



Second Sunday of Advent

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Lutheran Book of Worship Holy Communion Setting One

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GOD GATHERS US AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE

PRELUDE AND WELCOME

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (LBW p. 56) *Matthew 28:19; 1 John 1:8-10*

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, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

We keep silence for self-reflection and contrition.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN "Fling Wide the Door" LBW Hymn #32

F Dm C Bb F

1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; The King of glo - ry
 2 He is the rock of our be - lief, The heart of mer - cy's
 3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands That live by their true
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; Our hearts are o - pen

C F C F Am F G C

comes in state; The Lord of lords and King of kings, The
 gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; His
 king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, The
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, Up -

F C F Am F G C Bb

Sav - ior of the world who brings His great sal - va - tion
 scep - ter is his love - li - ness; He brings our sor - rows
 hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful
 on our sor - rows shine your face, And let your Ho - ly

F Dm Bb F

to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth And
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, And
 Son of bliss Who fills our lives and makes us his, Cre -
 Spir - it guide Our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We

Dm Gm C Gm C F

praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.
 wor - ship him with song For sav - ing us from wrong.
 a - tor of the world, Our on - ly strength for good.
 praise your ho - ly name, From age to age the same!

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 Tune: J. A. Freylinghausen, Geistreiches Gesang-Buch, 1704

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.

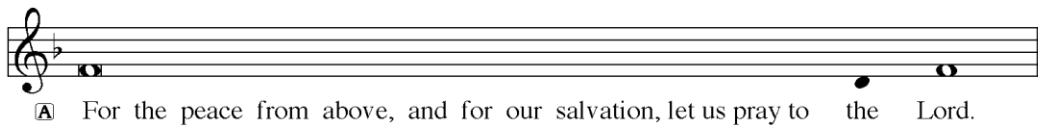
APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 57) *2 Corinthians 13:14*

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*



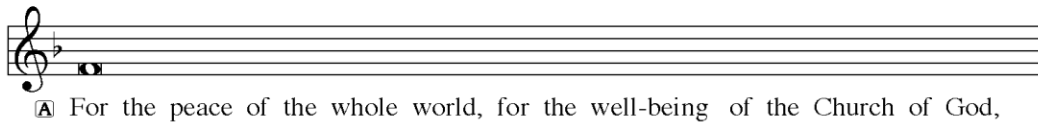
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



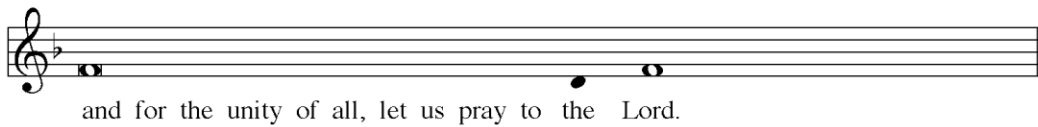
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



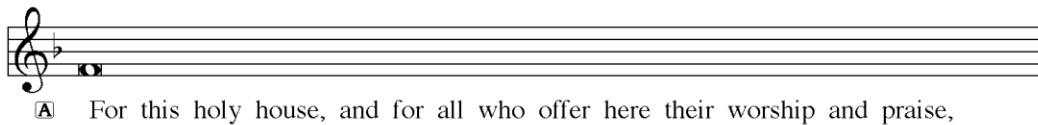
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



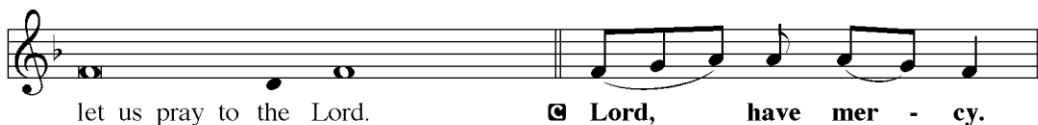
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



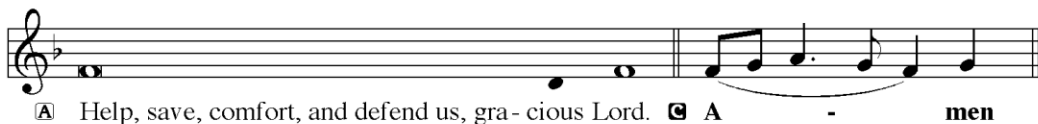
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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

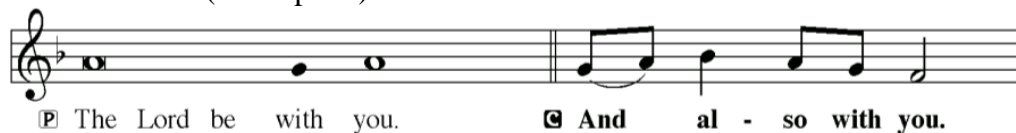


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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

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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of your only-begotten Son, that by his coming we may be enabled to serve you with pure minds; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

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GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ²And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. ⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. ⁹They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples — of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

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

PSALM 72:1-7 - *Sung responsively with the cantor. (Psalm tone 2)*

¹Give the King your jus- | tice, O God,*
and your righteousness to | the King's Son;
²**That he may rule your | people righteously***
and the | poor with justice;
³That the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people,*
and the little | hills bring righteousness.
⁴**He shall defend the needy a- | mong the people;***
he shall rescue the poor and crush | the oppressor.
⁵He shall live as long as the sun and | moon endure,*
from one generation | to another.
⁶**He shall come down like rain upon | the mown field,***
like showers that wa- | ter the earth.
⁷In his time shall the | righteous flourish;*
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall | be no more.

SECOND READING Romans 15:4-13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷ Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." ¹⁰And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." ¹¹And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." ¹²And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

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. Matthew the third chapter.

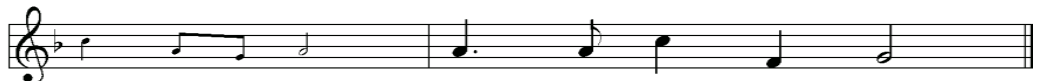
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:1-12

¹In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.'" ⁴Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹"I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

GOSPEL RESPONSE (LBW p. 63)

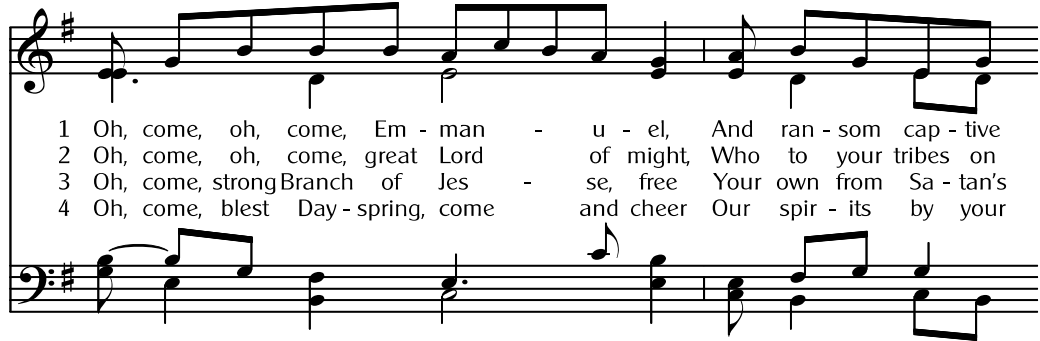


Praise to you, O Christ.
Please be seated.

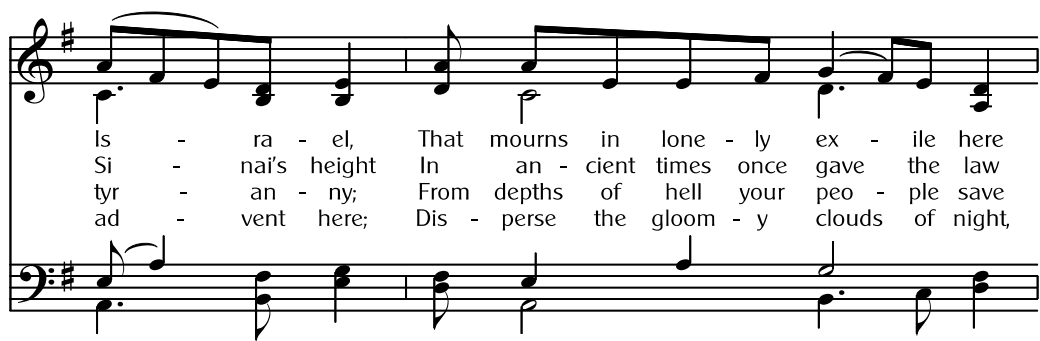
CHILDREN’S SERMON AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Please, remain seated as we sing together.

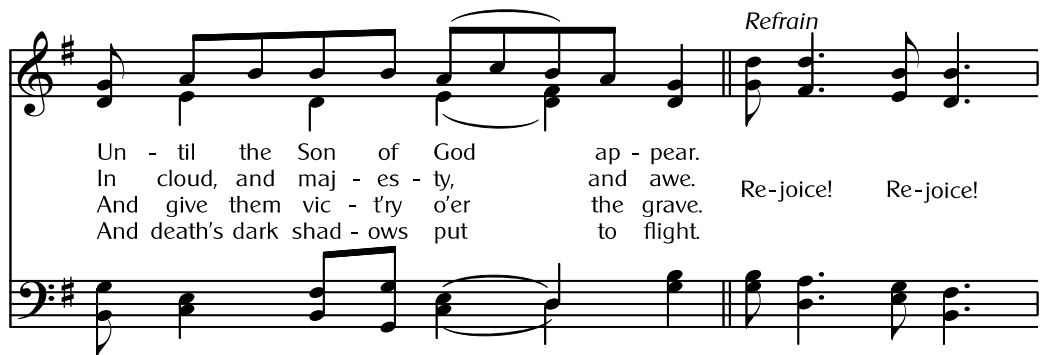
“Oh, Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel” LBW Hymn #34 **Verse 2 ONLY**



1 Oh, come, oh, come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive
2 Oh, come, oh, come, great Lord of might, Who to your tribes on
3 Oh, come, strong Branch of Jes - se, free Your own from Sa - tan's
4 Oh, come, blest Day - spring, come and cheer Our spir - its by your



Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
Si - nai's height In an - cient times once gave the law
tyr - an - ny; From depths of hell your peo - ple save
ad - vent here; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,



Refrain
Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
In cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.



Em - man - u - el Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

Text: Latin, 12th century; trans. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866
Tune: Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum, Koln

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SERMON

Following the sermon, 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: "On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry" LBW Hymn #36

1 On Jor - dan's banks the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the
3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge
4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, And make us

that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,
way for God with - in, And let us all our
and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we
rise to fall no more; Oh, let your face up -

for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
on us shine And fill the world with love di - vine.

5 All Praise to you, eternal Son,
Whose advent has our freedom won,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Spirit, evermore.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; trans. John Chandler, 1806-1876
Tune: Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

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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

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people as they have need... *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.**

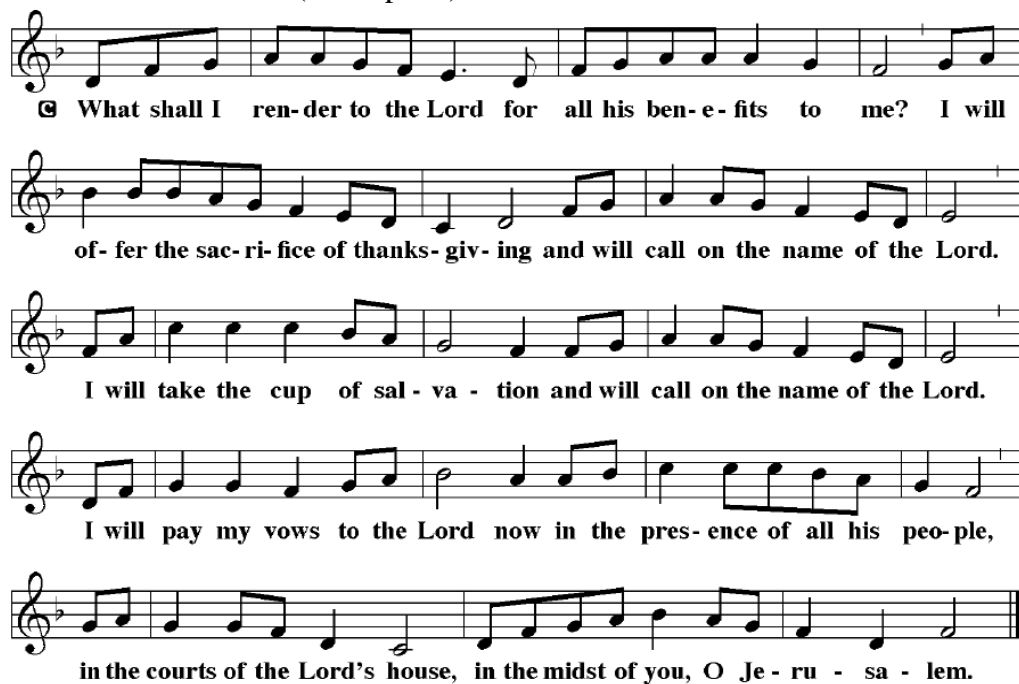
Having been reconciled to God in Christ, we share His peace with others.

OFFERING OF TITHES, ADDITIONAL GIFTS, & SPECIAL MUSIC

We offer our time, talents, and treasures in gratitude for all of the blessings God has given us.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN (LBW p. 67)



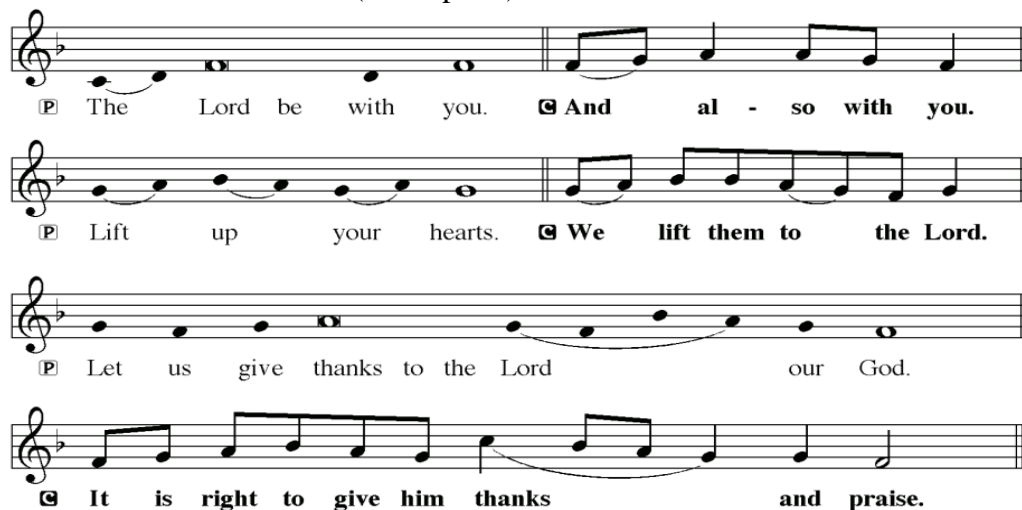
☞ What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all his ben-e-fits to me? I will
of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of sal - va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all his peo-ple,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 67)

Let us pray...

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 68)

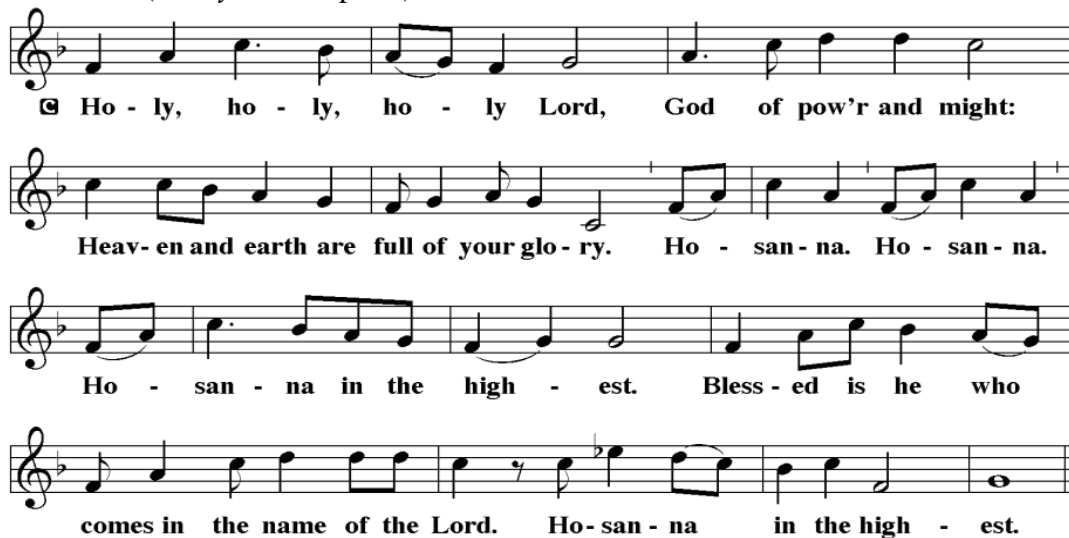


☞ The Lord be with you. ☞ And al - so with you.
☞ Lift up your hearts. ☞ We lift them to the Lord.
☞ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
☞ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

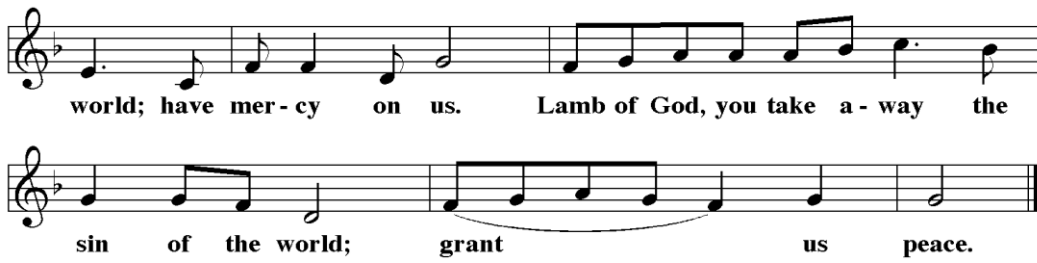
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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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GOD COMES TO US IN HIS HOLY MEAL

All who are baptized and trust that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine may commune. The usher will direct you. Use the side aisle to return to your seat.

- *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, trust that you have full forgiveness by God's Word alone.*

The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

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

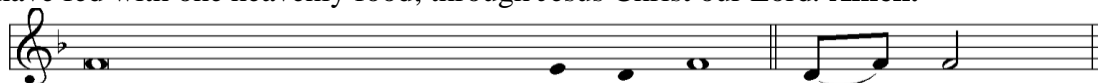
The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**



☒ 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 AND BENEDICTION (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, \dagger Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now . . . and for - ever. **A - men**

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GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

SENDING HYMN: "Comfort, Comfort Now My People" LBW Hymn #29

1 "Com - fort, com - fort now my peo - ple; Tell of peace!" So says our God.
 2 For the her - ald's voice is cry - ing In the des - ert far and near,
 3 Straight shall be what long was crook - ed, And the rough - er plac - es plain!

Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness Mourn - ing un - der sor - row's load.
 Call - ing us to true re - pen - tance, Since the King - dom now is here.
 Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be - fits his ho - ly reign!

To God's peo - ple now pro - claim That God's par - don waits for them!
 Oh, that warn - ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way!
 For the glo - ry of the Lord Now on earth is shed a - broad,

Tell them that their war is o - ver; God will reign in peace for - ev - er!
 Let the val - leys rise to meet him, And the hills bow down to greet him!
 And all flesh shall see the to - ken That God's word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Johann Olearius, 1611-1684; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878, alt.
 Tune: Trente quatre pseumes de David, Geneva, 1551

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

POSTLUDE

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worship + fellowship + discipleship

Who We Are -

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