

HEAR ME, LORD

One: Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord.

All: *Lord, hear my cry.*

One: Let your ears be attentive to my plea.

All: *Lord, hear my plea.*

One: I am like Abraham, hesitant before you in my questioning.

All: *Lord, hear my questions.*

One: All around me I see the ugliness and suffering that humanity has brought about. In my anguish I ask of you, "How do I bear the pain of this self-destructive world? How do I go on?" And my questions are so often answered with silence. Help me to know that my questions are not in vain.

All: *Lord, help us to know that our questions are being heard.*

One: My questions I raise to the very heavens. And when there is no reply I ask, "How do I know your will? . . ." Teach me to accept the frustration of my unknowing.

All: *Lord, teach us to accept our finitude.*

One: I am like Abraham, who obeyed.

All: *Lord, grant us the wisdom to discern your will.*

One: Because of our dialogue with each other, I learn to know my relationship with you. Because my questions are grounded in faith, I can risk the possibility of your silences. Continue to remind me that I am human and only human.

All: *Continue to show us that you are ever and always God. Teach us to question, like Abraham, in faith.*

By Christina Bucher

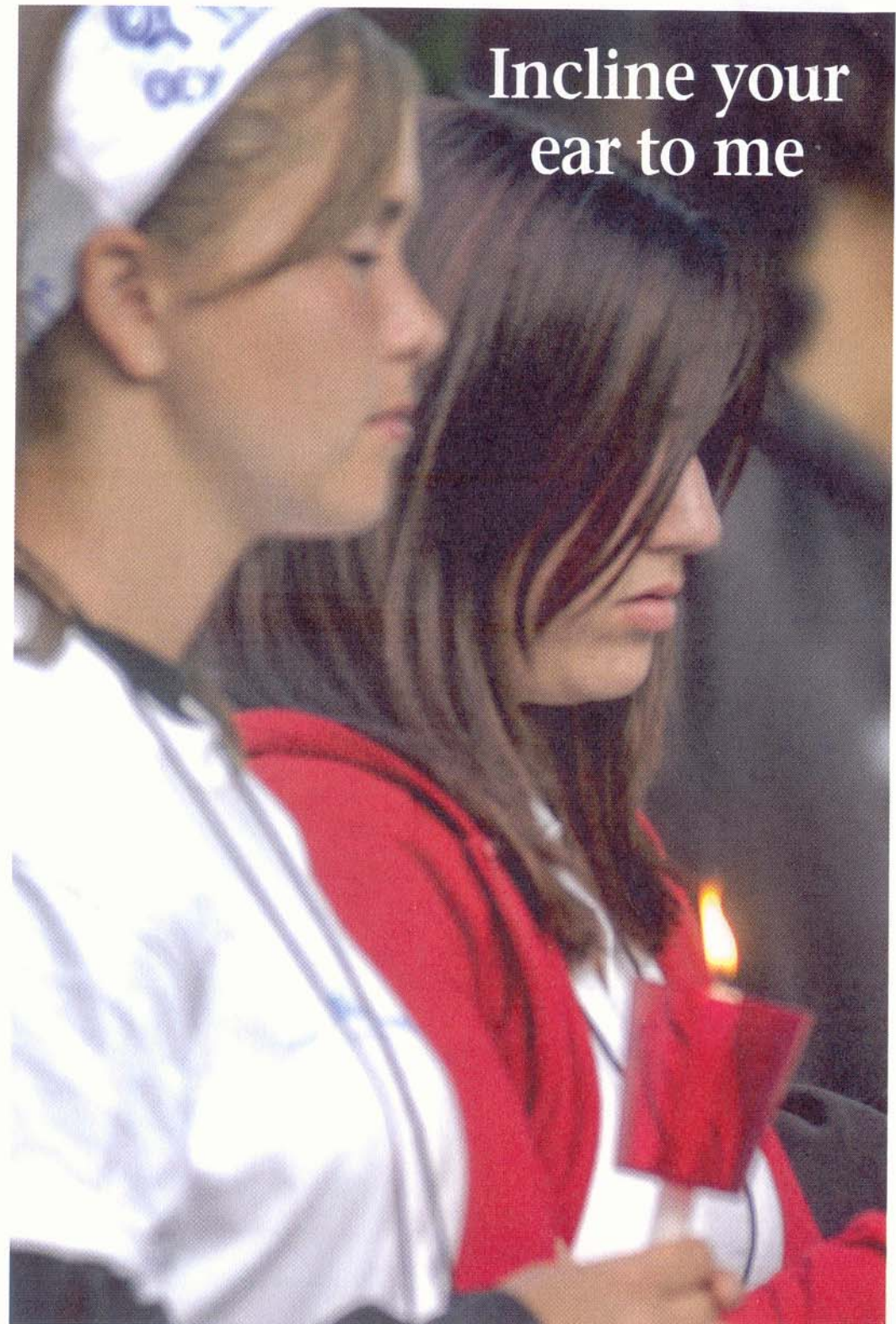
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Text for Today

Psalm 71:1-6 (2)

In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; **incline your ear to me** and save me. Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN LIVING WORD BULLETIN 1407





Sheldon Church of the Brethren
 Ministers - All Members
 January 28, 2007
 9:30 a.m. Worship



GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS/SPECIAL DAYS - Clarence & Rhelma Evans' 65th Wedding Anniversary (Jan. 21)

PRELUDE/LIGHT CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP (back of bulletin)

* GATHERING HYMN *Where He Leads Me (see insert)*

***INVOCATION**

PRAISE HYMN # 357 *Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken (red hymnal)*

CHILDREN'S TIME (Gathering Song: *Jesus Loves the Little Children*)

OFFERTORY STATEMENT

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY #119

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN #46 *He Touched Me (spiral book)*

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Luke 9:57-62

MESSAGE "Yes, Lord But..."

PRAYER OF BLESSING ON THE WORD

*CLOSING HYMN *Grace Greater Than Our Sin (see insert)*

BENEDICTION

* - Please Stand, if you are able

SERVING THE CONGREGATION SUNDAY, January 28:

Message	Don Adkins
Children's Message	Don Adkins
Music	Marcene Cox
Ushers	Mark and Alan
Adult Sunday School	Marcene Cox
Children's Sunday School	Ann and Sandi

SERVING THE CONGREGATION SUNDAY, February 4:

Message	Rev. David Loveall
Children's Message	Marcene Cox
Music	Jill Dykstra
Ushers	Mark and Scott
Adult Sunday School	Scott Maggert
Children's Sunday School	Ann and Sandi

PRAYER REMINDERS

Our Congregation & Children	Reaching Out to Our Community
Arline English	Yvonne Rohlfen
Linda Beal	Ann Evans
United Christians International	Jean Jean & Kristie
Those Serving in the Military	Molly Dagel
Living Peace Church of the Brethren in Sioux City	

Anniversaries and Birthdays for January

Anniversaries

21- Clarence & Rhelma Evans
23 - Darius & Liz Elder

Janice Fritts
16 - Michelle Harder
Myron Rolston

Birthdays

02 - Ann Maggert
03 - Arline English
04 - April Fox
05 - Doug Osterbuhr
Helen VanKekerix
06 - Caitlin Jans
08 - Thomas Harder
10 - Michael Keller
15 - Jerry Rolston

18 - Julie Dumar
22 - Toni Clemmens
25 - Doyle Rolston
28 - Ron Brinkman
29 - Elmer VanKekerix
31 - Samuel Maggert

Many happy returns of the day of thy birth. May sunshine and gladness be given and may the Dear Father prepare thee on earth for a beautiful birthday in heaven.

Church Events

Welcome!

Welcome to Don Adkins this morning.

Welcome to all visitors and guests. May you receive God's blessing from today's service, and go out and witness for Him!

Adult Sunday School

Please join us for adult Sunday School. We use the *Serindipity Bible For Groups* with a Bible study format. This is the final week for the subject "Stressed Out", with this week's topic "Keeping Stress Under Control" (Exodus 17:1-16). The next subject is "Business Ethics: A Christian in a Down and Dirty World". All are WELCOME!

Prayer Reminder

Mabel Lokken had emergency surgery for appendicitis on Friday, Jan. 19.

Community Events

Jan. 29 - Sheldon Christian School Baked Potato Supper, 5-7p.m. in the gym.

Feb. 3 - A Pork Sandwich Supper and Silent Auction to support the Brian Holtrop family is 5-7:30 PM, at Village Northwest Enterprises. Visit kiwaradio.com to view auction items and their current bid.

Feb. 5 - St Paul Lutheran Church Pancake-Sausage Supper, 5-7 PM, St. Paul's Fellowship Hall.

Guest Speakers

Feb. 4 - Rev. David Loveall (Communion)
Feb. 11 - Rev. Lucinda Douglas
Feb. 18 - Pete Aberson
Feb. 25 - Rev. Tim Button-Harrison
Mar. 4 - Rev. David Loveall (Communion)

Mar. 11 - Rev. Don Lenderink
Mar. 18 - Pete Aberson
Mar. 25 -
Apr. 1 - Rev. David Loveall (Communion)
Apr. 8 - Rev. David Loveall (Easter)

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



Christ's Cupboard



"I was hungry, and you gave me food..."
is the spirit behind providing to those
who need it.



Kinship

The program is designed to match
adults with children ages 5 to 18 to fos-
ter a mentoring atmosphere.

2007 CHURCH OFFICERS

Moderator

Linda Adams

Deacon

Clarence & Rhelma Evans
Linda Adams & Jo Rolston

Church Facility Trustee

Scott Maggert

Clerk

Jo Rolston

Farm Trustee

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Marcene Cox
Ross Cox
Steve Dagle
Rhelma Evans
Jo Rolston

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Alan Cox
Steve Dagle

Parsonage Committee

Ann Maggert

Sunday School Superintendent

Jo Rolston

Treasurer

Sandi Cox

Ushers

Mark Bilsland
Eli Clover
Val Clover
Alan Cox
Scott Maggert

OUR CHURCH

Worship Service9:30am
Christian Education (Sept.-May) .10:50 am

Communion
1st Sunday of Each Month

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Christ's Cupboard:
www.christcupboard.org

Kinship Community, Inc:
www.kcimentors.org

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

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... But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound. — Romans 5:20

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MOODY
Daniel B. Towner

Julia H. Johnston

1 Mar - vel - ous grace of our lov - ing Lord, Grace that ex - ceeds our
2 Sin and de - spair, like the sea - waves cold, Threat - en the soul with
3 Dark is the stain that we can - not hide, What can a - vail to
4 Mar - vel - ous, in - fi - nite, match - less grace, Free - ly be - stowed on

1 sin and our guilt! Yon - der on Cal - va - ry's mount out - poured -
2 in - fi - nite loss; Grace that is great - er - yes, grace un - told -
3 wash it a - way? Look! There is flow - ing a crim - son tide -
4 all who be - lieve! You that are long - ing to see His face,

1 There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.
2 Points to the Ref - uge, the might - y Cross. Grace, grace,
3 Whit - er than snow you may be to - day.
4 Will you this mo - ment His grace re - ceive?

God's grace, Grace that will par - don and cleanse with - in: Grace,

grace, God's grace, Grace that is great - er than all our sin!

Where He Leads Me

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Master, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest.

— Matthew 8:19

NORRIS
John S. Norris

E. W. Blandy

1 I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing,
2 I'll go with Him thru the judg - ment, I'll go with Him thru the judg - ment,
3 He will give me grace and glo - ry, He will give me grace and glo - ry,

Refrain:

Where He leads me I will fol - low, Where He leads me I will fol - low,

1 I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, "Take thy cross and fol - low. fol - low Me."
2 I'll go with Him thru the judg - ment, I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.
3 He will give me grace and glo - ry, And go with me, with me all the way.

Refrain:

Where He leads me I will fol - low - I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.