

Who is God...

...when we find hope?

July 17, 2016

Who Is God...(A Series on Job)

July 24...in this vast universe?

July 31...when our expectations are shattered?

August 7...when we speak to God?



LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship on Sundays at 10:30

Gathering

Music to Prepare Us for Worship

Gathering Songs "I Will Rise" & "I Will Call Upon The Lord"

I Will Rise

Words and Music by
Louie Giglio, Chris Tomlin,
Jesse Reeves and Matt Maher

♩=82

VERSE 1

Em⁹ C G

1. There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.

4 D⁵ Em⁹ C G

There's an anchor for my soul— I can say, "It is well."

PRE-CHORUS

8 D G D/F#

Je - sus has o - ver-come, and the grave

11 Em⁷ C² G/B

is o - ver-whelmed; The vic - to - ry is won,

14 D^{sus} D Em⁹ C²

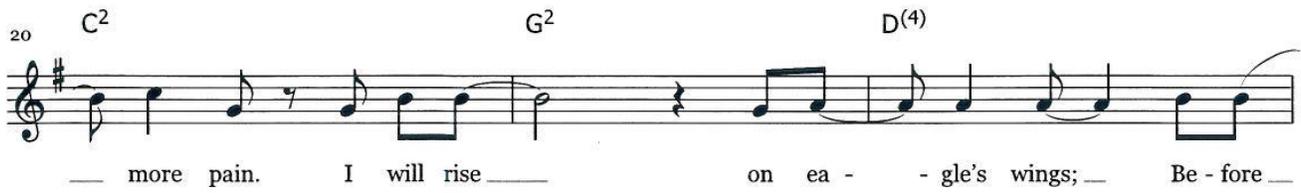
He is ris - en from the dead. And I will rise

CHORUS

17 G² D(4) Em⁹

when He calls my name; No more sor - row, no

20 C² G² D⁽⁴⁾



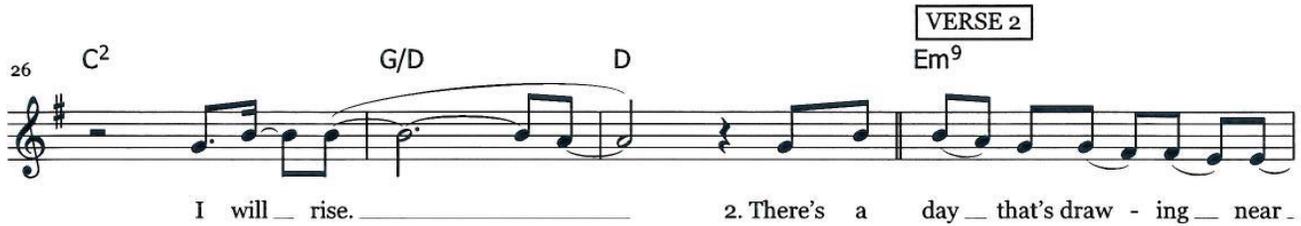
— more pain. I will rise — on ea - - gle's wings; — Be - fore —

23 Em⁹ C² G²



— my — God — fall on — my — knees, — and rise. —

26 C² G/D D Em⁹ VERSE 2



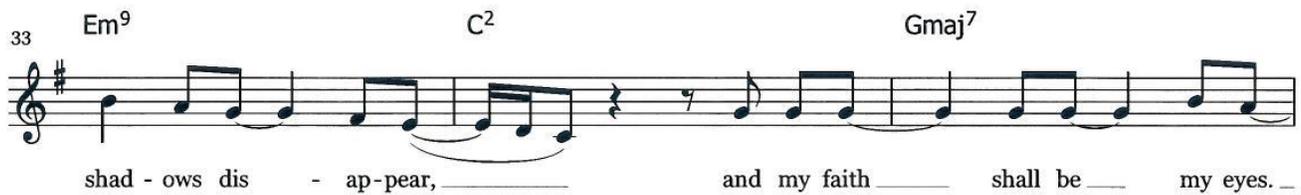
I will — rise. — 2. There's a day — that's draw - ing — near —

30 C² Gmaj⁷ D⁽⁴⁾



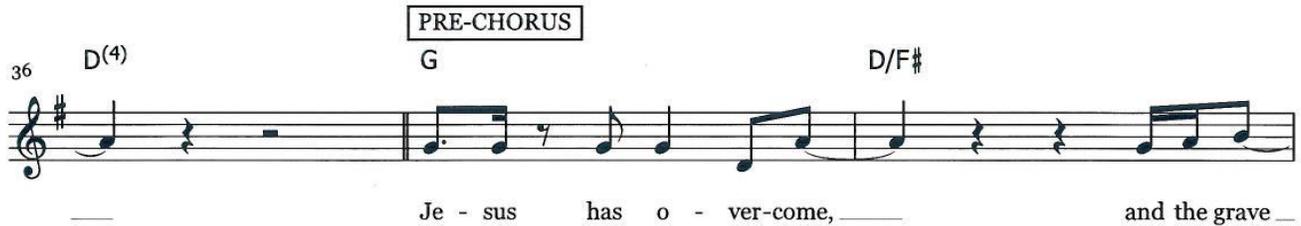
— when this dark - ness breaks — to light, — and the

33 Em⁹ C² Gmaj⁷



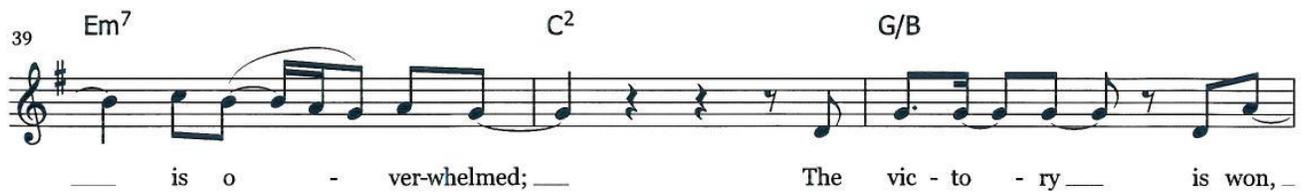
shad - ows dis - ap-pear, — and my faith — shall be — my eyes. —

36 D⁽⁴⁾ G PRE-CHORUS D/F#



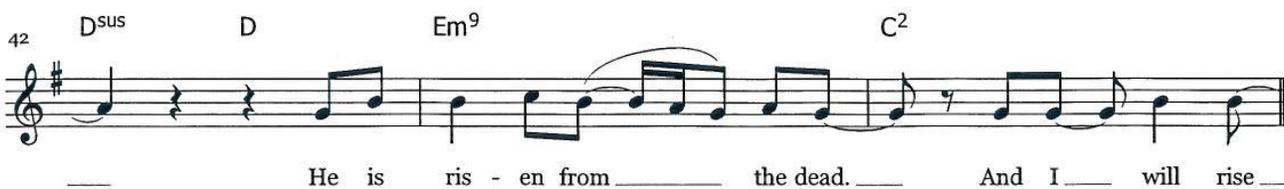
— Je - sus has o - ver-come, — and the grave —

39 Em⁷ C² G/B



— is o - ver-whelmed; — The vic - to - ry — is won, —

42 D^{sus} D Em^9 C^2



He is ris - en from the dead. And I will rise

CHORUS
76 G^2 $D^{(4)}$ Em^9



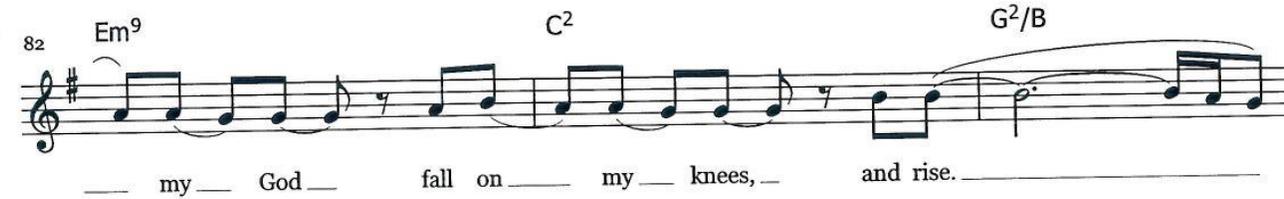
when He calls my name; No more sor - row, no

79 C^2 G^2 $D^{(4)}$



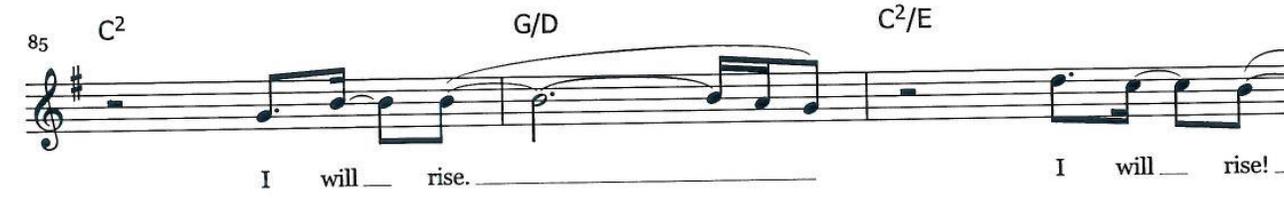
more pain. I will rise on ea - - gle's wings; Be - fore

82 Em^9 C^2 G^2/B



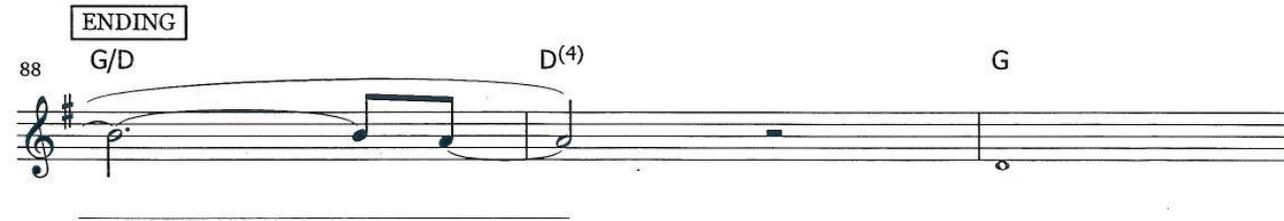
my God fall on my knees, and rise.

85 C^2 G/D C^2/E



I will rise. I will rise!

ENDING
88 G/D $D^{(4)}$ G



I Will Call Upon The Lord

Words and Music by
Michael O'Shields

$\text{♩} = 108$ **INTRO**

C F/C Cmaj⁷ F/C C F/C



VERSE 1a

4 Cmaj⁷ F/C C F/C Cmaj⁷ F/C



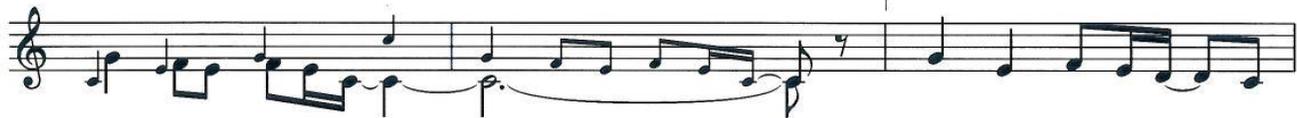
I will call up-on__ the Lord,
(I will call up-on__ the

7 C F/C Cmaj⁷ F/C C F/C



who is wor- thy to__ be praised. So shall I be
Lord) (who is wor- thy to__ be praised.)

10 Cmaj⁷ F/C C F/C 1. Cmaj⁷ F/C



saved from my en- e-mies. I will call up-on__ the
(So shall I be saved from my en- e-mies.)

13 C F/G 2. Cmaj⁷ F/C C F/G



Lord. I will call up-on__ the Lord. The Lord liv-eth and

17 F C F C G G⁷



bless-ed be__ my Rock. Let the God__ of my sal- va- tion be ex- alt - ed. The

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20 C F C F C

Lord liv-eth and bless-ed be__ my Rock. Let the God__ of my sal-va-tion be ex-

23 G⁷ C F/C C C F C

-alt - ed. The Lord liv-eth and bless-ed be__ my Rock. Let the God.

27 F C G G⁷ C

__ of my sal-va-tion be ex-alt - ed. The Lord liv-eth and

30 F C F C C G⁷ C F/G

bless-ed be__ my Rock. Let the God__ of my sal-va-tion be ex-alt - ed.

Welcome, Worship Orientation 101, Connection Cards

No Longer Strangers Prayer

Oh God who is faithful to us, **you shatter our expectations of you at every turn. Shatter the barriers between us - the misunderstandings, the assumptions, the stereotypes and the apathy. Expand our vision to see you in those we would turn away from. Show us your faithfulness in others. Amen.**

Meet Someone New

We practice being Christians by extending our hand in friendship to people we may not know very well or at all. If we can't practice it here in worship, where else can we do it? Go ahead, make the first move. "Hi, my name is _____. You're new to me." OR "Can I introduce myself to you?" are good ways to start.

Reprise of "I Will Call Upon The Lord" to gather everyone back together.

Confession (Based on the 42nd chapter of the book of Job)

In the name of God, our Father, our Mother, and of the Son our Redeemer, and of the Holy Spirit, the one who calls us to life here and now.

Amen.

Let us confess that God is God and we are not.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

In the words of Job we confess

Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Job answered God:

I'm convinced: You can do anything and everything.

Nothing and no one can upset your plans.

You asked, "Who is this muddying the water,

ignorantly confusing the issue, second-guessing my purposes?"

I admit it. I was the one. I babbled on about things far beyond me,

made small talk about wonders way over my head.

You told me, 'Listen, and let me do the talking.

Let me ask the questions. *You* give the answers.

I admit I once lived by rumors of you;

now I have it all firsthand—from my own eyes and ears!

I'm sorry—forgive me. I'll never do that again, I promise!

I'll never again live on crusts of hearsay, crumbs of rumor."

In the mercy of almighty God,

creator of this vast universe

who knows when the mountain goats give birth,

who lives in the springs of the sea,

who has walked in the recesses of the deep.

This mighty and powerful God

gave his only son, Jesus Christ, to die for us,

and for his sake

God forgives us all our sins.

I speak as Job does, I speak as any person of faith does

with the authority only Christ has.

And it is by Christ's authority,

that I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,

in the name of the Father,

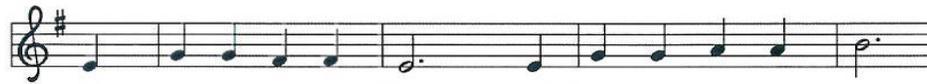
and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit is with you all.

And also with you.



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!



1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth.
 2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Gracious God, you guide us through the most difficult times of our lives. Give us hope in Christ that we, like he, will rise again. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The Word

Children's Sermon

Introduction to Job for the day: Allen Gislason

To the Narrator: please tell the congregation what their parts are before announcing the reading.

Narrator: Hear the Good News from the book of Job chapter 14, verses 7-15 and chapter 19 verses 23-27.

Pronunciation Guide: Sheol: SHEE-ohl

Job: For there is hope for a tree, if it is cut down, that it will sprout again, and that its shoots will not cease. Though its root grows old in the earth, and its stump dies in the ground, yet at the scent of water it will bud and put forth branches like a young plant. But mortals die, and are laid low; humans expire, and where are they? As waters fail from a lake, and a river wastes away and dries up, so mortals lie down and do not rise again; until the heavens are no more, they will not awake or be roused out of their sleep. Oh that you would hide me in Sheol, that you would conceal me until your wrath is past, that you would appoint me a set time, and remember me! If mortals die, will they live again? All the days of my service I would wait until my release should come. You would call, and I would answer you; you would long for the work of your hands.

Faith Story: Tanya Shorter

Sing: *You are Mine*

You Are Mine



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,
 3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.
 I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
 am the peace the world can - not give.



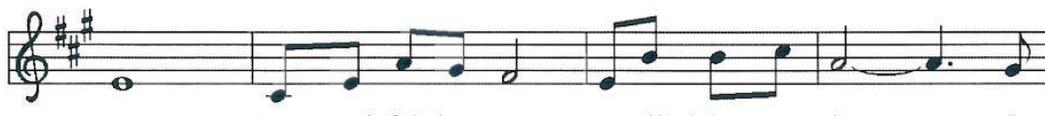
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*
 Come and rest in me. *To refrain*
 all will know my name. *To refrain*
 up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



Refrain
 Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." *To stanzas 3 and 4*

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Text: David Haas, b. 1957

Music: YOU ARE MINE, David Haas

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Narrator: [Then Job continued his prayer.]

Job: O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

Narrator: Stay tuned for the continuing drama that is our story and God's story.

Thanks be to God.

Faith Story: Terry Kempfert

Sing: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . . near,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
when my life is . . . al - most . . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall,
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

Text: George N. Allen, *The Oberlin Social and Sabbath School Hymn Book*, 1844; adapt. Thomas A. Dorsey.

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Borning Cry



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some - one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
Music: WATERLIFE, John C. Ylvisaker
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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.*

Prayers of the People

You can text your prayers or write down your prayers to be prayed aloud at this time. Text this phone: 320-552-0214. Your prayers will be prayed anonymously.

Prayers of the People will conclude with praying together the Lord's Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

You are invited to join hands with those around you in prayer. If you are not the hand-holding type, then simply fold your hands in front of you or hang onto this bulletin as you pray.

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

Offering

All that we have and all that we are comes from God. Let us give back to God in a spirit of generosity. There will be enough.

Please put your offering of gratitude to God in the plate as it passes by. Prayerfully consider giving a consistent financial gift to River of Hope so our community cannot just survive but thrive.

The watering can is for gifts to House of Grace, a mission congregation in Montrose, Minnesota.

Offering Song "Give Me Jesus" (vs. 5 and chorus)

Give Me Jesus

1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,

in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
 dark . . . mid-night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
 oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.
 and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

Refrain

Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.

You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

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The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose? We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

MILESTONES

"It's time for milestones—a time of sharing milestones in our community. Big, small, good, bad. Come on up if you have one to share."

After each person shares their milestone, the congregation responds by saying "MILESTONE!"

There is a Balm in Gilbead will be sung at the beginning and end of the sharing.

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;

there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

Blessing

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us.

So be swift to love,

make haste to be kind,

and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Amen

Sending Song "My Redeemer Lives"

KIDS – come play a rhythm instrument!

My Redeemer Lives

Words and Music by
Reuben Morgan

♩ = 138 **VERSE**

E⁷ A⁷ E⁷



I know He res-cued my soul, — His blood has
My shame He's tak - en a - way, — my pain is

4 A⁷ E⁷ A⁷ E⁷



cov-ered my sin. — I be-lieve, — I be-lieve; —
healed in His name. — I be-lieve, — I be-lieve. —

PRE-CHORUS

8 A⁷ B^{SUS} A⁵



I'll raise a ban - - ner, 'cause my Lord has

§ **CHORUS**

12 B^{SUS} B E A



con- quered the grave. — My Re - deem - er lives, — my Re -

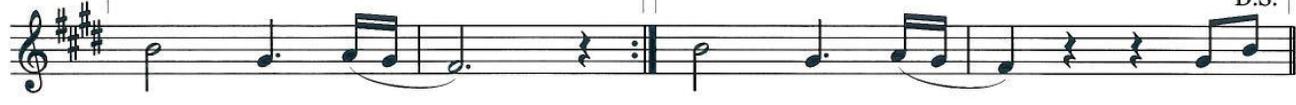
Last time to Coda ⊕

15 C#m⁷ B^{SUS} E A



-deem - er lives; — My Re - deem - er lives, — my Re -

19 1. C#m⁷ B^{SUS} 2. C#m⁷ B^{SUS} D.S.



-deem - er lives. — deem - er lives. — My Re -

23 3. C#m7 B^{sus} BRIDGE D

deem - er lives. _____ You lift my bur - - dens,

27 A/C# E/B

I'll rise with You; _____ I'm danc - ing on _____ this moun -

30 F#m7 E/G# B^{sus} B D.S. al Coda

- tain - top _____ to see Your king - dom come. _____ My Re -

34 Coda C#m7 B E

deem - er lives. _____

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

Music to Send You Out

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