

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE/LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

### \*THE RINGING OF THE BELL

### CALL TO WORSHIP—

**PSALM 28:** My Strength  
*Davidic.*

**Leader:** <sup>v.1</sup> Lord, I call to You; my rock, do not be deaf to me. If You remain silent to me, I will be like those going down to the Pit.

**All:** <sup>v.2</sup> **Listen to the sound of my pleading when I cry to You for help, when I lift up my hands toward Your holy sanctuary.**

**Leader:** <sup>v.3</sup> Do not drag me away with the wicked, with the evildoers, who speak in friendly ways with their neighbors while malice is in their hearts.

**All:** <sup>v.4</sup> **Repay them according to what they have done – according to the evil of their deeds. Repay them according to the work of their hands; give them back what they deserve.**

**Leader:** <sup>v.5</sup> Because they do not consider what the Lord has done or the work of His hands, He will tear them down and not rebuild them.

**All:** <sup>v.6</sup> **May the Lord be praised, for He has heard the sound of my pleading.** <sup>v.7</sup> **The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. Therefore my heart rejoices, and I praise Him with my song.**

**Leader:** <sup>v.8</sup> The Lord is the strength of His people; He is a stronghold of salvation for His anointed.

**All:** <sup>v.9</sup> **Save Your people, bless Your possession, shepherd them, and carry them forever.**

### PRAISE SONG – “Our God”

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## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

*Be not dismayed whate'er betide God will take care of you  
Beneath His wings of love abide God will take care of you  
God will take care of you Through every day, o'er all the way.  
He will take care of you; God will take care of you.*

*Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you.  
When dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you.  
God will take care of you Through every day, o'er all the way.  
He will take care of you; God will take care of you.*

*All you may need he will provide; God will take care of you  
Nothing you ask will be denied; God will take care of you.  
God will take care of you  
Through every day, o'er all the way.  
He will take care of you; God will take care of you.*

*No matter what will be the test, God will take care of you.  
Lean, weary one, upon His breast; God will take care of you.  
God will take care of you  
Through every day, o'er all the way.  
He will take care of you; God will take care of you.*

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## HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD—OLD TESTAMENT

- 2 Samuel 22:1-6 “*David’s Song of Thanksgiving*” p. 553

## HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD—NEW TESTAMENT

- Luke 1:67-75 “*Zechariah’s Prophecy*” p. 1777

## OFFERING

## PRAYER REQUESTS

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### GLORIA PATRI

*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*

### GOSPEL READING

Selected Scripture

### SERMON “AVOIDING THE DEBT DISASTER”

### HYMN— “Great is Thy Faithfulness” #44

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not.  
As Thou hast been thou forever wilt be.*

*(refrain)*

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.  
(refrain)*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

*(refrain)*

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## BENEDICTION

*Philippians 4:19-20*—And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.<sup>1</sup>

## POSTLUDE

<sup>1</sup> The Holy Bible: English Standard Version (Phi 4:19-20). (2016). Crossway Bible

## **Hear The Word of the Lord Introductions**

### Old Testament:

Jonah was like a stubborn child: he didn't want to do what he had been told to do by the Lord and foolishly tried to run away. It did not work—no one can get away from the Lord's presence...nor the Lord's power. The wonder of God's power was demonstrated both to Jonah and to tens of thousands in Nineveh when Jonah finally submitted and preached what the Lord told him to proclaim.

### New Testament:

The hard-hearted and spiritually dull religious leaders of Jesus' day took every opportunity to discredit Jesus. In their demand that Jesus prove His identity by performing a sign, the Jewish leaders proved to be more resistant to the message of repentance and belief than the pagan people of Nineveh. In response to the religious leader's request, Jesus gives them a warning about their spiritual state.