

CALVARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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PRELUDES – Hymn Settings for Eastertide

Raymond Haan

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns (St. Magnus)

Look Ye Saints! The Sight is Glorious (Bryn Calfaria)

On Wings of Living Light (Rhosymedre)

STRIKING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*(Stand at the beginning of the Hymn.)*

\* HYMN 401, *sing all together* – Here in This Place, *see page 5*

\* GATHERING PRAYER

*(All be seated.)*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION, *responsively*

**People: Loving God, you understand us even when we don't understand ourselves.**

**We seek security but insist on having unrestrained freedom.**

**We seek love, but too often hold back from trusting the love offered.**

**We seek to belong, to be part of a community, but only on our own terms.**

**We seek to have, but fear to give too much.**

**Forgive our contradictions, we pray.**

**Open our hearts to accept the love you and those around us offer.**

**And open our hands to let go fully so that our lives may be held securely in your faithful hands.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

*(A time of silence for personal confession.)*

Leader: God of grace, forgive our fearful, sometimes selfish, ways.

God of love, open our hearts to the love offered us on every hand.

God of us all, bind us together, we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON – Lord, Have Mercy upon Us

J. Christopher Pardini

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

*(Stand for the singing of the Gloria Patri and the Passing of the Peace.)*

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\* *As you are able, please stand.*

\* GLORIA PATRI, *sing all together*  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

\* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST, *responsively*  
Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you all.  
**People: And also with you.**

*(All be seated.)*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:42-47 and 4:32-35, New Revised Standard Version

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Second Scripture Reading Ecclesiastes 4:9-12, New Revised Standard Version

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up the other; but woe to one who is alone and falls and does not have another to help. Again, if two lie together, they keep warm; but how can one keep warm alone? And though one might prevail against another, two will withstand one. A threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON – Becoming Community

ANTHEM – King of Kings

Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, Scott Ligertwood

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, *all together*

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!**

**With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

*A Brief Statement of Faith – Presbyterian Church (USA) 11.4 & 11.5*

PRAYERS OF THANKS AND CONCERN

LORD'S PRAYER, *all together*

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

*(All stand.)*

\* HYMN 300, *sing all together – We Are One in the Spirit, see the last page*

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE – He Lives, *see the last page*

Alfred Ackley

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# Here in This Place

## Gather Us In

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1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness  
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who  
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the  
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,  
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.  
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the  
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the  
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the  
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;  
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;  
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion  
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.  
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.  
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.  
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

# We Are One in the Spirit 300

## They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)  
Fm Cm Fm

1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;  
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;  
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;  
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm

we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,  
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,  
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,  
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm

and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:  
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

*Refrain* (C) (Em)  
D<sup>b</sup> Fm

And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm B<sup>b</sup>m Cm Fm B<sup>b</sup>m/F Fm

love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.