

Waupun United Methodist Church, Waupun, WI  
Worship Music and Bible Reading – 7/16/2023

**God of Grace and God of Glory**

**God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.**

**Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.**

**Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.**

**Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.**

**\*Blessing**

Today, O God, we have turned to You in search of direction for our lives, and You did not turn us away. You have opened our ears to Your word, our eyes to Your purpose, and our hearts to Your presence. Now send us forth as people who hear with our ears, see with our eyes, and understand with our hearts, that Your word might bear fruit within us and through us. **Amen.**

**You Are the Seed (Sois la Semilla)**

**You are the seed that will grow a new sprout; you're the star that will shine in the night; you are the yeast and small grain of salt, a beacon to glow in the dark. You are the dawn that will bring a new day; you're the wheat that will bear golden grain; you are a sting and soft, gentle touch, my witnesses where'er you go.**

**Go, my friends, go to the world, proclaiming love to all,  
messengers of my forgiving peace, eternal love.  
Be, my friends, a loyal witness, from the dead I arose;  
"Lo, I'll be with you forever, till the end of the world."**

**You are the flame that will lighten the dark, sending sparkles of hope, faith, and love; you are the shepherds to lead the whole world through valleys and pastures of peace. You are the friends that I chose for myself, the word that I want to proclaim. You are the new kingdom built on a rock where justice and truth always reign.**

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**You are the life that will nurture the plant; you're the waves in a turbulent sea; yesterday's yeast is beginning to rise, a new loaf of bread it will yield. There is no place for a city to hide, nor a mountain can cover its might; may your good deeds show a world in despair a path that will lead all to God.**

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**Alleluia, Alleluia  
(Refrain) 2x**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

**\*Litany of Obedience**

**God provides generously.  
God asks us to share.**

In God's good earth there is food enough, shelter enough, air and water and land enough for everyone.

**God provides generously.**

God sends us into the world as a promise of plenty.

**God asks us to share.**

God sends us into the world to be people of bountiful love, to be people of great generosity, to be people of unbounded joy. God sends us into the world as a promise of plenty.

**God asks us to share.**

God's world is a world with more than enough. God's world overflows with goodness, to support all God's creatures: great and small. God asks only one thing to make it all work:

**God asks us to share.**

### Hymn of Promise

**In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**

**There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody,  
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**

**In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity,  
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**