

Order of Worship for Sunday, March 22, 2026

Welcome/Announcements		Pastor Tom
Lighting of the Christ Candle		Pastor Tom
* Opening Hymn	"Hope of the World" v. 1-3	UMH #178
Opening Prayer		Pastor Tom
Children's Message		Michael Sanna
Hymn of Praise	"Halle, Halle, Halleluja"	FWS #2026-b
The Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts		
Offering Music	"My Savior"	Chancel Choir
* Doxology		UMH #94
	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow.</i>	
	<i>Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia</i>	
	<i>Praise God the source of all our gifts. Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts</i>	
	<i>Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia</i>	
Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer		Pastor Tom
	<i>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. Amen.</i>	
Hymn of Preparation	"Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See"	UMH #468
Scripture Reading	John 11:1-45	Margaret Wisheart
Message	Wake Up	Pastor Tom
* Closing Hymn	"Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land"	WS #3074
* Benediction		Pastor Tom

QUESTION OF THE WEEK – March 22, 2026

How can you express your frustrations and grief to God while still maintaining faith?

John 11:1-45 - Margaret Wisehart

There was a certain man named Lazarus, who was sick. He and his sisters, Mary and Martha, were from the village of Bethany. Mary was the one who had anointed the feet of Jesus with perfume and dried his feet with her hair, and it was her brother Lazarus who was sick. The sisters sent this message to Jesus: "Rabbi, the one you love is sick." When Jesus heard this, he said, "This sickness will not end in death; it is happening for God's glory, so that God's Only Begotten may be glorified because of it." Jesus loved these three very much. Yet even after hearing that Lazarus was sick, he remained where he was staying for two more days. Finally he said to the disciples, "Let's go back to Judea."

They protested, "Rabbi, it was only recently that they tried to stone you—and you want to go back there again?" ° Jesus replied, "Aren't there twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk by day don't stumble, because they see the world bathed in light; those who go walking by night will stumble because there is no light in them."

After Jesus said this, he said to the disciples, "Our beloved Lazarus has fallen asleep. I am going to Judea to wake him." The disciples objected, "But Rabbi, if he's only asleep, he'll be fine." Jesus had been speaking about Lazarus' death, but they thought he was talking about actual sleep. So he said very plainly, "Lazarus is dead! For your sakes I am glad that I wasn't there, that you might come to believe. In any event, let us go to him."

Then Thomas, "the Twin," said to the rest, "Let's go with Jesus, so that we can die with him." When Jesus arrived in Bethany, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Since Bethany was only about two miles from Jerusalem, many people had come out to console Martha and Mary about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him, while Mary stayed at home with the mourners.

When she got to Jesus, Martha said, "If you had been here, my brother would never have died! Yet even now, I am sure that God will give you whatever you ask." "Your brother will rise again!" Jesus assured her. Martha replied, "I know he will rise again in the

resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the Resurrection, and I am Life: those who believe in me will live, even if they die; and those who are alive and believe in me will never die.

"Do you believe this?" "Yes!" Martha replied. "I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, God's Only Begotten, the One who is coming into the world." When she had said this, Martha went back and called her sister Mary. "The Teacher is here, asking for you," she whispered. As soon as Mary heard this, she got up and went to him.

Jesus hadn't gotten to the village yet. He was at the place where Martha had met him. Those who were there consoling her saw her get up quickly and followed Mary, thinking she was going to the tomb to mourn. When Mary got to Jesus, she fell at his feet and said, "If you had been here, Lazarus never would have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the other mourners as well, he was troubled in spirit, moved by the deepest emotions.

"Where have you laid him?" Jesus asked. "Come and see," they said. And Jesus wept.

The people in the crowd began to remark, "See how much he loved him!" Others said, "He made the blind person see; why couldn't he have done something to prevent Lazarus' death?" Jesus was again deeply moved. They approached the tomb, which was a cave with a stone in front of it. "Take away the stone," Jesus directed. Martha said, "Rabbi, it has been four days now. By this time there will be a stench." Jesus replied, "Didn't I assure you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So they took the stone away.

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Abba, thank you for having heard me. I know that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd, that they might believe that you sent me!"

Then Jesus called out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" And Lazarus came out of the tomb, still bound hand and foot with linen strips, his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus told the crowd, "Untie him and let him go free." Many of those who had come to console Martha and Mary, and saw what Jesus did, put their faith in him.

Hope of the World

Unison

1. Hope of the world, thou Christ of great com - pas - sion,
 2. Hope of the world, God's gift from high-est heav - en,
 3. Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4. Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
 5. Hope of the world, O Christ o'er death vic - tor - ious,

Speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent.
 bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life,
 show - ing to wan - dering souls the path of light,
 from death and dark de - spair, from sin and guilt,
 who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain,

Save us, thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 still let thy spir - it un - to us be giv - en,
 walk thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 we ren - der back the love thy mer - cy gave us;
 we would be faith - ful to thy gos - pel glo - rious;

who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 to heal earth's wounds and end all bit - ter strife.
 lure us a - way from thee to end - less night.
 take thou our lives, and use them as thou wilt.
 thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign.

WORDS: Georgia Harkness, 1954
 MUSIC: V. Earle Copes, 1963

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Halle, Halle, Halleluja

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(♩ = 76) *Feel in two*



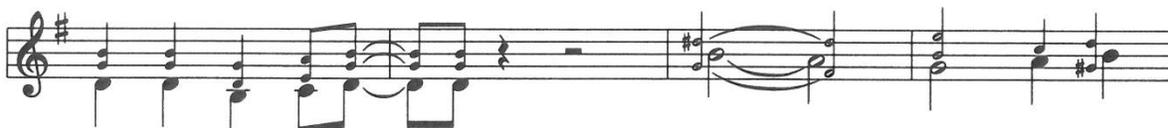
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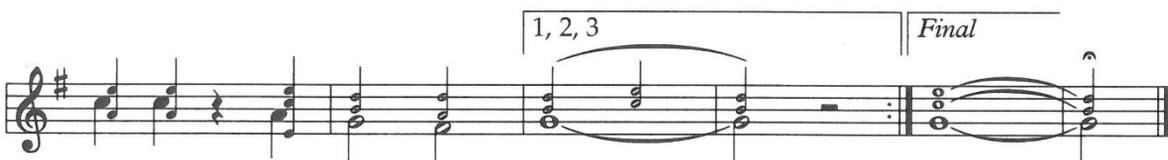
Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ja.
1. I AM the Rock of A - ges cleft for me;



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ja.
I AM the let me hide my-self in thee;



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal - le -
I AM the Rock of A - ges cleft for me; Hal - le -



lu - ja, hal - le - lu - ja. ja.
lu - ja, hal - le - lu - ja. ja.

2. I AM the Nothing in my hands I bring; I AM the Simply to thy cross I cling;
I AM the Nothing in my hands I bring; (*all*) Halleluja. *Halle*, etc.
3. I AM the Bread of Life, feed on me; I AM the One True Vine, grow in me;
I AM the Bread of Life, feed on me; (*all*) Halleluja. *Halle*, etc.
4. I AM the Resurrection, live in me; I AM the Way, the Truth, follow me;
I AM the Resurrection, live in me; (*all*) Halleluja. *Halle*, etc.

WORDS: George Mulrain, Trinidad and Tobago (John 6:35; 11:25; 14:6)

MUSIC: Caribbean folk song; arr. by Carlton R. Young

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HALLE, HALLE

Irregular

Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See 468

1. Dear Je - sus, in whose life I see all that I
2. Though what I dream and what I do in my weak

would, but fail to be, let thy clear light for -
days are al - ways two, help me, op - pressed by

ev - er shine, to shame and guide this life of mine.
things un - done, O thou whose deeds and dreams were one!

WORDS: John Hunter, 1889

MUSIC: *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774; adapt. from *Metrical Psalter*, 1855

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3074 Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land

*Refrain**All*

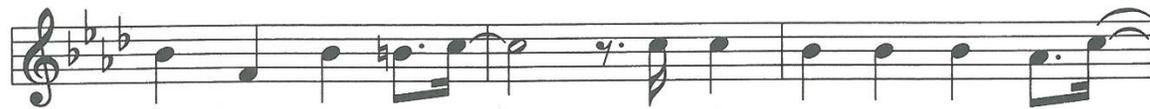
Je - sus is a rock in a wea - ry land, a wea - ry land, a



wea - ry land; my Je - sus is a rock in a

wea - ry land, a shel - ter in the time of storm. *Fine**Leader or All*

1. No one can do like Je - sus, not a
2. When Je - sus was on earth _____ the
3. — Yon - der comes my Sav - ior, him



mum - bling word he said: — he went walk - ing down to Laz -
 flesh was ver - y weak; — he took a towel and gird -
 whom I love so well; — he has the palm of vic -



a - rus' grave, and he raised him from the dead. —
 ed him - self and he washed his dis - ci - ples' feet. —
 to - ry and the key of death and hell. —

D.C.