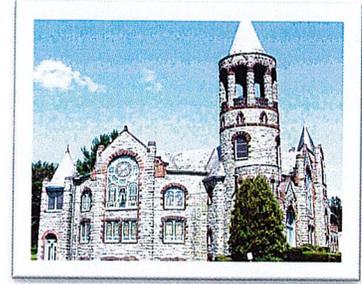


Second Congregational Church of Winsted

(Baptist & Congregational)
Bible-focused/Christ-centered

Worship Service: 10:00 AM
March 22, 2026



“But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.” (1 Timothy 6:9–10)

Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Prelude – “Saw Ye My Saviour?” - arr. Fred Binckes

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Call to Worship – (From 1 Peter 3:8–12)

Leader: To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit;

People: Not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead;

Leader: For you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing.

People: For, “The one who desires life, to love and see good days, Must keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit.

Leader: “He must turn away from evil and do good; He must seek peace and pursue it.

People: “For the eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous

Leader: And His ears attend to their prayer,

People: But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

***Hymn #337** (green hymnal) **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**

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Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Anthem – “Lamb of God” – Twila Paris/Lloyd Larson

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Prayer for Our Church (recited in unison)

Father, we praise you and glorify you. Help us to demonstrate our love for you through what we do and say. Draw this body of believers together in love and let us be united in Christ. Give us a desire to conform all things to your Word. Grant us the presence and wisdom of your Holy Spirit. We pray that Your Word will be correctly preached from the pulpit, that lives will be changed, and many will believe in Jesus. Transform this church according to Your will. We pray that you would protect this church so

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the schemes of the evil one will not prosper against it. Father, use this church to proclaim the gospel to this community and the world and make us true disciples of Jesus Christ. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Offertory – “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” – arr. George Shearing

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***Doxology #515** (red hymnal)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Children’s Sermon – (Pastor Appreciation Presentation)

(We invite all children to come forward for a short message. After the message, the younger children may go downstairs to Children’s Church; however, we always encourage children to be in church no matter their age.)

***Hymn #108** (green hymnal) **“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”**

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Scripture Reading – Hebrews 11:24–27

²⁴ By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, ²⁶ considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured, as seeing Him who is unseen.

Prayers of the Church & Lord’s Prayer (sins)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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

Musical Response

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text – Mark 10:17–27

¹⁷ As He was setting out on a journey, a man ran up to Him and knelt before Him, and asked Him, “Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹ “You know the commandments, ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’ ” ²⁰ And he said to Him, “Teacher, I have kept all these things from my youth up.” ²¹ Looking at him, Jesus felt a love for him and said to him, “One thing you lack: go and sell all you possess and

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give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.”²² But at these words he was saddened, and he went away grieving, for he was one who owned much property.²³ And Jesus, looking around, said to His disciples, “How hard it will be for those who are wealthy to enter the kingdom of God!”²⁴ The disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus answered again and said to them, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!²⁵ “It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”²⁶ They were even more astonished and said to Him, “Then who can be saved?”²⁷ Looking at them, Jesus said, “With people it is impossible, but not with God; for all things are possible with God.”

Gloria Patri #513 (red hymnal)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Sermon – “The Man Who Walked Away from Jesus”

***Closing Hymn #443** (green hymnal) **“I Need Thee Every Hour”**

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***Benediction**

Please join us for refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

Musical Response

Postlude – “Grand Choeur” – Gordon Young

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Sermon Notes:

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Children’s bulletins are available through the Sunday school teachers.

The two nursery rooms downstairs are clean, sanitized, and available should you need a place to change a diaper, feed your baby, or simply need a quiet place to take your child during the service. There is an audio speaker in the room so the service can be heard.

Service Information

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote

Monthly Deacon: Vicki Atkins

Monthly Assistant Deacon: Mike Ditz

Fellowship Hosts: Diaconate

Last Week's Attendance: 60 total

Last Week's Offering: \$ 1,544.00 (\$3,300 is needed each week to meet our budgeted expenses.)

Note: Also collected \$243.00 for the Gideon separate collection.

Important Notices:

- **Easter Flowers** – Easter Sunday is April 5th and if anyone would like to bring in your Easter plant/flowers to be placed on the altar, please bring them in on Wednesday night between the hours of 5:30-7:00 PM, Thursday morning between the hours of 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM or Saturday between the hours of 9:00 AM – noon. If you bring them in on Wednesday or Thursday, simply leave them on the table in Fellowship Hall. Vicki Atkins will be in on Saturday, April 4th between the hours of 10am-1pm.
 - **Easter Sunrise Service** – will be held at 6:30 A.M. at the Soldier's Monument in Winsted.
 - **Donations Requested** — As part of last year's bylaws change, our church affirmed that we are Bible-Focused and Christ-Centered. We would like to update our sign near the road to include our new tagline, "Bible-Focused, Christ-Centered," in place of "Biblical, Traditional, Protestant." We have a quote for \$1,582.50 to do the work, and \$1,080 has already been donated. If you would like to help, make this happen, please place your donation in an envelope labeled "Sign," available on the tables at the back. Sign donation envelopes may be placed in the offering plate. Thank you to all for helping us get this important message out about our church!
 - **Lenten Hymn Sing & Potluck** - Come raise your voices in song and then join us in fellowship and a meal downstairs! All are invited to attend the annual Lenten Hymn Sing & Potluck hosted by the Music Committee and Diaconate **next Sunday, March 29**, directly after church. Please attend even if you do not bring a dish to share; there's always plenty of food!
 - **2026 Offering envelopes** are here and if any new members would like envelopes assigned to you, please contact Kathy in the office.
 - **Sunday Morning Adult Study** - 9:00 AM will be held each Sunday morning, all are welcome.
 - **Prayer Group and Bible Study** - 5:30 PM and 6:00 PM, – held every Wednesday, all are welcome.
 - **Prayer Chain** – All prayers requested on Sunday and during the week are sent out to the church Prayer Chain. If you would like to be included in those for either personal prayers or to pray for others, please email Kathy.
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Men's Fellowship--Save the date and join us as we grow as brothers in Christ.

- April 18-Mystic Aquarium – More information to follow

Women's Fellowship: The Women's Fellowship Group will meet today (3/22) after the service. All women are welcome to join us. Please bring ideas for activities to the meeting. There are two sign-up sheets posted in the fellowship hall. Please add your name if you are interested. Tickets will be purchased soon.

Christian Concert featuring Cochran and Company and Jordan St. Cyr: Sunday, May 3, 2026 from 6-8 p.m. (doors open at 5:15). LOCATION: Valley Community Baptist Church, 590 W Avon Rd, Avon, CT. COST: \$28.30 per ticket. Please see the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for more information.

Girls Gone Bible Live Tour: Thursday May 28, 2026, 7:00 p.m. We will need to purchase tickets in a group as there is assigned seating. LOCATION: Belding Theatre, Hartford, CT. COST: \$64.75 per ticket

CE Updates:

Youth Protection Training Review: If you were unable to make the review presentation last week, please speak to John C about joining a couple of others for the makeup date.

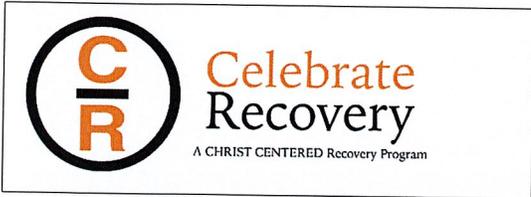
No Sunday School 4/5: Remember to make a note that there will be no Sunday School on Easter morning. We hope that all the kids and families enjoy our Easter Service.

SCCW Student Scholarships: We are accepting student scholarship applications until 4/5. Please speak to John Costa for more information.

Youth Group Calendar - Mar - April <i>Youth Group is open to grades 6 + -We Welcome you to Join Us! Meetings typically include Bible lessons games activities & snacks</i>			
Day	Date	Time	Event
			Student Scholarship Applications (open 3/1-4/5)
Sunday	March 22		Pastor Appreciation Presentation (Youth & Kids)
Sunday	March 22	11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth Group – Bible lesson, games, snacks
Sunday	April 5	Easter!	No Sunday School
Sunday	April 12	11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth Group – VBS Leadership Training
Sunday	April 19	9:00am – 9:45am	Highschool Class – Teacher Appreciation (project planning for 5/3)
Sunday	April 26	11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth Group – Bible lesson, games, snacks

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Sunday	May 3 May 10	9:00am – 9:45am 11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth & Kids – Teacher Appreciation Youth Group – Bible verse/Mother’s Day project
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Meetings are held on Monday evenings at 7 PM – downstairs (doors to open at 6:30 PM).

- We have partnered with **The Interfaith Food Bank** managed by the Salvation Army - We will be collecting non-perishable foods on the first Sunday of each month; however, you can always bring in your items and place them in the purple crates in Fellowship Hall. The next collection date is **Sunday, April 5, 2026**. They are also requesting personal care items.
- **The Fellowship Coffee Hour** chart for 2026 is posted and there are vacancies if anyone wants to sign up.
- **Tithes, Offerings, and Donations** may now be made online. For those individuals that would like to give to the church online, simply go to the front page of our [church website](#) and click the link “Support Our Church and Ministries” or tap the tile shown to the left.



You may also download the Vanco mobile app on your smartphone. Be sure to select the app with the logo to the right. Search for churches in your area, and you will find “Second Congregational Church of Winsted.” For more information on Vanco, visit their website: vancopayments.com See Paul Okraska for more information.

Note: If anyone donates by check or cash, and you don’t already have a pre-assigned offering envelope number, we can assign a number to you as we have more 2026 envelopes available. Simply drop a note by email or in Kathy’s door basket and she will contact you directly.

Weekly Events:

- Sunday:** Bible Study – 9:00 AM (led by Pastor Dan – parlor area)
Youth Group – 11:30 AM (led by John Costa)
Women’s Fellowship Meeting – 11:30 AM (led by Bonnie, parlor area)
- Monday:** Celebrate Recovery - 7:00 PM (led by Jeff Liskin, Sr., downstairs)
- Wednesday:** Prayer Group – 5:30-6:00 PM – (led by Pastor Dan, in his office)
Mid-week Bible Study – 6-7:30 – (led by Pastor Dan, in the music room)
- Thursday:** Home School - 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM (downstairs)
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SCC Online

Church Email: info@sccwinsted.org

Church Webpage: <http://sccwinsted.org>

Church Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/sccwinsted

Youtube Channel for Livestream Services:

www.youtube.com/channel/UCCW4dPY3yqt-GsjPZG-cHuQ

(Search for: Second Congregational Church of Winsted, CT)

Church Library & Media Center: www.librarything.com/catalog/sccwlibrary

Pastor Dan's Apologetic Page: <http://multimediaapologetics.com>

Hours & Staff:

Church Office Hours: (see below for an announcement for office hours beginning 3/30)

Wed. – closed this week – vacation day

Thurs. 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (closed 12-12:30 PM for lunch)

Fri. 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (closed 12-12:30 PM for lunch)

Staff:

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote

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Cell Phone: 203-217-7498

Office Hours: Sun. 8:00 AM-12:00 PM and Wed. 5:30-8:30 PM (Other days needed or by appointment)

Director of Youth and Families: John Costa

Email: john.costa.jc@gmail.com

Cell Phone: 413-854-7147

Office Hours: Sun. 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Mon. 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, and Wed. 6:00-8:15 PM (Other days as required)

Office Administrator: Kathy Craig

Email: info@sccwinsted.org

Phone: 860-379-4766

Organist: Christopher King

Sextons: Tom Doney & Cassie Riberdy

A Note from the Office:

Beginning **March 30th**, the office will be open on a limited basis while Kathy is out on medical leave. Watch the Sunday bulletin for posted hours and more contact information.

Don't hesitate to reach out and leave a message as both emails and the answering machine will be monitored daily.

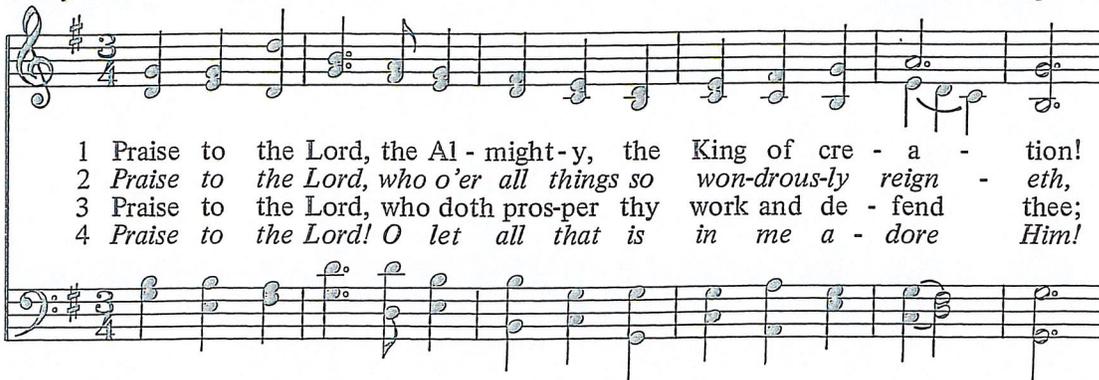
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

For then shalt thou have delight in the Almighty.

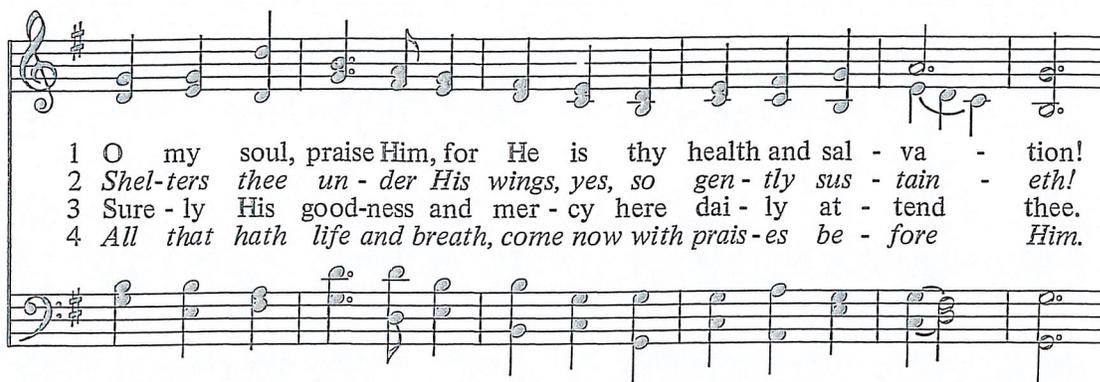
— Job 22:26

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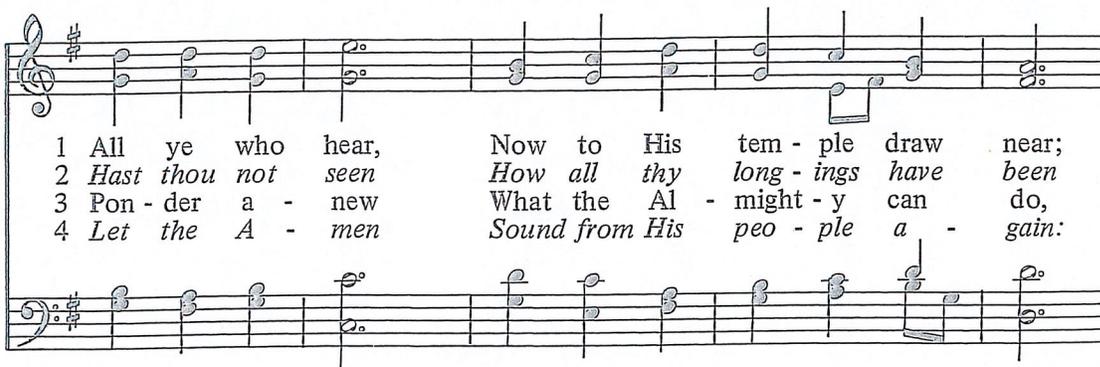
Tr. by Catherine Winkworth

LOBE DEN HERREN
"Stralsund Gesangbuch"


1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign - eth,
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend thee;
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore Him!



1 O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and sal - va - tion!
 2 Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yes, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth!
 3 Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee.
 4 All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore Him.



1 All ye who hear, Now to His tem - ple draw near;
 2 Hast thou not seen How all thy long - ings have been
 3 Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can do,
 4 Let the A - men Sound from His peo - ple a - gain:



1 Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 2 Grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?
 3 If with His love He be - friend thee.
 4 Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him. A - men.

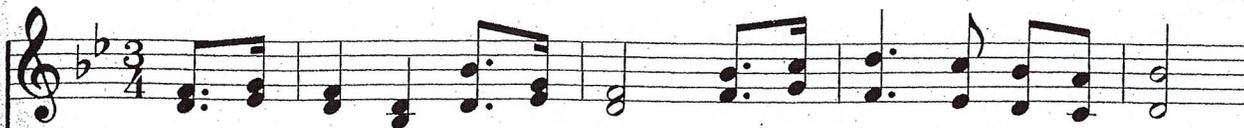
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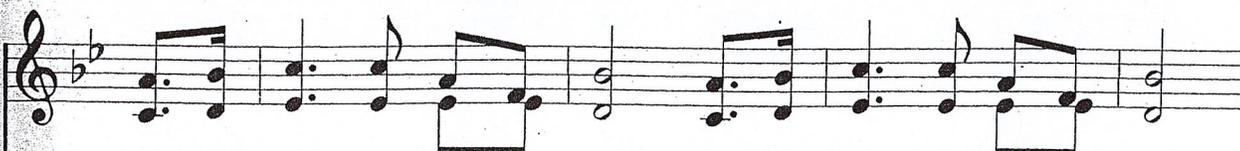
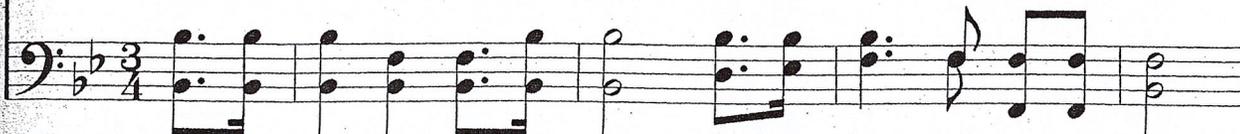
... Hide me in the rock that is higher than I. — Psalm 61:2

Augustus M. Toplady

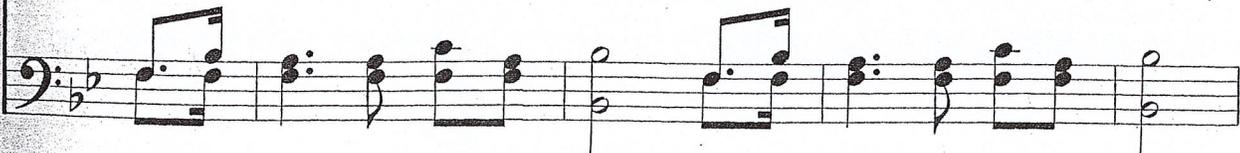
TOPLADY
Thomas Hastings



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my-self in Thee;
2 *Could my tears for - ev - er flow, Could my zeal no lan-guor know,*
3 While I draw this fi - nal breath, When my eyes shall close in death,



1 Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy wound-ed side which flowed,
2 *These for sin could not a - tone— Thou must save, and Thou a - lone:*
3 When I rise to worlds un-known, And be - hold Thee on Thy throne,



1 Be of sin the dou-ble cure, Save from wrath and make me pure.
2 *In my hand no price I bring, Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.*
3 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my-self in Thee. A-men.



GRACE, MERCY, AND FORGIVENESS

I Need Thee Every Hour

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Your Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask.

Annie S. Hawks
Robert Lowry

— Matthew 6:8

NEED
Robert Lowry

1 I need Thee ev - ery hour, Most gra - cious Lord;
2 I need Thee ev - ery hour, Stay Thou near by;
3 I need Thee ev - ery hour, In joy or pain;
4 I need Thee ev - ery hour, Teach me Thy will,

1 No ten - der voice like Thine Can peace af - ford.
2 Temp - ta - tions lose their power When Thou art nigh.
3 Come quick - ly, and a - bide, Or life is vain.
4 And Thy rich prom - is - es In me ful - fill.

I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev - ery hour I need Thee!

O bless me now, my Sav - ior— I come to Thee. A - men.

PRAYER AND INTERCESSION