

\* **Call to Worship:** *Psalm 146:1,2,5,10*

*Praise the LORD.*

*Praise the LORD, my soul.*

***I will praise the LORD all my life;***

***I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.***

*Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the LORD their God.*

*The LORD reigns forever,*

*your God, O Zion, for all generations.*

***Praise the LORD.***

\* **Opening Prayer**

\* ***Praise the LORD! Sing Hallelujah***

#146:1,2,4 (PH)

*Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah!*

*Come, our great Redeemer praise.*

*I will sing the glorious praises*

*Of my God through all my days.*

*Put no confidence in princes,*

*Nor on human help depend.*

*They shall die, to dust returning;*

*All their thoughts and plans shall end.*

*Food he daily gives the hungry,*

*Sets the mourning prisoner free,*

*Raises those bowed down with anguish,*

*Makes the sightless eyes to see.*

*God our Savior loves the righteous,*

*And the stranger he befriends,*

*Helps the orphan and the widow,*

*Judgment on the wicked sends.*

*Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah!*

*Come, our great Redeemer praise.*

*I will sing the glorious praises*

*Of my God through all my days.*

*Over all God reigns forever;*

*Through all ages he is King.*

*Unto him, your God, O Zion,*

*Joyful hallelujahs sing.*

\* ***Come, All You People, Praise Our God*** #242:1,2,3 (PH)

*Come, all you people, praise our God*

*And tell his glorious works abroad,*

*Who holds our souls in life;*

*He never lets our feet be moved*

*And, though our faith he often proved,*

*Upholds us in the strife.*

*We come with offerings to his house,*

*And here we pay the solemn vows*

*We uttered in distress;*

*To him our all we dedicate,*

*To him we wholly consecrate*

*The lives his mercies bless.*

*Come, listen, all who fear the Lord,*

*While I with grateful heart record*

*What God has done for me;*

*I cried to him in deep distress,*

*And now his wondrous grace I bless,*

*For he has set me free.*

\* ***Majesty***

*Majesty, worship His majesty.*

*Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.*

*Majesty, kingdom authority*

*Flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.*

*So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.*

*Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.*

*Majesty, worship His majesty*

*Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.*

**Profession of Faith:** Our World Belongs to God Article 24

**God remembered his promise**

**to reconcile the world to himself;**

**he has come among us in Jesus Christ,**

**the eternal Word made flesh.**

**He is the long-awaited Savior,**

**fully human and fully divine,**

**conceived by the Spirit of God**

**and born of the virgin Mary.**

**Offering:** Christian Hope Association

**Evening Prayer**

\* ***How Blest Are They Who, Fearing God***

*How blest are they who make God's law*

*Their treasure and delight,*

*And meditate upon that word*

*With gladness day and night.*

*Their lives are nourished like a tree*

*Set by the river's side*

*Its leaf is green, its fruit is sure:*

*So all their works abide.*

\* **Scripture:** *I John 1:1-4 (ESV)* pg. 1278

*<sup>1</sup> That which was from the beginning, which we have heard,*

*which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon*

*and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of*

*life— <sup>2</sup> the life was made manifest, and we have seen it,*

*and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which*

*was with the Father and was made manifest to us— <sup>3</sup> that*

*which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so*

*that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our*

*fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.*

*<sup>4</sup> And we are writing these things so that our joy may be*

*complete.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *A Dear from John Letter*

**Prayer**

\* ***Be Thou My Vision*** #468:1,2 (HFG)

*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;*

*Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art,*

*Thou my best thought, by day or by night,*

*Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word;*

*I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;*

*Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,*

*Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

\* **God's Blessing**

**\* Praise and Thanksgiving**

#631:1,3 (PH)

Praise and thanksgiving let everyone bring  
Unto our Father for every good thing.  
All together, joyfully sing!

May we go out from here sharing God's love.  
Help us in coming days our faith to prove.  
All together, joyfully sing!

**A Dear from John Letter**

*1 John 1:1-4*

What Is "Which"?

Who Is "We"?

What Does "We" Say About "Which" To "You"?

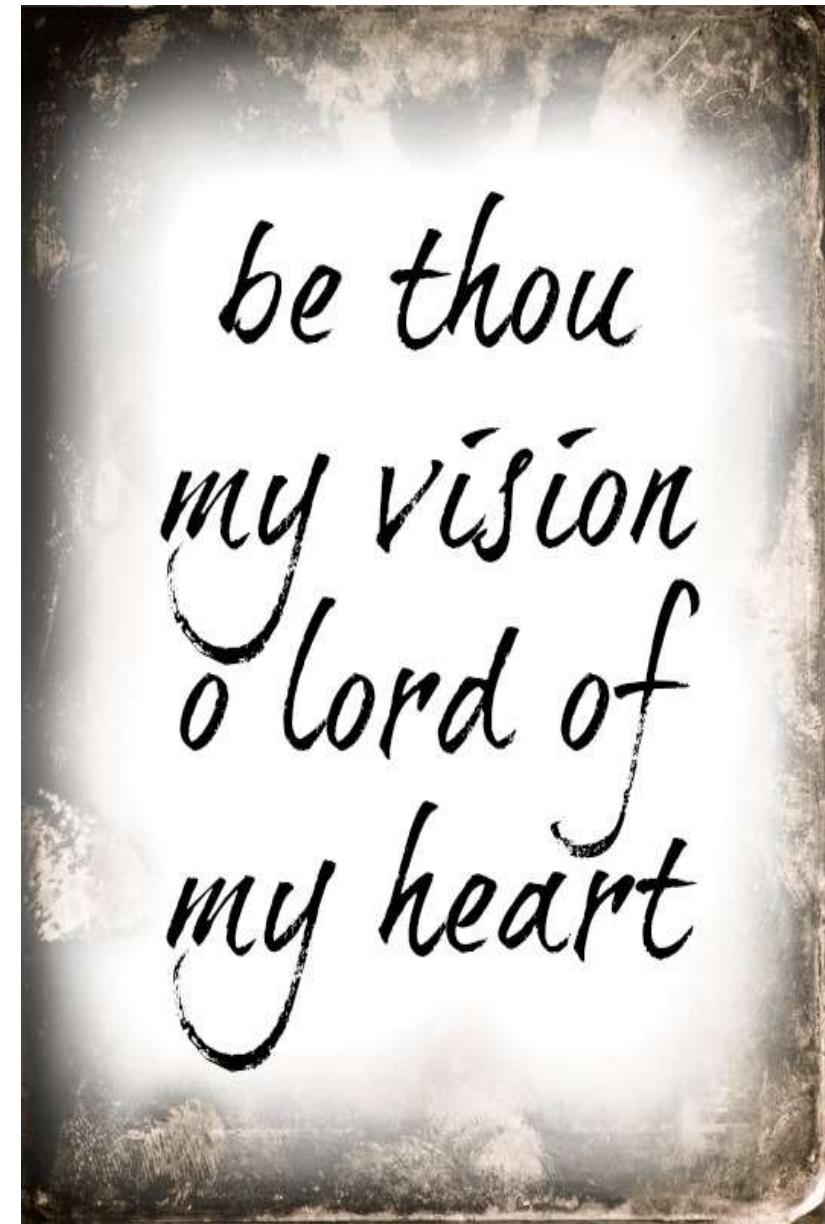
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