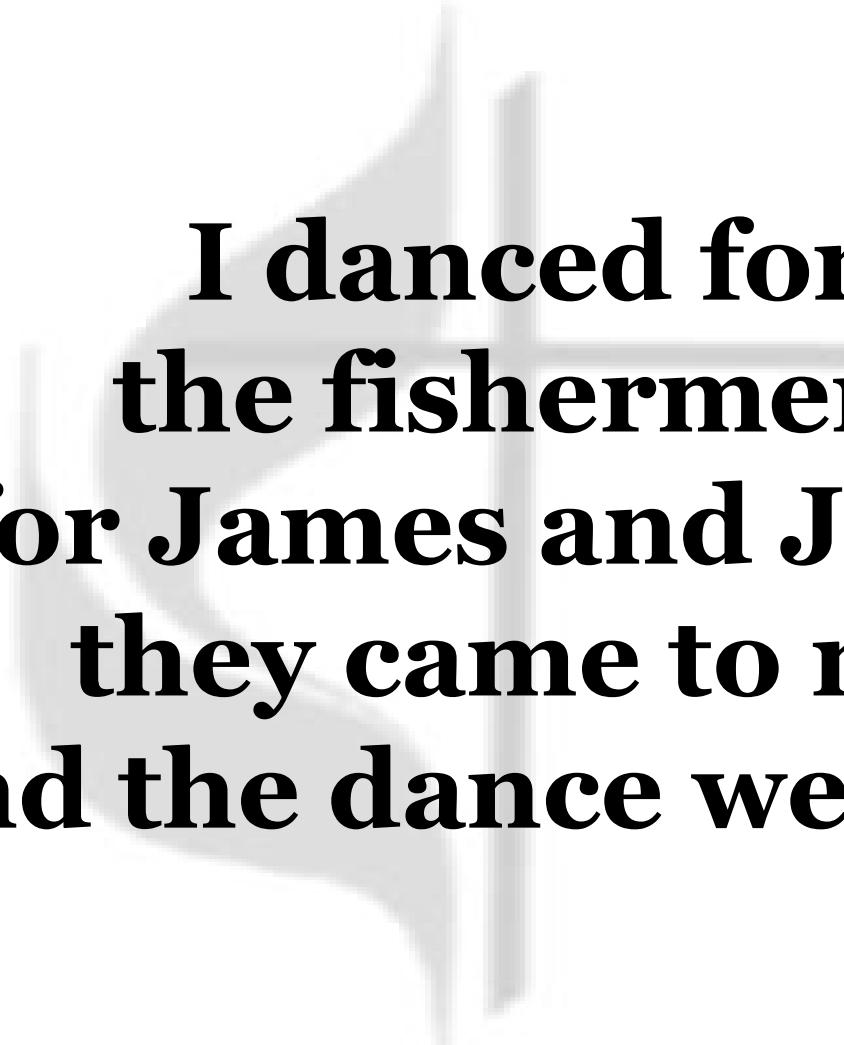
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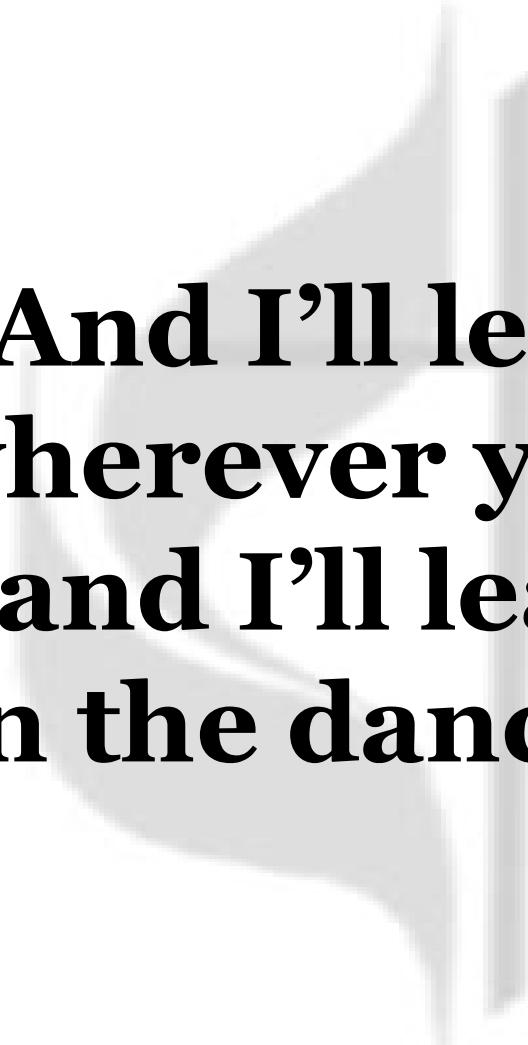
**2. I danced for the scribe
and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance
and they would not
follow me;**



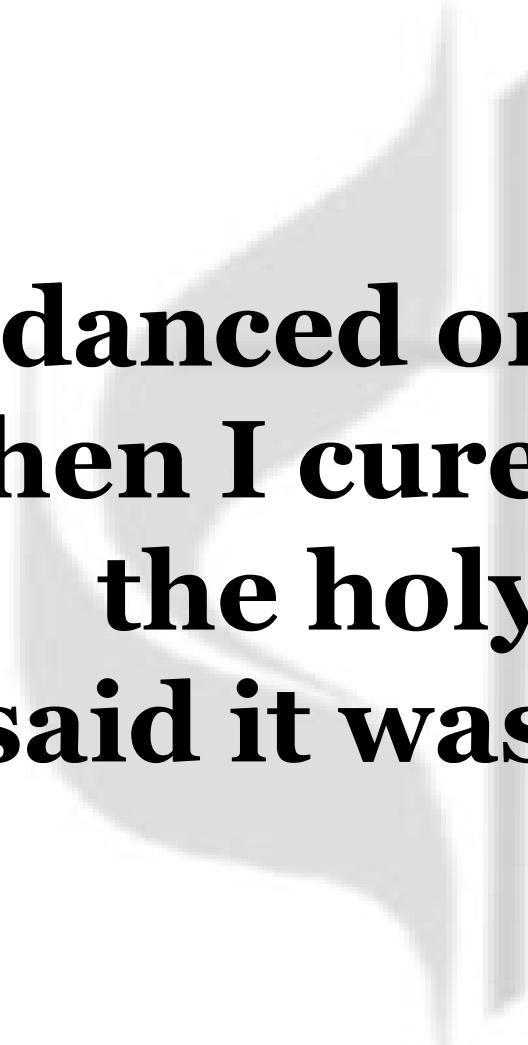
**I danced for
the fishermen,
for James and John;
they came to me
and the dance went on.**

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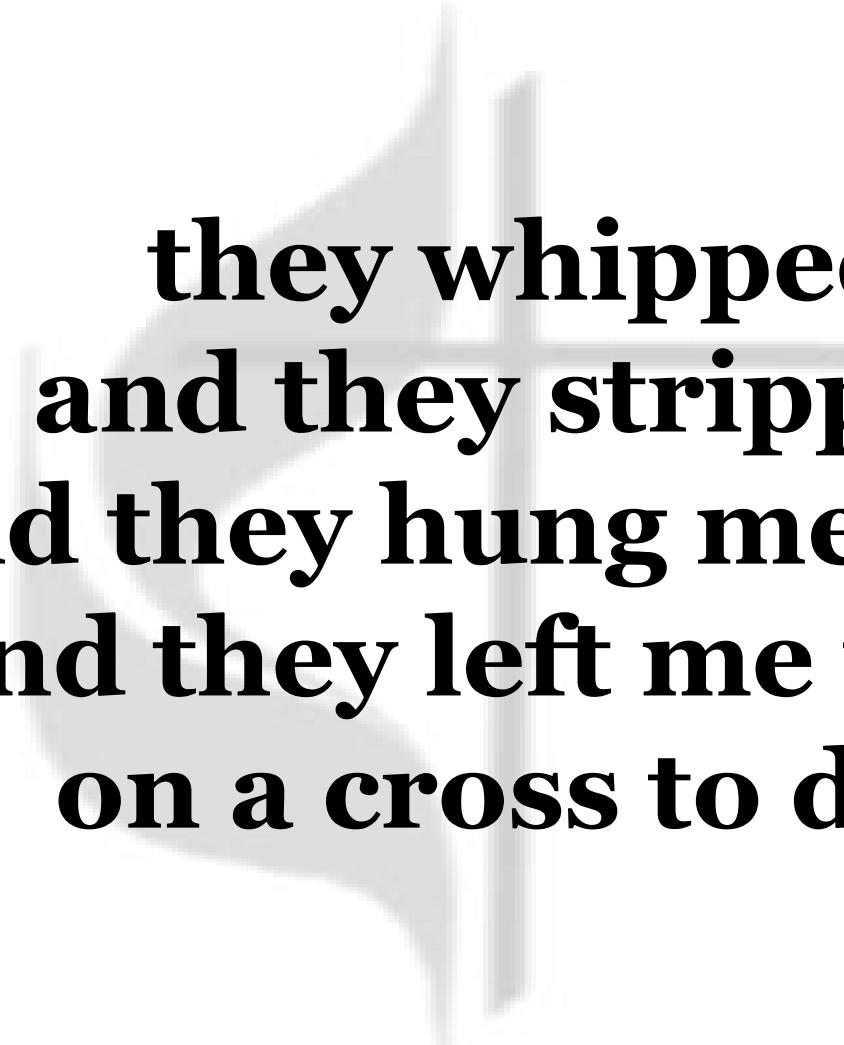
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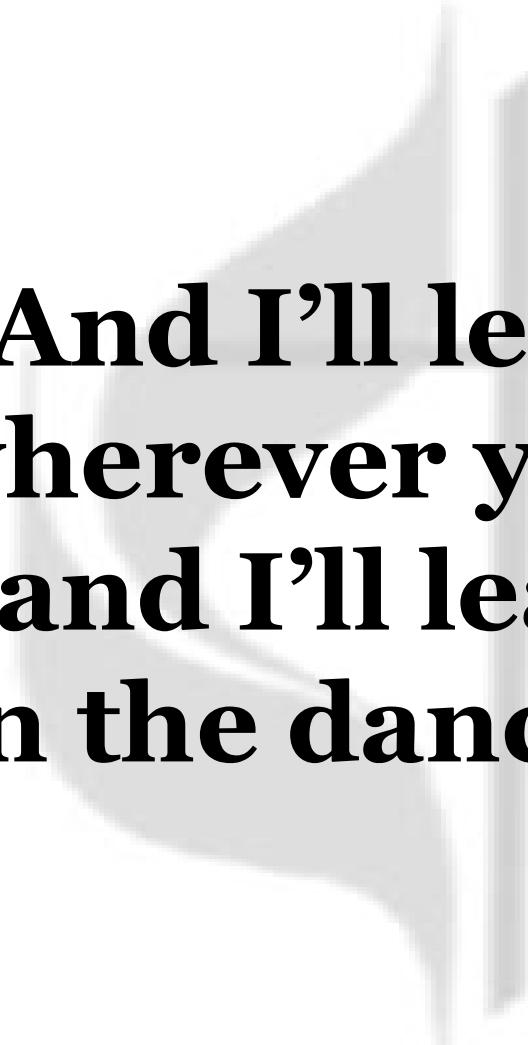
**3. I danced on the sabbath
when I cured the lame,
the holy people
said it was a shame;**



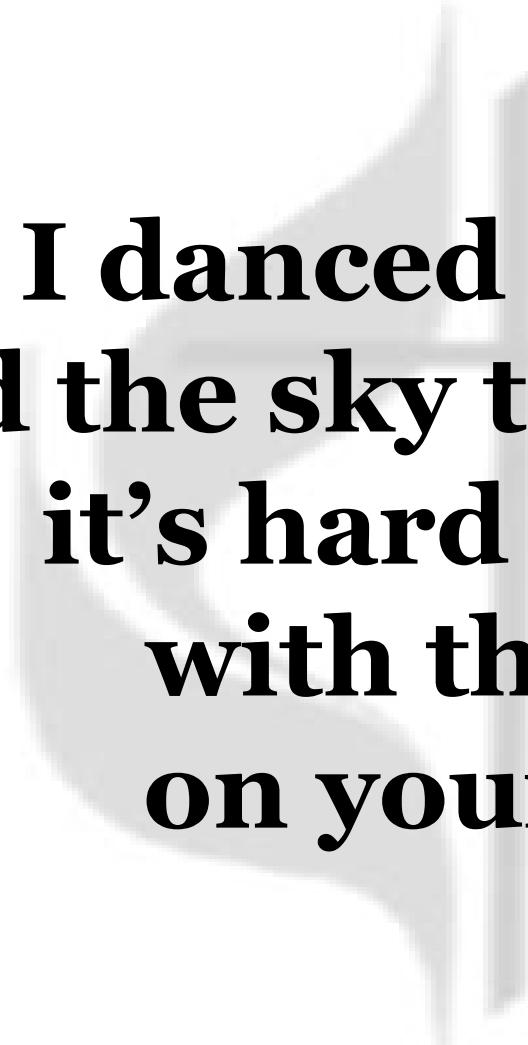
they whipped
and they stripped
and they hung me high;
and they left me there
on a cross to die.

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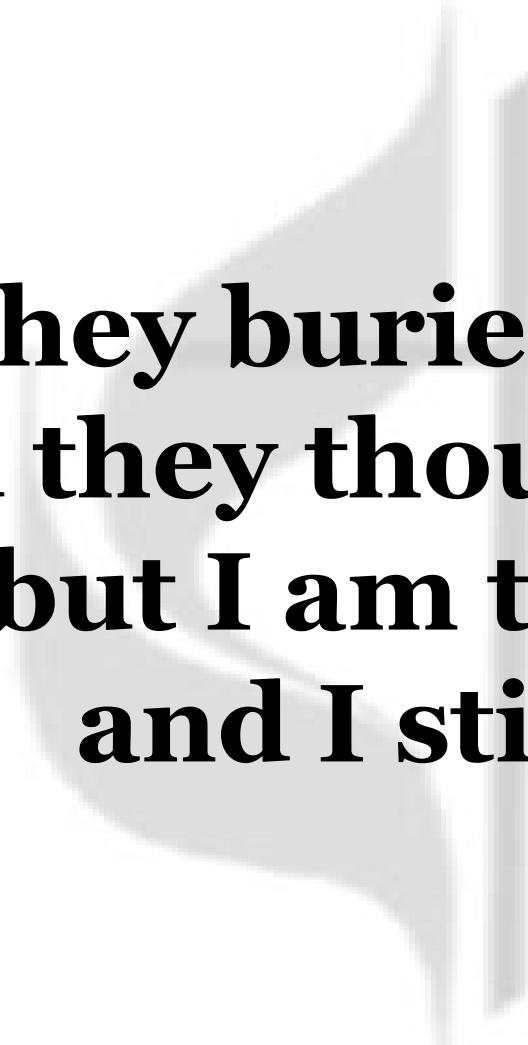
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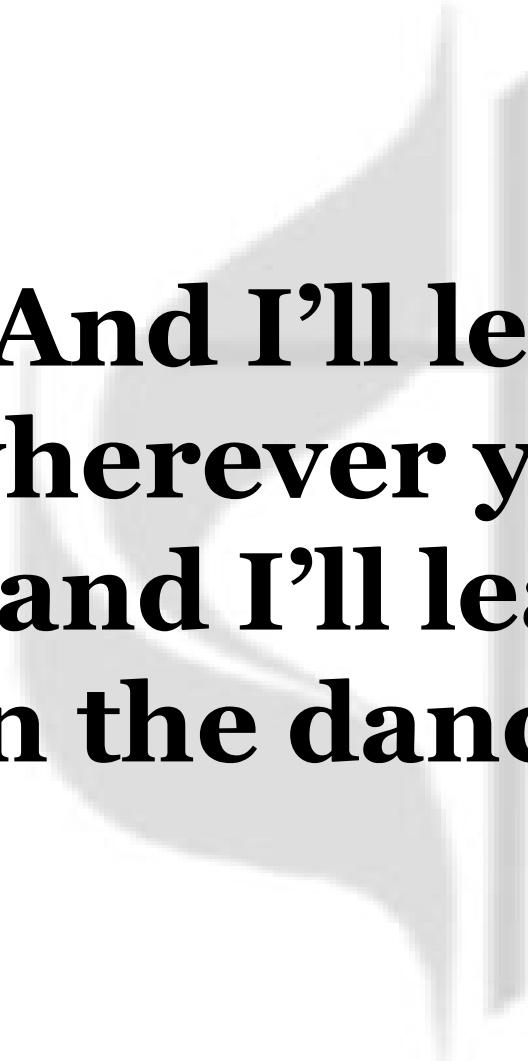
**4. I danced on a Friday
and the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance
with the devil
on your back;**



**they buried my body
and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance,
and I still go on.**

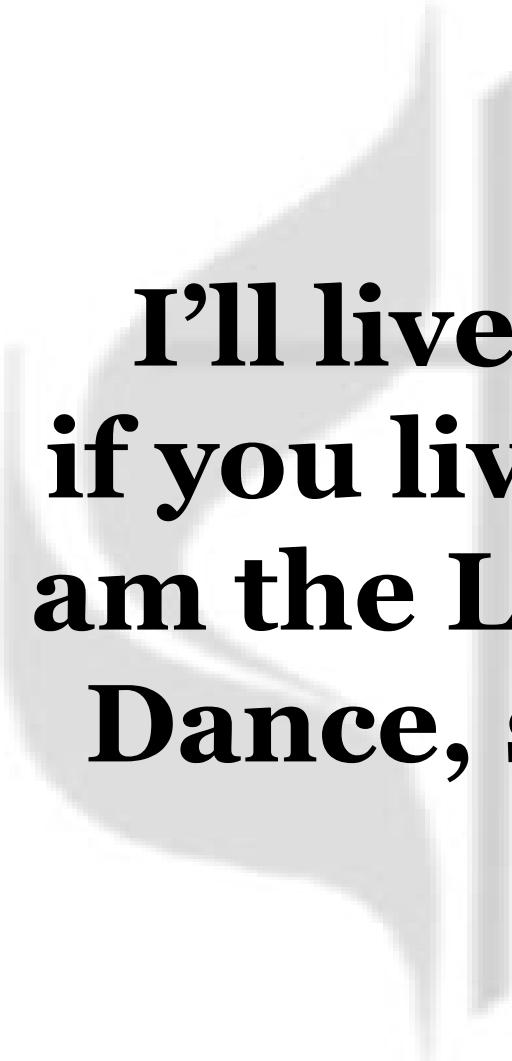
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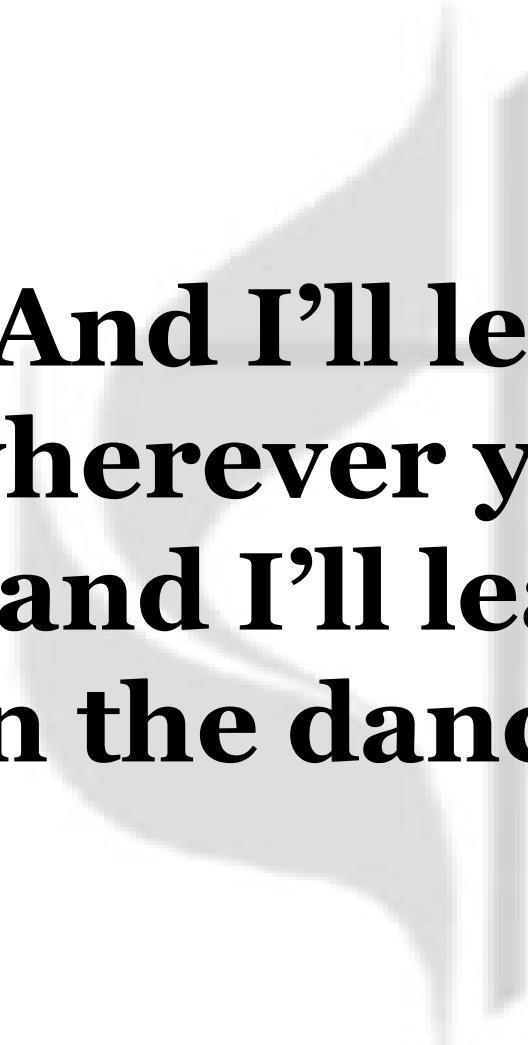
**5. They cut me down
and I leapt up high,
I am the life,
that'll never, never die;**



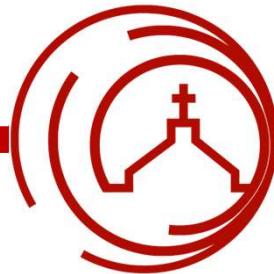
**I'll live in you
if you live in me;
I am the Lord of the
Dance, said he.**

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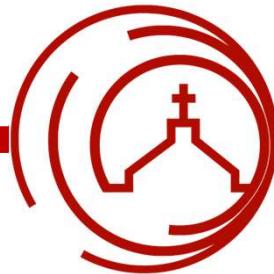
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Good Shepherd in Ministry



**Praising God
with Our Gifts**

Let Us Praise the Lord

Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom
all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures
here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978

**Praise God, the source
of all our gifts!**

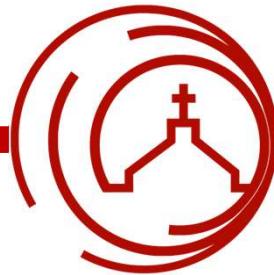
**Praise Jesus Christ,
whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit,
Holy Spirit!**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



Children's Time



Prayer of Understanding

God of truth, you speak your Word, and we barely hear it beneath the rumble and clatter of our world. Tune the ears of our heart to your voice.

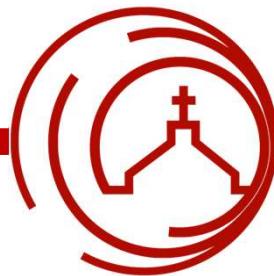
**Clear our minds to listen. Let
us hear Jesus calling us, and
answer, and follow, by the
powerful grace of your Holy
Spirit. Amen.**



Scripture

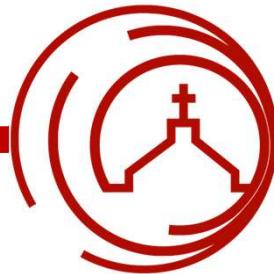
Matthew 4:12-23

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Message

*Blessed Are The Eyes
That See*



Prayers of the People

— Invitation —

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

— Prayer of Confession —

Holy Christ, we come to you knowing that we have fallen away from your intentions for us. We have followed the paths of satisfying our own desires, turning away from our brothers and sisters in need.

**You gave your life for us, and yet
we hesitate to give of ours.
Forgive us for not recognizing the
sacrifice of love, to live for others
instead of ourselves. Help us to
return to the way of your love.
Amen.**

—Words of Assurance—

Christ continues to lay down his life for us, so that we might have life. Christ continues to show us the way, so that we might live into the truth and the life. Christ continues to love us, so that we might love God and love our neighbors as ourselves. Know that you are forgiven, loved, and given new life. **Amen.**

—The Great Thanksgiving—

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth
and all the company of heaven we
praise your name and join their
unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of
power and might, heaven and
earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you,
and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering,
death, and resurrection you gave
birth to your church, delivered us
from slavery to sin and death, and
made with us a new covenant by
water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples and said:

“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
gathered here, and on these gifts of
bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and
blood of Christ, that we may be for
the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy
church, all honor and glory is yours,
almighty God, now and forever.
Amen.

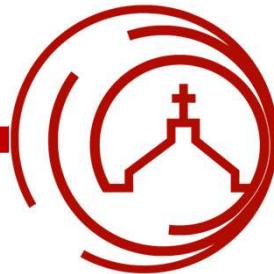
And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

The Lord's Prayer

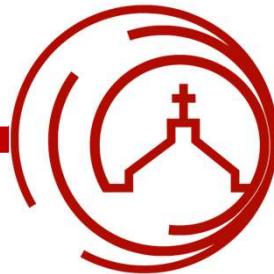
**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name, thy
kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**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.**



Holy Communion



Prayer After Holy Communion

**God, we thank you for this mystery
in which you have given yourself to
us. You have caught us up in the net
of your grace, and you have called us
to follow Christ.**

**Give us faith and courage to follow.
Guide us by your Spirit. Fill us with
your love. Make us lovers of people,
in the Spirit of Christ. Amen.**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

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Anon.

1. I have decided
to follow Jesus,
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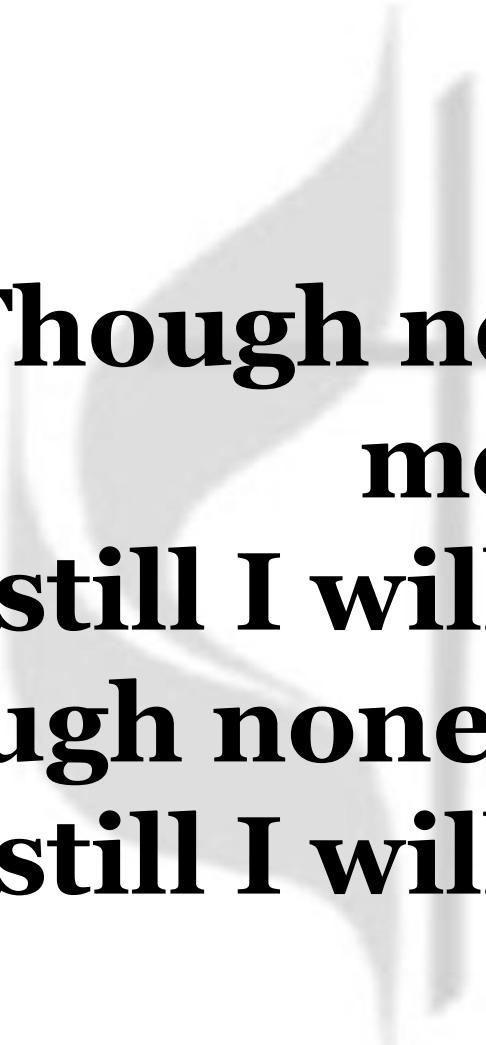
**I have decided
to follow Jesus
no turning back,
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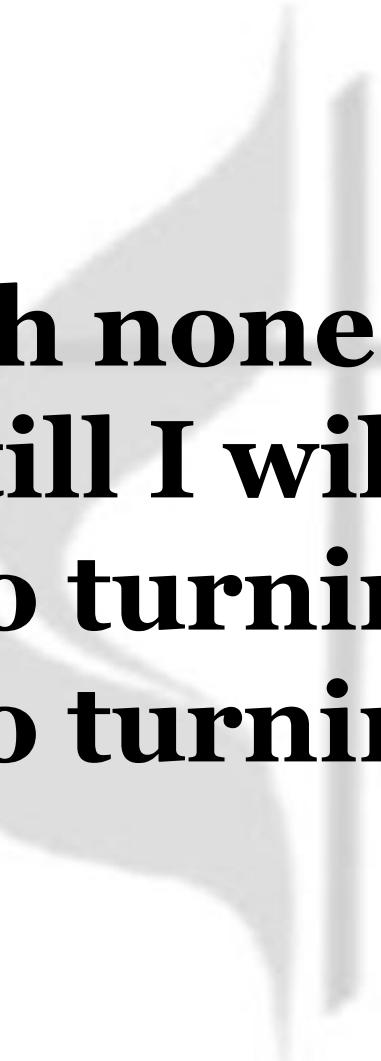
**2. The world behind me,
the cross before me,
the world behind me,
the cross before me,**



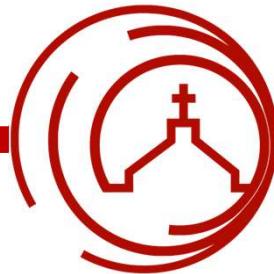
**the world behind me,
the cross before me
no turning back,
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**3. Though none go with
me,
still I will follow,
though none go with me,
still I will follow,**



**though none go with me,
still I will follow
no turning back,
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Benediction

*Silver Thread Among
The Gold*



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