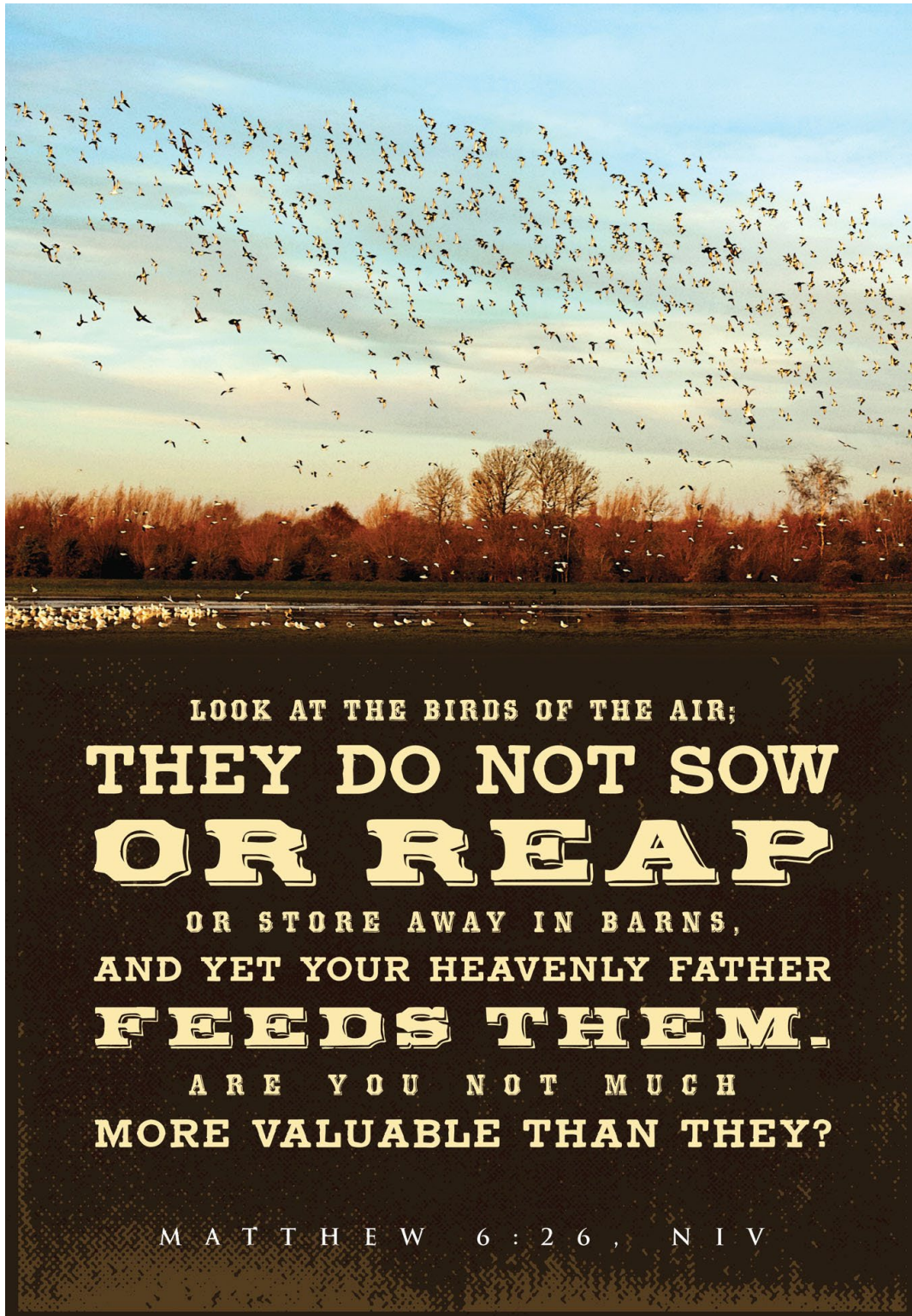




LOOK AT THE BIRDS OF THE AIR;
**THEY DO NOT SOW
OR REAP**

OR STORE AWAY IN BARNES,
AND YET YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER
FEEDS THEM.

ARE YOU NOT MUCH
MORE VALUABLE THAN THEY?

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Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Music for Meditation & Prayer

Ringling of the Bells

Prelude

Fang Dein Werk

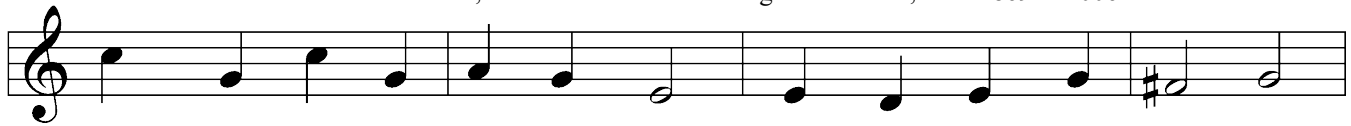
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Greetings & Announcements

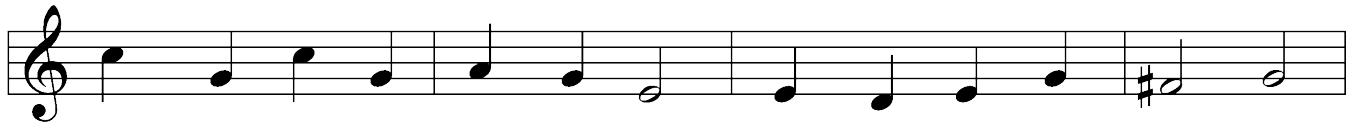
Hymn of Invocation

With the Lord Begin Your Task

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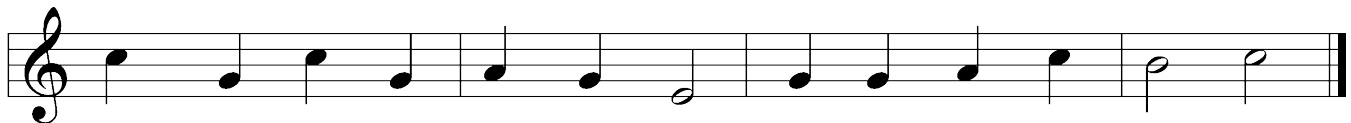
1 With the Lord be - gin your task; Je - sus will di - rect it.
2 Let each day be - gin with prayer, Praise, and ad - o - ra - tion.
3 With your Sav - ior at your side, Foes need not a - larm you;
4 If your task be thus be - gun With the Sav - ior's bless - ing,
5 Thus, Lord Je - sus, ev - 'ry task Be to You com - mend - ed;



For His aid and coun - sel ask; Je - sus will per - fect it.
On the Lord cast ev - 'ry care; He is your sal - va - tion.
In His prom - is - es con - fide, And no ill can harm you.
Safe - ly then your course will run, Toward the prom - ise press - ing.
May Your will be done, I ask, Un - til life is end - ed.



Ev - 'ry morn with Je - sus rise, And when day is end - ed,
Morn - ing, eve - ning, and at night Je - sus will be near you,
All your trust and hope re - pose In the might - y Mas - ter,
Good will fol - low ev - 'ry - where While you here must wan - der;
Je - sus, in Your name be - gun Be the day's en - deav - or;



In His name then close your eyes; Be to Him com - mend - ed.
Save you from the tempt - er's might, With His pres - ence cheer you.
Who in wis - dom tru - ly knows How to stem dis - as - ter.
You at last the joy will share In the man - sions yon - der.
Grant that it may well be done To Your praise for - ev - er.

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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.*

(Stand)

Introit

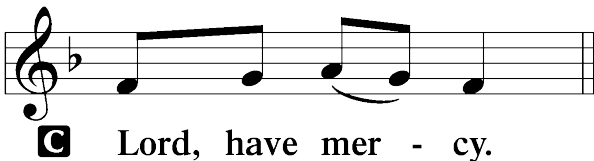
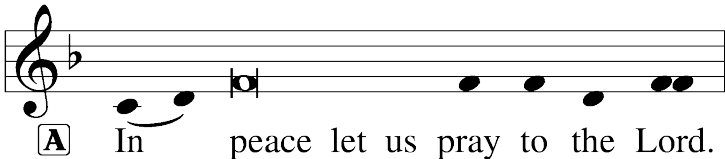
“Inclina, Domine, Aurem Tuam”

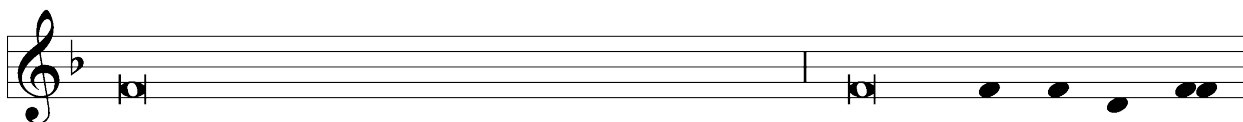
(Intoned by Pastor with Congregation on Gloria Patri)

(Psalm 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b, 3)

Incline your ear, O Lord, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.
Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*
for to you do I cry | all the day.
Gladden the soul of your | servant,*
for to you, O Lord, do I lift | up my soul.
Give ear, O Lord, | to my prayer;*
listen to my | plea for grace.
But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious;*
turn to me and be gra- | cious to me;
give your strength to your | servant,*
and save the son of your maid- | servant.
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.
Incline your ear, O Lord, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.
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Kyrie





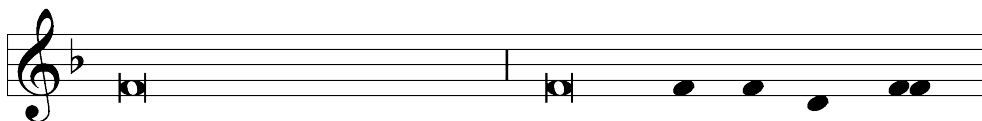
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



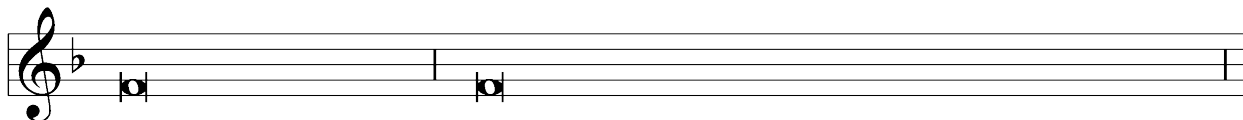
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



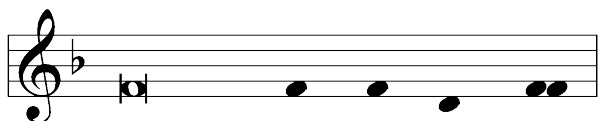
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



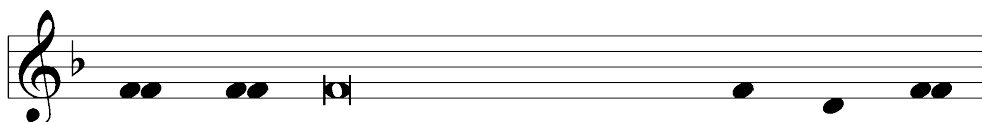
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise

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

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-

5 lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is

9 Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

12 free to be peo - ple of God. This is the

16 feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

20 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Pow - er,

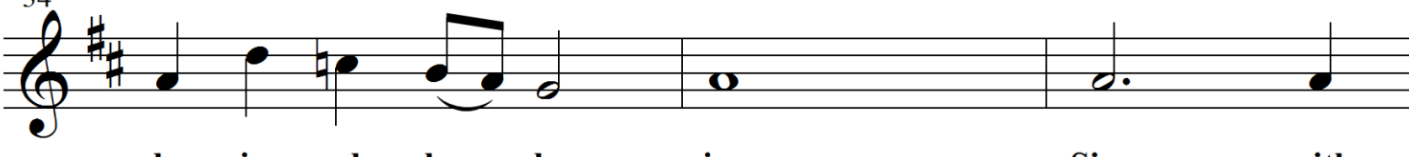
23 rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or -

26

 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 -

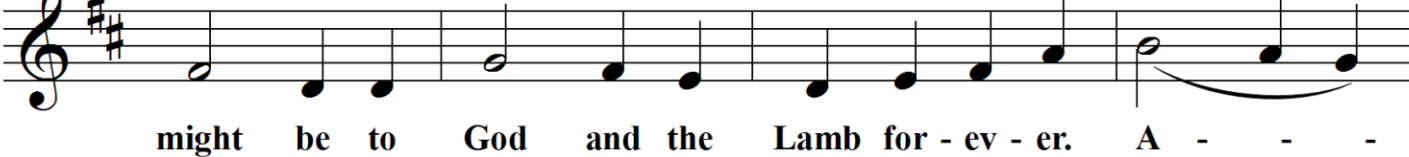
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 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Sing with

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 all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre -

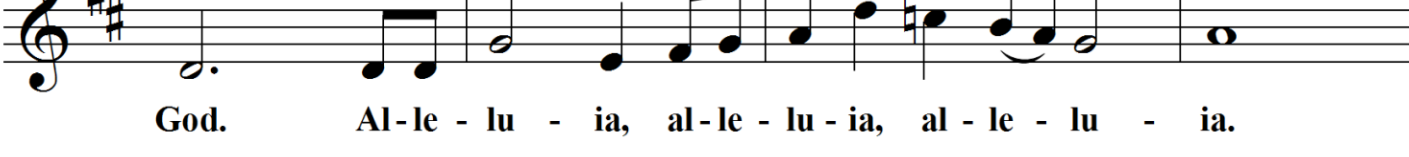
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 a - - - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or glo - ry, and

45

 might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - -

49

 men. This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our

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

57

For the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His

61

reign. Al - le - lu - - - ia. This is the

65

feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

69

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

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, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and 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)

Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 17:8–16

[8] Then the word of the Lord came to him, [9] “Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” [10] So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” [11] And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” [12] And she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” [13] And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. [14] For thus says the Lord the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.’” [15] And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. [16] The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

The Lord provides for the needs of His people in the most unexpected ways. The widow had given up and was ready to die. And yet she trusted the promise of God through the word of His prophet Elijah. Like all of God’s promises that promise held true and she was given an inexhaustible supply of flour and oil. If by faith we will cling to promise instead of the problems, we too will be blessed with a source of life and strength that can never run out.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual

(Intoned by Pastor; Psalm 118:8-9)

It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to | trust in man.

It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to trust in | princes.

Epistle Reading

Galatians 5:25–6:10

[25] If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

[26] Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. [6:1] Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.

[2] Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

[3] For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. [4] But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. [5] For each will have to bear his own load. [6] One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. [7] Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for

whatever one sows, that will he also reap. [8] For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

[9] And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. [10] So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Faith is more than just words. We who talk the talk must also be willing to walk the walk. Love for Jesus transforms every dimension of our lives in His image. As we demonstrate the love and compassion which we have experienced in Christ we will not only be a blessing to all we meet but we will also glorify God and demonstrate the reality of His love.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C *Thanks be to God.*

(Stand)

Alleluia and Verse

(John 6:68)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6th chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

St. Matthew 6:24–34

[24] [Jesus said:] “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. [25] “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? [26] Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? [27] And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? [28] And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, [29] yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. [30] But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? [31] Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ [32] For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. [33] But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. [34] “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Carefree confidence for every day is God's gift to those who live by faith in Him. The love which we have been given in Christ provides the answer to the most basic challenges of life. Compared to God's gift of eternal life, our day to day worries about worldly things pale into insignificance. If God loved you enough to save you, He certainly is capable of caring for you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.*

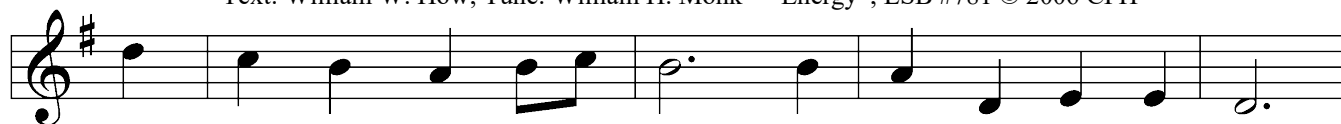
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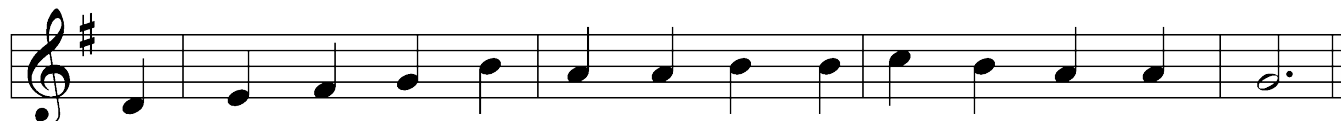
Sermon Hymn

We Give Thee But Thine Own

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- 1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive
3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,
4 To com - fort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!
And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray-ing from the fold.
To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.

- 5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.
- 6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

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(Stand for Text)

Sermon

Text: St. Matthew 6:24

“God or Mammon, Which is it?”

(Stand)

Votum

Offertory

(Psalm 104:14-15; Isaiah 25:6; 1 Corinthians 5:7)



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offering Prayer

(Be Seated)

Offering

Voluntary

We Give Thee but Thine Own

By W. Bates

Catechism Hymn

These Are the Holy Ten Commands

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8 “You shall not steal or take a - way What oth - ers worked for
9 “Bear no false wit - ness nor de - fame Your neigh - bor nor de -
night and day, But o - pen wide a gen - ’rous hand
stroy his name, But view him in the kind - est way;
And help the poor in the land.” Have mer - cy, Lord!
Speak truth in all that you say.” Have mer - cy, Lord!

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Catechism Lesson

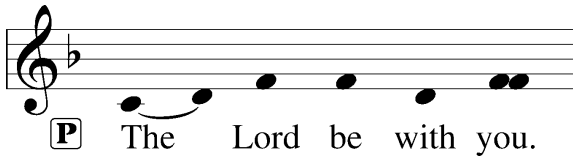
- P** What is The Seventh Commandment?
C *You shall not steal.*
P What does this mean?
C *We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor’s money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.*
- P** What is The Eighth Commandment?
C *You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.*
P What does this mean?
C *We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.*
- P** A lesson from Hebrews 13:16 –
C *“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.”*

(Stand)

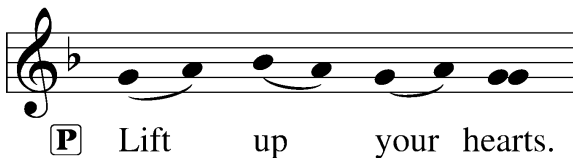
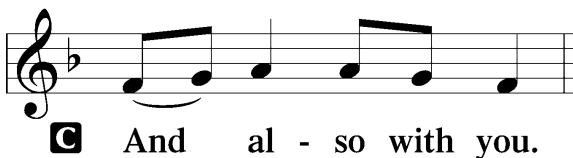
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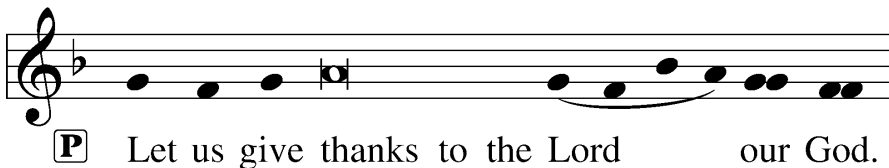
Worship Note: The sound of the Zimbelstern announces the invitation that brings the realms of heaven and voices here on earth to sing the great hymn of praise to our Lord. As the Pastor reads “therefore with angels and archangels....” the bells peal in festive celebration.



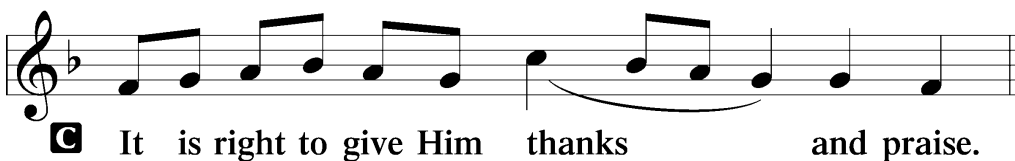
(2 Timothy 4:22)



(Colossians 3:1)



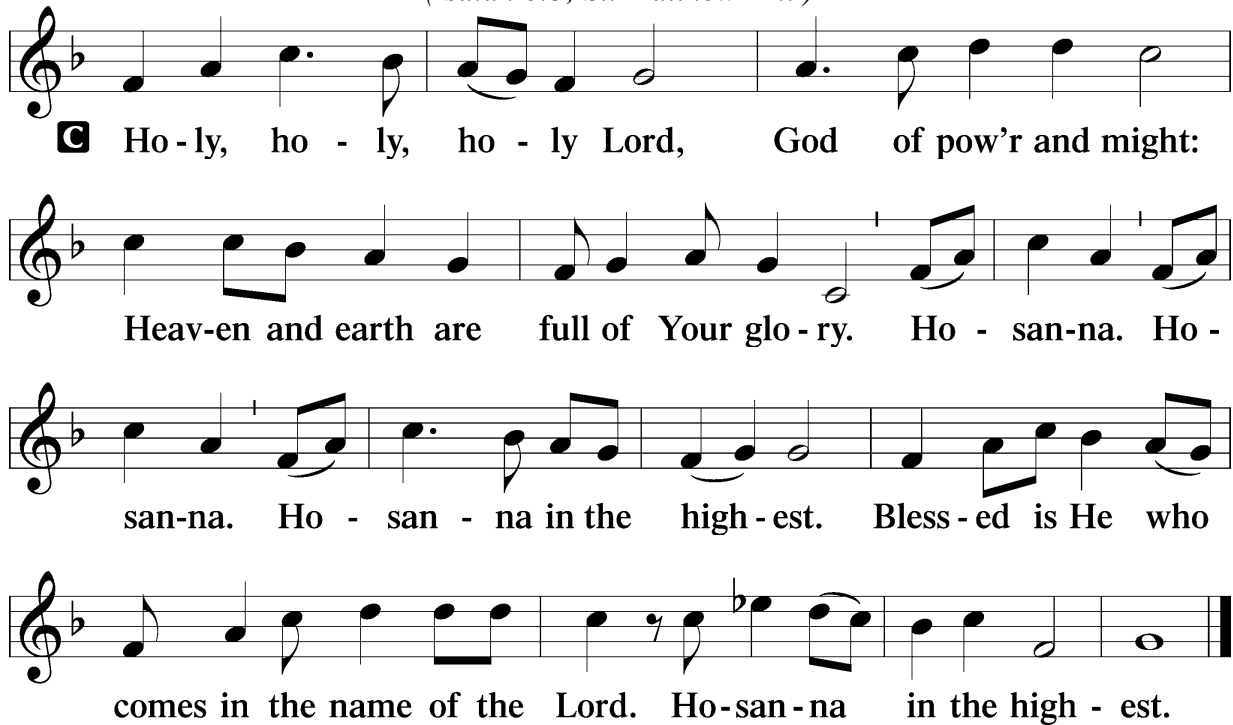
(Psalm 136)



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; St. Matthew 21:9)



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

The Lord's Prayer

(St. 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

(St. 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

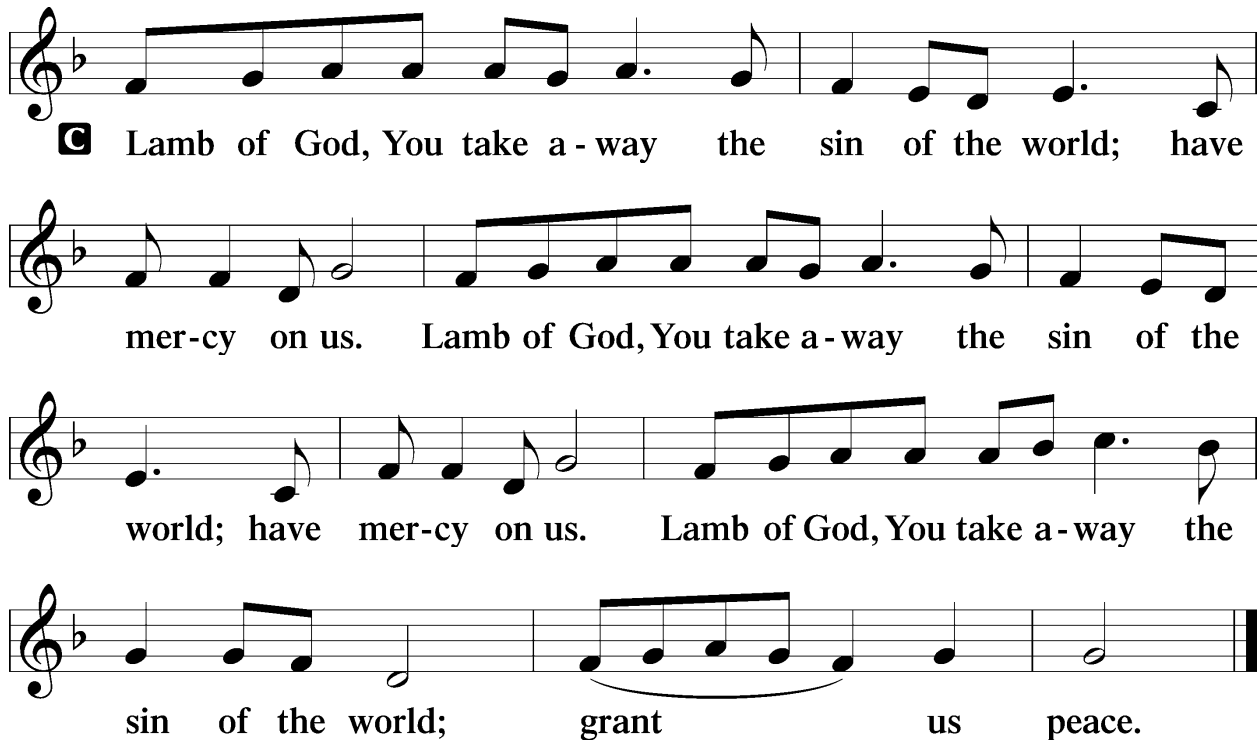
(St. John 20:19)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C *And also with you.*

Agnus Dei

(St. John 1:29)



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Be Seated)

Distribution

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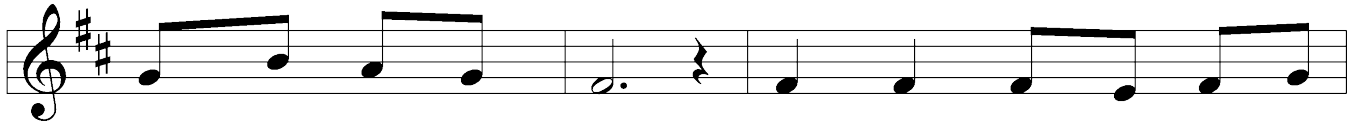
Distribution Hymns

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

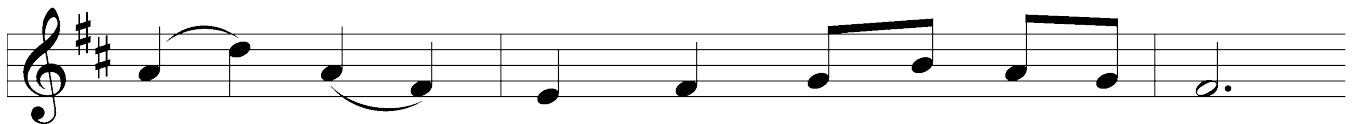
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1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we
2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and
4 Ear - ly let us seek Your fa - vor, Ear - ly



need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures
guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -
sin - ful though we be; You have mer - cy to re -
let us do Your will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly



feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.
fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.
lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Sav - ior, With Your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have



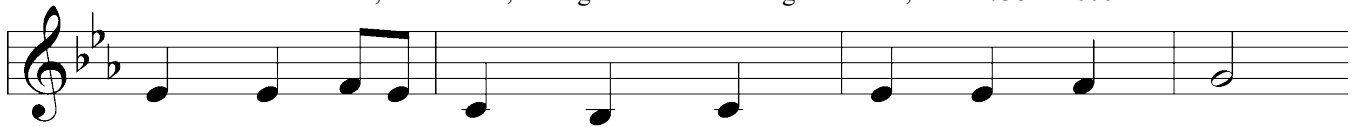
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chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,
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bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.
bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to You.
bless - ed Je - sus, You have loved us, love us still.

Lord of All Hopefulness

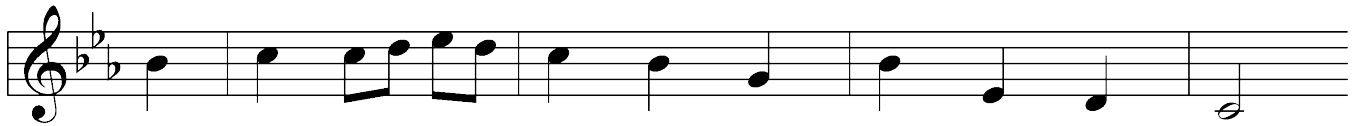
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1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



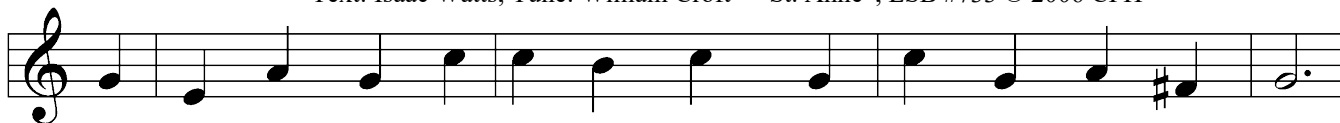
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Text: Isaac Watts; Tune: William Croft – “St. Anne”; LSB #733 © 2006 CPH



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last
And our eternal home!

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(Stand)

Post-Communion Canticle

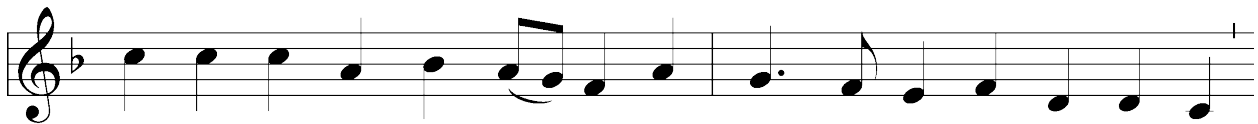
Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

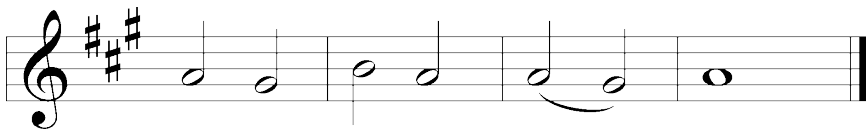
P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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

C *Amen.*

Benediction

(Numbers 6:24-26)

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

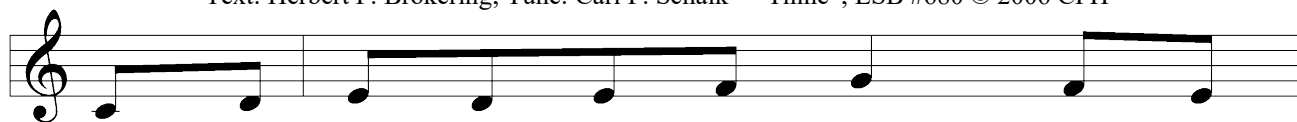


C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

Text: Herbert F. Brokering; Tune: Carl F. Schalk – “Thine”; LSB #680 © 2006 CPH



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine-yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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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: Trinity XV – The evil one, the world, and your easily influenced sinful flesh preach doubt in God’s Word, which is false faith (Matthew 6:24-34). Consider who it is that knows your need, who loves you, who watches over you day and night? It is He who rules all of creation, directing everything in the entire cosmos for the benefit of His children. He is your God. True faith overcomes false faith. Jesus is the object of true faith. We fill our hearts and minds with Him. We daily read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest Him in the Holy Scriptures and His Supper. Beloved in Christ, all your needs are met, and true peace is yours in Jesus.

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, September 27 at 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.

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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 Church Militant—God's Work in History: Picking up from the history of the early Church, we continue the history of how God preserved His Word within the medieval Church and brought about the Reformation in the 16th century. Combining history and theology, we will explore the connections of the Church past and present. (Karl Baughman, Cafeteria)

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED – 10:45 AM

High School – 4:12 Youth Room

7th – 8th Grade – C105

6th Grade – C103

5th Grade – C113

3rd – 4th Grade – C116

1st – 2nd Grade – C115

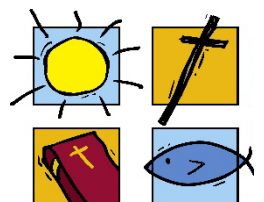
Kindergarten – C104

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 Mom & Dad in honor of Audie Pugh's birthday.



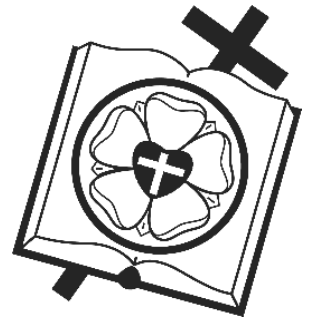
Flower Chart is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions!

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: 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.

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 meets on Tuesdays, in the Family Room starting at 6:30pm.

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.



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

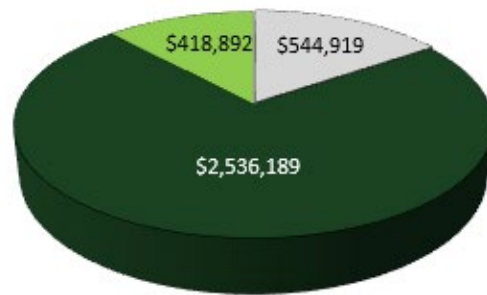
Blue Blossom Buses & Office. If you can sew, we need *hemmers*! If you want to crochet, we will teach you! If you can’t hem blankets or crochet, *are you able to write on our notes* we attach to the baby blankets? Please volunteer to join the blanket ministry! Call Ethelene: 713-849-9266 or 713-542-7534. **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.



New Logic School Building Expected Completion Fall 2026.
Help us Reach our Goal of \$3.5M



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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.*



Part-time Position Available for the Upcoming School Year! Our Savior Lutheran School is hiring a Kindergarten Classroom Aide for the upcoming school year. Applicants must have a high school diploma and be 18 years or older. Childcare experience is helpful but not required. This is a part-time, Monday–Friday position. We are seeking a Christian role model who enjoys working with children. If interested, contact **Lynette Cherington** at lcherington@oslschool.org or 713-290-8277.

MEASURE OF DEVOTION: Last Sunday, we had 331 people in attendance (last year 420), viewers online 630.

Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week	\$ 21,873.50
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 36	\$ 1,288,167.77
Tithes & Offerings needed each week	\$ 43,385.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 36	\$ 1,561,860.00
Special Contributions to date	\$ 729,404.55

“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, September 13, at 9:30 AM	Next Week, Sunday, September 20, at 9:30 AM
ELDERS:	Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube	Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube
USHERS:	Symcox Team	Halbert Team
SOUND:	Greenwood	T. Wilbanks
CARTS:	Downie Team	Kriegel Team
ACOLYTES:	Sophia Williams / Camryn Winfree	Julie Azzi / Max Berry
ALTAR GLD:	Amanda Crabtree Team 5	—
COMM. ASST:	Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube / James Kriegel	—
EVANGELISM:	Team Malson	Team O’Neill/Schmidt
GREETERS:	TEAM 10: Schmidt / Stuhr	TEAM 1: Carter/Malsons
MUSIC:	—	—
VIDEO:	Adam White / Wesley White	Adam White / Wesley White

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

Music Ministry Season Begins!

If you’ve ever had an interest in being in music ministry, then come join us! The only requirement is to have a love of music and heart of service.

Carillon Ringers meet on **Thursdays at 6:15pm** in the Church Choir Loft.

Jubilate Choir meets on **Thursdays at 7:00pm** in the Church Choir Loft.

Laudate Women’s Choir meets **2nd & 4th Sundays** (today), after Bible Class, in the Choir Room.

Cantate Chamber Ensemble meets the **3rd Sunday** after Bible Class, in the Church Choir Loft.

Exultae Brass meets the **1st Sunday (Oct 4)**, following Bible Class, in the Church Choir Loft.



OSL at a Glance

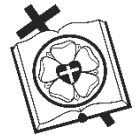
Sunday, September 13, 2026

Bible Class	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Communion	9:30am	Church & online
Sunday School	10:45am	
Car Show Meeting - BC	12:00pm	Bible Class Room
Laudate-Choir Rm	12:00pm	Church Choir Room
Volleyball League - Gym	6:00pm	Gymnasium



Monday, September 14, 2026

Joseph's Guild of Colors-LWML	9:00am	LWML
LWML Potter's Vessel-FR	6:30pm	Family Room
New Member - Monday Night Class	6:30pm	Bible Class Room



Tuesday, September 15, 2026 ~ Newsletter Deadline

HCFL Prayer Vigil for LIFE - PP	11:00am	13169 NW Fwy, Ste 115, 77040
Stitches Fellowship Group - YR	6:30pm	Youth Room
Elders mtg-BC	7:00pm	Bible Class Room
LWML Night Circle-FR	7:00pm	Family Room



Wednesday, September 16, 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



Thursday, September 17, 2026

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



Saturday, September 19, 2026

Bunco Women's Social-BC	10:00am	Bible Class Room
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Sunday, September 20, 2026

Bible Class	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Matins	9:30am	Church & online
Sunday School	10:45am	
Cantate-Sanctuary	12:00pm	Choir Loft
Fellowship Potluck - BC	12:00pm	Bible Class Room
Life Team Meeting-YR	12:00pm	Youth Room
Volleyball League - Gym	5:00pm	Gymnasium



Fall Volleyball Coed League starts TODAY!

We will start today, September 13, in the gym at 6:00pm.

If anyone is interested, they can contact us at allthewaiser@gmail.com.



Classic Car Show Coming Soon!

Join us TODAY, September 13, for a meeting, after Sunday School in the Bible Class Room, if you would like to be involved. Contact **Dan Greenwood** for more details: (713) 302-5692.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming car show on October 17. *More information to come!*



Lutheran Women in Mission
PRAYER SERVICE 2026

PRAISE
REMEMBER
ASK
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EXCITEMENT
REJOICE

LWML White Oak Zone Fall Rally

Sunday, October 4
2:00pm • Beautiful Savior

215 Rittenhouse Street • Houston, TX 77076
Reception to follow • Registration begins at 1:30pm

Rev. Barrie Henke wrote that the service "prompts the participants to remember that God does not speak to His children in prayer. Rather, His children speak to Him, assured that He readily speaks to them in His Word and in the Sacraments..." Our annual Fall Rally is a time to gather, sing hymns, and enjoy moments of reflection and conversation.

Join us!

No RSVP needed



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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Questions?

Christine@houstoncoalition.com

Run & Walk for LIFE 2026!



RUN/WALK FOR LIFE 2026 is a 2 mile walk or a 5K fun run,
Saturday, October 17, 8am-11am, St. Theresa Catholic Church
in Memorial Park, 6622 Haskell St, Houston, TX 77007.

*Unfortunately, crisis pregnancies have not ended, and abortions
are still happening in Texas at an alarming rate due to the
widespread availability of the abortion pill. The landscape has
changed, but our mission has not.* For nearly 25 years, **Houston
Coalition for Life** together with our generous volunteers and
supporters have stood on the front lines praying and working to
end abortion while providing vulnerable women with free, life-
affirming services that encourage and empower them to choose
life for their preborn babies. **When you sign up to Run/Walk
for Life or contribute, you allow us to continue providing real
help to more than 3,700 women each year through our Blue
Blossom Pregnancy Centers, of whom 93.5% embrace life for
their babies.**

