

Livingstone Parish Church
Sunday 19th June 2022
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Hymn 1 CH3 68

Thou art before me, Lord, thou art behind,

And thou above me hast spread out thy hand;
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
Too high to grasp, too great to understand.

Then whither from thy Spirit shall I go,
And whither from thy presence shall I flee?
If I ascend to heaven thou art there,
And in the lowest depths I meet with thee.

If I should take my flight into the dawn,
If I should dwell on ocean's farthest shore,
Thy mighty hand would rest upon me still,
And thy right hand would guard me evermore.

If I should say 'Darkness will cover me,
And I shall hide within the veil of night',
Surely the darkness is not dark to thee,
The night is as the day, the darkness light.

Search me, O God, search me and know my heart,
Try me, O God, my mind and spirit try;
Keep me from any path that gives thee pain,
And lead me in the everlasting way.

Ian Robertson Pitt-Watson (1923-1995)
From the New English Bible version of
Psalm 139

Hymn 2 JP 139 (Sing Twice)

Jesus' love is very wonderful,

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O wonderful love!
So high, you can't get over it,
So low, you can't get under it,
So wide, you can't get round it,
O wonderful love!

H. W. Rattle

Hymn 3 CH4 532

Lord, you have come to the seashore,
neither searching for the rich nor the wise,
desiring only that I should follow.

*O Lord, with your eyes set upon me,
gently smiling, you have spoken my name.
All I longed for, I have found by the water,
at your side, I will seek other shores.*

Lord, see my goods, my possessions;
in my boat you find no power, no wealth.
Will you accept, then, my nets and labour?

O Lord, with your eyes set upon me...

Lord, take my hands, and direct them.
Help me spend myself in seeking the lost,
returning love for the love you gave me.

O Lord, with your eyes set upon me...

Lord, as I drift on the waters,
be the resting-place of my restless heart,
my life's companion, my friend and refuge.

O Lord, with your eyes set upon me...

Cesáreo Gabaráin (1936-1991)

Hymn 4 CH4 509

Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult

of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his voice is sounding,
saying, 'Christian, follow me'.

As, of old, St Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home, and toil, and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
'Christian, love me more than these'.

Jesus calls us! By your mercy,
Saviour, make us hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all.

*Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Hymn 5 CH4 644

O Jesus, I have promised

to serve thee to the end;
be now and always near me,
my master and my friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if you will be my guide.

Oh, let me feel you near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw still nearer
and shield my soul from sin.

Oh, let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
Oh, speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
true guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, you have promised
to all who follow you,
that where you are in glory
your servant shall be too;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end:
now give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

*John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)

Exeunt CH4 787 (Sing Twice)

May the Lord, mighty God,

bless and keep you for ever;
grant you peace, perfect peace,
courage in every endeavour.

Lift up your eyes and see his face
and his grace for ever;
may the Lord, mighty God,
bless and keep you for ever.

Aaronic Blessing
From *Numbers 6:24*

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