

INCLUDES
ENLARGED HYMNS



BEVERLY HEIGHTS UNITED

Welcome and Greeting

Rev. Dr. Nathanael Devlin, Senior Pastor

Announcements

Amy Lucas, Administrative Assistant

<i>THE LORD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP</i>

Prelude

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
Jinna Park, Organist and Accompanist

arr. Wagner

*The first note of the prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please use this brief period of time for prayer and preparation while keeping conversation at a low volume and to a minimum. **Please refrain from clapping unless led to do so.***

Invitation to Worship

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, make us one!

People: Let us join our hearts together and worship the Lord!

Prayer of Invocation

Opening Hymn of Praise **No. 30**

vv. 1-4

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Responsive Reading

Psalm 123

Leader: To You I lift up my eyes, O You who are enthroned in the heavens!

People: Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,

Leader: as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress,

People: so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till He has mercy upon us.

Leader: Have mercy on us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have more than enough of contempt.

People: Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Hymn of Worship **No. 30**

vv. 6, 7

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

THE LORD CLEANSSES OUR SIN

Unison Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be Your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being Your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of Your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

Unison Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and Earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE LORD SANCTIFIES OUR LIVES

Responsive Hymn (See Bulletin)

Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

Old Testament Lesson: Zechariah 14:6-11

Mr. Peter Chace

Special Music

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Trenney

Elissa Winkler, *mezzo-soprano*; Laura Fuller, *viola*; Chad Winkler, *piano*

Congregational Response **No. 731**

Doxology

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*Children ages kindergarten and younger are dismissed to the Nursery, Walkabouts Room or Runabouts Room.
All other children remain in worship with their families.*

Scripture Reading

Revelation 22

Sermon

Emmanuel: The Reason to Endure

Rev. Mark Simonds

THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS

Call for the Offering and Offertory

God Will Take Care of You

arr. Cho

Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen **No. 740**

A musical score for a threefold Amen. It consists of two staves, treble and bass, in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with the words 'A - men, a - men, a - men.' written below the notes. The final note of each 'amen' is held for a full measure. The score is attributed to 'DANISH Anon.' in the bottom right corner.

THE LORD SCATTERS US TO ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM

Closing Hymn **No. 108**

vv. 1, 4

Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

Benediction

Postlude

Hail to the Brightness of Zion's Glad Morning!

Mason

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Ps. 90:1

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the fifth verse and the concluding line. Chord symbols are provided above the treble and bass staves to guide the accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone;

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5. The busy tribes of flesh and blood,
 with all their lives and cares,
 are carried downward by your flood,
 and lost in foll'wing years.

6. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 bears all its sons away;
 they fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the op'ning day.

7. Our God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come:
 O be our guard while troubles last,
 and our eternal home.

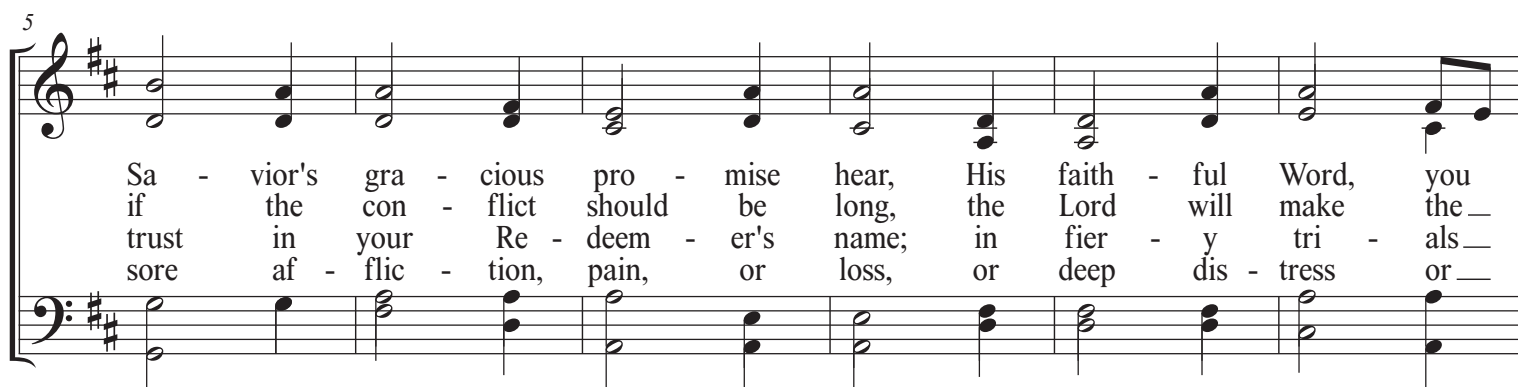
Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

John Fawcett (1782), Connie Dever (Chorus)

Connie Dever




1. Af - flict - ed saint, to — Christ draw near, Your
2. Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, and
3. Should per - se - cu - tion — rage and flame, still
4. When called to bear your weigh - ty cross, or



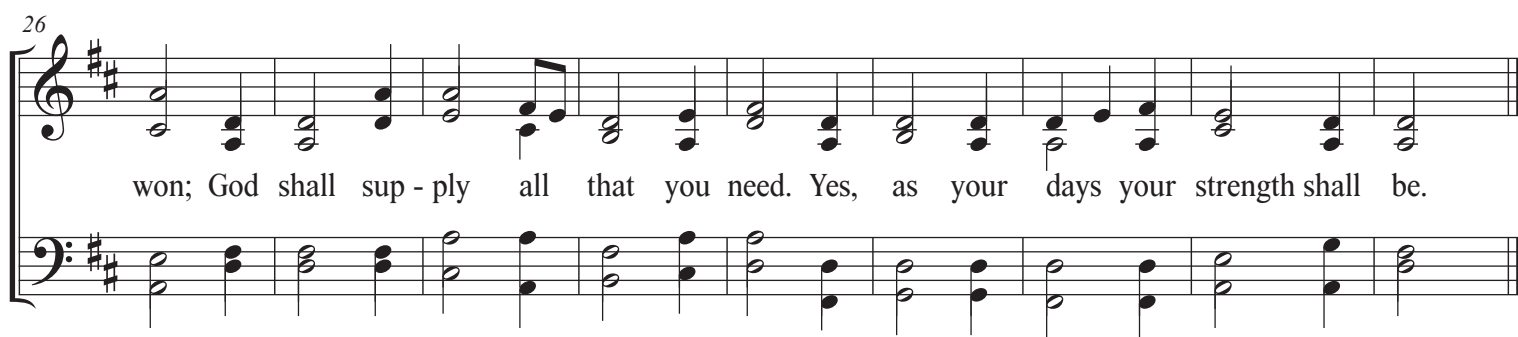
5 Sa - vior's gra - cious pro - mise hear, His faith - ful Word, you
if the con - flict should be long, the Lord will make the
trust in your Re - deem - er's name; in fier - y tri - als
sore af - flic - tion, pain, or loss, or deep dis - tress or



11 can be - lieve, that as your days — your strength shall be.
temp - ter flee, that as your days — your strength shall be.
you shall see, that as your days — your strength shall be.
po - ver - ty, still as your days — your strength shall be.



18 So, sing with joy, af - flic - ted one; the bat - tle's fierce, but the vic - tory's



26 won; God shall sup - ply all that you need. Yes, as your days your strength shall be.

Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

Will not the Judge of all the earth do right? Gen. 18:25

1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: his ho - ly will a -
 2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: he nev - er will de -
 3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: though now this cup, in
 4. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: here shall my stand be

bid - eth; I will be still what - e'er he doth, and fol - low where he
 ceive me; he leads me by the prop - er path; I know he will not
 drink - ing, may bit - ter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all un -
 tak - en; though sor - row, need, or death be mine, yet am I not for -

guid - eth. He is my God; though dark my road, he holds me
 leave me. I take, con - tent, what he hath sent; his hand can
 shrink - ing. My God is true; each morn a - new sweet com - fort
 sak - en. My Fa - ther's care is round me there; he holds me

that I shall not fall: where - fore to him I leave it all.
 turn my griefs a - way, and pa - tient - ly I wait his day.
 yet shall fill my heart, and pain and sor - row shall de - part.
 that I shall not fall: and so to him I leave it all.

THIS WEEK AT BEVERLY HEIGHTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

9:00 AM Christian Education for all ages
10:00 AM Worship Service

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Church Offices Closed

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

7:00 PM Finance Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

7:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM Staff Meeting

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

9:45 AM Women's Bible Study
6:30 PM Revelation Fitness Workout
7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

9:00 AM Christian Education for all ages
10:00 AM Worship Service
5:30 PM Sabbath Supper

Reminder: Special Meeting of the Congregation

Please note that immediately following the conclusion of the worship service on Sunday, February 4, 2024, the congregational meeting from October 29 will resume and the congregation will vote on Session's request for dismissal from the EPC.

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