



**First Sunday of Advent**

**11/29/20**

Lutheran Book of Worship Holy Communion Setting One

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**GOD GATHERS US IN EVERY PLACE AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Please stand as you are able.*

*In remembrance of Baptism, you may sign a cross on your chest or forehead.*

We gather to worship the One true God – the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,  
we poor sinners confess to you, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned  
against you in thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy,  
seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*We keep silence for self-reflection and contrition.*

**O Most Merciful God,  
who has given your only-begotten Son to die for us,  
have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins.  
By your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will,  
and true obedience to your Word, to the end that, by your grace,  
we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us  
and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins.  
To them who believe on His name, He gives power to become the sons and daughters of God,  
and bestows upon them His Holy Spirit. All who believe and are baptized shall be saved.  
Grant this, O Lord, unto us all. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers” (LBW#25)

1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, And let your lights ap - pear;  
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro - claim the bride-groom near;  
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience Their cross and suf - frings bore,  
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, And dark - er night is near.  
 Go forth as he ap - proach - es With al - le - lu - ias clear.  
 Shall live and reign for - ev - er When sor - row is no more.  
 A - rise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this be - night - ed sphere.

The bride-groom is a - ris - ing And soon is draw - ing nigh.  
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; The gates wide o - pen stand.  
 A - round the throne of glo - ry The Lamb they shall be - hold;  
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We plead, O Lord, to see

Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; At mid - night comes the cry.  
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; The bride-groom is at hand.  
 In tri - umph cast be - fore him Their di - a - dems of gold.  
 The day of earth's re - demp - tion That sets your peo - ple free!

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660-1722; trans. Sarah Findlater, 1823-1907 HAF TRONES LAMPA FARDIG  
 Tune: Swedish Folk Tune 7676 D

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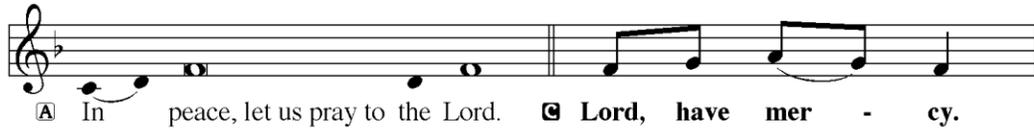
**AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE** *Matthew 28:18-20, 22:36-39; Mark 12:30-31*

We are Joy Mission Church, missionary-disciples of Jesus Christ.  
**We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus' name.**

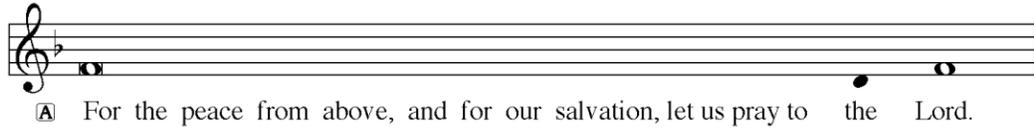
**APOSTOLIC GREETING** (LBW p. 57) *2 Corinthians 13:14*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

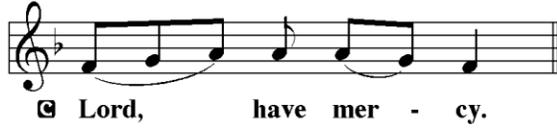
KYRIE (“Lord, have mercy...” LBW pp. 57-58) *Matthew 9:27, 15:22; Psalm 51:1*



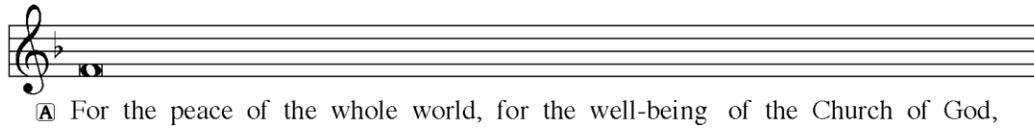
**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



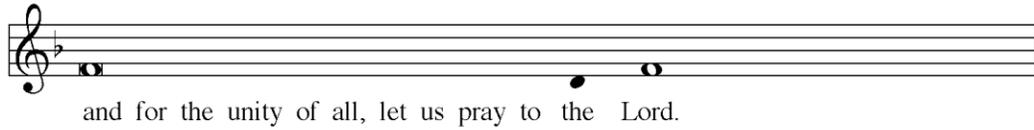
**A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



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



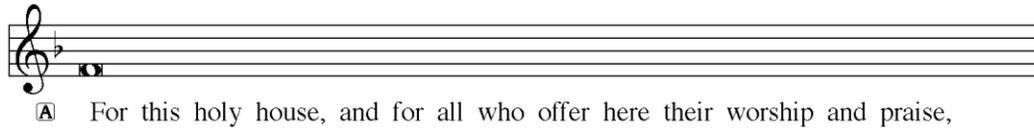
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



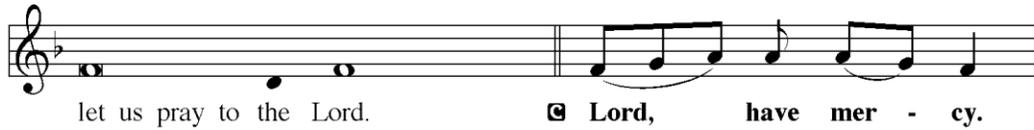
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



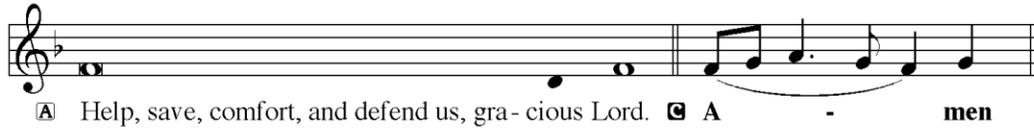
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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

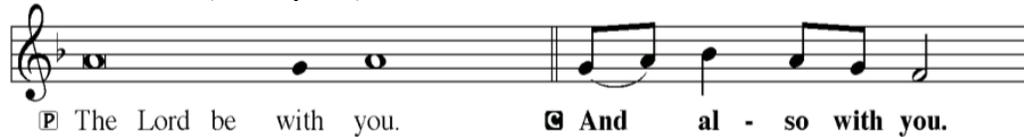


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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

SALUTATION (LBW p. 62) *Ruth 2:4*



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. **Stir up your power, O Lord, and come, that by your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by your mighty deliverance; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 64:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence — <sup>2</sup>as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil — to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! <sup>3</sup>When you did awesome things <sup>4</sup>that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for <sup>5</sup>him. You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? <sup>6</sup>We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade <sup>7</sup>like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt <sup>8</sup>in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our <sup>9</sup>potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 80:1-7 - *Sung responsively with the cantor.*

<sup>1</sup>Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph | like a flock;\*  
shine forth, you that are enthroned up- | on the cherubim.

<sup>2</sup>**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, | and Manasseh,\*  
stir up your strength and | come to help us.**

<sup>3</sup>Restore us, O | God of hosts;\*  
show the light of your countenance, and we | shall be saved.

<sup>4</sup>**O Lord | God of hosts,\*  
how long will you be angered despite the prayers | of your people?**

<sup>5</sup>You have fed them with the | bread of tears;\*  
you have given them bowls of | tears to drink.

<sup>6</sup>**You have made us the derision | of our neighbors,\*  
and our enemies laugh | us to scorn.**

<sup>7</sup>Restore us, O | God of hosts;\*  
show the light of your countenance, and we | shall be saved.

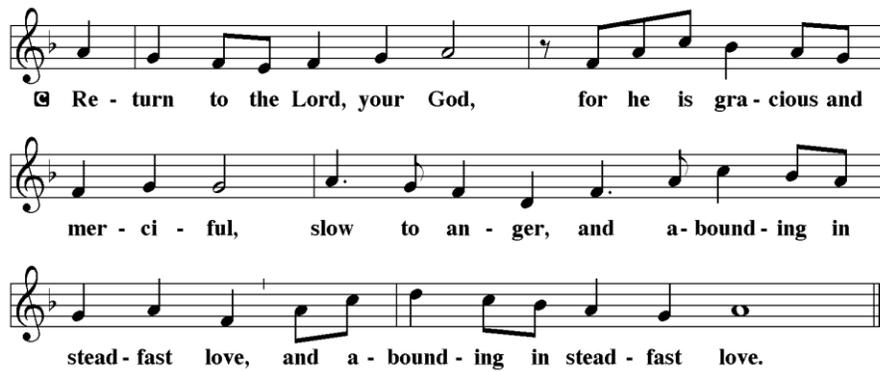
SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge — <sup>6</sup>even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you — <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup>who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

VERSE (LBW p. 62) John 6:68



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL ANNUNCIATION (LBW p. 63)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the thirteenth chapter



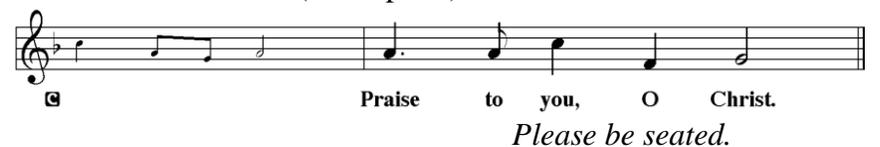
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 13:24-37

<sup>24</sup>{Jesus said,} “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. <sup>28</sup>From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>32</sup>But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup>Therefore stay awake — for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning — <sup>36</sup>lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

GOSPEL RESPONSE (LBW p. 63)



Praise to you, O Christ.  
*Please be seated.*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Please, remain seated as we sing together.*

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING “Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying” (LBW#31) **Verse 1 Only**

1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, The watch-men  
 2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, And in her  
 3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore you, And saints and

on the heights are cry - ing; A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.  
 heart new joy is spring - ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom,  
 an - gels sing be - fore you. The harps and cym - bals all u - nite.

Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, And at the  
 For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, The strong in  
 Of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal, Where, dwell - ing

thrill - ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid - ens! Night is past.  
 grace, in truth vic - to - rious. Her star is ris'n; her light is come.  
 with the choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round your daz - zling light.

The bride - groom comes! A - wake; Your lamps with glad - ness take!"  
 Oh, come, you Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.  
 No eye has seen, no ear Has yet been trained to hear.

Al - le - lu - ia! Pre - pare your - selves to meet the  
 Sing ho - san - na! We go un - til the halls we  
 What joy is ours! Cre - scen - dos rise; your halls re -

Lord, Whose light has stirred the wait - ing guard.  
 view; Where you have bid us dine with you.  
 sound; Ho - san - nas blend in cos - mic sound.

*We observe a time of silence to contemplate God's Word.*

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**GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

*Please stand as you are able.*

HYMN OF THE DAY: "The King Shall Come" (LBW #33)

Fm Cm Fm Bb Cm Fm Cm Fm Cm Fm Bb C

1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And light tri - um - phant breaks,  
 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, To bear and fight and die,  
 3 Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn When Christ, vic - to - rious, rose  
 4 Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn Shall dawn up - on our race

Fm Cm Db Ab Eb Fm7 Cm Fm Cm Fm Eb Fm

When beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills And life to joy a - wakes.  
 But crowned with glo - ry like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.  
 And left the lone - some place of death, De - spite the rage of foes.  
 The day when Christ in splen - dor comes, And we shall see his face.

5 The King shall come when morning dawns  
 And light and beauty brings.  
 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:  
 Come quickly, King of kings.

© Text: John Brownlie, 1859-1925, alt.  
 Tune: A. Davisson, Kentucky Harmony, 1816

NICENE CREED (LBW p. 64) *Genesis 1-2; John 3:16; Luke 2; Acts 2*

Living together in the trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven;**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**

**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (LBW p. 65)

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs... *Each petition ends with these words:* Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with these words:* ...through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERING OF PEACE *John 20:19-21*

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Having been reconciled to God in Christ, we share His peace with others in our households, on social media, and in the chapel. Share the peace without physical contact, then please be seated.*

OFFERING OF TITHES, ADDITIONAL GIFTS & SPECIAL MUSIC as available

*We offer our time, talents, and treasures in gratitude for all of the blessings God has given us. Place financial contributions in the offering plate as you exit the chapel or drop them in the mail.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY HYMN: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Musical score for the hymn "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow". It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men."

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711  
Tune: Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

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OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 67)

Let us pray... Blessed are you, **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

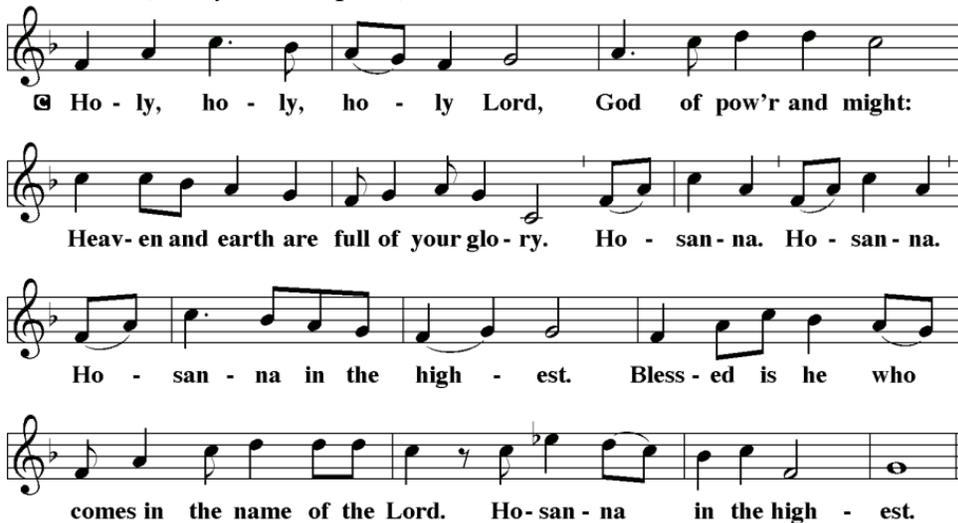
GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 68)

Musical score for the Great Thanksgiving. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef). The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**"

PREFACE (LBW p. 68) *Sung or spoken by the pastor.*

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (“Holy” LBW p. 69) *Psalm 118:25-26; Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Mark 11:9*



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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p. 70)

*1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20*

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,

and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (LBW p. 71) *Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4*

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray...

**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.**

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

COMMUNION HYMN (“Lamb of God...” LBW p. 72) *John 1:29*



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.

*Please be seated.*

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## WE RECEIVE THE LORD'S SUPPER

*All who are baptized and trust that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine may come forward by family groups or individuals to commune. The usher will direct you and offer you hand sanitizer. Pull your mask down below your mouth before taking the bread and wine in your hand. Each group or individual will commune separately and return to their seats before the next group or individual comes forward.*

- *If you require gluten-free wafers or abstain from wine, indicate so to the pastor.*
  - *To receive the Sacrament in your seat, notify the usher and it will be brought to you.*
  - *If you abstain from the Sacrament altogether, you have full forgiveness of sins by Word alone.*
- The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

*After the elements are covered, please stand as you are able.*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & CANTICLE (LBW pp. 72-73)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Lord, now you let your ser-vant go in peace; your word has been ful-filled.

My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the

sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re-veal you to the

na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir - it,

as it was in the be-gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING (LBW p. 74)

Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now . . . and for - ever. **A - men**

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**GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE**

SENDING HYMN: "The Advent of Our God" (LBW #22)

1 The ad - vent of our God Shall be our theme for prayer;  
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate stoops to be,  
3 Come, Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly king,  
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain,

Come, let us meet him on the road And place for him pre - pare.  
Him - self the ser - vant's form puts on To set his peo - ple free.  
Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace he comes to bring.  
And all his scat - tered saints u - nite With him on high to reign.

5 Before the dawning day  
Let sin be put to flight;  
No longer let the law hold sway,  
But walk in freedom's light.

6 All glory to the Son,  
Who comes to set us free,  
With Father, Spirit, ever one  
Through all eternity.

*Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. John Chandler, 1806-1876, alt.  
Tune: Johann B. König, 1691-1758, adapt.*

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

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