

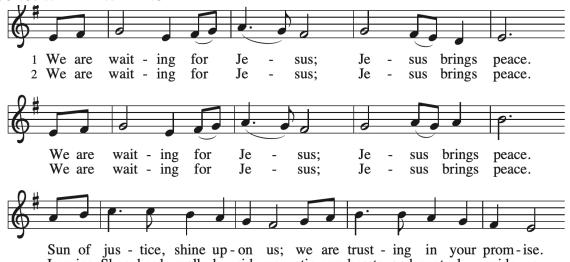
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CALL TO WORSHIP: Romans 8:22-25, 28

Good News Translation

- L ²²We know that up to the present time all of creation groans with pain, like the pain of childbirth.
- **Q** ²³ But it is not just creation alone which groans; we who have the Spirit as the first of God's gifts also groan within ourselves as we wait for God to make us his children and set our whole being free.
- 24For it was by hope that we were saved; but if we see what we hope for, then it is not really hope. For who of us hopes for something we see?
- **2** 25But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience ... ²⁸We know that in all things God works for good with those who love him, those whom he has called according to his purpose. Amen.

SONG: WE ARE WAITING



Lov-ing Shep-herd, walk be-side us; stir our hearts, and gent - ly guide us.



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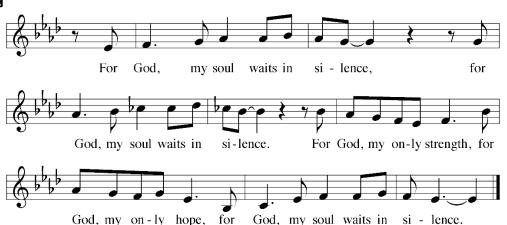
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RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

■ Wait patiently for the Lord! Wait confidently for him!

- Psalm 37:7, New English Translation

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L Better is the end of a thing than its beginning; the patient in spirit are better than the proud in spirit.

- Ecclesiastes 7:8

- **■** For God my soul waits in silence ...
- L Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.

-Romans 12:12

- **■** For God my soul waits in silence ...
- Let it is better to be patient than powerful. It is better to win control over yourself than over whole cities.

--Proverbs 16:32, Good News Translation

- **■** For God my soul waits in silence ...
- L If you let ... patience work in you, the end result will be good. You will be mature and complete. You will be all that God wants you to be. -- James 1:4, Easy to Read Version

■ For God my soul waits in silence ...

SONG/BENEDICTION: Patience (*Read together.*)

Chorus 1: We need patience. We need it right now. We need patience. We need it right now.

- 1 Sometimes it's hard to wait. You want things right away. You do not want to hear "Later, not today."
- 2 But if we can't be quiet and stop with all the fuss, we'll hear the Spirit talkin' in our hearts straight to us.
- 3 Patience, patience, relax and be still. God's on his throne. You're in his will. God is at work to develop in you the qualities of patience in all that you do.

Chorus 2: So have patience. Have it right now. So have patience. Have it right now.

Amen. Thanks be to God.