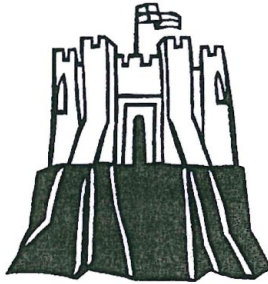


# God Is Our Refuge and Strength

*Psalm 46:1a*



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*We stand.*

**HYMN: How Firm a Foundation**



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
3 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,  
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.  
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign  
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand?"  
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."  
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.  
Music: FOUNDATION, early American

*We sit.*

**READING: Psalm 46**

**REFLECTION**

*We stand.*

**RESPONSIVE PRAYER**

**¶** Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,

**☩** have mercy and hear us.

**☩** 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 and ever. Amen

**℣** Show us your mercy, O Lord,

**☩** and grant us your salvation.

**℣** Clothe your ministers with righteousness.

**☩** Let your people sing with joy.

**℣** Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**☩** for only in you can we live in safety.

**℣** Lord, keep this nation under your care,

**☩** and guide us in the way of justice and truth.

**℣** Let your way be known upon earth;

**☩** your saving health among all nations.

**℣** Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten,

**☩** nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

**℣** Create in us clean hearts, O God,

**☩** and sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

**L** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**L** Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being:  
We give you thanks for calling us together at Valparaiso University for  
Lutheran Summer Music and the Sounds of Summer Institute.  
We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit,  
that in all the cares and occupations of the month ahead we may not  
forget you, but remember that we are ever walking in your sight;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen

**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**L** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

**C** Amen.

### HYMN: Sing with All the Saints in Glory



1 E - ter - nal Spir - it of the liv - ing Christ, I know not how to  
2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day; help me to see your  
3 Come with the strength I lack, bring vi - sion clear of hu - man need; oh,



ask or what to say; I on - ly know my need, as deep as life  
pur - pose and your will, where I have failed, what I have done a - mi -  
give me eyes to see ful - fill - ment of my life in love out-poured:



and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.  
held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.  
my life in you, O Christ; your love in me. A - men

Text: Frank von Christierson, b. 1900

Music: ADORATE DEVOTE. *Processionale*, Paris, 1697

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