



**PILGRIM**  
Congregational Church



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**United Church of Christ**  
**Summer Worship | August 25, 2024**

**MUSIC IN TODAY'S SERVICE LICENSED  
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- **PRELUDE:** Nocturne Opus 27 Nr. 2 - F. Chopin
- **OPENING HYMN:** This Is the Day\*
- **MUSICAL OFFERTORY:** Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing - Becki Slagle Mayo
- **CLOSING HYMN:** God Be with You\*
- **CLOSING RESPONSE:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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*Today's service will be recorded.*

**Welcome to Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC  
An Open and Affirming Congregation**

PRELUDE

Nocturne Opus 27 Nr. 2 - F. Chopin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: We come from scattered places and scattered lives to this holy sanctuary –

**ALL: Seeking unity in the Holy Spirit,**

ONE: Seeking the grace of Jesus Christ,

**ALL: And seeking the peace of God. Be with us, O God, as we worship you. Grant us the unity, grace, and peace we desire, and that only you can provide. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

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CALL TO PRAYER

ONE: Christ is with us.

**ALL: Christ is in our midst.**

ONE: Let us pray.

## This Is the Day

Ps. 118:24; Luke 24:1-7; Acts 2:1-4

St. 1 paraphr. by Les Garrett, 1967; alt.  
St. 2-3, traditional; alt.

Unison

1 This is the day, this is the day that our God has made, that our  
 2 This is the day, this is the day Je - sus rose a - gain, Je - sus  
 3 This is the day, this is the day when the Spir - it came, when the

God has made; we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be  
 rose a - gain; we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be  
 Spir - it came; we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be

glad in it. This is the day that our God has made, we will re-joice and be  
 glad in it. This is the day Je - sus rose a - gain, we will re-joice and be  
 glad in it. This is the day when the Spir - it came, we will re-joice and be

glad in it; This is the day, this is the day that our God has made.  
 glad in it; This is the day, this is the day Je - sus rose a - gain.  
 glad in it; This is the day, this is the day when the Spir - it came.

The first stanza of this hymn was written by Leslie Garrett, who was born in New Zealand and served as pastor of a church in western Australia. The other two stanzas are anonymous.

Tune: THIS IS THE DAY Irr.  
Les Garrett, 1967

1 This is the day, this is the day  
 that our God has made, that our God has made;  
 we will rejoice, we will rejoice  
 and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that our God has made,  
 we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day,  
 that our God has made.

2 This is the day, this is the day  
 Jesus rose again, Jesus rose again;  
 we will rejoice, we will rejoice  
 and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day Jesus rose again,  
 we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day,  
 Jesus rose again.

3 This is the day, this is the day  
 when the Spirit came, when the Spirit came;  
 we will rejoice, we will rejoice  
 and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day when the Spirit came,  
 we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day

## UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Loving God, open our hearts that we may feel the movements of your Spirit. Unclench our hands, that we may reach out to one another in peace. Open our lips, that we may drink in the delight and wonder of life. Open our eyes, that we may see Christ in friend and stranger. Breathe your Spirit into us, and touch our lives with the life of Christ. Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE

## MEDITATION

## CALL TO PRAYER

One: God be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us pray.

## PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

*or*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN

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\*UNISON BENEDICTION

**Go gladly into the world. Be filled with the love of God. Dance to the song of the  
Spirit. Befriend the Christ in each new day. Amen.**

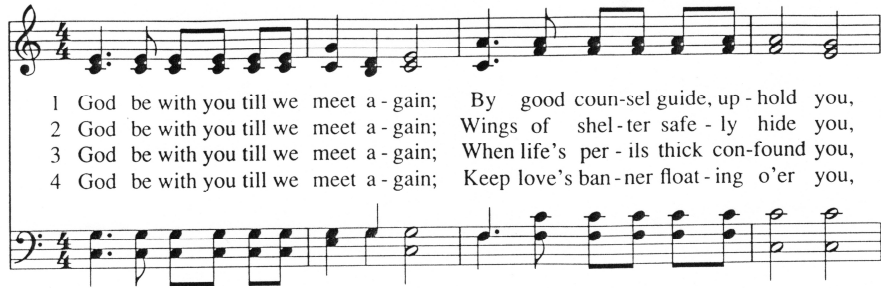
\*CLOSING RESPONSE

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

\*Please rise in spirit or body.

## God Be with You

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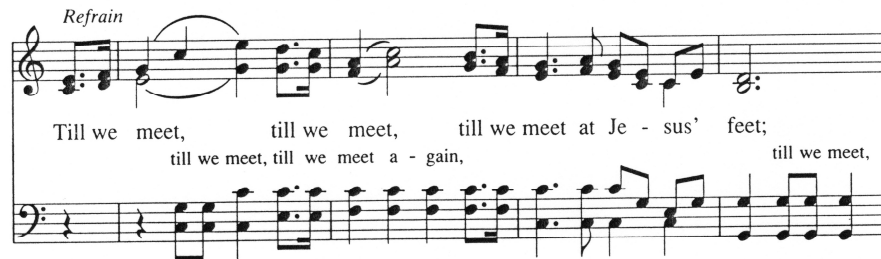
*Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880; alt.*


1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; By good coun-sel guide, up - hold you,  
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; Wings of shel-ter safe - ly hide you,  
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; When life's per - ils thick con-found you,  
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; Keep love's ban-ner float - ing o'er you,



With a shep-herd's care en - fold you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 Dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 Put un - fail - ing arms a - round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 Smite death's threat-ening wave be - fore you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.

*Refrain*



Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je - sus' feet;  
 till we meet, till we meet a - gain, till we meet,



till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 till we meet, till we meet a - gain,

*Written during his last pastorate, at First Congregational Church in Washington, D.C., Jeremiah Rankin's hymn spread quickly throughout America and England by way of Moody and Sankey's revival meetings. Rankin later served as the seventh president of Howard University.*

Tune: GOD BE WITH YOU 9.8.8.9. with refrain  
 William G. Tomer, 1880

1 God be with you till we meet again;  
 By good counsel guide, up-hold you,  
 With a Shepherd's care enfold you:  
 God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain:

Till we meet, till we meet,  
 till we meet at Jesus' feet.

Till we meet, till we meet,  
 God be with you till we meet again.

2 God be with you till we meet again;  
 Wings of shelter safely hide you,  
 Daily manna still provide you:

God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

3 God be with you till we meet again;  
 When life's perils thick confound you,  
 Put unfailing arms around you:

God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

4 God be with you till we meet again;  
 Keep love's banner floating o'er you,  
 Smite death's threatening wave before you:

God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]