



# OUTSIDE ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 25th, 2021 10:00 am 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Rain Location: Bethel Sanctuary

\* please stand - in body or in spirit \*

## GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC .....(audio selection; music prerecorded)

PRELUDE ..... "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"  
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

WESTMINSTER CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS ..... Penny Lee, Worship Leader

## WE APPROACH GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 46) ..... Penny Lee

Leader: Nations are in an uproar, kingdoms fall. He lifts His voice, the earth melts.

People: The Lord Almighty is with us. The God of Jacob is our fortress.

Leader: Come and see the works of the Lord, the desolations he has brought on the earth.

People: He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He burns the shields with fire.

ALL: I will be exalted among the nations. Be still and know that I am God.

OPENING HYMN ..... "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest"  
(see page 3 for text & music)  
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

(please stand)

\* CALL TO CONFESSION ..... Penny Lee

\* UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ..... Penny Lee

God of mercy, our need is great. This past year has left us tired, anxious and uncertain. We are stretched beyond our limits and numbed ourselves to our pain. We have accepted getting by as good enough. We have rejected your offers of spiritual food as unrealistic and impractical. Help us, Holy God, to acknowledge and confess our need. Help us embrace your command for Sabbath rest. Help us care for ourselves so we can continue to care for others. Amen.

\* MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

(service continues)

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS.....Penny Lee

(please be seated)

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION .....Mark Wilson, Ruling Elder

SCRIPTURE READINGS .....First Reading: Matthew 6:25-34

.....Second Reading: Matthew 10:29-30

.....Third Reading: Matthew 10:38-42

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON .....*"Serenity and Sandpipers"*  
Mark Wilson, Ruling Elder

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

MUSIC OF REFLECTION .....*"Wings of a Dove"* (instrumental only)  
by Bob Ferguson  
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

(please stand)

\* STATEMENT OF FAITH - APOSTLES CREED (unison) .....Penny Lee

(please be seated)

JOYS & CONCERNS .....Penny Lee

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison) .....Mark Wilson

**SENDING**

(please stand)

\*CLOSING HYMN .....*"Joy to the World"*  
(see page 4 for text & music)  
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

\* CHARGE & BENEDICTION .....Mark Wilson

CLOSING MUSIC .....(audio selection; music prerecorded)

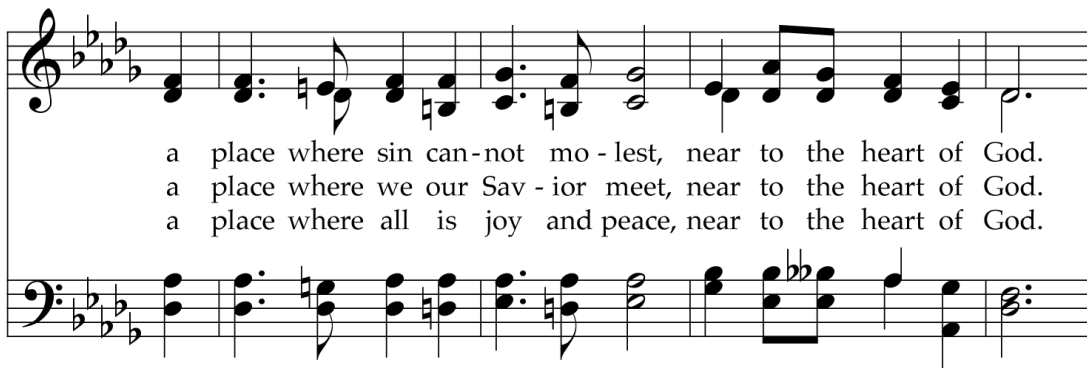
THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR WORSHIP THIS MORNING!  
HAVE A FABULOUS & BLESSED WEEK!

# There Is a Place of Quiet Rest 824

Near to the Heart of God

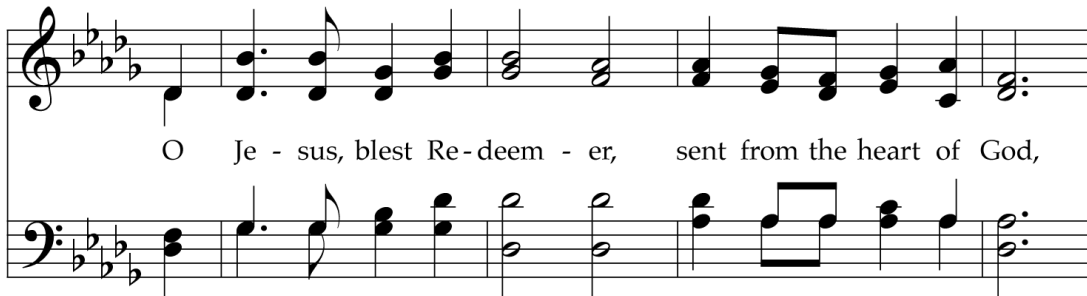


1 There is a place of qui - et rest, near to the heart of God,  
 2 There is a place of com - fort sweet, near to the heart of God,  
 3 There is a place of full re - lease, near to the heart of God,




a place where sin can - not mo - lest, near to the heart of God.  
 a place where we our Sav - ior meet, near to the heart of God.  
 a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.

*Refrain*



O Je - sus, blest Re - deem - er, sent from the heart of God,



hold us, who wait be - fore thee, near to the heart of God.

A Presbyterian campus pastor and choir director in Missouri wrote this simple but moving hymn in response to the death of two young nieces from diphtheria. By distilling such personal grief into the shared assurances of faith, these words have brought comfort to many.

# 134 Joy to the World

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive  
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their songs  
 3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest  
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na -

her king; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,  
 em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow  
 tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture  
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his  
 and heaven and na - ture sing,

and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.  
 heaven and na - ture sing,

While Isaac Watts did not write this text strictly for Christmas use, he did purposely cast his paraphrase of Psalm 98:4-9 in Christian terms, titling it "The Messiah's coming and kingdom." So "the Lord" here is Jesus Christ, rather than the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.  
 MUSIC: Attr. George Frederick Handel, 1742; arr. Lowell Mason, 1836  
 Hymn in the Public Domain CCLI 11197152

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 (alternate tune: RICHMOND, 266)