

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025

Order of Worship: Holy Communion, Setting Four

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PRELUDE & BELLS *We observe a moment of silence for prayer and meditation.*

WELCOME

Blessed be the Kingdom...now and forever **and unto ages of ages. Amen.**

We stand **OPENING HYMN**

#812

“Faith of Our Fathers”

vv1-2

✠BRIEF RITE FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS OF SINS✠

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection and personal confession.

1John 1:8-9

Most merciful God... **we confess that we are born captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I forgive all your sins and you- who believe and repent- in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

✠HOLY COMMUNION✠

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

SONG OF PRAISE

“Glory to God in the Highest”

9 AM p167 Luke 2:14

5 PM see p148

Refrain **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

1 Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

2 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. *Refrain*

3 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Last refrain **Glory to God in the highest. Amen, amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Next Steps Weekly Memory Verse: JOHN 10:27
My sheep hear my voice, I know them, and they follow me.

FIRST READING: GENESIS 16:1-4, 15-16

¹⁶ Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. ² And Sarai said to Abram, "Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. ³ So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. ⁴ And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. ¹⁵ And Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. ¹⁶ Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to Abram.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

RESPONSE & MEDITATION: PSALM 119:81-88

⁸¹ My soul longs for your salvation;

I hope in your word.

⁸² **My eyes long for your promise;**

I ask, "When will you comfort me?"

⁸³ For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke,
yet I have not forgotten your statutes.

⁸⁴ **How long must your servant endure?**

When will you judge those who persecute me?

⁸⁵ The insolent have dug pitfalls for me;
they do not live according to your law.

⁸⁶ **All your commandments are sure;**

they persecute me with falsehood; help me!

⁸⁷ They have almost made an end of me on earth,
but I have not forsaken your precepts.

⁸⁸ **In your steadfast love give me life,**

that I may keep the testimonies of your mouth.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:17-31; 12:1-3

¹⁷ By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸ of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ¹⁹ He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. ²⁰ By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹ By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²² By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. ²³ By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸ By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. ²⁹ By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. ¹² Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

We stand. GOSPEL VERSE: JOHN 6:68

9AM ONLY

P151

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 12:49-56

Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁹ [Jesus said] “I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵² For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” ⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, ‘A shower is coming.’ And so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

insert

As the Deer”

m1-2

We sit. SERMON

Rev. Jared Stillions, STS

Gospel on Every Page
Evil in the Lord's Eyes

We stand. PROFESSION OF FAITH Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the + resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*means whole, entire Christi

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the Church, the world, and for one another.

A brief silence

Father, sometimes your word dismays us! We don't like to hear about divine fire, judgment, and division. Make us brave and steadfast in faith. Give us ears to rightly hear, and hearts to rightly repent. Give us grace to show the fruits of repentant faith, to your glory and for the good of your people.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Make your Church a faithful witness to your Word. When it must speak of fire, judgment, or sin, let it be honest, fearless, and humble. Help it always point to Jesus, the merciful pioneer and perfecter of our faith, and the longed-for Salvation of the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Renew the faith, increase the zeal, and strengthen the deeds of everyone in this congregation. We pray for our mission to develop fully devoted followers of Jesus; to support Solid Rock our mission in action; and that you send us adults for baptism. Cast the purifying fire of your Holy Spirit in our midst, so that all we say and do is in accordance with your Word. Use us to accomplish your will in the lives of our neighbors.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We are surrounded by a cloud of faithful witnesses, including Christians who are persecuted in this age of “tolerance and diversity.” Strengthen and encourage us by their example. Give them patient and steadfast hearts. And burn away the sin from the hearts of all who hate them, and you.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Establish your peace among all people of this world. No plan or project of ours can heal the seeds of wickedness and violence in our hearts. Thus we plead: heal, purify, guide and direct the people and the leaders of every human endeavor, in accordance with your will and for our common good.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Until your peace is established, good men and women must risk their lives to protect others. We pray for all of them. Direct their decisions and deeds, so that even places of chaos and violence may begin to know your peace. Bring them safely home, and bless their hearts and lives with that same peace.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for everyone who is afflicted by the powers of sin, suffering, and sorrow. This day we remember before you: {List}. Be their sure hope and strong deliverer. Strengthen their faith in times of trial. Bring them safely into the fellowship of those who love them and into closer communion with you.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, we commend our departed loved ones into your care. We pray especially for the families of {List}. Renew to us the promise you make to all the faithful: that “when through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply.” Keep our faith steadfast and firm in your excellent Word, until that day when you bear us in your bosom into your everlasting Kingdom, and make us stand before you with all whom you have upheld by your righteous, omnipotent hand.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers, gracious Father, offered through the power of the Spirit; and for the sake of your dear Son, grant us all that is in accordance with your merciful will, to your glory and for the good of your people. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also, with you.**

We briefly greet those in our row with the words “Peace be with you.”

We sit. OFFERING, OFFERTORY SONG & PRAYER- *Giving back to God*



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We stand #184

“Let the Vineyards”

Isaiah 5:1, Psalm 23:5, others

Let the vine- yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless- ing. Gath- er a har- vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath- er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O Lord, our God, king of the universe. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary . . . and join their unending hymn:

5PM SPOKEN

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

You are indeed holy...

In the night in which he was betrayed, ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

All honor and glory are yours...now and forever. **Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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 and ever. Amen.

We sit. INVITATION TO COMMUNION

As often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ present and received in, with, and under the bread and wine. All who are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit and who believe the Lord's words "This is my body given for you" and "This is my blood poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins" may receive Communion. Young children, not yet receiving Communion, may receive a blessing.

(Matt 26:26ff, Mark 14:22ff, Luke 22:19ff, 1 Cor. 11:24ff)

Communion administration occurs in a continuous fashion at the Communion rail. The ushers will guide you to the rail. To receive the elements, extend your hand, palm up, to the ministers. White grape juice is available in the center of the trays. For those unable to consume either bread or wine, the Church affirms the Lord's full presence in each element alone. Once you have received the elements, return to your seat by the side aisles. If you do not desire to receive Holy Communion, you may remain seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMN

#195

"Lamb of God"

John 1:29

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Lamb of God" on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace." The score ends with a double bar line.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

We stand POST-COMMUNION BLESSING, SONG, & PRAYER
 May the true body and blood...keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

#313

“O Lord, Now Let Your Servant”

9AM only



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
 2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
 till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
 till rap - tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin - ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 where Christ, the bless - ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

Text: Ernest E. Ryden, 1886–1981, alt., based on the Nunc dimittis

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN:

#715

“Christ, Be Our Light”

vv1-2

Go in peace; serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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Our mission is Christ's mission – "I will build my church"
by developing fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

*****COFFEE TIME IS OPEN FOR THESE DATES IN AUGUST: 17, 24, & 31*****

Sympathy & prayers for the family of Helen Gerner (*Stephanie Foeh's mom*). Her funeral will be on Wednesday, Aug 20, 10:00 am at the Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church in Moravia. Visitation is Tuesday, Aug 19 from 5:00 pm -7:00 pm at Smith Funeral Home in Moulton, with a Rosary at 7:00 pm.

TODAY First Day of Christian Learning (*pk3-12th grade*) & Bible Sunday for Prek3, 2nd grade, & 5th grade

TODAY A Celebration of Life for Jerry Bonewald will take place on Sunday, August 17th from 2PM-5PM at Blases Hall in Hallettsville, TX. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Wednesday, Aug 20th Confirmation Meeting: This meeting is for ALL parents & youth entering 5th grade and continuing Confirmands. (*Fellowship Hall*)

Wednesday, Aug 27th Confirmation Class Begins 6:00 pm -8:00 pm

MANNA FOOD PANTRY DRIVE: This Project of the Social Ministry Committee has wonderfully been responded to by St. Peter members! Thank you to all who have donated so far, and we will keep this drive going **through October** as they are in desperate need of cereals & juices. Let's keep filling up the tubs as we share our gifts to minister to those in need.

OFFERING YTD (Jan-July '25) \$181,416.74; EXPENSES \$187,452.12

DIFFERENCE +/- -\$6,035.38 (*due to yearly insurance payment*)

This Weekend Aug 17

Sunday AM: *Assisting:* Sophie Teltschik

Communion Set Up: Susan Brandenberger

Communion Clean Up: Karen Satterly

Organist: Denise Drozd

Ushers: Tommy Brandenberger, Jerome Kanak, & Warren Grindeland

Acolytes: Sylas Stacy & Cole Kocian

Power Point Sunday: Sharyn Sullivan

Altar Flowers given by: John & Cheryl Draper in celebration of our Wedding Anniversary

Radio Ministry given by: John & Cheryl Draper in celebration of our Wedding Anniversary

Sunday PM: *Assisting:* Elizabeth Carlson

Communion Clean Up: Judy Winfield

Attendance for Sunday, Aug 10: 9AM 112/4PM 7

This Week @ St. Peter

Sun Aug 17, 9:00 am Worship Service, 10:00 am Coffee Time, 10:20 am Bible Sunday, 10:30 am Adult/Youth Christian Learning, 3:00 pm Nursing Home, 4:00 pm Worship Service
Mon Aug 18, 1:00 pm Quilting, 6:00 pm Men & Women in Mission Meeting
Tue Aug 19, 7:00 pm Prayer Group
Wed Aug 20, 6:00 pm Confirmation Parent/Youth meeting
Thu Aug 21, 6:00 pm Solid Rock Board Meeting, 7:30 pm AA/Al-Anon
Sun Aug 24, 9:00 am Worship Service, 10:00 am Coffee Time, 10:30 am Youth Christian Learning *only*, 4:00 pm Worship Service

Our Prayer List:— *Requests listed 4 weeks under **Concerns** For unless otherwise requested.*

Sandy Doty, Jennifer Conaway, Mark Lester, Julie Tanner, Anthony Hotz, Mike Brown, Ted Goranson, Maria Alvarado, James Evans, Noreen Kurth, James Kubecka, Jerry Bonewald, Beth Laqua, Marvin Huser, Will Pence, Rose Dueitt, Janie Andrews, Steve Kossa, Edward Robles, Becky Berger, Edita Rybak, Ruby Young, Keith Ethridge, Abraham Soloria, Jimmy Gutierrez III, Betty Clark, Mary & Leroy Schroeder,

Extended concerns: *Requests listed 9 months unless otherwise requested.*

Ky Lange, Pauline Karl, Gracie Isbell, Jim Brandt, Edmund Koerth, Barbara Tackett, Charlotte Hartmann, Melissa Grice, Michael Drozd, Jeffrey Morgenroth, Charlie Garmon, Carrie Besetsny, DeWayne Dixon, James Evans, Pr. John Schmidt & family (*Missionary in Ghana, Belize, & Pakistan*)

Other Concerns: first responders (*military, law enforcement, firefighter, medical*), Safe House Church (*Hallettsville*); San Miguel (*Ft. Worth*) and Houston Oromo Lutheran Churches, President Trump, & our country

Grieving Families of: Helen Gertner, Billy Wimberly, Mary Poppert, Bo Haus, Brayden Robertson, Jerry Bonewald, Travis Schely, Melissa Beck, Pete Trlicek, Oleen Covey, Billie Jean Mayes, Barbara Lundy

Serving Next Weekend: Aug 24

Sunday AM: *Assisting:* Cheryl Draper

Communion Set Up: Cheryl Draper

Communion Clean Up: Karen Satterly

Organist: Denise Drozd

Ushers: Tommy Brandenberger, Jerome Kanak, & Warren Grindeland

Acolytes: Julie & Clay Henke

Power Point Sunday: Judy Drozd

Altar Flowers given by: JoBeth Tieken in memory of Carl Tieken

Radio Ministry given by: Karen Renger in celebration of Harvey Renger's 80th Birthday

Sunday PM: *Assisting:* Aileen Peck

Communion Clean Up: Aileen Peck

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 22:1-19; Psalm 131; Hebrews 13:1-17; Luke 14:1-14

SAVE THE DATES IN SEPTEMBER:

Monday, Sept 1 Happy Labor Day! Church Office Closed

Tuesday, Sept 2 Benevolence Meeting @5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Sept 3 Back to School Blessing @ Brahma Stadium 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Sept 10 Faith Family Formation Night *Returns* 6:00 pm -7:30 pm

Wednesday, Sept 17 Forgiveness & Healing Service 6:00 pm

Openings for Radio: Sept 21, Oct 26; Nov 2, 16, 23, 30; Dec 14, 28

Openings for Flowers: Oct 19, 26; Nov 9, 16; Dec 14

CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS 8/11/25

- Approved sign to designate where Fellowship Hall is located - to be placed on the playground fence.
- Approved updated signage for Church sign on second street (Vinyl cover)
- Moved Council meeting date in November to the 3rd
- Approved Safe House Church to have drive thru meal fundraiser on Sept 24th.
- Approved Amanda Serold as new church member.
- Appointed Annual Spending Plan Ad Hoc Committee.
- Approved Whitney Adey as new member of Worship Commission.

ENTRANCE HYMN (ELW) *Faith of Our Fathers* (ELW 812)

Text by Frederick W. Faber; Music by James G. Walton

1 Faith of our fathers, living still
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
whene'er we hear that glorious word.

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
we will be true to thee till death.

2 The martyrs, chained in prisons dark,
were still in heart and conscience free;
and blest would be their children's fate
if they, like them, should die for thee. *Refrain*

HYMN OF THE DAY "As the Deer"

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1984 Universal Music - Brentwood Benson Publishing
Text & Music by Martin Nystrom

1 As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

Refrain

You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

2 You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything. *Refrain*

CLOSING HYMN (ELW) *Christ, Be Our Light* (ELW 715)

Text & Music by Bernadette Farrell

1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*