# **Preparing Our Hearts**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

Prelude

Hearing His Call & Inviting His Presence But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

*I* will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

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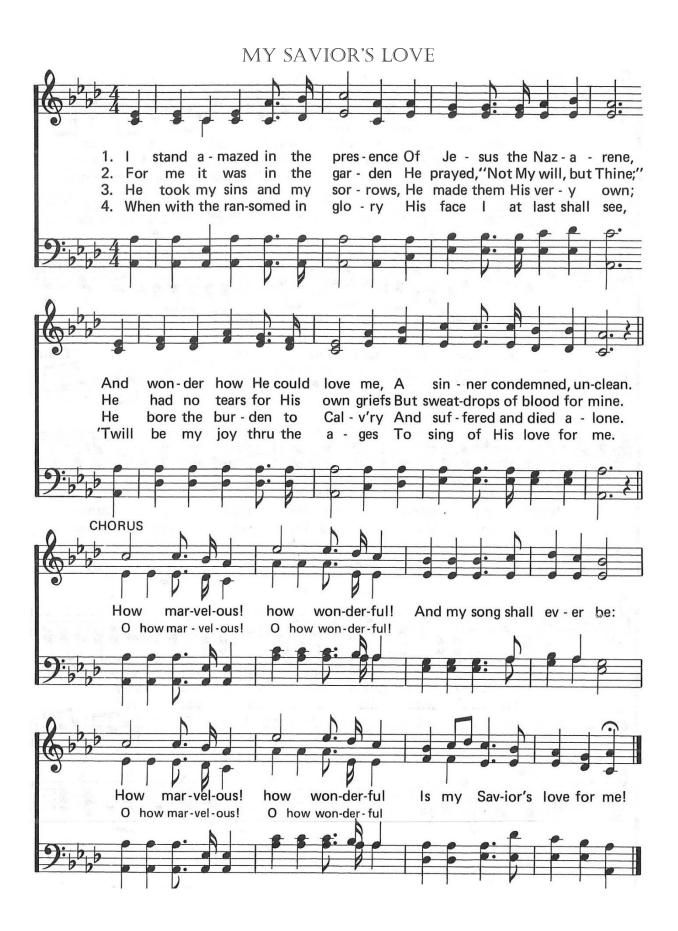
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Psalm 13:5-6





### **Scripture Reading**

1 John 4:7-19

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

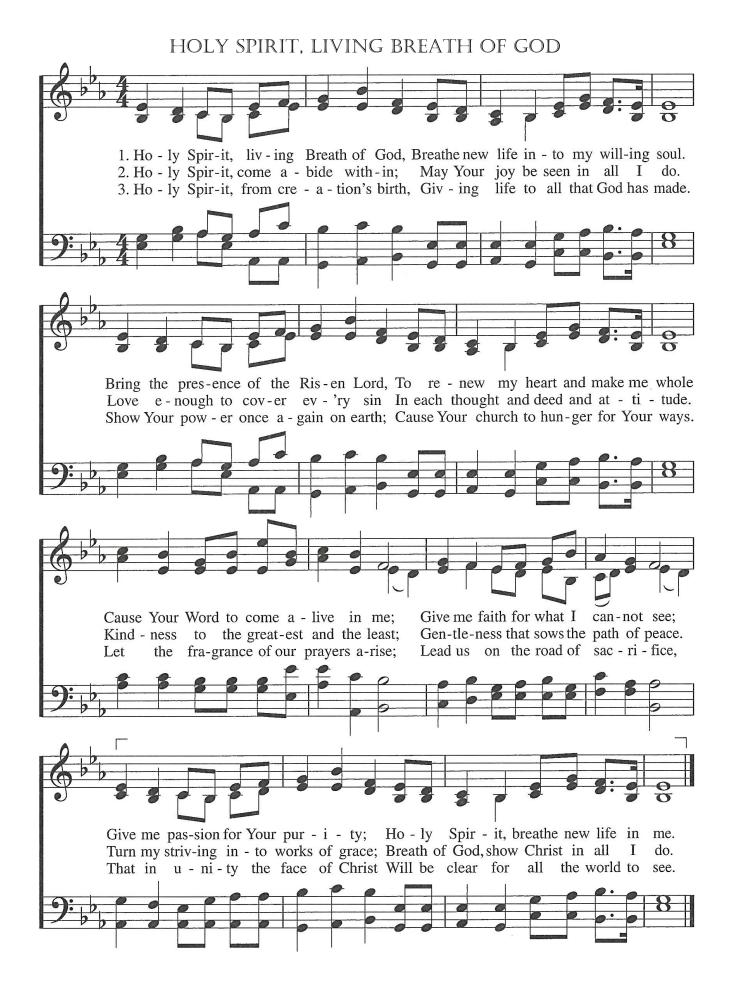
By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us.

### **Confessing Our Sin**

from a prayer by Michael W. Philliber

O God, You are love;
You have loved us before we ever loved You;
and You sent Your Son to be the propitiation for our sins
and that we might have life in Him:
We acknowledge that we have sinned against You
and our fellow Christians.
Despite Your rich love toward us,
we have not loved You with our whole heart,
and we have not loved our brothers and sisters well.
We have not often allowed Your love for us
to guide us in loving one another.
With repentant hearts we ask You, and we ask each other:
please forgive me. Amen.

Hearing Our Pardon	Psalm 103:10-12	(pg. 502)
He does not deal with us a	eccording to our sins,	
nor repay us according	to our iniquities.	
For as high as the heavens	s are above the earth,	
so great is his steadfast	love toward those who fear him;	
as far as the east is from t	he west,	
so far does he remove of	ur transgressions from us.	



# **Interceding for His People**

# Worshiping with Our Gifts

Musical Offering Love Is Patient Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, It is not proud. It is not rude, It is not self-seeking, It is not easily angered, It keeps not record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, But rejoices in the truth.

Responding with Praise Doxology

# Praying with Our Children

<b>Receiving His Word</b>	"Fruitful Love"	1 Corinthians 13:4-7	(p. 960)
	David Keithley		

Sermon Notes:



**Benediction and Postlude** 

# HCPC News & Events

# April 28-May 4

### Sunday:

Worship Service Foundations

# **Tuesday:**

**Thursday:** 

**Cottage Prayer** Session Meeting

Wednesday: **Bible Studies** 

6:30 pm

9:30 am

11:00 am

9:00 am

6:00 pm

Nat'l Day of Prayer 12:00 pm

# Next Sunday: May 5th

Sermon: "Faith, Hope, and Love" (1 Corinthians 13:8-13)

# Upcoming

May 13 Presbytery Meeting

# CELEBRATING OUR GRADS

If you have a student graduating from junior high, high school, or college, please contact Abby in the church office. We'd love to recognize their accomplishments!

# **Celebrate!**

# **Birthdays**

- 5/2**Benjamin Harding**
- Shirley Wilson 5/5
- Heidi Holda 5/9
- **Barry Adkins** 5/10
- Carolyn Turbett 5/10
- 5/18 Erin Turbett
- 5/23 Dick Holliday

# Anniversaries

- Steve & Tina Kellstadt 5/18
- 5/20 Caleb & Sarah Boyer
- 5/20 Jerry & Joyce Easley
- 5/25 Vernon & Carla Priest
- 5/28 Ben & Abby Harding
- 5/28 Collin & Marissa Sanders



# MISSIONARY

### **Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)**

Thank you for praying for and giving to CEF this month. Please continue to pray for this ministry as they begin their summer camps season. Learn more at: cefonline.com

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Next week, we will collect an offering for our May Spotlight, Youth for Christ.

# Session Meeting Tuesday

Our elders will hold their monthly meeting this Tuesday (4/30) at 6pm. If you would like to attend or have a matter of business to bring before the elders, please contact session clerk Ben Harding.

# National Day of Prayer

When: Thursday, May 2, 2024 @ noon Where: Village Hall 313 N. 1st St. Hanna City This year's theme: "Lift up the world, Light up the world"

# Children's Programs



Kids, join us on Sunday evening, May 19th for another church calendar party, this time focusing on Pentecost! We hope to see you there!

### **Youth Group** Ages 12 and up

Our youth group will start meeting on the last Sunday of the month beginning May 26th. Invite your friends (or grandchildren)!

# Vacation Bible School

Save the Date! VBS 2024 will be held July 22-26. More details coming soon!

# Prayer and Praise

Praise: Heidi Holda successful ear tube procedure.

**Prayer:** Dottie Behrens; Expectant mothers.

Our Sister Churches: Grace Fellowship Church in Freeport, IL (Pastor Justin Coverstone)

- Our Missionaries: Josh & Alica Howard with Josiah Venture in Ball Ground, GA (thehowardsinslovakia.com)
- April Missionary Spotlight: Child Evangelism Fellowship of Central Illinois (cefonline.com)
- A more comprehensive list of prayer needs goes out every week via email. Contact the church office to sign up.