

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
 5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
 heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
 wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
 all to me; All my wants to Him are known,
 and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the
 Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.
 need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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Opening Versicles

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- L** O Lord, open my lips,
 - C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.
 - L** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
 - C** make haste to help me, O Lord.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Psalm

Psalm 103:1–13

- ¹Bless the LORD, | O my soul,*
 and all that is within me,
 bless his | holy name!
- ²Bless the LORD, | O my soul,*
 and forget not all his | benefits,
- ³who forgives all your in- | iquity,*
 who heals all your dis- | eases,
- ⁴who redeems your life | from the pit,*
 who crowns you with steadfast love and | mercy,
- ⁵who satisfies | you with good*
 so that your youth is renewed like the | eagle's.
- ⁶The LORD works | righteousness*
 and justice for all who | are oppressed.
- ⁷He made known his ways to | Moses,*
 his acts to the people of | Israel.
- ⁸The LORD is merciful and | gracious,*

slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.
⁹He will not | always chide,*
nor will he keep his anger for- | ever.
¹⁰He does not deal with us according | to our sins,*
nor repay us according to our in- | iquities.
¹¹For as high as the heavens are a- | bove the earth,*
so great is his steadfast love toward those who | fear him;
¹²as far as the east is | from the west,*
so far does he remove our transgres- | sions from us.
¹³As a father shows compassion to his | children,*
so the LORD shows compassion to those who | fear him.

Old Testament

Micah 7:18–20

¹⁸Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity
and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance?
He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.
¹⁹He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities under foot.
You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.
²⁰You will show faithfulness to Jacob
and steadfast love to Abraham,
as you have sworn to our fathers
from the days of old.

Epistle

1 Peter 5:6–11

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you,
⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary
the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith,
knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.
¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in
Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the dominion forever and
ever. Amen.

Reading

Luke 15:11–32

¹¹[Jesus said:] “There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father,
give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. ¹³Not many
days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered
his property in reckless living. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country,
and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who
sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no
one gave him anything.
¹⁷“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough
bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have
sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your
hired servants.”’” ²⁰And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw
him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹And the son said to him, ‘Father, I
have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ ²²But the father
said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on
his feet. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For this my son was dead, and
is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

²⁵“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ ²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ ³¹And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Sermon

709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
 love He sought me And on His shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;
 And, oh, what transport of delight
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
 Within Thy house forever!

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Kyrie

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- L** O Lord,
- C** have mercy.
- L** O Christ,
- C** have mercy.
- L** O Lord,
- C** have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

Apostles' Creed

C 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, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Versicles

L Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C let my cry come to You.
L In the day of my trouble I call upon You,
C for You answer me.
L Hide Your face from my sins,
C and blot out all my iniquities.
L Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C and renew a right spirit within me.
L Cast me not away from Your presence,
C and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
L Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C and uphold me with a willing spirit.
L Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
C my lips will praise You.
L For You have been my help,
C and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
L Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
C unite my heart to fear Your name.

- L** I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
- C** **and I will glorify Your name forever.**
- L** May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
- C** **May those who love Your salvation say evermore, “God is great!”**
- L** Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
- C** **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**
- L** Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
- C** **listen to my plea for grace.**

Collect of the Day

- C** **O God, the protector of all who trust in You, without whom nothing is strong and nothing is holy, multiply Your mercy on us that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

Benedicamus

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- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Blessing

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- L** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
- C** **Amen.**

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