



The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour

*We Greet Our Members and Visitors
Warmly In Jesus' Name.*

Reformation Sunday

10:00 a.m. Sunday, October 27, 2024



Welcome to Worship at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour
Sharing the Gospel, Learning God's Love, Reaching and Lifting Up Creation!

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Announcements

Prelude: Our Saviour Bell Choir "The Church's One Foundation"

Tune Name—Aurelia, Arranged by Kevin McChesney

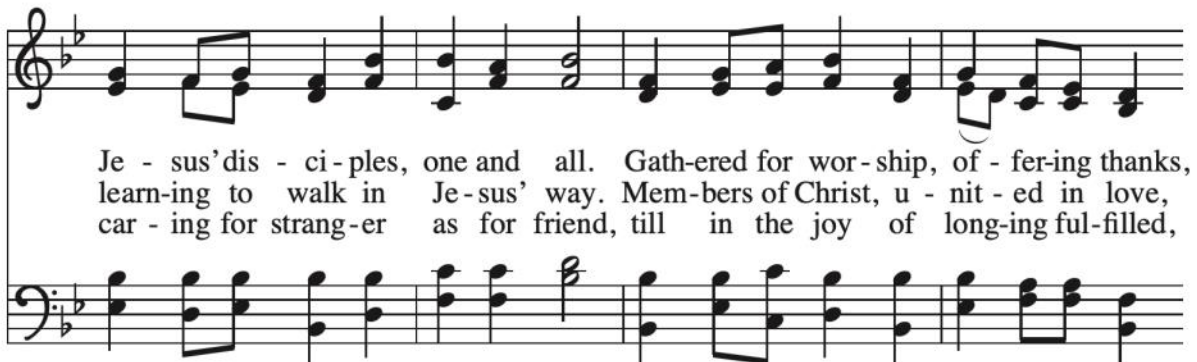
Processional Hymn: "Making Their Way"



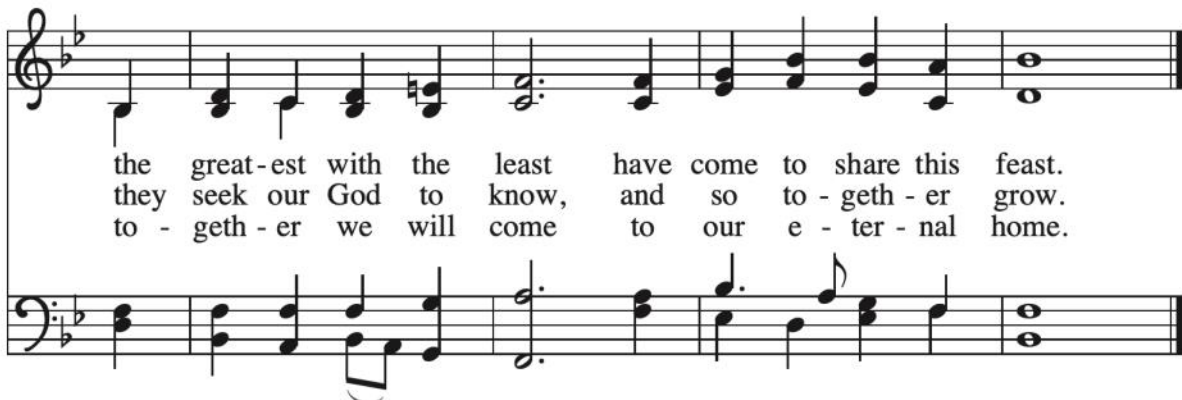
1 Mak-ing their way down through the a - ges, sin - ners and saints have
2 Mak-ing their way all the world o - ver, Chris - tians as - sem - ble
3 Mak-ing our way sea - son by sea-son, pil - grims, we jour - ney



heard God's call: wealth - y and poor, pow - er - ful, low - ly,
on this day, hear - ing the Word, shar - ing the Ban - quet,
till life's end, trav - el - ing light, shar - ing the rich - es,



Je - sus' dis - ci - ples, one and all. Gath - ered for wor - ship, of - fer - ing thanks,
learn - ing to walk in Je - sus' way. Mem - bers of Christ, u - nit - ed in love,
car - ing for strang - er as for friend, till in the joy of long - ing ful - filled,



the great - est with the least have come to share this feast.
they seek our God to know, and so to - geth - er grow.
to - geth - er we will come to our e - ter - nal home.

Confession and Forgiveness

(The sign of the cross is made in remembrance of Baptism)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Most merciful God,

***All:* we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

(Please remain standing)

Introit

Pastor: I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, O Lord, I shall not be put to shame.

***All:* I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

Pastor: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

***All:* Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.**

Pastor: The Lord redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be contemned.

***All:* Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: I will speak of Your testimonies before kings, O Lord, and shall not be put to shame.

Kyrie



Gloria



Salutation & Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Lord God, heavenly Father, You preserved the teaching of the apostolic Church through the confession of the true faith at Augsburg. Continue to cast the bright beams of Your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and finally attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(You may be seated)

The First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Lector: *The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Lector: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46: Choral Anthem “God is Our Refuge and Strength”

by Matthew Machemer

God is our refuge and strength! A present help in trouble.

*We will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved to the sea.*

*There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God.
God is in her midst; she shall not be moved.*

*Be still and know I am God
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth!*

*Come behold the works of the Lord,
the desolations He brings on the earth.*

*The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress!*

God is our refuge and strength! A present help in trouble.

The Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Lector: Paul’s words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ’s death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

A reading from Paul’s Letter to the Romans.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For, “no human being will be justified in his sight,” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

Lector: But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

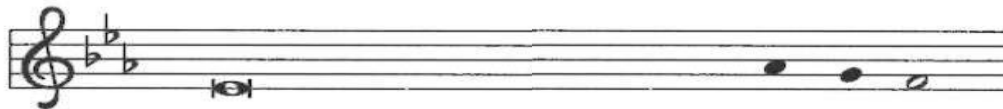
All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand if you are able)

Gospel Acclamation

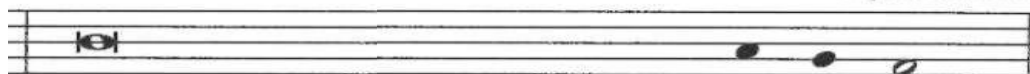


Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



If you continue in my word, you are truly | my dis-ciples,

Repeat alleluia



and you will know the truth, and the truth will | make you free.

The Gospel Reading: John 8:31-36

Pastor: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord According to St. John..

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Pastor: Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children’s Sermon



(Please stand if you are able)

The Hymn of the Day: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

(You may be seated)

The Sermon: Pastor Joachim Wilck

Hymn of Response: "Salvation Unto Us Has Come"



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come by God's free grace and fa - vor;
2 What God did in the law de - mand no one could keep un - fail - ing;
3 Since Christ has full a - tone - ment made and brought to us sal - va - tion,
4 Faith clings to Je - sus' cross a - lone and rests in him un - ceas - ing;



good works can - not a - vert our doom, they help and save us
great woe a - rose on ev - 'ry hand, and sin grew all - pre -
we will re - joice, we will be glad and build on this foun -
and by its fruits true faith is known, with love and hope in -



nev - er. Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, who did for
vail - ing. Be - cause the law must be ful - filled, Christ came as
da - tion. Your grace a - lone, dear Lord, I plead; bap - tized in -
creas - ing. For faith a - lone can jus - ti - fy; works serve our



all the world a - tone, our on - ly me - di - a - tor.
God in mer - cy willed, for us the law o - bey - ing.
to your death, I'm freed; your life is mine for - ev - er.
neigh - bor and sup - ply the proof that faith is liv - ing.



The Nicene Creed

Pastor: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession

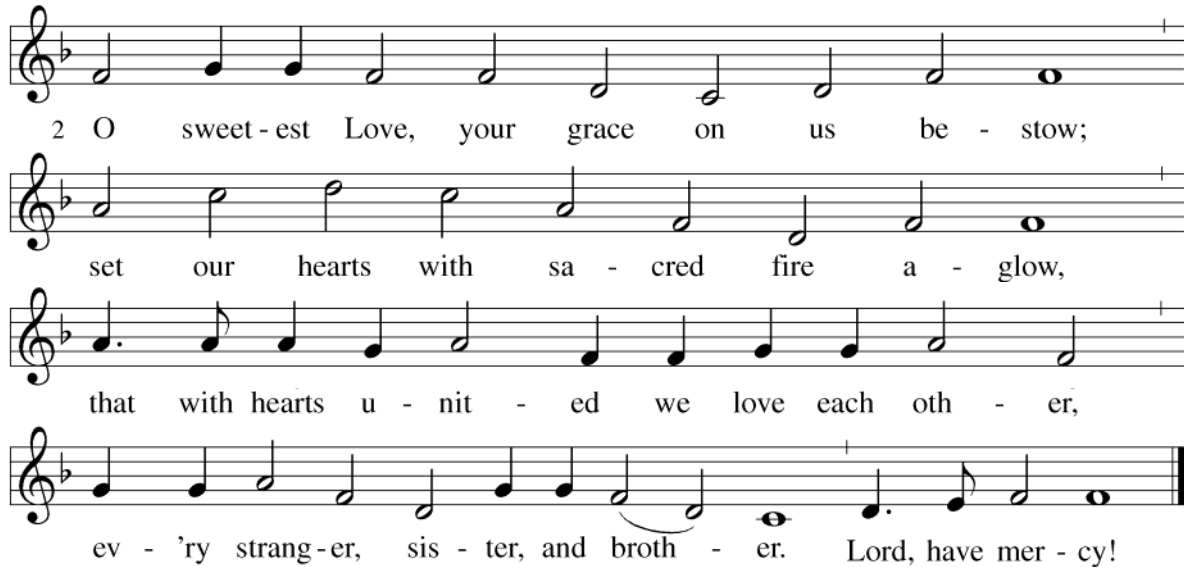
Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord, our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble, asking Him to have mercy and hear our us. (*a brief silence*)

Lord, God, while we travel as pilgrims here on earth, give us comfort in the knowledge that You have called us to be Your disciples through water and the Word. In the midst of difficult times, when waters roar and foam and mountains tremble, give us confidence in knowing that we have been set free by the Son, and so we are free indeed! The Lord of hosts is with us;

All: **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

1 To God the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray
most of all for faith up - on our way,
that he may de - fend us when life is end - ing
and from ex - ile home we are wend - ing. Lord, have mer - cy!

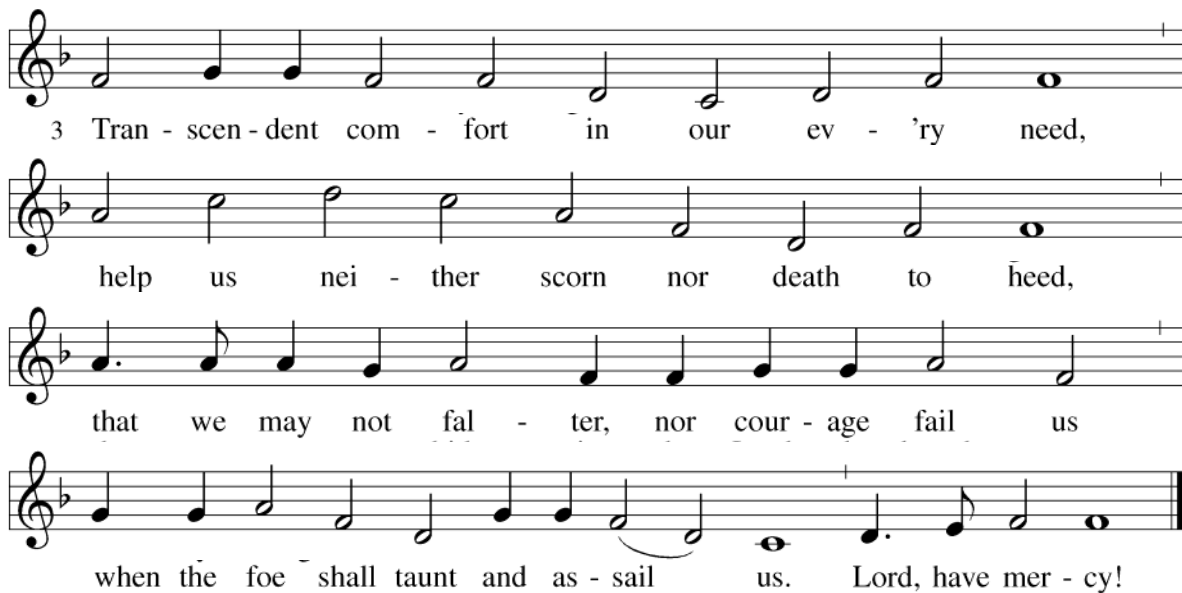
Pastor: Lord God, as Your children, we are called to love You, our neighbor, and even our enemy. Give us willing hearts to love our neighbor as ourselves because You first loved us. The Lord of hosts is with us;
All: **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**



2 O sweet - est Love, your grace on us be - stow;
set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow,
that with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er,
ev - 'ry strang - er, sis - ter, and broth - er. Lord, have mer - cy!

Pastor: Lord God, You are greater than the one who is in the world, prowling and seeking to devour us. Deliver us from the old evil foe, knowing that he cannot harm us because he has been defeated by Your Son's death and resurrection. Give us strength to resist Satan, and keep us firm in the faith You have given us. The Lord of hosts is with us;

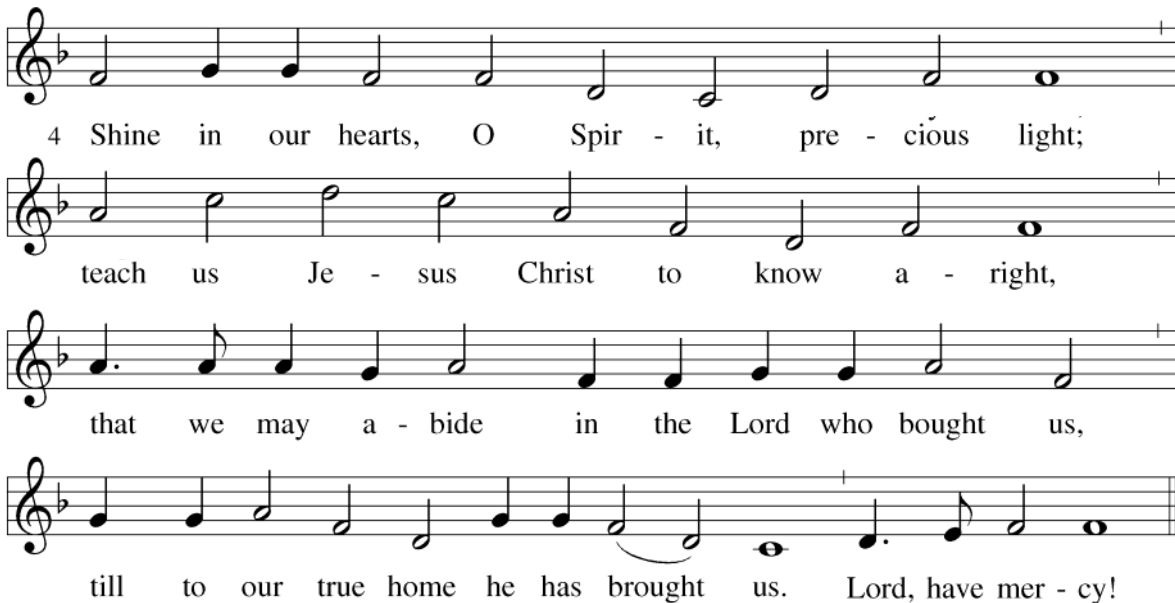
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3 Tran - scen - dent com - fort in our ev - 'ry need,
help us nei - ther scorn nor death to heed,
that we may not fal - ter, nor cour - age fail us
when the foe shall taunt and as - sail us. Lord, have mer - cy!

Pastor: Lord God, Your Son bought us with His lifeblood as the price. In Him, we are set free from sin, death, and the power of the devil. By Your Holy Spirit working through Your Word, preserve us in the one true faith, that we might abide in You until You bring us to the place You have prepared for us in Your house. The Lord of hosts is with us;

All: the God of Jacob is our fortress.



4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light;
teach us Je - sus Christ to know a - righ,
that we may a - bide in the Lord who bought us,
till to our true home he has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

Pastor: Lord God, into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, confident that for the sake of Jesus, You hear and answer. Lord, have mercy!

All: Amen.

By Grace, Through Faith—A Little Litany For Reformation Day

Pastor: No matter how many times a day we pray, praying will not get us into heaven.

All: For it is by grace we have been saved, through faith, and this is not from ourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.

Pastor: No matter how many times we go to church, going to church will not get us into heaven.

All: For it is by grace we have been saved, through faith, and this is not from ourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.

Pastor: No matter how much money we put in the offering place, giving money to the church will not get us into heaven.

All: For it is by grace we have been saved, through faith, and this is not from ourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.


Pastor: Only by believing in Jesus and putting all our trust in him

All: will we be given the gift of eternal life. Alleluia! Amen.

(You may be seated)

Offering Hymn "As the Grains of Wheat"

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when
3 May these gifts we of - fer be plea—sing in your sight

Refrain



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.
Help us share your grace with all the world.

Offering Prayer

Pastor: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Pastor: O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection. Broken like bread, he enlivens our body. Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness. Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song: The earth is full of your glory.

All: **The earth is full of your glory.**

Pastor: We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in the song: The earth is full of your glory.

All: **The earth is full of your glory.**

Pastor: O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ. Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth. Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again: The earth is full of your glory.

All: **The earth is full of your glory.**

Pastor: Amen, and amen.

All: **Amen, and amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray as our Savior taught.

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Communion



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



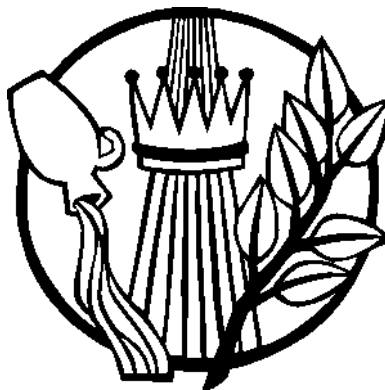
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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Invitation


Pastor: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.




*(if you would like communion to be brought to you in your pew,
please speak to a service leader.)*

Communion Hymn: "Healer of Our Every Ill"


Refrain



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,




give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

Refrain



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
 still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
 ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
 way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

Communion Hymn: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill. with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

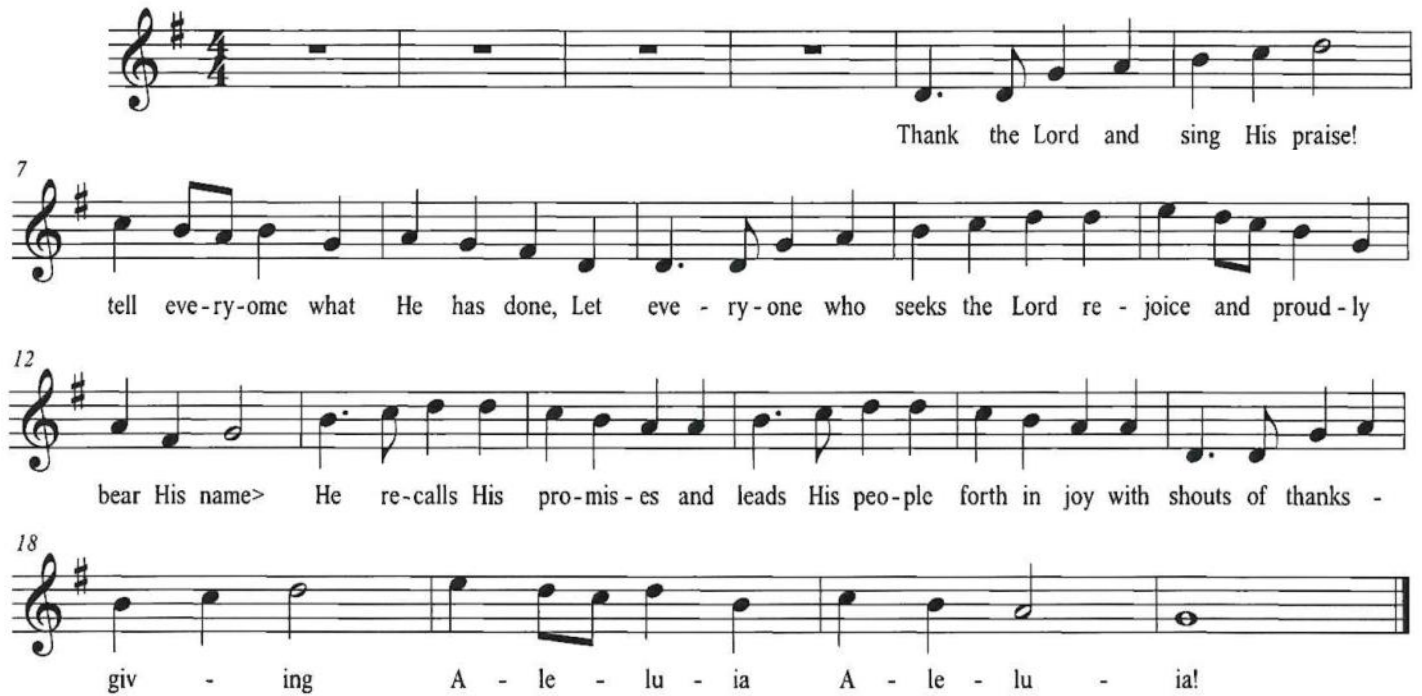
5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

Table Blessing

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Post Communion Canticle *Composed by Bob Newbury*



The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music with lyrics underneath. The first line starts with a whole rest for four measures, followed by a half note G4, quarter note A4, quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The second line begins with a measure rest marked '7', followed by a sequence of eighth and quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3. The third line starts with a measure rest marked '12', followed by a sequence of quarter notes: G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3. The fourth line starts with a measure rest marked '18', followed by a sequence of quarter notes: G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3, ending with a whole note C3.

Thank the Lord and sing His praise!

tell eve-ry-one what He has done, Let eve - ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and proud - ly

bear His name> He re-calls His pro-mis - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -

giv - ing A - le - lu - ia A - le - lu - ia!

Post Communion Prayer

Pastor: We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

(Please stand if you are able)

Blessing

Pastor: God all mighty, God most merciful † bless you all, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation"

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more:
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. And share God's love with our community.
All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Please show your appreciation by silently exiting the sanctuary,
let us preserve the musical moment by refraining from clapping.*