



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all who wander in the wilderness,  
you go before us as beacon and guide.  
Lead us through all danger,  
sustain us through all desolation,  
and bring us home to the land  
you have prepared for us. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE Exodus 17: 1-7

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sung Response:

***Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!  
God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness,  
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;  
Led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.***

## REFLECTION

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

HYMN 53

O God, Who Gives Us Life

NOEL

1. O God who gives us life and breath, who shapes us in the womb,  
who guards our lives from birth to death, then leads us from the tomb:  
deliver us from fears that kill the life we have from you;  
help us to know your Spirit still is making all things new.
2. O God who calls your people out, to venture and to dare,  
to plumb the bleak abyss of doubt and find you even there:  
when we despair in wandering through wastes of empty lies,  
refresh us with the living spring of hope that never dies.

3. O God of covenant and law, revealed in cloud and flame,  
your mighty deeds evoke our awe; we dare not speak your name.  
Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your people prove,  
as on our hearts you write anew the covenant of love.

#### DISMISSAL

The Lord will reign forever and ever.

Ex. 15:18

**Amen.**

Bless the Lord.

**The Lord's name be praised.**