

# Baptism of Our Lord

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We welcome you into the worship of Salem Lutheran Church where the Rev. Jeffrey Iacobazzi presides over this service of scripture, prayer, music and Holy Communion.

Holy Communion is served at the rail. (You may kneel or stand). Let Pastor Jeff know if you require a gluten-free wafer. The tray includes wine (the dark color) or white grape juice (the amber color).

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**P Presiding Minister**

**A Worship Assistant**

**All Congregation**



## **GATHERING**

*The bell rings to announce the start of the service.  
We light the candles.*

### **Prelude**

*Anointing Fall on Me*

### **The Ambassadors for Christ**

**Recorded January 12, 2020**

Music: Donn Thomas

### **The Welcome**

Denise Chisveto

# Confession and Forgiveness

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
the Word who spoke life into being,  
the Wind stirring the waters.

**All Amen**

**P** Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.  
*(Silence for Reflection)*

**P** Mighty God, lover of justice,

**All you call us to life in community,  
but we have served our own interests  
at the expense of our neighbors.  
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.  
We say the right words,  
but our hearts are far from you.  
Turn us to seek your face.  
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,  
that we may do justice, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

**P** The former things have passed away,  
and new things God now declares:  
Like a spring of water that never fails,  
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,  
and forgives your sin in ✙ Jesus' name.  
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,  
and bless you with the gift of peace.

**All Amen.**

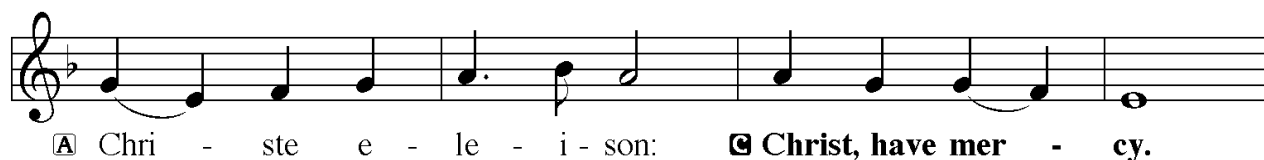
## Opening Hymn

# Greeting

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

**All And also with you.**

# Kyrie



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# Hymn of Praise



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**I** Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



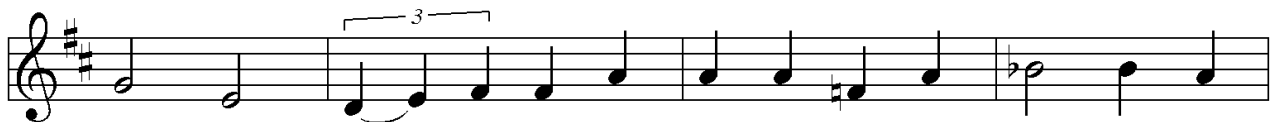
**G** Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



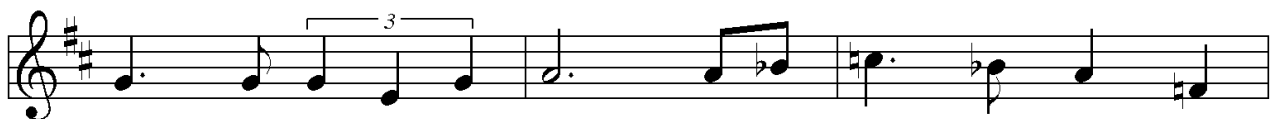
glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



**II** Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



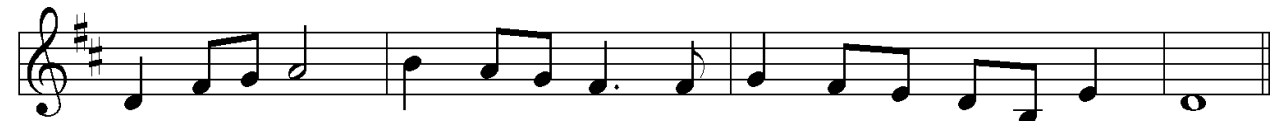
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.



**G** Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.

**I**  
**II** For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.  
**III** Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,  
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**All** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

**All** Amen.

# WORD

## First Reading     Isaiah 42:1-9

**A**     The word of the Lord.

**All**   **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 46

**A**     <sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,  
         ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**All**   <sup>2</sup>   **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name;  
         worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

**A**     <sup>3</sup> The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
         the God of glory thunders;  
         the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**All**   <sup>4</sup>   **The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
         the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

**A**     <sup>5</sup> The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
         the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**All**   <sup>6</sup>   **the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
         and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

**A**     <sup>7</sup> The voice of the Lord  
         bursts forth in lightning flashes.

**All**   <sup>8</sup>   **The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;  
         the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

**A**     <sup>9</sup> The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and  
         strips the forests bare.  
         And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

**All**   <sup>10</sup>   **The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
         the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

**A** <sup>11</sup> O Lord, give strength to your people;  
give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

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## Second Reading Acts 10:34-43

**A** The word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel Acclamation



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

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

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

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**P** The holy gospel according to Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

## The Gospel Matthew 3:13-17

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**



# Sermon      Pastor Jeff Iacobazzi

## Hymn

### *Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized*

**ELW 304**



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you  
2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant  
3 Straight-way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the  
4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as  
true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's  
call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to  
signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.  
ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.  
give your life for all, to give your life for all.  
per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

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## RITE OF INSTALLATION

**P** The following persons, having been elected by the congregation to positions of leadership, are asked to come forward as their offices and names are read.

*The offices and names of those to be installed are read by a representative of the congregation. As their names are called, they come forward and stand before the minister.*

*The minister addresses those being installed.*

**P** In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ liberated you from sin and death and made you members of his Church. Through Word and Sacrament you have been nurtured in faith. I ask you together with all who are here gathered, to confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we are baptized.

*The congregation STANDS and The Creed is said.*

**All 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.**

*The congregation is seated. Those being installed stand and the minister addresses those being installed:*

**P** Saint Paul writes: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. There are different ways of serving, but the same Lord is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives to everyone ability for particular service. The Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person, for the good of all.

You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation.

You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith reflect him in whose name we gather.

You are to work together with other members to see that the worship and work of Christ are done in this congregation, and that God's will is done in this community and in the whole world.

You are to be diligent in your specific area of serving, that the one Lord who empowers you is glorified.

You are to be examples of faith active in love, to help maintain the life and harmony of this congregation.

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you:  
Are you ready to accept and faithfully to carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

**They respond: Yes, by the help of God.**

*Those being installed face the congregation. The minister addresses the congregation:*

**P** People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry Christ has given to all who are baptized?

**All Yes, by the help of God.**

*Those being installed face the minister, who addresses them:*

**P** I now declare you installed as council members of this congregation. God bless you with his Holy Spirit, that you may prove faithful servants of Christ.

*Those installed return to their places and the prayers are said*

# Prayers of Intercession

**P** As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

*Responses after each petition:*

**A** Hear us, O God;

**All** **your mercy is great.**

**P** Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

**All** **Amen.**



## MEAL

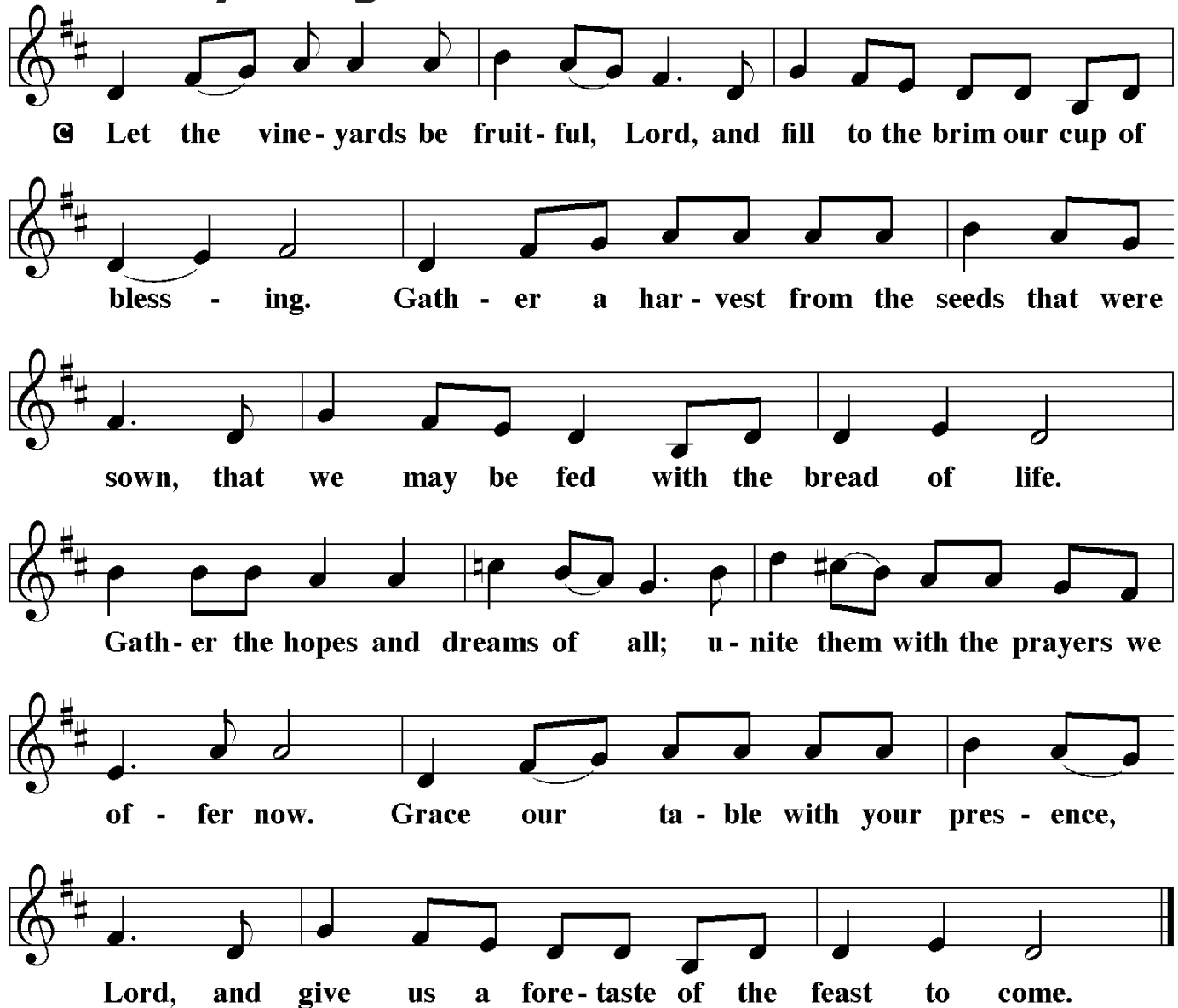
# Sharing of the Peace

**P** The Peace of Lord be with you always.

**All** **And also with you.**

# Offering

# Offertory Song



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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**A** Let us pray.

God of majesty,  
no eye has seen, no ear has heard  
what you have prepared for those who love you,  
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.  
Use what we have gathered  
to feed us with the reign of God come near,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**All Amen.**

# Great Thanksgiving

**P** The Lord be with you.

**All** And also with you.

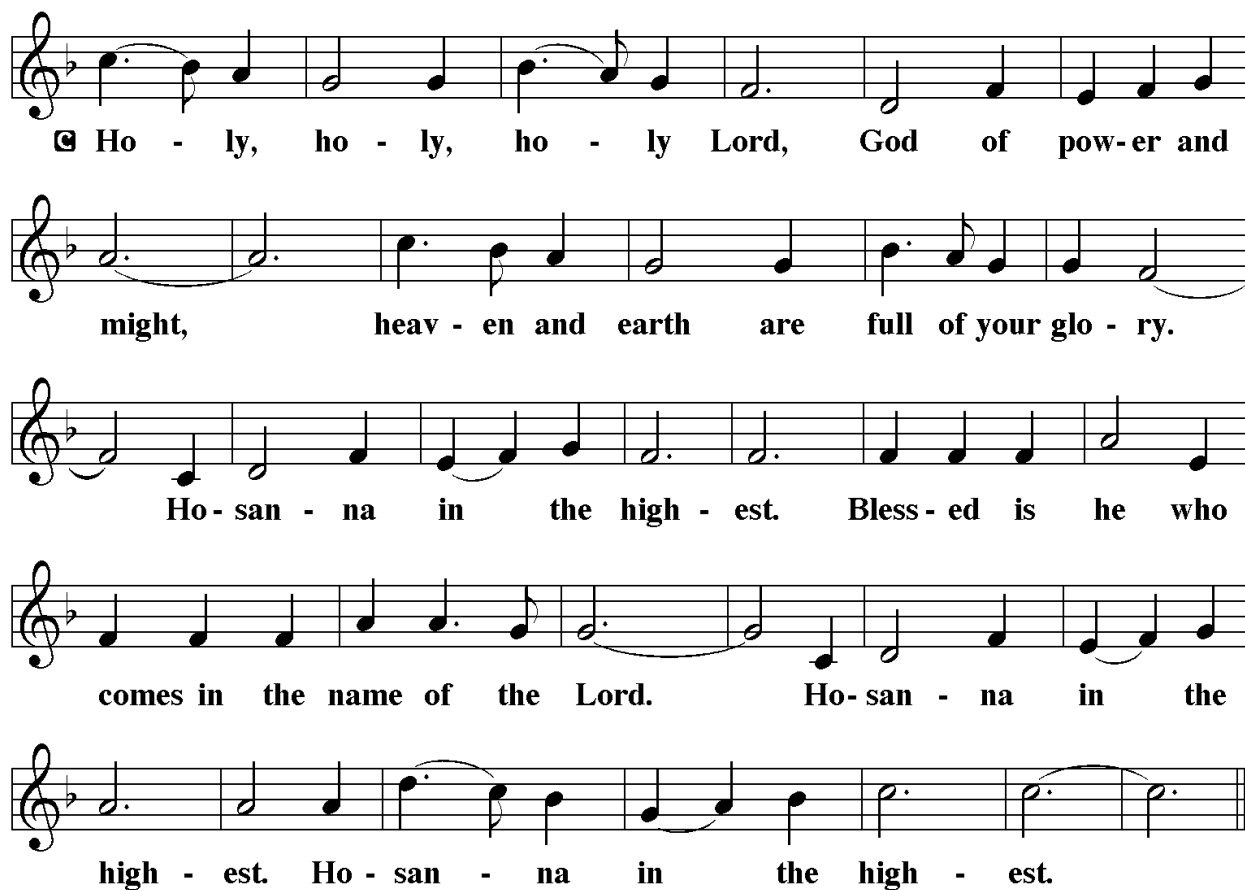
**P** Lift up your hearts.

**All** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**P** 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, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

**P** Holy, Blessed are you, O holy God:  
you are the Life and Light of all.  
By your powerful word you created all things.  
Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to  
the nations.  
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.  
He is your Light, shining in our darkness  
and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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.

Remembering, therefore,  
his preaching and healing,  
his dying and rising,  
and his promise to come again,  
we await that day when all the universe  
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.  
By your Spirit bless us and this meal,  
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,  
we may be light for the world,  
revealing the brilliance of your Son.  
Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever

**All    Amen.**

# **The Lord's Prayer**

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

# **The Communion Invitation**

**P   God is now in flesh appearing.  
Come to the feast of joy!**

All are welcome.



**L**amb 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.

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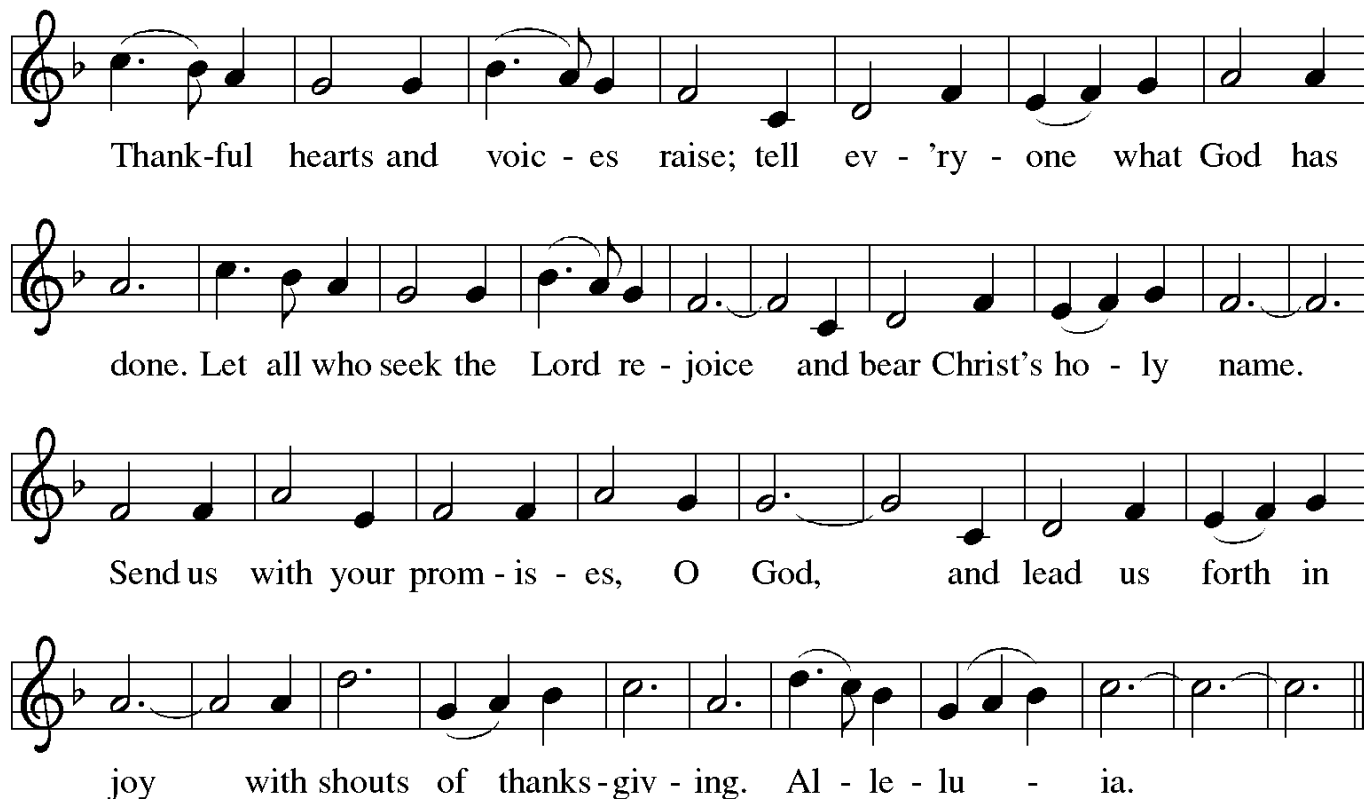
## The Communion

*Come to the rail, as directed by the usher, and stand or kneel. Let Pastor Jeff know if you require a gluten-free wafer. The tray includes wine (the dark color) or white grape juice (the amber color).*

## Communion Blessing

**P** The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

# Post-Communion Canticle



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has  
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in  
joy with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

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**A** Let us pray.

Incarnate God, you are among us at this table.

May we treasure this gift and ponder in our hearts  
the mystery of your presence.

Move us to discover the wonders of your love  
in the everyday moments of our lives,  
through Christ born in us.

**All Amen.**

## Announcements

## **SENDING**

### **Benediction**

**P** The triune God,  
glorious Mystery,  
holy Incarnate One,  
abiding Comforter,  
✙ bless you with endless grace, peace, and joy.

**All Amen.**

### **Sending Song**

### **Dismissal**

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

# January, 2026

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