

The Twenty-Second Sunday after
Pentecost
October 29, 2023



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# § A Heartfelt Welcome To Our Guests §

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (FELC). We're pleased you've come to receive the blessings our Lord gives in the Divine Service. Please help us get to know you and record your attendance by signing the red record of fellowship book as it is passed down the pew and/or the guest book in the narthex. Most Sundays we host refreshments after the service. Please join us downstairs in the Parish Fellowship. This is a great way to get to know the members of the family of FELC.

### Holy Communion Announcement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Faith in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

*How Can We Help You?* We want your visit to be a blessing to you and strive to be as user friendly as possible. Our pastor is also available for pastoral care whether you're here for a week, months, years, or permanently. Faith is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

# Those Serving October 29th at Faith

<b>Organist</b>	Heidi Perling	Asst.	Justin Munson
		Minister	
Acolyte		Greeters	
Altar	Lee Phinney	Refreshments	Reformation Potluck
Guild			
Ushers		<b>Sermon Title</b>	Agnus Dei

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# Confession and Absolution

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

#### Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation 1 John 1:8–9

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

The Congregation reflects silently on God's Word using the Ten Commandments to examine specific sins committed in thought, word, and deed.

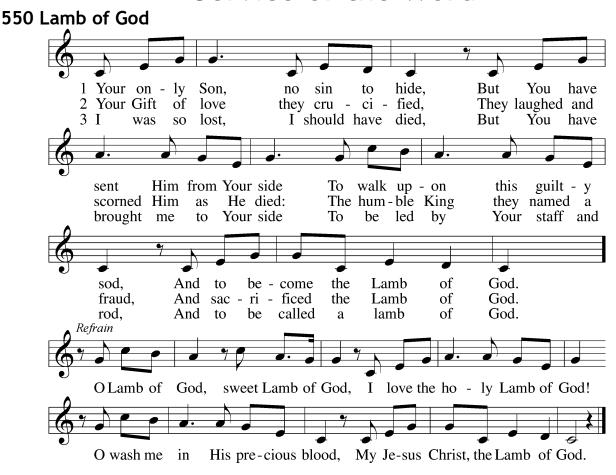
#### **Confession of Sins**

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

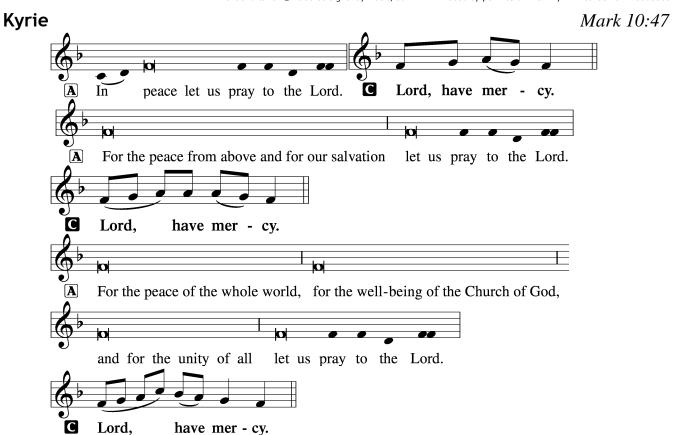
Absolution [John 20:19–23]

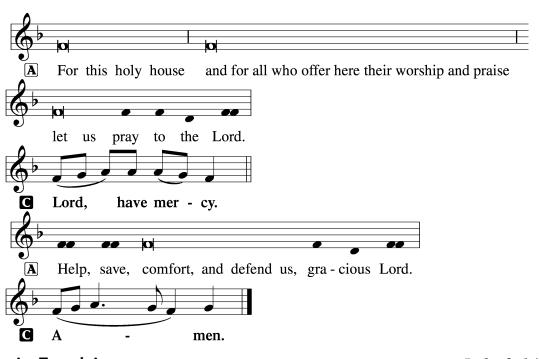
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

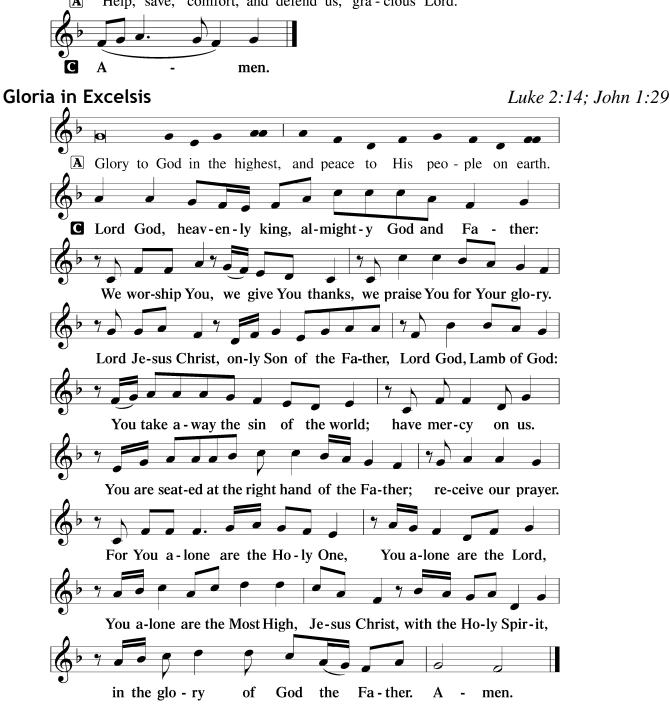
# Service of the Word



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### Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray. O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight, that our faith in You may never waver and our love for one another may not falter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated.

# **Old Testament Reading**

Leviticus 19:1–2, 15–18

A The Old Testament Reading for the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost is from Leviticus, chapter 19.

<sup>1</sup>And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>2</sup>"Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. . . .

<sup>15</sup>"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. <sup>16</sup>You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

<sup>17</sup>"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. <sup>18</sup>You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD."

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



Antiphon Blessèd | is the man\* who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked

<sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked,\* nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of | scoffers; <sup>2</sup>but his delight is in the law | of the LORD,\* and on his law he meditates | day and night.

<sup>3</sup>He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not | wither.\*

In all that he does, he prospers.

<sup>4</sup>The wicked | are not so,\*

but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment,\* nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous; <sup>6</sup>for the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,\* but the way of the wicked will | perish.

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### **Epistle**

1 Thessalonians 2:1–13

**A** The Epistle is from 1 Thessalonians, chapter 2.

<sup>1</sup>For you yourselves know, brothers, that our coming to you was not in vain. <sup>2</sup>But though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much conflict. <sup>3</sup>For our appeal does not spring from error or impurity or any attempt to deceive, <sup>4</sup>but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts. <sup>5</sup>For we never came with words of flattery, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed—God is witness. <sup>6</sup>Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ. <sup>7</sup>But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children. <sup>8</sup>So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

<sup>9</sup>For you remember, brothers, our labor and toil: we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. <sup>10</sup>You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our conduct toward you believers. <sup>11</sup>For you know how, like a father with his children, <sup>12</sup>we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

<sup>13</sup>And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

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

Please rise.



John 6:68



# **Holy Gospel**

Matthew 22:34-46

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



<sup>34</sup>When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. <sup>35</sup>And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. <sup>36</sup>"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" <sup>37</sup>And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>38</sup>This is the great and first commandment. <sup>39</sup>And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. <sup>40</sup>On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

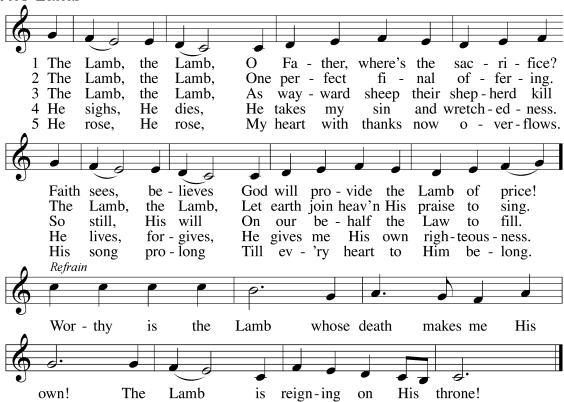
<sup>41</sup>Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, <sup>42</sup>saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." <sup>43</sup>He said to them, "How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying,

44"The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'?

<sup>45</sup>If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?" <sup>46</sup>And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.



#### 547 The Lamb



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#### Sermon

Please rise.

# **Apostles' Creed**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

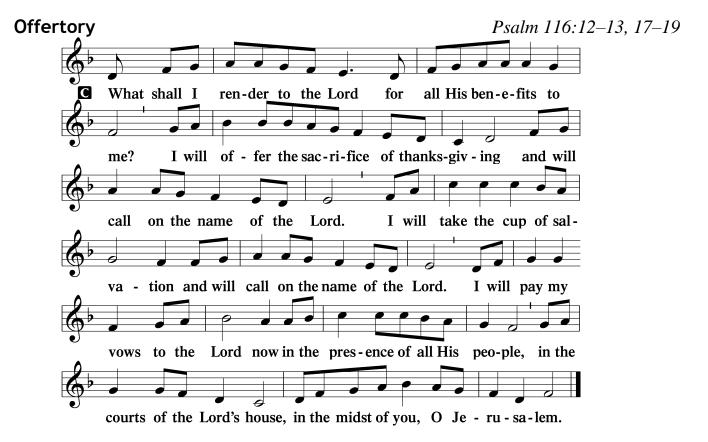
### Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A That we may love God with all our heart, all our soul and all our mind, and that we may love our neighbor as ourselves, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For all who bear the Gospel, that they would be preserved holy and righteous, blameless, and free from all error or deceit; and for all who hear, that they may receive it as Your Word, working life and salvation in them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For parents, that God would strengthen them to recount His wondrous deeds to their children to the thanks and praise of His goodness, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For those who suffer for the sake of Jesus, that their Stronghold would comfort and preserve them in the joy of His salvation until His deliverance comes, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For all who seek the Lord for help, especially those listed in our bulletin, that God would not forsake their cries but restore them to soundness and strength, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For those who partake of the Holy Communion, that by it Christ would sanctify them through faith and through His body and blood, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A In thanksgiving for all the saints whom our Lord has delivered into His kingdom, that we may be encouraged to walk in a manner worthy of our calling until we stand with them forever, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

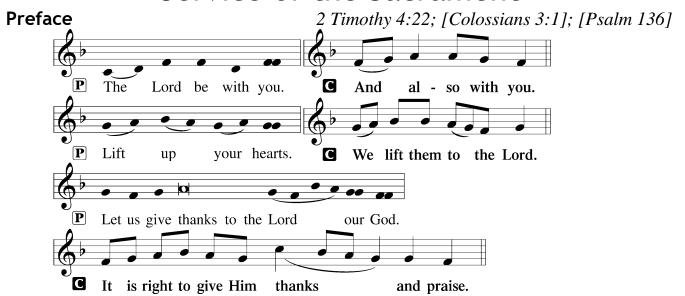
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## Offering

Please rise.

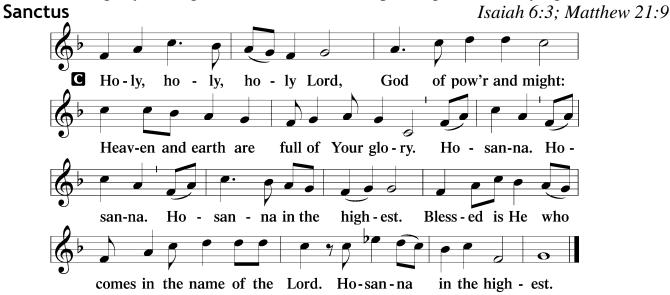


# Service of the Sacrament



### **Proper Preface**

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 saying:



# Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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."

### **Proclamation of Christ**

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

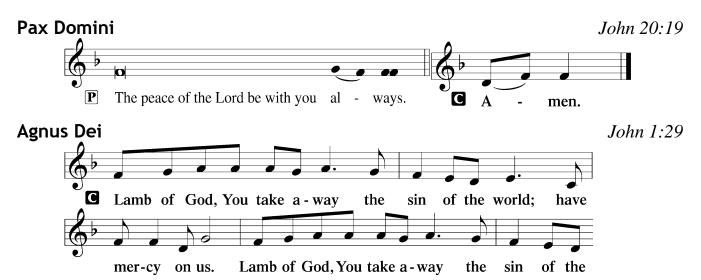
# Lord's Prayer

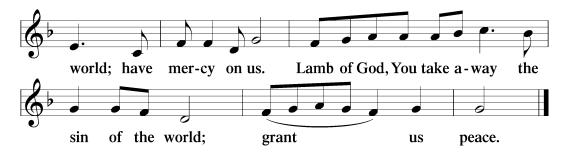
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

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.



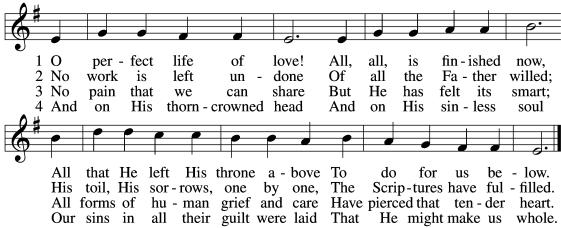


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#### Distribution

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### 452 O Perfect Life of Love

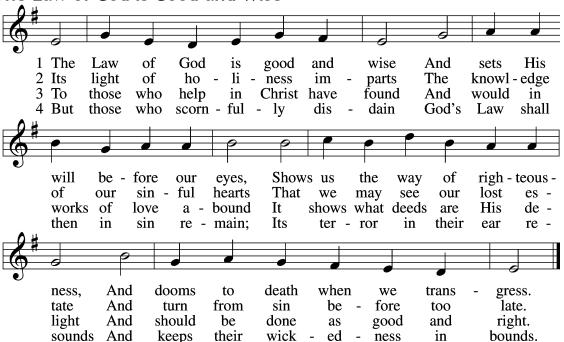


In perfect love He dies;For me He dies, for me.O all-atoning Sacrifice,I cling by faith to Thee.

- 6 In ev'ry time of need,Before the judgment throne,Thy work, O Lamb of God, I'll plead,Thy merits, not mine own.
- 7 Yet work, O Lord, in me
  As Thou for me hast wrought;
  And let my love the answer be
  To grace Thy love has brought.

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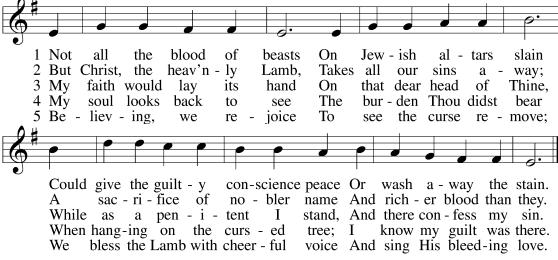
#### 579 The Law of God Is Good and Wise



- 5 The Law is good; but since the fall Its holiness condemns us all; It dooms us for our sin to die And has no pow'r to justify.
- 6 To Jesus we for refuge flee, Who from the curse has set us free, And humbly worship at His throne, Saved by His grace through faith alone.

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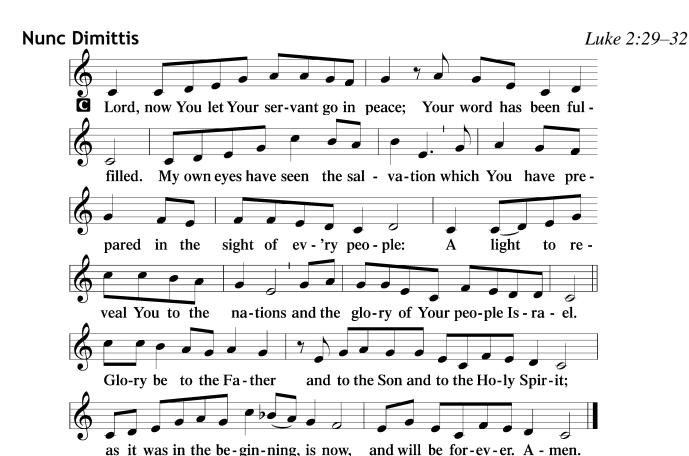
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#### The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 

  → in peace.
- C Amen.



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

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



Benediction Numbers 6:24–26

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Please be seated.





- 4 Lamb of God, once slain for sinners,
   Host, who spreads this meal divine,
   Here You pledge our sins are covered,
   Pledge received in bread and wine:
   "Take and eat; this is My body,
   Given on the cross for you.
   Take and drink; this cup of blessing
   Is My blood poured out for you."
- 5 Taste and see the bliss of heaven
  Known by saints around the throne,
  Where the Lamb, in closest union,
  Lives to love and feed His own.
  From His riven side forever
  Flows the purest stream of love,
  Love that robes us with the raiment
  Worn by all who feast above.
- Gone the bliss of Eden's garden,
  Gone the age of sacrifice;
  Ours the time of grace and favor,
  Ours the call to paradise!
  Ever, Lord, impress upon us:
  Only You can cover sin—
  Take our worthless, self-made garments;
  Clothe our shame and cleanse within.

