



**25th Sunday after Pentecost
November 19, 2023**

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PRELUDE:

***GATHERING**

P. God calls us to:

**Unite in Christ, Grow in Faith, Serve in Love, and Share
the Good News.**

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the
Holy Spirit.

Amen.

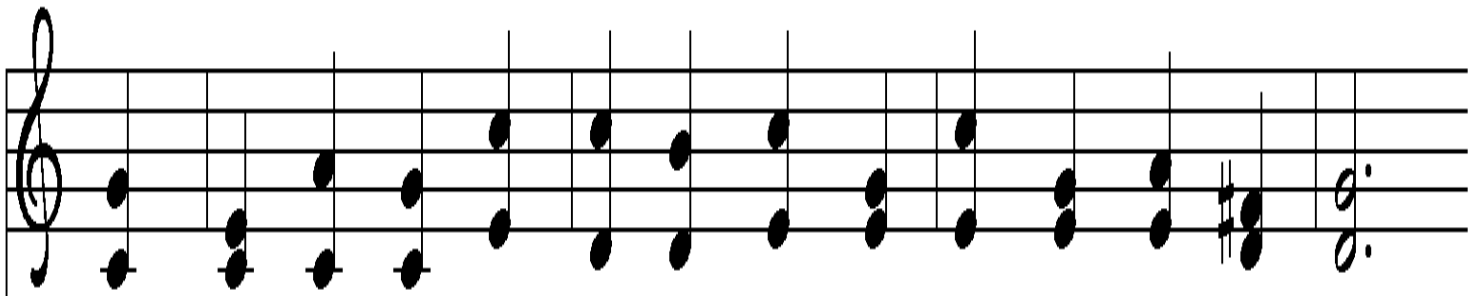
P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of our Triune God and of one another.

P. To you, O God,
All hearts are open,
to you all desires known.
We come to you,
confessing our sins.
Forgive us in your mercy,
and remember us in your love.
Show us your ways;
teach us your paths;
and lead us in justice and truth,
for the sake of your goodness
in Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

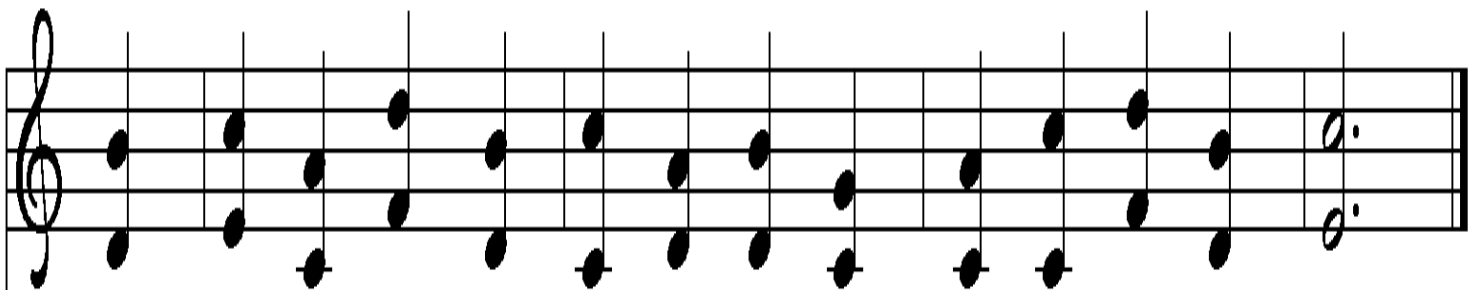
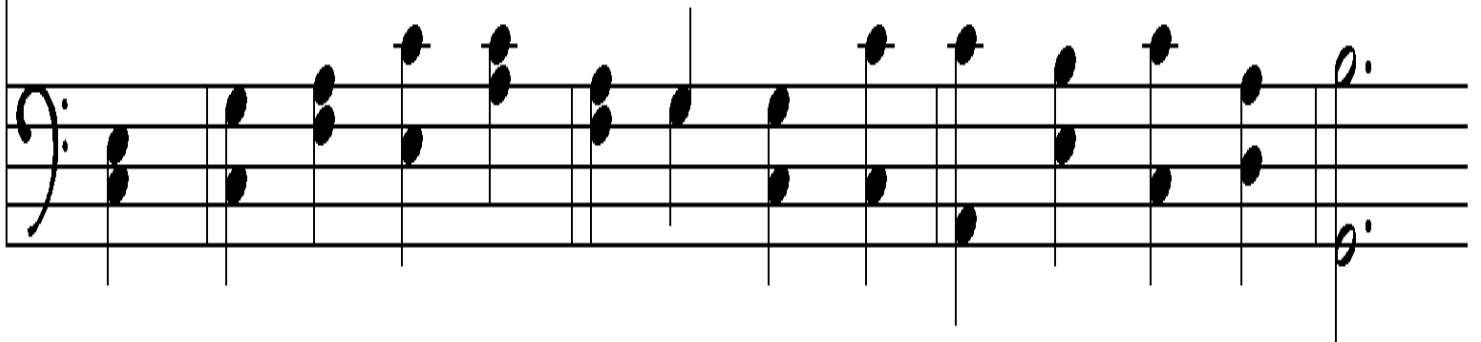
P. By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of **+** Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

*GATHERING SONG (ELW 632)

O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

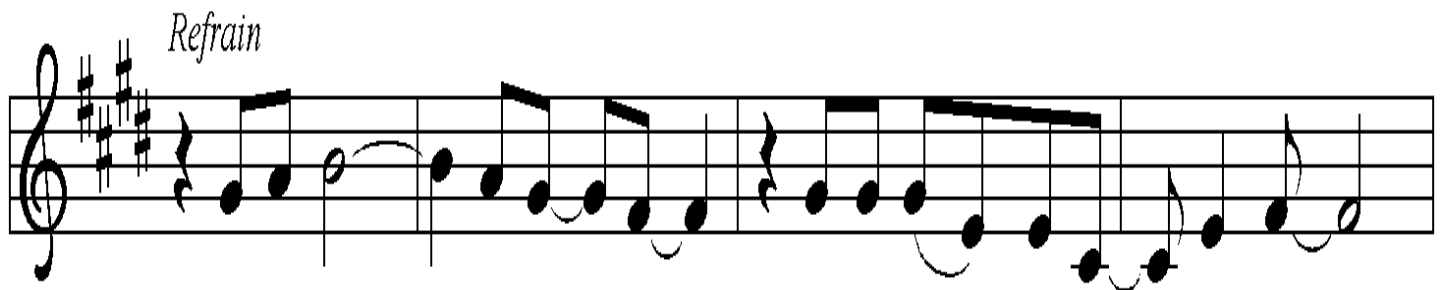
Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678–1727

***GREETING**

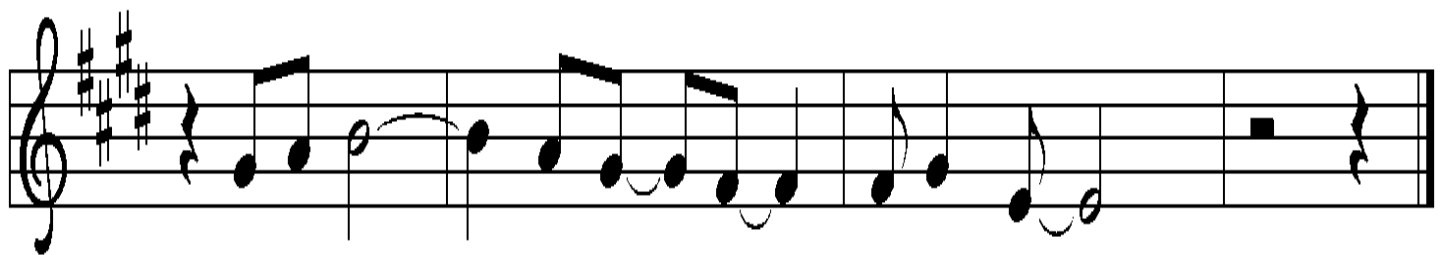
P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

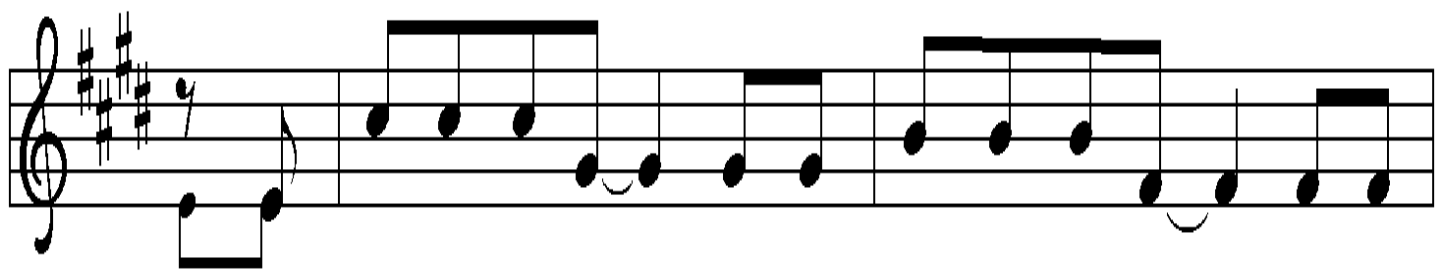
***KYRIE (ELW p. 184)**



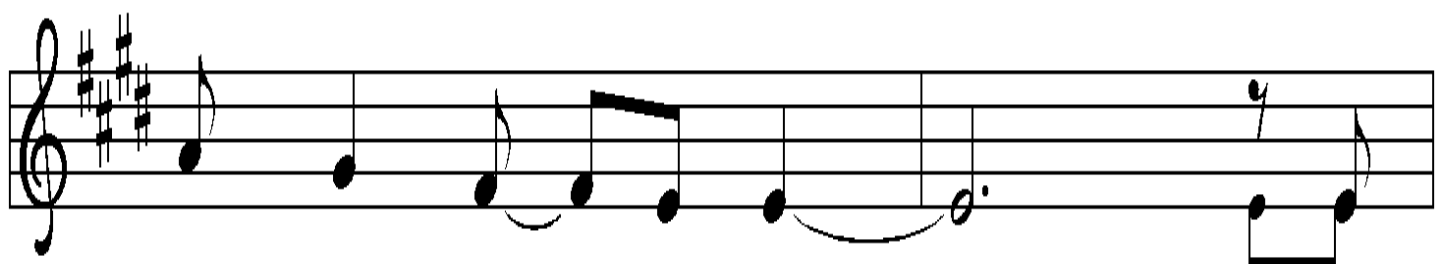
Ky-ri-e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



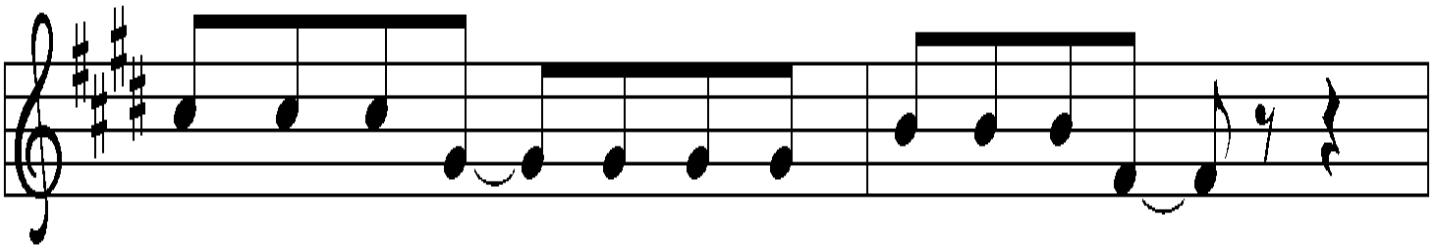
Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P. Let us pray.

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

A reading from Zephaniah.

Zephaniah (like the prophet Amos in last week's first reading) presents the day of the LORD as one of judgment and wrath. Descriptions of the last day in the New Testament include details taken from Old Testament accounts of the day of the LORD.

⁷Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is at hand;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.

¹²At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
“The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do harm.”

¹³Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.

¹⁵That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
¹⁶a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

¹⁷I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust,
and their flesh like dung.

¹⁸Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;

for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90:1-8 [9-11] 12

¹Lord, you have | been our refuge
from one generation | to another.
²**Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land
and the | earth were born,
from age to age | you are God.**
³You turn us back to the | dust and say,
“Turn back, O child- | ren of earth.”
⁴**For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday
when | it is past
and like a watch | in the night;**
⁵you sweep them away | like a dream,
they fade away suddenly | like the grass:
⁶**in the morning it is | green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried | up and withered.**
⁷For we are consumed | by your anger;
we are afraid because | of your wrath.
⁸**Our iniquities you have | set before you,
and our secret sins in the light | of your
countenance.**
¹²So teach us to num- | ber our days
that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (Sermon Text)

A reading from 1 Thessalonians.

*Though we do not know and cannot calculate the day of
Christ's return, we live faithfully in the here and now as we
anticipate the day when we will be given eternal salvation
through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and
sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For

you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

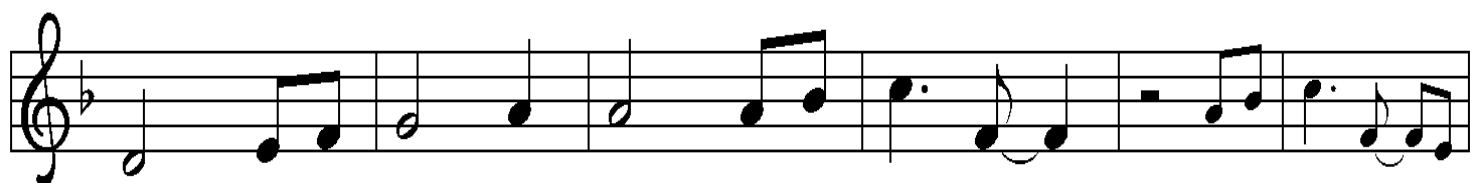
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 188)**



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30**

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells a parable about his second coming, indicating that it is not sufficient merely to maintain things as they are. Those who await his return should make good use of the gifts that God has provided them.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁴“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ ²¹His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ ²³His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ ²⁶But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have

invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY (ELW 707)

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

1 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad - ly, free - ly,
 3 Won-drous hon - or you have giv - en to our hum - blest
 4 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood

as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -
 of your own. With the sun - shine of your good - ness melt our
 char - i - ty in your own mys - te - rious sen - tence, "You have
 as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -

men - dous sac - ri - fice; and with that have free - ly giv - en
 thank - less hearts of stone till our cold and self - ish na - tures,
 done it all to me." Na - ked, sick, in pris - on, hun - gry—
 men - dous sac - ri - fice. Give us faith to trust you bold - ly,

bles - sings count - less as the sand to the un - thank - ful
 warmed by you, at length be - lieve that more hap - py
 in the least, your face we view, say - ing by your
 hope, to stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of

and the e - vil with your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed 'tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you."
 all your grac - es, with your love our love re - new.

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818–1889, alt.
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

Gathered together into one Holy Spirit, in unity let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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**

P. Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A. Gracious God, you give talents and gifts to all your people, and you equip the church to serve. Turn us from fear and self-serving ways, that we use our talents to glorify you and encourage our neighbor. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. You have been our dwelling place from one generation to another. Sustain the life of the planet; protect farmlands and harvests. Help us to work together to feed and protect animals about to hibernate and to give the land its rest for the winter, as it stores energy for resurrection in the Spring. Direct all people in wise stewardship of all the earth's resources. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. You call us to honesty and integrity. Instill these values in the hearts of all nations and their leaders. We know you are among the victims of war, the refugees from violence, and the survivors of bombs and attacks. We on earth cry, "How long?" But we rest in the assurance that you are in control. Free hostages and any who are oppressed, expose all corruption, and bring redemption to victims of injustice. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. You teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Where there is sickness or sorrow, bring healing, and where there is loneliness, reveal your love in community. We remember before you especially those on our parish prayer list..... and others we name aloud before you.... Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for the faith formation ministries of our church. Give to all children, youth, and adults who study your word the breastplate of faith and love. Shape us by your love and show us how to encourage one another. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. Gracious God, you are faithful in all generations. For the promise of life and rest and for the witness of those who have died in faith, we praise your goodness. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

P. We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

ANTHEM: My Song of Praise, *Price, Besig*

***OFFERTORY SONG: We are an Offering (ELW 692)**

We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

A. Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

***DIALOGUE**

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 our thanks and praise.

***SANCTUS (ELW p. 190)**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

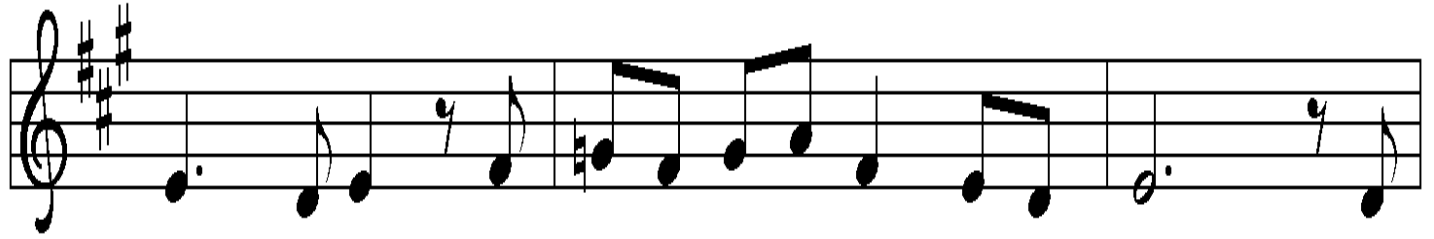
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION

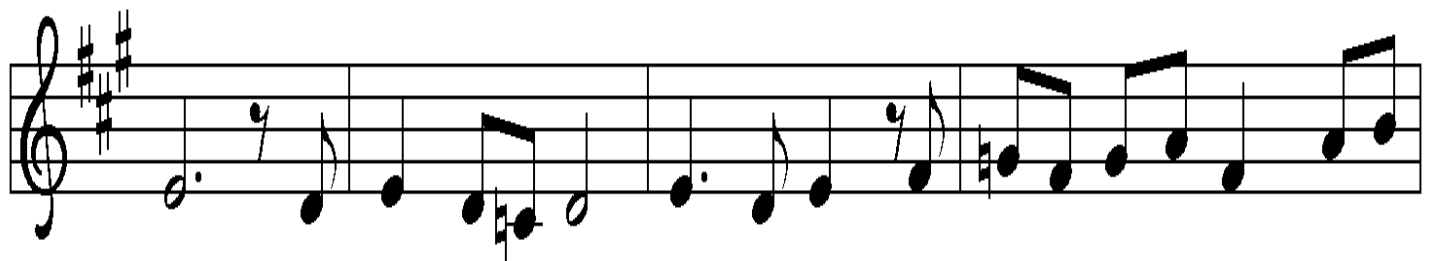
COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 191)



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



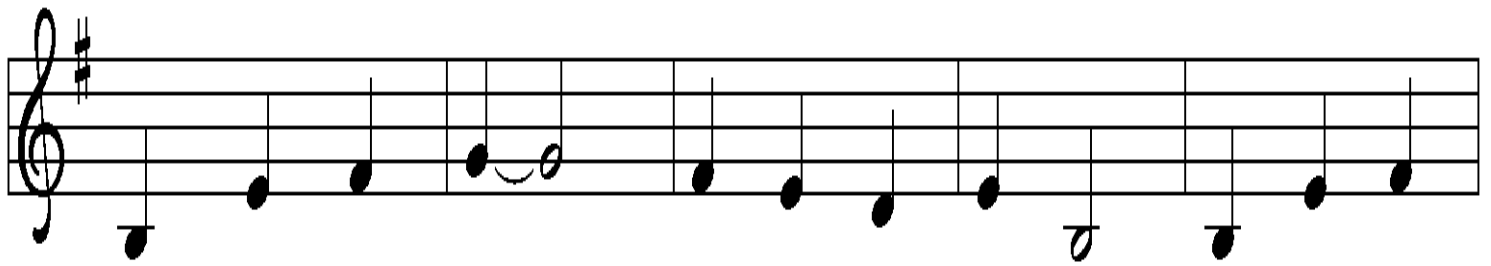
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



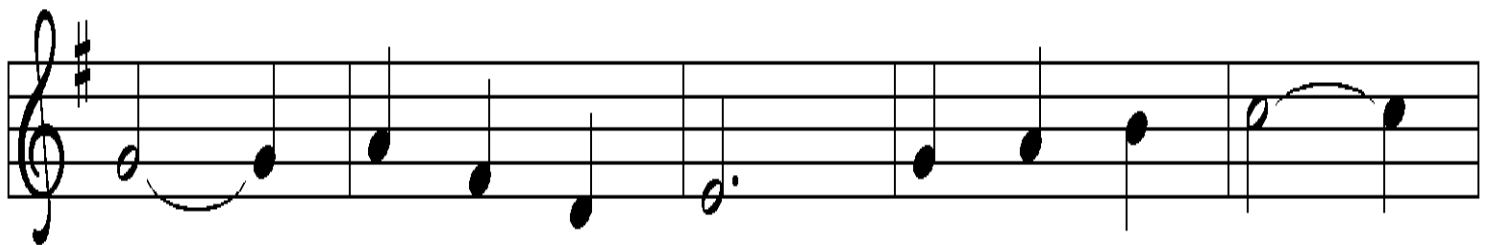
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMN (ELW 715)

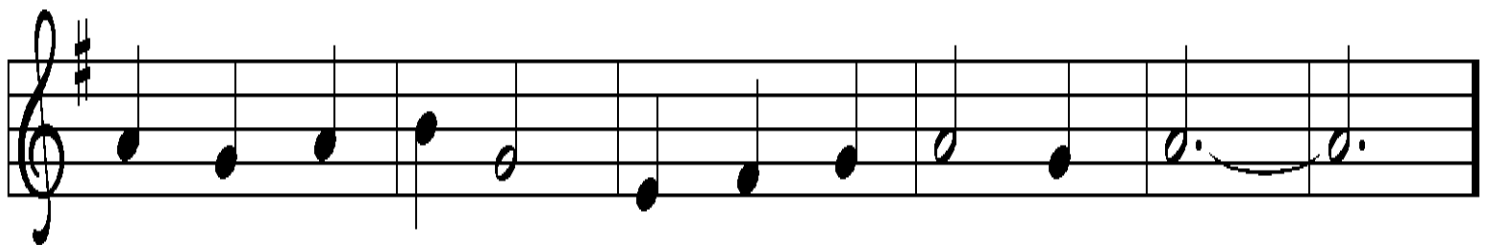
Christ, Be Our Light



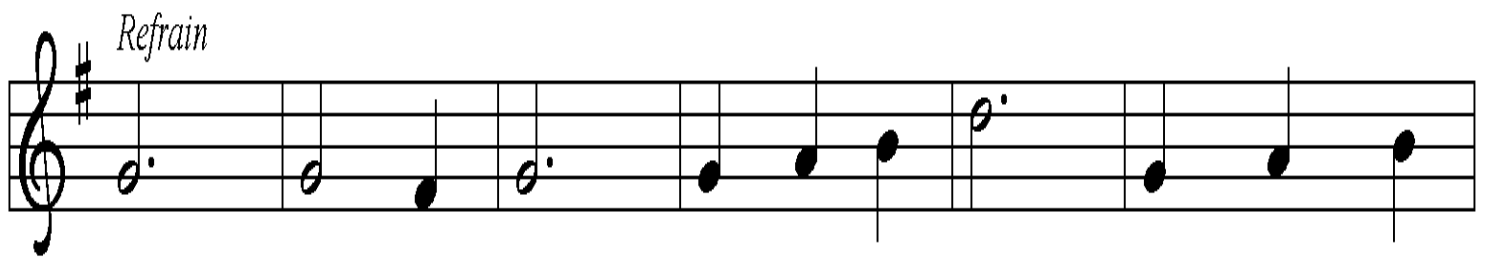
1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



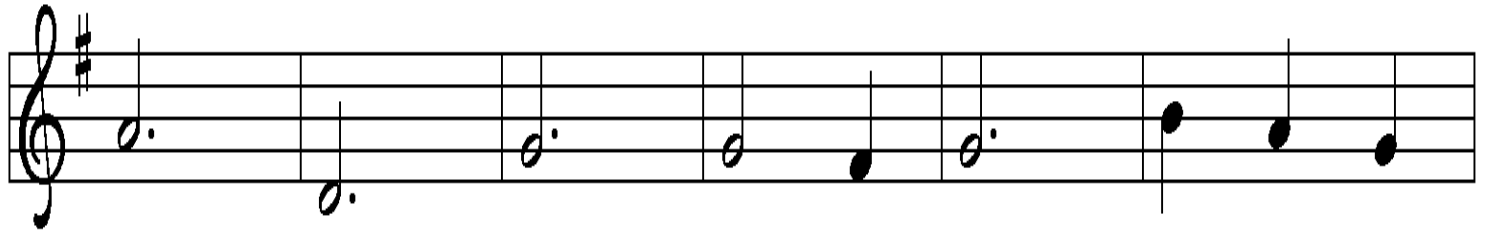
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

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***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A. Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

***SENDING**


***THE FINAL BLESSING**

***SENDING SONG (ELW 815)**

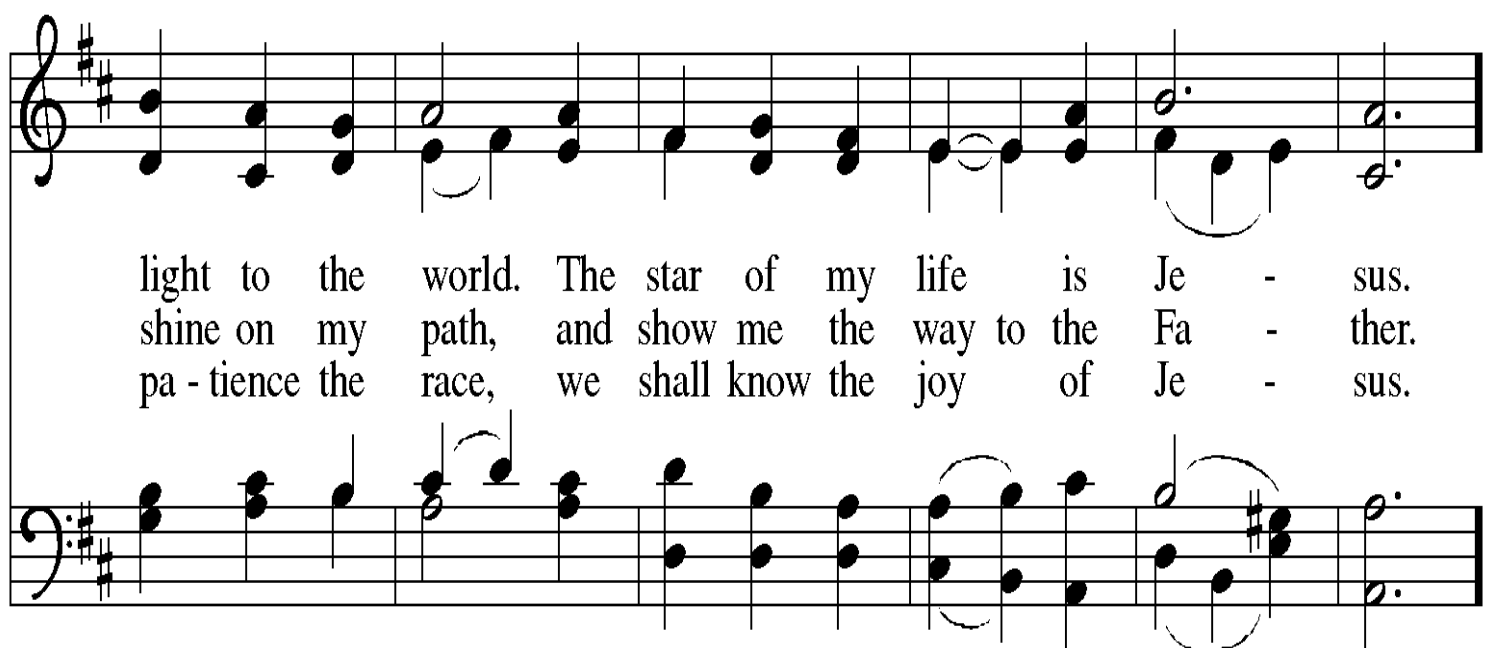
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
be with Je - sus. When we have run with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

Care & Concern List

Theresa Battaglia – Battling breast cancer (Friend of Karen Biedronski).

Debra Beck – Linda Meyer’s Sister.

Lorene Brocious – Undergoing cancer treatments (Niece of Birdie Patrick).

Greg Bryant – Son-in-Law of the Stansburys.

Kelly Stansbury Bryant – Daughter of the Stansburys.

Carol Bull – Pray for good news and healing after heart procedures.

Janet & Tommy Burkhart – Niece & Nephew of the Stansburys.

James Carnes – Friend of Howard Stansbury.

Katie Doyle – Friend of the Stansburys.

Beth F. - Pray for complete wellness and healing from cancer (friend of Joyce McMahan).

Diane Frederick – Pray for her to get adjusted to her new living situation and find peace and happiness there.

Loretta Gleason – Pray for strength and healing. (Birdie’s sister)

John Grosskopf – Friend of Howard Stansbury.

Debra Hopple – Daughter-in-law of Tom & Diane Hopple.

Meg K. – Pray for continued answers to health issues (friend of Joyce McMahan).

Family & Friends of Gordon Kelly – 102 year-old friend of Phil & Karen Biedronski passed on November 14th.

Joe Marsheck* - Pray for the miracle of healing and for comfort and peace while going through treatments.

Dolores McMahan* - Pray for strength and wellness.

Cameron Merica – Marine being deployed to Israel (Friend of Emily Krich)

Christine McCann – Pray for strength and increasing wellness as she adjusts to regular dialysis. (Friend of Joyce McMahan)

Katie McPherson – Pray for recovery from the sudden onslaught of Bells Palsy.

Charlotte Pullara – Surgery (Mother of Stephanie Vancura).

Terrie Sommers – Health Issues (Niece of Pat Eichner).

Michele Thompson – Health Issues (Bea Walshinsky's daughter).

Harry & Harriet Tomak – Involved in a motorcycle accident (Friends of the Petrovich's).

Matthew Wilt* - Pray for strength and wellness of his heart.

Laura Young – Niece of Jane Bowie.

John Zeigenfuse – Brother of Nancy Kohlman. Pray for strength and peace as he battles cancer. Pray for his wife and caregiver also, Margaret, also.

*member CVLC

Names remain on the prayer list for **4 weeks**. Please contact the Church Office 410.668.8089, to help keep the prayer list updated.

Members at Home:

Jeanne George	Tom Hopple	Virginia Huettner
Elsie Peck	Jim Umerley	Bea Walshinsky
Jack Zimmerman	Diane Frederick	

Attendance: 11/12/2023

Sanctuary/In-Person Worship – 53

Sunday School - 13

Facebook Video Views – 70

Count Our Blessings: 11/12/2023

Weekly Offering - \$1,127.00

Online Giving 11/3/2023 – \$285.00

Victor's Vittles - \$125.00

Memorials - \$150.00

Bazaar - \$3,275.00

Thank you for your generous support!

Weekly offering needed to sustain our Church: \$4,650.00

Happy Birthday Wishes: Nov. 21 – Aaron Depew, Linda McMahon; Nov. 22 – Melissa Collins, JoAnn Velten; Nov. 23 – Virginia Huettner, Rich Duncan

Happy Anniversary Wishes: Nov. 21 – Roberta & Edward Patrick

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, Nov. 19 – Sunday School and Confirmation Class 9:00AM

Sunday, Nov. 19 – Church Service 10:00AM

Sunday, Nov. 19 – Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday, Nov. 20 - Women's NA Group 7:00PM

Tuesday, Nov. 21 – Christus Comforters 9:30AM

Tuesday, Nov. 21 – Victor's Vittles Volunteers 11:00AM

Tuesday, Nov. 21 – Scout Pack #183 6:30PM

Wednesday, Nov. 22 – Thanksgiving Eve Holden Evening Prayer Service followed by a Pie Social 7:00PM

Thursday, Nov. 23 – Thanksgiving – Office Closed

Thursday, Nov. 23 – NA Group 7:30PM

Friday, Nov. 24 – Office Closed

Friday, Nov. 24 – New Beginnings 7:00PM

Saturday, Nov. 25 – Victor's Vittles 9:00-11:00AM

Tuesday, Nov. 28 – PCRC Meeting 7:00PM

Check the Master Calendar on the website or in the church office for long range dates for 2023.

Special Announcements:

Thanksgiving Eve Service is going to be extra special this year. We will be doing the beautiful Holden Evening Prayer musical service and will have guest deacons from other Lutheran churches. If you would like to join the choir to sing the leading parts in the music, please see Tate. We would love to have you. After the Thanksgiving Eve service, we will enjoy a pie social. If you want to bring one of your favorite pies or a homemade pie to share, that would be lovely.

Please mark your calendars for this opportunity to worship with gratitude.

Thanksgiving Day 2023 will mark a special joyous occasion! Our member Virginia Huettner will be turning 100 years old (November 23rd). We would love to shower her with cards. Her address is: Pickersgill Retirement Community, 615 Chestnut Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21204. (To make it even easier, we will have a small stack of pretty birthday cards in the foyer for you to sign for her.) If you would like to send her a small memento, Pastor Ellen will be making a visit to her the week of her birthday, so you could bring the small gift or cards (if you prefer not to mail them), by Sunday, November 19th, and Pastor Ellen will deliver them personally. Let's honor our sweet and beautiful centenarian.

A Huge Thank-You to all who donated items, made crafts, and helped out for the very successful Christmas Bazaar last Saturday. We raised \$3,750.20, the most ever. Several people requested another chance to look over the stunning photographs taken by our own Linda McMahon (since there were so many of them), and so her many unframed original prints will be available for sale after church for the rest of the month, as well as a few other seasonal items, such as the beautiful hand-crafted porch signs. The money will still be counted in the Bazaar proceeds. Just maybe we can hit an even \$4,000.00. What a God-sent blessing! Gracias.

VICTOR'S VITTLES:

We will most likely be giving out 100 Christmas Baskets to our Victor's Vittles families in December. We would love to give a small but meaningful gift to each family, just as a special treat in desperate times for many of them. We collected some gifts during Christmas in June, but we need more. Please consider bringing in gifts the families can choose from, such as:

1. Bags of special candies, cookies in tins, other treats
2. Fuzzy holiday socks for the whole family
3. Shoeboxes of trinkets and fun self-care items
4. Small games and toys
5. Hair accessories
6. Hats, scarves and mittens
7. Holiday blankets, pillows or throws
8. Children's jewelry
9. Pretty keepsake ornaments
10. Night lights

Just google stocking stuffers, and the ideas are endless. Please use your imagination to help us give a special joyous treat for our families to choose. You may bring them in an Unwrapped box or see-through packaging of some kind and leave them in the narthex. God Bless your generosity!

November 25th – Faye Lari, Michael Lari

Driver Pick-up November 24th – Stansburys

Drivers are needed to help with pick-ups. If you can help, please call Howard Stansbury or the church office.

****Please do not donate items past their expiration date.**

**Victor's Vittles is now collecting donations for our
Christmas baskets:**

Mashed potatoes

Canned yams

Stuffing mix

Cranberry sauce

**Cans of vegetables (especially corn, green beans, and
sauerkraut)**

Gravy



Get all your Thanksgiving groceries with the best bag!
When you buy the \$2.50 reusable Community Bag at our
designated Giant Food Store in Nottingham,
by White Marsh Mall 7944 Honeygo Blvd.,
during the month of November,
Christus Victor will receive \$1.00 for every bag.

NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE for VICTOR'S VITTLES

During the month of November, the month of Thanksgiving, we are having a food drive for our Victor's Vittles Food Pantry. You can bring your donation in on Sundays and place in the basket starting November 5th.

If your last name begins with:

A - C ** Cereal

D - G ** Jelly

H - I ** Peanut Butter

J - L ** Baked Beans

M - O ** Canned Fruit

P - R ** Chef Boyardee canned Pasta

S - U ** Canned Chicken or Spam

V - Z ** Canned Tuna



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