# **LENTEN FAMILY WORSHIP**

# HELP ALONG THE HIGHWAY

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## FAMILY LENT SERVICE MARCH 26, 2025 6:00PM



We Praise God in Our Singing "No Matter What I'm Facing"



Woke up this morning feeling kind of blue A little sad but I know just what to do I have learned that I can go to Jesus He lifts me up whenever I need it

**CHORUS**: When I'm worried, when I'm feeling down That's when God comes through and turns it all around Yeah, He gives me joy in every situation Keeps my spirits high no matter what I'm facing

I'm feeling better God made all the difference He's always here, always here to listen He is my source, the one who gives me life He is my God, and He's good all the time. **CHORUS** 

### We Light Our Lenten Candles

- P: As we light our Lenten candles, we remember that Jesus loved us so much that He went to the cross so that we could live as forgiven people.
- C: Thank You for pouring Your love into our hearts, Jesus.

### We Begin Worship (Follow the motions with Pastor)

- P: We begin worship tonight in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: God sent His Son as a sacrifice because of His love for us.
- C: Thank You for loving us, Jesus.
- P: Jesus came to pray for us.
- C: Thank You for loving us, Jesus.
- P: Jesus came to shine upon us.
- C: Thank You for loving us, Jesus.
- P: Jesus came to love us and lead us.
- C: Thank You for loving us, Jesus.
- P: Jesus gave us His life so we can live in heaven with Him.
- C: Thank You for loving us, Jesus.

### **k** We Confess Our Sins and Receive Forgiveness

- P: Together, let us confess our sins to God.
- C: Dear God, we are sorry for the things we have done which made You sad.



- P: Sons and daughters of God, be happy. Because God had mercy on us and loves us enough to sacrifice His own Son Jesus, all of our sins are forgiven.
- C: Thank You for Your forgiveness, God. Amen.

### K We Read the Word Luke 10:33-35



But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.'

### We Experience God's Word Come to Life

During this time, we invite children to come forward to the altar area.

### We Reflect on the Message

Talk as a family about ways you have helped in the past (whether on the highway or the sidewalk), and now some new ways you can share Jesus' love with others who need help.

- 1. Who did the Samaritan help in our Bible reading? Did they know each other before?
- 2. Name/describe three people that Jesus helped when He was on the earth. Did these people know Jesus before He helped them?
- 3. Can you think of a word or words which describe how Jesus treated all people?
- 4. Does Jesus want us to help only our friends and family? If not, who should we help?
- 5. Can you name some of the groups at our church that help others?

### We Sing and Gather our Offerings

### "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" MFH pg. 88

What a friend we have in Jesus,

all our sins and griefs to bear.

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

Oh, what peace we often forfeit;

Oh, what needless pain we bear.

All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

### Verses 2&3 from hymnal and on screens

### We Say The Lord's Prayer Together MFH pg. 37



### We Come to Jesus in Prayer (Repeat each line after the Pastor)

Dear Jesus,

Thank You for helping us when we are sick or injured And for healing us according to Your will. Motivate us to help others who need help that we might bring the same comfort to them that You have so often brought to us.

Amen.

### We Close with His Blessing

- P: As you go home, may Jesus go with you; beside you as your Friend, above you to watch over you, and inside you to give you peace.
- C: Amen.
- P: Guide us while we're awake Jesus.
- C: Guard us while we sleep.
- P: Help us live for Jesus while we're awake
- C: And rest in peace as we sleep.



### We Leave with a Song on our Hearts

"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, Who upon the cross, forsaken, worked Your mercy's perfect deed, We, Your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart, Consecrating to Your purpose every gift which You impart.

Still Your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; Still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, By Your Spirit send Your power to our world to make it whole.

### Go in God's Peace.

Your Memory Verse for this week: And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' Matthew 25:40

