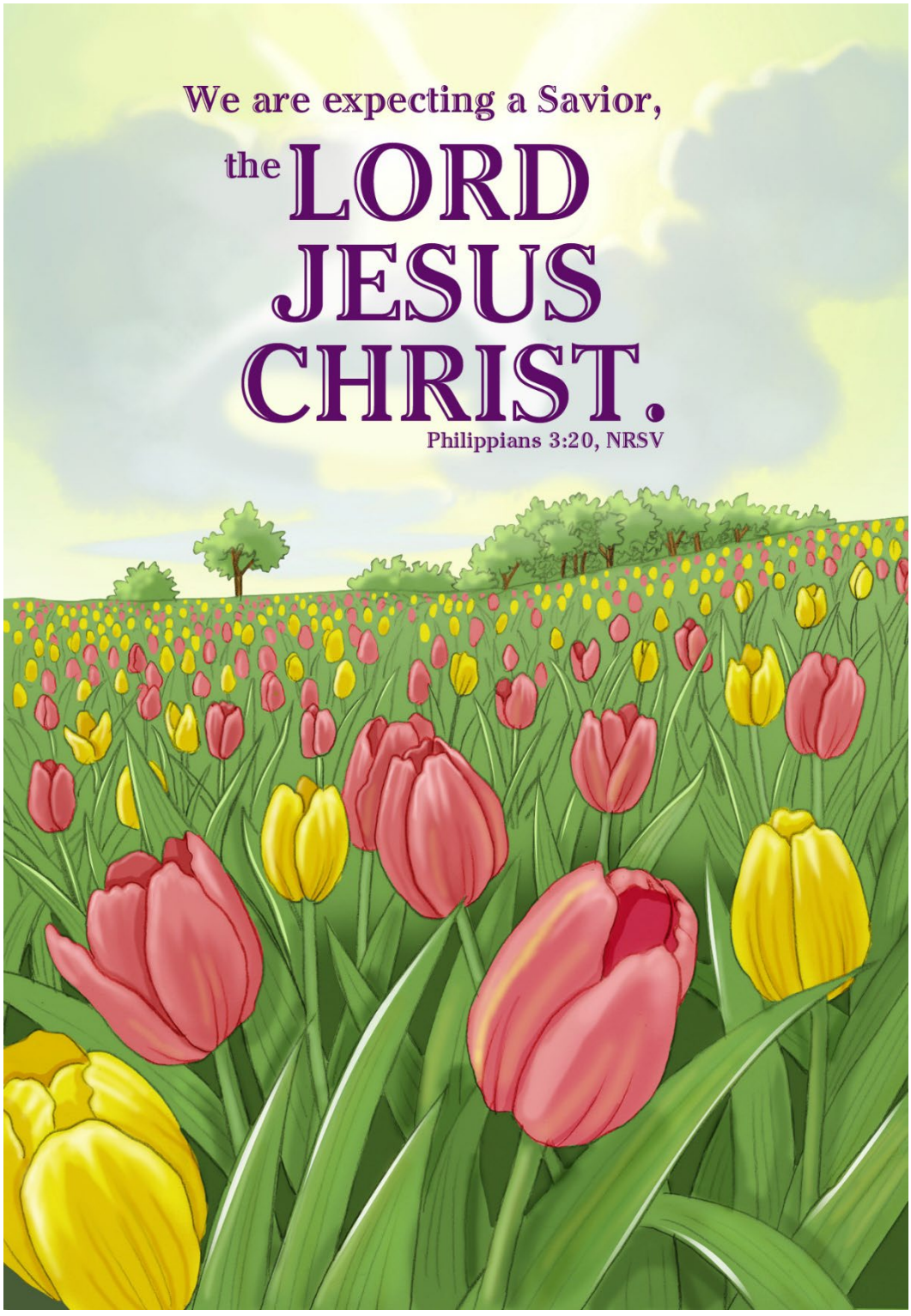


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Order of Holy Communion

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Music for Meditation & Prayer

Ringing of the Bells

Prelude

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

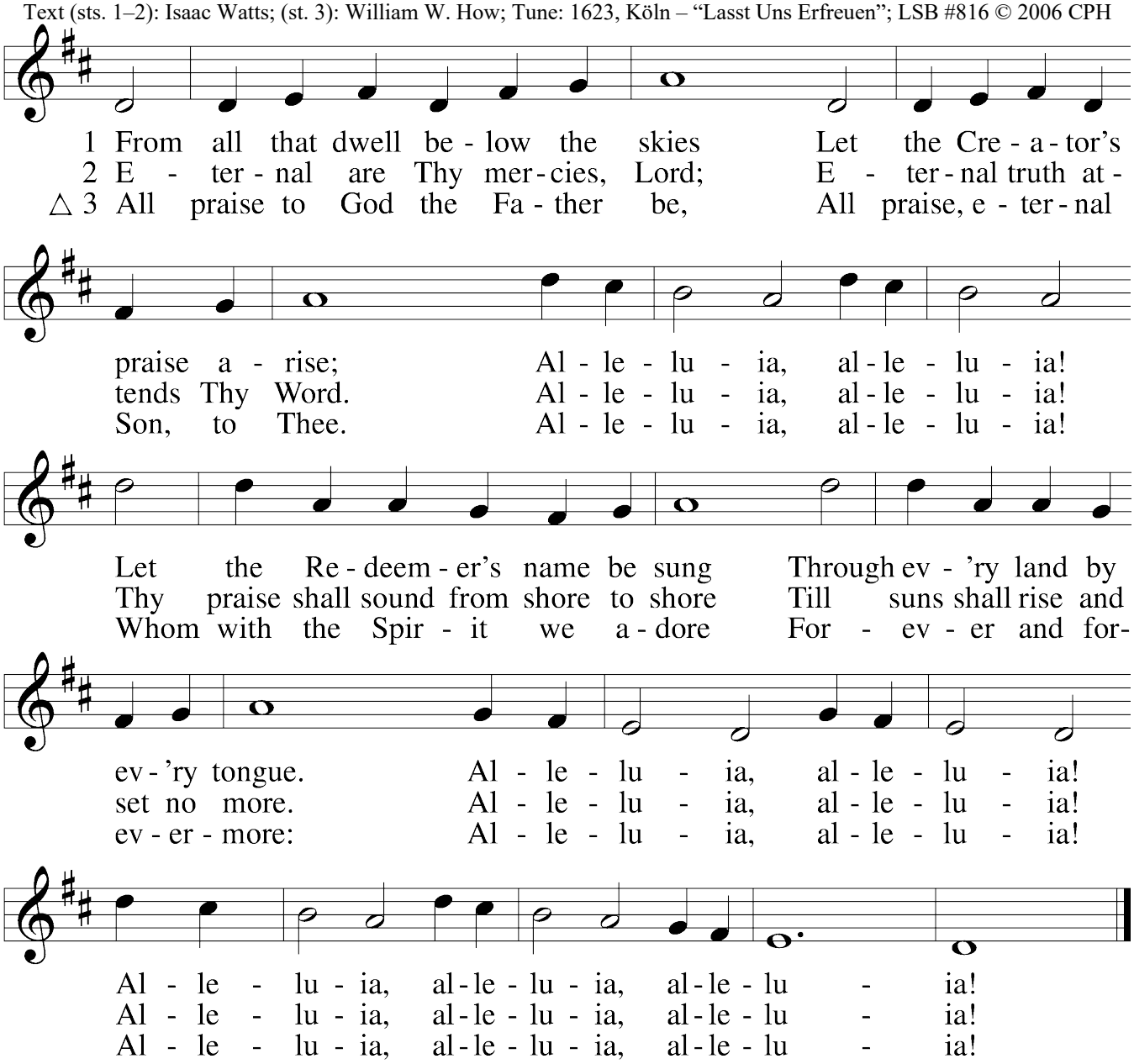
By J. Scott

Greetings & Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

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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

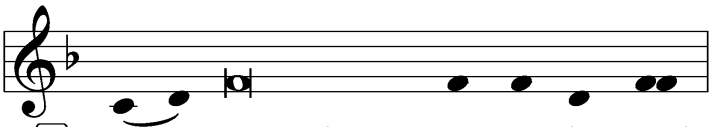
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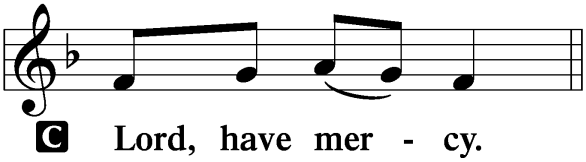
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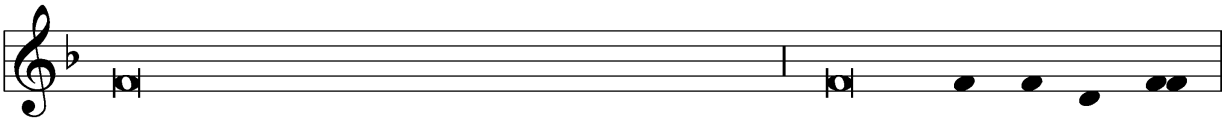
I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,*
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,*
and I will | hear you.
LORD, you were favorable | to your land;*
you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.
Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,*
and grant us your sal- | vation.
Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,*
that glory may dwell | in our land.
Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,*
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.
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.
I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,*
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,*
and I will | hear you.

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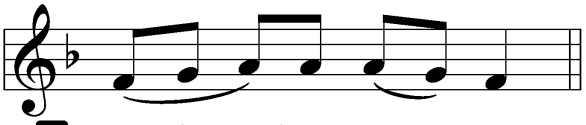
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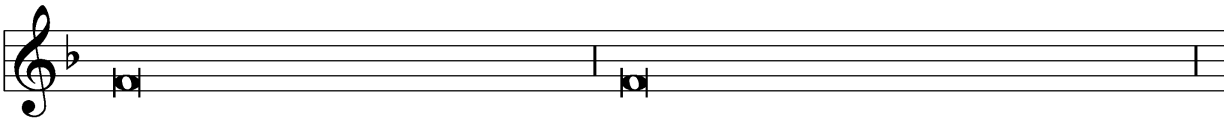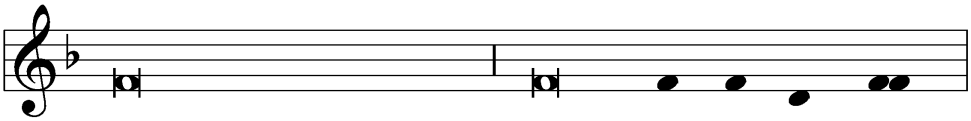






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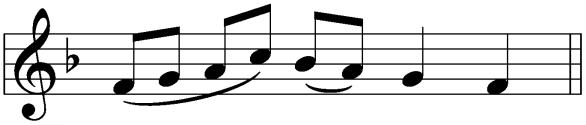


C **Lord, have mer - cy.**



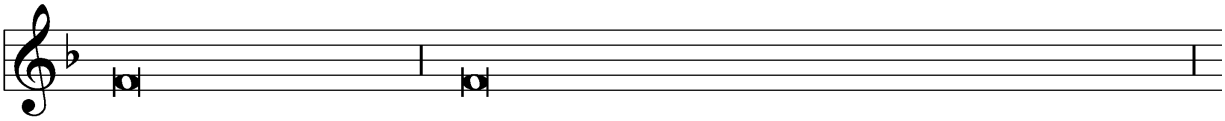
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



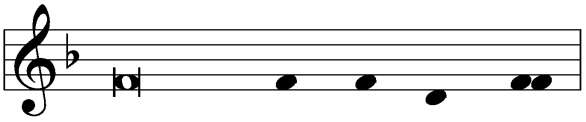
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
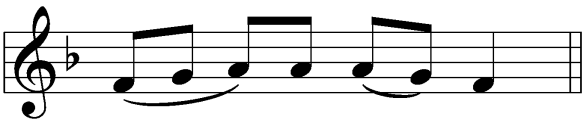


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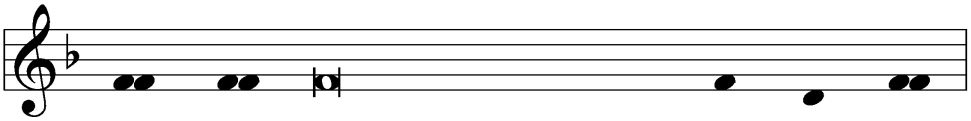
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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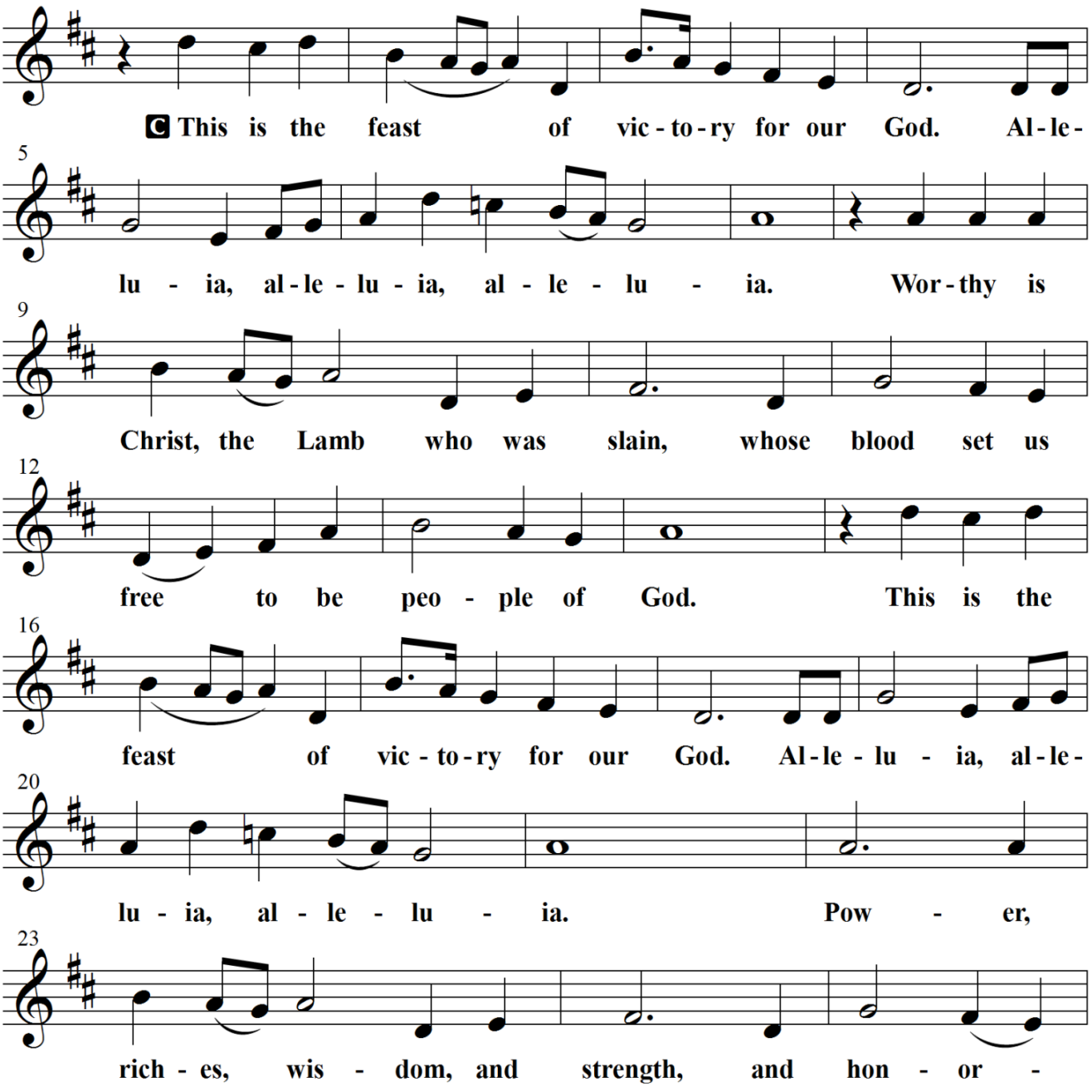


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.
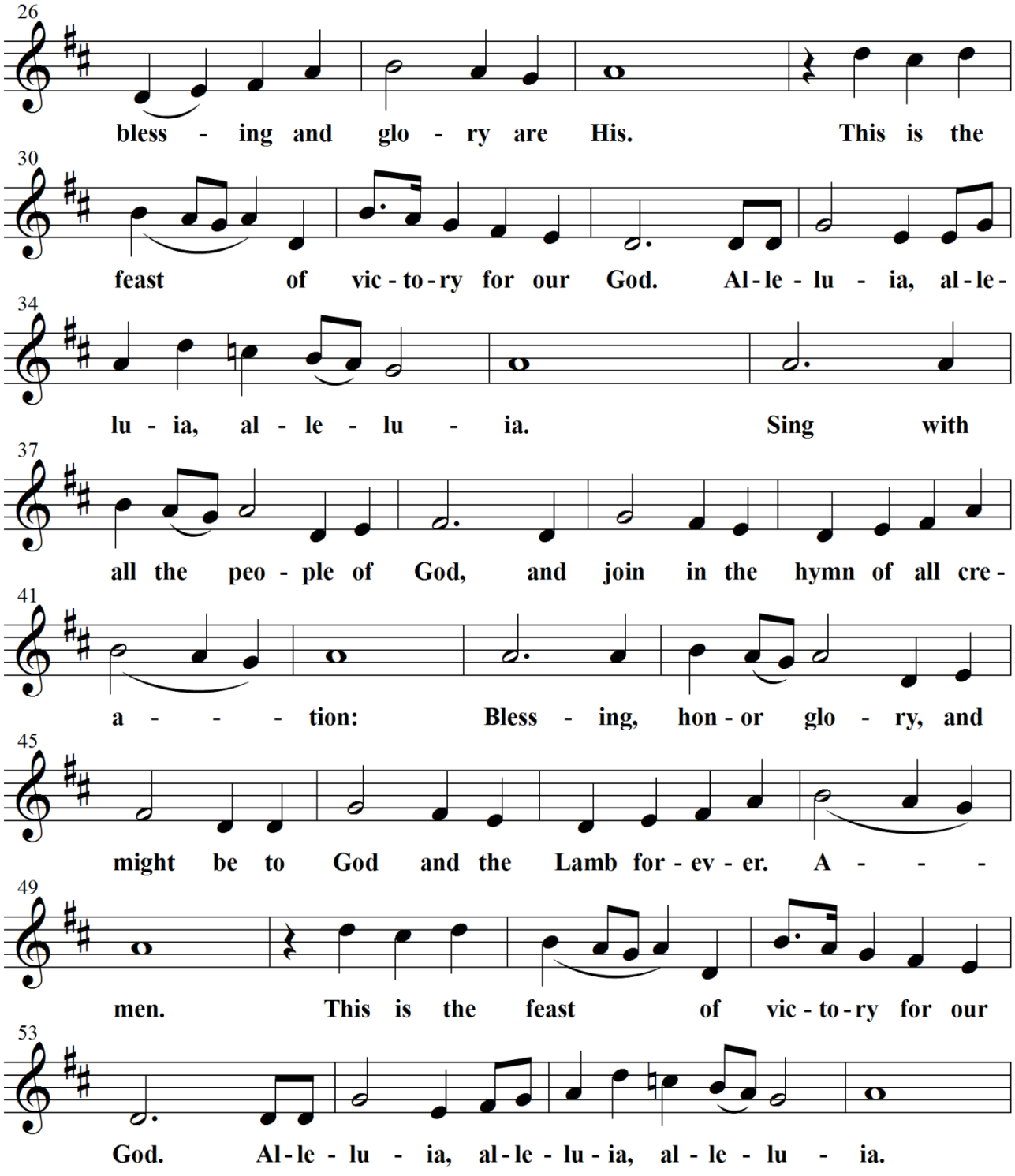


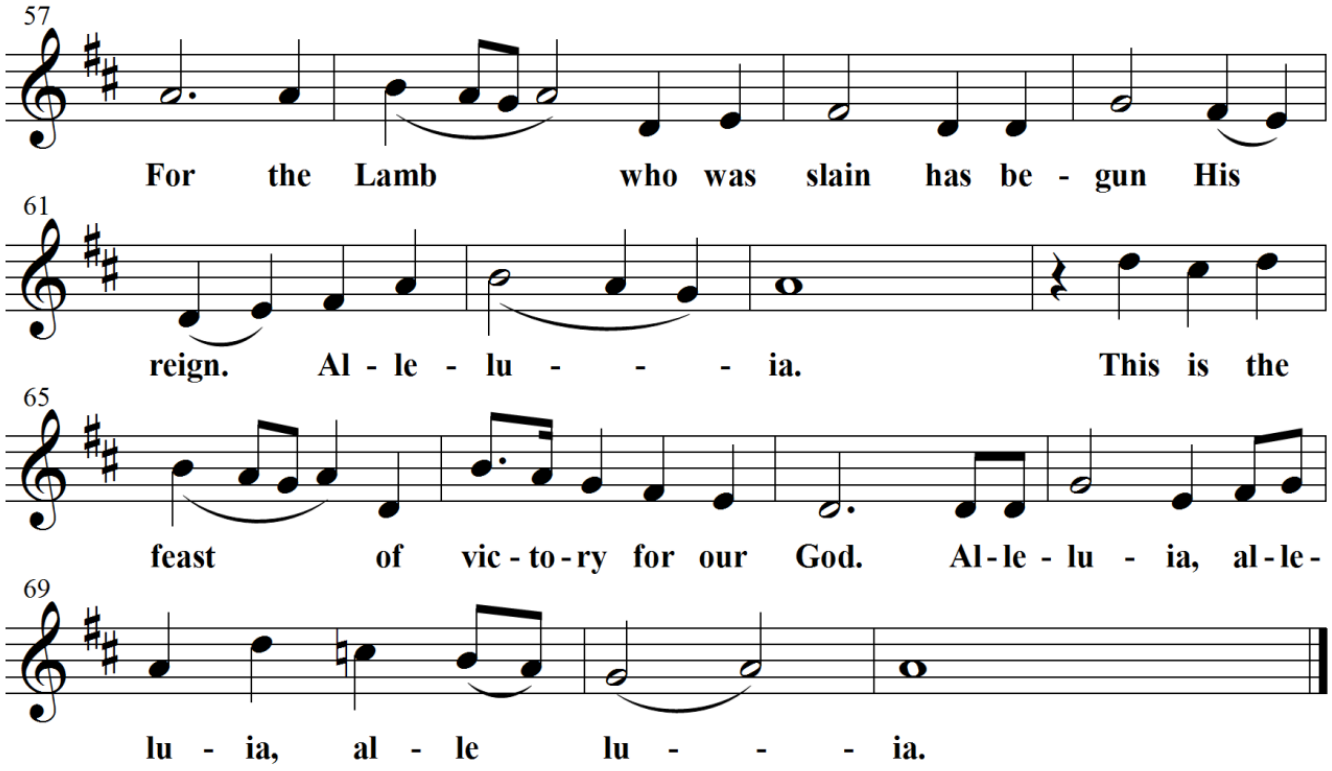
C **A - men.**

Hymn of Praise

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

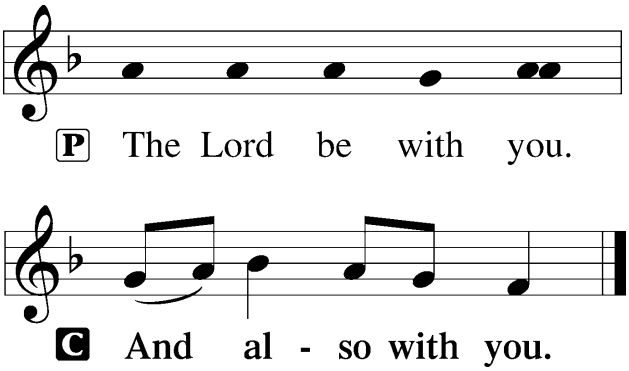



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God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Collect of the Day

(2 Timothy 4:22)



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

C ***Amen.***

(Be Seated)

Ministry of Music

Praise the Lord of Heaven

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Jubilate Choir

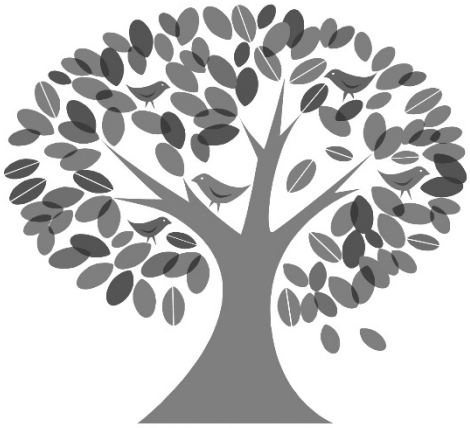
Praise the Lord of Heaven, Praise Him in the height; Praise Him, all His angels, Praise Him, hosts of light.
Sun and moon together, Shining stars aflame, Planets in their courses, Magnify, magnify His Name!
Earth and ocean praise Him; Mountains, hills and trees; Fire and hail and tempest. Wind and storm and seas.
Praise Him, fields and forests, Birds on flashing wings, Praise Him, beasts and cattle, All created things.
Now by prince and people, Let His praise be told; Praise Him, men and maidens, Praise Him, young and old.
He the Lord of glory! We, His praise proclaim! High above all heavens Magnify, magnify His Name!
Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!
Praise the Lord of heaven, Praise Him in the height; Praise Him, all His angels, Praise Him, hosts of light.
Sun and moon together, Shining stars aflame, Planets in their courses, Magnify, magnify His Name!
Alleluia. Praise Him, Alleluia.

Old Testament Lesson

Proverbs 8:11–22

[11] For wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her. [12] "I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion. [13] The fear of the Lord is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate. [14] I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength. [15] By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; [16] by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. [17] I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me. [18] Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness. [19] My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver. [20] I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice, [21] granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries. [22] "The Lord possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old."

Divine Wisdom summons us away from the empty foolishness of the world to see things as they truly are. The pride and power of men, pleasure and wealth are delusions. They twist and distort God's intent for His creation and deprive us of the happiness which God desires for His people.



The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

Proverbs 8:22, NRSV

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C ***Thanks be to God.***

Gradual

(Intoned by Laetare; Psalm 44:7–8)

You have saved us | from our foes*
and have put to shame those who | hate us.
In God we have boasted con- | tinually,*
and we will give thanks to your name for- | ever.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 3:17–21

[17] Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. [18] For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. [19] Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. [20] But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, [21] who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

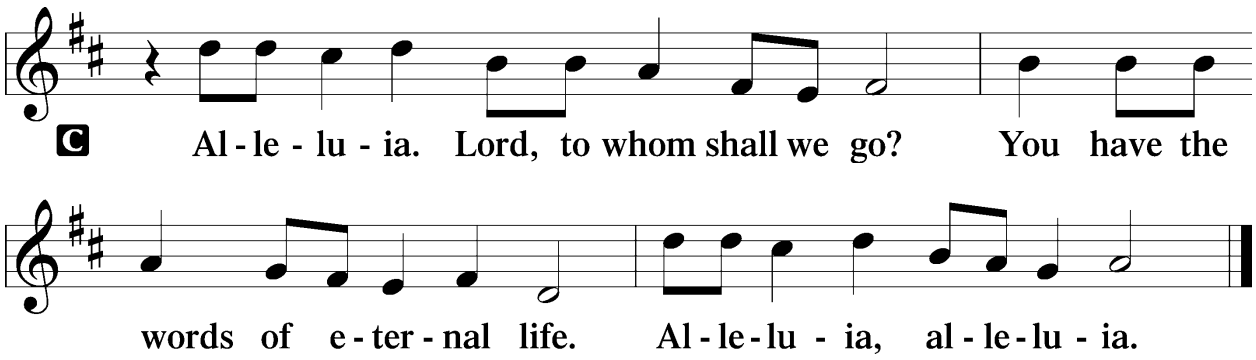
The Christian life is founded on the recognition that this world is not our real home. Here we are but strangers and pilgrims on our way to the everlasting home which Christ has prepared for us in heaven. That recognition enables us to perceive the falsehood of all worldly priorities. The wisdom of God has been revealed to us in the person of Jesus Christ. His repudiation of pride, power and the pursuit of self is the perfect example of a godly life.

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

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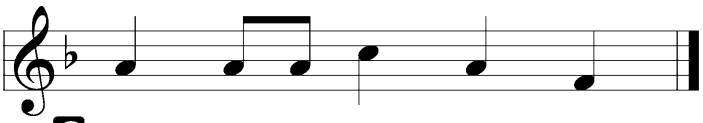
Alleluia and Verse

(John 6:68)



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter.
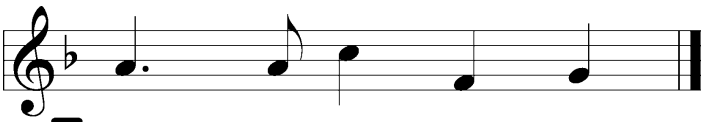


Gospel Reading

St. Matthew 22:15–22

[15] Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. [16] And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. [17] Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" [18] But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? [19] Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. [20] And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" [21] They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." [22] When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

Our Lord's enemies thought they had devised an inescapable trap. But instead Jesus' answer to their devious question revealed sublime truth through the use of a common coin. God has established government and God's people are to submit to their rulers. But when Christians are confronted with a choice between obeying God or Caesar, our primary loyalty must always be to God, no matter what the personal cost may be.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





Nicene Creed

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary
And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried;
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures;
And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
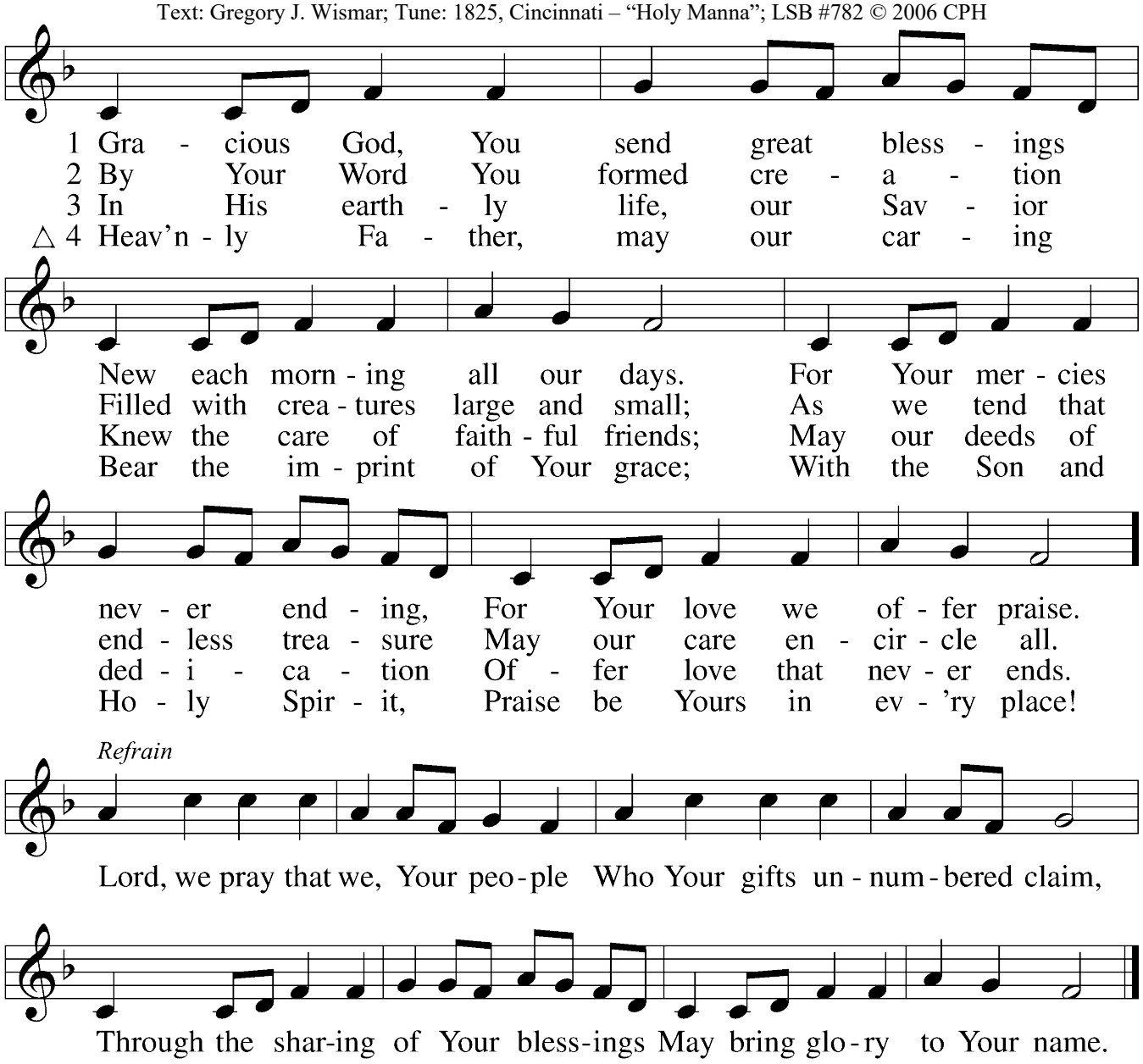
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen

(Be Seated)

Sermon Hymn

Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

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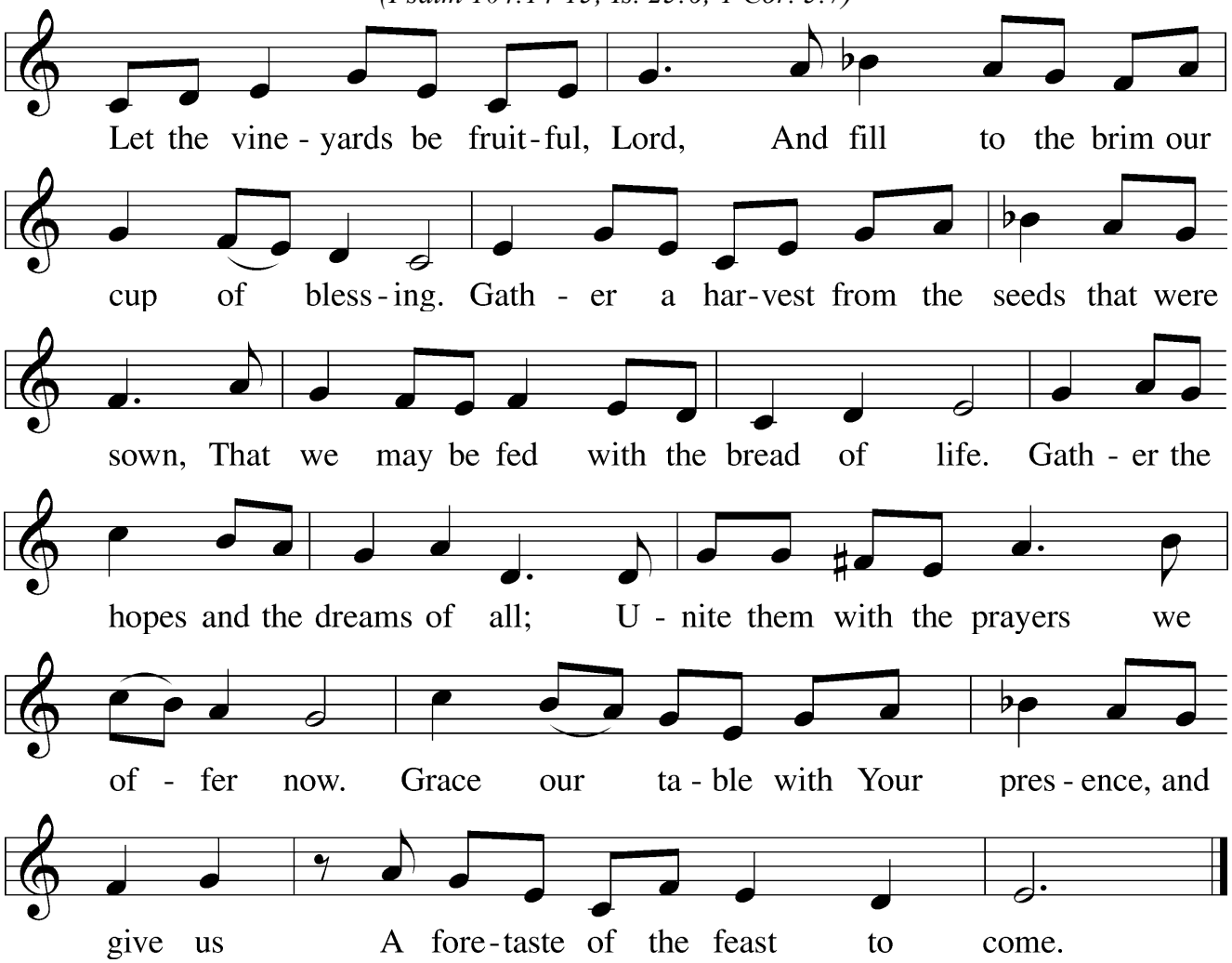
Text: St. Matthew 22:21
"Render to God"

(Stand)

Votum

Offertory

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



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Offering Prayer

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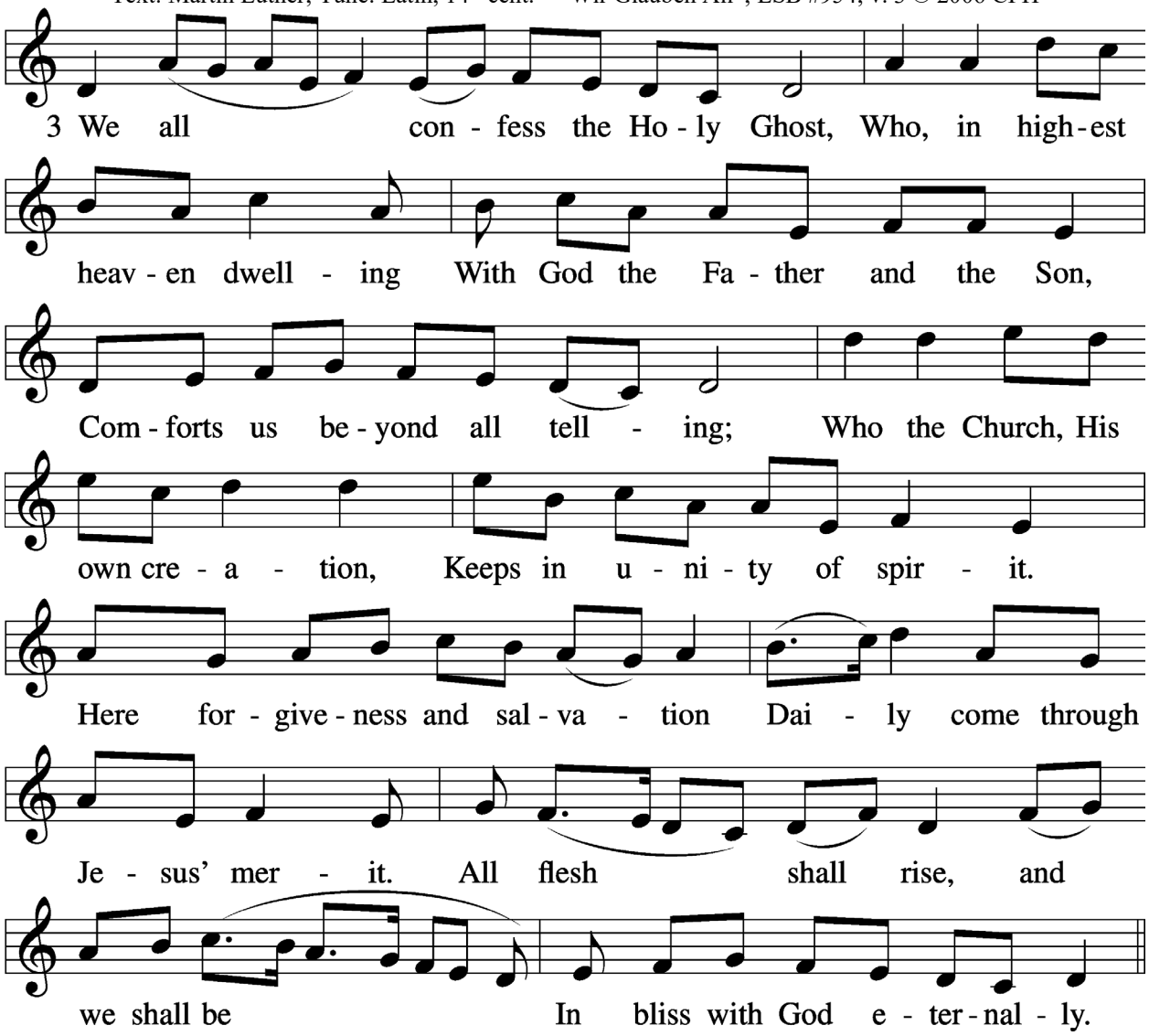
Voluntary

Holy Manna

Catechism Hymn & Lesson

We All Believe in One True God

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P What is the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed?

C ***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

P What does this mean?

C ***I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church he daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.***

P A lesson from Romans 10:17 –

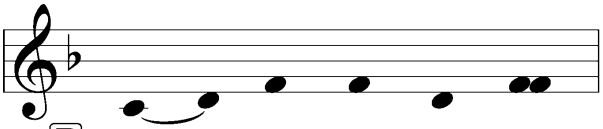
C ***"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."***

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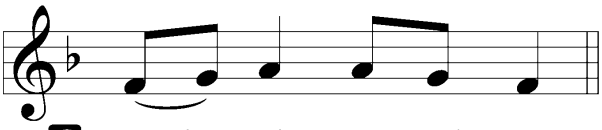
Intercessory Prayer

Preface

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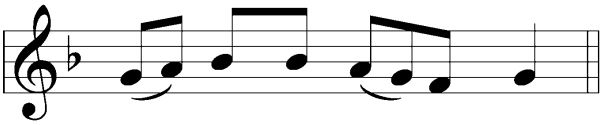


P The Lord be with you. *(2 Timothy 4:22)*



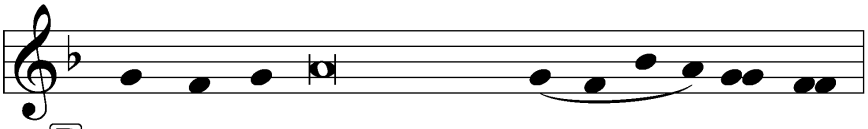
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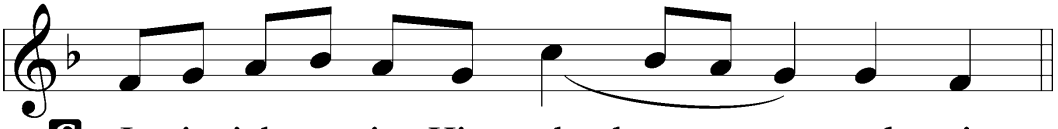


P Lift up your hearts. *(Colossians 3:1)*



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



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
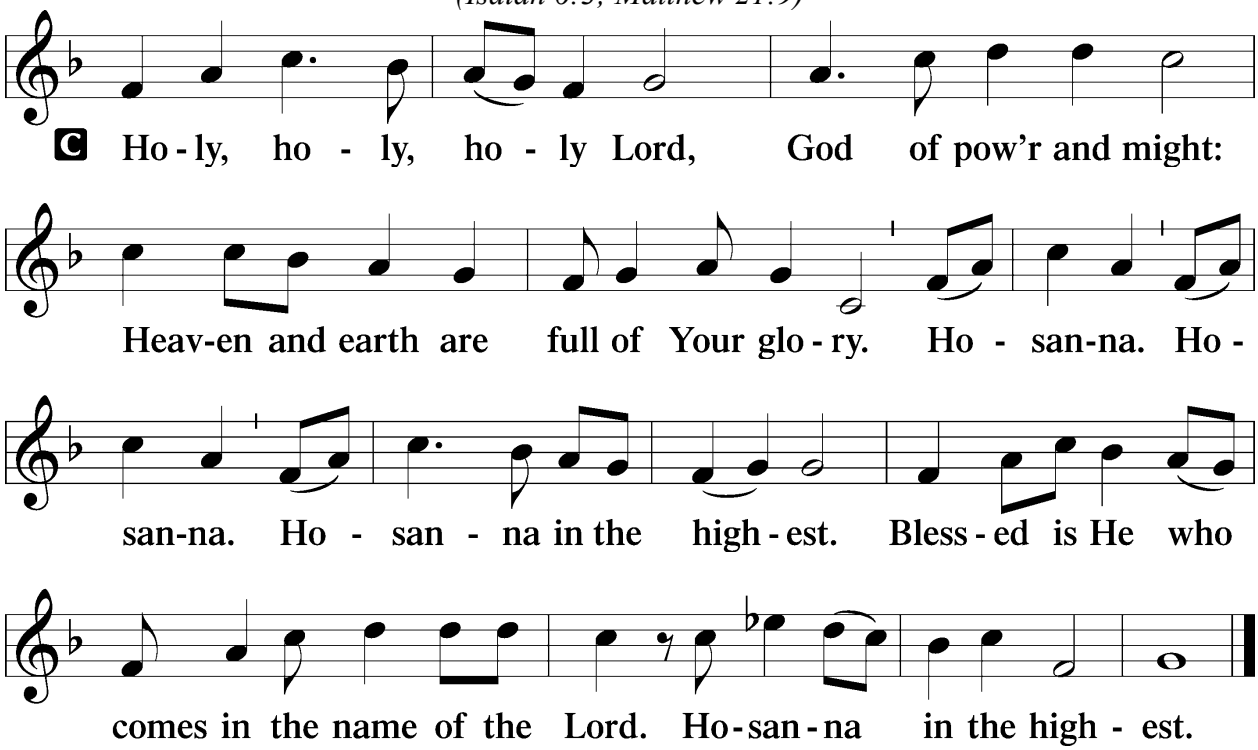


C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.** *(Psalm 136)*

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

C ***Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom And the power and the glory, Forever and ever. Amen***

Words of Institution

(Matthew 26:26-28)

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

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

Pax Domini

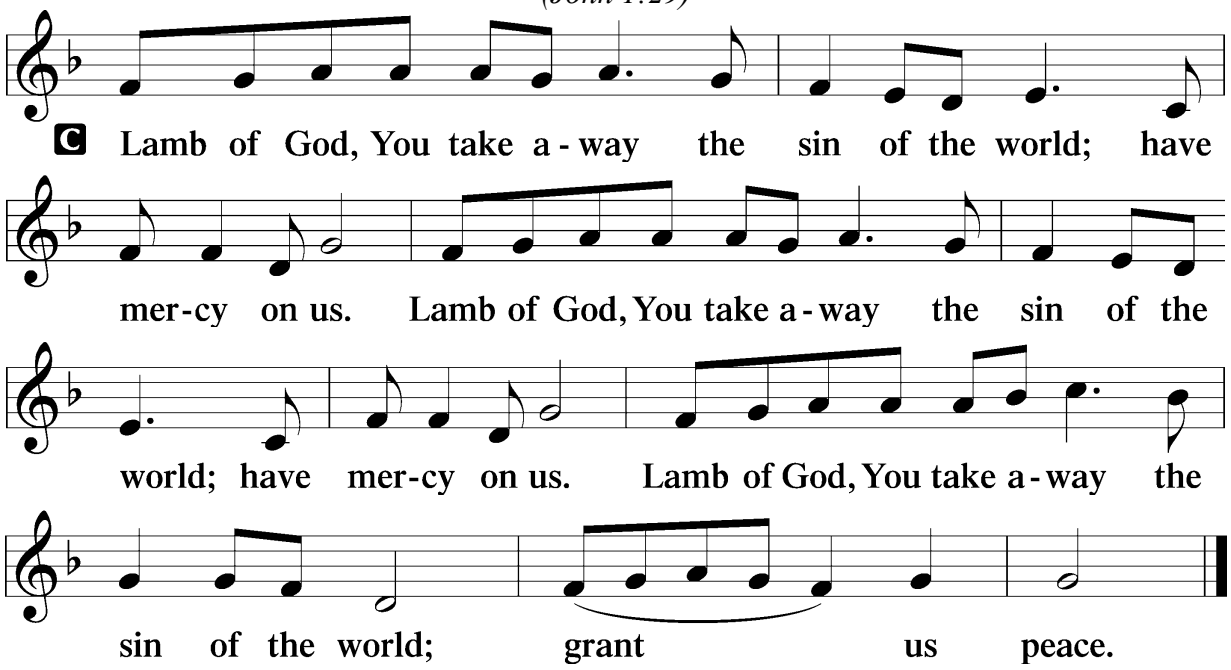
(John 20:19)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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

Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)



(Be Seated)

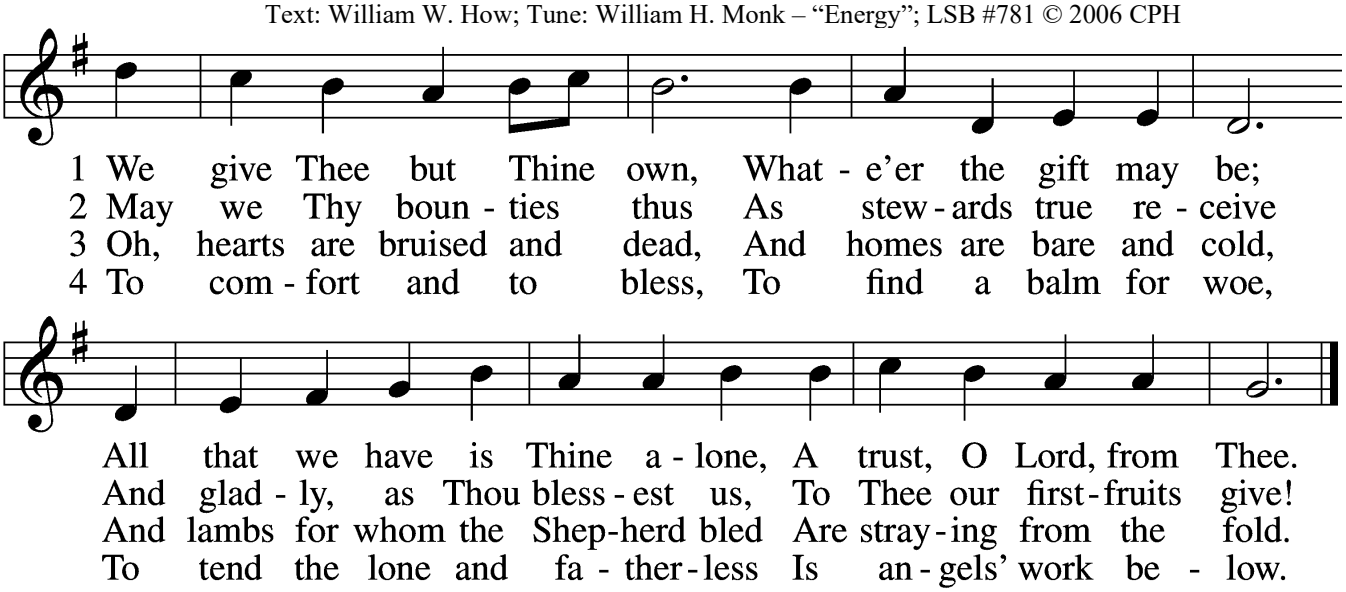
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(This congregation observes the Biblical practice of "Closed Communion," outlined in the Communion Policy Statement in the announcement section of the bulletin. If you have not communed with us previously and have not had the opportunity to speak with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

Distribution Hymns

We Give Thee But Thine Own

Text: William W. How; Tune: William H. Monk – "Energy"; LSB #781 © 2006 CPH



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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Ministry of Music

God's Promise

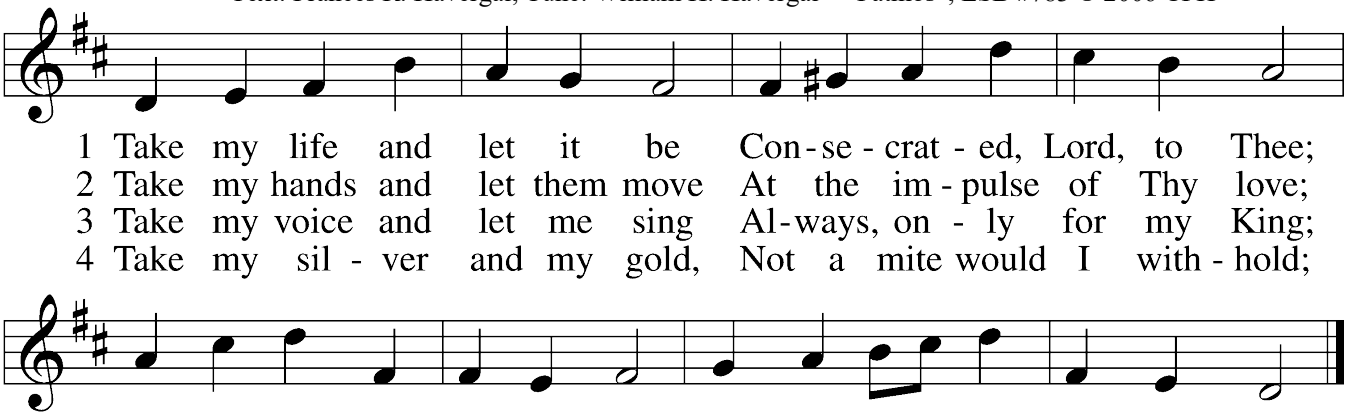
By Mark Patterson; arranged by Mark Patterson & Jeff Armstrong

Jubilate Choir

Take this bread, take this cup, take this time and remember, remember, God's love for each of us.
Hope is shared, grace is poured; at this table Christ is made known to us; mercy is shown to us;
He gave His life that we might live.
This is the feast of grace for God's people.
Let all receive these gifts from above and remember this table can teach us God's promise that love never fails;
Love never fails; God's promise sustains us.
Take this bread, take this cup; take this time and remember, remember God's love for each of us.
Hope is shared, grace is poured; at this table Christ is made known to us; mercy is shown to us;
He gave His life that we might live, that we might live. In God's promise we live.

Take My Life and Let It Be

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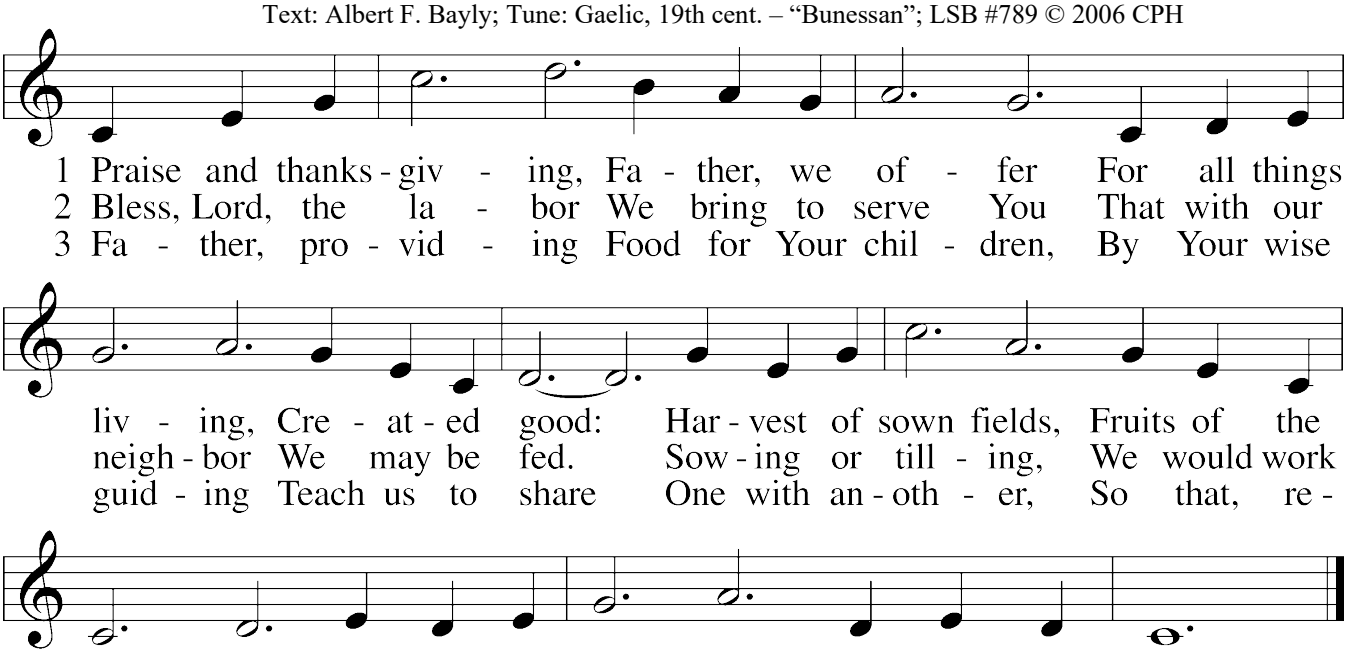
5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

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Praise and Thanksgiving

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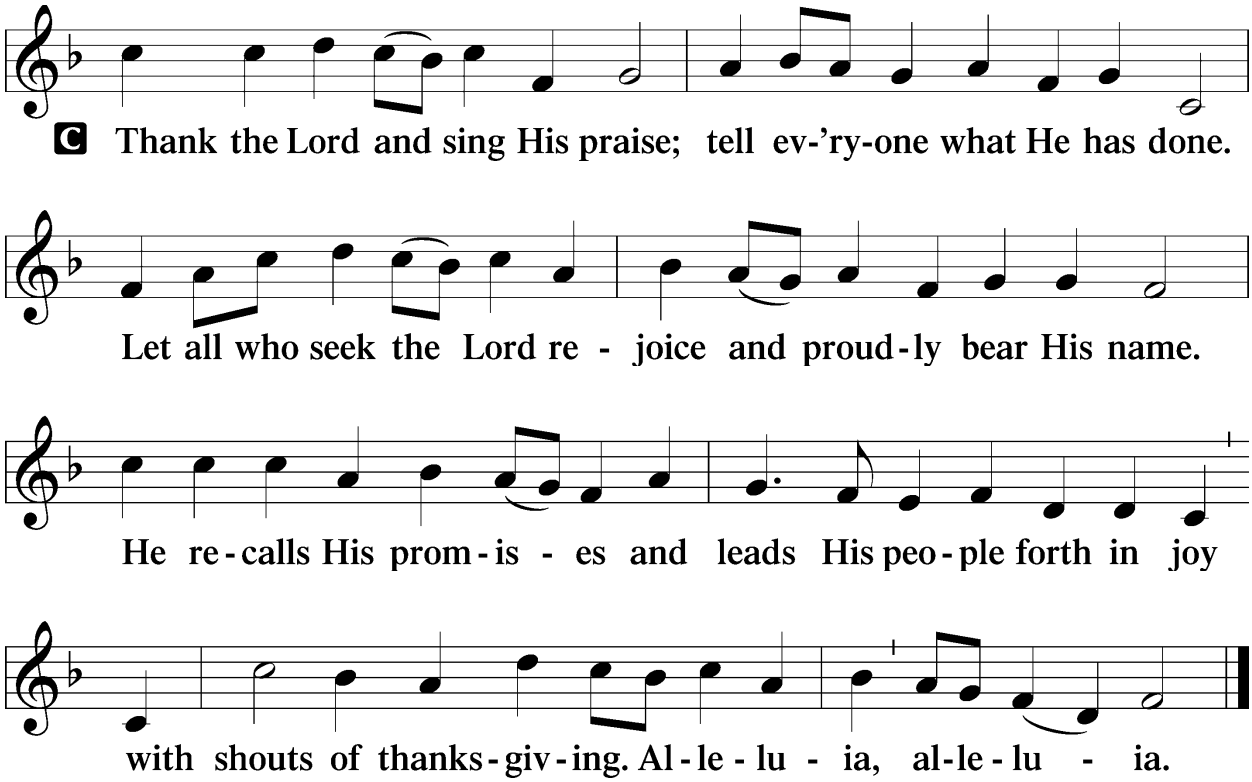


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Post-Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord



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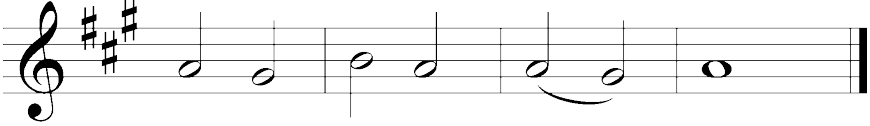
P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with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

C ***Amen.***

Benediction

(Numbers 6:24-26)
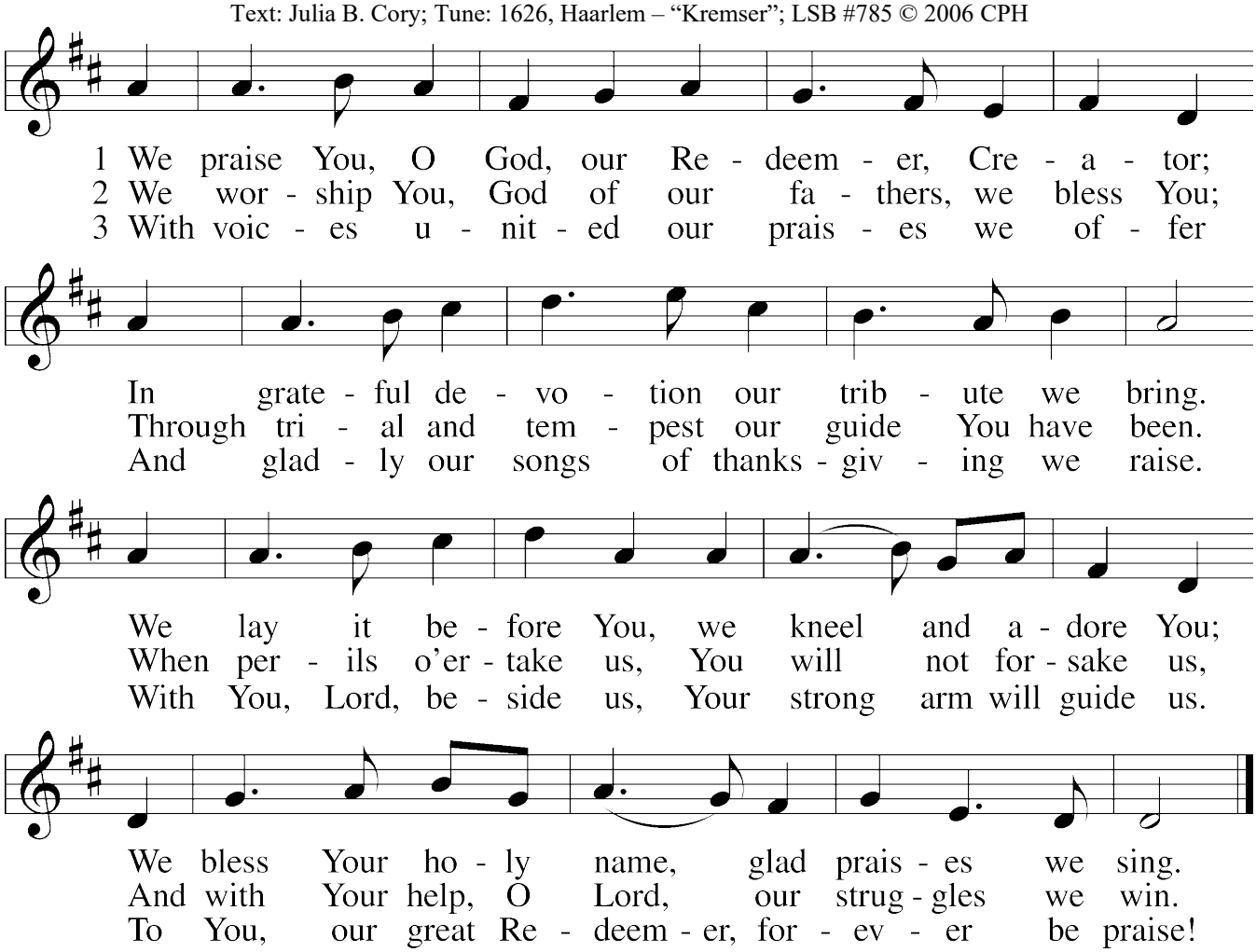
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.



Closing Hymn

We Praise You, O God

Text: Julia B. Cory; Tune: 1626, Haarlem – "Kremser"; LSB #785 © 2006 CPH



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Postlude

We Praise You, O God

By J. Scott

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Welcome!

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

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

LIFE THOUGHTS / Trinity XXIII – Since God created humankind in His image, their fate belongs in His hands above Caesar's (Matthew 22:21). Life issues are more than just private or political—they are matters of the heart, to which the Gospel of Jesus Christ speaks most directly and effectively. They must remain part of the Church's conversation for the sake of people struggling with them. *Prayer: Almighty God, impart unto us ears that rejoice to hear Your whole counsel and tongues that proclaim it with courage and compassion. 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 22, 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.

Get the OSL App…

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

Bible Class & Sunday School for all ages:

8:15 AM –

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

10:45 AM – Adults

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

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

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

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

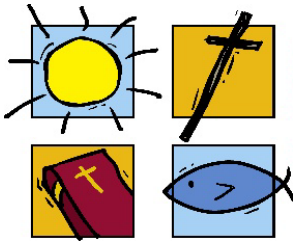
Applying Scripture to Current Events: This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

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

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED – 10:45 AM

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

YOU can Help!



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

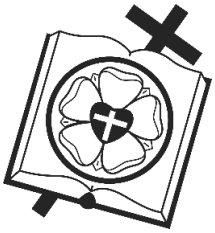
The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of Ann Putman's birthday by Roger & Clarissa Worthing.



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.

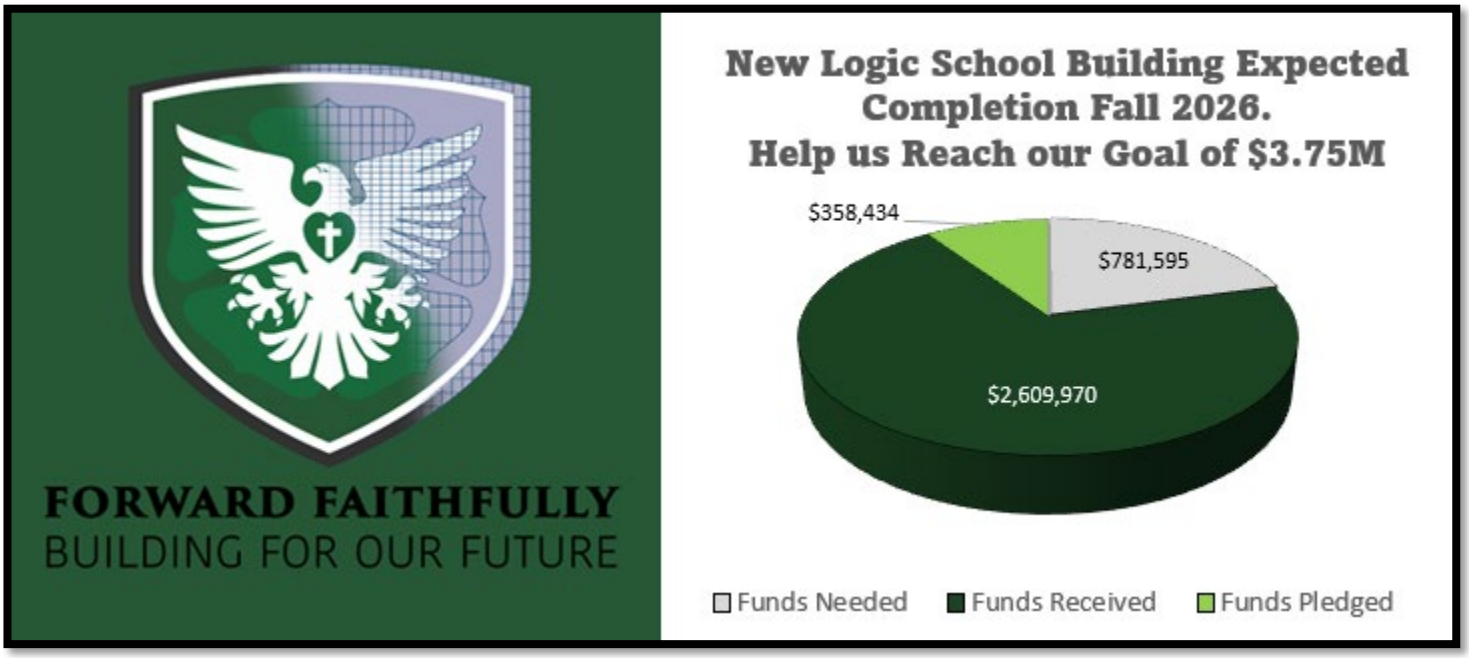
Men Alive Donuts & Coffee: Donuts are provided between the church service and Sunday school and are a gift to all our congregation. We are grateful for Free Will offerings as they help the church by offsetting cost. Christ did not exclude the children from his Grace! Scan this QR Code or Search: menalive@osl.cc

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.*

Schedule Your Tithe!

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

MEASURE OF DEVOTION: Last Sunday, we had 384 people in attendance (last year 439), viewers online 571.

Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week	$ 44,763.06
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 44	$ 1,565,437.45
Tithes & Offerings needed each week	$ 43,385.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 44	$ 1,908,940.00
Special Contributions to date	$ 850,925.42

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

Those To Serve:

	Today, Sunday, November 8, at 9:30 AM	Next Week, Sunday, November 15, at 9:30 AM
ELDERS:	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake
USHERS:	Symcox Team	Halbert Team
SOUND:	Witt	J. Wilbanks
CARTS:	Gavin Team	Work Team
ACOLYTES:	Bree Lawder / Sydney Leamon	Eli Morris / Carter Resendez
ALTAR GLD:	Jeanene Lunsford Team 7	_
COMM. ASST:	James Kriegel / Dirk Kemnitz / Austin Pugh / Bruce Blake / Dennis Mueller	_
EVANGELISM:	Team Stuhr	Team Nino
GREETERS:	TEAM 8: Greenwood / Domann	TEAM 9: Kemnitz / Kunkel
MUSIC:	Jubilate Choir	Laudate Women's Choir
VIDEO:	Adam White / Wesley White	Adam White / Wesley White



Run & Walk for Life is done, but we still need to raise vital funds to keep our **Blue Blossom Pregnancy Centers** 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 through Sunday morning, November 8.***



OSL at a Glance

Sunday, November 8, 2026

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

Monday, November 9, 2026

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

Tuesday, November 10, 2026

Braille-Offsite	*8:30am*	*Concordia LCMS*
HCFL Prayer Vigil for LIFE - PP	*11:00am*	*13169 NW Fwy, Ste 115, 77040*
Trustees-Maintenance Bldg.	6:30pm	Maintenance Building
Parish Ed mtg-YR	7:00pm	Youth Room

Wednesday, November 11, 2026 ~ Veterans Day

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30am	Bible Class Room
Veteran's Day Chapel - Sanctuary	**8:15am**	**Sanctuary**
Veteran's Day Chapel Reception - FR	9:00am	Family Room
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 Class Room / Church Rooms**



Thursday, November 12, 2026

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

Friday, November 13, 2026

Men Alive Golf Tournament	*3:00pm*	*Jersey Meadow Golf Course*

Sunday, November 15, 2026 ~ Newsletter Deadline

Bible Class-BC	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Matins - Knerr Baptism	9:30am	Church & online
Sunday School	10:45am	
Cantate-Sanctuary	12:00pm	Choir Loft
F.E.A.S.T. Fellowship Potluck - BC	12:00pm	Bible Class Room
Volleyball League - Gym	5:00pm	Gymnasium



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

Fellowship And Study Together

Wednesday, Nov 11



Come join us this Wednesday 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.

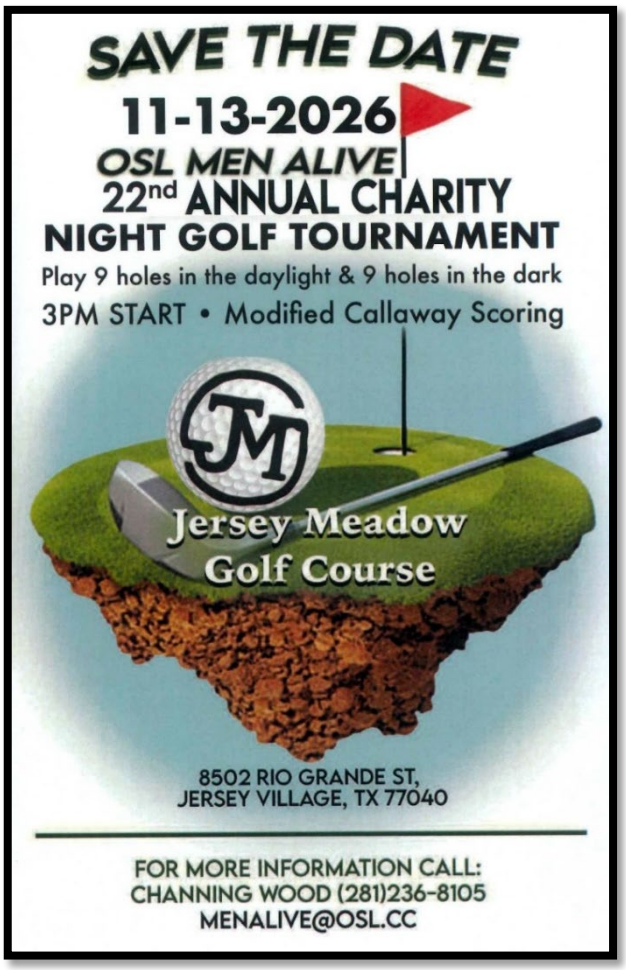
Childcare is provided but registration is needed! *Please scan the QR code or click the link in the form OR call the church office – 713-290-9087.*
Babysitting Link: *https://osl.breezechms.com/form/ce8739*

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, November 11 – Hamburgers @ 5:30 pm; Short Study @ 6:30 pm

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 some 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.





Veteran's Day Chapel: Wed, November 11 @ 8:15 am

Our Savior Lutheran School wants to recognize our veterans in chapel. Please join our scholars as we thank our Armed Forces for protecting our country. Reception following chapel in the Family Room downstairs for all veterans, sponsored by the Lutheran Junior Honor Society. ***Please join us as we honor you! Light refreshments, coffee, and juice to be served.***



Gift Baskets for Shut-ins…



Each year our Sunday School students bless our OSL Shut-Ins with baskets of treats and handmade cards for Thanksgiving. ***The whole congregation*** is asked to bring donations on Sundays, through **November 15**. Baskets will be assembled during Sunday School on November 15, in the Gym. *Please donate at least one item from each of the lists below:*

Small Gift Item such as:

- Socks or non-slip socks/slippers
- Scarves
- Gloves
- Puzzles *(under 36 pieces)*
- Journal or Notepad
- Pens
- Large Print Adult Coloring/Puzzle Books
- Drawing Supplies: Markers, Pencils, Crayons
- Lip Balm
- Single Unscented Lotion

Single Serve Non-Perishable items such as:

- Granola Bars
- Fruit Cups
- Crackers
- Tuna
- Cookies
- Single-Serve Soup
- Chicken



Worship with us for Thanksgiving:

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

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

Both services will have Holy Communion

