

**Livingstone Parish Church**  
**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**  
**Rev. Everisto Musedza**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Hymn 1 CH4 493**

*It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord,  
Standing in the need of prayer.  
It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer.*

Not my mother or my father, but it's me,  
O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer;  
not my mother or my father, but it's me, O  
Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer.  
*It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord...*

Not my brother or my sister, but it's me, O  
Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer;  
not my brother or my sister, but it's me, O  
Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer.  
*It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord...*

Not the stranger or the neighbour, but it's  
me, O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer;  
not the stranger or the neighbour, but it's  
me, O Lord,  
standing in the need of prayer.  
*It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord...*

African-American Spiritual

**Hymn 2 CH4 348**

**Praise the One who breaks the  
darkness**

with a liberating light.  
Praise the One who frees the prisoners  
turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,  
curing every dread disease,  
calming storms, and feeding thousands  
with the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children  
with a strong yet gentle word.  
Praise the One who drove out demons  
with a piercing, two-edged sword.  
Praise the One who brings cool water  
to the desert's burning sand;  
from this well comes living water,  
quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate,  
Christ, who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose for many  
that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness,  
seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory.  
Praise the One who makes us one.

Rusty Edwards (b. 1955)

**Hymn 3 CH4 503**

**I will offer up my life in spirit and  
truth**

pouring out the oil of love as my worship  
to you.  
In surrender I must give my every part;  
Lord, receive the sacrifice of a broken  
heart.  
*Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring  
to so faithful a friend, to so loving a king?  
Saviour, what can be said? What can be  
sung  
as a praise of your name for the things  
you have done?  
Oh, my words could not tell, not even in  
part,  
of the debt of love that is owed by this  
thankful heart.*

You deserve my every breath, for you've  
paid the great cost;  
giving up your life to death, even death on  
a cross.  
You took all my shame away, there  
defeated my sin,  
opened up the gates of heaven and have  
beckoned me in.  
*Jesus, what can I give...*

What can I give?  
What can I bring?  
What can I sing as an offering Lord?

What can I give?  
What can I bring?  
What can I sing as an offering Lord?

I will offer up my life...  
*Jesus, what can I give...*

Matt Redman

**Hymn 4 CH4 547**

**What a friend we have in Jesus,**  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,  
oh, what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations,  
is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful,  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Jesus is our only refuge:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield you;  
you will find a solace there.

Joseph Scriven (1819-1886)

**Hymn 5 CH4 153**

**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 for ever wilt be.

*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 seed-time and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars  
in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness,  
mercy, and love.

*Great is thy faithfulness...*

Pardon for sin  
and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today  
and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand  
beside.

*Great is thy faithfulness...*

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)

**Exeunt**

*(Sing Twice)*

**May the peace of the Lord Christ go  
with you,**

wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness,  
protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing  
at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing  
once again into our doors.

(Celtic Daily Prayer)

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