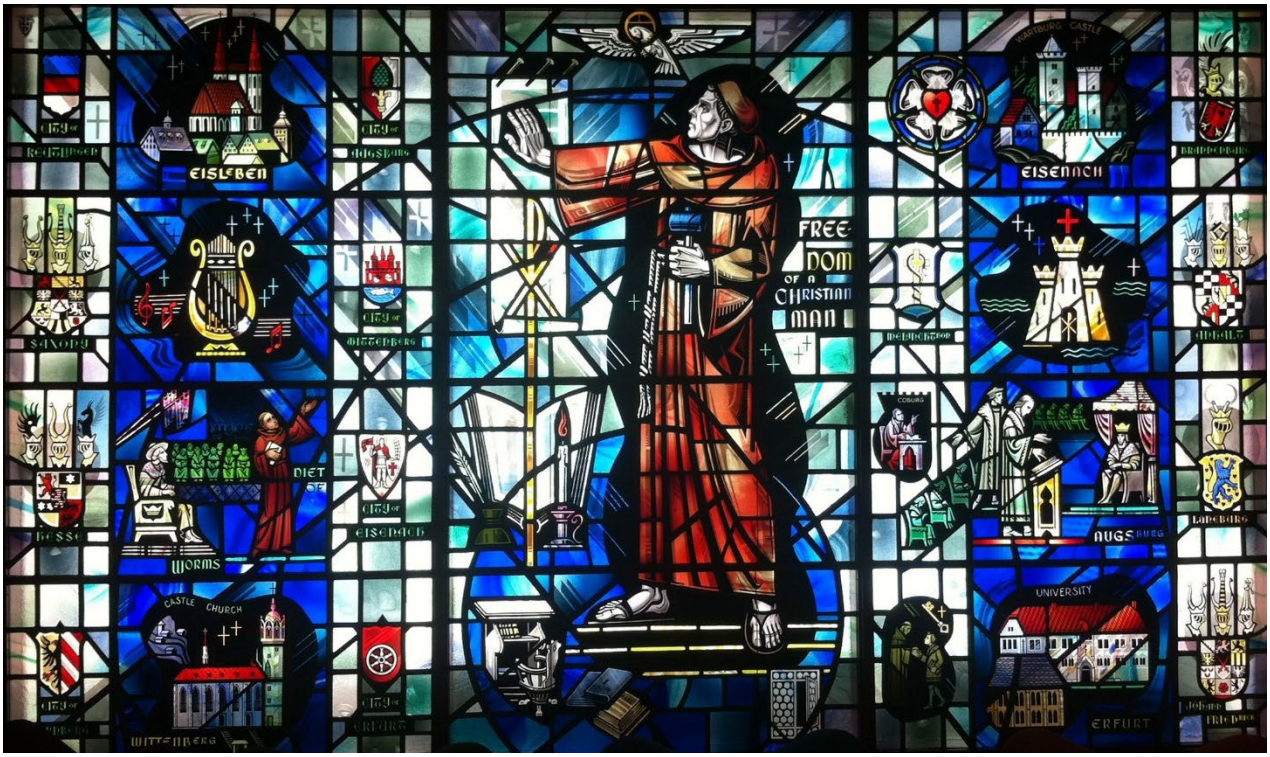


Our Savior Lutheran



Order of Holy Communion

In Nomine Jesu

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Prelude

Arpeggio Brass

Canzon Gallicam ..... *Samuel Scheidt / Verne Reynolds*
Canzona per Sonare No 4 ..... *G Gabrieli / Robert King*
Canzona Bergamasca ..... *Samuel Scheidt / Robert King*
Sonata from Die Bankelsangerlieder ..... *Daniel Speer / Robert King*
Canzon Aechiopican ..... *Samuel Scheidt / Verne Reynolds*

Greetings and Announcements

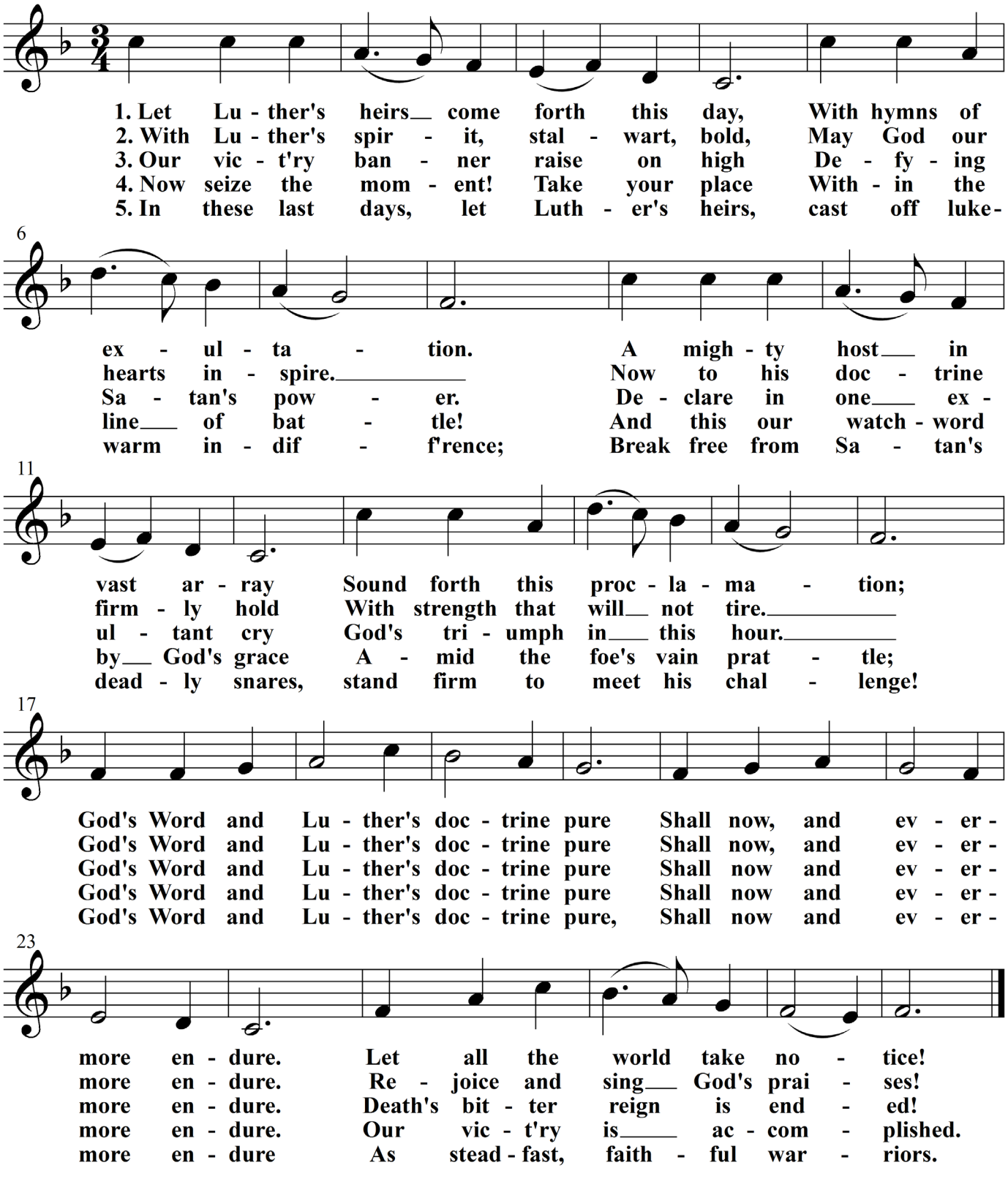
(Stand)

Processional Hymn

LET LUTHER'S HEIRS COME FORTH THIS DAY

Text: Pastor C. J. Rehn; Translation: L. White; Tune: Melchior Vulpius – "Lobt Gott Den Herren, Ihr"; Te Deum #200 © 2016 OSL

On the Occasion of the 400th Anniversary of Luther's Birth - 1886





Prayer of Invocation

P In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C ***Amen.***

P At the end of the apostolic age, St. John the Revelator foretold a time when a messenger sent from God would again proclaim the everlasting Gospel of salvation: "Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal Gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth – to every nation, tribe, language and people. He said in a loud voice, 'Fear God and give Him glory because the hour of His judgment has come. Worship Him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.'" Our fathers understood this prophecy to be a prediction of the Lutheran Reformation and the restoration of the Gospel of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone. In these troubled times, surrounded by a world perverted by evil and a church that has grown indifferent to the Truth and complacent in the face of wickedness, God's faithful people yearn to hear again the clear clarion call of the Gospel messenger. We fervently pray that our gracious Lord may send forth His faithful spokesmen once again to proclaim that everlasting Gospel.

C ***May God's Word and Luther's doctrine pure now and evermore endure.***

P We gather today to commemorate the great events of the Reformation, to celebrate our rich heritage as Lutherans, and to rededicate ourselves to the faithful confession of God's Word that has been the historic hallmark of the Lutheran Church – so that in these last days the precious legacy with which we have been blessed may be preserved for those who will come after us. Let this be our resolve and our humble prayer:

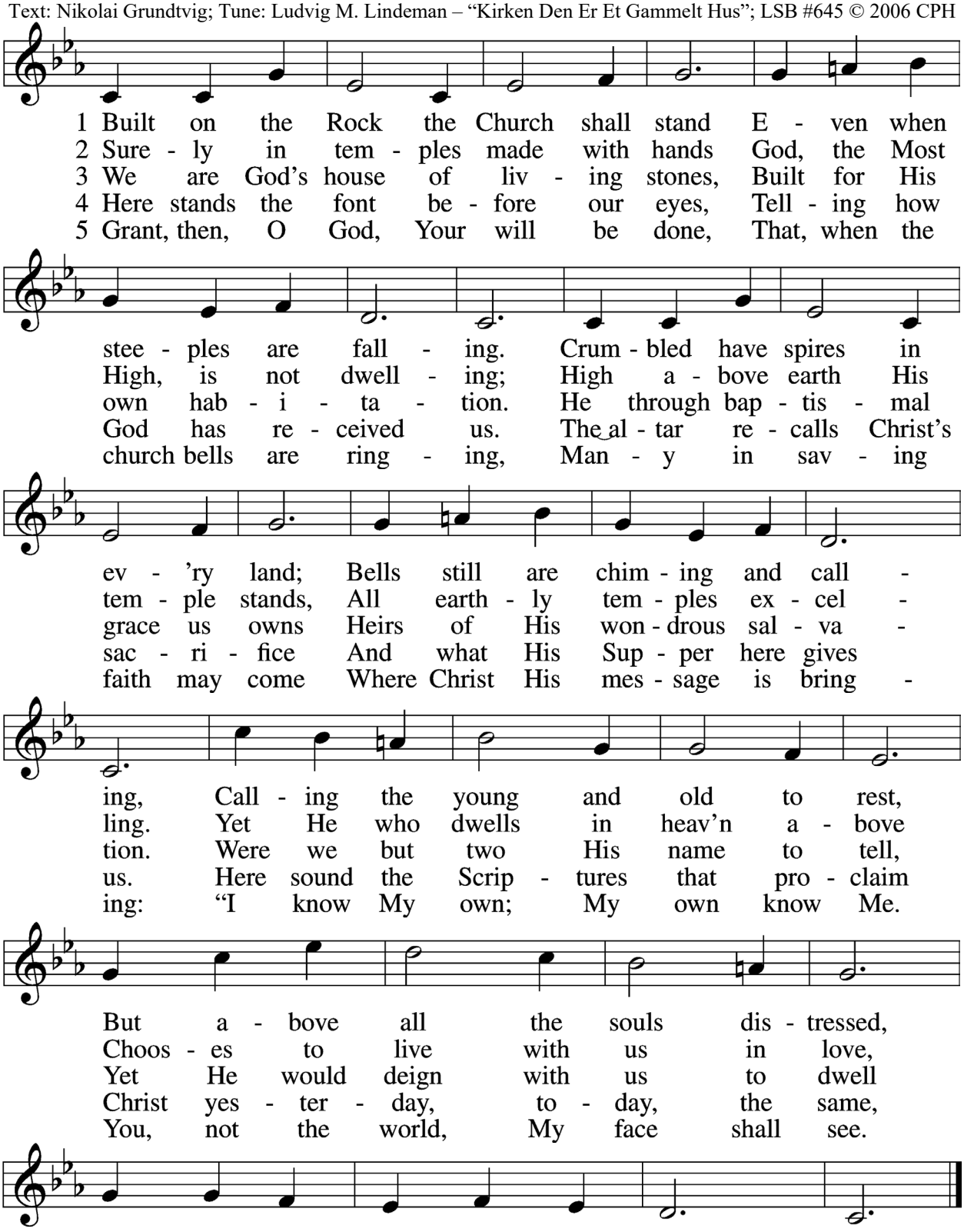
C ***May God's Word and Luther's doctrine pure now and evermore endure. Amen.***

(Be Seated)

Invocation Hymn

BUILT ON THE ROCK

Text: Nikolai Grundtvig; Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman – "Kirken Den Er Et Gammelt Hus"; LSB #645 © 2006 CPH



(Stand)

Confession and Absolution

P We gather together in Your Great Name, O God, to seek Your forgiveness.

C ***We stand at the foot of the cross, pleading for Your mercy.***

P In humbleness and with contrite hearts, we make our confession.

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

P I ask each of you, in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?

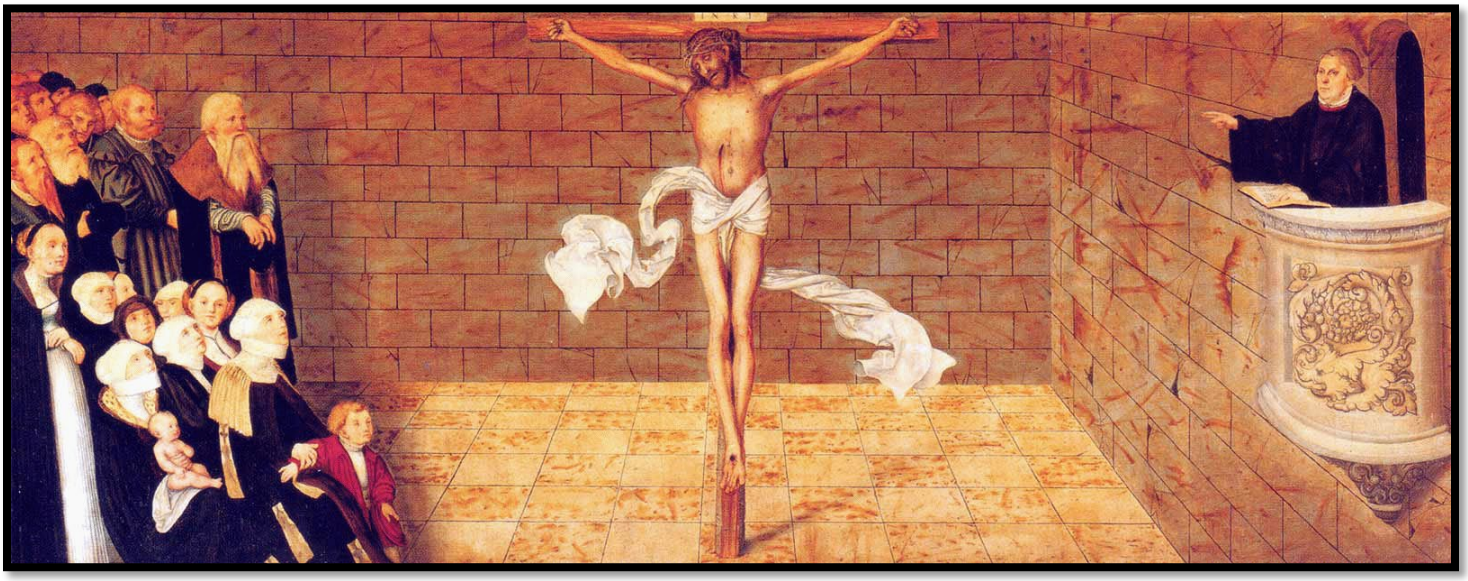
C ***I do.***

P Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in His name?

C ***I do.***

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 our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May our Great God comfort your heart by His holy Absolution, and strengthen you by His Sacraments, that your joy may be full. Peace be with you.

C ***Amen. We thank You Lord, and re-dedicate ourselves to You. Amen. Alleluia! Amen.***



Introit

(Intoned by Laetare with Congregation on Gloria Patri; Psalm 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46)

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.
I will bless the Lord at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast | in the Lord;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.
Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the Lord.
The Lord redeems the life of his | servants;*
none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.
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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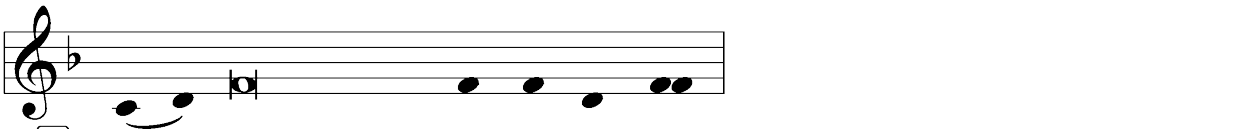
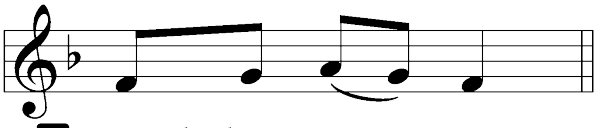
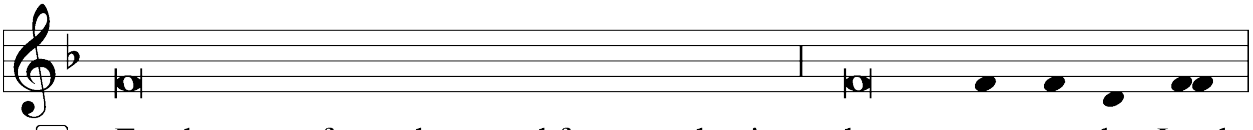
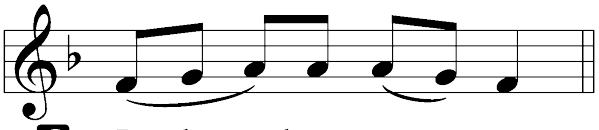
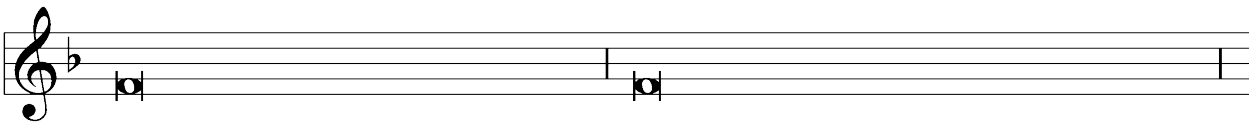
Kyrie



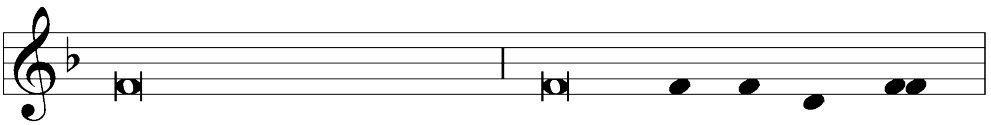




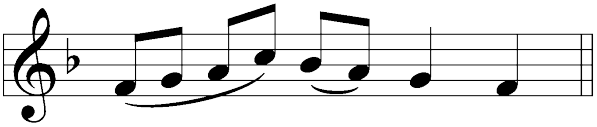




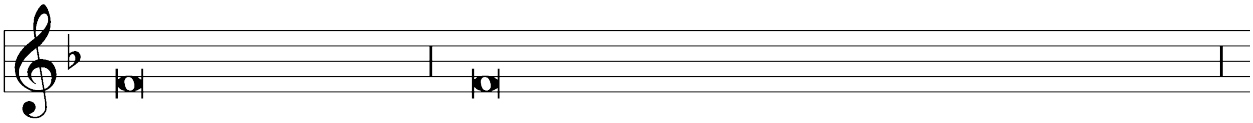
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



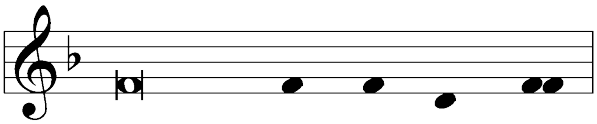
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C **Lord, have mer - cy.**



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



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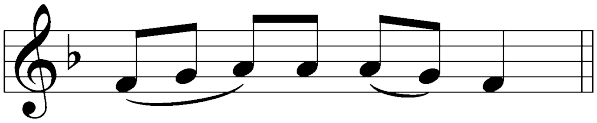

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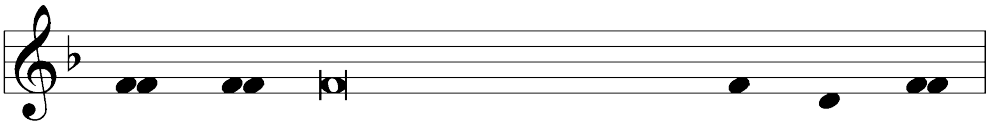


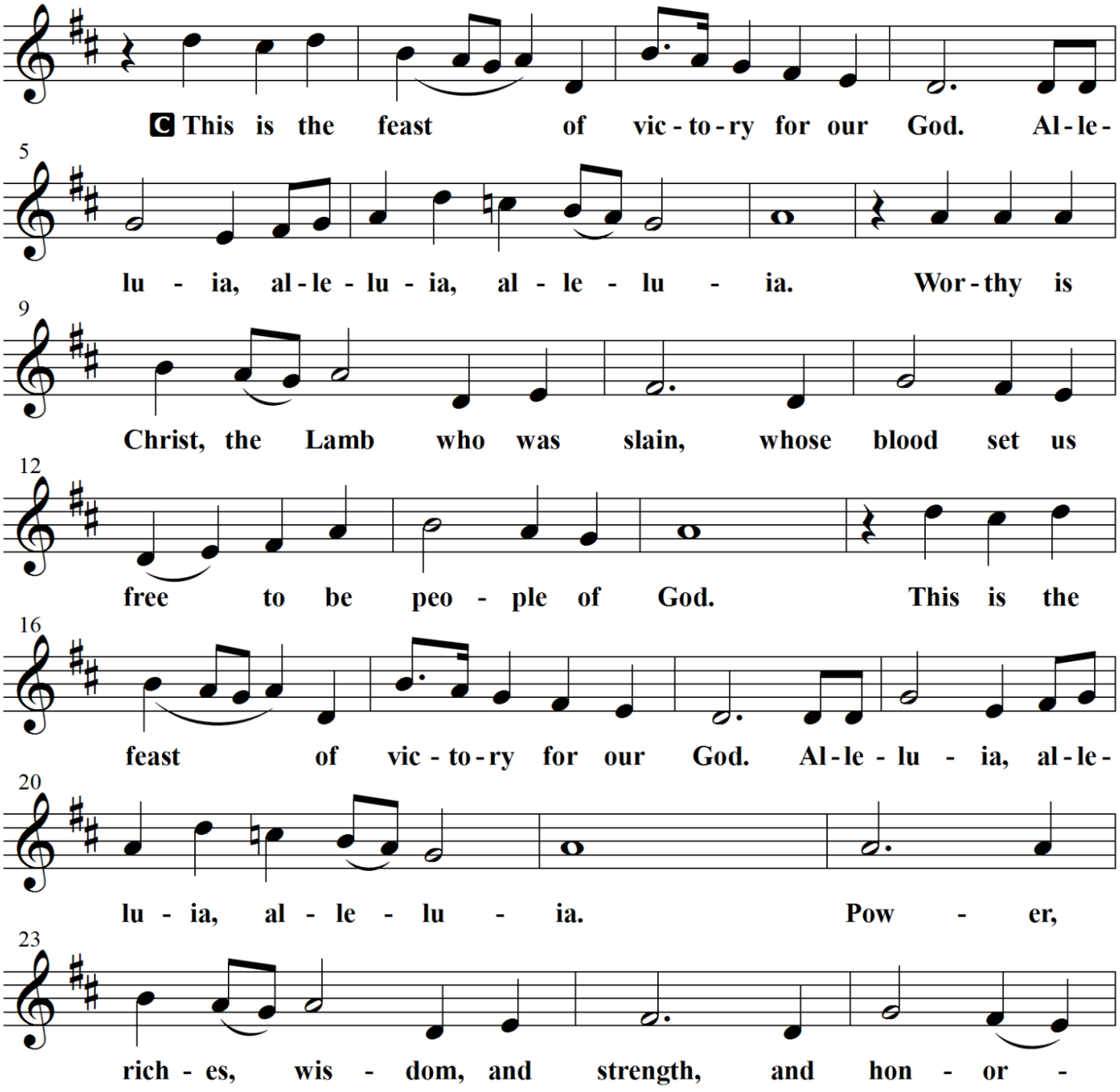
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

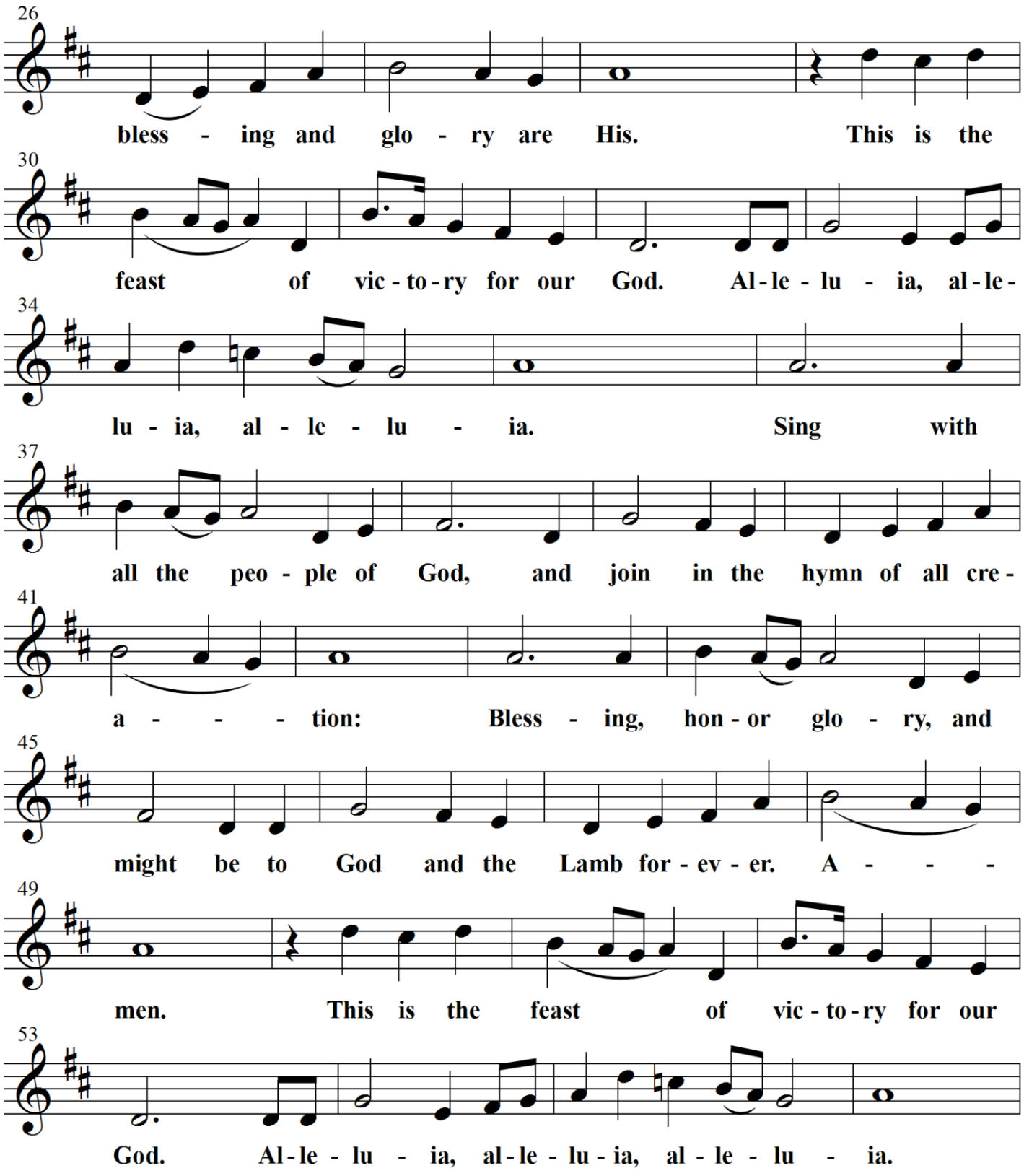


C **A - men.**

Hymn of Praise

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

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bless - ing and glo - ry are His. This is the
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feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
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lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Sing with
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all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre -
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might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - -
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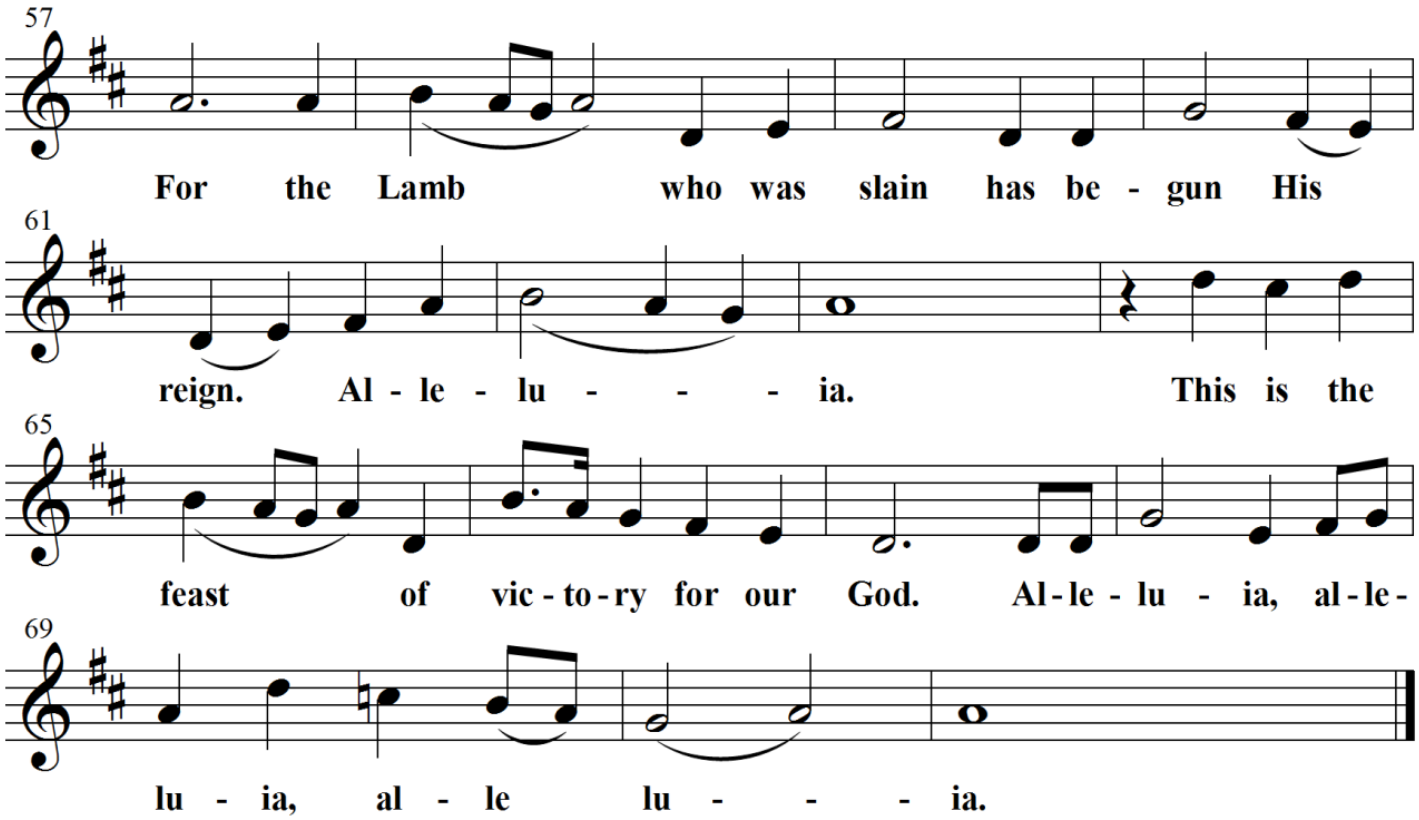
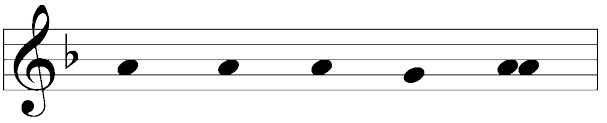
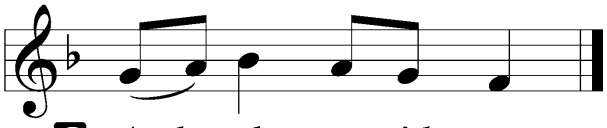


Collect of the Day

(2 Timothy 4:22)



P The Lord be with you.



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

P Let us pray.
Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; 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)

First Reading
REVELATION 14:6–7

[6] Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. [7] And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

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



Gradual

(Intoned by Laetare; Psalm 48:1a, 12–14a)

Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!
Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,
that you may tell the next gener- | ation*
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

Epistle Reading
ROMANS 3:19–28

[19] Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. [20] For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. [21] But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— [22] the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: [23] for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, [24] and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, [25] whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. [26] It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. [27] Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. [28] For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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

Ministry of Music

UPON THIS ROCK

By John Ness Beck; Arranged by John Purifoy © 2003 G. Schirmer, Inc. (ASCAP) & John Siebern

Jubilate Choir & Arpeggio Brass

Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
I will give thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven.
And whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven.
And whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
Upon this rock I will build my church.
Lo, the winter is past; the rain is over, and gone;
the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds has come.
Arise, and come away; Arise and come away; Arise, arise, arise!
Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell, the gates of hell shall not prevail against it!

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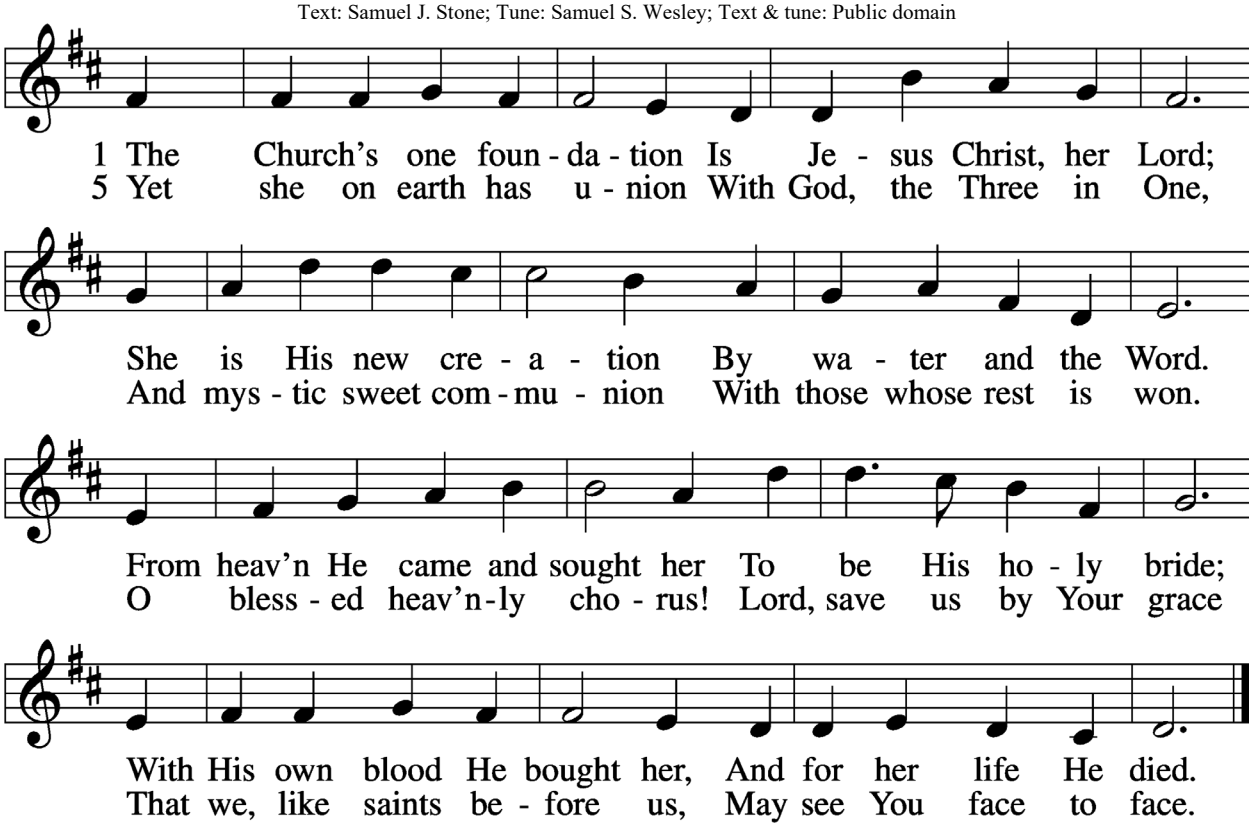

CHOIR:

Amen, Amen, Amen!



"Allegory of Law and Grace" by Lucas Cranach the Elder 1529

(Stand)

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.
C ***Glory to You, O Lord.***

Gospel Reading

ST. MATTHEW 11:12–19

[12] [Jesus said:] "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. [13] For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, [14] and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. [15] He who has ears to hear, let him hear.
[16] "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,
[17] "'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.' [18] For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' [19] The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C ***Praise to You, O Christ.***

An Affirmation of Our Faith

AS HEIRS OF THE LUTHERAN REFORMATION

by C. F. W. Walther

P By divine conviction we believe that there is Truth here on earth and that this Truth is contained in God's Word, that is, in the divinely inspired writings of the apostles and prophets. We also believe that these Sacred Writings have the purpose of imparting the light of this one complete Truth to man, sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death. We believe, therefore, that these Writings are so clear that a human being is able to recognize and to draw this one Truth from them. We are furthermore convinced that there have always been people who possessed this treasure and that in particular our fathers were granted this unspeakable grace by God and deposited this precious treasure in the Confessions of the so-called Evangelical Lutheran Church... Thus, we cannot voice the Truth we have found as nothing more than our own opinion which is not determinative, but we are compelled to declare it as the one, old, eternal, unchangeable Truth. We must proclaim and defend it as our most precious possession, upon which our own salvation and that of all people depends. We must reject and condemn all of the contrary opinions of men as dangerous, harmful, and destructive error... Our sole interest lies in bearing witness to what we have learned as the Truth; in passing on what we have received; in speaking because we believe.

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 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.

(Remain Standing)

Hymn of the Day

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

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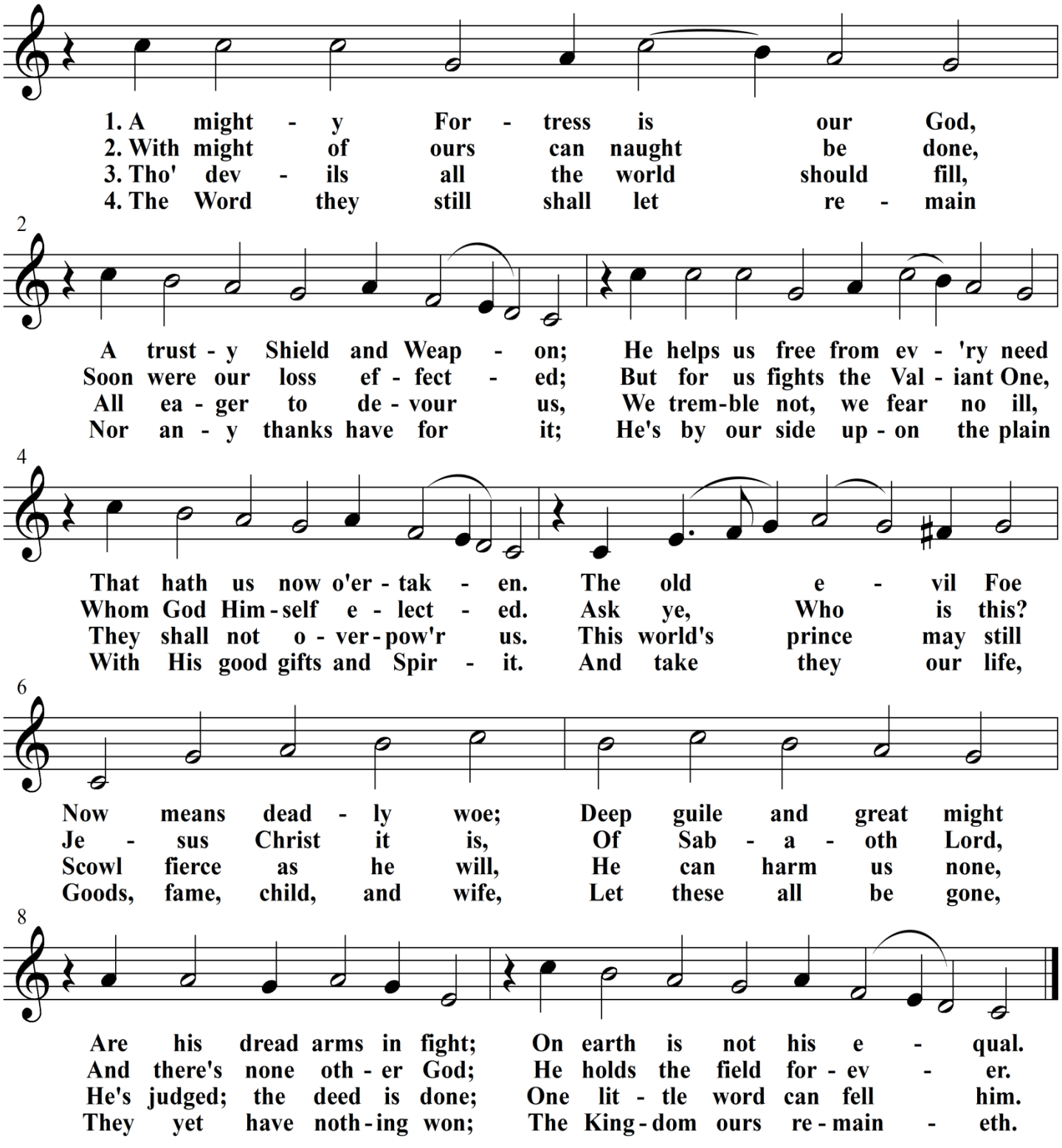

(Stand for Text)

Sermon

TEXT: MATTHEW 11:12
"THE VIOLENT TAKE IT BY FORCE"



(Stand)

Votum

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(Be Seated)

Offering

Voluntary

HOW LOVELY IS THY DWELLING PLACE

By Johannes Brahms / E. Williams / J. Siebern

Arpeggio Brass

(Stand)

A Litany of Dedication and Prayer



P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has spoken by inspired prophets and apostles, so that all mankind might know of Your will and believe in Jesus our Savior and Lord.

C ***We praise and magnify Your Holy Name.***

P You have promised that Your Word will never pass away and that the gates of Hell will not prevail against Your Church. Despite the furious opposition of Satan and those who serve him and despite their desperate attempts to undermine Your Word and destroy Your Church, Your gracious promises continue to hold firm for us today as they did for our forefathers in days gone by.

C ***We praise and magnify Your Holy Name.***

P We thank You for raising up bold men and women of faith in every age who have been willing to fearlessly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints. On this day of special commemoration, we thank You for the good confession of Dr. Martin Luther and those who bravely stood by his side in defense of the Truth. They were willing to risk everything rather than deny anything taught by the Bible. For their steadfastness and courage:

C ***We praise and magnify Your Holy Name.***

P We humbly confess our failure to be worthy of that rich heritage. Distracted by worldly things we have grown indifferent to the things of the Spirit. Complacency has frequently replaced commitment among us. In these permissive times we have learned to compromise and adjust instead of contending for the faith. Diplomatic silence and easy-going toleration have all too often replaced forthright confession. For these and all of our sinful failures:

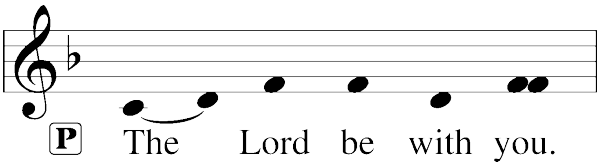
C ***Forgive and renew us for Jesus' sake.***

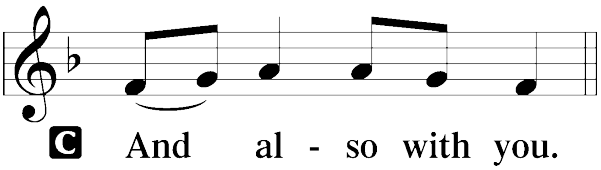
P Gracious Heavenly Father, we pray that like the great heroes of the Reformation we may be men and women whose consciences are captive to the Word of God. Fill our hearts with a burning love for Your Holy Word and with a fervent eagerness to confess its saving truth before all men. Enable us to be stalwart warriors of the cross in these last days, that the Scriptural faith, which is our heritage as Lutherans, may be passed on to those who will come after us. To that end, O Lord our God,

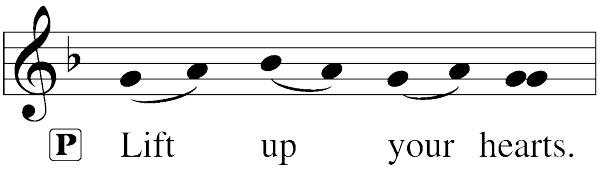
C ***Bless and empower us in Your Word and Sacraments.***

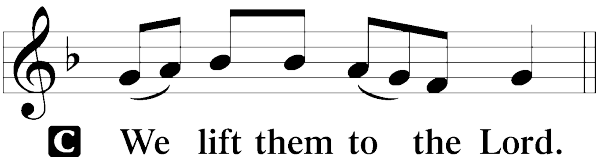
℗ We pray confidently at Christ's command and trusting in His faithful promise.
© ***In the blessed Name of Jesus. Amen.***

Preface



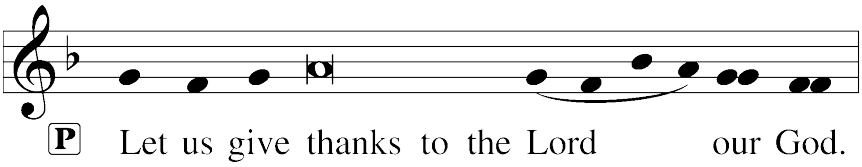


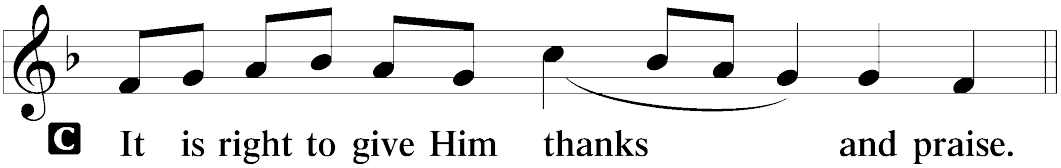






"Isaiah's Vision" by Frank Marsden Lea





℗ 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:

ISAIAH, MIGHTY SEER IN DAYS OF OLD

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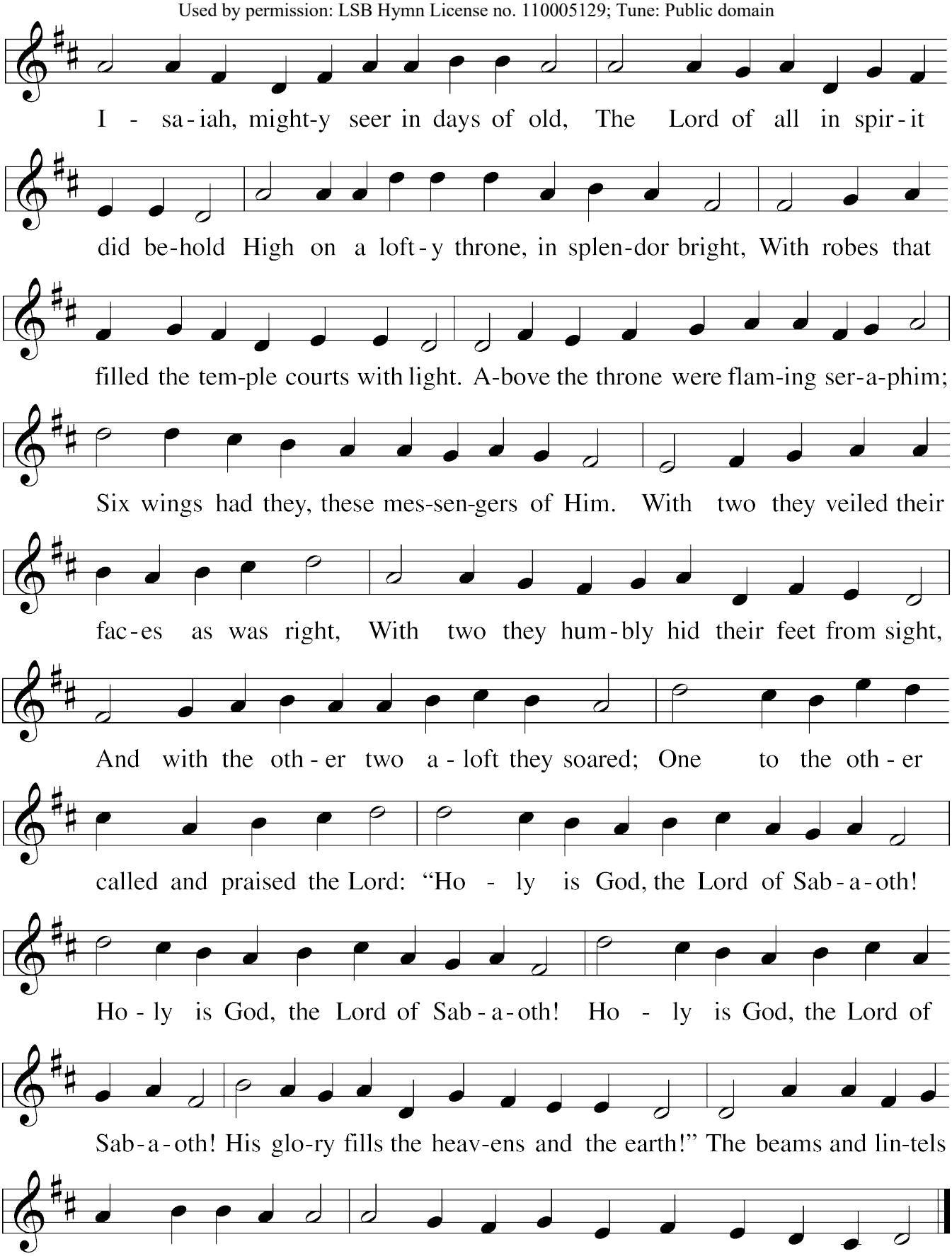


The Lord's Prayer

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

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."

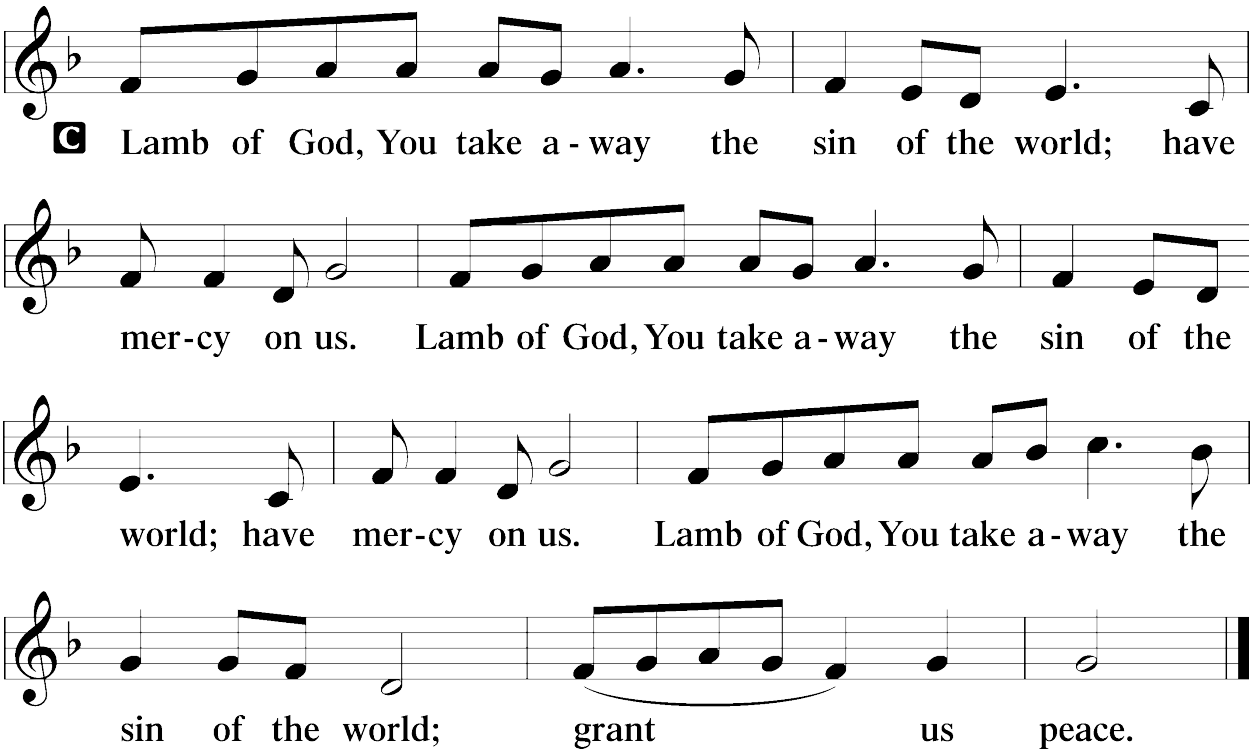
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✢ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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

Agnus Dei



(Be Seated)

Distribution and Hymns

(This congregation observes the Biblical practice of "Closed Communion," outlined in the Communion Policy Statement in the announcements 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.)

LORD, KEEP US STEADFAST IN YOUR WORD

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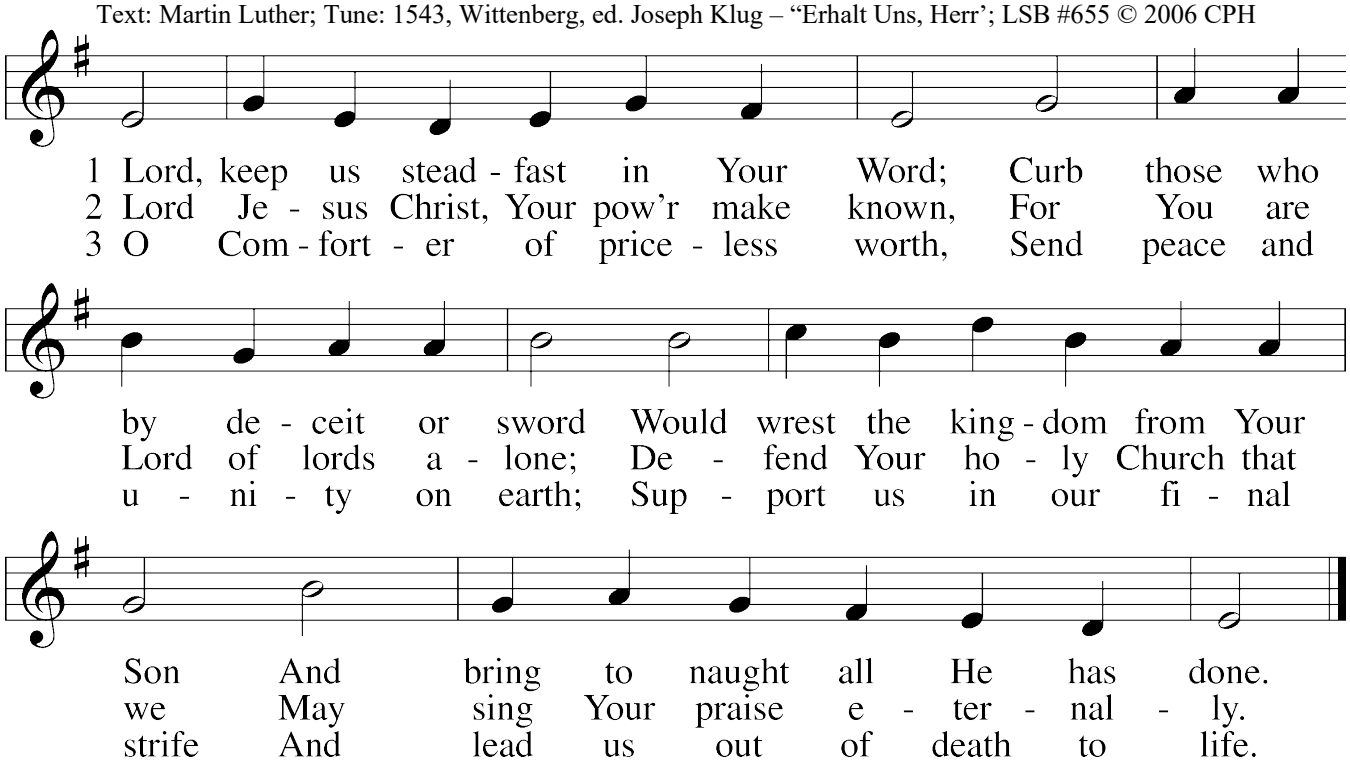

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Ministry of Music

THE SHEPHERD'S PSALM

Psalm 23, paraphrased by Isaac Watts; arranged by Earlene Rentz © 2025 Birnamwood Publications (ASCAP)

Jubilate Choir

The Lord is my shepherd, I'll not want. In pastures green, he leadeth me.
I gently rest by waters still. My soul the Lord restores.
Walking through valleys, I'll not fear. Never alone, the Lord is near.
Surely your grace will calm my fear all the days of my life, my life.
My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace,
all the days of my life, all the days of my life.
The Lord is my shepherd, I'll not want. In pastures green he leadeth me. I gently rest by waters still.
My soul the Lord restores, my soul the Lord restores.
The Lord restores.

PRESERVE YOUR WORD, O SAVIOR

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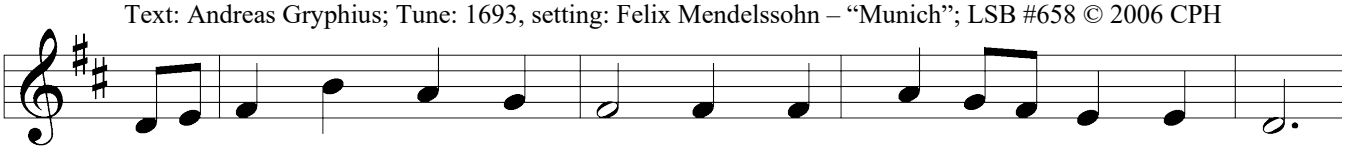
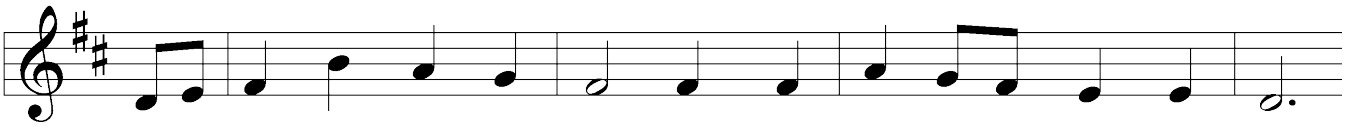
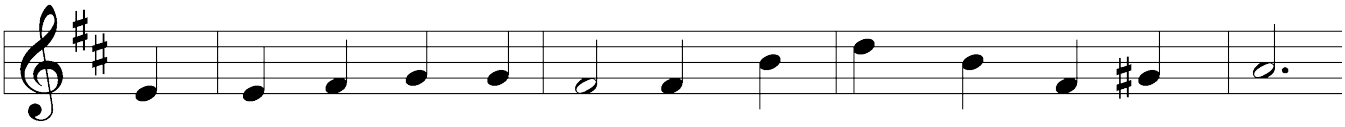


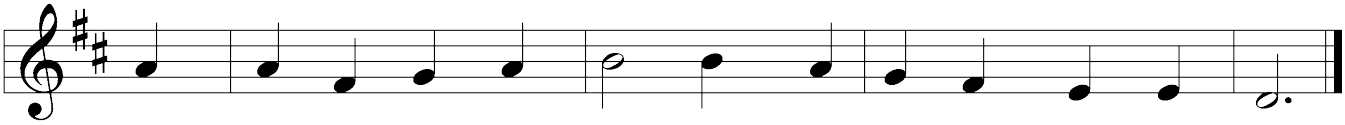
1 Pre - serve Your Word, O Sav - ior, To us this lat - ter day,
2 Pre - serve, O Lord, Your hon - or, The bold blas - phem - er smite;
3 Pre - serve, O Lord, Your Zi - on, Bought dear - ly with Your blood;
4 Pre - serve Your Word and preach - ing, The truth that makes us whole,
5 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest Your storm-tossed lit - tle flock;



And let Your king-dom flour - ish; En - large Your Church, we pray.
Con-vince, con - vert, en - light - en The souls in er - ror's night.
Pro - tect what You have cho - sen A - gainst the hell - ish flood.
The mir - ror of Your glo - ry, The pow'r that saves the soul.
As - sailed by wind and weath - er, May it en - dure each shock.



O keep our faith from fail - ing; Keep hope's bright star a - glow.
Re - veal Your will, dear Sav - ior, To all who dwell be - low,
Be al - ways our de - fend - er When dan - gers gath - er round;
Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, This dew of heav'n - ly grace,
Stand at the helm, our pi - lot, And set the course a - right;



Let noth - ing from truth turn us While liv - ing here be - low.
Great light of all the liv - ing, That all Your name may know.
When all the earth is crum - bling, Safe may Your Church be found.
Sus - tain us while here liv - ing Un - til we see Your face.
Then we will reach the har - bor In Your e - ter - nal light.

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ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

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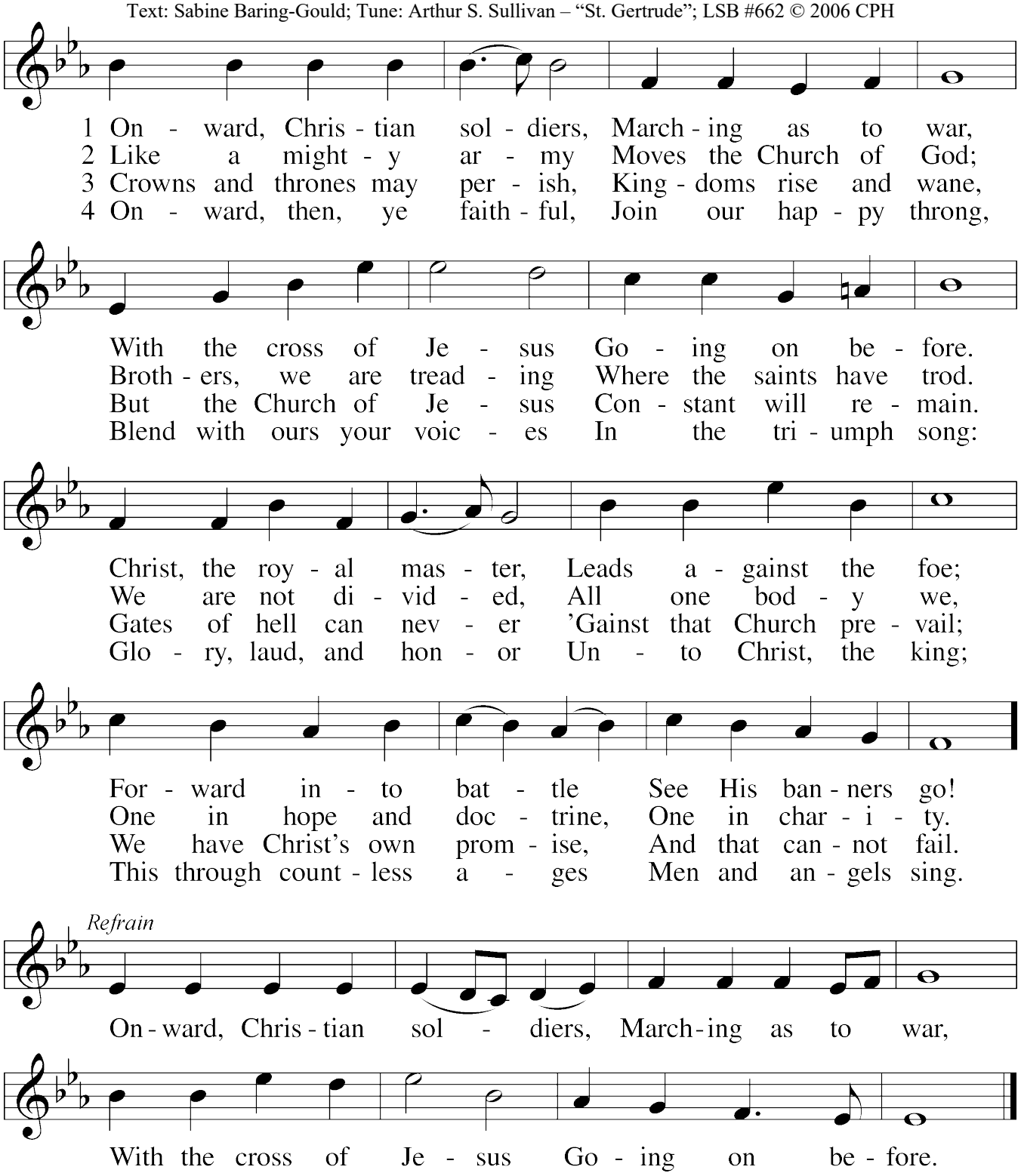

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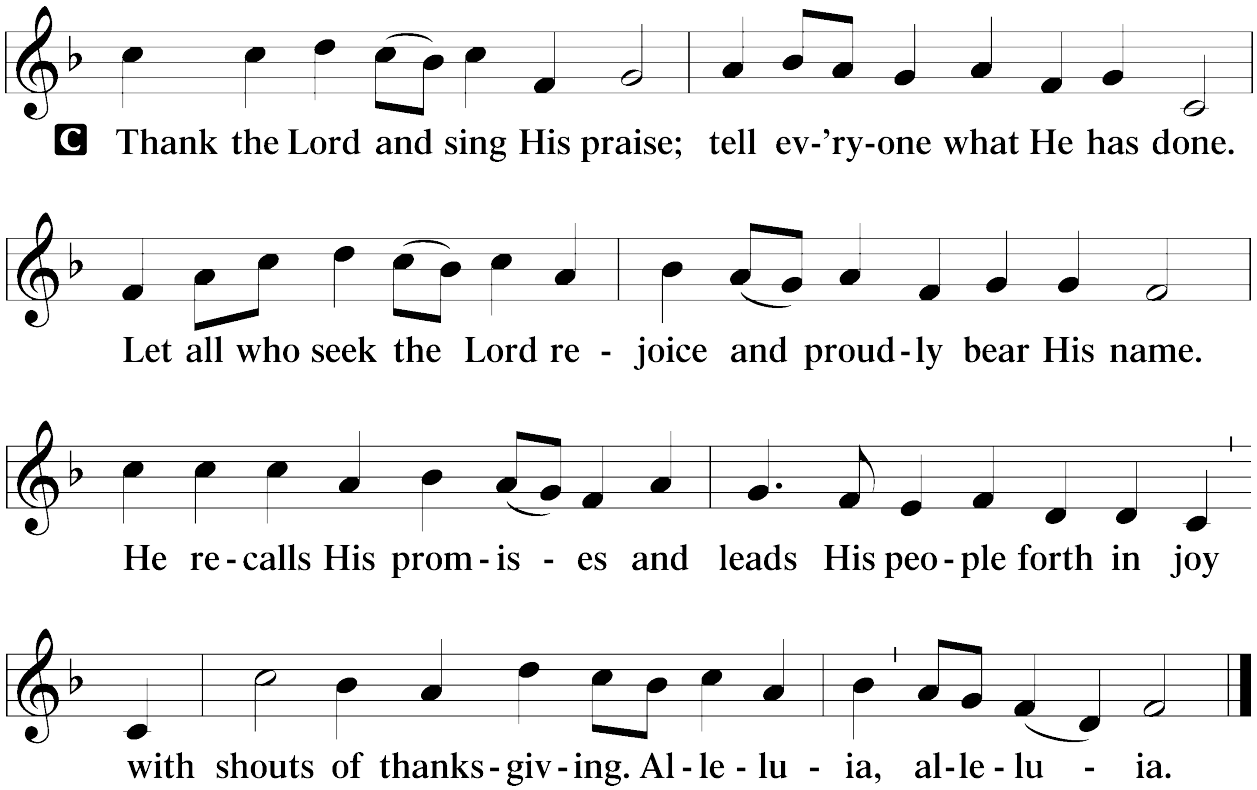
Post-Communion Canticle

THANK THE LORD



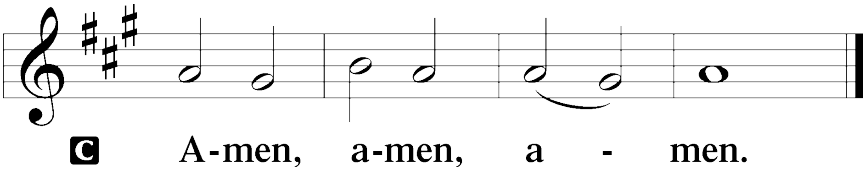
Post-Communion Collect

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 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

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.



Recessional Hymn

STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS

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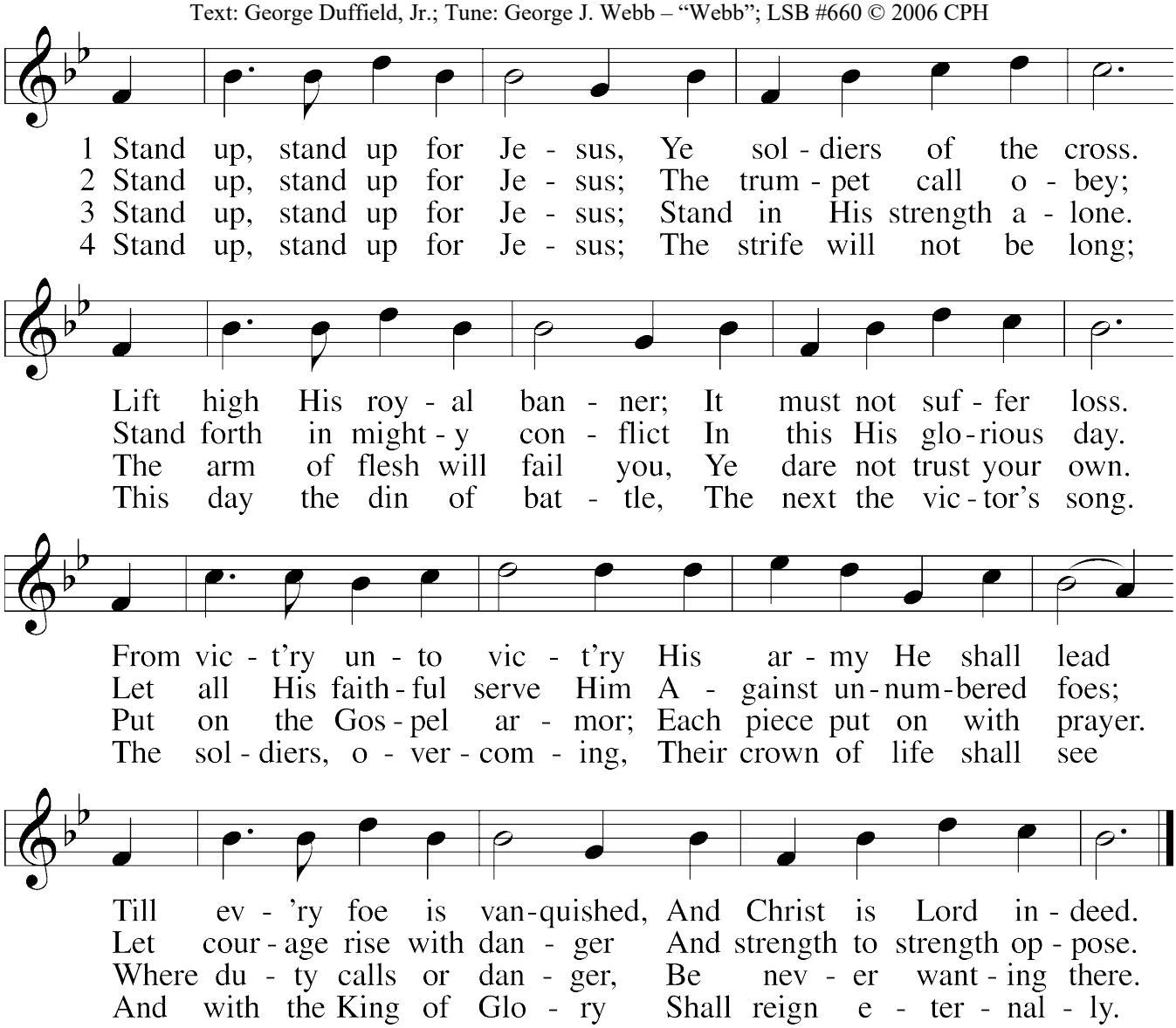

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Postlude

INTRADE

Johann Pezel / Robert King

Arpeggio Brass

Trumpet – Demetrius Sheats Jr.
Trumpet – Jennifer Rogers
French Horn – Ray Wadenpfuhl Jr.
Trombone/Organizer – John Siebern
Tuba – Dr. Matthew Lamm

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Willkommen!

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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 / Reformation Sunday – The Reformation truths Lutherans have celebrated for over 500 years apply beautifully and powerfully to life issues. A human being's identity and sanctity come from God's grace in creating, redeeming, and calling each one. Abilities or accomplishments, efforts or emotions cannot establish anyone's value or invalidate anyone's worth. *Prayer: Gracious Savior, let us honor with You the preciousness of every human person because of Your grace, forgiveness, and free salvation. 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 **Sunday, November 8, at 9:30 a.m.** *"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.

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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)

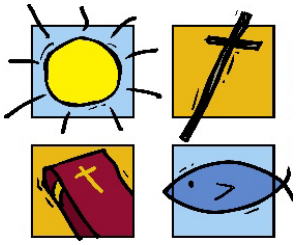
The Formation of the Canon *(the Scripture kind, not the boom kind)***:** We will explore the history and theology behind how and why the Bible is what it is. (Karl Baughman, Cafeteria)

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED – 10:45 AM

High School – 4:12 Youth Room
Jr High: 6th, 7th, 8th Grade – C105
5th Grade – C113
3rd – 4th Grade – C116
1st – 2nd Grade – C115
Kindergarten – C104
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



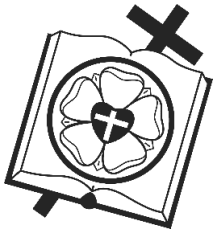
The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Crabtree Family for children who have gone before us; and by Mical Renz in honor of the Reformation and in loving memory of Alison.



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: 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 — 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.

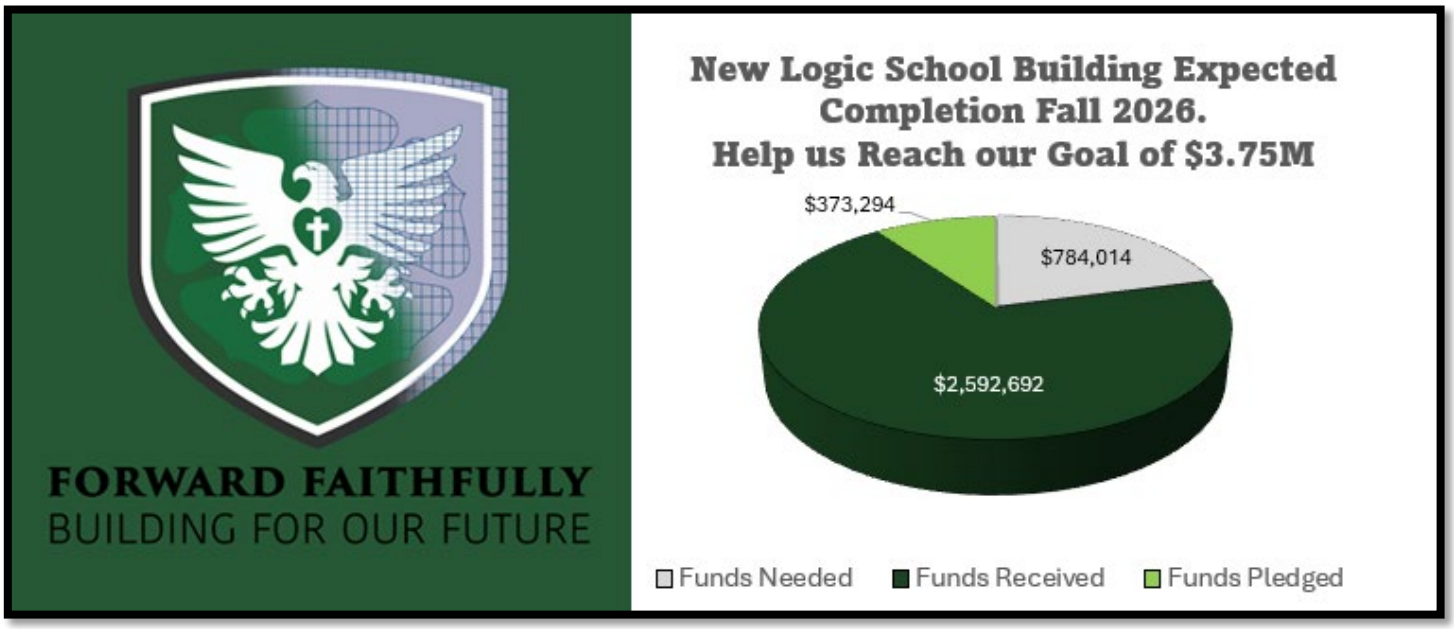
Men Alive Donuts & Coffee: Donuts are provided between the church service and Sunday school and are a gift to all our congregation. We are grateful for Free Will offerings as they help the church by offsetting cost. Christ did not exclude the children from his Grace! Scan this QR Code or Search: menalive@osl.cc

The Stitches Fellowship Group is on a break and will meet next on November 17, due to FAST & Advent.



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*.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING November 1: All current Altar Guild members and any woman interested in joining Altar Guild – Please join us for a meeting next week, **November 1st** in the Bible Class Room at noon *(right after Sunday School)*. We will talk about upcoming events and holidays. A light lunch will be served. *Hope to see everyone there!*

MEASURE OF DEVOTION: Last Sunday, we had 390 people in attendance (last year 328), viewers online 584.

Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week	$ 25,801.62
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 42	$ 1,488,302.00
Tithes & Offerings needed each week	$ 43,385.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 42	$ 1,822,170.00
Special Contributions to date	$ 831,701.96

"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, October 25, at 9:30 AM~Reformation	**Next Week, Sunday, November 1, at 9:30 AM**~All Saints
ELDERS:	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh
USHERS:	Downie Team	Gobrogge Team
SOUND:	T. Wilbanks	Whiting
CARTS:	Downie Team	Kriegel Team
ACOLYTES:	Alex Dellaughter +/ Conrad Kleb / Isaac Luna / Emily Williams / Camryn Winfree	Bree Lawder / Isabella Frazier / Trip Halbert + / Charlotte Hilsher / Melanija Jokic
ALTAR GLD:	Vickie Nitsch Team 9	_
COMM. ASST:	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White / Bo Guevarra	_
EVANGELISM:	Team O'Neill/Schmidt	Team Kriegel
GREETERS:	TEAM 6: Edwards	TEAM 7: Fehrenkamp
MUSIC:	Arpeggio Brass / Jubilate Choir	_
VIDEO:	Adam White / Wesley White	Adam White / Wesley White

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OSL at a Glance

Sunday, October 25, 2026 ~ Reformation Sunday

Event	*Time*	*Location*
Bible Class-BC	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Festival Communion	**9:30am**	**Church & online**
Sunday School	10:45am	
Lutherfest!	**12:00pm**	**Outdoor Pavilion/Gym**
Volleyball League - Gym	5:00pm	Gymnasium





Monday, October 26, 2026

New Member - Monday Night Class-BC	6:30pm	Bible Class Room

Tuesday, October 27, 2026

HCFL Prayer Vigil for LIFE - PP	*11:00am*	*13169 NW Fwy, Ste 115, 77040*
Parochial Ed-BC	7:00pm	Bible Classroom



Wednesday, October 28, 2026

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30am	Bible Class Room
Chapel - Sanctuary	**8:15am**	**Sanctuary**
Bible Class-BC	10:00am	Bible Class Room
Bulletin Deadline	12:00pm	Church Office
F.A.S.T. Sunday Prep with Your Littles	4:30pm	Family Room
F.A.S.T. Dinner & Classes	**5:30pm**	**Bible Classroom & Church Rooms**



Thursday, October 29, 2026

Prayer Request printing deadline	3:00pm	Church office
Carillon Ringers	6:15pm	Choir Loft
Jubilate Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	7:00pm	Choir Loft

Friday, October 30, 2026

Chapel - Sanctuary	**8:15am**	**Sanctuary**

Saturday, October 31, 2026
Reformation Day



Sunday, November 1, 2026 ~ All Saints Day

Bible Class-BC	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Matins	**9:30am**	**Church & online**
Sunday School	10:45am	
Altar Guild Meeting - BC	12:00pm	Bible Class Room
Evangelism Meeting - EO	12:00pm	Evangelism Office
Exultae Brass-Sanctuary	12:00pm	Choir Room
Volleyball League - Gym	5:00pm	Gymnasium





Fellowship And Study Together

Wednesdays thru Nov 11

Come join us this Fall in the **Church Building** for various classes with an option for those kids that need an earlier bedtime. The **Sunday Prep** class **will start at 4:30pm,** with the option of enjoying dinner and fellowship before going home. **Classes with various topics will begin at 6:30pm** with Evening Prayer to follow.

Childcare is provided but registration is needed! *Please scan the QR code or click the link in the form OR call the church office – 713-290-9087.*
Babysitting Link: *https://osl.breezechms.com/form/ce8739*

Sunday Prep with Your Littles @ 4:30pm: – Stephanie Cholak, Family Room *(We look at the readings used in next Sunday's service; Practicing and learning vocabulary; Making connections to hymns and other stories throughout the Bible.) Babysitting provided.*

Meal, Oct 28 – Beef Enchiladas @ 5:30pm

Short Study @ 6:30pm:

1. ***Epistle of James – Pastor Cholak, Bible Class Room:*** *A week-by-week entire five-chapter study of the book of James.*
2. ***"Why is Jesus the Bad Guy?" – Jeff Armstrong, Choir Room:*** *A study in how many of today's religions look at the second member of the Holy Trinity.*
3. ***"Christian Financial Education" – Kellan Caldwell, Thrivent Financial Advisor, Youth Room***

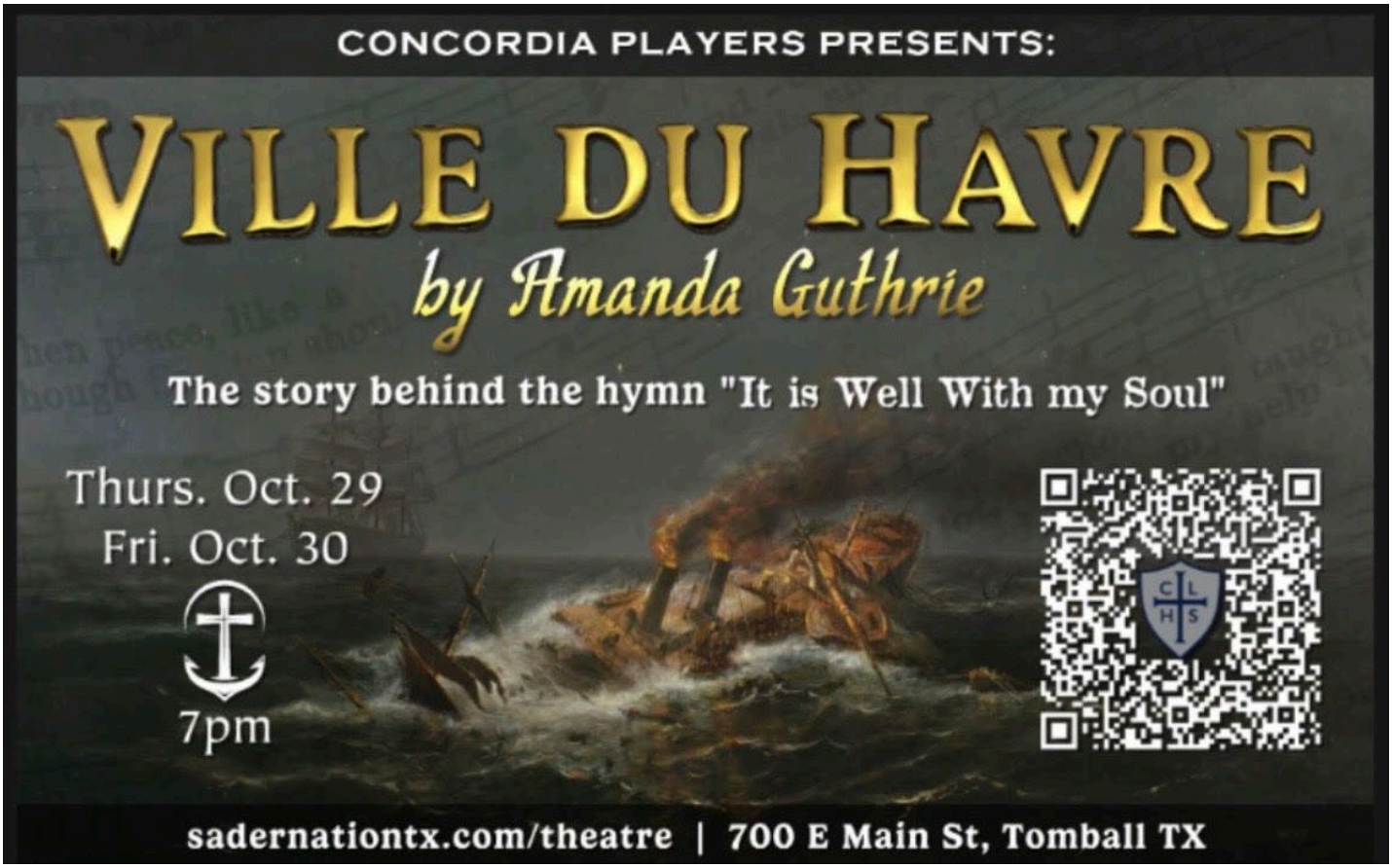
We close with Evening Prayer in the Bible Class Room.

Run & Walk for Life!

The Run is done, but we still need to raise vital funds to keep our **Blue Blossom Pregnancy Centers—Big Blue, Baby Blue, Little One, Little Two**—and the main office on the road and open. ***Scan the code to donate*** which helps provide ***free*** pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counseling, parenting classes, and essential baby items to women facing unexpected pregnancies. ***Donations accepted until November 16 @ 12:00 noon.***

In a post-Roe world, women in crisis pregnancies are still being exploited by the abortion industry—especially through chemical abortion pills. Although surgical abortion is illegal in Texas, obtaining abortion pills by mail with just a click of a button is easy as ever. **Every day, we encounter women in crisis, but because of the hope and help they receive through our Blue Blossom Pregnancy Centers, 93.5% embrace life for their babies.** ***Let's keep that number rising.***





This is a beautiful story of hope and finding peace in Christ!
Tickets are $5.00, alumni and CLHS students are free.

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11-13-2026

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TUESDAY

Prayer Vigils

Planned Parenthood

13169 Northwest Fwy
Houston, TX 77040

11:00 AM

We rejoice in the closure of the mega Planned Parenthood on I-45, but they are ***still operating 4 other locations in Houston.***

Join us as we show up ***every Tuesday*** in peaceful prayer for an end to abortion – one location at a time.

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REFORMATION Luther Fest

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN PARENT TEACHER LEAGUE

PTL

Sunday, October 25

Worship Service: 9:30 am • Sunday School: 10:45 am



Lutherfest!

12:00-3:00 pm

Gym & Outside Pavilion

Delicious Food by Holy Smokers,
Games, Face Painting, Hayrides,
Bouncy House & Petting Zoo!
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and... **"95 Pieces" Table Treats!**

We are asking church groups, families & individuals to decorate a table, which will be around the pavilion court, and provide treats for the kids! Details: www.OSL.cc

Fun, Family-Friendly Costumes are welcome!