

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Common Prayer (*unison*)

**Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you, not with our lips only,
but with our whole lives.
turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days
into a living sacrifice to you;
through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Announcement

Prayers of the People, & the Lord's Prayer

"Spirit of the Living God"

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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.

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.

*Hymn

"Jesus Loves Me"

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Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me."
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (where?)
Down in my heart, (where?) down in my heart!
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (where?)
Down in my heart to stay.

And I'm so happy, so very happy,
I've got the hoy of Jesus in my heart.
And I'm so happy, so very happy,
I've got the hoy of Jesus in my heart.

I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart. (Where?)
Down in my heart, (where?), down in my heart!
I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart (Where?)
Down in my heart to stay!

And I'm so happy, so very happy,
I've got the hoy of Jesus in my heart.
And I'm so happy, so very happy,
I've got the hoy of Jesus in my heart.

The Children's Mini Harvest

Praise, O Praise, My God and King

Praise, O praise, my God and King.
Hymns of adoration, sing;
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful, ever sure ...

Alleluia, Alleluia!
King of Kings and Lord of Lords!
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful ever sure...

We Will Celebrate Our God

We will celebrate our God!...
Let his banner be raised, let his glory be seen.
We will celebrate our God!...

Me yi N'aye (I Will Praise Him) *Feel free to sing in either language*

Me yi n'aye, Me yi Nyamea' ye...
Me yi Nyamea' ye, Halleluyah, Halleluyah, Halleluyah ...

English:

I will praise God, I will praise my God...
I will praise my God, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah...

The Offering

Offertory

Suo Mo Muo (Hold on to me)

Emmanuel K. B. Attah

Hold on to me, Father, hold on to me always
Hold on to me, my Lord, hold on to me always
When I am with you, I am victorious. I owe my success to you.
So, give me patience, blessings and love. Hold on to me.
My Lord, hold on to me always.

*Doxology

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Passing of Peace

“Shalom”

Mensah Essilfie

God’s peace be unto you,
We wish you Shalom!
The peace of God which transcends all
understanding be with you forevermore.

*Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Message

*Hymn

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

UMH 399

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

*Benediction

Postlude

"Ye Holy Angels Bright"

Franklin Ritter
Tune: DARWALL's 148th

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