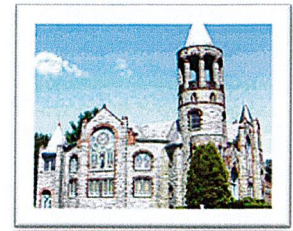


Second Congregational Church of Winsted

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

Worship Service: 10:00 AM
June 28, 2026



“For to which of the angels did He ever say, “You are My Son, Today I have begotten You”? And again, “I will be a Father to Him And He shall be a Son to Me”?” (Hebrews 1:5)

Greetings, Welcome & Announcements

Prelude – “In the Garden” – arr. Lisa Hockstra

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Call to Worship – (From Psalm 22:1; 11-18—A prophetic Psalm of David)

Leader: My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Far from my deliverance are the words of my groaning.

People: Be not far from me, for trouble is near; For there is none to help.

Leader: Many bulls have surrounded me; Strong bulls of Bashan have encircled me.

People: They open wide their mouth at me, as a ravening and a roaring lion.

Leader: I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;

People: My heart is like wax; It is melted within me.

Leader: My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaves to my jaws

People: And You lay me in the dust of death.

Leader: For dogs have surrounded me; A band of evildoers has encompassed me

People: They pierced my hands and my feet.

Leader: I can count all my bones. They look, they stare at me;

People: They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

***Hymn #387** (green hymnal) “We Gather Together”

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Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Nicene Creed (recited in unison)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

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And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*catholic means universal

Offertory – “God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens” – arr. Emma Lou Diemer

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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**

The Sacrament of Baptism

Jared Daniel Small

Baptismal Address and Prayer

Affirmation of Faith:

Pastor: Do you believe in the Triune God of the Scriptures as the one and only true God, who eternally and coequally exists in three Persons: Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit?

Response: I do.

Pastor: Do you proclaim and profess that Jesus Christ is fully man and fully God and that He alone is your Lord and Savior?

Response: I do.

Pastor: Do you publicly confess your sins and put your trust alone in the good news of the crucified and resurrected Christ as your only hope and perfect peace?

Response: I do.

Pastor: Do you desire to yield to the Holy Spirit and thus die daily to sin and live for Christ, obeying His commandments and walking in His holy ways of faith, hope, and love?

Response: I do.

Pastor: Do you promise to remain within Christ’s Church, worshiping on the Lord’s Day, partaking in Word and Sacrament, studying the Scriptures, supporting the saints, and prayerfully submitting all things to Christ?

Response: I do.

Baptism of Jared Daniel Small

Congregational Covenant Promise

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Pastor: The Apostle Paul writes in his letter to the Ephesians, “There is one body and one Spirit, and there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.” Since we are members of the universal Church, we must love and support our brothers and sisters in Christ in their Christian walk. Do you, members of this congregation, promise to love and support these brothers and sisters in Christ?

Congregation: We do.

Welcome and Charge

Reception of New Members

Susanne L. Cantwell

Samantha Victoria Sedlmayer

Jared Daniel Small

Address to the Congregation & Prayer

Address to New Members

Pastor: Do you confess the Triune God of the Bible as the only true God, and do you repent of your sins and turn to Jesus Christ?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: Do you believe that Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man and that He died and rose again for the sins of the world? That He alone, by His sacrifice on the cross, can save you from the Father’s wrath and righteous judgment against the wicked? And that He alone is your Lord?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: You have made a public confession of your faith and have been baptized. Do you accept the Holy Scriptures, the Old and New Testaments, as the only Word of God and the rule of your faith and conduct?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: Do you intend to pursue the holiness of God, to live among God’s faithful people, to hear His Word and share in His supper, regularly searching the Scriptures and seeking God’s will through prayer? Do you promise to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through Word and deed, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: Do you agree with this church’s Statement of Faith and its government and organization?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: Do you also promise to support the people and ministries of this local church, to accept its instruction, and to be an active member of this assembly?

New Members: I do.

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Address to the Congregation

Pastor: Do you, the members of the Second Congregational Church, receive these believers into our fellowship and promise to help and support them in the faith?

Congregation: We do.

Charge & Welcome of New Members

***Hymn #240** (green hymnal) "Fairest Lord Jesus"

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Scripture Reading: Acts 13:32–33

³² "And we preach to you the good news of the promise made to the fathers, ³³ that God has fulfilled this *promise* to our children in that He raised up Jesus, as it is also written in the second Psalm, 'You are My Son; today I have begotten You.'"

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 – Psalm 2

¹ Why are the nations in an uproar And the peoples devising a vain thing? ² The kings of the earth take their stand And the rulers take counsel together Against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying, ³ "Let us tear their fetters apart And cast away their cords from us!" ⁴ He who sits in the heavens laughs, The Lord scoffs at them. ⁵ Then He will speak to them in His anger And terrify them in His fury, saying, ⁶ "But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain." ⁷ "I will surely tell of the decree of the Lord: He said to Me, 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You. ⁸ 'Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your inheritance, And the *very* ends of the earth as Your possession. ⁹ 'You shall break them with a rod of iron, You shall shatter them like earthenware.'" ¹⁰ Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; Take warning, O judges of the earth. ¹¹ Worship the Lord with reverence And rejoice with trembling. ¹² Do homage to the Son, that He does not become angry, and you perish *in* the way, For His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!

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 Begotten Son and Messiah"

***Closing Hymn #523** (green hymnal) "God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again"

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*Benediction

Musical Response

***Postlude – "Ancient of Days " – arr. Robert J. Hughes**

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Sermon Notes:

Service Information

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote
Monthly Deacon: Jeff Liskin, Sr.
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Important Notices

- **Prayer Group and Bible Study** - 5:30 PM and 6:00 PM – every Wednesday, all are welcome. These will resume in the fall.
- **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 at info@sccwinsted.org.
- **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. Audio of the service can be heard.

Upcoming Events This Week

- **Monday** **Celebrate Recovery** – 7:00 PM (led by Jeff Liskin, Sr., downstairs)

Women’s Fellowship

On Monday, July 6 the Celebrate Recovery will host Christian musician, Heather Layne for a concert at our church. The concert is at 7 p.m. We ask that the Women's Fellowship group support our church and this event by running a fellowship table with snacks, baked goods and water/juice. If you are able to help out, please see Bonnie Sterpka for additional information). In September a meeting will be held to plan our fall activities. Thanks so much to everyone who has participated this year, and I personally look forward to more opportunities to gather.

Thanks so much to you all,
Bonnie Sterpka

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Christian Education and Youth Events

- **Sunday School Summer Break**: Congratulations to all the kids for all your growth and accomplishments! Classes resume in September.
- **VBS Serving Opportunity**: See how you can PLAY a SMALL PART and make a BIG DIFFERENCE! As we look forward to our VBS theme this year, we are seeking volunteers to play a part in bringing this adventure to the kids.
 - July 20–24 • 8:30 AM–12:00 PM
We need station leaders, assistants, supervisors, and snack helpers. Serve one morning or all five—no experience needed! Training and a veteran partner provided.
 - Sign up in the fellowship hall or contact John C: sccwyouth@gmail.com • (413) 854-7147
 - Grab a VBS flyer in the fellowship hall and help spread the word! Many local children don't have access to VBS at their own churches. This is a blessed opportunity for kids to hear the gospel, experience God's Word in engaging ways, and connect with other children this summer.
- VBS Team Meeting (6/28)
All VBS staff and volunteers: Meet in the sanctuary June 28th at 11:30 AM (following worship). We'll review arrangements, schedules, forms, and address any questions or concerns.

Other Important Information



Meetings are held on Monday evenings at 7 PM – downstairs (doors to open at 6:30 PM).

Dealing with life's hurts, habits, and hang ups is not a solo endeavor. Celebrate Recovery is the Christ centered 12-Step program to help you heal from the things that life has put you through in a safe and confidential environment. Whether it is substance abuse, procrastination, mental and physical abuse, overeating, fear, anxiety or any other issue, Celebrate Recovery is for you. The Winsted chapter meets every Monday at 7, (doors open at 6:30) right in our church. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dan or the CR Ministry Leader Jeff Liskin, Sr.

- 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, July 5, 2026**. They are also requesting personal care items.
- **The Fellowship Coffee Hour** chart for June-August 2026 is posted, and there are vacancies if anyone wants to sign up. Please notify the office if you are signing up for a particular day. Thank you.
- **Tithes, Offerings, and Donations** may now be made online. For those who 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." You may also download the Vanco mobile app on your smartphone. Search for churches in your area, and you will find "Second Congregational Church of Winsted." For more information on Vanco, see Paul Okraska.



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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>

Church Office Hours

Wed. 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Thurs. 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Fri. 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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(Other days as required)

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Sextons: Tom Doney & Cassie Riberdy

Statement of Faith

- 1. We believe there is only one living and true God, Creator of all things, infinite in wisdom, goodness, and love, eternally existing in three persons, The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit.**
(Ex. 20:1–6; Deut. 6:4; Ps. 96:4–5; Mt. 28:19; Jn. 1:1; 2 Cor. 13:14)
- 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God and that they are the supreme authority in faith and life and absolutely trustworthy.**
(Ps. 119; Mk. 13:31; Jn. 10:35, 17:17; 2 Pet. 1:21; 2 Tim. 3:16–17; 1Thess. 2:13)
- 3. We believe that God, in His goodness, created only two distinct and complementary genders, male and female, which is defined by one's biological sex at birth. These two genders together reflect the image and nature of God, and rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of God's created order and the image of God within that person.**
(Gen. 1:26–28,31; 2:2–24; Lev 18:22–23; 20:10–21; Deut 22:5; Is3:12; Rom 1:24–27; 1Cor 6–9; 11:7; 1Tim 2:11–15)
- 4. We believe that man and woman sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death, which is separation from God, and that we are all born with a sinful nature that mars God's image in us.**
(Gen 1:26–27; 2:7; 3:1–24; Ezek 13:23; Rom 5:12; Eph 2:1–3; James 3:9)
- 5. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is truly God and Man.**
(Is 7:14; Matt 1:18,23; Luke 1:30–35; 2:6–7,40; John 1:14; Phil 2:6–7; Heb 1:2–5; 2:14)
- 6. We believe that, out of love for us, the Lord Jesus Christ died to atone for our sins according to the Scriptures and that all who repent of sin and place their faith in Him alone are reconciled to God by His shed blood.**
(Is 53:4–6; Mark 1:14–15; John 14:6; Rom 5:8; 8:3; 1John 4:10; 1Pet 2:24–25)
- 7. We believe that Christ rose from the dead and ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father to reign over all things.**
(Luke 24:1–7; John 2:19–21; Acts 1:9; Heb 4:14,10:11–13; Rev 1:17–18)
- 8. We believe that all who repent of sin and receive the Lord Jesus Christ, which is by grace alone through faith alone, are born of the Holy Spirit and thereby become the children of God and shall not come into condemnation and that the Lord Jesus Christ gives them everlasting life.**
(John 1:12–13; 3:16–18,36; 5:24–29; 10:27–29; Acts 4:12; Rom 8:1,9–12,15–17; 10:9–11; Gal 4:24–29; Eph 1:5; 1 John 5:12–13)
- 9. We believe that Christ has called all Christians into universal fellowship in His church. This church is made up of local congregations where members worship through Word and sacrament, are trained in discipleship and are called to evangelize the world in charity.**
(Matt 16:18–19; 18:17; John 17; Acts 2:42; 6:1–6; 20:28–32; 1Cor 10:1–14,40; Eph 5:21–32; 1Thes 5:12–13; 1Tim 3:1–16; 5:17–22; Heb 10:25; 1Pet 5:1–4)
- 10. We believe that God created marriage to be a holy and lifelong covenant union, which can only be between one man and one woman who are not closely related, and that the only lawful place for intimate relations is marriage.**
(Gen 2:22–24; Ex 22:16–17; Deut 22:14; Mal 2:16; Matt 19:4–6; Eph 5:5,21–6:4; Col 3:18–21; 1Tim 1:8–10; Heb 13:4)
- 11. We believe that at The Last Day, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will return according to His promise and that He will judge the world, and the saved will receive the blessing of life in His eternal kingdom and that the lost will be eternally separated from God.**
(Matt 25:31–46; Rom 8:35–39; 1Thes 4:13–17; Rev 20:12–15, 21–27)

We Gather Together

Netherlands Folk Song, 1626
arr. by Edward Kremser, 1838-1914

We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing, He
Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing, Or -
We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant, And

5

chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known; The
dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine, So
pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be. Let

9

wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing. Sing
from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning; Thou,
thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion. Thy

13

prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
Lord, wast at our side, All glo - ry be thine.
name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free! A - men.

Fairest Lord Jesus

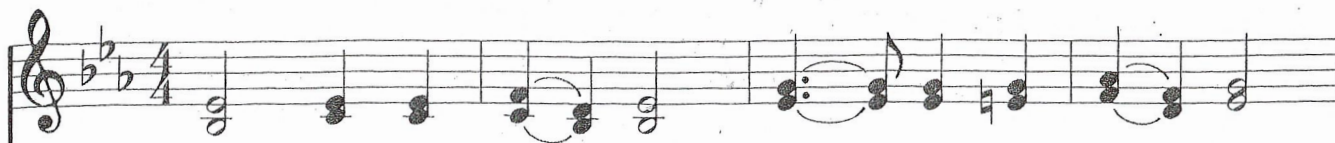
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Thou art fairer than the children of men.

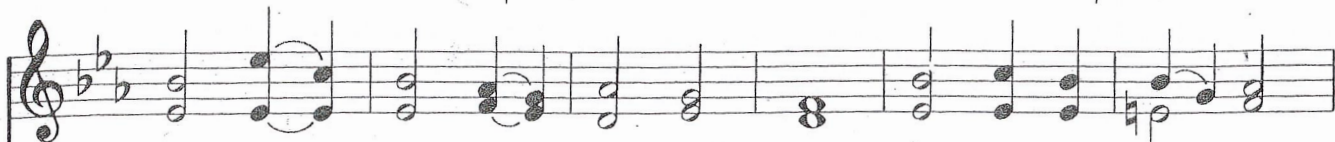
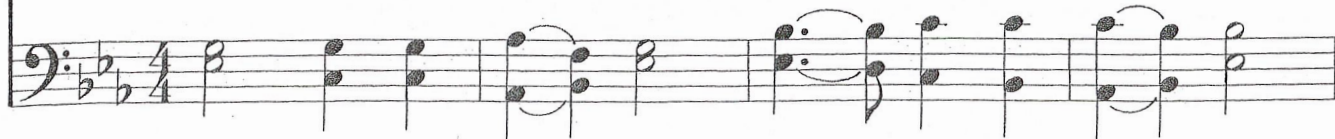
CRUSADERS' HYMN
Silesian Folk Melody

From *Münster Gesangbuch*

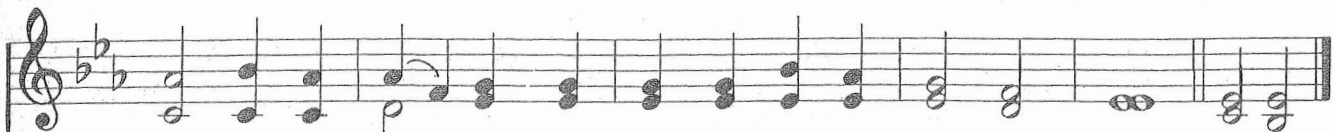
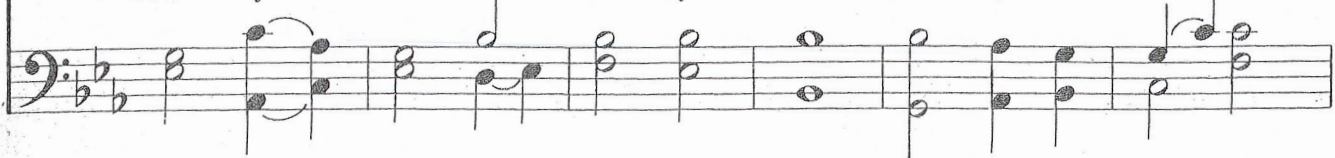
— Psalm 45:2



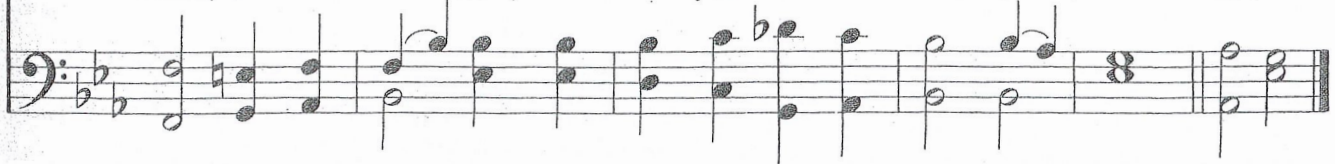
1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair - er still the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair - er still the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of the na - tions!



1 O Thou of God and man the Son: Thee will I cher - ish,
2 Robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
3 And all the twin - kling star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,
4 Son of God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or,



1 Thee will I hon - or, Thou my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
2 Je - sus is pur - er, Who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
3 Je - sus shines pur - er Than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
4 Praise, ad - o - ra - tion, Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine! A - men.

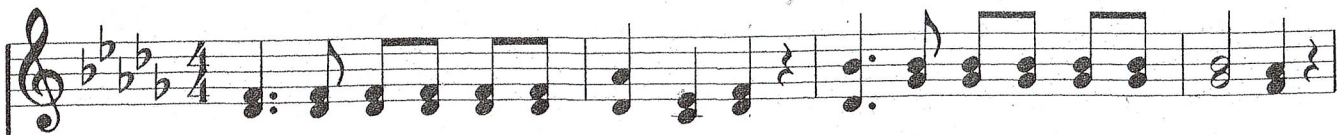


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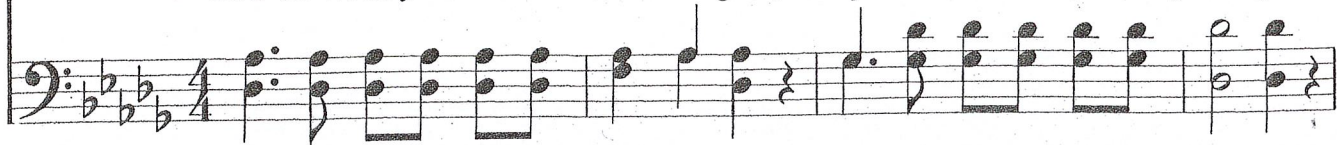
May the Lord watch between me and thee . . . — Genesis 31:49

GOD BE WITH YOU
William G. Tomer

Jeremiah E. Rankin



- 1 God be with you 'til we meet a-gain, By His coun-sels guide, up-hold you,
- 2 *God be with you 'til we meet a-gain, 'Neath His wings protecting hide you,*
- 3 God be with you 'til we meet a-gain, If life's tri-als should con-found you,
- 4 *God be with you 'til we meet a-gain, Keep love's banner floating o'er you,*



- 1 With His sheep se-cure-ly fold you: God be with you 'til we meet a - gain.
- 2 *Dai - ly man-na still pro-vide you: God be with you 'til we meet a - gain.*
- 3 God will put His arms a-round you: God be with you 'til we meet a - gain.
- 4 *Smite death's threat'ning wave before you: God be with you 'til we meet a - gain.*

