

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 2/16	8:00 WORSHIP 9:30 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 WORSHIP NOON - NEW MEMBER CLASS 8:00PM YOUTH LOCK IN BEGINS
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MONDAY, 2/17	5:00 COMMUNITY MEALS DOORS OPEN 6:00 COMMUNITY MEALS DINNER SERVED
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TUESDAY, 2/18	
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WEDNESDAY, 2/19	7:00PM WOMEN'S FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP
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THURSDAY, 2/20	NOON BIBLE STUDY 7:00PM CHOIR REHEARSAL
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FRIDAY, 2/21	
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SATURDAY, 2/22	
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SUNDAY, 2/23	8:00 WORSHIP RECEIVE NEW MEMBERS 9:30 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 TRAINING FOR RECORDING SERVICES - IN THE CHURCH 10:45 WORSHIP

Bible StudiesMonday night Bible Study will focus on the villains of Lent.

Thursday Bible at Noon continues each week.
We meet in the Miller Parlor.

Attend when you can! All are welcome to join us as your schedule allows.

Ash Wednesday, March 5th ... We will have three services on Ash Wednesday, 7am, Noon, and 7pm.
Also, *Ashes to Go* again this year

Welcome Members and Visitors today !

**Shrove Sunday Event/ Dinner Church.....
Sunday, March 2nd at 6:00pm**

Youth will be helping to make and serve pancakes and sausage in the Fellowship Hall. We will burn the palms for Ash Wednesday.

New Members Class....TODAY at Noon.
Meet Pastor Sarah in the Miller Parlor.

**Womens' Faith and Friendship....we will meet
Wednesday, February 19th at 7:00pm.**
Watch your email for details!
No meeting in March.

Concert at Holy Trinity.....On Friday, March 7th, 7:00pm
Seton Hill Choir will be here at Holy Trinity for a concert.
All are welcome! Members and friends included!

**Mens' Breakfast Meeting ...Saturday, March 8 at
8:00am. Meeting here at Holy Trinity!**
Sign up in the Narthex

OUR MISSION
Worship God, Grow in Faith, Serve with Love

Youth Lock-In Tonight (8pm - 8am) at the church for youth grades 7-12. This is required of confirmation students. Bring a snack to share! We will be **making dinner for the Community Meal** tomorrow.

Volunteers needed..... Can you hand stitch? We need people who can hand stitch new bell pad covers. We will meet at church in the coming months for this project. Please see Anne Coiner, John Howell, or call the office if you can help ! Thank you!

ELCA Lutheran Disaster forms..... for the Los Angeles Wildfires are located in the Narthex. Please take a form. Checks can be mailed directly to the ELCA Disaster Response.

Community Meals... Help is needed for March, please sign up in the Narthex on the bulletin board.

Tomorrow is our February Community Meal.
 Doors open at 5:00, Dinner served at 6:00.

Souper Bowl We collected \$641.98!
AND WE PREDICTED THE WINNER!
 (Both services donated more to the Eagles)
 \$320.99 will be donated to each: our Food Pantry and our Community Meals!

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

	8:15	10:45
Assisting Minister	Chris Karpinsky	John Howell
Communion Assistants	Rochelle Belak Glenda Wendling	Mike Stark Eric Walt
Lector	Rick Bavolek	Dee Withrow
Acolyte	Delany Hillier	Will Little
Greeters		Nancy Woodring Anne Coiner
Altar Guild		

Set-up Saturday, Feb. 15		Doug and Nancy Woodring
Sunday, Feb 16	8:15	Vicki and Doug Hillier
	10:45	Andrea and Brian Smith
Set-up Saturday, Feb. 22		Andrea and Brian Smith
Sunday, Feb. 23	8:15	Rochelle Belak and Vicki Rutkowski
	10:45	Doug and Nancy Woodring

Food Pantry

2025 Distribution Dates:

April 12, June 14, August 9, October 11, Dec. 13

Soup IS NOT needed at this time

Items always requested:

Mac & cheese/pasta	Applesauce	Baked beans	Cake/muffin/
brownie mix	Canned fruit	Canned tuna	Cereal
Granola bars	Pasta Sauce	Oatmeal	Paper towels
Peanut butter & Jelly	Potato/rice mix		Pudding Cups

Many thanks for the generous donations to date! If you would like to donate, please mark "food pantry" in the subject line on your check or you may use one of the pew envelopes if you would like to donate cash. Food pantry contact: Jodi Waugaman at 724-516-9680 or waugawoman86@comast.net

Worship Plan for Sunday, February 16, 2025

6 Epiphany

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany / Lectionary 6

ELW Holy Communion Setting One

Sunday, February 16, 2025

Introduction to the day

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed are" and the "woe to" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **Amen.**

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

Show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts and repair your world,

that we may live in Christ's ways.

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance:

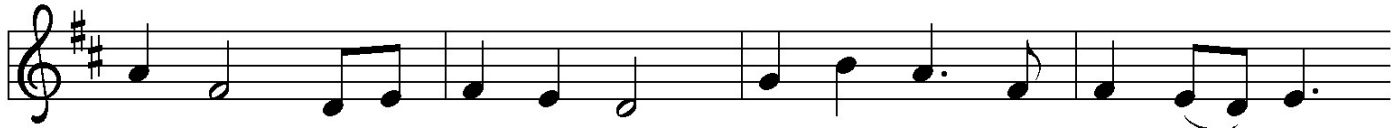
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In ✝ Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

***GATHERING SONG *We Come to the Hungry Feast* #479**

We Come to the Hungry Feast



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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*GREETING *Pastor*

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.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*The **presiding minister** leads the prayer of the day.*

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-10

These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.

⁵ Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

⁶ They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.

⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

⁹ The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?

¹⁰ I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

² **Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ **It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶ **For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain.

¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised.

¹⁷ If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

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

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

*GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26

The holy gospel according to

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.

¹⁷ [Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.¹⁹ And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ "Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

²³ Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

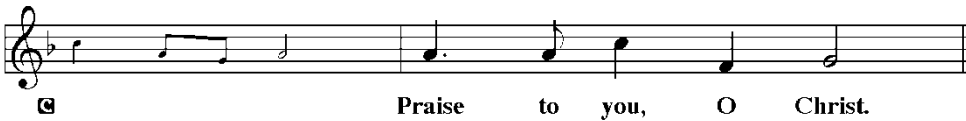
²⁴ "But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ "Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The gospel of the Lord.

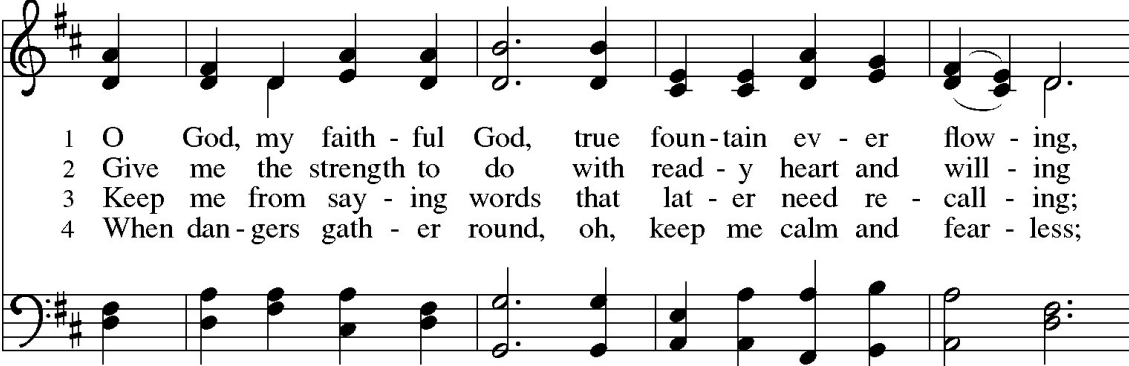


CHILDRENS' SERMON

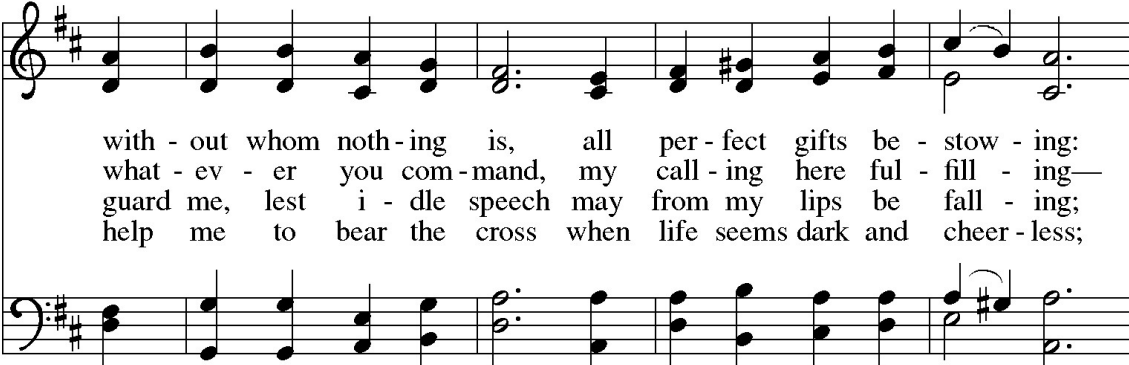
Sermon

***Hymn of the Day *O God, My Faithful God* #806**

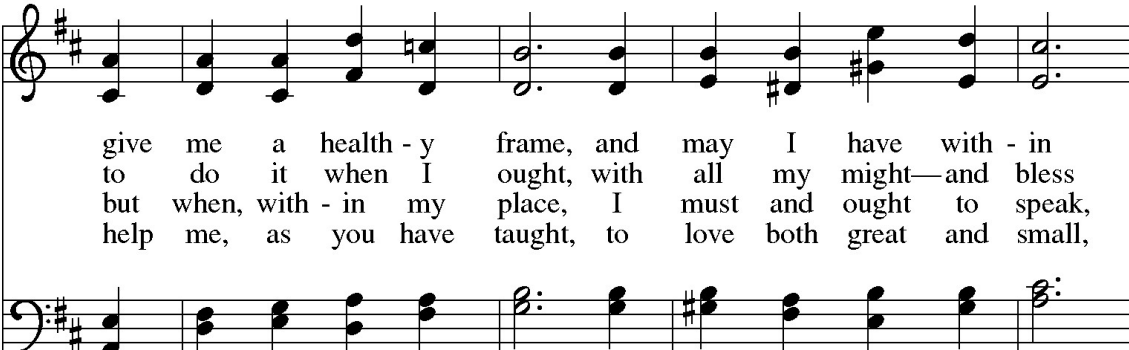
O God, My Faithful God



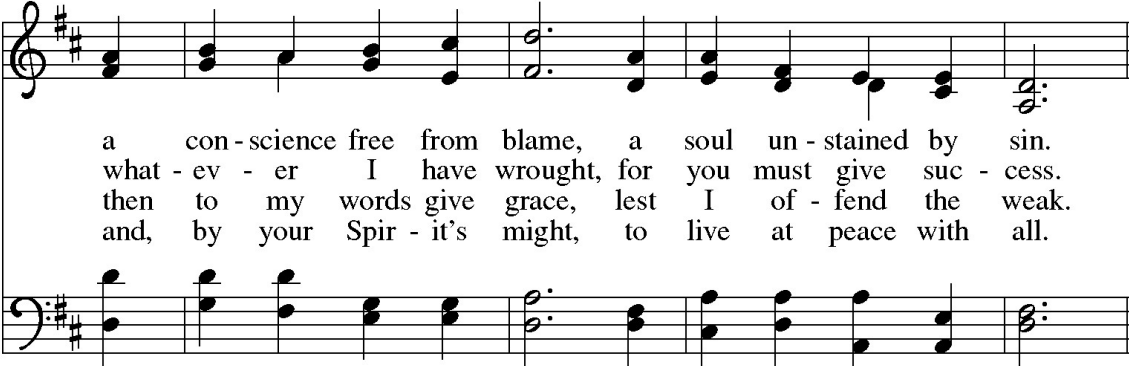
1 O God, my faith - ful God, true foun-tain ev - er flow - ing,
2 Give me the strength to do with read - y heart and will - ing
3 Keep me from say - ing words that lat - er need re - call - ing;
4 When dan - gers gath - er round, oh, keep me calm and fear - less;



with - out whom noth - ing is, all per - fect gifts be - stow - ing:
what - ev - er you com - mand, my call - ing here ful - fill - ing—
guard me, lest i - dle speech may from my lips be fall - ing;
help me to bear the cross when life seems dark and cheer - less;



give me a health - y frame, and may I have with - in
to do it when I ought, with all my might—and bless
but when, with - in my place, I must and ought to speak,
help me, as you have taught, to love both great and small,



a con - science free from blame, a soul un - stained by sin.
what - ev - er I have wrought, for you must give suc - cess.
then to my words give grace, lest I of - fend the weak.
and, by your Spir - it's might, to live at peace with all.

***Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** *assisting minister*

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church,
the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Bless your church transformed by your Spirit. Give us courage to proclaim to
all people the promises made true in the death and resurrection of Christ.
God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Bless the nations. We pray for presidents, prime ministers, and leaders of
nations. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Bless those in need. Give to all facing illness wise and caring doctors,
nurses, and therapists. Draw close to those who feel far from you or who are
suffering in any way (*especially*). Provide an extra measure of your grace
and love. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Bless this congregation. Like a tree planted by streams of water, we are nourished by faith in you. Provide courage in times that feel dry, trusting that you sustain us in many ways. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Bless those saints who now rest in your peace. Through lives of both sorrow and joy, challenge and triumph, they provide witness of faith in all times. May their lives be a witness to the living. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Pastor

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.
Amen.

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Choir Anthem: *O Lord I Call to You*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;

Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The image shows a musical score for an offertory response. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;' and 'Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.'

***OFFERING PRAYER** *assisting minister*

Let us pray.

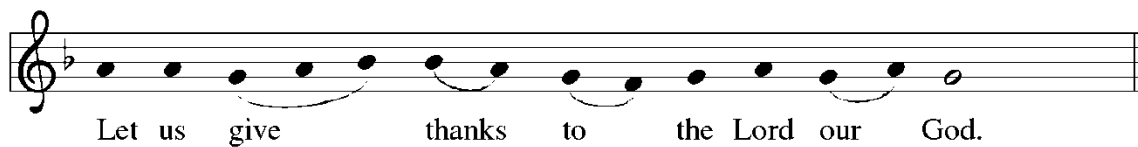
God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

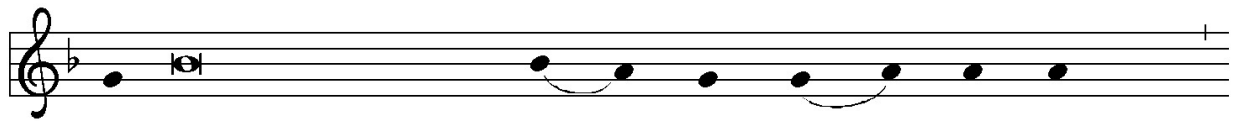
Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,
now and always.

Amen.

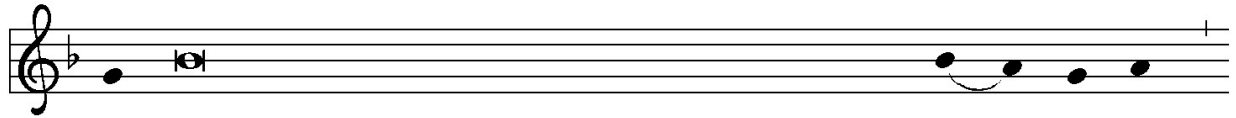
***DIALOGUE** *Pastor*



***PREFACE**



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



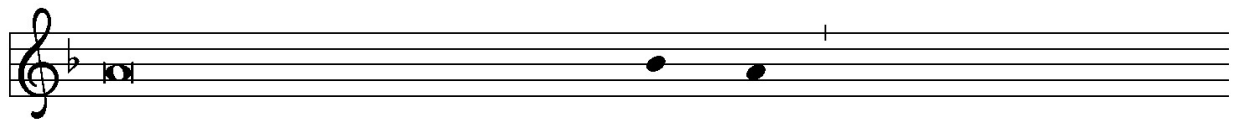
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;



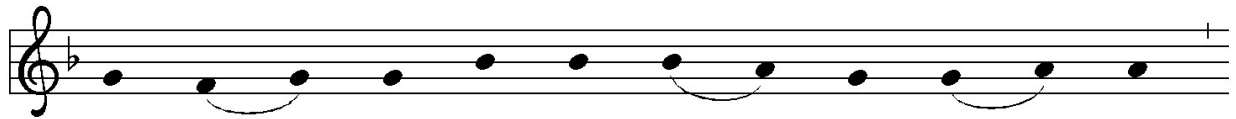
who on this day overcame death and the grave,



and by his glorious resur - rec - tion



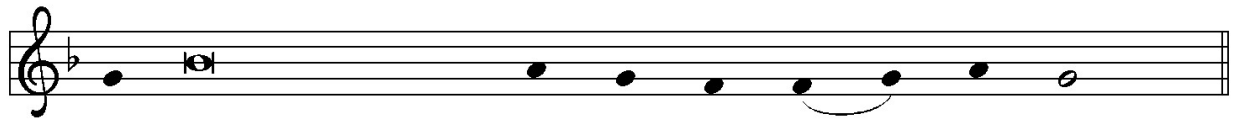
opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.. 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.. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy". It consists of four staves of music in a single system, all written on a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,". The second staff continues with "heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.. Ho - san - na in the". The third staff continues with "high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -". The fourth staff concludes with "san - na in the high - est.. Ho - san - na in the high - est.".

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy
will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



***LORD'S PRAYER Pastor**

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

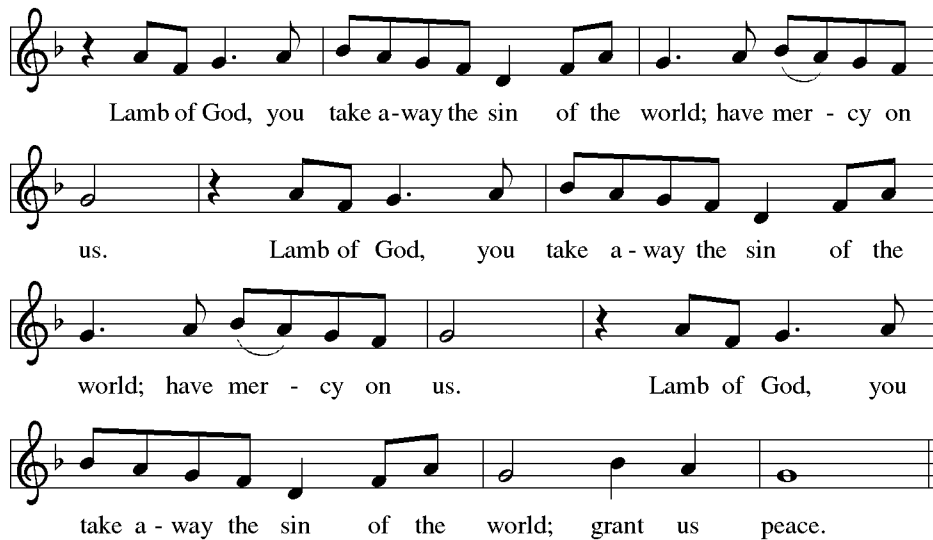
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION Pastor**

The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Come, eat this meal of gladness.

COMMUNION SONG



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.

Communion

Hymn During Communion: ***Bread of Life from Heaven #474***

***COMMUNION BLESSING Pastor**

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

*SONG AFTER COMMUNION



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *assisting minister*

Let us pray.

Nourishing God,

at this table you have refreshed us

with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service,

and send us out to embody your good news

of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

In the name of Christ we pray,

Amen.

*BENEDICTION: **Pastor**

The Spirit of the triune God

✠ bless you with joy,

anoint you with compassion,

and send you in love.

Amen.

*Recessional Hymn

Let Streams of Living Justice #710

Let Streams of Living Justice



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;
2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,
3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.
for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.
your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,
Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;
Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.
on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.
our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home - land bright - ly gleams.



Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;
O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;
In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;



a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.
dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.
your truth—the heart of strang - er; your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

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***DISMISSAL** *assisting minister*

Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**