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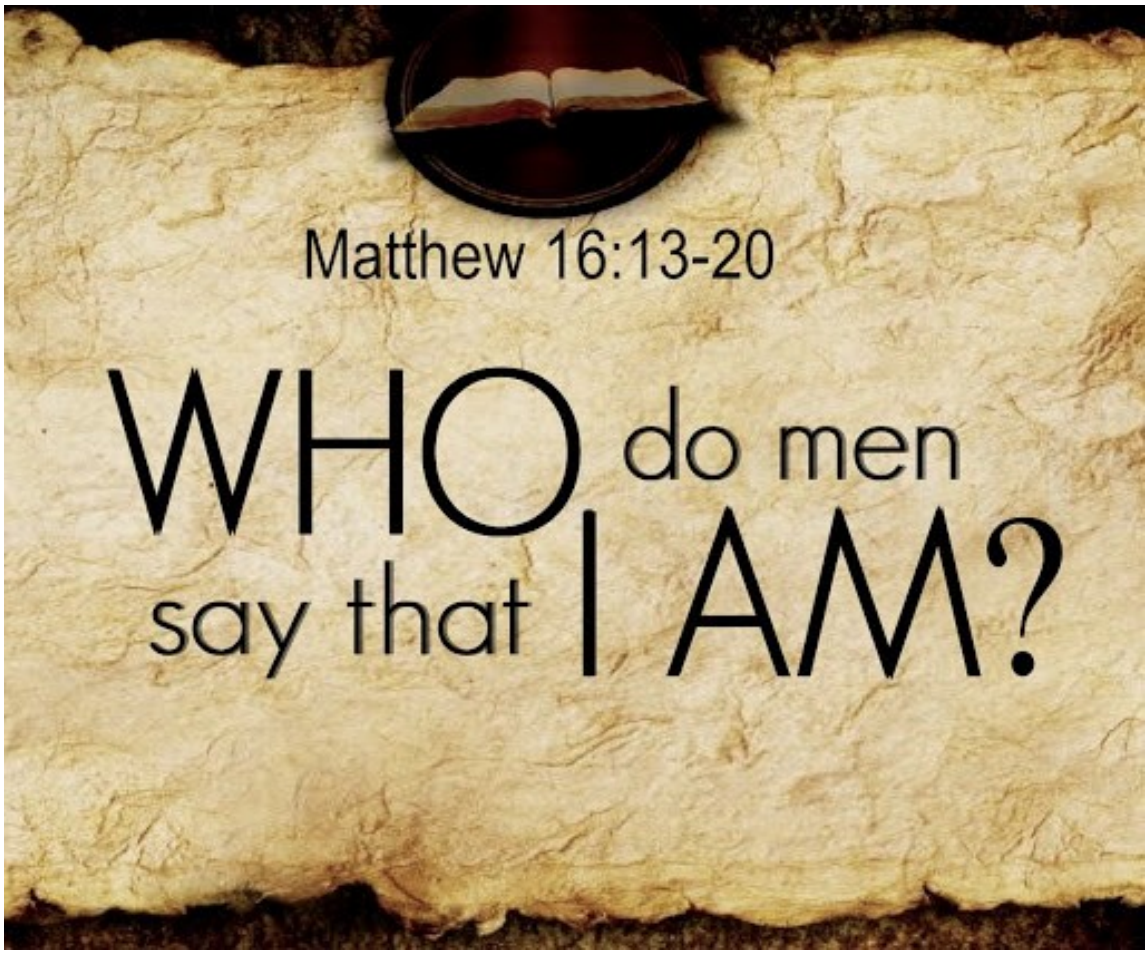

Divine Service (Setting two)

August 23, 2020
8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome in Jesus' name.

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Holy Communion in the Lutheran Church

The Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood is intended for all who have been instructed in the articles of our Lutheran faith, who repent of their sins and who desire God's forgiveness. Please note our Communion statement on page 18 and please speak with Pastor Armstrong if you desire the Sacrament. There is additional information about our communion practice on the tables at the back of the sanctuary.

Preparation

Scripture exhorts us to examine ourselves before partaking. The questions on page 329 of Lutheran Service Book (LSB) may be helpful.

Wheelchairs and walkers

If you use a wheelchair or walker and are coming forward to receive Holy Communion, come to the chancel steps, remaining on the sanctuary floor, and we will bring the Communion to you. If you wish to stay in the pew please let Pastor or an elder know before the service starts so Communion can be brought out to you there.

Hymns & Music

The hymns and liturgical music in the bulletin are melody only. If you wish to sing in SATB "parts" we encourage you to follow along in the Lutheran Service Book (LSB) which you can find under the pew in front of you.

WELCOME IN JESUS' NAME

To our Guests and Visitors:
Welcome in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. We are glad you have come to worship today. Please pick up a *Welcome* folder before you leave. They are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Children of all ages are welcome and encouraged in worship. Indeed, from ancient times they have been an important part of the worshipping community (Joel 2:15-16). If needed, however, there is a nursery available in the East Wing (near the main entrance).

Prelude: *Wir glauben all an einen Gott* (We All Believe In One God), BWV 740
by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Confession and Absolution

Please stand, if able.

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

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **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

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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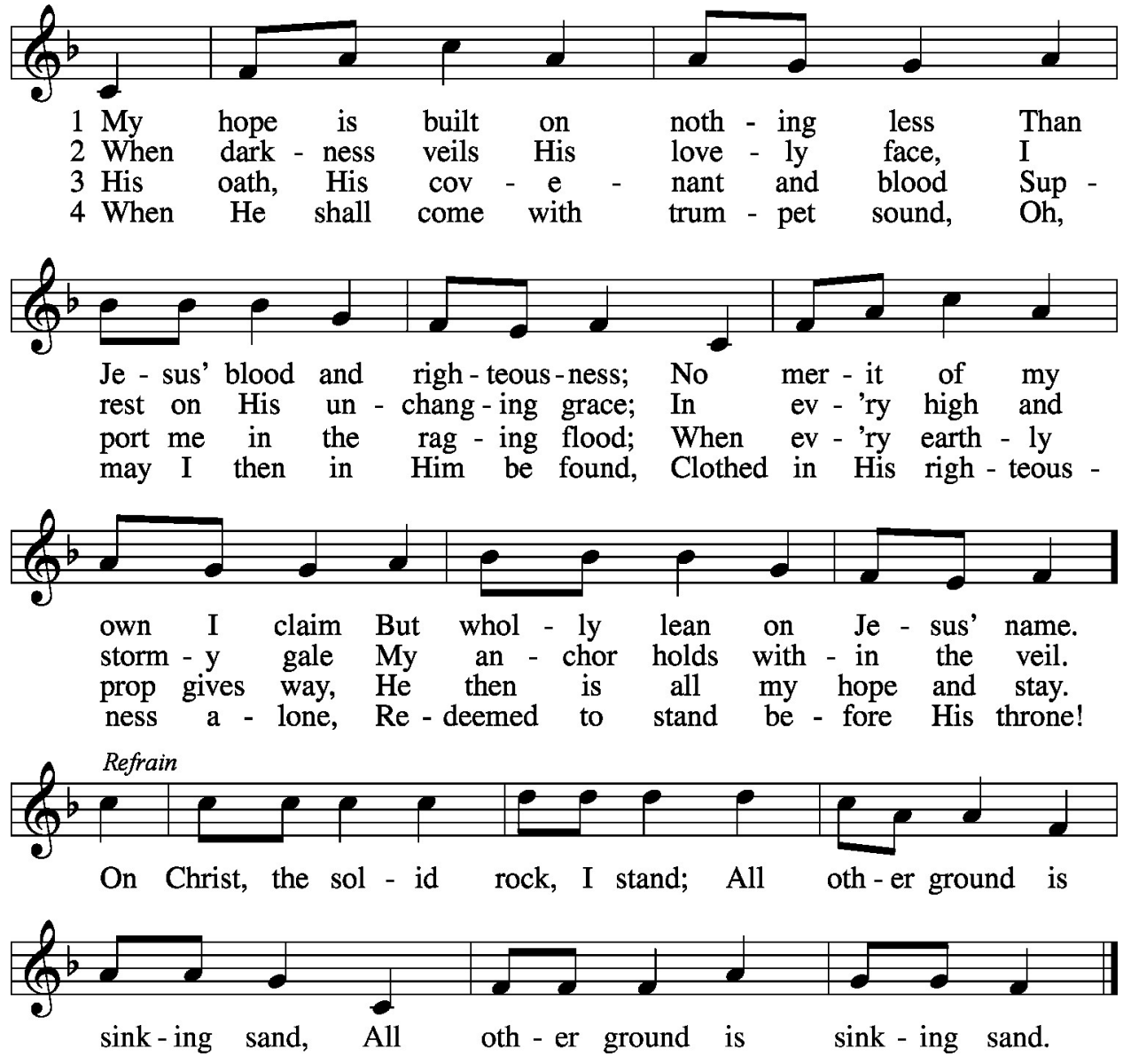

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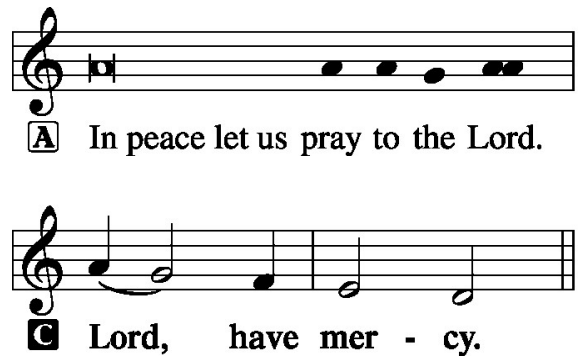
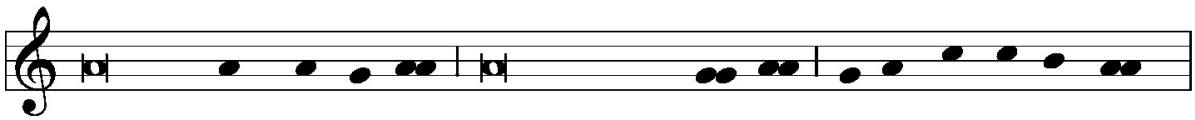
Kyrie

Mark 10:47

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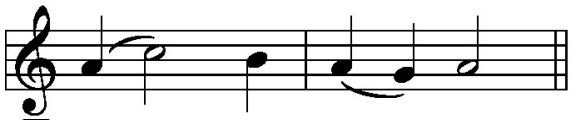
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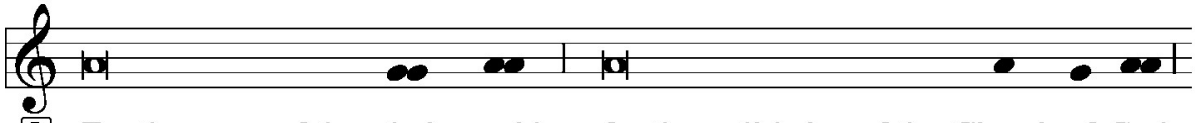
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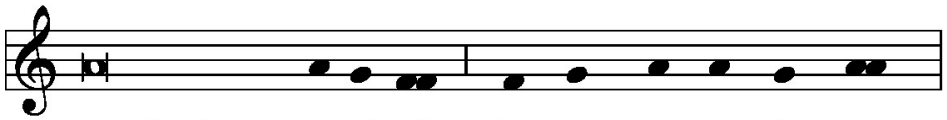
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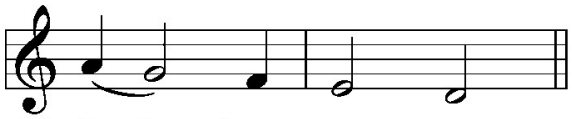
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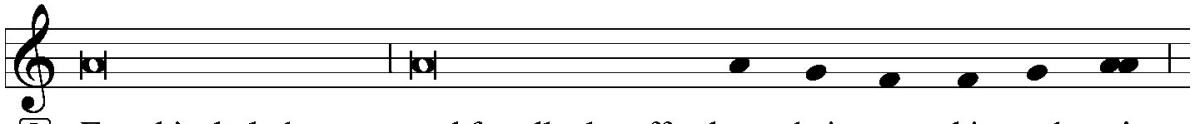
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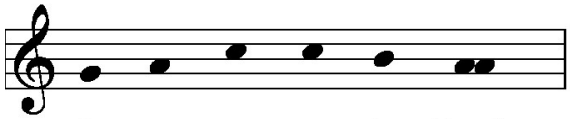
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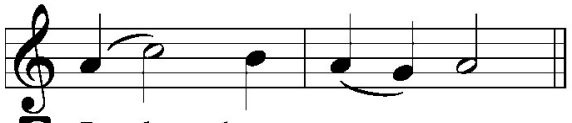
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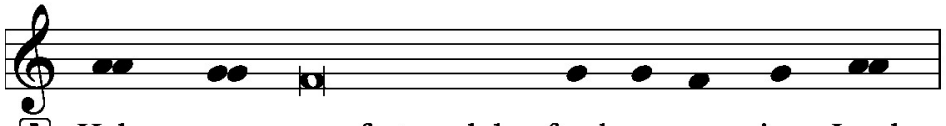
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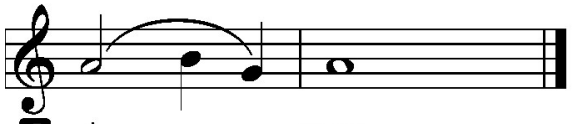
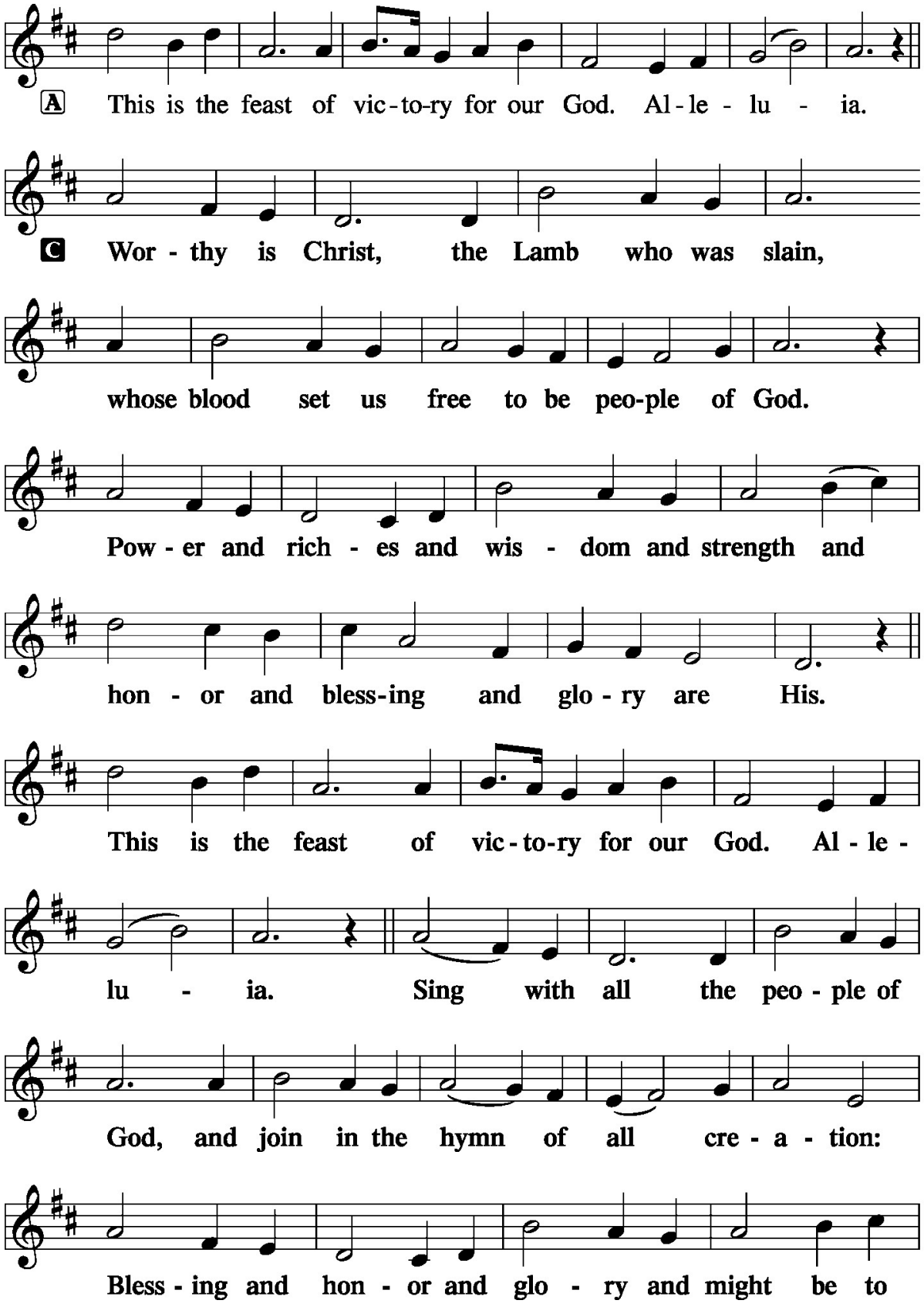
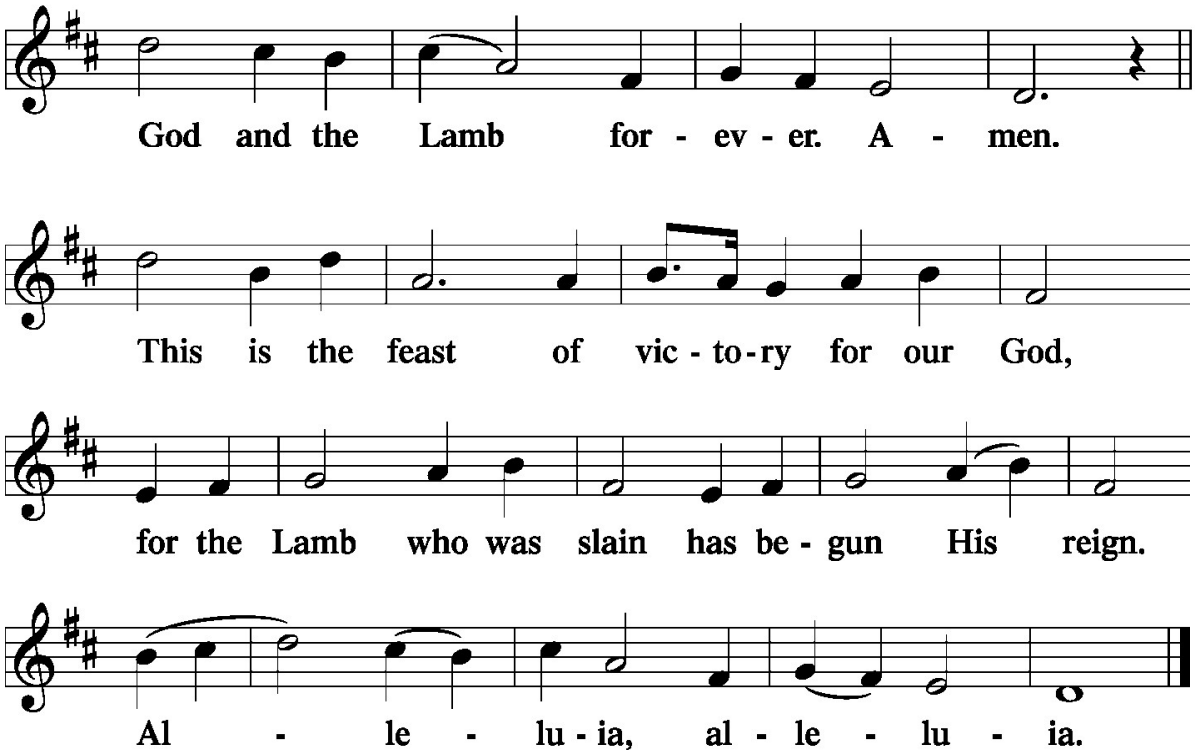

C A - men.

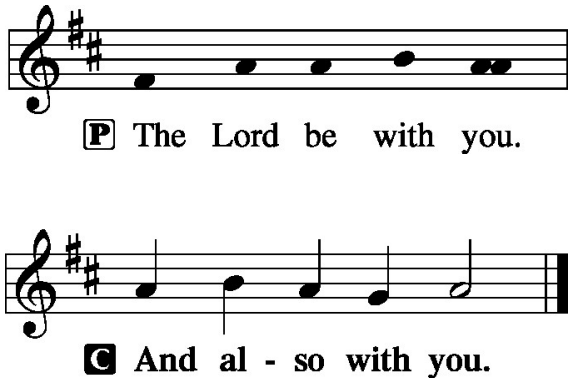
This is the Feast

Revelation 5:12–13; 19:5–9

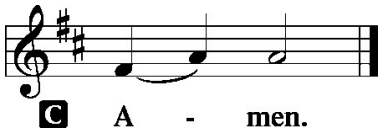




Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.
Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 51:1–6

[1]"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
you who seek the LORD:
look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
[2]Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
that I might bless him and multiply him.
[3]For the LORD comforts Zion;
he comforts all her waste places
and makes her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.
[4]"Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
[5]My righteousness draws near,
my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait.
[6]Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;
but my salvation will be forever,
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

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

Epistle

Romans 11:33—12:8

[33]Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How
unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

[34]"For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?"
[35]"Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?"

[36]For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever.
Amen.

[1]I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. [2]Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

[3]For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. [4]For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, [5]so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. [6]Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; [7]if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; [8]the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

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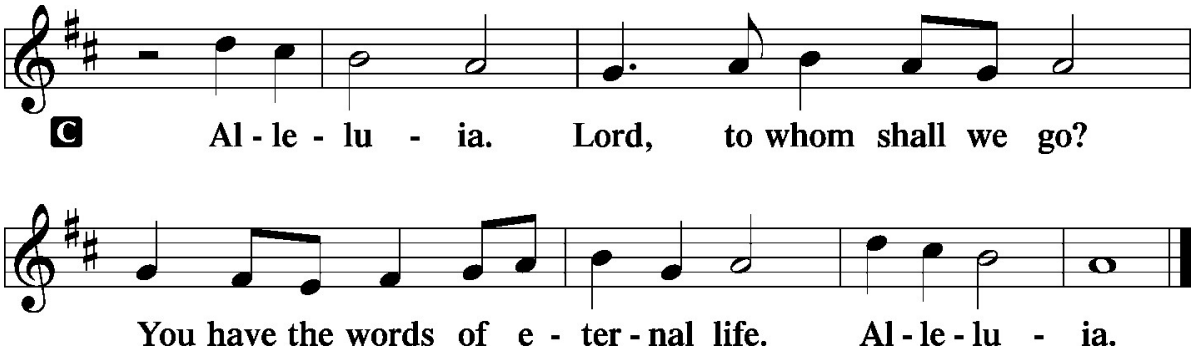
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, if able.

Alleluia and Verse

Common Alleluia and Verse

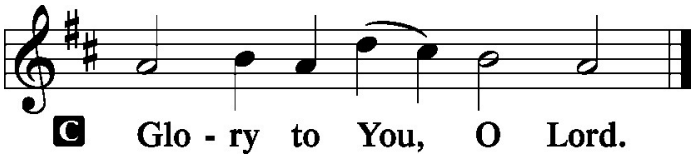
John 6:68



Holy Gospel

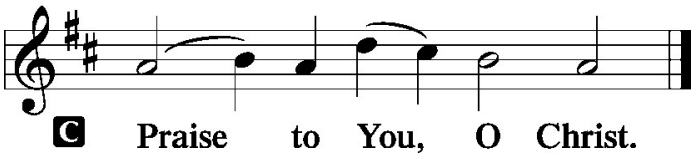
Matthew 16:13–20

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



[13]Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples,
"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" [14]And they said, "Some say John the
Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." [15]He said to
them, "But who do you say that I am?" [16]Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the
Son of the living God." [17]And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-
Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heav-
en. [18]And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the
gates of hell shall not prevail against it. [19]I will give you the keys of the kingdom of
heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you
loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." [20]Then he strictly charged the disciples to
tell no one that he was the Christ.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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Sermon notes:

Settled Truth! (Matthew 16:13-20)

I. Who or what is the "rock" in verse 18?

A. Competing claims.

B. The testimony of the church fathers.

C. _____ interprets Scripture. (1 Corinthians 3:11; Ephesians 2:19-21).

II. "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" (v.13)

A. Why does Jesus refuse to be known as a mere prophet?

B. Christ's question suggests that He must _____ something other people are not.

III. Christianity is less about what Jesus taught and more about who Jesus is.

A. "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God" (v.16).

B. Why is His *identity* so important?

IV. The church Christ builds is:

A. _____-centric.

B. _____ (Matthew 10:32).

C. _____ in Christ.

Built on the Rock

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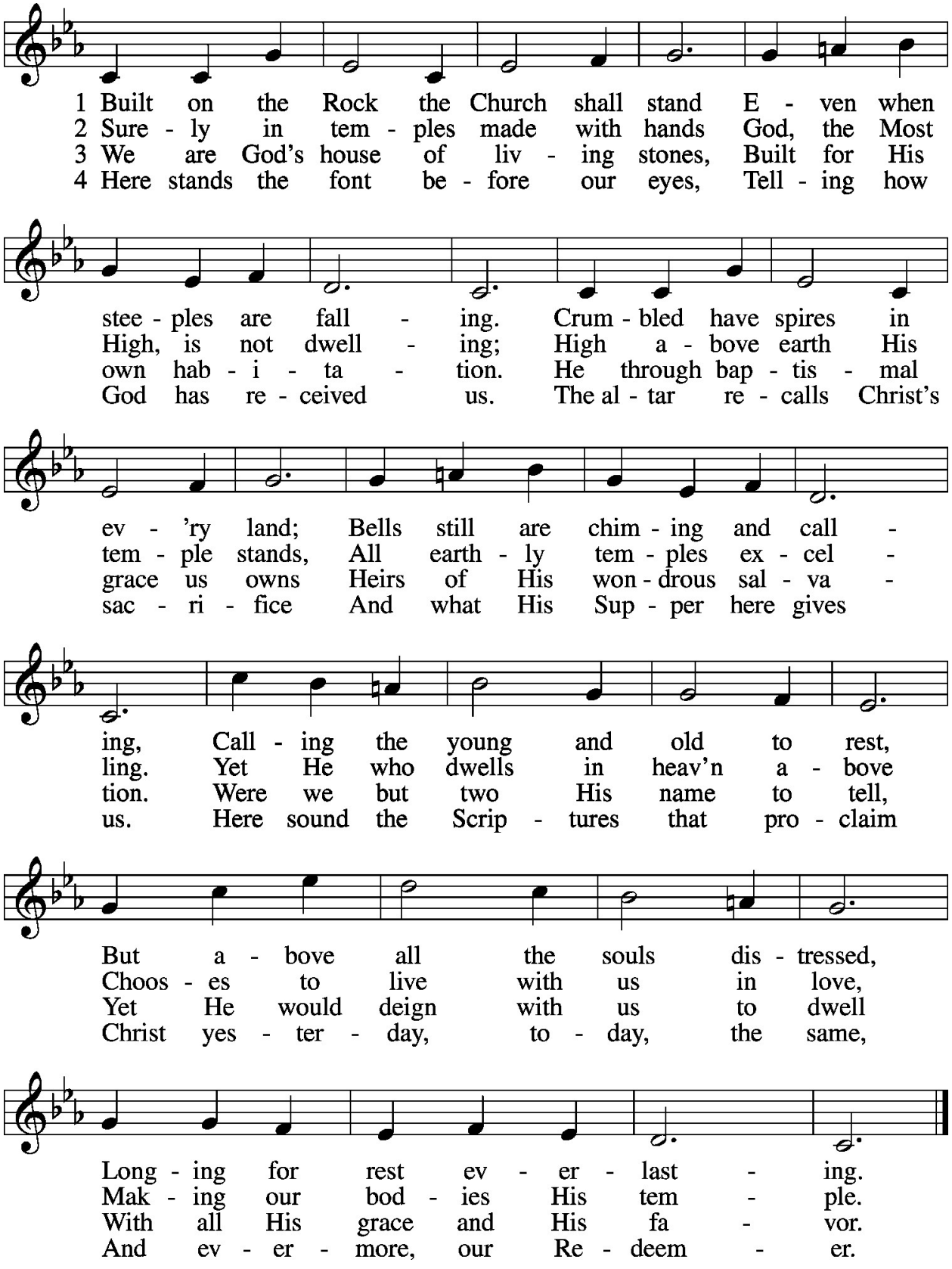

5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,
That, when the church bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come
Where Christ His message is bringing:
"I know My own; My own know Me.
You, not the world, My face shall see.
My peace I leave with you. Amen."

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Sermon "Settled Truth!" *See sermon notes on page 11*

Please stand, if able.

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

We give thanks for:

- Peter's bold, confident confession of Christ;
- Missionaries Tom and Debi Going (Japan);
- our ALPHA Class;
- our MOPS and MOPSKids ministries;

- our altar guild, ushers and sound technicians;
- those who give generously to the Lord's work here and elsewhere.

We pray for:

- Christians in Africa being denied COVID-19 aid;
- those we are inviting to ALPHA;
- those suffering from wildfires in California;
- those struggling with addiction;
- our marriages and families;
- all who seek healing…

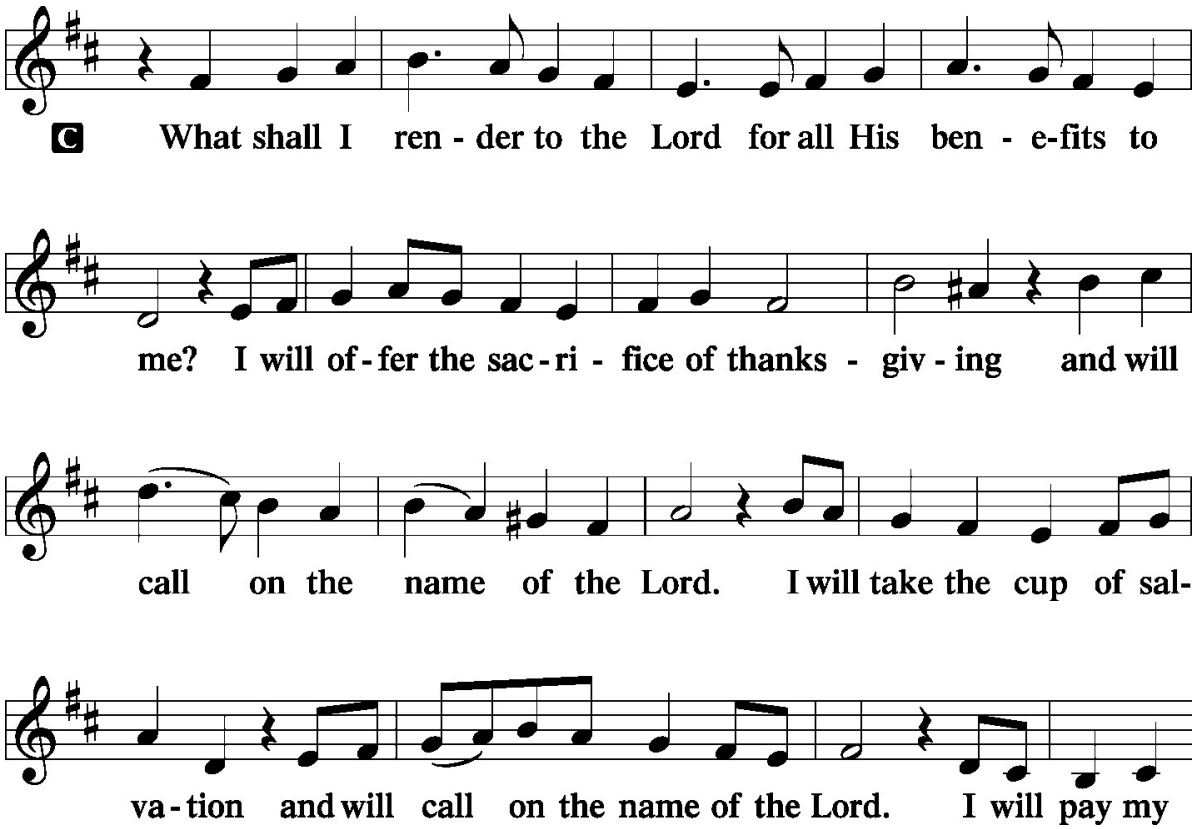
  Ruth, George, John, Jan, Sam's family, Tammy, Danielle, Matt & Audra, Gordon & Bev, Alexa, Pam, Mary Ann

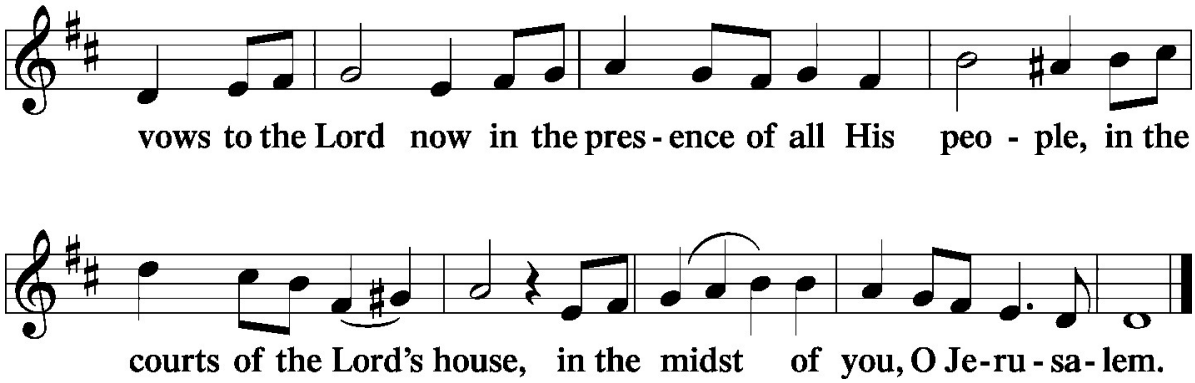
We will be removing all the names from the prayer list at the end of the month. If you would like to resubmit a name to be included in our prayers, please contact the church office. Thank you.

Offering: **Door offering plates are available at each side of the sanctuary entrance. Please go to the church website and click on "giving" to see the ways you can continue to support the ministries of Grace Lutheran Church.**

Offertory

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19

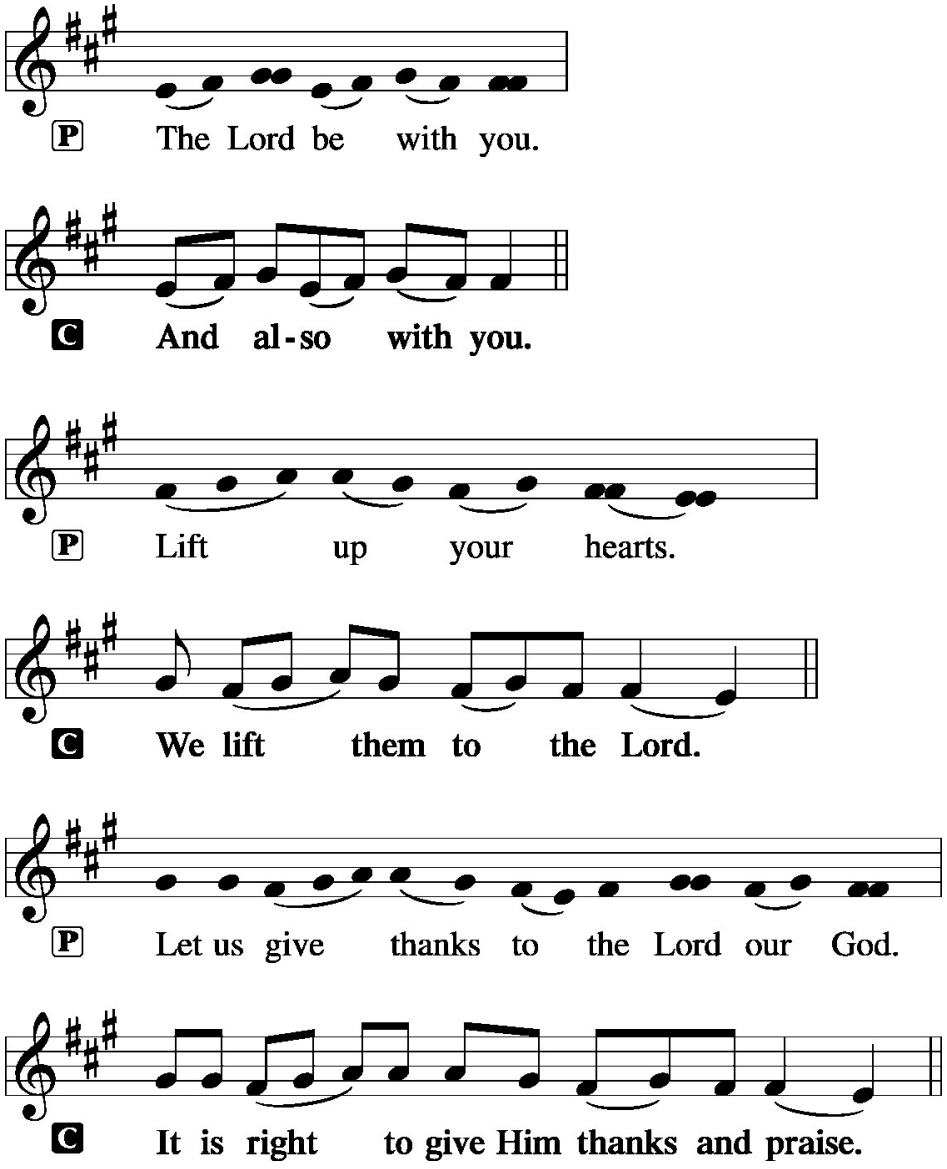




Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

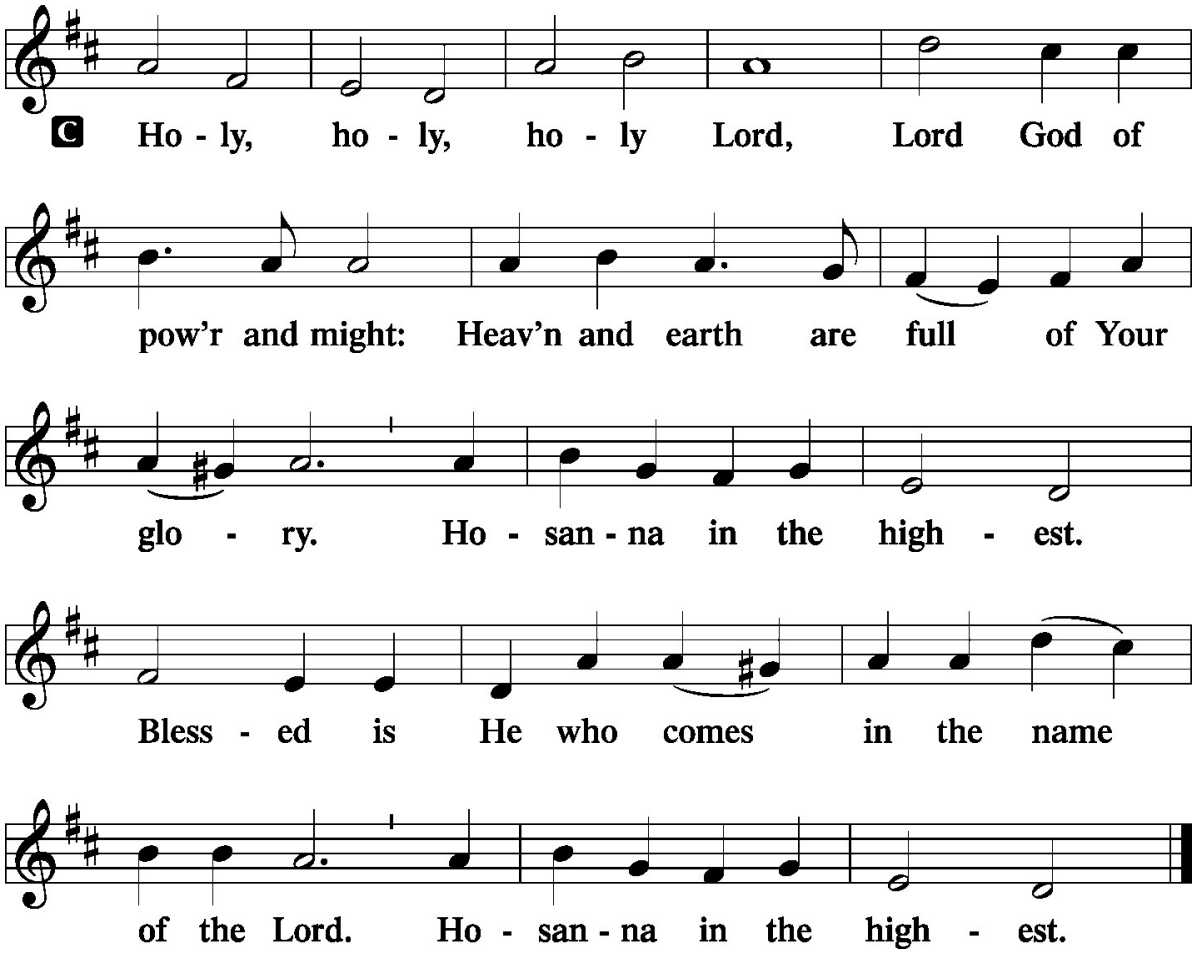


Proper Preface

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:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



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.**

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The Words of Our Lord

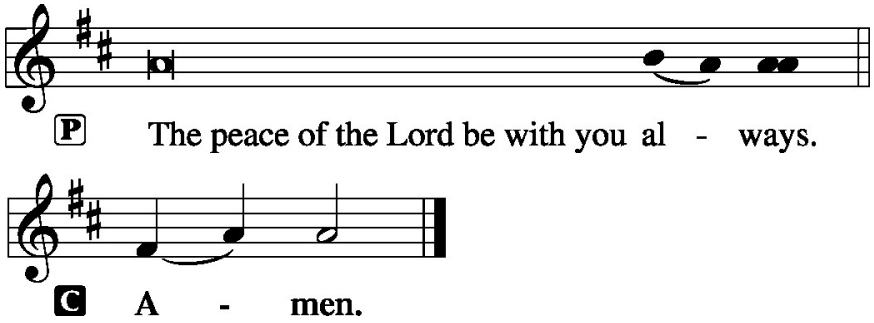
Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:25–25

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."

P 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."

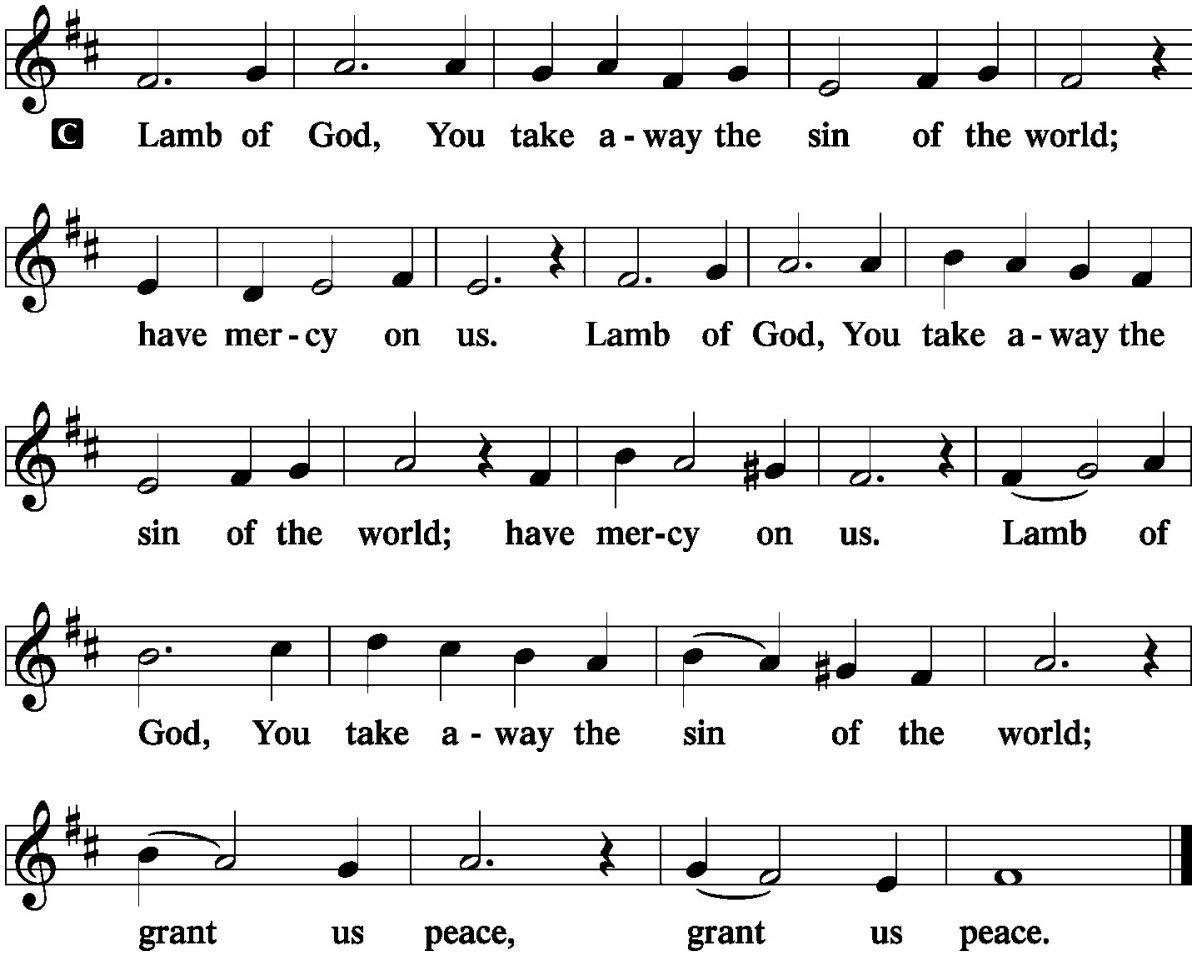
Pax Domini

John 20:19



Agnus Dei

John 1:29



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Distribution

Communion Statement

Holy Communion at Grace Lutheran

Together with Holy Scripture and the early Christian church, we Lutherans confess that in the Lord's Supper, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. **We value your presence among us and are genuinely interested in your spiritual welfare. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-30) and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at our altar (1 Corinthians 10:17), any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold beliefs differing from that of this congregation, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to first speak with the Pastor.** May God's richest blessings be yours through Jesus Christ our Lord. If you take an individual cup, please hold it until the Common Cup passes. The Pastor will then know who wants the Common Cup.

Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

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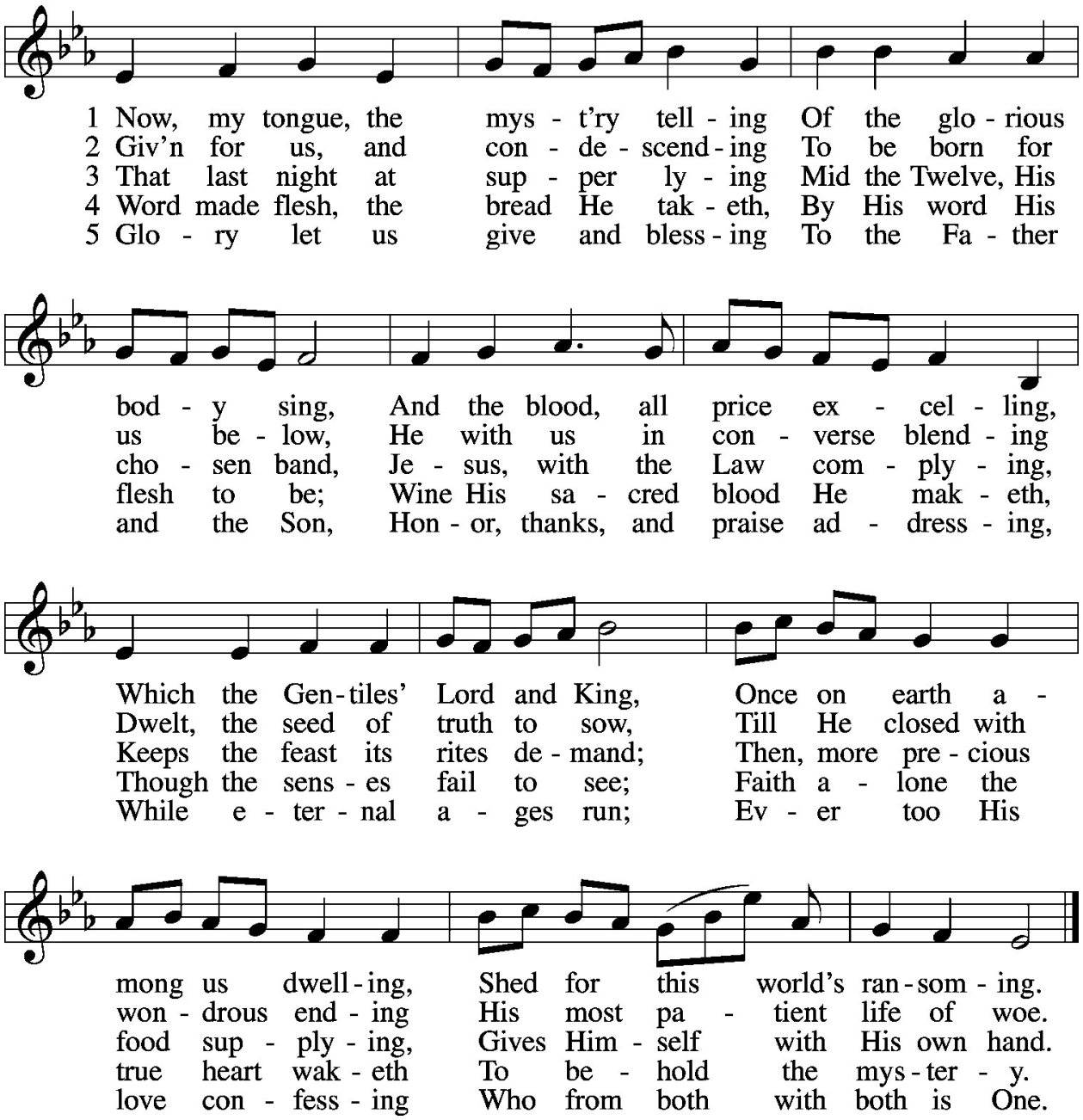

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O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing

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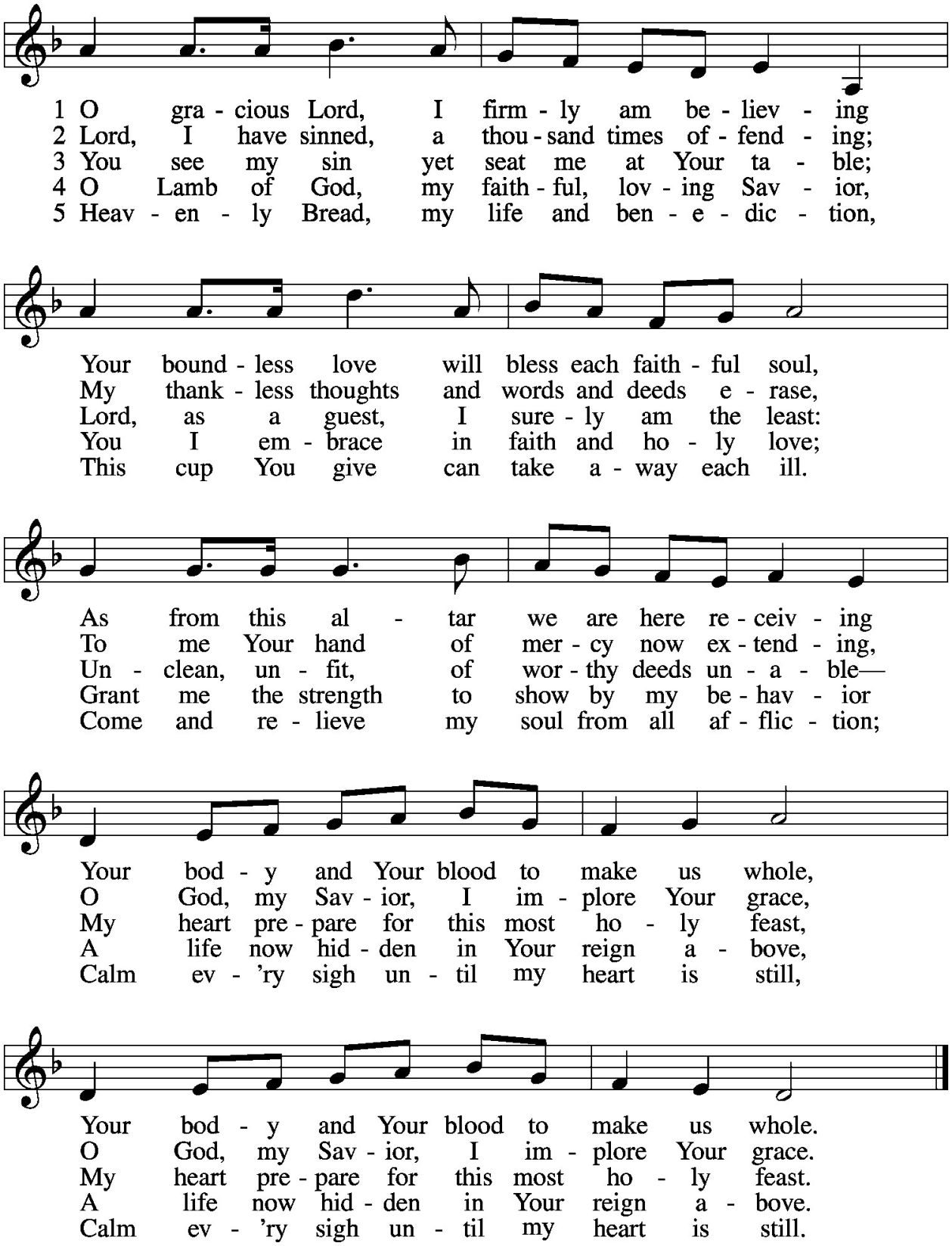

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The Church's One Foundation

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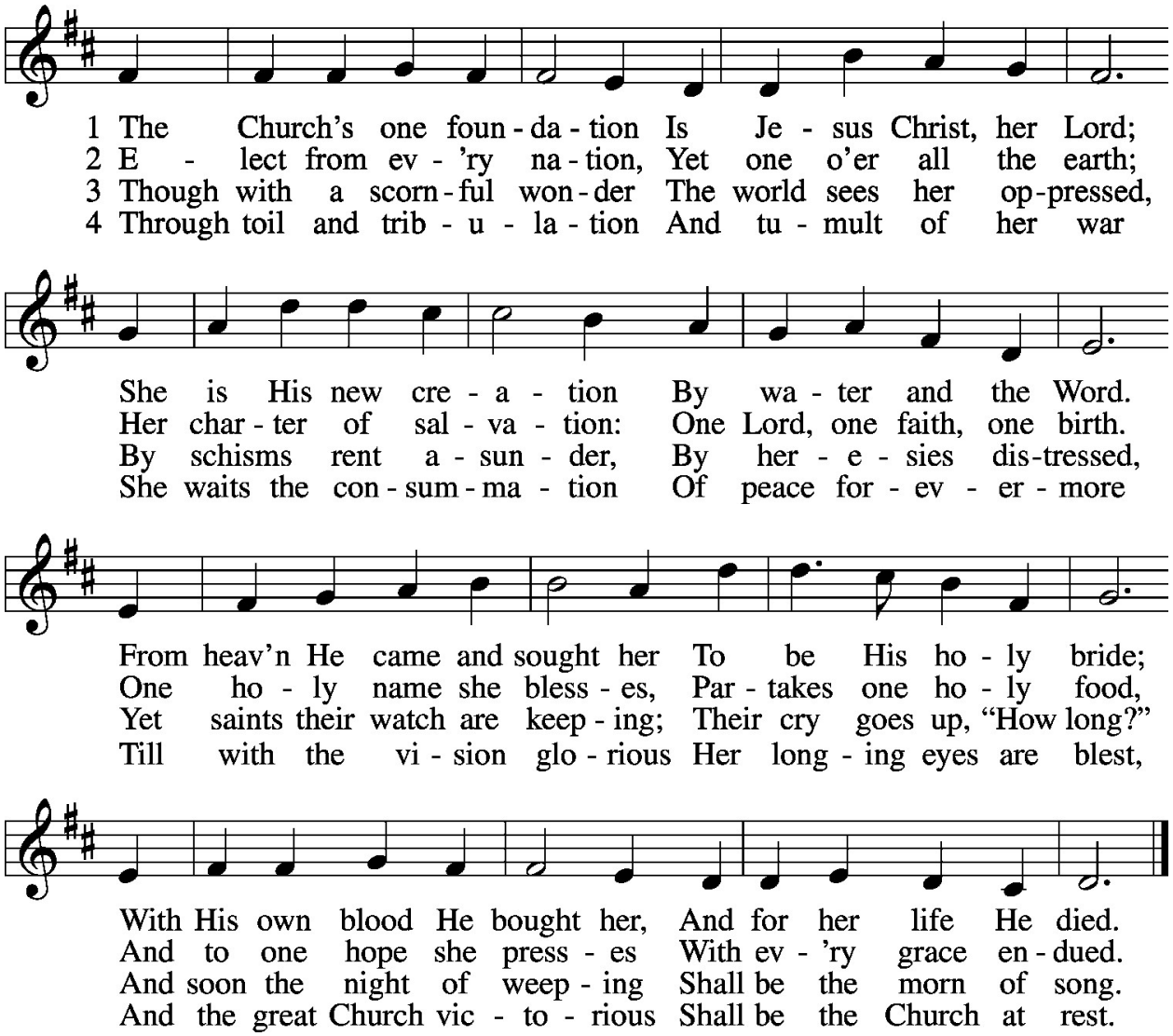

5 Yet she on earth has union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O blessèd heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us,
May see You face to face.

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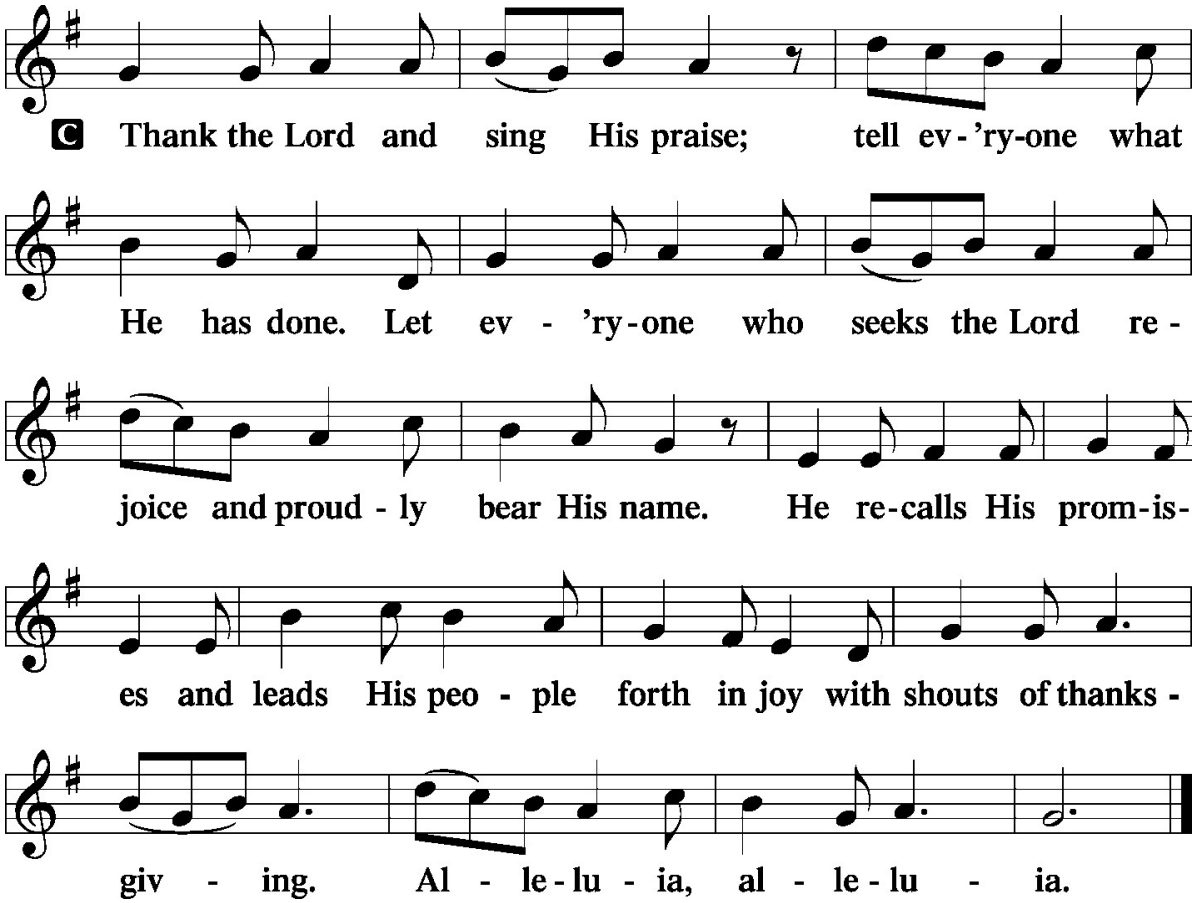
Please stand, if able.

Post-Communion Canticle

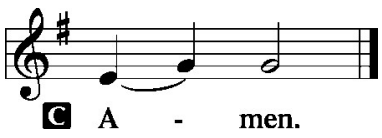
Thank the Lord



Post-Communion Collect

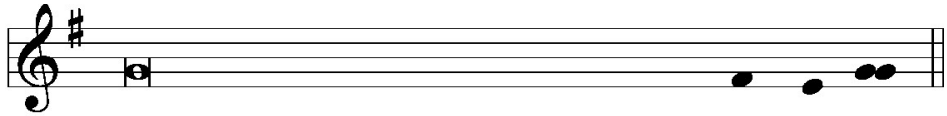
A Let us pray.

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 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.

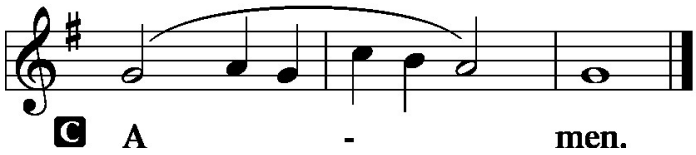


Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26



P 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.



Prelude: *Wir glauben all an einen Gott* (We All Believe In One God), BWV 680
by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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