



Witness

We Gather:

We come together in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

The response is: Let us be a witness to God's Love

- When we are experiencing hard times
- When we are lonely or afraid
- When the world turns it's back on God



**We Listen:**

**A reading from the holy gospel according to**

## **THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH** **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026**



Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, "Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me.' I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water." John also declared, "I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit.' Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God."

*Adapted from John 1:29-34*  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

What did you hear?

- What did John the Baptist say that he was witness to?
- Which word or words stood out in the gospel and why?
- When do we hear the words of John the Baptist?
- Why do you think the Holy Trinity were made known at Jesus' Baptism?

We Respond:

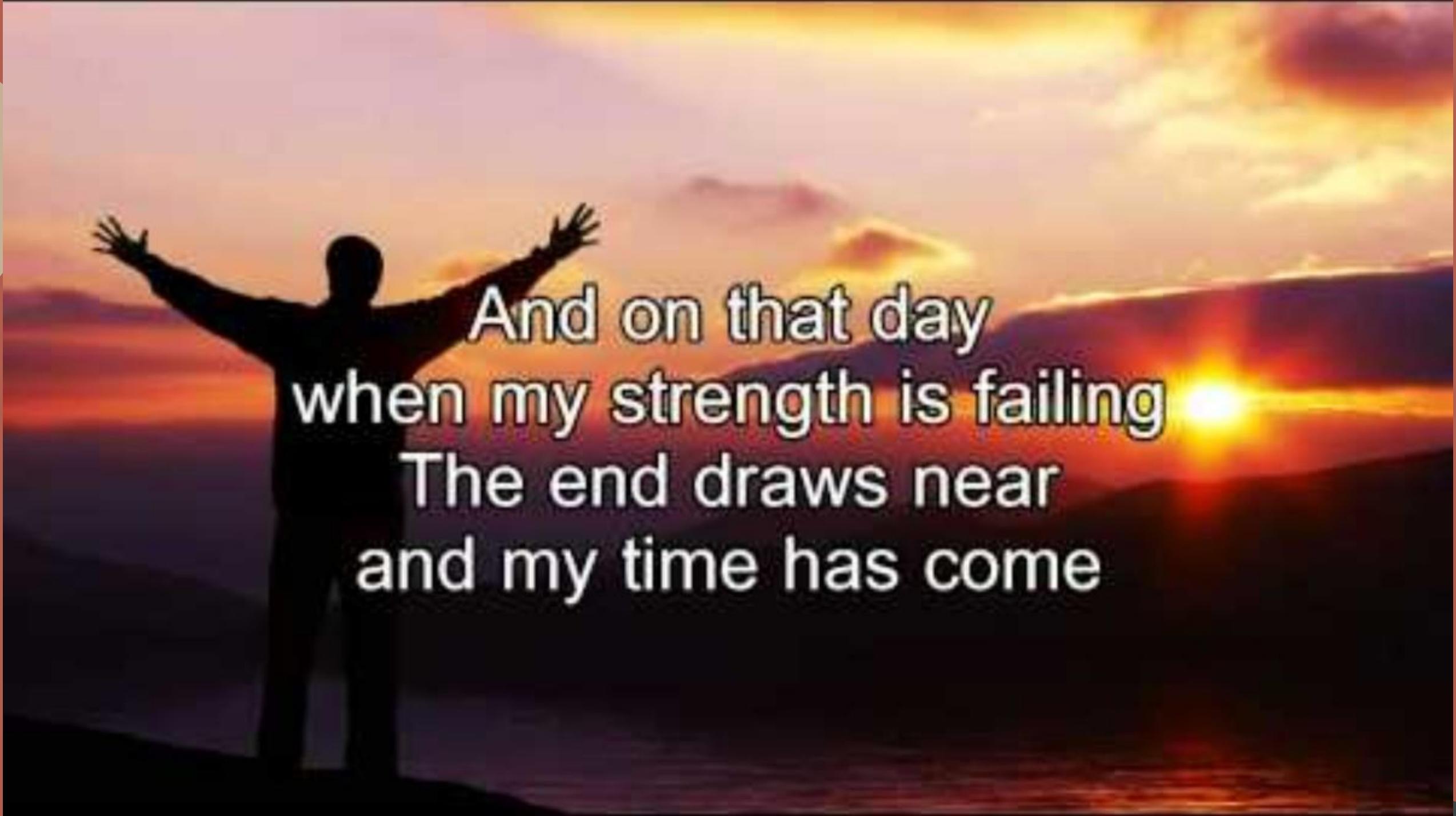
Write a prayer expressing when you have been a witness to God's love and asking help to stand up for what is right.

# Our Mission:

Be a witness to God's love by loving one another as God has loved you.

Go out and witness the presence of the Lord in others.

Wonder Question: How can we be a witness for God today?

A silhouette of a person standing on a hill with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or surrender, set against a dramatic sunset sky with a bright sun on the right and colorful clouds. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

And on that day  
when my strength is failing  
The end draws near  
and my time has come