

A serene sunset scene over a calm body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright reflection on the water's surface. In the foreground, an open Bible lies flat on a wooden surface, its pages illuminated by the warm, golden light of the setting sun. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and contemplative.

# Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord!

***Psalm 86:11***

***“Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your  
truth; unite my heart to fear your name.*”**

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# Worship the God Who Gives Us His Word

Let us worship our God whose Word is our firm and trustworthy foundation.

CALL TO WORSHIP – Isaiah 40:8-9

Leader: "The grass withers, the flower fades,"

**People: "but the word of our God will stand forever."**

Leader: "Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news;"

**People: "lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, 'Behold your God!'"**

\*SONG OF WORSHIP ..... *Behold Our God*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Deuteronomy 8:1-3 (p. 194)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Matthew 7:24-27 (p. 1032)

CONFESSION OF SIN (based on Psalm 1 and Matthew 7:24-27):

***Our Father, we confess that though Your Word ought to be our delight and meditation, we have often neglected it.***

***Instead of building on the firm foundation, we have built upon the sand.***

***Instead of submitting to Your counsel,***

***we have walked in the counsel of the wicked.***

***Instead of believing the truths of the Scriptures,***

***we have believed the lies of the serpent.***

***Please forgive us because of what Jesus has done on our behalf.***

ASSURANCE OF GRACE: John 6:67-69

"So Jesus said to the twelve, 'Do you want to go away as well?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.'"

\*SONG OF TRUST ..... *Show us Christ*

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER FOR CAMPS: COUNSELORS, SPEAKERS, DIRECTORS, AND CAMPERS.

WORSHIP THROUGH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** ..... Matthew 7:13-14 and 1 Thessalonians 2:13

**\*\*PRAYER OF ENLIGHTENMENT**

**MESSAGE..... The Primary Way (Part 2):  
Three More Reasons to Follow the Bible**

\*HYMN OF RENEWAL ..... No. 338

*How Firm a Foundation*

BENEDICTION – 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

\*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

**\*\*CHILDREN AGES 4 THRU 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE,  
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE**

July 23, 2023

# Songs for Worship

## Behold Our God

### 1. Who has held the oceans in His hands

Who has numbered every grain of sand  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice.

**Chorus –**

**Behold our God, seated on His throne**

**Come let us adore Him**

**Behold our King, nothing can compare**

**Come let us adore Him**

### 2. Who has given counsel to the Lord

Who can question any of His words  
Who can teach the One who knows all things  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds. **Chorus**

### 3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands

Bearing all the guilt of sinful man  
God eternal humbled to the grave  
Jesus Savior risen now to reign. **Chorus**

**Bridge –** Men: You will reign forever

Women: *Let Your glory fill the earth (3x)*

**Chorus**

## Show Us Christ

### 1. Prepare our hearts O God help us to receive

Break the hard and stony ground help our unbelief.  
Plant Your Word down deep in us cause it to bear fruit  
Open up our ears to hear lead us in Your truth. **Chorus**

**Chorus** Show us Christ, Show us Christ

O God reveal Your glory

Through the preaching of Your Word

Until ev'ry heart confesses Christ is Lord.

### 2. Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes

Guards us through temptations makes the simple wise.  
Your Word is food for famished ones freedom for the slave  
Riches for the needy soul come speak to us today. **Chorus**

**Bridge** Where else can we go Lord?

Where else can we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

## How Firm a Foundation

### 1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,

Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said  
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

### 2. Fear not, I am with thee O be not dismayed,

For I am thy God, I will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by my gracious, omnipotent hand.

### 3. When thru the deep waters I call thee to go,

The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

### 4. When thru fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,

My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
The flame shall not hurt thee I only design  
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

### 5. The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,

I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, tho' all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never no. never no. never forsake!

# Welcome and Announcements

## This Week

### Welcome

**Welcome to worship.** We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you have any questions about God, Scripture, or church, please talk with Pastor Jeff.

**Nursery is available** See or call JoAnna with any questions. 724-601-7153.

- **Children's Worship**, led by Naomi Shepler & Helper Bethany Forton

### The Lord's Day

#### 9:30am – Sunday Education Hour

Sunday School opens at 9:30am in the sanctuary.

**Sunday School Superintendent** – Kara Masters

#### Kids and Youth Classes

**Nursery:** Ages 0-2 –Coordinator – LL 201 JoAnna Zehnder

**Toddlers thru Pre-K:** Room LL 203 Ms. Marie, Ms. Diane & Ms. Marci

**K thru 5th:** Room LL 301 - Mrs. Kara Masters

**6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>** Library – Mrs. Heidi Shepler

**9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup>:** Youth Room – Mr. Tony Carroscia

#### Adult Classes

**"How Should We Then Live"** – Led by Various Teachers  
(Fellowship Hall)

### Sunday Worship

**10:45am Worship Service** – Welcome to worship. Is the Bible the word of God? We have a very persuasive 'book of public opinion' all around us, we face trials and indulgences that can make one question their own trust in the Bible. At the crossroads, the seeker asks, "Shall I commit to the Bible?" The doubter asks, "Shall I *still* commit to the Bible?" And the beat-down believer asks, "Shall something *confirm* my commitment to the Bible?"

The Bible says to "have mercy on those who doubt" (Jude 22), because we cannot see God. Today is three more important reasons why human beings should say 'yes' to the Bible as the very "word of God" (1 Thess. 2:13).

**Camp Starts!** All Kids Campers & SSB campers will be departing the church. Kids at 1:15pm and SSB youth at 2pm. Please be here at least 15 minutes early to pack the trailer. Please bring your assigned snacks too.

**6pm Evening Worship** – Come let us worship, because we love the Lord who saved us and who first loved us. Message is "Why is Our Country Divided?" Matthew 12:22-32. Let us consider our unity that cannot be divided.

**Monday through Wednesday – Kids Camp.** Please pray for Speaker Sue Jakes, Program Directors Erin & Matt Kickasola, many counselors, and especially our children, to "know Christ." The teaching theme is the book of Revelation: "Blessed by the King."

**Monday through Thursday – SSB Camp.** Please pray for Speaker John Gardner, Program Directors Rosh Raines and Kevin & Nikki Hagen, many counselors, and especially our youth to "know Christ" (Philp. 3:10).

#### Monday

**10am Bowling** – All are welcome, at Calcutta Lanes.

**6:30pm Teen Time** (youth 6-12 grades) – 6:30pm-9pm at Christ Presbyterian Church, 828 Blackhawk Rd. Chippewa 15010 for youth in 6th–12th grades. There will be games, fellowship, music and a different speaker every week. Come on out and enjoy some great fellowship with your friends.

#### Tuesday

**6-8pm Fairview Food Pantry** will be open. We would like to restock the shelves with coffee, green beans, peanut butter, mayo, canned chicken, ramen noodles, beef broth and ketchup. Monetary donations would greatly be appreciated at any time.

#### Wednesday

**6:30pm Prayer & Study** – All are welcome to come and join in study and prayer while the kids and youth are away at camp. Are we to pray to God only? The answer is in Westminster Larger Catechism #179. The answer has many sides that are insightful and awesome. We want to pray for camps and the needs of the congregation.

#### Saturday

**9am Presbytery at Reformed Presbyterian Church of Slate Lick** – Please keep the Pastors and Elders in prayer.

## Next Sunday

**9:30am Sunday School Adult Education Hour** - We will meet in the sanctuary first and then we head to our classes. We have classes for all ages.

**10:45am Worship Service** – The second of our "First Things." What defines Christianity? And what is the Primary Reality of World-and-Life? From Genesis 1:1 to Romans 5:8, we find: The primary reality of life is *God who Chooses to Love*. Do you believe in a Holy God of Limitless Love?

**6pm Missionary Visit – Evening Worship** – We have a special guest! **Dr. Matt Megill** will be with us from Niger. Come hear what wonderful things God has done through Matt and Tara, and also what burdens of prayer we get to bear along with our missionary.

## Congregational Announcements

**Summer CYIA Missionaries** – Laura & Emma Masters and Ayla Zehnder are devoting their summers to evangelism to children as CYIA missionaries. If you'd like to help support them, put your gift in the blue 'CYIA' offering envelopes in the pew. *Make checks out to "Fairview Church" and put CYIA and their name on the memo line.*

**Baby Shower** – Join us for Abi Carroscia's Baby Shower and Diaper Blessing Brunch on Saturday, August 19 from 10am – 12pm here at Fairview Church. Abi & Tony are registered at target and Amazon.

**Young Adult Hangout** – We will get together and go mini golfing. Check out the whatsapp for more details.



Scan or upload this QR Code using the WhatsApp camera to join the young adult WhatsApp group to find out what is happening for young adults in the church.

**Tabletalk** – The August issue is on the mission table in the vestibule.

**New Sermon Series.** Almost every weary student, worker or busy parent reaches that question: "*What was the point of it all again?*" So it is with faith and the church. As the excess of the Pharisees and the content of our own lives show us, the Bible's first priorities easily get lost. Today we begin a transitional series before the Fall called *First Things: Six Primary Matters of a Biblical Life*.

All six will be grounded in the final solution: Jesus Christ in the Gospel. Bring any who would benefit.

**Hey Kids – Good News Day Camp** – A ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Beaver County, is scheduled for July 31-Aug. 4 and Aug. 7-11. All kids ages completed K-5th grade are welcome to attend. Camp runs from 9:30am-2:30pm and is located at Prayer Mountain Ministries, 114 Fisher Drive, Darlington, PA 16115. All workers have completed the CEF child protection policy and obtained their PA state clearances. Children will enjoy the great outdoors while learning a Bible memory verse, singing, playing games, making friends, hearing a Bible lesson, eating breakfast & lunch, and hearing a missionary story. Transportation is available from many locations. Please complete the registration form online at [beavercountycef.com](http://beavercountycef.com) or contact Edie Chaffee, Director for a paper registration at 724-508-0757.

**Good News Day Camp Craft Needs** - It is that time of year again when we are designing the crafts for Good News Day camp! We are in need of some assistance from the congregation! We need, at least, 150 empty bottled water bottles with lids and the same amount of toilet paper rolls.

**Good News Day Camp Volunteers** – Want to be a part of a summer mission team without leaving the county? CEF of Beaver County wants to extend an invitation to you to be a part of our Good News Day Camp! July 31- August 4 and August 7-11 from 9:30am – 2:30pm we will host Good News Day Camp at Prayer Mountain Ministries in Darling-

ton, PA. Elementary age children from all around the county will be joining us for a week of Bible lessons, songs, outdoor games, crafts, missionary story, Bible memory verse, meals, and lots of fun. You can be a part of bringing the hope of the Gospel to these children by volunteering to help for a week. Fairview PCA takes on August 7-11 as an outreach ministry week. Will you prayerfully consider joining our team? ***Fairview will be serving lunch at Prayer Mountain CEF Day Camp on Friday, August 11. Please sign-up for food donations in the vestibule, We also need helpers in the kitchen that day too.*** Please contact Edie Chaffee-Director of CEF of Beaver County at 724-508-0757, [beavercountycef@gmail.com](mailto:beavercountycef@gmail.com).

**Bike Donations for Communicycle** – Any size, any condition accepted. Dropoff in lower parking area. Contact Nick Orell at 412.526.6384 for details.

## Worship Helpers

Worship Leader .....Giles te Velde  
Audio-visual .....William Phillips & Gideon te Velde  
Musicians.....Linda D'Angelo & Josh Sullivan  
Vocalist.....Lindsey Hollabaugh  
Children's Worship...Naomi Shepler & Bethany Forton  
Nursery.....Charity & Esther te Velde  
Ushers.....Doug Masters, Noah Oosting  
Micah Oosting & Rosh Raines

## Next Week's Helpers

Worship Leader.....Mark Oosting  
Audio-visual.....Gideon te Velde & Noah Oosting  
Musicians ..... Linda D'Angelo  
Vocalist ..... Lindsey Hollabaugh  
Nursery.....Kristine & Emma Masters  
Ushers.....Brad Billheimer, Gideon te Velde  
Josiah te Velde & Dan Vogel



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## Prayers & Praises

*'Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ' (Galatians 6:10)*

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## Kids' Drawing Page

**Draw a glove.** Or, if you want more of a challenge, draw a hand going into a glove. What kind of glove will you choose? A work glove, a batting glove, a lady's long white glove, a knight's gauntlet? Your choice.

Pastor said that the Bible is like a glove. But if the Bible is the glove, then what did Pastor say is the hand the glove slides over so perfectly? \_\_\_\_\_

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path."  
(Psalm 119:105)*

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