



# GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship March 21, 2021 10:00am  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Lent

## Gathering

PRELUDE

“Antiphon III”  
Linda Dover, organ

Marcel Dupré  
Opus 18, No. 3

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Jeremiah 31:27–34

***Holy One, live within us.  
Whisper in our ears;  
Focus our vision;  
Write upon our hearts.  
We wait for you  
with open ears, open eyes, open hearts.  
Amen***

HYMN 692

“Spirit, Open My Heart”  
(Refrain – All; Verses – Solos)

WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

# 692 Spirit, Open My Heart

Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7)  
 Refrain F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> C7

Spir - it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of

(Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7) (Bm) (D/A) (Em)  
 Dm F/C B<sup>b</sup> C7 Dm F/C Gm

liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing

(D) (G) (Em7) (D) (G) (D)  
 F B<sup>b</sup> Gm7 F B<sup>b</sup> F *Fine*

and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

(D) (G) (D) (G)  
 F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup>

1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's  
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my  
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of

(A7) (Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7)  
 C7 Dm F/C B<sup>b</sup> C7

kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and  
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and  
 sis - ter, broth - er. In the wel - come of

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (G2) (G)  
 Dm Gm7 F B<sup>b</sup>2 B<sup>b</sup> *to Refrain*

fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.  
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.  
 Christ, may we wel - come one an - oth - er.

The pace and diversity of modern life often hinder us from remaining vulnerable to our emotions and to the humanness of other people. This prayerful text to be open to such joys and pains draws on Ezekiel 11:19 and 36:26 in stanza one and echoes Jeremiah 31:33 in stanza two.

A TIME WITH STEWART

PRAYER FOR HOPE AND STRENGTH *(video)*

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE & SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you and all others!**

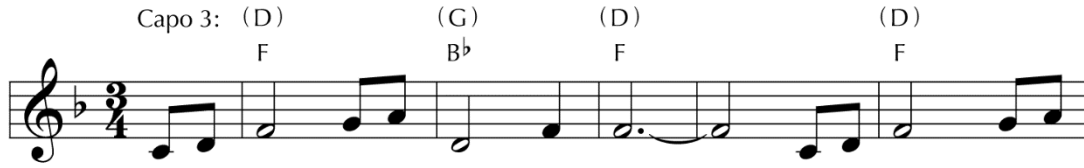
HYMN 791

“For You, My God, I Wait”  
*(Verses 1-3 Solos; Verses 4-6 All)*

SPRINGTIME

# 791 For You, My God, I Wait

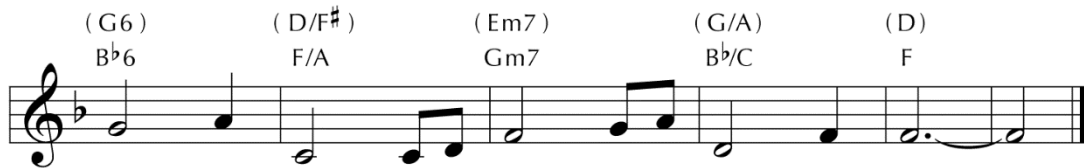
(Psalms 130 and 131)



1 For you, my God, I wait with hope born  
 2 Lord, hear my plead - ing voice, and let me  
 3 If you should list my faults, the sins of  
 4 For e - ven from the deep I know you  
 5 And once my soul is still, in you I  
 6 O God, you are my hope; I know that



of the Word. Like sleep - less ones who  
 know you hear! As sleep - less ones feel  
 heart and hand, like sleep - less ones who  
 hear my cries. Like sleep - less ones who  
 find my rest, at peace as though a  
 you for - give. Your love re - deems me



long to dream I wait and call my Lord.  
 rest ap - proach, I know my God is near.  
 groan at dawn I know I could not stand!  
 dream at last, I ease my wea - ry eyes.  
 child up - on a gen - tle moth - er's breast.  
 from the depths so I may rise and live.

Unlike most paraphrases of Psalm 130, this one begins in the thematic center of the psalm and works backwards to the familiar "out of the depths" language of the opening verse. This focus on waiting allows the paraphrase to incorporate the imagery of the brief related Psalm 131.

## Equipping

GOSPEL LESSONS

John 12:20–33

(CEB)

Some Greeks were among those who had come up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and made a request: “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” Philip told Andrew, and Andrew and Philip told Jesus. Jesus replied, “The time has come for the Human One to be glorified. I assure you that unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their lives will lose them, and those who hate their lives in this world will keep them forever. Whoever serves me must follow me. Wherever I am, there my servant will also be. My Father will honor whoever serves me. “Now *I am deeply troubled*. What should I say? ‘Father, save me from this time’? No, for this is the reason I have come to this time. Father, glorify your name!” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard and said, “It’s thunder.” Others said, “An angel spoke to him.” Jesus replied, “This voice wasn’t for my benefit but for yours. Now is the time for judgment of this world. Now this world’s ruler will be thrown out. <sup>32</sup>When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to me.” (He said this to show how he was going to die.)

ANTHEM

“Come with Me”

Music by Patti Drennan

CHIPS II – David Sutherland, solo

Words by J. Paul Williams

Barbara Douglas, Kathy Williams, Cindy Schendel,  
Pam Kelly, Susan Hayden, Jim Kelly, Ellin Schoenfeld,  
Paul Bruns, and Joe Hoffman

*Come with me to the sea of Galilee; come with me, come apart with me.  
Come with me, leave the multitude; come with me to a place of solitude.  
Come with me, watch and pray. Come with me for soon I go;  
but I will leave my spirit to guide and comfort you, and I will come again for you.*

*Come with me to Gethsemane; come with me, come and pray with me.  
Come with me as I am betrayed; come with me, see my Father’s will obeyed.  
Come with me, watch and pray. Come with me for soon I go;  
but I will leave my spirit to guide and comfort you, and I will come again for you.*

*Come with me, come to Calvary; come with me as I do my Father’s will.  
Come with me, see me lifted up; come with me as I drink death’s cup.  
Come with me, watch and pray. Come with me for soon I go;  
but I will leave my spirit to guide and comfort you, and I will come again for you.*

SERMON

“It Was a Dark Night of the Soul”

Rev. Sue Trigger

## Sending

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN 817

“We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight”  
(vs. 1 & 4 All, v. 2 Ladies, v. 3 Men)

DUNLAP’S CREEK

LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST

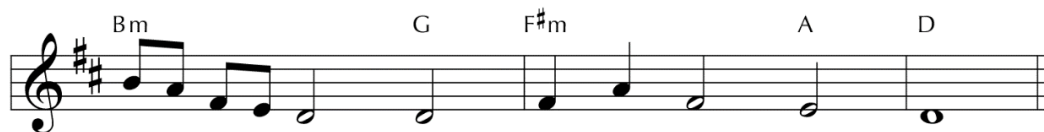
# 817 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
4 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
we re - joice and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near and seek where you are found.  
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

The opening line here is essentially a quotation of 2 Corinthians 5:7, but that affirmation is fleshed out by references to the appearance of the risen Christ to Thomas (John 20:19–29). The shape note tune, named for a stream in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, adds resolution to the words.

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

ABERYSTWYTH  
Joseph Parry (1841–1903)

GOD’S PEACE TO YOU

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