

A winter scene featuring a gravel path leading through a forest. The ground is covered in snow, and the trees are a mix of evergreens and bare deciduous trees. In the background, there are some large, light-colored spherical objects, possibly water tanks or decorative elements. A white vehicle is partially visible on the right side.

**Welcome to  
Skykomish  
Community Church**  
a Word preaching, people loving community

Song(s)



What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless  
peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is  
mine!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Savior he will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, his power is displayed  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall  
overcome!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am  
free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said that he will bring me home

And by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus

All the glory evermore to him

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:

Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Communion: December 1<sup>st</sup>
- Next Potluck: December 8<sup>th</sup>
- Tree Lighting: December 7<sup>th</sup> @ Dark PM
- Christmas Eve Santa @ 6 PM Near Town Tree
- Christmas Eve Service: (after FD Santa)
- Offering: place in box on the north wall in the rear of the sanctuary, use PayPal donate button on website, Venmo QR-Code where available,

or mail to:

**Skykomish Community Church**

**PO Box 56**

**Skykomish, WA 98288**





# Prayer Spotlight

Michael & Natalie Boyer; Milford Center, NY  
Milford Center Community Bible Church; Northeast District

We live in a rural hamlet surrounded by rolling hills and farmland. The Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown is about 20 minutes away.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Pray to the Lord of the Harvest to raise and send laborers from among us.

Pray that Natalie and I would faithfully model disciple-making.



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Milford Center Community Bible Church; Northeast District

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

Praise the Lord for the recent baptism of a man who studied the Gospels with Michael for a year.

Pray that many will see God at work in him and turn to Christ.



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Michael & Natalie Boyer; Milford Center, NY  
Milford Center Community Bible Church; Northeast District

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pray for our Grief Share group that ministers to those experiencing loss. We plan to host a “Surviving the Holidays” gathering in November and launch another group in January.

Please pray for God’s provision of another vehicle; this would aid in visitation and outreach.

Song(s)

# **Angels from the Realms of Glory**

*Page 131 in The Hymnal for Worship & Celebration*





Unto the hills around do I lift up my longing  
eyes;

O whence for me shall my salvation come,  
From whence arise?

From God the Lord doth come my certain aid,  
From God the Lord who heaven and earth  
hath made.

He will not suffer that thy foot be moved;  
Safe shalt thou be.  
No careless slumber shall His eyelids close,  
Who keepeth thee.  
Behold our God the Lord, He slumbereth  
ne'er,  
Who keepeth Israel in His holy care.

Jehovah is Himself thy keeper true,  
Thy changeless shade; Jehovah thy defense  
on thy right hand Himself hath made.  
And thee no sun by day shall ever smite;  
No moon shall harm thee in the silent night.

From every evil shall He keep thy soul,  
From every sin; Jehovah shall preserve thy  
going out, thy coming in.  
Above thee watching, He whom we adore  
Shall keep thee henceforth, yea,  
forevermore.



**I love You, Lord,  
and I lift my voice,  
to worship You,  
O my soul, rejoice.**

**Take joy my King,  
In what You hear,  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound  
in Your ear.**





**Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains.  
And the mountains in reply,  
Echoing their joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**Shepherds why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heav'nly song?  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**Come to Bethlehem, and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing.  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**See within a manger laid  
Jesus, Lord of heav'n and earth!  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
With us sing our Savior's birth.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**





Produce Fruits Consistent  
with Repentance  
Luke 3:1-22

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

For this is the one referred to by Isaiah the prophet when he said,

“The voice of one calling out in the wilderness,

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,

Make His paths straight!’”

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

Now John himself had a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem was going out to him, and all Judea and all the region around the Jordan; and they were being baptized by him in the Jordan River, as they confessed their sins.

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You offspring of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Therefore produce fruit consistent with repentance;

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

and do not assume that you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father'; for I tell you that God is able, from these stones, to raise up children for Abraham. And the axe is already laid at the root of the trees; therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit is being cut down and thrown into the fire.

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

“As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan, coming to John to be baptized by him. But John tried to prevent Him, saying, “I have the need to be baptized by You, and yet You are coming to me?” But Jesus, answering, said to him, “Allow it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he allowed Him.



Matthew 3:1-17 (NASB)

After He was baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and settling on Him, and behold, a voice from the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

Mark 1:1-13 (NASB)

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ,  
the Son of God, just as it is written in Isaiah  
the prophet:

“Behold, I am sending My messenger before  
You, Who will prepare Your way;

The voice of one calling out in the wilderness,

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,

Make His paths straight!’”

Mark 1:1-13 (NASB)

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea was going out to him, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were being baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins.

Mark 1:1-13 (NASB)

John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist, and his diet was locusts and wild honey. And he was preaching, saying, "After me One is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to bend down and untie the straps of His sandals. I baptized you with water; but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Mark 1:1-13 (NASB)

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And immediately coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opening, and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon Him; and a voice came from the heavens: "You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased."

Mark 1:1-13 (NASB)

And immediately the Spirit brought Him out into the wilderness. And He was in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by Satan; and He was with the wild animals, and the angels were serving Him.

John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

A man came, one sent from God, and his name was John. He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the Light, but he came to testify about the Light.

John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

This is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites to him from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” And he confessed and did not deny; and this is what he confessed: “I am not the Christ.” And so they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” And he said, “I am not.” “Are you the Prophet?” And he answered, “No.”



John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

Then they said to him, “Who are you? Tell us, so that we may give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?” He said, “I am the voice of one calling out in the wilderness, ‘Make the way of the Lord straight,’ as Isaiah the prophet said.”

John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

And the messengers had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, and said to him, “Why then are you baptizing, if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?” John answered them, saying, “I baptize in water, but among you stands One whom you do not know. It is He who comes after me, of whom I am not worthy even to untie the strap of His sandal.”

John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

These things took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing people. The next day he saw Jesus coming to him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is He in behalf of whom I said, ‘After me is coming a Man who has proved to be my superior, because He existed before me.’”

John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

And I did not recognize Him, but so that He would be revealed to Israel, I came baptizing in water.” And John testified, saying, “I have seen the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and He remained upon Him.

John 1:6-8,19-34 (NASB)

And I did not recognize Him, but He who sent me to baptize in water said to me, ‘He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, this is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen, and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee and his brother Philip was tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, in the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John, the son of Zechariah, in the wilderness.

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

And he came into all the region around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins; as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet: “The voice of one calling out in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, Make His paths straight! Every ravine will be filled, And every mountain and hill will be lowered; The crooked will become straight, And the rough roads smooth; And all flesh will see the salvation of God!’”

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

So he was saying to the crowds who were going out to be baptized by him, “You offspring of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Therefore produce fruits that are consistent with repentance,



Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

and do not start saying to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I say to you that from these stones God is able to raise up children for Abraham. But indeed the axe is already being laid at the root of the trees; so every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

And the crowds were questioning him, saying, “Then what are we to do?” And he would answer and say to them, “The one who has two tunics is to share with the one who has none; and the one who has food is to do likewise.” Now even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they said to him, “Teacher, what are we to do?” And he said to them, “Collect no more than what you have been ordered to.”

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

And soldiers also were questioning him, saying, “What are we to do, we as well?” And he said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone, nor harass anyone, and be content with your wages.”

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

Now while the people were in a state of expectation and they all were thinking carefully in their hearts about John, whether he himself perhaps was the Christ, John responded to them all, saying, “As for me, I baptize you with water; but He is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to untie the straps of His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

His winnowing fork is in His hand to thoroughly clear His threshing floor, and to gather the wheat into His barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

So with many other exhortations he preached the gospel to the people. But when Herod the tetrarch was reprimanded by him regarding Herodias, his brother's wife, and regarding all the evil things which Herod had done, Herod also added this to them all: he locked John up in prison.

Luke 3:1-22 (NASB)

Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus also was baptized, and while He was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven: "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well pleased."





Numbers 6:24-26 (NASB)

The LORD bless you, and keep you;  
The LORD cause His face to shine  
on you, and be gracious to you; The  
LORD lift up His face to you, and  
give you peace.