



*Lake Toxarway United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 2022*

**Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church**  
**Community Worship Service & Communion**  
**Third Sunday of Easter, May 1<sup>st</sup>,2022**

**9:30 A.M. Livestream is available on the LTUMC YouTube channel:**  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgtuJe20i8DN7S\\_Cfg1sWCg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgtuJe20i8DN7S_Cfg1sWCg)

**RINGING OF THE BELL – *Please observe silence as we prepare for the service.***

**PRELUDE**

Meditation on “Lift High the Cross” Charles Callahan

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Lord, we come before you in joy,  
clothed in the majesty of your glory.*

***We come to sing your praises.***

*Like the myriad faithful of old,  
we proclaim the Lamb to be worthy  
of blessing, honor, and glory.*

***We fall down before you in worship. Amen!***

**HYMN #157**

Jesus Shall Reign

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**OPENING PRAYER**

***Compassionate, glorious God,  
you hear our cries,  
and our pleas for help.***

***We may enter the dark of night with weeping,  
but we wake in the morning with joy,  
for you hear our petitions  
and come in our hour of need.***

***As we gather here in the name of your Son,  
be with us we pray,  
that we may know the dawn of your mercy,  
and the sweet taste of your favor. Grant us the  
ability to worship you and only you in this hour. Amen.***

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (#881 The Apostles' Creed)**

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;***

***And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.***

**THE GLORIA PATRI #70**

***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.***

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
(Let us offer our silent confessions.)*

***God of Forgiveness,  
hear now the confession of our sins.  
Our greed and our lust for power  
create enemies where we should find friends.  
We fail to offer comfort and aid  
to those who are afraid and beat down  
by the burdens of life.  
We are as blind and willful as Saul  
to the pain and the destruction  
of our wrongdoings  
and our well-meaning crusades.  
Forgive us, merciful One.  
Give us sight to see with your eyes,  
that we may bring hope peace to our world.  
Amen.***

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*God's anger lasts but a moment,  
but God's favor lasts a lifetime.  
The Lord forgives our shortcomings  
and sends deliverance through Christ,  
just as the Lord forgave Saul  
and used him to spread the gospel.  
Thanks be to God!*

***In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.***

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

### **Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)**

- 9:1 Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest
- 9:2 and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.
- 9:3 Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him.
- 9:4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"
- 9:5 He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.
- 9:6 But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."
- 9:7 The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one.
- 9:8 Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so, they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus.
- 9:9 For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.
- 9:10 Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord."
- 9:11 The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying,
- 9:12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."
- 9:13 But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem;
- 9:14 and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name."
- 9:15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel;
- 9:16 I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

- 9:17 So, Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."  
9:18 And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized,  
9:19 and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus,  
9:20 and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

**Psalm 30 (Please read the bold text)**

- 30:1 I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.  
**30:2 O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.**  
30:3 O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.  
**30:4 Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.**  
30:5 For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.  
**30:6 As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."**  
30:7 By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.  
**30:8 To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication:**  
30:9 "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?  
**30:10 Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!"**  
30:11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,  
**30:12 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.**

**Revelation 5:11-14**

- 5:11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,  
5:12 singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"  
5:13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"  
5:14 And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

### **John 21:1-19 (Please stand for the Gospel)**

- 21:1 After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way.
- 21:2 Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples.
- 21:3 Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.
- 21:4 Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.
- 21:5 Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No."
- 21:6 He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So, they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish.
- 21:7 That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea.
- 21:8 But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.
- 21:9 When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.
- 21:10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."
- 21:11 So, Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn.
- 21:12 Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord.
- 21:13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.
- 21:14 This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.
- 21:15 When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."
- 21:16 A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep."
- 21:17 He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."
- 21:18 Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go."
- 21:19 (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

*L: This is the word of the Lord for the people of Christ.*

***P: Thanks be to God.***

## **SERMON**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

## **OFFERING**

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## **OFFERTORY**

This Joyful Eastertide Charles Callahan

## **DOXOLOGY #95**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***Redeeming God, we live in a world that is far too ready to say that you can't be found, ready to choose punishment over mercy, judgment over compassion. Our world is too eager to put energy into exclusion rather than working to be inclusive of all your children. We confess to you that, like Saul, we have been blind, even in our sightedness, to what you are doing in the world. We need our eyes to be truly opened, Lord, to who you really are. Let our blindness fall away and let us see the good that we can do—through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and our witness—to help usher in your kingdom here and now. May the gifts we give this morning be just the beginning of our availability to be your tools for bringing about the world you desire. We pray it in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.***

## **HYMN OF PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

## **HYMN #398**

Jesus Calls Us

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## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*The Lord be with you.*

***And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts.*

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

*The pastor gives thanks and remembers God's acts of salvation, and concludes:...and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

*The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:...and so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

***Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.***

*The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER #895**

***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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

### **BREAKING THE BREAD**

### **GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

***Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves to others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### **CLOSING HYMN #369**

Blessed Assurance

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### **BENEDICTION**

### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393**

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Amen.***

### **POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Tune Wayne L. Wold

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Monthly Fellowship Dinner**

We will have our monthly fellowship dinner in the Fellowship Hall on **May 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.**

### **NEW LTUMC Magnetic Name Badges**

LTUMC will be ordering magnetic name badges. **This is available to anyone attending LTUMC and you do not need to be a formal member.** If you have a medical device impacted by a strong magnet, we can order a different backing. **Please send your preferred first and last name you go by to Saunders at [administrator@laketoxawayumc.org](mailto:administrator@laketoxawayumc.org).**

### **Special Program – May 22nd at 3:00 PM**

Charlie Steele, organist at LTUMC, will present a special program at the church on Sunday afternoon, May 22, at 3:00 PM. The program will include historical information about shape note singing and the shape note collection "Southern Harmony," as well as the history of a few well-known tunes, including Amazing Grace, Wonderous Love, and How Firm a Foundation. As part of the program, he will perform some organ arrangements of the selected tunes.

### **Coffee Hour after the service**

Please stop by the Fellowship Hall for a cup of coffee and snacks to meet old new friends. Please sign-up for a Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. We ask you bring enough food for ~35 people. If you have any questions, please reach out to **Nancee Salyer** at **314-443-1017** or [nsalyer331@aol.com](mailto:nsalyer331@aol.com)

### **Announcement Deadline Reminder**

Please submit your announcements to Saunders by Tuesday at 5:00 PM in order to meet our print deadline.

## **PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Please pray for John & Sue Thomas, Marty Young, Dale and Leigh Ashman, Sherry Minnich's brother-in-law and sister, La'Bruce & Suzanne Hanahan, Laura Whitehurst's parents, Jacob Jones, the nephew of John and Char Holbrook, Clyde Biddle, Janet English, Dee Seropian, Dave Wilkes, Jack Jeter, Renee Alexander, Donna Parker, Chad & Anne Zimmerman, Cathie Fussell's brother, Lonnie Taylor and nephew, Jeff Tilley, Bobbi Moore's sister, Nancy Schubert and Frank Hardin.**

**Please pray for those having or had surgery for recovery, those who have had the death of a loved one recently; especially for the Ed English family.**

**Please pray for our student scholars.**

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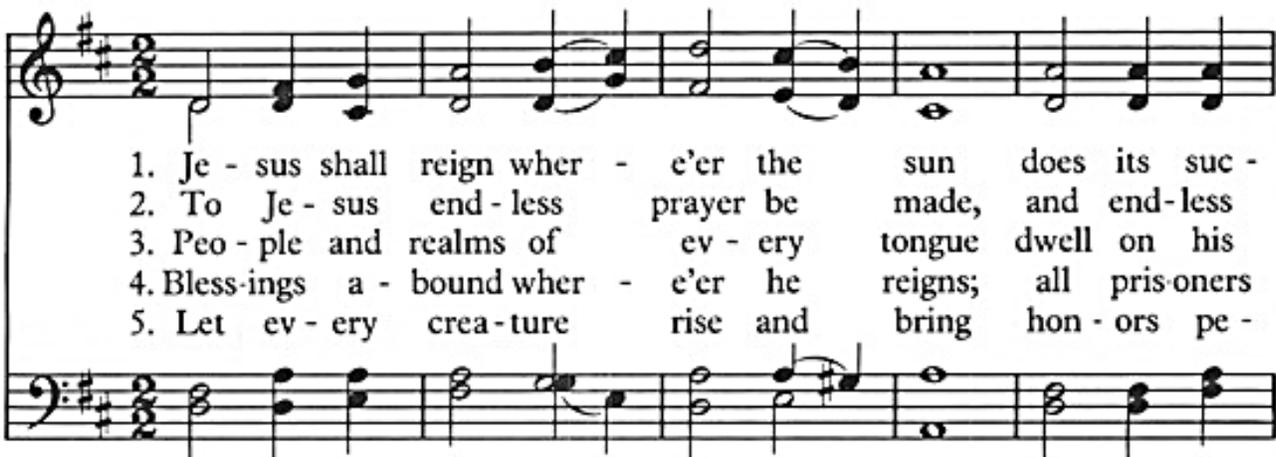
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Liturgist: John Lefler

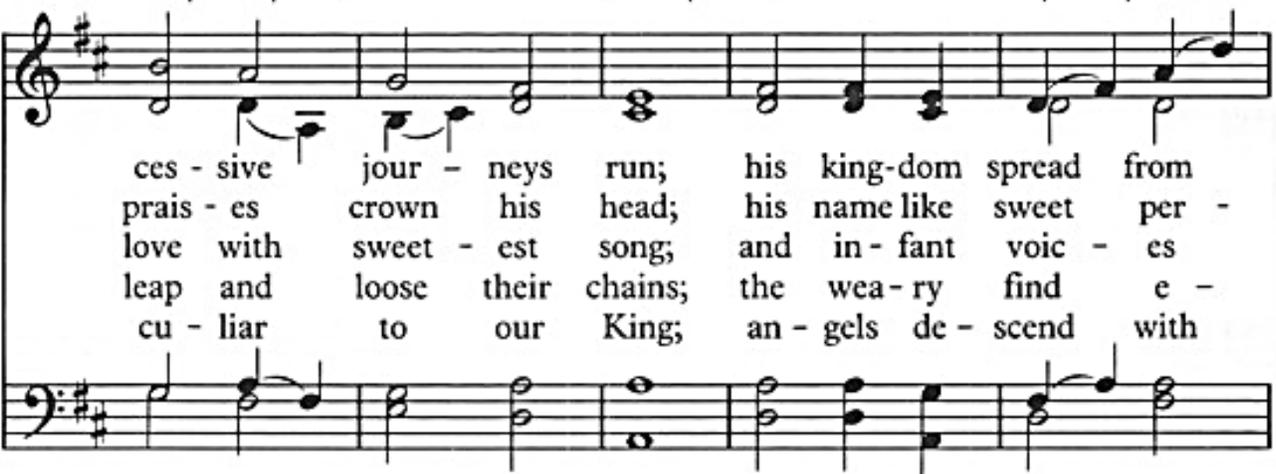
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# Jesus Shall Reign

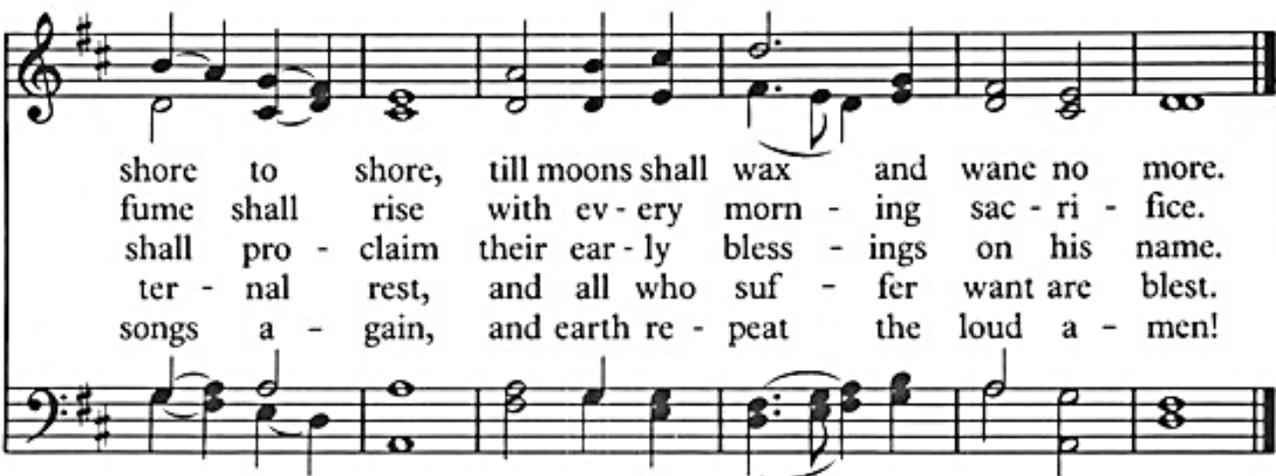
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1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
2. To Je - sus end - less prayer be made, and end - less  
3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; all pris - oners  
5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom spread from  
prais - es crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
leap and loose their chains; the wea - ry find e -  
cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1719 (Ps. 72)  
MUSIC: John Hatton, 1793

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# Jesus Calls Us

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1. Je - sus calls us o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2. As of old the a - pos - tles heard it by the  
 3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 4. In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 5. Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in  
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to



sweet voice sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me!"  
 toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more!"  
 cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these!"  
 thine o - be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.



WORDS: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852 (Mt. 4:18-22)  
 MUSIC: William H. Jude, 1874

GALILEE  
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## Blessed Assurance

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine!  
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light,  
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest;

O what a fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine!  
 vi - sions of rap - ture now burst on my sight;  
 I in my Sav - ior am hap - py and blest,

Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,  
 an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove  
 watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.  
 ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.  
 filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1873  
 MUSIC: Phoebe P. Knapp, 1873

ASSURANCE  
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*Refrain*

This is my sto - ry, this is my song,

prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long;

this is my sto - ry, this is my song,

prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

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## Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

WORDS: Daniel Iverson, 1926; adapt. (Acts 11:15)  
 MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

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