

The Holy Trinity

May 31, 2026

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We welcome you into the worship of Salem Lutheran Church. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One. In the gospel today (Matthew 28:19) Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Rev. Jeffrey Iacobazzi leads our service today and shares his message for Holy Trinity Sunday. Charles Rader is worship assistant this week and Rosemary Rader is our music director. They lead us in the closing hymn (ELW 513) "Listen, God is Calling" - a vibrant traditional Tanzanian hymn. The lyrics that focus on Jesus' mandate to share the good news, baptize, and seek justice.

There is a basket for your tithes and offerings. You may also give through our web site or by using the U. S. mail (addresses listed at the top of this page). [Click here for the link.](#)



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P Presiding Minister

A Worship Assistant

All Congregation



GATHERING

Bell rings to announce the start of the service. We light the candles.

Prelude

Father, I Adore You

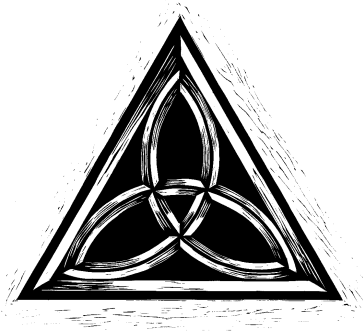
Lee Ara Watson and Pastor James M. Capers

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Words of Welcome

Charles Rader



Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

All Amen

P Let us confess our sin to God.

(Silence for Reflection)

P Compassionate God,

All we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

in your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

P Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

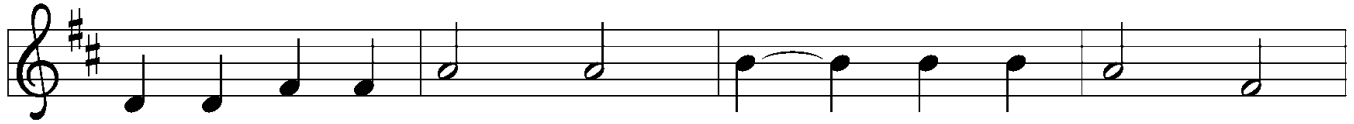
Rest in God's love.

All Amen.

Opening Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

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1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

PUBLIC DOMAIN

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Music: John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.

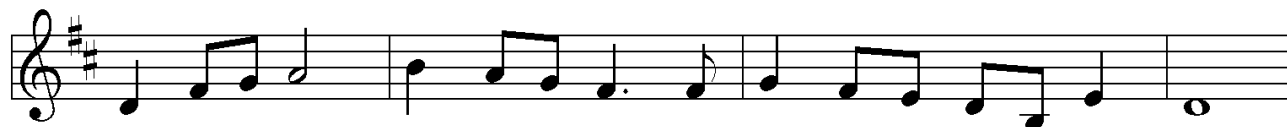
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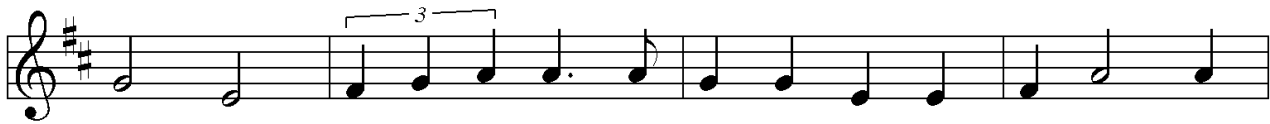
Hymn of Praise



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 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.



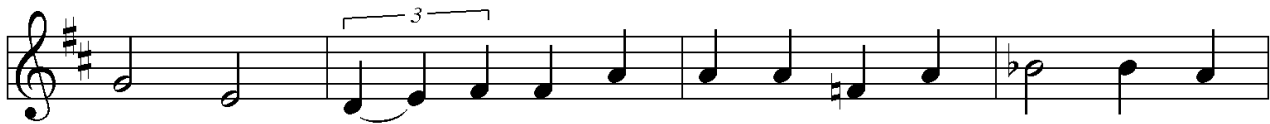
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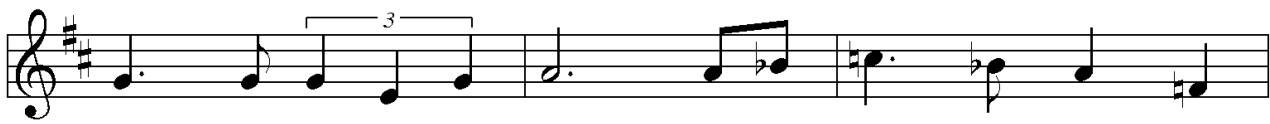
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



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



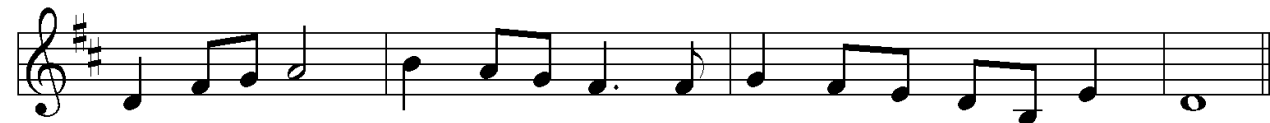
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



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



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.

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The Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

WORD



First Reading Genesis 1:1—2:4a

A The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 8

A ¹ O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

All ² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out
of the mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies,
to silence the foe and avenger.**

A ³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

All ⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful
of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**

A ⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.

All ⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

A ⁷ all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,

All ⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

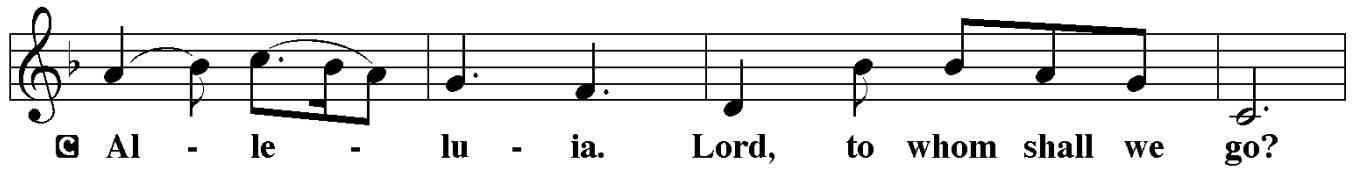
A ⁹ O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

A The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation



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P The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 28th chapter.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

P The gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon **Pastor Jeff Iacobazzi**

STAND

Hymn of the Day

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

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- 1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—
- 2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
- 3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame
- 4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter - weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.
then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.
set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.
we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,
The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
Let voic - es rise and in - ter - weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.
when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

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Music: English folk tune

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The Nicene Creed

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

P Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

Responses after each petition:

A God of Grace,
All **hear our prayer.**

P Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

All **Amen.**



MEAL

Sharing of the Peace

P The Peace of the 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



bles - sing. 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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Offertory Prayer

A Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

All Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

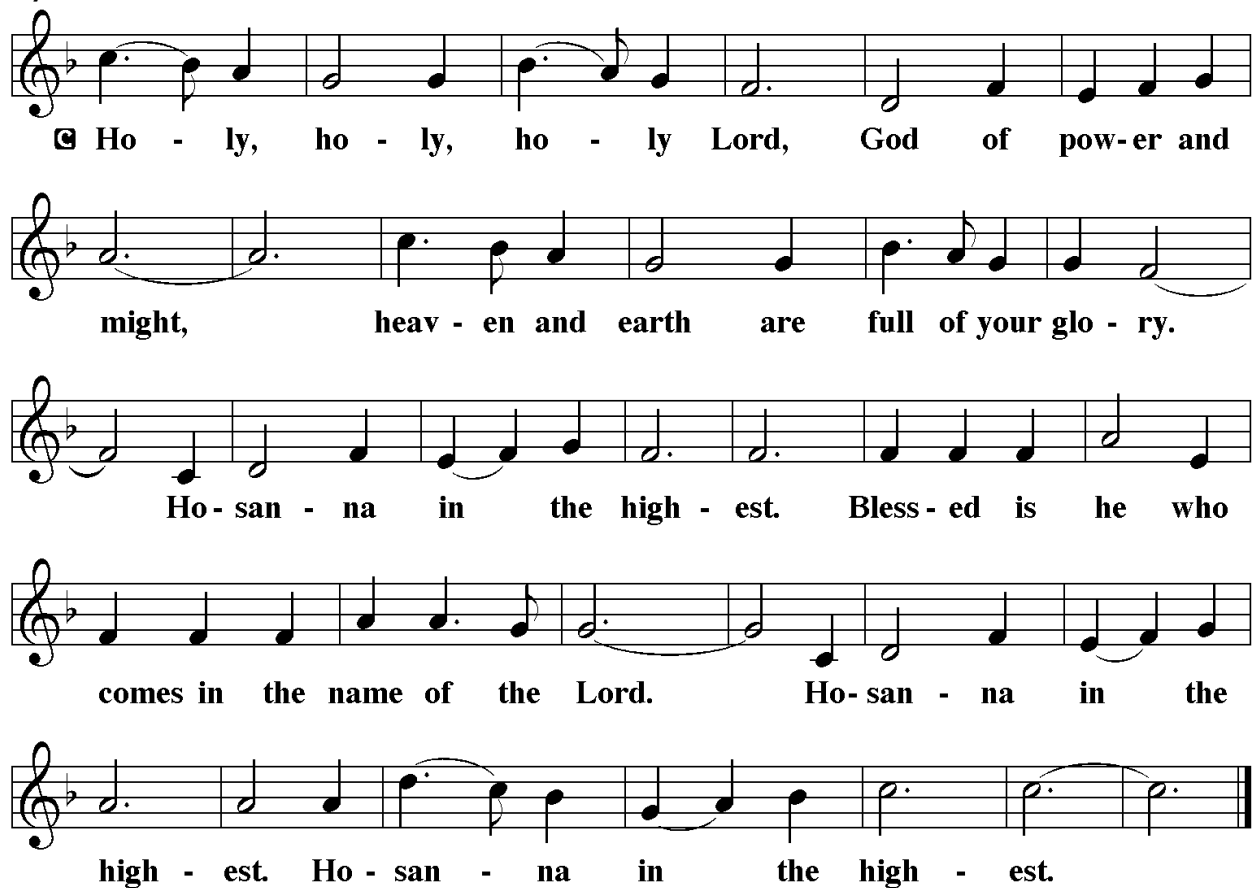
All We lift them to the Lord.

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 our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God.
You reveal your glory
as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God,
ever to be adored in your eternal glory and salutary that we
should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you,
O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. You have
revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy
Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet
one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, 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.

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P Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!
You beyond the galaxies,
you under the oceans,
you inside the leaves,
you pouring down rain,
you opening the flowers,
you feeding the insects,
you giving us your image,
you carrying us through the waters,
you holding us in the night;
your smile on Sarah and Abraham,
your hand with Moses and Miriam,
your words through Deborah and Isaiah;
you lived as Jesus among us,
healing, teaching, dying, rising,
inviting us all to your feast.

In the night in which he was betrayed, he 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.

Holy God, we remember your Son,
His life with the humble,
His death among the wretched,
His resurrection for us all:
Your wisdom our guide,
Your justice our strength,
Your grace our path to rebirth.
And so we cry, Mercy:

All Mercy!

P Holy God, we beg for your Spirit:
Enliven this bread,
Awaken this body,
Pour us out for each other.
Transfigure our minds,
Ignite your church,
Nourish the life of the earth.
Make us, while many, united,
Make us, though broken, whole,
Make us, despite death, alive.
And so we cry, Come, Holy Spirit:

All Come, Holy Spirit!

P You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three,
Our Life, our Mercy, our Might,
Our Table, our Food, our Server,
Our Rainbow, our Ark, our Dove,
Our Sovereign, our Water, our Wine,
Our Light, our Treasure, our Tree,
Our Way, our Truth, our Life.
You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!
Praise now,
Praise tomorrow,
Praise forever.
And so we cry, Amen, amen:

All Amen, 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 Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

All are welcome.



☪ 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.

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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

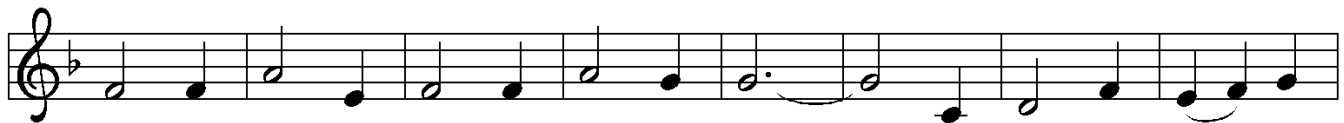
P The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.



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.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young

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A Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

All Amen.

SENDING

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Benediction

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.


All Amen.

Sending Song

Listen, God Is Calling

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Refrain
Leader All



Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,



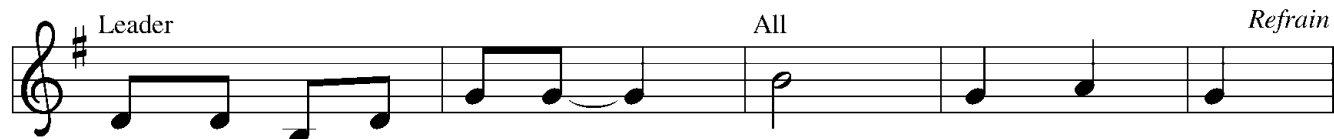
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All



- 1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news
- 2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.
- 3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*



that he came to save us and set us free.
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

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Dismissal

A Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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Charles Rader, Worship Assistant

Divine Adolphe and Racheal Adolphe, Acolyte

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