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Instrumentalists

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PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, treatment for breast cancer
Mark Detweiler, having some health issues.
Joyce Harmon, recovering from heart procedure.
Steve Nelson, Covid-19 symptoms.

CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE

Youth Parent Meeting on Zoom tonight at 7p.m.
Youth Zoom is Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.
Bible Study is Thursdays on Zoom at 7 p.m.
Youth volunteer at Casa Latina from 4-5:30 p.m. on Thursdays.
Children's Zoom the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.



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Prelude

Gathering Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

words from hymn #525, *How bless'd are they.*
Inspired by Psalm 1

How bless'd are they who, fearing God,
from sin restrain their feet,
who will not with the wicked stand,
who shun the scorner's seat.

**How bless'd are they who make God's law
their treasure and delight,
and meditate upon that word
with gladness day and night.**

Their lives are nourished like a tree
set by the river's side—
it's leaf is green, it's fruit is sure,
so all their works abide.

**The wicked, like the driven chaff,
are blown across the land.
They shall not gather with the just,
nor in the judgment stand.**

The way of sinners, far from God,
shall surely be o'er-thrown.
But God will guard the righteous well;
their way is watched and known.

Hymn *Lord, I am fondly, earnestly longing* # 514

Moment for Mission

Response *Praise God from whom* # 119

Song (120) *Holy, holy, holy!* Heber/Dykes
(Mel Purcell, solo)

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture Luke 3:1-22
Message *Dangerous Truth*

Pastoral Prayer, with the Lord's prayer

Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Hymn** *Have thine own way* # 504

*Benediction

Luke 3:1-22

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;
⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'

⁷John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

¹⁰And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" ¹¹In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." ¹²Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" ¹³He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might

be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

¹⁸So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added to them all by shutting up John in prison.

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Praise God from whom 119

OLD HUNDRETH 88. 88

A Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
B Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; in

him all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove ye
heav'n a - bove and earth be - low; one God three per - sons

heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.
we a - dore. To God be praise for - ev - er - more. A - men

514 Lord, I am fondly, earnestly

OPEN THE WELLS 10 9. 10 9 with refrain

1 Lord, I am fond - ly, ear - nest - ly long - ing in - to thy
 2 Dead to the world would I be, O Fa - ther, dead un - to
 3 I would be thine, and serve thee for - ev - er, filled with thy

ho - ly like - ness to grow, thirst - ing for more and deep - er com -
 sin, a - live un - to thee. Cru - ci - fy all the earth - ly with
 Spir - it, lost in thy love. Come to my heart, Lord, come with a -

Refrain
 mun - ion, yearn - ing thy love more ful - ly to know.
 in me, emp - tied of sin and self may I be. O - pen the
 noint - ing, show - ers of grace send down from a - bove.

wells of grace and sal - va - tion, pour the rich
 O - pen the wells of grace and sal - va - tion,

streams deep in - to my heart. Cleanse and re - fine my
 pour the rich streams deep in - to my heart. Cleanse and re - fine my
 thought and af - fec - tion, seal me and make me pure as thou art.
 thought and af - fec - tion, seal me and make me pure as thou art.

Have thine own way 504

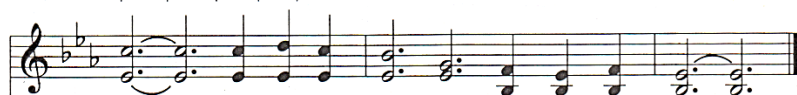
ADELAIDE 54. 54 D



1 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the
2 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Search me and
3 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Wound-ed and
4 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Hold o'er my



pot - ter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me aft - er thy
try me, Mas - ter, to - day! Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just
wea - ry, help me, I pray! Pow - er - all pow - er - sure - ly is
be - ing ab - so - lute sway! Fill with thy Spir - it till all shall



will, while I am wait - ing, yield - ed and still.
now, as in thy pres - ence hum - bly I bow.
thine! Touch me and heal me, Sav - ior di - vine!
see Christ on - ly, al - ways, liv - ing in me!



Text: Adelaide A. Pollard, *Northfield Hymnal with Alexander's Supplement*, 1907, alt.
Music: George C. Stebbins, *Northfield Hymnal with Alexander's Supplement*, 1907