### \* Call to Worship: Deuteronomy 6:4-7

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

# \* Opening Prayer

# \* Congregational Favorites

**Profession of Faith:** Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

## \* Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

#486:1,3 (PH)

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount – I'm fixed upon it – mount of God's redeeming love.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

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# **Evening Prayer**

#### \* Ancient Words

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age,

Came to us through sacrifice.

O, heed the faithful words of Christ.

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,

They resound with God's own heart,

O, let the ancient words impart.

Refrain: Ancient words, ever true,

Changing me and changing you;

We have come with open hearts,

O, let the ancient words impart.

### \* **Scripture:** *II Corinthians 4:15 (ESV)*

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<sup>15</sup> For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Grace and Gratitude

## \* My Faith Looks Up to Thee

#262:2,3 (PH)

May Thy rich grace impart

Strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire.

As Thou hast died for me,

O may my love to Thee

Pure, warm and changeless be, a living fire.

While life's dark maze I tread,

And griefs around me spread be Thou my Guide.

Bid darkness turn to day;

Wipe sorrow's tears away;

Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside!

### \* God's Blessing

### \* Abide With Me

#442:1,2 (PH)

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like Thyself, my Guide and Stay can be? Thro' cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

<sup>\*</sup> join us in standing if able

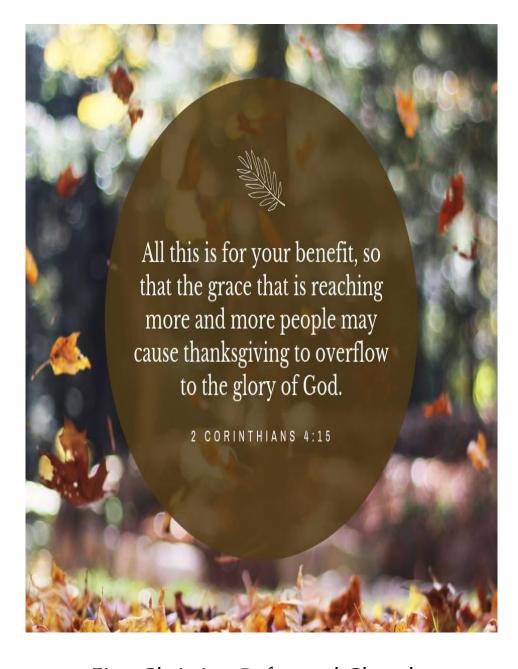
#### Grace and Gratitude

II Corinthians 4:15

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