

## Order of Worship for Sunday, February 22, 2026

Welcome/Announcements		Pastor Joe
Lighting of the Christ Candle		Pastor Joe
* Opening Hymn	"Holy Ground"	FWS #2272
Opening Prayer		Pastor Joe
Children's Message		Michael Sanna
Hymn of Praise	"What a Mighty God We Serve"	WS #3016
The Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts		
Offering Music	"Canticle of Renewal"	The 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 Joe
<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	"Be Still, My Soul"	UMH #534
Scripture Reading	Matthew 4:1-11	Matthew Thompson
Message	NOT Today Satan... I'll Take the Fish Sandwich! <i>A Lenten Comedy About Temptation, Barbecues, and Who We're Becoming</i>	Pastor Joe
* Closing Hymn	"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"	UMH #671
* Benediction		Pastor Joe

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK – February 22, 2026

How does Satan tempt us with shortcuts to achieve good things  
(e.g., getting ahead, having influence)?

## **Matthew 4:1-11 - Matthew Thompson**

Then Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit, to be tempted by the Devil. After fasting for forty days and forty nights, Jesus was hungry. Then the tempter approached and said, "If you are the Only Begotten, command these stones to turn into bread." Jesus replied, "Scripture has it, We live not on bread alone but on every utterance that comes from the mouth of God.' "

Next the Devil took Jesus to the Holy City, set him on the parapet of the Temple and said, "If you are the Only Begotten, throw yourself down. Scripture has it, 'God will tell the angels to take care of you; with their hands they will support you that you may never stumble on a stone.'" Jesus answered, "Scripture also says, 'Do not put God to the test.' "

The Devil then took Jesus up a very high mountain and displayed all the dominions of the world in their magnificence, promising, "All these I will give you if you fall down and worship me." At this, Jesus said to the Devil, "Away with you, Satan! Scripture says, 'You will worship the Most High God; God alone will you adore.' " At that the Devil left, and angels came and attended Jesus.

2272

# Holy Ground

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. A repeat sign follows. The melody then continues with a half note G4, a half note F4, and a half note E4. A long horizontal line indicates a sustained note for the word 'ing'. The melody concludes with a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and a quarter note B3. The lyrics 'We are stand - ing on ho - ly' are written below the staff.

WORDS: Geron Davis (Exod. 3:5)

MUSIC: Geron Davis

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HOLY GROUND

Irregular

ground, \_\_\_\_\_ and I know that there are

an-gels all a-round; \_\_\_\_\_ let us praise \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Je-sus now; \_\_\_\_\_ we are stand-ing in his

*Repeat ending (key of E $\flat$ )*

pres-ence on ho-ly ground. \_\_\_\_\_ We are

*Song ending (key of E $\flat$ ) rit.* | *Optional modulation to F*

ground. \_\_\_\_\_ ground. \_\_\_\_\_ We are

stand - ing on ho - ly ground,

and I know that there are an - gels all a -

round; let us praise Je - sus

now; we are stand - ing in his

pres-ence on ho - ly ground. We are ground.

Repeat ending (key of F) | Song ending (key of F)

3016

## What a Mighty God We Serve

What a might - y God we serve.

What a might - y God we serve. An-gels bow be - fore you,

heaven and earth a - dore you. What a might - y God we serve.

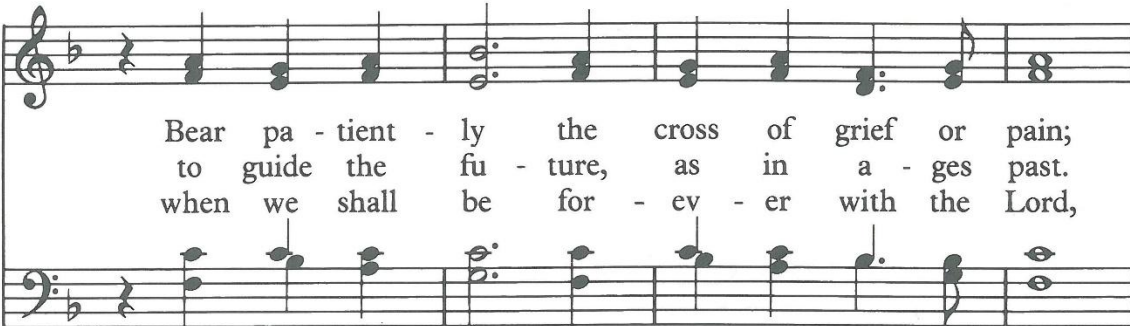
WORDS: Traditional African folk song  
 MUSIC: Traditional African folk song, arr. by Jackson Henry  
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MIGHTY GOD  
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# Be Still, My Soul




1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.  
 2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take  
 3. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on



Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;  
 to guide the fu - ture, as in a - ges past.  
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,



leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;  
 Your hope, your con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;  
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,



in ev - ery change God faith - ful will re - main.  
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.  
 sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

Be still, my soul: your best, your heaven-ly friend  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,

through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.  
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.



# Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing 671

1. Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless-ing; fill our hearts with  
 2. Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for thy gos - pel's

joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound. May the fruits of thy sal - va - tion

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,  
 in our hearts and lives a - bound; ev - er faith - ful,

O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful to the truth may we be found.

WORDS: Attr. to John Fawcett, 1773

MUSIC: *The European Magazine and Review*, 1792; harm. from  
*The Methodist Hymn and Tune Book*, 1889, alt.

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