

BALLANTYNE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18, 2025

6:30 p.m.

<https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast>

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come –

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

HARP PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 53

Leader: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way.

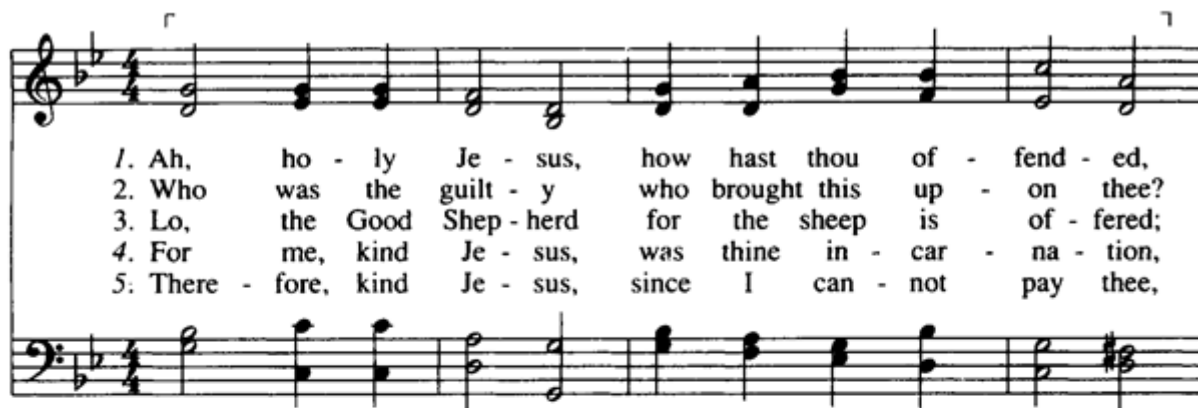
All: And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

*HYMN OF REFLECTION

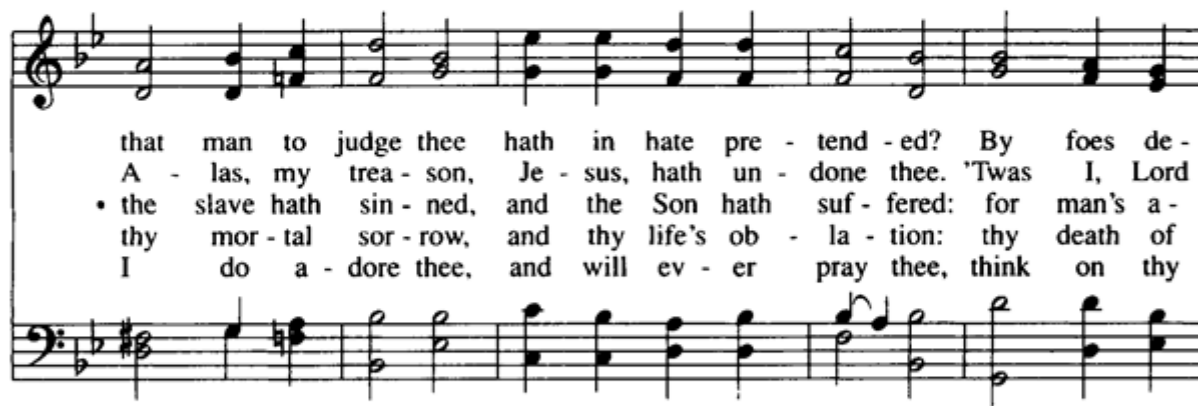
Trinity Hymnal

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended 248


Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. Is. 53:4



1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
2. Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,



that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
• the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy



rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
• tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 22, ESV page 457

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Book of Common Prayer

Leader: O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mercy upon us.

All: O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy upon us.

Leader: O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful, Have mercy upon us.

All: O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mercy upon us.

Leader: Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins.

All: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy preserve us, forever.

Leader: Spare us, good Lord. From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation, Good Lord, deliver us.

All: From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity, Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil, Good Lord, deliver us.

All: From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment, Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation, Good Lord, deliver us.

All: By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost, Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, Good Lord, deliver us.

All: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

Leader: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:7-9

The blood of Jesus, God's Son, cleanses us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

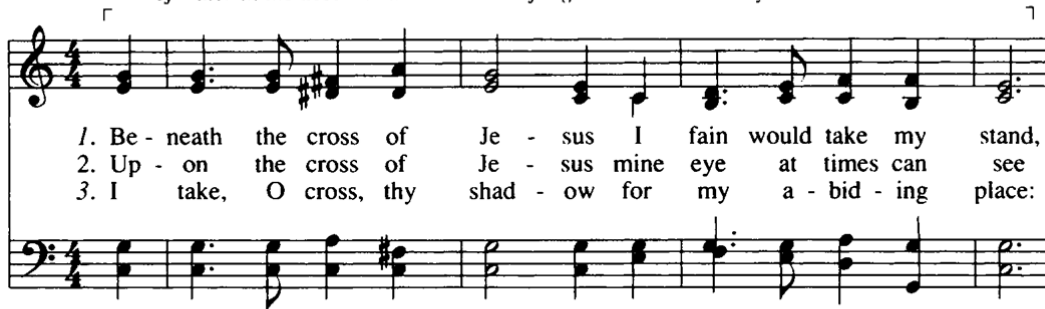
HYMN OF PREPARATION

Trinity Hymnal No. 251

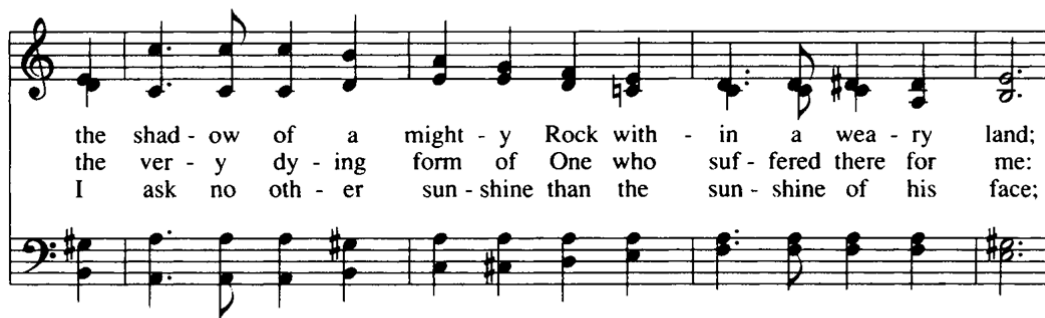
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Beneath the Cross of Jesus

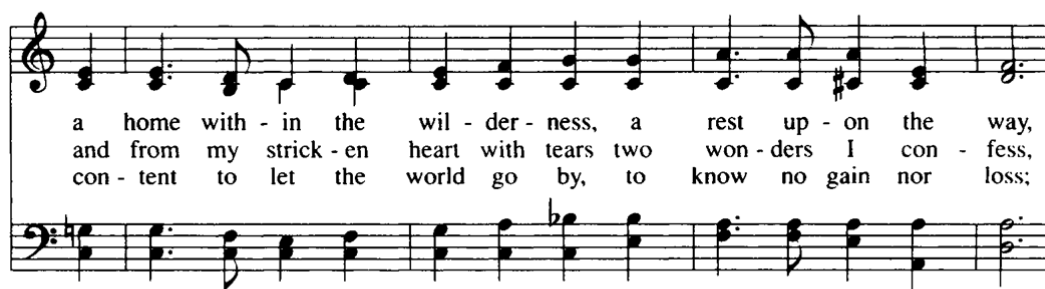
Each man will be like a shelter from the wind and a refuge from the storm, like streams of water in the desert and the shadow of a great rock in a thirsty land. Is. 32:2



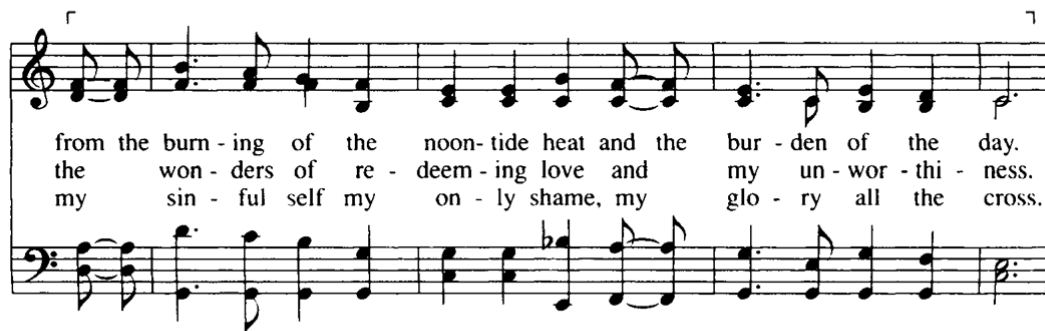
1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
2. Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can see
3. I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place:



the shad - ow of a might - y Rock with - in a wea - ry land;
the ver - y dy - ing form of One who suf - fered there for me:
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
and from my strick - en heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess,
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and the bur - den of the day.
the won - ders of re - deem - ing love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

Luke 23:13-56 (*bold words in verses 18 and 21 read aloud in unison*)
“Innocence Crucified”

¹³ Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, ¹⁴ and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ¹⁵ Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. ¹⁶ I will therefore punish and release him.”^[a]

Pilate Delivers Jesus to Be Crucified

¹⁸ But they all cried out together, **“Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas”**— ¹⁹ a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. ²⁰ Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, ²¹ but they kept shouting, **“Crucify, crucify him!”** ²² A third time he said to them, “Why? What evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him.” ²³ But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. ²⁴ So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. ²⁵ He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

The Crucifixion

²⁶ And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷ And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸ But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ ³¹ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” ³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”^[b] And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at

him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, ^[L] "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, ^[L] saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

The Death of Jesus

⁴⁴ It was now about the sixth hour, ^[L] and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, ^[L] ⁴⁵ while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. ⁴⁷ Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!" ⁴⁸ And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. ⁴⁹ And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

Jesus Is Buried

⁵⁰ Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, ⁵¹ who had not consented to their decision and action; and he was looking for the kingdom of God. ⁵² This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁵³ Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid. ⁵⁴ It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. ^[L] ⁵⁵ The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid. ⁵⁶ Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

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O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities. Is. 53:5

1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down;
 2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain:
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Friend,

now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 for this, thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?

O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;
 O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

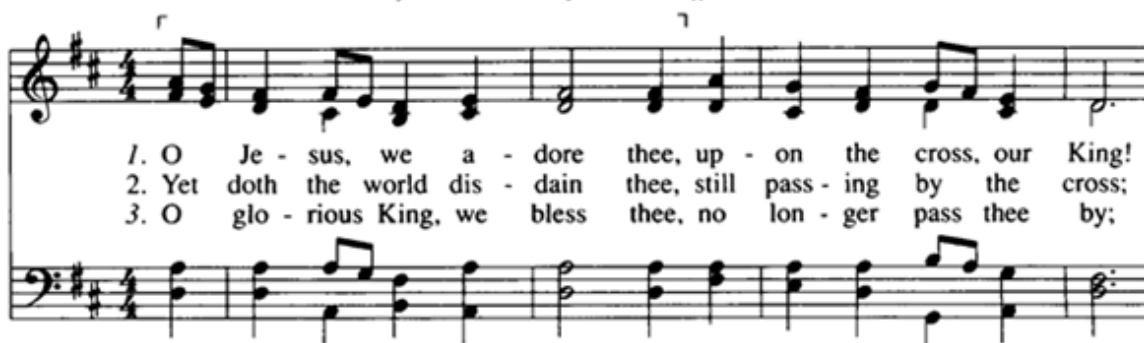
COMMUNION

When communion is observed, please note that the outer ring of the plate contains grape juice, and the inner rings contain wine. These elements commemorate the blood of Christ.

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O Jesus, We Adore Thee

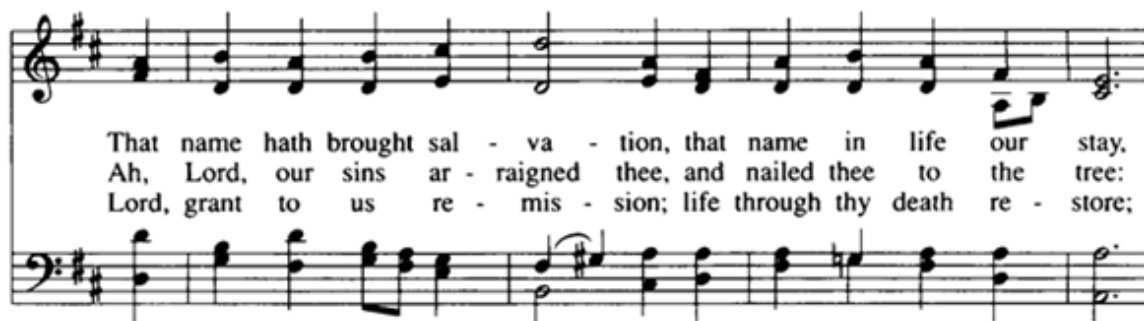
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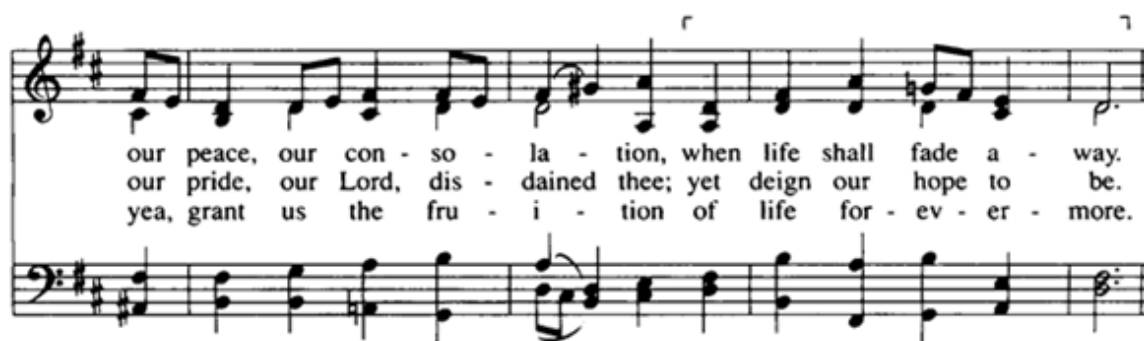
1. O Je - sus, we a - dore thee, up - on the cross, our King!
2. Yet doth the world dis - dain thee, still pass - ing by the cross;
3. O glo - rious King, we bless thee, no lon - ger pass thee by;



We bow our hearts be - fore thee, thy gra - cious name we sing.
Lord, may our hearts re - tain thee; all else we count but loss.
O Je - sus, we con - fess thee, the Son en - throned on high.



That name hath brought sal - va - tion, that name in life our stay.
Ah, Lord, our sins ar - raigned thee, and nailed thee to the tree:
Lord, grant to us re - mis - sion; life through thy death re - store;



our peace, our con - so - la - tion, when life shall fade a - way.
our pride, our Lord, dis - dained thee; yet deign our hope to be.
yea, grant us the fru - i - tion of life for - ev - er - more.

* CLOSING PRAYER

* Congregation Standing

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Below are additional ways to give:

ONLINE: <http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/>

MAIL: Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account: Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

SAVE THE DATES

Apr. 20 Easter Sunday Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Apr. 22 Young Adults meet at Kennedy's, 6:30 p.m.

Apr. 27 Communicants' Class with Dr. Nance, 5-5:45 p.m.

May 4 BPC Graduates' Potluck Luncheon

May 4 Outreach Sunday 6 p.m. Worship at Brightmore; 10am at Pavilion

May 4 Communicants' Class with Dr. Nance, 5-5:45 p.m.

May 10 *NEW DATE* Men's Pancake Breakfast, 7 a.m.

12/31/2024	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income/Gifts	\$350,706	\$365,723	(\$15,017)
Expenses	\$362,503	\$365,723	\$3,220
Net Income/(Deficit)	(\$11,797)	\$0	(\$11,797)

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Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus	

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Mr. Rob Kelley	Clerk, Building & Grounds	704-907-5474
Mr. Dan Tubaugh	Finance	704-989-7200

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**Missionary of the Month*

**SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON,
AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.**

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