



God's Promise to David  
*Reformation Sunday*  
October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
Sunday Worship at 10:30am



**Call to Worship**

One: Holy worship, holy word.

**All: Blessed be God's house!**

One: Place of prayer; singing temple.

**All: Blessed be God's house!**

One: Let us bring our praises here.

**All: Blessed be God's house!**

Gathering Songs – Seek Ye First & Better is One Day

# Seek Ye First

Words and Music by  
Karen Lafferty

♩ = 120

## VERSE

C C<sup>sus</sup> Em F C F



1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God and His  
2. We shall not live by bread a - lone but by  
3. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, seek and

6 C Dm<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup> C C<sup>sus</sup> Em Em<sup>7</sup>



right - eous - ness, and all these things shall be  
ev - 'ry word that pro - ceeds from the  
ye shall find, knock and the door shall be

11 F C F



add - ed un - to you - Al - le -  
mouth of God - Al - le -  
o - pened un - to you - Al - le -

14 C F/C C G<sup>7sus</sup> G<sup>7</sup> C



-lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
-lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
-lu, al - le - lu - ia!



# Better Is One Day

Words and Music by  
Matt Redman

$\text{♩} = 77$

VERSE

D<sup>5</sup>

G<sup>2</sup>



1. How love - ly is Your dwell - ing place, O Lord al - might -  
(2. One) thing I ask and I would seek: To see Your beau -

4

A<sup>sus</sup>

D<sup>5</sup>

A<sup>sus</sup>



- y. For my soul longs and e - ven faints for You.  
- ty, to find You in the place Your glo - ry dwells.

8

D<sup>5</sup>

G<sup>2</sup>



For here my heart is sat - is - fied with - in Your pres -  
One thing I ask and I would seek: To see Your beau -

12

A<sup>sus</sup>

D<sup>5</sup>

A<sup>sus</sup>



- ence. I sing be - neath the shad - ow of Your wings. \_\_\_\_\_  
- ty, to find You in the place Your glo - ry dwells. \_\_\_\_\_

CHORUS

16

G<sup>2</sup>

A<sup>sus</sup>



Bet-ter is one day in Your courts, bet-ter is one day in Your house, bet-ter is

19

G<sup>2</sup>

G/B

A<sup>sus</sup>

D/F#

G<sup>2</sup>



one day in Your courts than thou-sands else-where. — Bet-ter is one day in Your courts, bet-ter is

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22  $A^{sus}$   $G^2$  Last time to Coda  $\Phi$   $G/B$  1.  $A^{sus}$

one day in Your house, bet-ter is one day in Your courts than thou-sands else-where, \_\_\_\_ than thou-sands

25  $D^5$  2.  $A^{sus}$  **BRIDGE 1**  $Bm^7$   $A$

else-where. \_\_\_\_ 2. One else-where. \_\_\_\_ My heart and flesh cry out

29  $G^2$   $A^{sus}$   $Bm^7$   $A$   $G^2$   $A^{sus}$

for You, the liv - ing God. \_ Your Spir - it's wa - ter to my soul. \_\_\_\_\_

32  $Bm^7$   $A$   $G^2$   $D/F^\sharp$

I've tast - ed and I've seen. Come once a - gain to me. \_ I will draw near to You,

35  $Em^7$   $A^{sus}$   $G^2$   $A^{sus}$   $G^2$

I will draw near to You, \_\_\_\_ to You. \_\_\_\_

41 **BRIDGE 2**  $A^{sus}$   $G^2$   $A^{sus}$   $D/F^\sharp$

Bet - ter is one day, \_\_\_\_ bet - ter is one day, \_\_\_\_ bet - ter is

44  $G^2$   $G/B$   $A^{sus}$   $G^2$

one day \_\_\_\_ than thou - sands else-where. Bet - ter is one day, \_\_\_\_ bet - ter is



47  $A^{sus}$   $G^2$   $A^{sus}$  D.S. al Coda

one day, — bet-ter is one day — than thou -sands else-where. — Bet-ter is

50  $\Phi$  Coda  $A^{sus}$   $G^2$

else - where. —

The Story with the kids

Welcome

No Longer Strangers Prayer

Holy Spirit of God,

**You blow into our lives and send us in directions we never would have gone on our own. Send us into the lives of people we don't know, people we would call 'stranger' and reveal yourself right there to us. We are no longer strangers to each other – you make us brother and sister. Amen.**

Greeting

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe that God meets you here. We gather in the name of God the eternal Creator – Jesus Christ, God's only Son and the Holy Spirit – who is with you always... **And also with you.**

Confession and Forgiveness

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

*Silence for prayer and contemplation.*

God of all ages

**You have chosen us as your own, yet we so often live as if it were not so. We succumb to things which are not good for us. We believe we know better than you. We refuse to put our trust in your promises. Sweep away our foolishness and bring**

**us back into a trusting relationship with the one who has lovingly created us and longs to be our strength and life.**

Dear people, hear the joyful words that God has forgiven us! Our misdeeds and folly are forgotten; grace and mercy ✝ abound. Let us give thanks that we have a compassionate creator! **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God,

**Your true dwelling place is with your people. Make of us a holy temple where you may be praised and your will carried out for the sake of all, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## THE STORY

**Narrator:** Our story and God's story continues with a reading from 2 Samuel 7:1-17

**Narrator:** Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan,

**Reader 1:** See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.

**Narrator:** Nathan said to the king,

**Reader 2:** Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.

**Narrator:** But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David:

**Reader 1:** Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

**Reader 2:** I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.

**All:** But I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

**Narrator:** In accordance with all these words and with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon**

Hymn – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## Prayers of the People

Each petition will end with the words: *Lord in your mercy.*

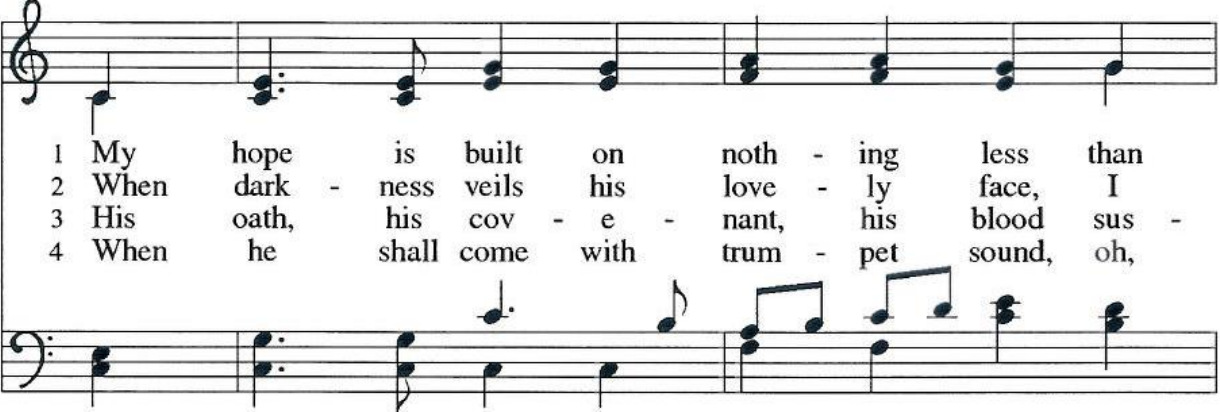
You will respond: ***Hear our prayers.***

## Offering

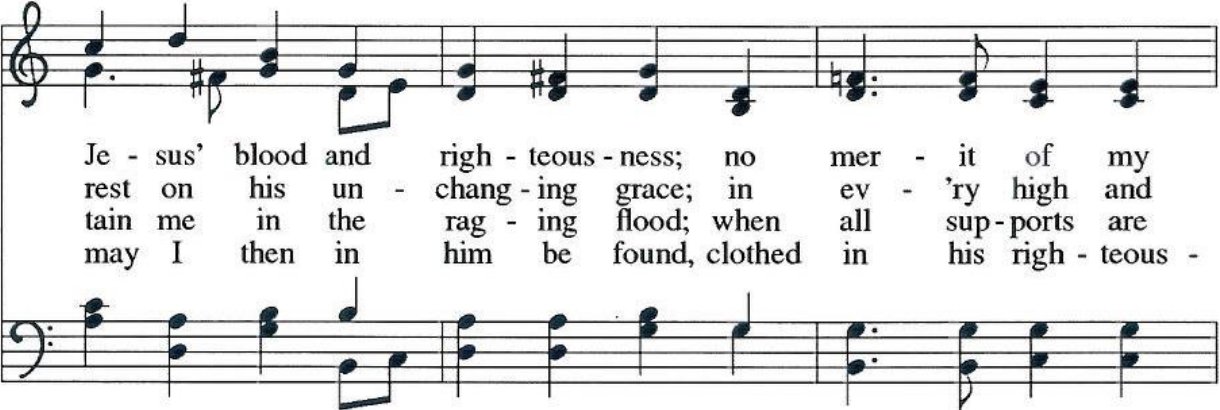
**Worship Leader:** *We are grateful for your financial gifts; it's the only way churches are churches. Set up automatic giving by going to our website, [riverofhopehutchinson.org](http://riverofhopehutchinson.org) and follow the directions to "give online".*

Offering Song- My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

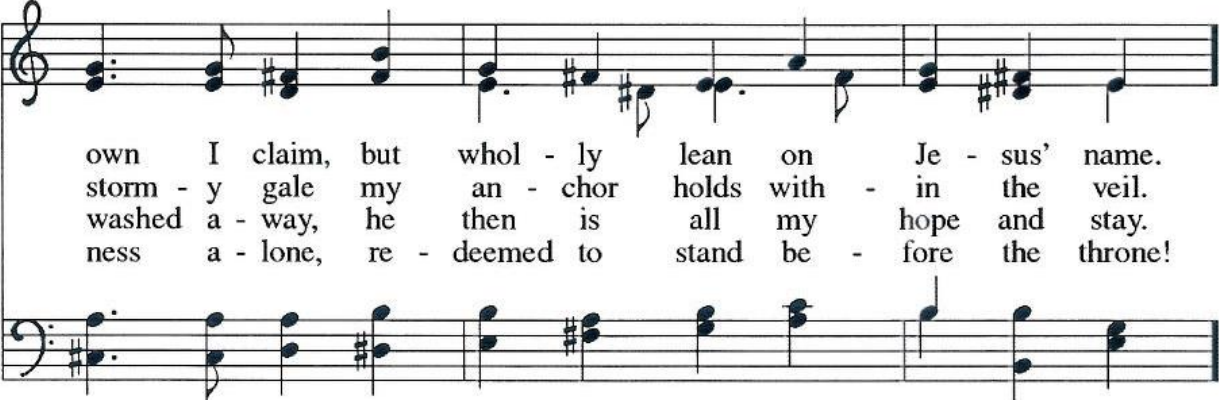
# My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than  
 2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I  
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -  
 4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,

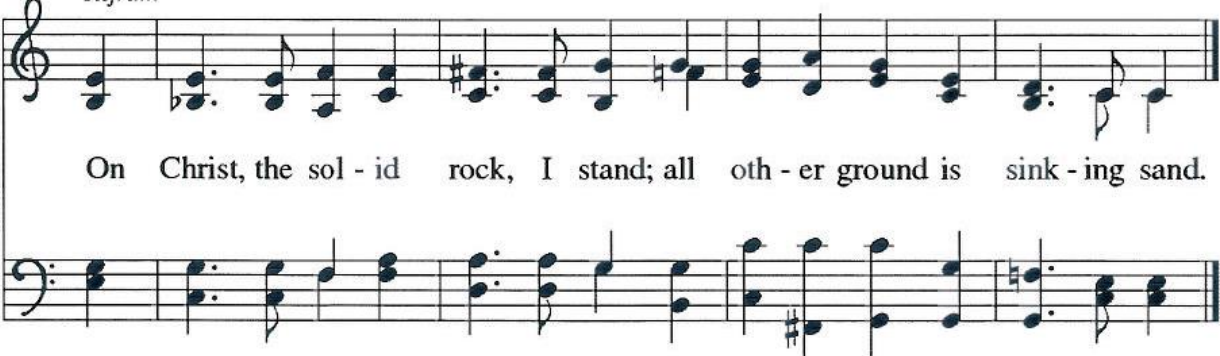


Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my  
 rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and  
 tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are  
 may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
 washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
 ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

# THE FEAST

## Setting the Table

*Children will lead us in the table prayer written by Martin Luther:*

Let's pray: **Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.**

## Invitation to Communion

You give us every good thing for food, O Lord, including yourself in the bread and cup which we share in this meal. Feed us on your goodness and mercy, that we might be living compassion to all whom we encounter.

As we gather we remember, that in the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me."

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

**Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and forever. Amen.**

**From you, through you and in you, are all things, now and always; to you be all honor and praise. Amen.**

## *Invitation to the Meal*

You are welcome to this meal. It is free and it is for you. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you.

### *Blessing after Communion*

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

### *Prayer after Communion*

Let us pray, **Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **THE SENDING**

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

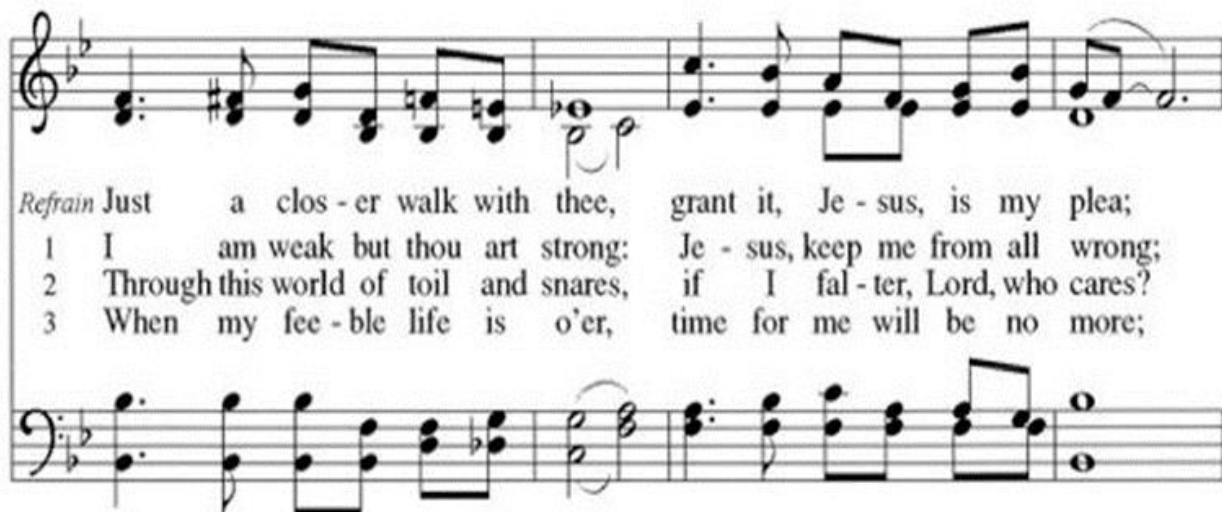
**We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.**

### *Purpose Sightings*

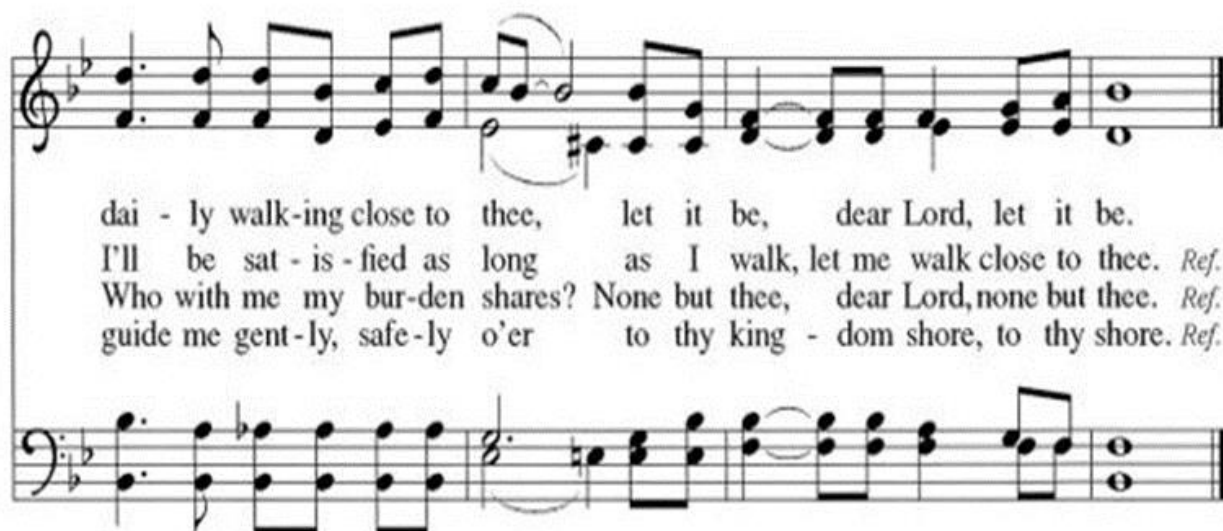
There are many opportunities to serve God and our neighbor – this is the time to lift those up!

*MILESTONES! Just A Closer Walk with Thee – Chorus Only*

## Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;  
1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;  
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?  
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.  
I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. Ref.  
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. Ref.  
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. Ref.

Text: North American traditional  
Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

### Final Blessing

May the LORD bless you and protect you. May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you. May the LORD show you his favor and give you peace.

### Sending Song – I Walk By Faith





# I Walk By Faith

Words and Music by  
Chris Falson

♩ = 128

CHORUS

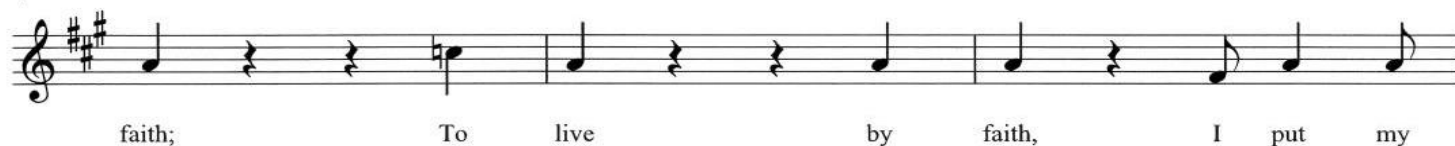
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Fine



VERSE

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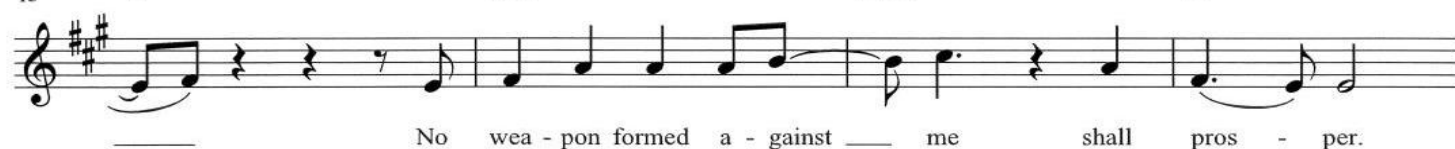
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17

E

Bm

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is a prayer \_ of faith; \_\_\_\_\_ If my God is for \_

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\_ me, who can be a - gainst \_ me? I

Go in peace – Serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God**

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