# Walk With Me

### If you're sure or if you're lost, love.

#### Nutshell:

It's the invitation in John 15 to "abide" with Jesus. To hang, to stick around, journey with.

#### Songleader's notes:

Stay with me, and I'll stay with you.

To quote Neo in *The Matrix*: "That sounds like a really good deal."

Though the metaphor is walking, Jesus isn't really talking about travel. In the *Torah* tradition in which Jesus was trained, walking is a metaphor for faithful life. Consider the story of the walk to Emmaus: Jesus journeys with his heartbroken companions for miles without them recognizing him.

John 15 is an intimate invitation to "abide" with Jesus, even to be identified with Jesus Christ. What does it look like in your life to be branch extensions of Jesus' vine?

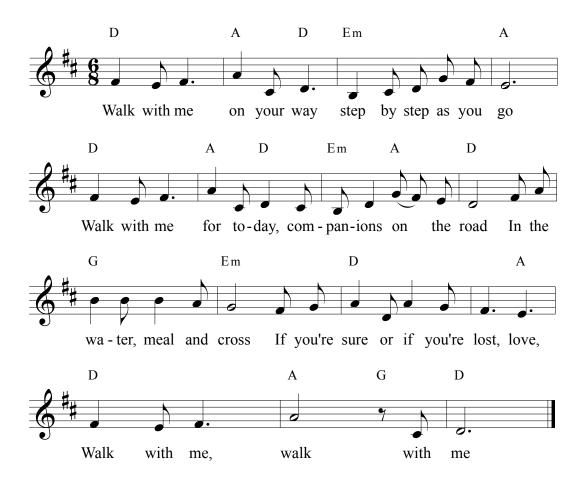
The song list three signs and symbols of the Christian life: water (for Holy Baptism, God's claim on us), meal (Holy Communion, God's generosity and nourishment) and the cross (the sign and signal of God's solidarity with creation's suffering).

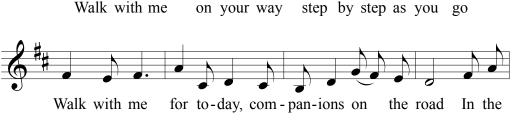
#### How to lead it:

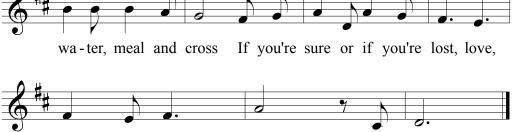
Teach by singing through the song and then inviting the assembly to sing with you, prompting the phrases as you go.

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