

Our Savior Lutheran

Last Sunday of the Church Year

Order of Holy Communion

In Nomine Jesu



Music for Meditation & Prayer

Ringing of the Bells

Prelude

Come, Thou Almighty King

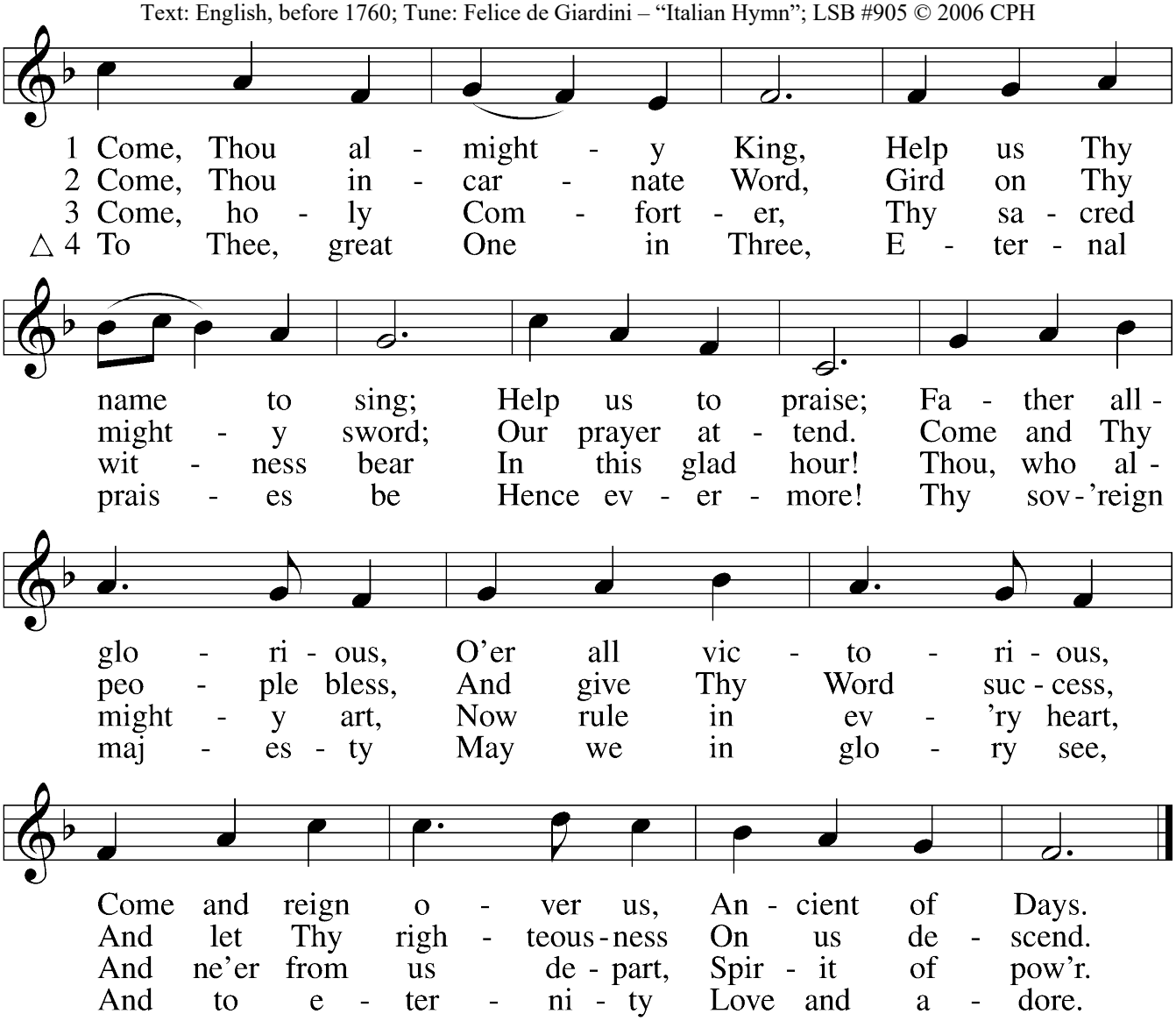
By K. Kosche

Greetings & Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

Come, Thou Almighty King

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(Stand)

Invocation

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

(Kneel)

Confession of Sins

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C ***O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserve your punishment now and forever. 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. Forgive me all of my sins and grant me the power of your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.***

Pronouncement of Forgiveness

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 to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all of your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C ***Amen.***

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Introit

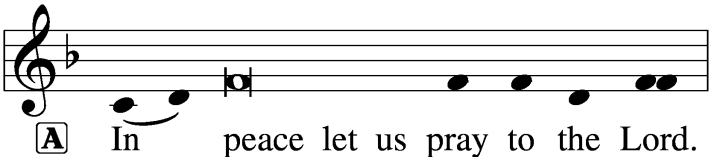
"Redimet Redempti a Domino Et Uenient In Sion"

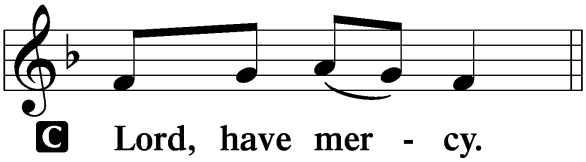
(Intoned by Laetare with Congregation on Gloria Patri; Psalm 39:4–5, 7–8; antiphon: Isaiah 35:10)

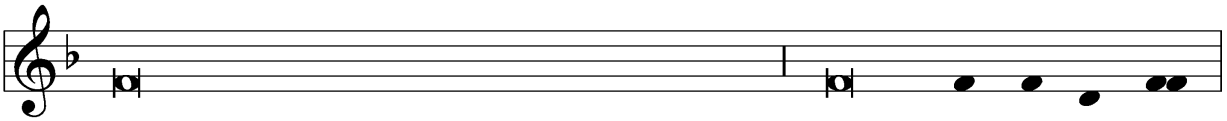
The ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with | singing;*
everlasting joy shall be up- | on their heads.
They shall obtain glad- | ness and joy,*
and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.
O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;*
let me know how fleeting | I am!
Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore you.*
Surely all mankind stands as a | mere breath!
And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?*
My hope | is in you.
Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.*
Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!
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

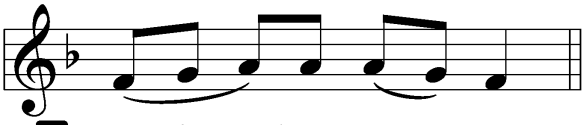
(Mark 10:47)



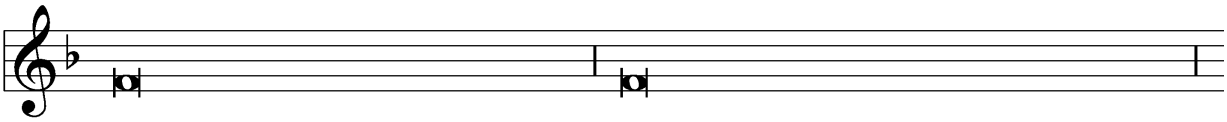




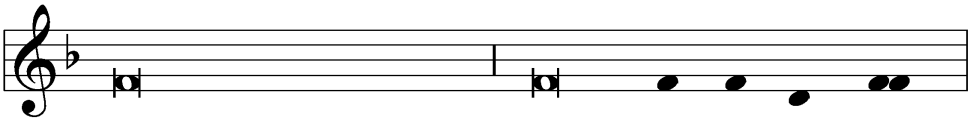
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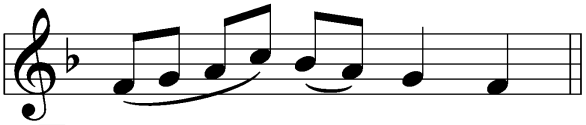
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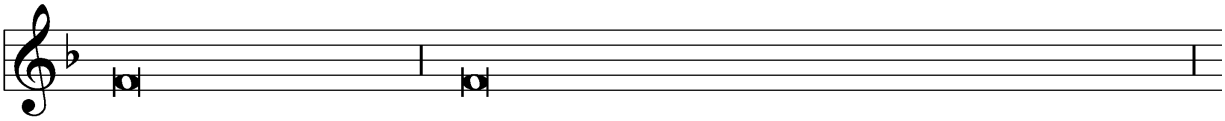
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



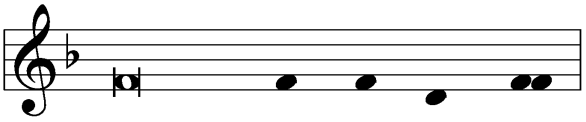
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



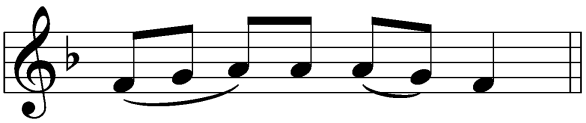
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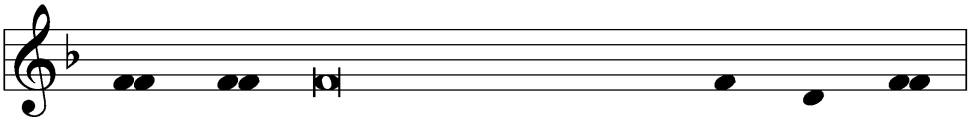
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



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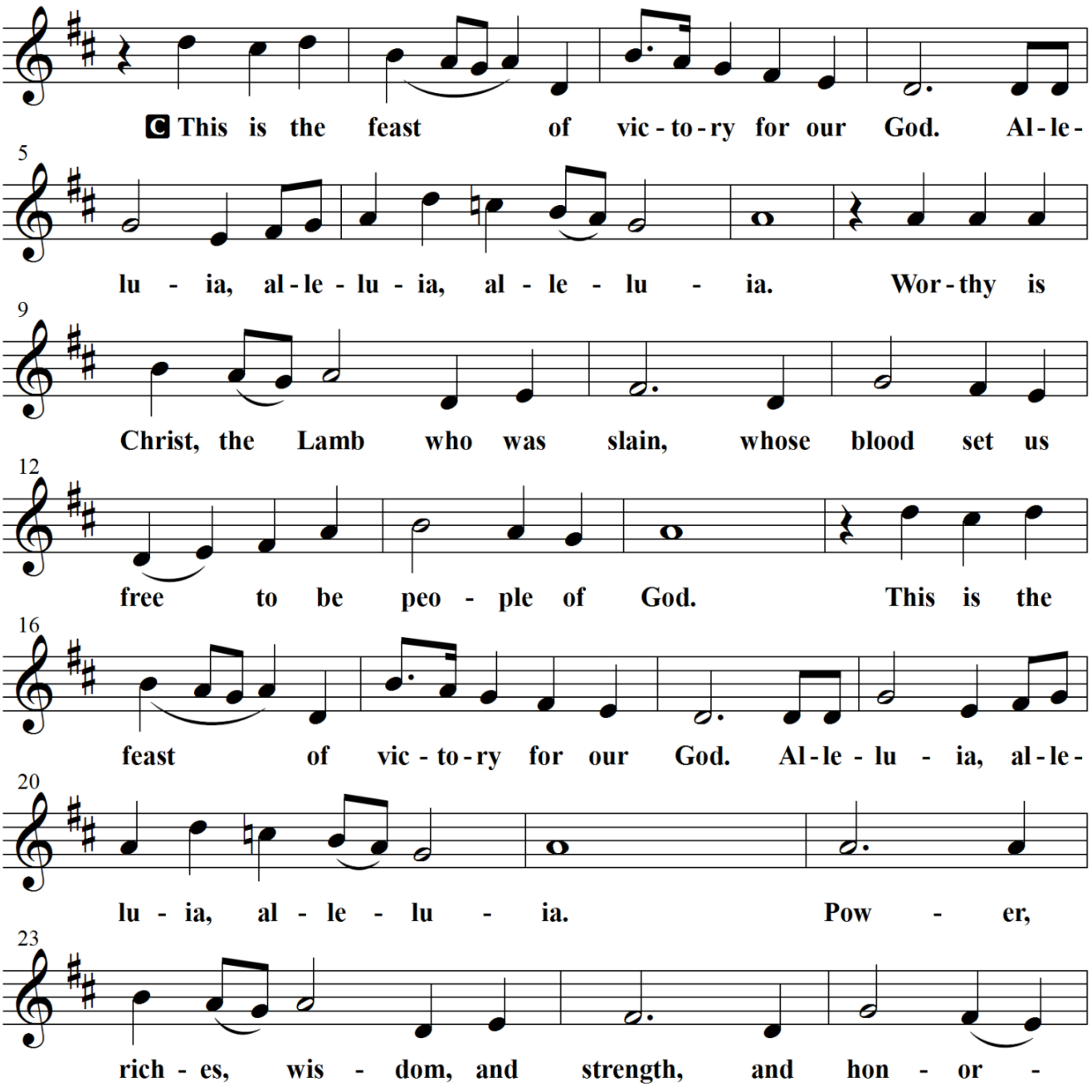
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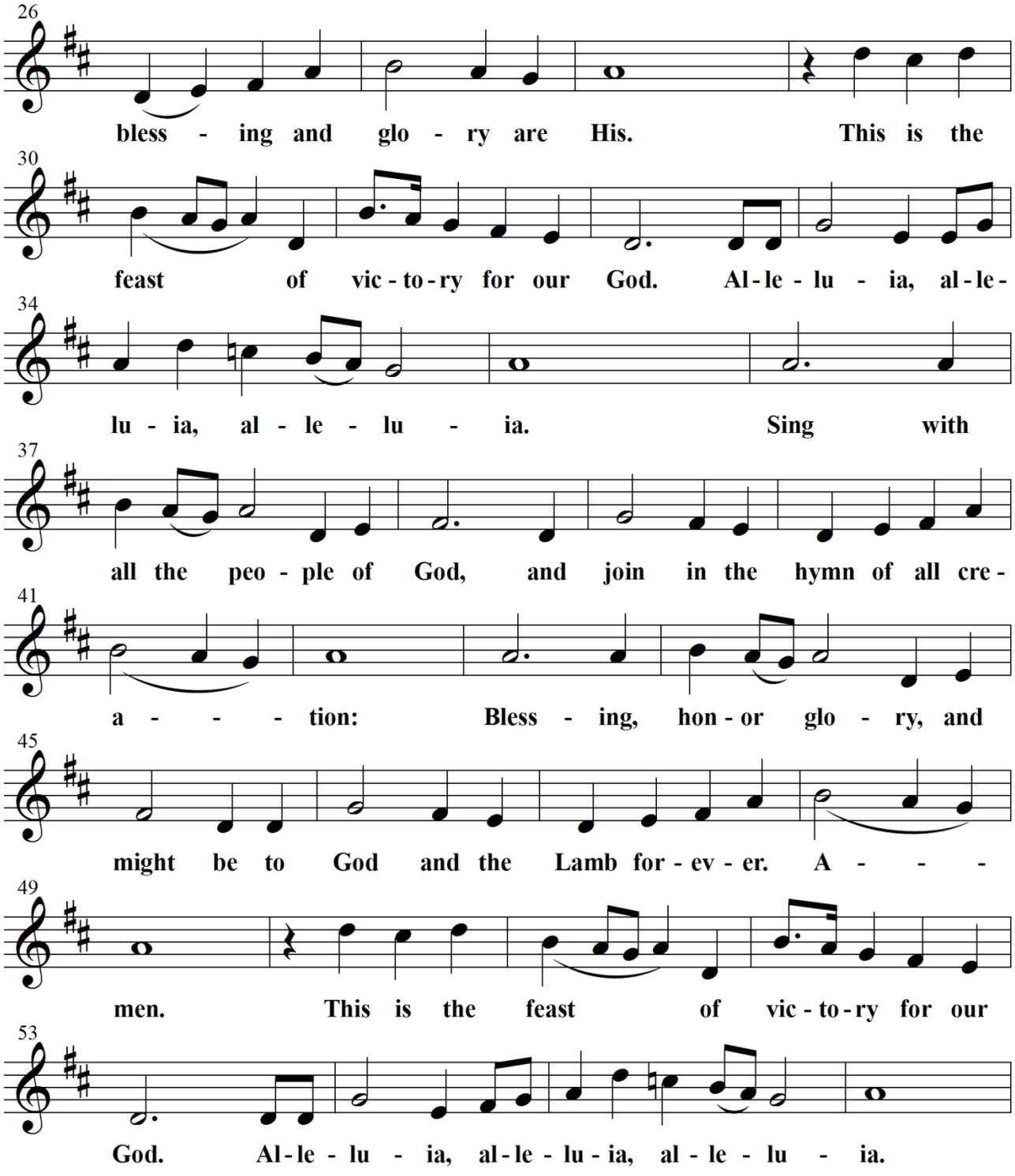


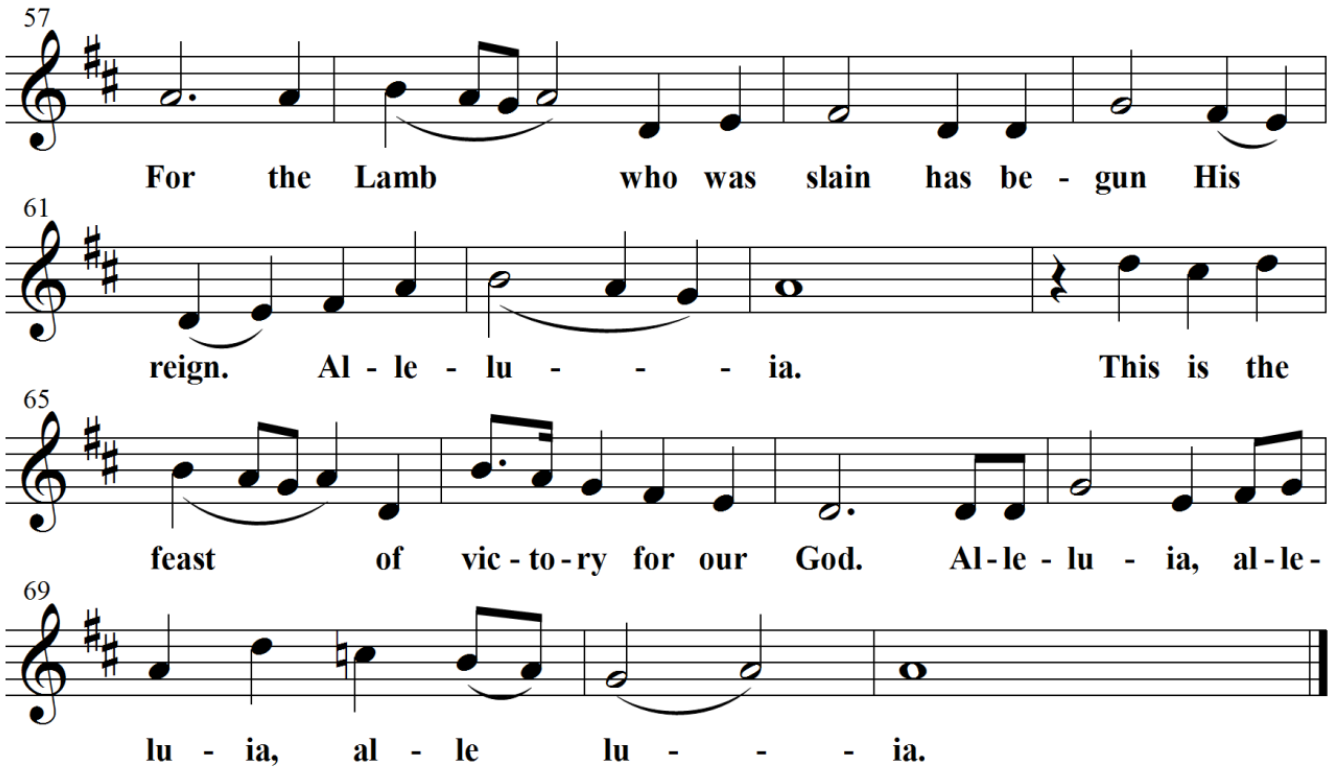
C **A - men.**

Hymn of Praise

(Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)

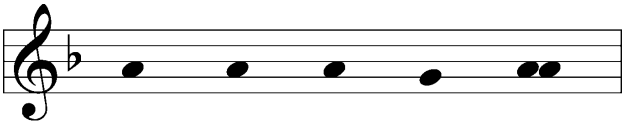



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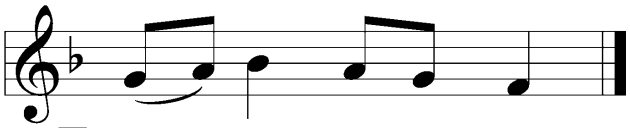


Collect of the Day

(2 Timothy 4:22)



P The Lord be with you.



C **And al - so with you.**

P Let us pray.
O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C ***Amen.***

(Be Seated)

Ministry of Music

A Thankful Alleluia

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Jubilate Choir

Alleluia! Alleluia!
We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens His will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing, sing praises to His name: He forgets not His own.
Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning; Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be Thine!
We all do extol Thee, our leader triumphant, and pray that Thou still our defender wilt be;
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation: Thy name be ever praised, O Lord, make us free!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 65:17–25

[17] "Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. [18] But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. [19] I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. [20] No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. [21] They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. [22] They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. [23] They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. [24] Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. [25] The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

Everything which sin has distorted and destroyed will be perfectly restored when Jesus returns in glory and power as the eternal Judge of Mankind. We who have become His people by grace through faith will live in harmony with God forever, as He intended in the beginning. All of the pain, frustration, suffering and death which are the consequences of sin will be removed, and we will be what we were meant to be again.

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

Gradual

(Intoned by Laetare; Psalm 45:14–15)

In many-colored robes [the king's daughter] is led | to the king,*
with her virgin companions following be- | hind her.
With joy and gladness they are | led along*
as they enter the palace | of the king.

Epistle Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

The believer's eager anticipation of Christ's return must never be reduced to a matter of dates and times. We are called to live by faith, trusting that all of God's promises will be fulfilled exactly as He intends. Faith is the gift of being able to believe that God's way is always best and that God's way is being accomplished no matter how difficult it may be for me to understand why or how. That faith enables us to encourage and strengthen one another as we wait.

[1] Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you
have no need to have anything written to you. [2] For you
yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come
like a thief in the night. [3] While people are saying, "There is
peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon
them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will
not escape. [4] But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that
day to surprise you like a thief. [5] For you are all children of
light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the
darkness. [6] So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us
keep awake and be sober. [7] For those who sleep, sleep at
night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. [8] But since
we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the
breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of
salvation. [9] For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord
Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.
[11] Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

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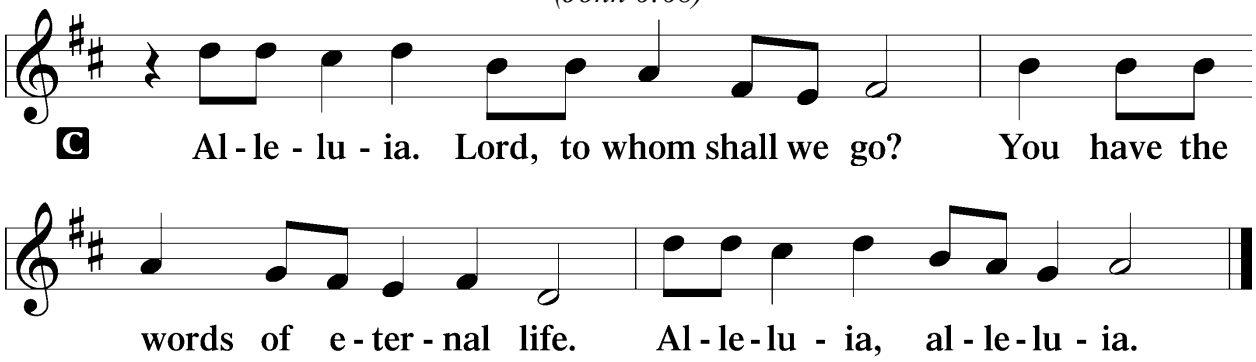
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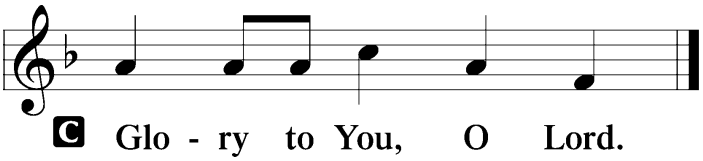
Alleluia and Verse

(John 6:68)



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.



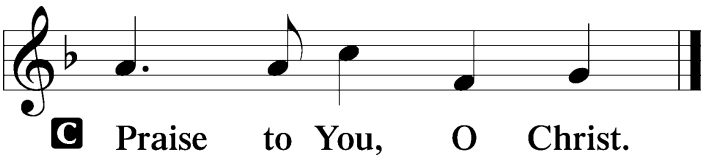
Gospel Reading

St. Matthew 25:1–13

God has promised that Jesus is coming. He invites us to be ever watchful, eagerly awaiting the great day of His return. We dare not allow ourselves to be distracted by the foolishness of this passing world. Nor should we grow weary as we wait, but use each and every moment which the Lord has given us to serve and glorify Him. When the Bridegroom comes, we will be able to greet Him joyfully.

[1] [Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3] For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4] but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7] Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. [8] And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9] But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10] And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. [11] Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12] But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' [13] Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.

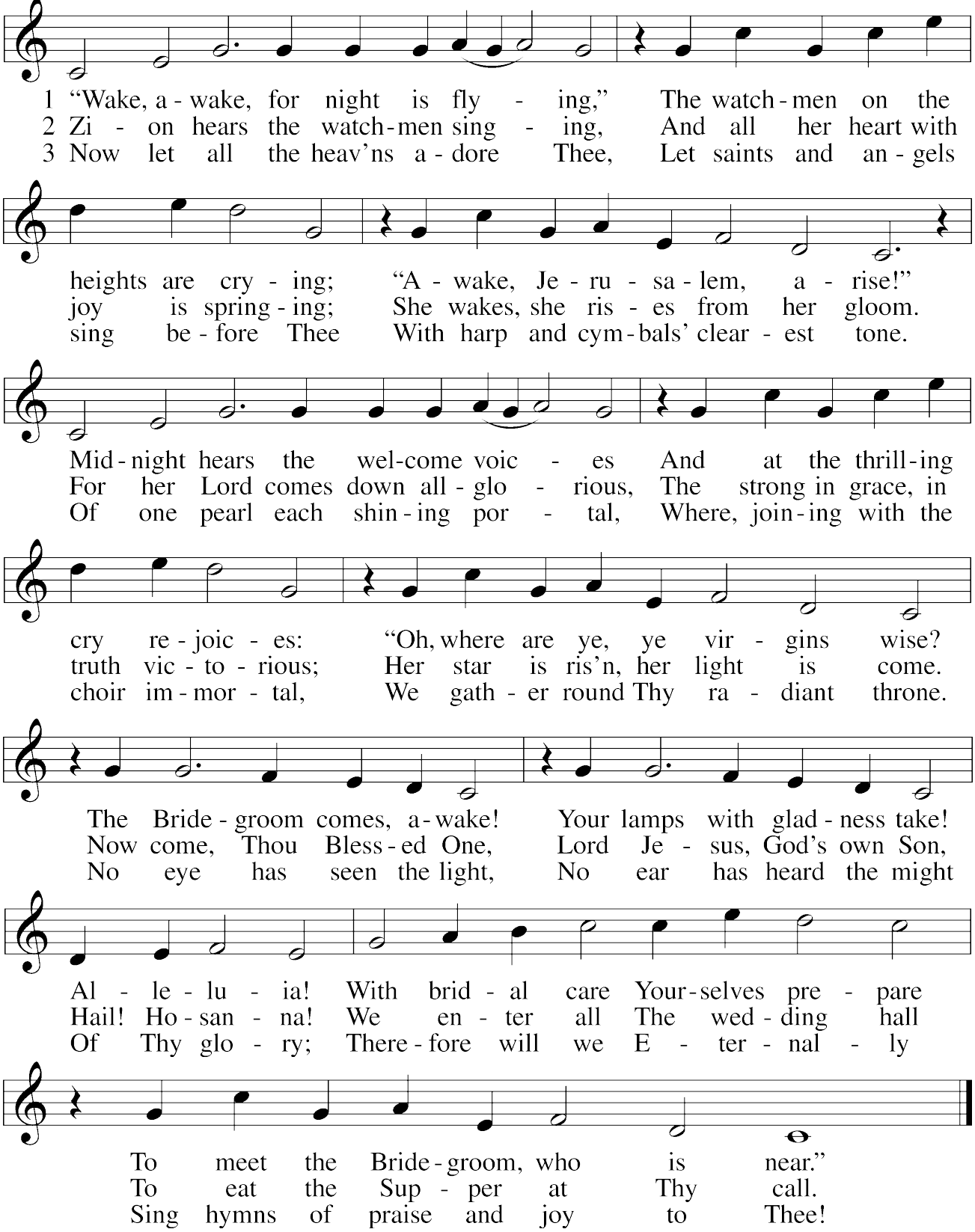
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen

(Be Seated)

Sermon Hymn

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

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(Stand for Text)

Sermon

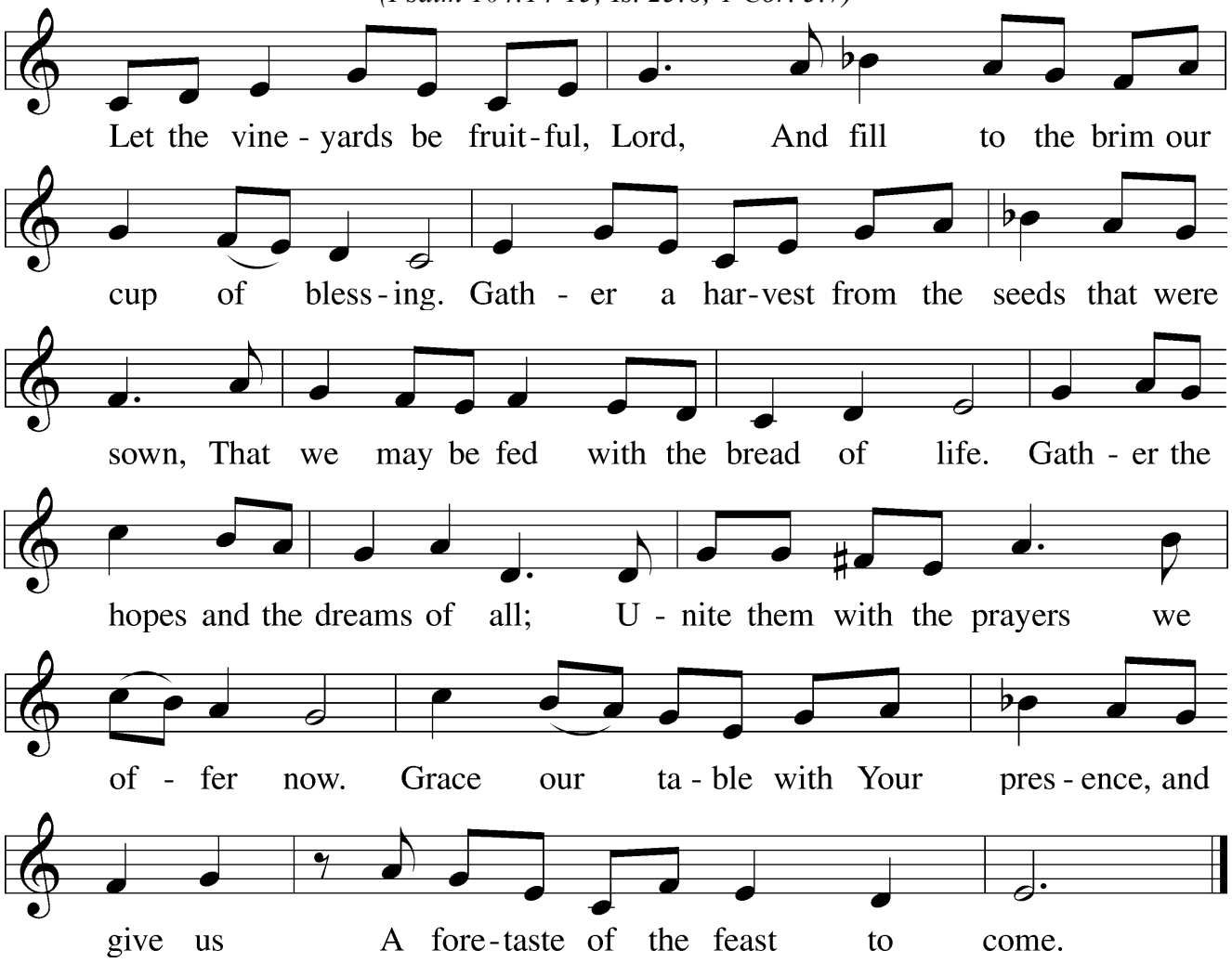
Text: St. Matthew 25:6
"Wake UP!"

(Stand)

Votum

Offertory

(Psalm 104:14-15; Is. 25:6; 1 Cor. 5:7)



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Offering Prayer

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Offering

Voluntary

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By W. Wold

(Stand)

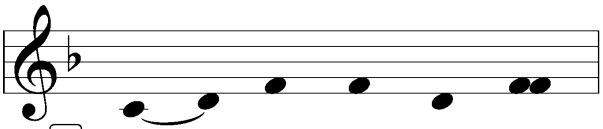
Intercessory Prayer

P Let us pray to the Lord:

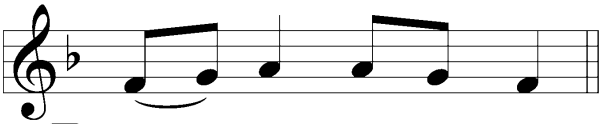
C ***Lord, have mercy.***

Preface

Worship Note*: The sound of the Zimbelstern announces the invitation that brings the realms of heaven and voices here on earth to sing the great hymn of praise to our Lord. As the pastor reads "therefore with angels and archangels...." the bells peal in festive celebration.*



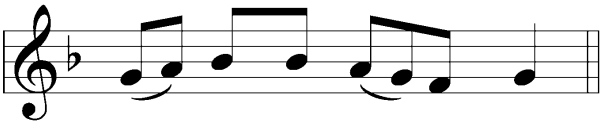
P The Lord be with you. *(2 Timothy 4:22)*



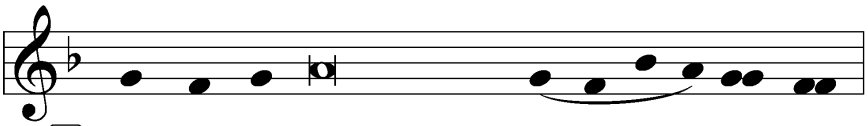
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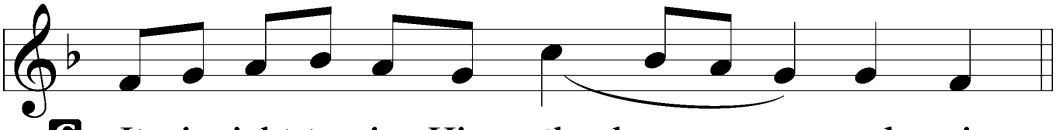
P Lift up your hearts. *(Colossians 3:1)*



C **We lift them to the Lord.**



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

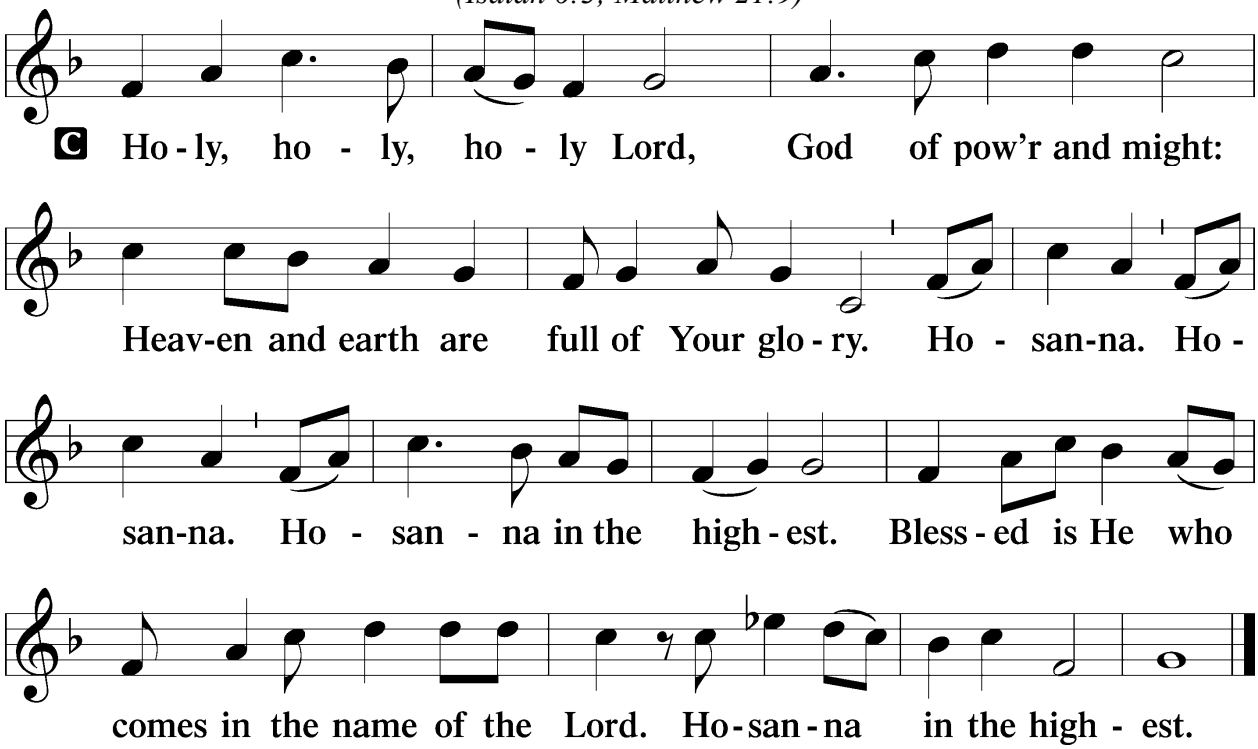


C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.** *(Psalm 136)*

P It is truly good, 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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

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***

Words of Institution

(Matthew 26:26-28)

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✢ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✢ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

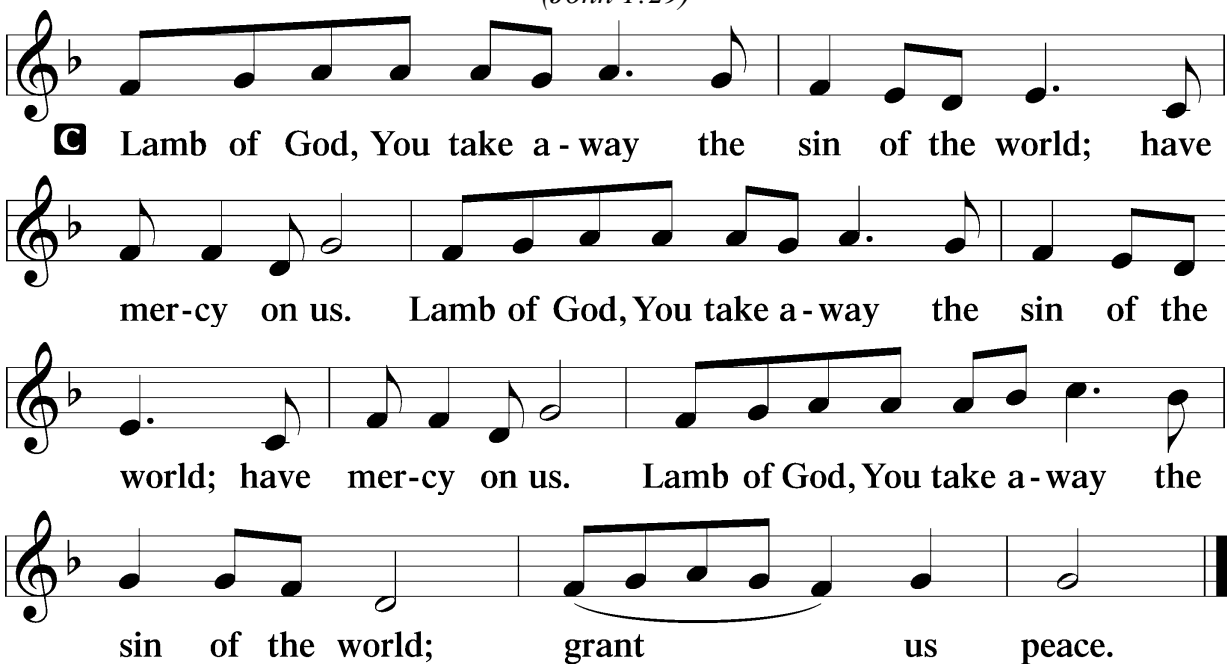
(John 20:19)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C ***And also with you.***

Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)



(Be Seated)

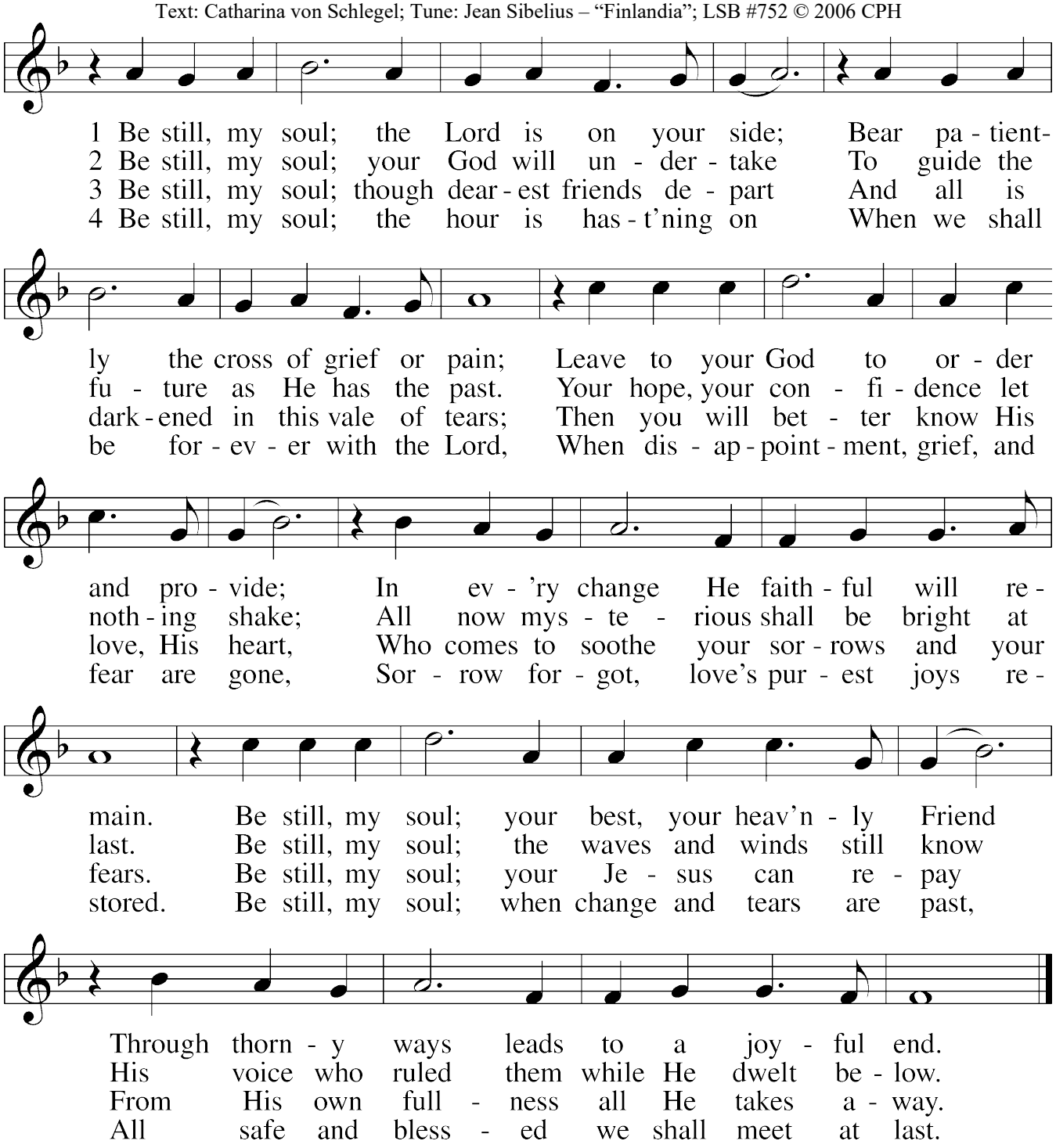
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(This congregation observes the Biblical practice of "Closed Communion," outlined in the Communion Policy Statement in the announcement section of the bulletin. If you have not communed with us previously and have not had the opportunity to speak with our Pastor about communion attendance, we respectfully request that you refrain from participating in the Sacrament this morning. Thank you for your kindness.)

Distribution Hymns

Be Still, My Soul

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Ministry of Music

Communion Meditation

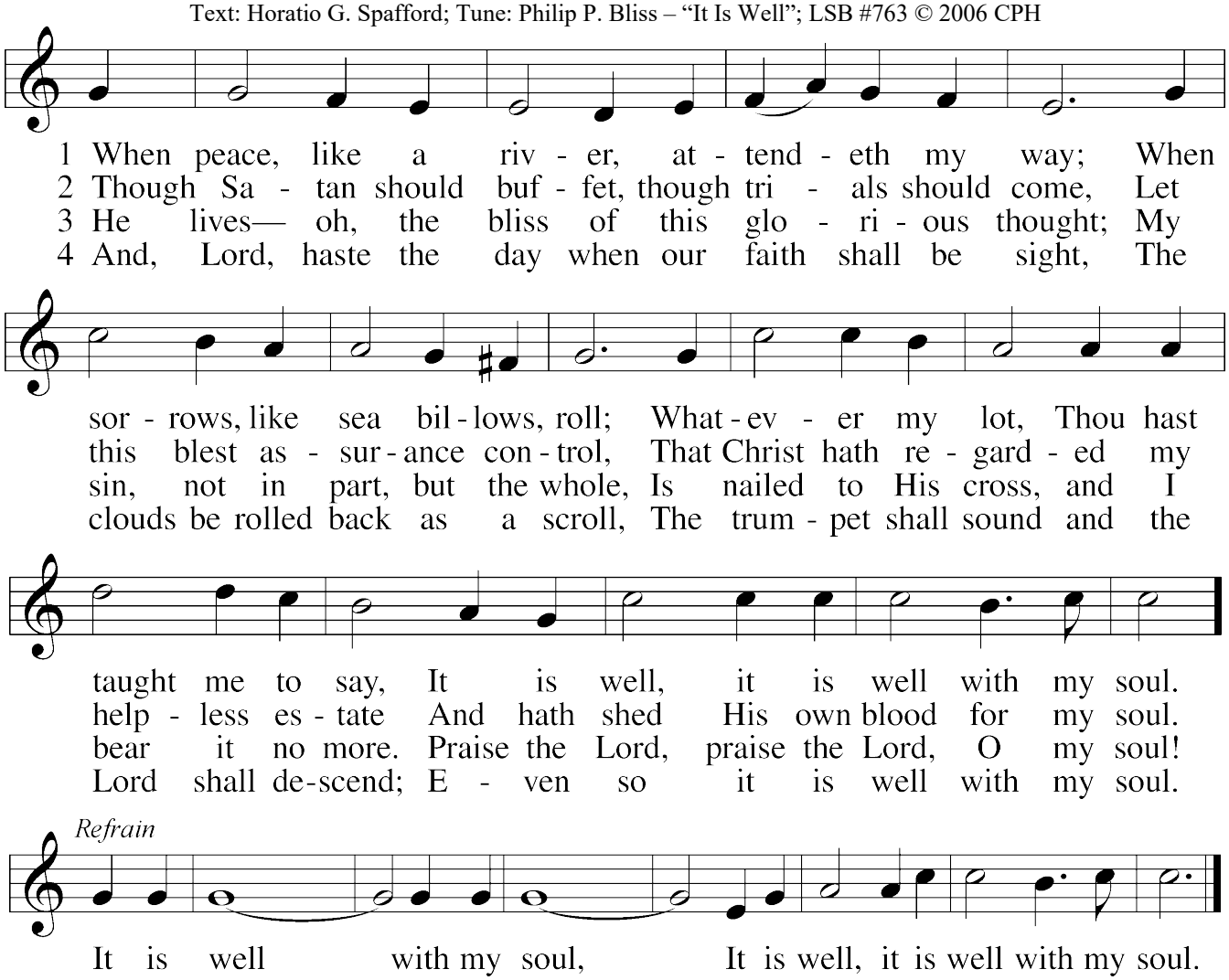
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Jubilate Choir

Bread is broken, words are spoken, for the Savior who died for me.
Now we meet Him, gladly greet Him, for in dying He set us free.
Come risen Lord and dwell with us. Be ever in our heart.
May we know Thine eternal grace. May sin and death depart.
Wine so sacred, consecrated, given to us as from His hand.
Life unending, love descending, in His mercy we ever stand.
Come risen Lord and dwell with us. Be ever in our heart.
May we know Thine eternal grace. May sin and death depart.
Sing His glory, wondrous story. We receive Him with body and blood.
Voices raising, humbly praising, we are mortal, but ever Thine. We are mortal, but ever Thine.

When Peace, like a River

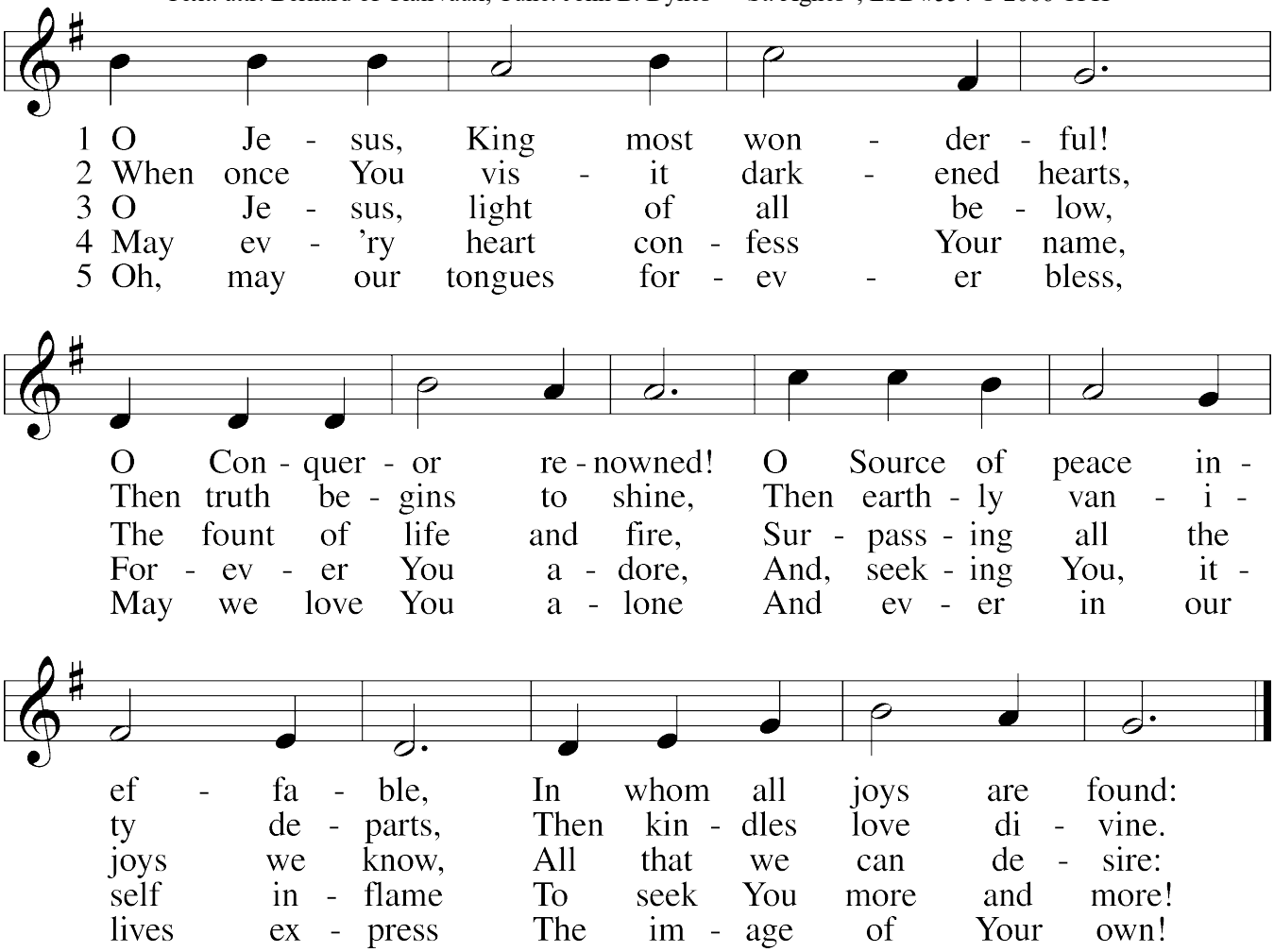
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O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

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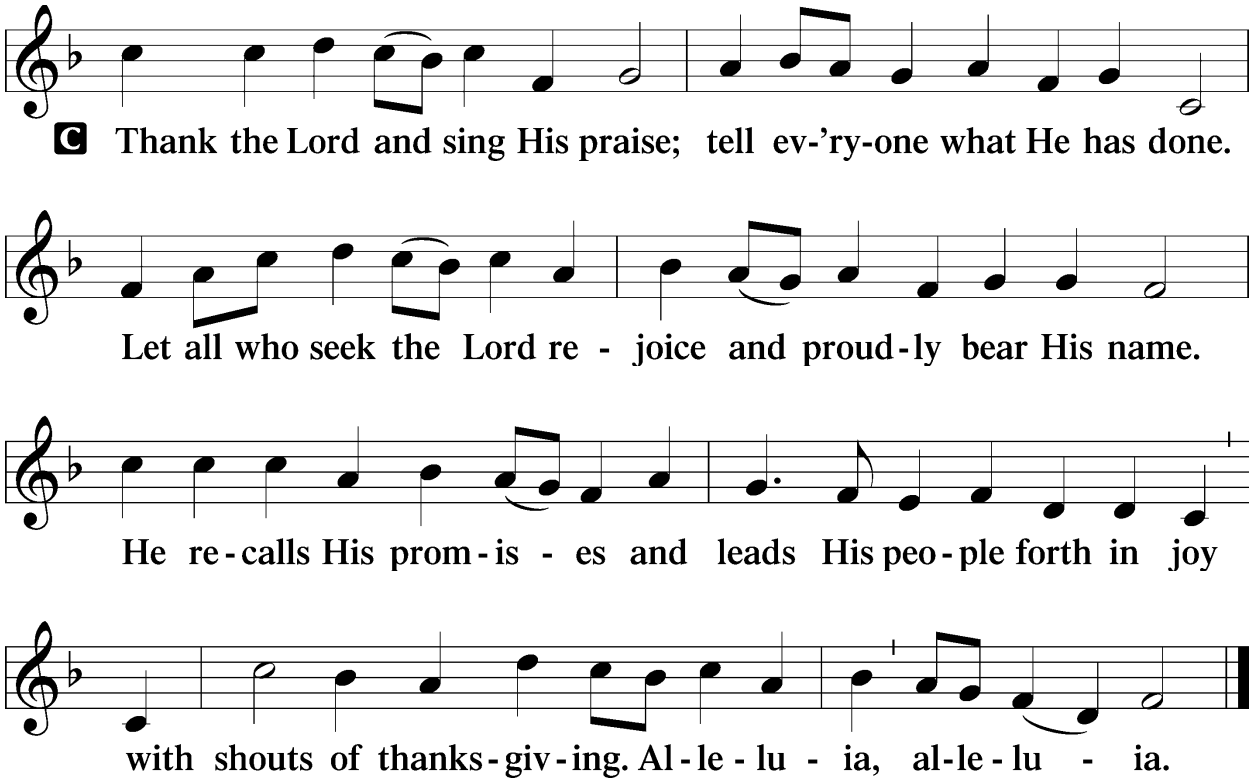
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Post-Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord



Post-Communion Collect

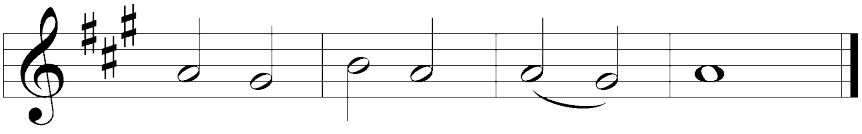
P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with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

C ***Amen.***

Benediction

(Numbers 6:24-26)

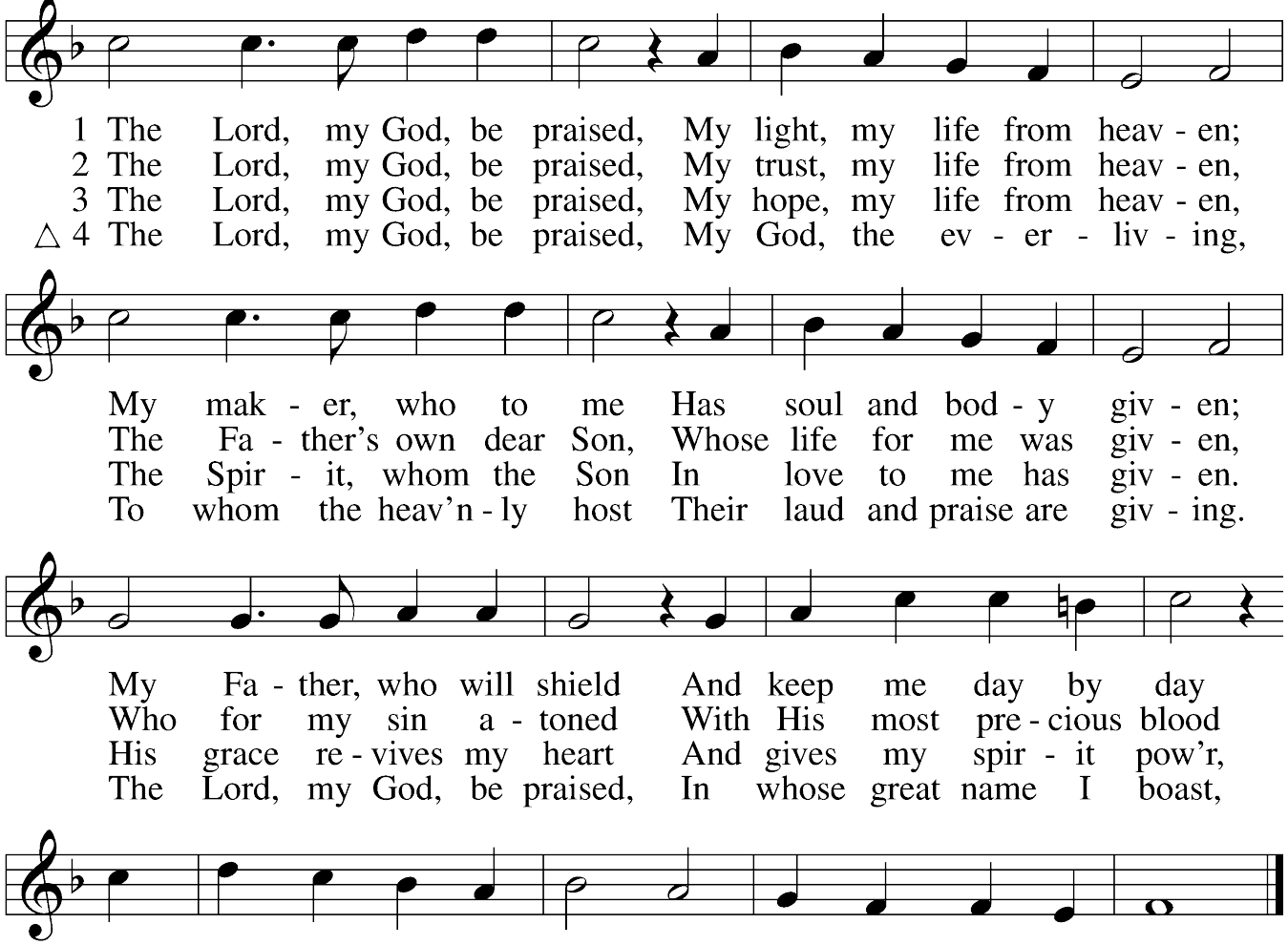
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.



Closing Hymn

The Lord, My God, Be Praised

Text: Johann Olearius; Tune: Johann Crüger – "Nun Danket Alle Gott"; LSB #794 © 2006 CPH



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Postlude

The Lord, My God, Be Praised

By M. Burkhardt

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Welcome!

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Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship sincerely, serve Christ faithfully.

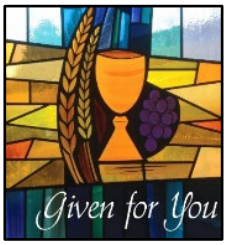
It is our heartfelt prayer that all who worships here this day may encounter the love of our Savior. According to His promise, He is here today reaching out to us in love through Word and Sacrament. If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you have found it here so that we may rejoice in serving the Lord together. If we can be of service to you or your family in any way please do not hesitate to ask.

LIFE THOUGHTS / PRAYER: Last Sunday of the Church Year – Our Savior considers human bodies so precious that He has already begun making a new earth for them to enjoy eternally (Isaiah 65:17-25). He has not designed humankind's bodily existence as disposable but as indispensable to our identity and abundant life. How shall this affect our approach to illness, disability, conception, and age? *Prayer: King of creation, increase our respect and protection for the bodies of others with the esteem You bestow upon our own. Amen.*

ATTENDANCE CARDS – MEMBERS (yellow) & VISITORS (blue), remember to fill out an attendance card listing all in attendance for your family. Please note any changes, otherwise you do not have to fill in the address information each week. It is appreciated if first-time visitors would include their address and phone number. Email and work numbers are helpful for inner-office needs. By filling out a card, your attendance and communing is recorded, and your comments are addressed. It is not necessary to indicate common or individual cup. Place cards in the offering plate or give to an usher on your way out. Thanks!



- ***The Cry-Room and the four row spans directly in front of it are reserved for parents with small children. Thank you.***
- ***Hearing devices are available from the ushers if you need this assistance.***



HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated next on **Thanksgiving Eve, November 25 @ 7:00 PM,** and **Thanksgiving Day, November 26 @ 9:30 AM.** "Let a man examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup." *1 Corinthians 11:28*

The Word of God teaches that the bread and wine of the Sacrament are the true Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This precious gift of God's grace is to be received in a sense of reverent awe after careful self-examination. The Bible defines that self-examination as a personal recognition of the real presence of Christ's Body and Blood in the Sacrament, and a repentant acknowledgment of my own sinfulness recognizing my absolute dependence upon Christ as the only source of forgiveness for my sin. Scripture further instructs that our participation in Christ's Body and Blood together is the most profound and powerful way for Christians to acknowledge their unity in the faith. That is to say, when we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus at this altar, we are thereby indicating our common commitment to all of the doctrines of God's Word as they are taught in this congregation. Because of these Biblical convictions, we respectfully request that visitors, who wish to join us in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and thereby identify with our confession of Bible truth, speak with one of our pastors before attending the Lord's Supper.

Get the OSL App…

SERMON VIDEOS are on our app or website at ***www.OSL.cc*** (click MEDIA at the top). CDs of sermons are available for $2 each. You may also request past sermons and special services on your attendance card. Our *Bible Through One Year* plan is also on our app.

Bible Class & Sunday School for all ages:

8:15 AM –

What is the Augsburg Confession? An article-by-article Bible study of the Augsburg Confession of 1530. A study to help Lutherans understand what it means to be Christian. (Pastor Cholak, Bible Class Room)

10:45 AM – Adults

Matthew: Verse by verse study of the 1st book of the New Testament. (Pastor Cholak, Bible Class Room)

Enduring Faith: This adult class looks at the lessons the children are learning, with an adult perspective. New members and parents of Sunday School children are encouraged to come. All are welcome. (Bill Prestwood, C102)

Lutheran Confessions: Our Lutheran Confessions were developed out of a genuine concern with false teachings obscuring the glory and merit of our Savior. These unconditional affirmations are as understandable and poignant today as when they were written. Learn their history and development, as well as their relevance in the daily life of a Christian. Through discussion, you will see how others are asking the same questions and how Scripture offers solid, reliable answers. (James Kriegel, C101)

Women's Bible Study – *Altogether Beautiful: A Study of the Song of Songs,* by Heidi Goehmann (published by Concordia Publishing House). Walking through this study, you will learn how beautiful God sees you, but more important, you'll learn to ground your identity in the one who makes you beautiful—Jesus Christ. (Sarah Baughman, Family Room, Church)

Applying Scripture to Current Events: This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

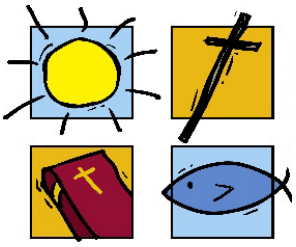
The Formation of the Canon *(the Scripture kind, not the boom kind)***:** We will explore the history and theology behind how and why the Bible is what it is. (Garry Stuhr *for traveling Karl Baughman,* in Cafeteria)

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED – 10:45 AM

High School – 4:12 Youth Room
Jr High: 6th, 7th, 8th Grade – C105
5th Grade – C103
3rd – 4th Grade – C104
1st – 2nd Grade – C115
Kindergarten – C116
3 & 4 yrs – B109
18 mos. – 3 yrs – B111

YOU can Help!

Would you consider volunteering to be a substitute when teachers are out? If you are interested in helping the youth classes, please call/text me. Thanks for your consideration and prayers! **Matt Daniel,** Sunday School Superintendent: 832-312-4505



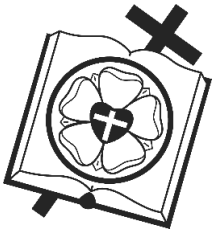
The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Smithsons in celebration of daughter Shelley's birthday, and by Thelma Oberndorfer in honor of nephew Don Schmidt's birthday.



Flower Chart **is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions!** Each flower arrangement is $60. You will find the flower clipboard on the hutch in the narthex. Remember to write a "**W**" if you want the flowers, or "**S**" to send them to the sick. Thank you!

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION: Remember to log in to your **Breeze** account, and make sure all your contact information is correct – phone numbers, address, email accounts, etc. You can even **add your own PHOTO.** Call the church office if you need help: 713-290-9087.

Young Adults Bible Study: *This group is taking a break ... but you are invited to join the Adult Catechesis study on Mondays @ 7:00pm.*



ADULT CATECHESIS:** ***(*Will NOT Meet THIS WEEK) What do Lutherans believe? Where is it found in the Bible? Need a refresher course? — Join us on Mondays, 7:00pm - 8:30pm in the Bible Class Room with Pastor Cholak. Everyone is welcome! There is a pot-luck supper and snacks beginning at 6:30 pm, with the study starting at 7:00 pm. Join us for God's Word and great Christian fellowship. Contact Bill Prestwood with any questions: bprestwood@osl.cc *or* 806-626-5244. *Babysitting provided.*

MEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – All men are invited on **Wednesday** mornings in the Bible Class Room, at 6:30-7:30am, or join by **ZOOM** through https://osl.cc/menalive. Contact Channing Wood at channing@toddyblends.com.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** ***(*Will NOT Meet THIS WEEK) **—** Join us on Wednesdays with Pastor Cholak from 10:00-12:00 with a break in the middle. We are studying *Romans, Chief Part of the New Testament and the Very Purest Gospel*. Food and fellowship provided of course!

SHUT-IN MEMBER VISITS – *Do you know of someone that is not able to make it to church and wants a visit?* Please contact Pastor Cholak: 713-290-9087 or scholak@osl.cc .

CART CREW DRIVERS NEEDED! Please consider joining a Cart Crew Team! You must be 16 or older and have a valid driver's license. Please contact the church office 713-290-9087, or Andy Adams aadams@adamsins.com, to add your name to the list.

GREETERS NEEDED to serve the Lord with gladness! Get to know your fellow church family. Call Garry Stuhr for information: 281-704-7129.

SOUND CREW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you can push a button, you can be on the Sound Crew. Just give us a call or email: 713-290-9087 or church@osl.cc. ***We need the help!***

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED in Audio-Visual Ministry: Learn from a "hands on" perspective, call 713-290-9087, leave your name and number, and we will contact you. No experience necessary.

RECYCLE PAPER in the bin which is in the back parking lot to the north.

Calling for Cross-stitchers! If you are interested in helping make the Chrismon ornaments for our Sunday School children, we are looking for stitchers! The patterns are simple and we will provide you with the materials. If interested, please contact Sarah in the church office.

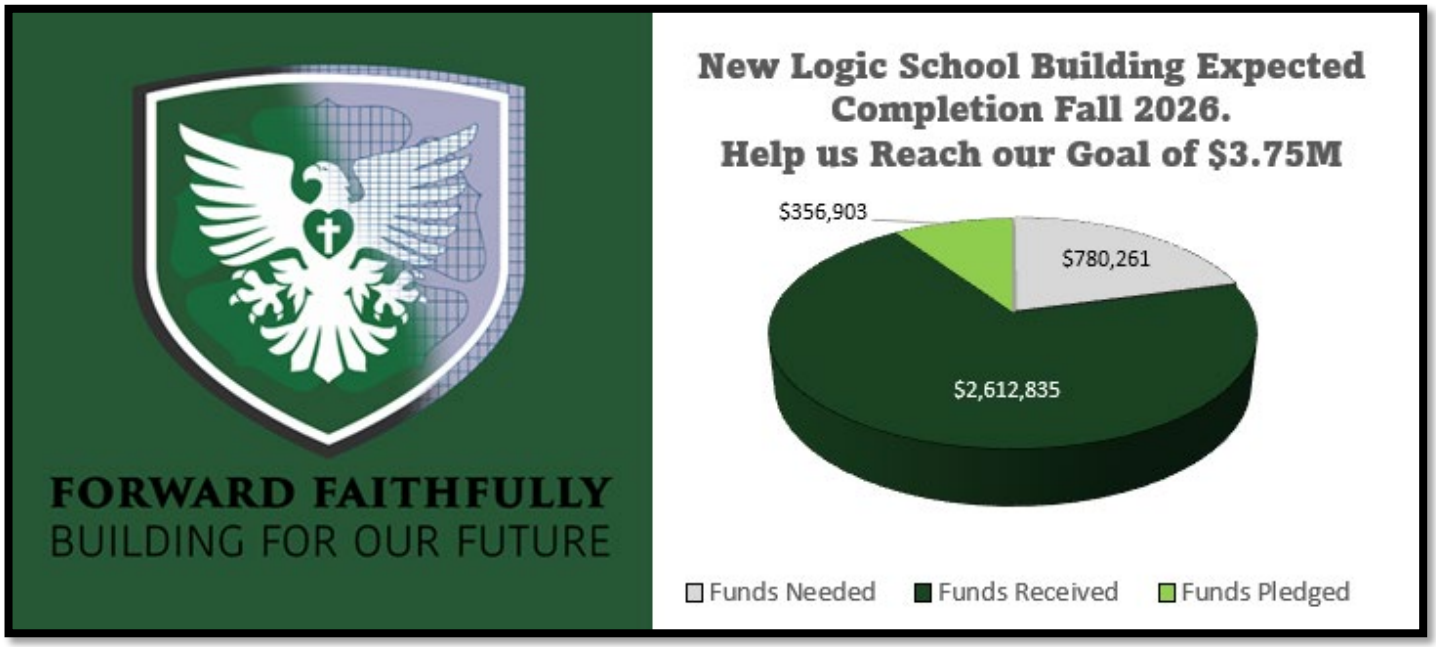
Men Alive Donuts & Coffee: Donuts are provided between the church service and Sunday school and are a gift to all our congregation. We are grateful for Free Will offerings as they help the church by offsetting cost. Christ did not exclude the children from his Grace! Scan this QR Code or Search: menalive@osl.cc

The Stitches Fellowship Group is on a break due to Advent services.

HELP! *Special Request!* Do YOU have an embroidery sewing machine? We need a volunteer to put ***"Jesus Loves Me"*** on our baby blankets. ***This is a special and important touch.*** We give out **baby blankets** weekly to the **Blue Blossom Buses & Office**. If you can **sew**, *we need hemmers!* If you want to **crochet**, *we will teach you!* If you can't hem blankets or crochet, *are you able to **write on our notes** we attach to the baby blankets?* Please volunteer to join the blanket ministry! Call Ethelene: 713-849-9266 or 713-542-7534. ***Also, HCFL needs part-time bus drivers,*** *and* ***one with CDL license for Big Blue!*** Call Christine: 713-395-1330.



Goju-Ryu Traditional Karate: Private & small group lessons – Contact Nathan Work, Instructor of 23 years: 281-222-9284 or nathanwork0@gmail.com.



To give now, please use this QR code. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and support for Our Savior Lutheran School and the new LOGIC BUILDING! It is our joy and privilege to continue to *Serve Families for Jesus Christ*.

Schedule Your Tithe!

Use the OSL app, free in the App Store. No monthly fee; No set up fee; No hidden fees; Lowest processing rates that continue to drop as your giving increases. All credit and debit cards (including AMEX) are processed at 2.3% + .30 cents per transaction. All ACH donations are 1% with no cents. There is also a "GIVE" link at the top of our website: www.OSL.cc

MEASURE OF DEVOTION: Last Sunday, we had 359 people in attendance (last year 305), viewers online 561.

Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week	$ 29,572.08
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 46	$ 1,614,997.37
Tithes & Offerings needed each week	$ 43,385.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 46	$ 1,995,710.00
Special Contributions to date	$ 854,389.21

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it." Malachi 3:10

Those To Serve:

	Today, Sunday, November 22, at 9:30 AM	Next Week, Sunday, November 29, at 9:30 AM
ELDERS:	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake
USHERS:	Downie Team	Halbert Team
SOUND:	Whiting	Greenwood
CARTS:	Adams Team	Kriegel Team
ACOLYTES:	Gunnar Nitsch / Andrea Pugh	Sophia Williams / Prynce Willis
ALTAR GLD:	Ann Putman Team 1	_
COMM. ASST:	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake / Dennis Mueller	_
EVANGELISM:	Team Malson	Team O'Neill/Schmidt
GREETERS:	TEAM 10: Schmidt / Stuhr	TEAM 1: Carter/Malsons
MUSIC:	Jubilate Choir	Laudate Women's Choir
VIDEO:	Adam White / Wesley White	Adam White / Wesley White

Advent Wednesdays:
December 2, 9 & 16

Supper @ 5:30pm

Worship @ 7:00pm

Our fellowship suppers are in the Bible Class Room from 5:30-6:30pm, prepared by Chef Diana Foraker, and served by:

Dec 2: LWML Cheerful Helpers

Dec 9: Bon Appétit

Dec 16: Parish Ed





Poinsettias for Christmas

The Altar Guild will be decorating our church with poinsettias again this year. Celebrate the joy of our newborn Savior with flowers in memory of loved ones or a special occasion. Your dedication will be printed in a special book that will be handed out at the Christmas services. ***Below is a form you may use and place in the offering plate, mail to us, or email your request to Jackie at jlowery@osl.cc. Each poinsettia plant is $15.00. Checks are to be made out to OSL.***

Poinsettias will be available for pick up after the New Year's Eve Service. ***Poinsettia dedication deadline*** *for the book is* ***December 15.***

Poinsettia ORDERS

Yes, I want ___ poinsettias @ $15.00 each = $_____ enclosed.

Name: _____

Dedication: _____

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OSL at a Glance

Sunday, November 22, 2026

Event	*Time*	*Location*
Bible Class-BC	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Communion	**9:30am**	**Church & online**
Sunday School	10:45am	
Laudate-Choir Rm	12:00pm	Church Choir Room
Volleyball League - Gym	5:00pm	Gymnasium

Monday, November 23, 2026

Bulletin Deadline	12:00pm	Church Office

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

HCFL Prayer Vigil for LIFE - PP	*11:00am*	*13169 NW Fwy, Ste 115, 77040*
Prayer Request printing deadline	12:00pm	Church office
Carillon Ringers	6:15pm	Choir Loft
Jubilate Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	7:00pm	Choir Loft



Wednesday, November 25, 2026
Church Office Closed

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30am	Bible Class Room
Thanksgiving Eve Communion Service	**7:00pm**	**Church**



Thursday, November 26, 2026 ~ Thanksgiving Day
Church Office Closed

Thanksgiving Day Communion Service	**9:30am**	**Church**



Friday, November 27, 2026
Church Office closed

Sunday, November 29, 2026 ~ First Sunday of Advent

Bible Class-BC	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Matins - Moctezuma Baptism	**9:30am**	**Church & online**
Sunday School	10:45am	



Lutherfest Painted Sun-catchers! If your child painted a sun-catcher at Lutherfest, all those left to dry are ready to pick up on the hutch **downstairs**, by the church office windows at the exit doors.



Kauffman Casual Party for all OSL attendees of any age. Make new friends from church, see familiar ones, and enjoy each other's company with snacks, dinner, and desserts. Games and diversions will be throughout the house and property, weather permitting. Dinner around 6pm. Come and go as you please, but we welcome you to stay until you're all jingled out. *A prize goes to whoever can stay the latest!*

The 2026 OSL Nativity is coming!

December 5 • 5:00-7pm

As in Bethlehem of old, our Bethlehem Village consists of families working at their trade together. The carpenter teaches his son (or a pretend son, or grandson, as the case may be), the weaver her daughter, and so on. We will also have related crafts for the visitors to do, which our volunteers will assist the visitors in starting.

This means we need volunteers!

Here are some of the volunteer categories:

- Welcoming greeters to direct visitors
- Musicians offering their gifts
- Bethlehem Villagers to interact with visitors
- Actors playing scenes from Scripture

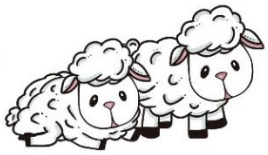
If any of these sound like something you could do, please contact:
Bill Prestwood, *Director of Evangelism and Assimilation*
(713) 290-9087 (office)
bprestwood@osl.cc















Worship with us for Thanksgiving:

Wednesday, **November 25, at 7:00 PM**

Thursday, **November 26, at 9:30 AM**

Both services will have Holy Communion

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Those To Serve for Thanksgiving:

	Wednesday, November 25, at 7:00 PM	**Thursday, November 26, at 9:30 AM**
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SOUND:	Witt	J. Wilbanks
CARTS:	Pampell Team	Downie Team
ACOLYTES:	Hadley Petree / Jordyn Petree	Katie Ripple / Megan Ripple
ALTAR GLD:	Sharon Edwards Team 2	Barbara Mushinski Team 8
COMM. ASST:	James Kriegel* / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake / Dennis Mueller	
MUSIC:	Carillon Ringers / Blake Crabtree / Jubilate Choir	Jeff Armstrong
VIDEO:	Adam White / Wesley White	Adam White / Wesley White

I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.

Psalm 69:30 ESV