Advent 5 – December 6, 2026

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit ***Psalm 80:1, 3, 14, 17; antiphon: Isaiah 62:11b; 30:30, 29***

Say to the daughter of | Zion,*
"Behold, your sal- | vation comes."
The LORD will cause his majestic voice | to be heard,*
and you shall have glad- | ness of heart.
Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph | like a flock!*

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, | shine forth.
Restore us, | O God;*
let your face shine, that we | may be saved!
Turn again, O | God of hosts!*
Look down from | heaven, and see.
But let your hand be on the man of your | right hand,*
the son of man whom you have made strong | for yourself!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
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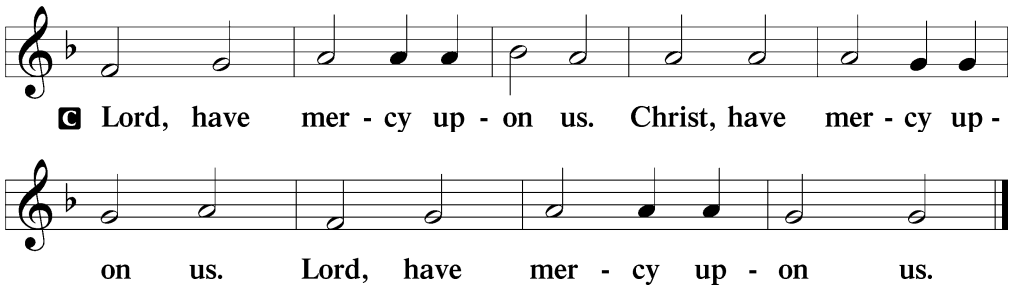
Kyrie

LSB 186 Mark 10:47



Hymn: 357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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Advent 2

P Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Malachi 4:1–6 ***Malachi 4:1–6***

1 "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will
be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave
them neither root nor branch. 2But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with
healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. 3And you shall tread down the
wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of
hosts.
4"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at
Horeb for all Israel.
5"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.
6And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I
come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 97 ***Psalm 97***

1The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!
2Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
3Fire goes before him
and burns up his adversaries all around.
4His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.
5The mountains melt like wax before the LORD,
before the Lord of all the earth.
6The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
and all the peoples see his glory.

[7]All worshipers of images are put to shame,
who make their boast in worthless idols;
worship him, all you gods!
[8]Zion hears and is glad,
and the daughters of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O LORD.
[9]For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.
[10]O you who love the LORD, hate evil!
He preserves the lives of his saints;
he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
[11]Light is sown for the righteous,
and joy for the upright in heart.
[12]Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name!

Romans 15:4–13 *Romans 15:4–13*

[4]Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. [5]May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, [6]that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. [7]Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

[8]For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, [9]and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,
and sing to your name."

[10]And again it is said,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."

[11]And again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples extol him."

[12]And again Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse will come,
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;
in him will the Gentiles hope."

[13]May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia *LSB 190*

Luke 21:25–36 *Luke 21:25–36*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

25[Jesus said:] "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in
perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, 26people fainting with fear and with
foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27And then
they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28Now when these things
begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."
29And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. 30As soon as they come out in
leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. 31So also, when you see these
things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. 32Truly, I say to you, this generation
will not pass away until all has taken place. 33Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not
pass away.
34"But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and
cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. 35For it will come upon all who
dwell on the face of the whole earth. 36But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength
to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 336 Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending *LSB 336*

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory

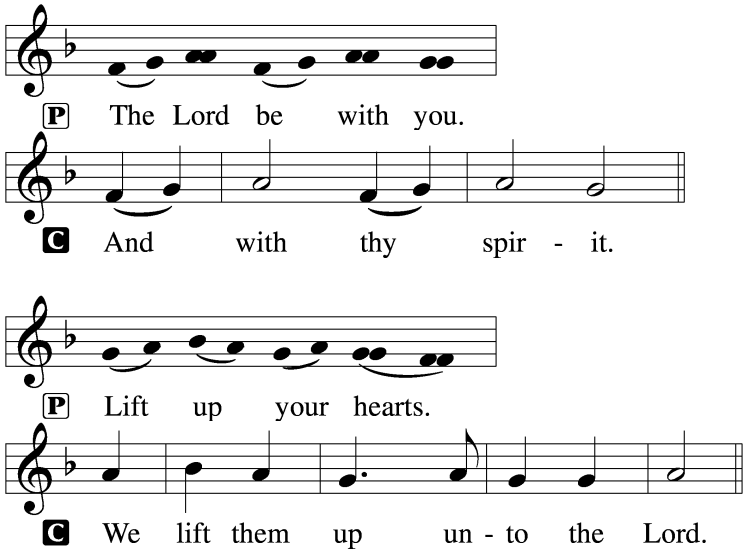
LSB 192 Psalm 51:10–12

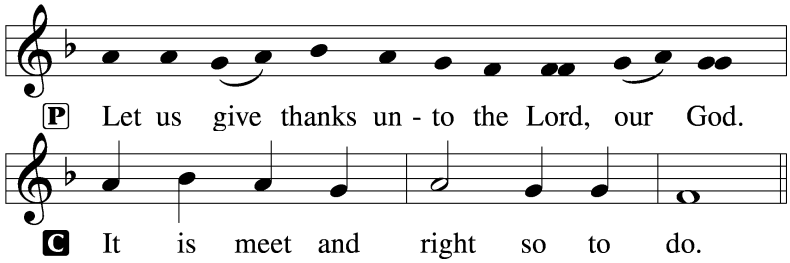
Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194 2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

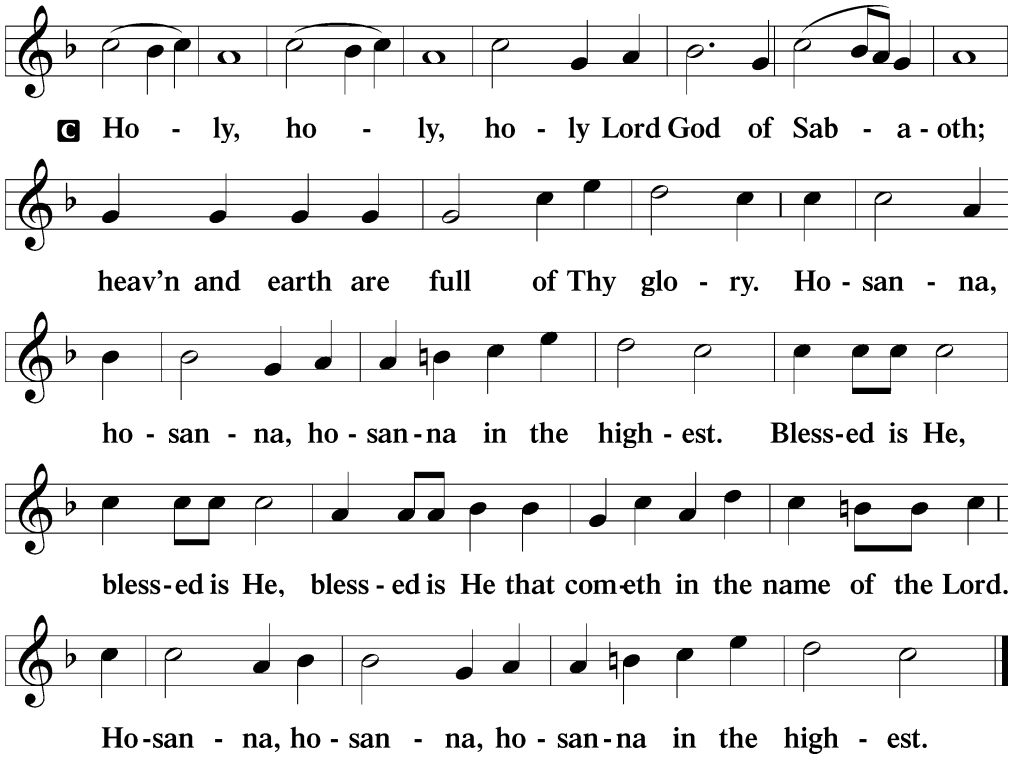




P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195 Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Lord's Prayer

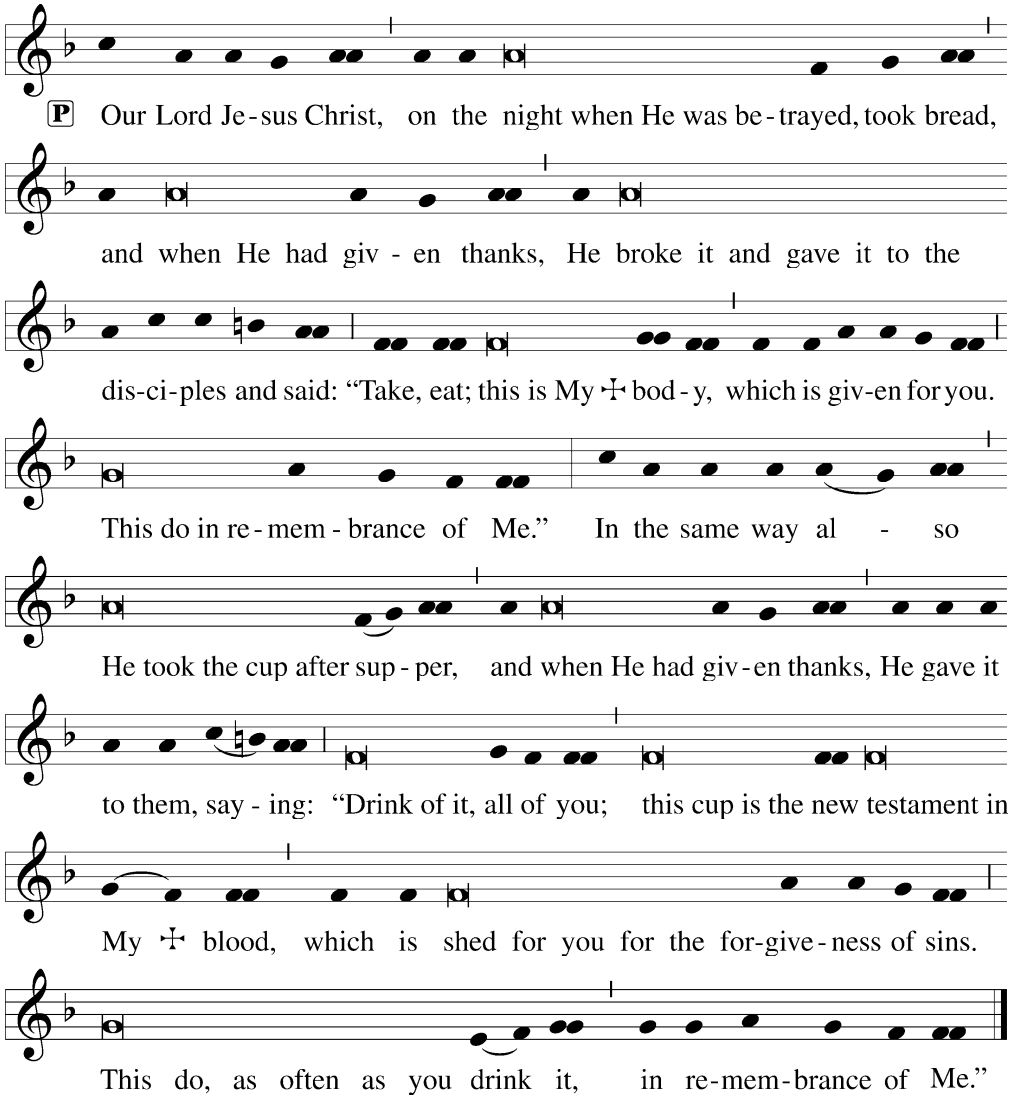
LSB 162 Matthew 6:9–13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

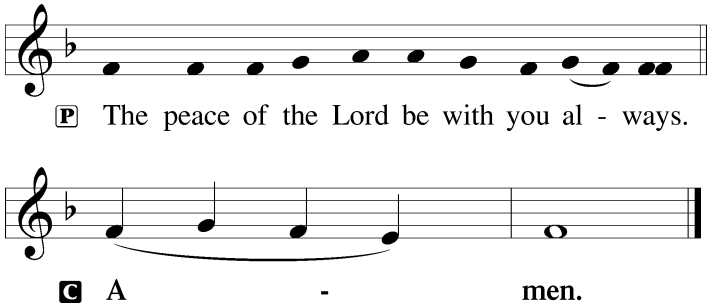
C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

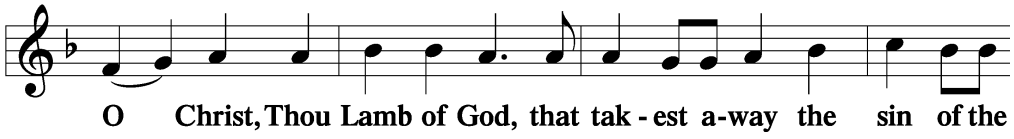
The Words of Our Lord *LSB 197 Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

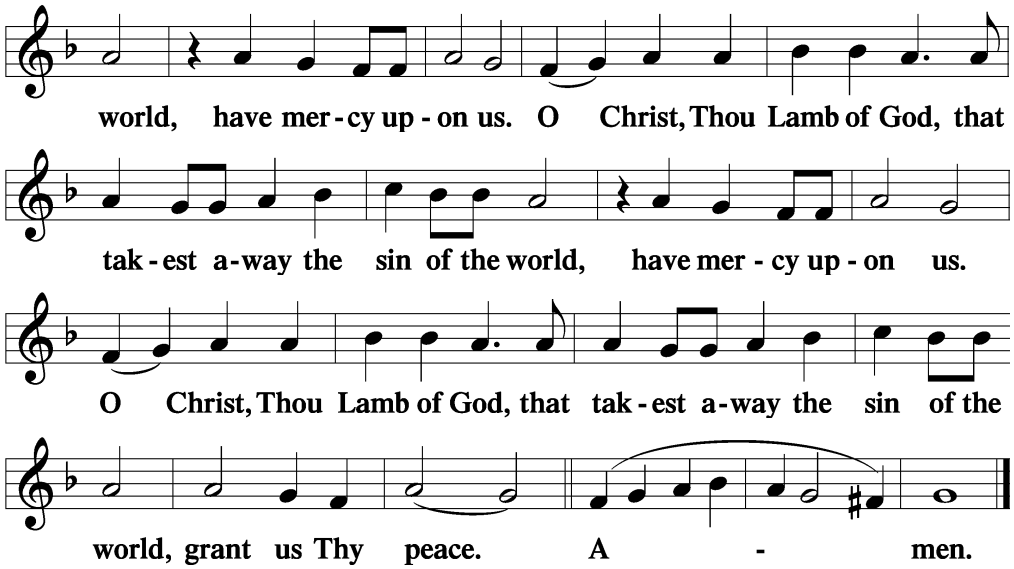


Pax Domini *LSB 197 John 20:19*



Agnus Dei *LSB 198 John 1:29*





Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: 337 The Night Will Soon Be Ending *LSB 337*

Star now bright - ens And bids you sing a - gain.
demp - tive pow - er All those who trust this child.
new cre - a - tion—This child its seal and sign.
our re - deem - ing From sin's op - pres - sive might.
still as chil - dren Through Mar - y's in - fant Son.

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Distribution Hymn: 342 What Hope! An Eden Prophesied *LSB 342*

1 What hope! An E - den proph-e - sied Where tame live with the wild;
2 A shoot will sprout from Jes - se's stem, A branch from Da-vid's line,
3 As ban - ner of God's love un-furled, Christ came to suf - fer loss,
4 Come, Je - sus, come, Mes - si - ah Lord, Lost Par - a - dise re - store;

The lamb and li - on side by side, Led by a lit - tle child!
A Prince of Peace in Beth - le - hem: The fruit of God's de - sign.
That by His death a dy - ing world Would ral - ly to the cross.
Lead past the an - gel's flam - ing sword—Come, o - pen heav - en's door.

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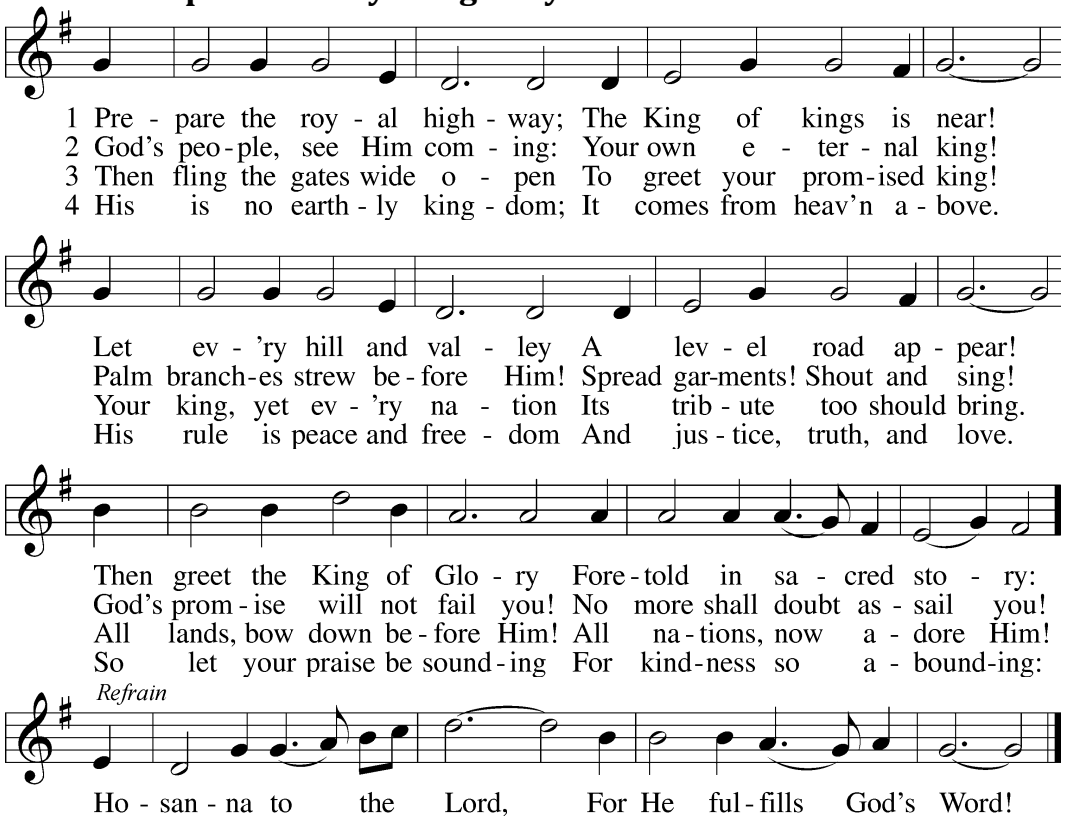
Hymn: 343 Prepare the Royal Highway *LSB 343*



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing: Your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom - ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.

Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch - es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar-ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.

Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!
So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

Refrain

Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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Hymn: 509 Christ Is Surely Coming

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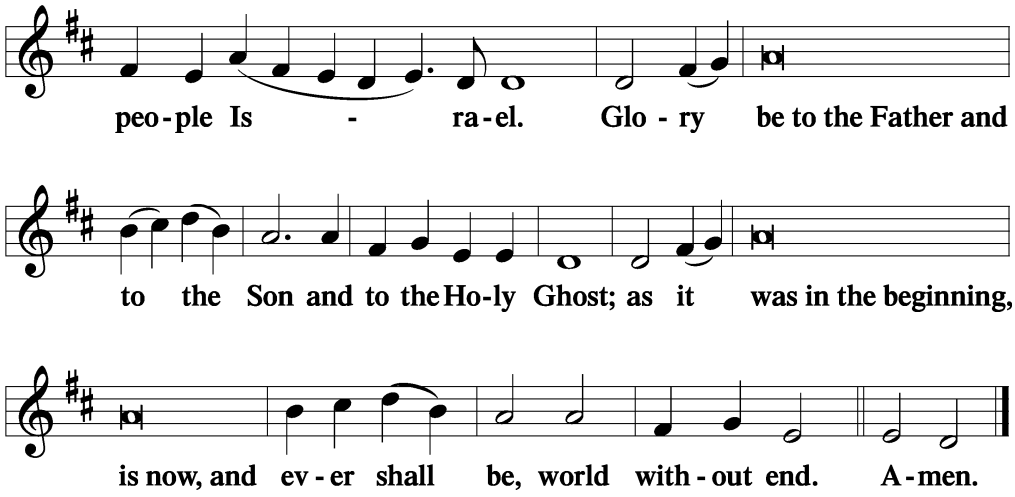
Stand

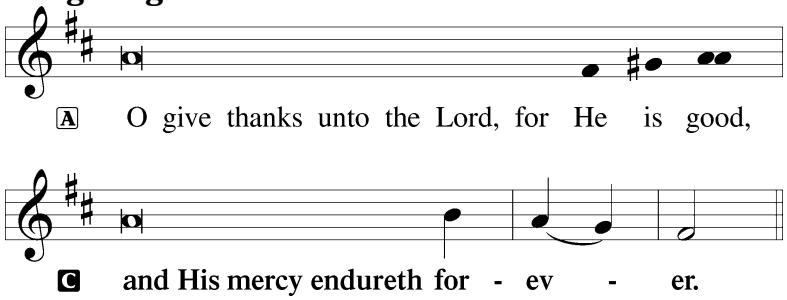
Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199 Luke 2:29–32



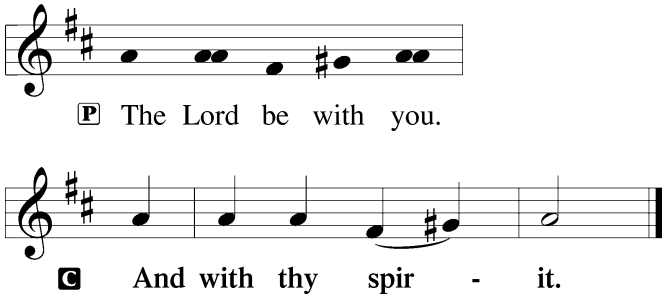
Thanksgiving

LSB 200 Psalm 107:1



A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**



Benedicamus

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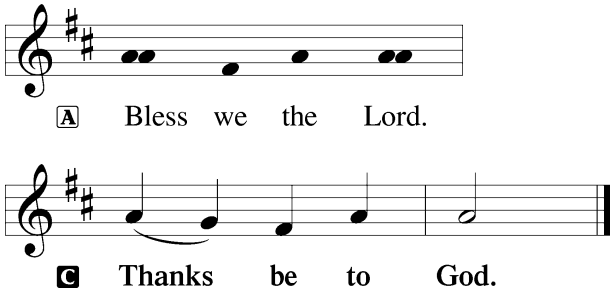

Benediction

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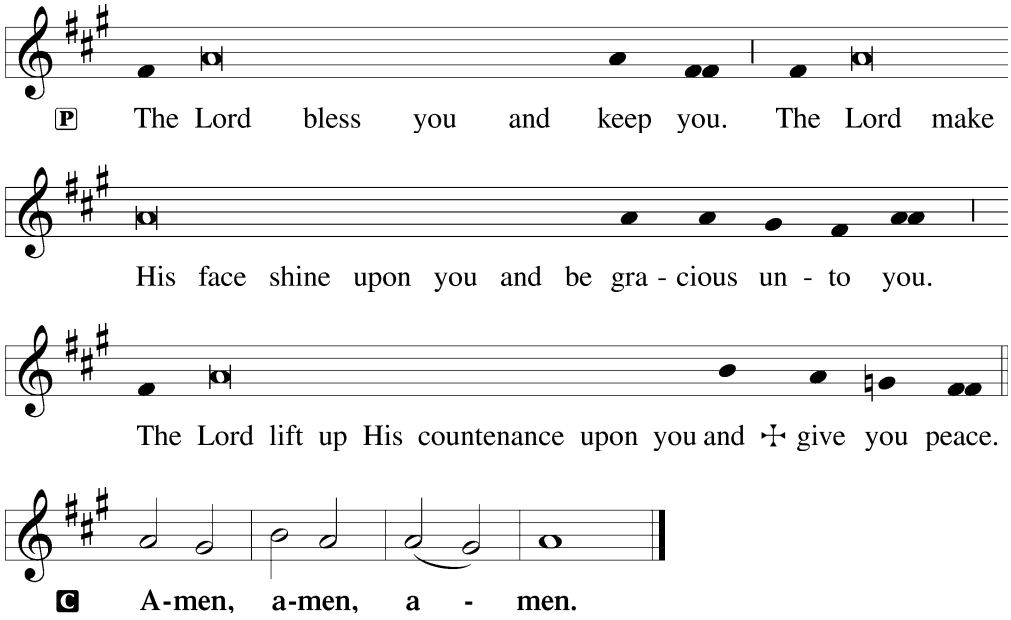

Hymn to Depart: 621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 621

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