What A Friend We Have in Jesus

There's a lot packed into those words from a well-known hymn.

What is a friend?

A real true-blue honest-to-goodness friend. Someone who really cares about you. Someone who doesn't judge. Someone who listens. Someone who gives the advice you need. Someone who cries with you and laughs with you. Someone who empathizes. Someone you can sit quietly with - no words needed. Someone who has been there too. Big shoes to fill. I have friends that are just that. How fortunate I am.

Thank you, Jesus, for being my friend too. You got me through some really big troubles. You spoke to me through your priests and ministers at church saying just the right words that I needed to hear, in the silence of prayer, in the music, during the beautiful pre-covid hugs from my church family, in the Eucharist.

What a friend indeed!

