

## Announcements

- Tonight:** **Prayer & Praise:** We gather at 5:00pm for our regular prayer service. Tonight's message is on *Matthew 20:16*.
- October 2:** **Wednesday Night Bible Study:** All are welcome from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the West Hall for our normal weekly Bible study.
- October 6:** **Core Seminars:** Choose 1 of 7 classes at 9:30am: Following Jesus; New Testament; Global Christian History; Dating; Stewardship; Christians and Government; and Membership Matters.  
**Morning Service** is at 10:30am; our sermon is on *Esther 3*.
- General Info:** **"How do I get involved at CHBC?"** Begin with becoming a member. To start the process, attend the Membership Matters classes at 9:30am on Sundays (Room 3). Please e-mail [christian.lawrence@capbap.org](mailto:christian.lawrence@capbap.org) with any questions.  
**For Children:** Nursing Mom's room is on the 2nd floor. *Ages Pre-K & below* childcare is on the 2nd & 3rd floors; *Grades K-3* "Praise Factory" is on the 4th floor.  
**For Families:** Room 4 is available downstairs in case the *nursery is closed* or you have a *crying/fussy baby*. Room 5 is available for *families with sick children*. Service audio is provided.  
**Youth Ministry:** The Summer program for youth ministry (Project 3:8) has begun. Meetings take place most Fridays from 7:00-9:15pm in the church basement. All 7th-12th graders welcome. More info: email [mark.feather@capbap.org](mailto:mark.feather@capbap.org)
- Giving:** You can give online at [www.capbap.org/give](http://www.capbap.org/give)



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So when the king's order and his edict were proclaimed,  
and when many young women were gathered in Susa the citadel  
in custody of Hegai, Esther also was taken into the king's palace  
and put in custody of Hegai, who had charge of the women.

Esther 2:8

*We gather this morning to praise our electing God.*

## Welcome

## Scriptural Call to Worship

Psalm 16:7-8

## The Nicene Creed (325 A.D.)

## Hymn

“Behold Our God”

## Hymn

“God Moves In A Mysterious Way”

## Hymn

“Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

## Prayer of Praise

## Scripture Reading

Daniel 1:8-21

## Prayer of Confession

## Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:1-4

*Children in kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade participating in Praise Factory should exit during this hymn:*

## Hymn

“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”

## Scripture Reading

Romans 8:26-30

## Pastoral Prayer &amp; Prayer of Petition

## Hymn

“Thou Who Wast Rich”

## Prayer of Thanks

## Offertory

## Message

**Esther 1-2** (Pew Bible p. 410)

*When God is Hidden...*

**God's Kingdom is Veiled**

*Five studies in Esther*

## Hymn

“He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought!”

## Benediction

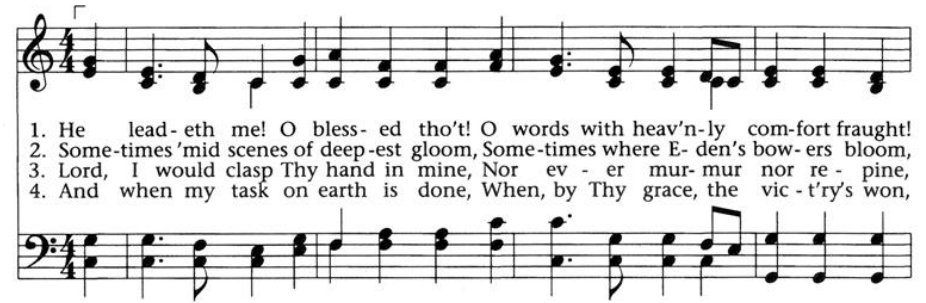
**Silence for Reflection and Preparation:** *After the benediction, we will spend the next few moments silently reflecting on our time together this morning. When the piano resumes to mark the conclusion of the service, we invite all to stay around for conversation; refreshments are provided throughout the building.*

*Preacher:* Jamie Dunlop

*Service Leader:* Troy Maragos

## Final Hymn

## He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought!



1. He lead-eth me! O bless-ed tho't! O words with heav'n-ly com-fort fraught!  
 2. Some-times 'mid scenes of deep-est gloom, Some-times where E-den's bow-ers bloom,  
 3. Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, Nor ev-er mur-mur nor re-pine,  
 4. And when my task on earth is done, When, by Thy grace, the vic-t'ry's won,



What-e'er I do, wher-e'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that lead-eth me!  
 By wa-ters still, o'er trou-bled sea, Still 'tis His hand that lead-eth me!  
 Con-tent, what-ev-er lot I see, Since 'tis Thy hand that lead-eth me!  
 E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God thro' Jor-dan lead-eth me!



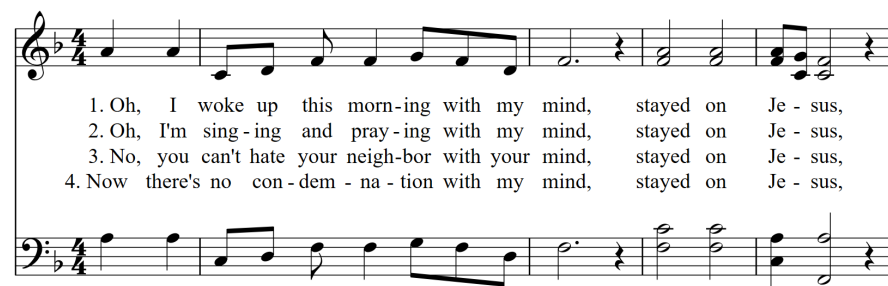
He lead-eth me, He lead-eth me, By His own hand He lead-eth me:



His faith-ful fol-l'wer I would be, For by His hand He lead-eth me.

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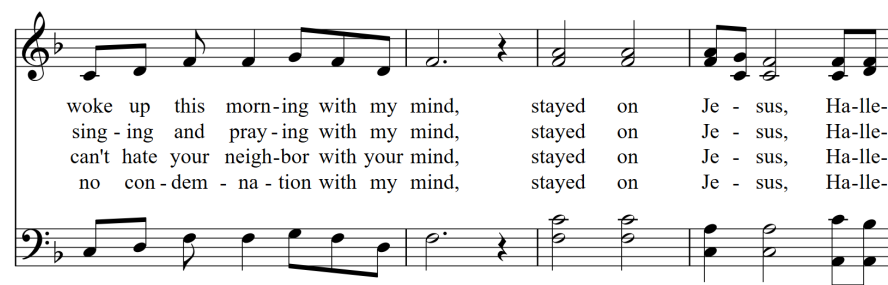
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1. Oh, I woke up this morn-ing with my mind, stayed on Je - sus,  
 2. Oh, I'm sing - ing and pray - ing with my mind, stayed on Je - sus,  
 3. No, you can't hate your neigh-bor with your mind, stayed on Je - sus,  
 4. Now there's no con-dem - na - tion with my mind, stayed on Je - sus,



woke up this morn-ing with my mind, stayed on the Lo - rd,  
 sing - ing and pray - ing with my mind, stayed on the Lo - rd,  
 can't hate your neigh-bor with your mind, stayed on the Lo - rd,  
 no con-dem - na - tion with my mind, stayed on the Lo - rd,



woke up this morn-ing with my mind, stayed on Je - sus, Ha-lle-  
 sing - ing and pray - ing with my mind, stayed on Je - sus, Ha-lle-  
 can't hate your neigh-bor with your mind, stayed on Je - sus, Ha-lle-  
 no con-dem - na - tion with my mind, stayed on Je - sus, Ha-lle-



lu, ha - lle - lu, ha - lle - lu - - jah!  
 lu, ha - lle - lu, ha - lle - lu - - jah!  
 lu, ha - lle - lu, ha - lle - lu - - jah!  
 lu, ha - lle - lu, ha - lle - lu - - jah!

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1. Hark, I hear the harps e - ter - nal, ring - ing  
 2. And my soul, though stain'd with sor - row, fad - ing  
 3. Some have cross'd be - fore us safe - ly to that  
 4. Might - y Je - sus, bear us o - ver, there to

on the far - ther shore, As I near those swol - len  
 as the light of day, Pas - ses swift - ly o'er those  
 land of per - fect rest. Can you hear them sing - ing  
 kneel be - fore thy throne. May we join Thy saints for -


wat - ers, with their deep and sol - emn roar.  
 wat - ers to that ci - ty far a - way.  
 faint - ly in the man - sions of the blest?  
 e - ver prais - ing Thee, and Thee a - lone:

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le -

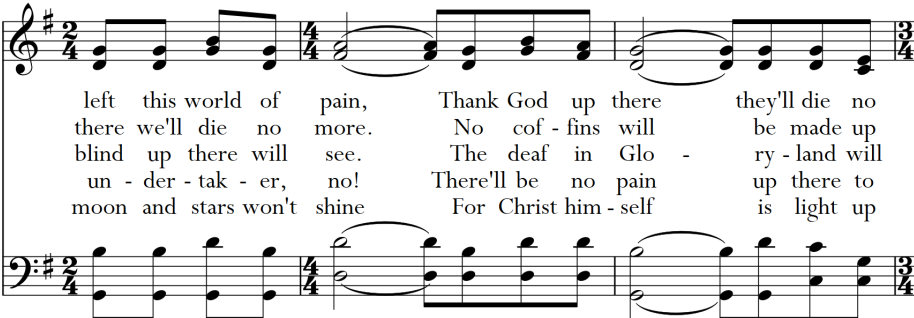
lu - jah, praise the Lamb. Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le -

lu - jah, glo - ry to the great I AM!

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1. If you have friends in Glo - ry - land, Who  
 2. Then weep not friends, I'm go - ing home, Up  
 3. The lame will walk in Glo - ry - land, The  
 4. The doc - tor will not have to call, The  
 5. We'll see no sun in Glo - ry - land, The



left this world of pain, Thank God up there they'll die no  
 there we'll die no more. No cof - fins will be made up  
 blind up there will see. The deaf in Glo - ry - land will  
 un - der - tak - er, no! There'll be no pain up there to  
 moon and stars won't shine For Christ him - self is light up



more; They'll suf - fer not a - gain.  
 there; No graves on that bright shore.  
 hear; The mute will talk to me.  
 bear; Just walk the streets of gold.  
 there; He reigns in love di - vine.

## The Nicene Creed (325 A.D.)

We believe in one God, the Father, Ruler of All,  
Maker of all things visible and invisible;  
And we believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God,  
Begotten of the Father as only begotten,  
That is, from the essence of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
Begotten, not created, of the same essence as the Father,  
Through whom all things came into being, both in heaven and in earth;  
Who for us and for our salvation came down,  
And was incarnate, being made a man.  
He suffered and the third day he rose.  
And he ascended into the heavens.  
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### History of the Nicene Creed

*What do you say when someone asks, "Who is Jesus Christ?" Maybe you answer, "Jesus is the Word who became flesh and died for sins once for all before God raised him from the dead on the third day" (John 1, 1 Peter 3, Acts 10). If this is your response, you join Christians who, throughout the centuries, have summarized their faith to proclaim the Gospel and to ensure that teaching in the church is thoroughly biblical. These summaries are often called "creeds."*

*Knowing the historical context of the Nicene Creed of 325 A.D. can help us appreciate the truths it declares. In the early fourth century, a preacher named Arius began to teach false doctrine such as: 1) God the Father alone is God; 2) Jesus Christ is a created being; and 3) there was a time when Christ did not exist. About 250 elders gathered in the town of Nicaea (in modern-day Turkey) to address Arius' false teaching. They wrote a brief statement, using biblical wording, to clarify that Christians believe Jesus Christ is fully God, and that those who believe and teach anything less lack biblical faith. We have omitted one paragraph that condemns a particular false teaching of the time.*

*At Capitol Hill Baptist Church, we believe Scripture teaches that at the center of our faith is Christ, Himself. Therefore, we rejoice in joining with saints through the centuries who have confessed the same, biblical truth.*

## Hymn

## Thou Who Wast Rich

1. Thou Who wast rich be-yond all splen-dor, all for love's sake  
2. Thou Who art God be-yond all prais-ing, all for love's sake  
3. Thou Who art love be-yond all tel-ling, Sa-vior and King,  
be - cam - est poor; Thrones for a man - ger didst sur - ren - der,  
be - cam - est Man; Stoop - ing so low, but sin - ners rais - ing  
we wor-ship Thee. Im - man - u - el, with - in us dwel - ling,  
sap - phire - paved courts for stab - le floor. Thou Who wast rich  
heav'n - wards by Thine e - ter - nal plan. Thou Who art God  
make us what Thou wouldst have us be. Thou Who art love,  
be - yond all splen - dor, all for love's sake be - cam - est poor.  
be - yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be - cam - est Man.  
be - yond all tel - ling, Sa - vior and King, we wor-ship Thee.

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## Hymn

## O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Children in kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade participating in Praise Factory should exit during this hymn:

1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,  
 2. What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain:  
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,

Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown;  
 Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain;  
 For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?

How pale Thou art with an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn!  
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;  
 O make me Thine for - ev - er, And should I faint - ing be,

How does that vis - age lan - guish Which once was bright as morn!  
 Look on me with Thy fa - vor, Vouch - safe to me Thy grace.  
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er Out - live my love to Thee.

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## Hymn

## Behold Our God

1. Who has held the o - ceans in his hands? Who has num - bered ev - ery grain of sand?  
 2. Who has gi - ven coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion an - y of His words?  
 3. Who has felt the nails up - on his hands, Bear - ing all the guilt of sin - ful man?

Kings and na - tions trem - ble at his voice. All cre - a - tion ris - es to re -  
 Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fath - om all His won - drous  
 God e - ter - nal, hum - bled to the grave, Je - sus, Sav - ior, ris - en now to

joice.  
 deeds? Be - hold our God, seat - ed on His throne, Come, let us a - dore Him.  
 reign!

Be - hold our King, noth - ing can com - pare, Come, let us a - dore Him!

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## Hymn

## God Moves In A Mysterious Way



1. God moves in a mys-ter-i-ous way His won-ders to per-form
2. Deep in un-fath-om-a-ble mines Of nev-er-fail-ing skill
3. Ye fear-ful saints, fresh cour-age take; The clouds ye so much dread
4. Judge not the Lord by feeb-le sense, But trust Him for His grace;
5. His pur-pos-es will rip-en fast, Un-fold-ing ev'-ry hour;
6. Blind un-be-lief is sure to err, And scan His work in vain;



1. He plants His foot-steps in the sea, And rides up-on the storm.
2. He trea-sures up His bright de-signs, And works His sov'-reign will.
3. Are big with mer-cy, and shall break In bless-ings on your head.
4. Be-hind a frown-ing prov-i-dence He hides a smil-ing face.
5. The bud may have a bit-ter taste, But sweet will be the flow'r.
6. God is His own in-ter-pret-er, And He will make it plain.



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## Hymn

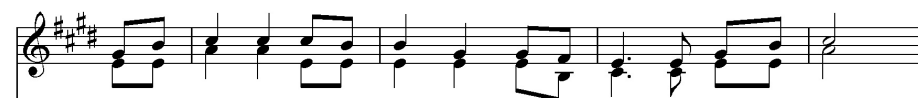
## Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery



1. Come, be-hold the won-drous myst-'ry, in the dawn-ing of the King;
2. Come, be-hold the won-drous myst-'ry, He the per-fect Son of Man;
3. Come, be-hold the won-drous myst-'ry, Christ the Lord u-pon the tree;
4. Come, be-hold the won-drous myst-'ry, slain by death the God of life;



He the theme of heav-en's prai-ses, robed in frail hu-man-i-ty.  
In his liv-ing, in his suf-fring, nev-er trace nor stain of sin.  
In the stead of ruin-ed sin-ners, hangs the Lamb in vic-to-ry.  
But no grave could e'er re-strain Him, praise the Lord, He is a-live!



In our long-ing, in our dark-ness, now the light of life has come;  
See the true and bet-ter Ad-am, come to save the hell-bound man;  
See the price of our re-demp-tion, see the Fath-er's plan un-fold;  
What a fore-taste of del-iv-erance, how un-wav-er-ing our hope;



Look to Christ, who con-de-scend-ed, took on flesh to ran-som us.  
Christ, the great and sure ful-fill-ment of the law, in Him we stand.  
Bring-ing ma-n-y sons to glo-ry, grace un-meas-ured, love un-told.  
Christ in po-wer res-sur-rect-ed, as we will be, when he comes.



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