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4. *When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"*

Prayer of Approach

Responsive Reading Psalm 1 - a paraphrase by James Taylor

LEADER: Happy are those who refuse to be led astray.

PEOPLE: **The lure of selfish living whispers in my ears.**

LEADER: Opportunities to profit from another's pain
constantly cross my path.

PEOPLE: **Even if I avoid those traps,
the temptation to scorn others taunts me.**

LEADER: Happy are those who keep their eyes on the distant
vision of how God intended life to be lived,

PEOPLE: **who keep that vision before them,
every step of the way.**

LEADER: They stand like trees growing by a lake.

PEOPLE: **Their roots go down deep, drawing strength
from the whole history of human experience,
waters that will never dry up.**

LEADER: They blossom in spring and bear fruit in the fall.
They will not wither in tough times.

PEOPLE: **The drifters are not like that;
their roots are as shallow as tumbleweed.**

LEADER: In the heat of summer, they blow away in the wind.
They have nothing to hold them upright.
They cannot hold on when storms howl.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

* Hymn of Response

“Blest Are They”

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1. *Blest are they, the poor in spirit,
theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow,
they shall be consoled.*

*REFRAIN: Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you; holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God!*

2. *Blest are they, the lowly ones,
they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst;
they shall have their fill. REFRAIN:*
3. *Blest are they who show mercy;
mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart;
they shall see God. REFRAIN:*
4. *Blest are they who seek peace;
they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith;
the glory of God is theirs. REFRAIN:*

Benediction

Postlude “Prelude on ‘Kelvingrove’” [“Will you come and follow me”]
(Scottish traditional; arr Mark Himmelman)