Time after Pentecost November 15, 2026

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We welcome you into the worship of Salem Lutheran Church. The Rev. Jeffrey Iacobazzi leads our service today and shares his message. Rosemary Rader is our musician and Dardhe Lake is worship assistant for this 25th Sunday after Pentecost.

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).

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

Kwake Yesu Nasimama

On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand

Pastor James M. Capers

Recorded August 7, 2022

Music: Kenyan Hymn

Words of Welcome Dardhe Lake

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.

All **Amen**

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

(Silence for Reflection)

P Holy God,

All **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation**
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

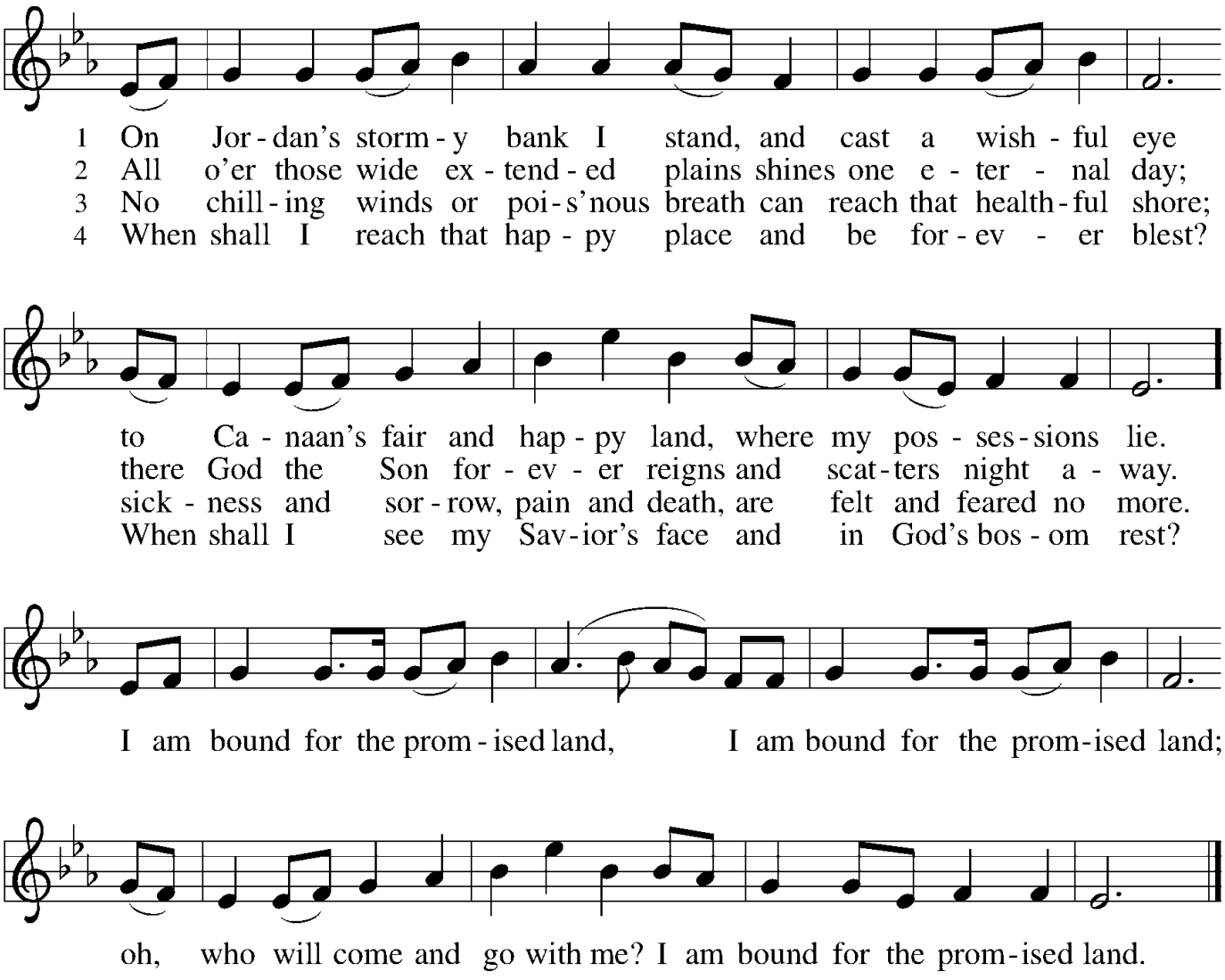
P Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven.
Blessed are you.

All **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

On Jordan's Stormy Bank I Stand

ELW 437



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Music: W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; adapt. Rigdon M. McIntosh, 1836–1899
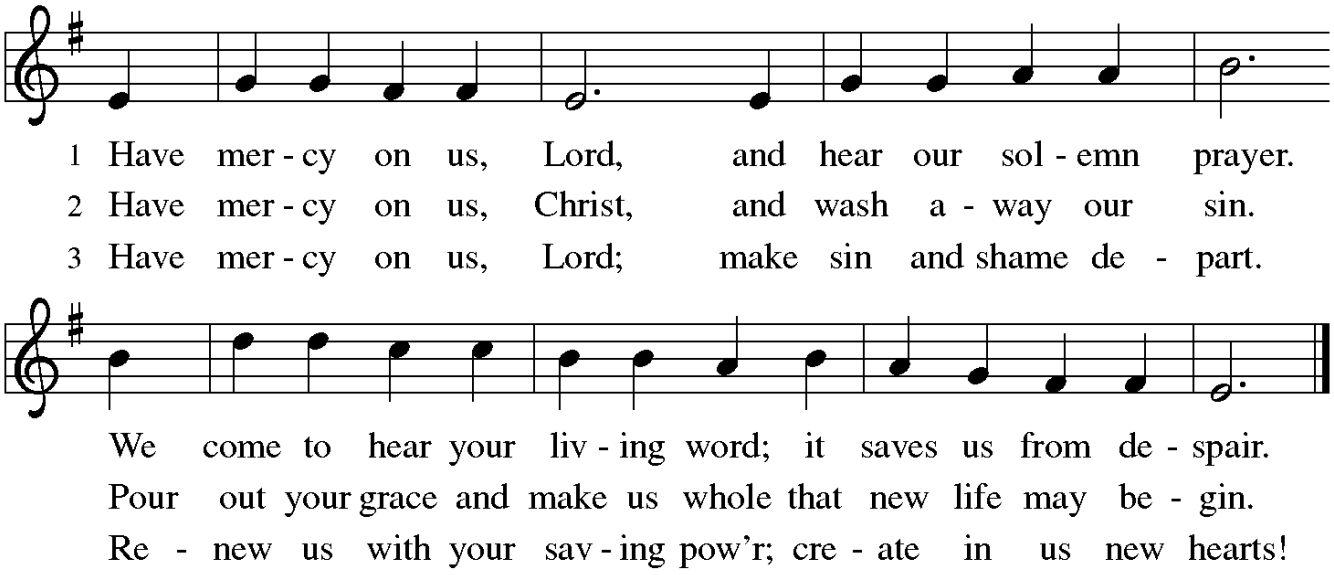
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Greeting

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

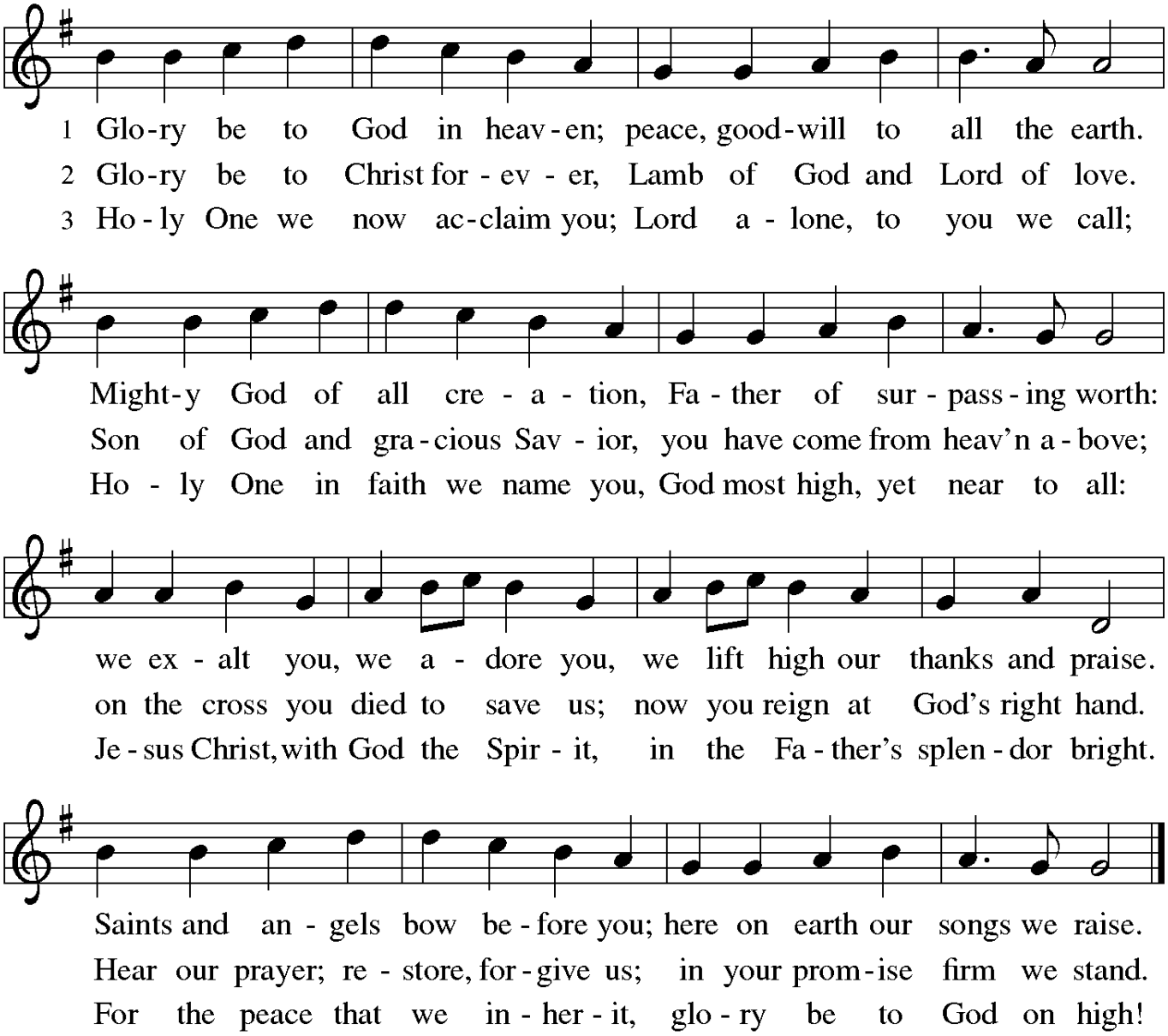
All **And also with you.**

Kyrie



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Canticle of Praise



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The Prayer of the Day

P 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.

All Amen.

WORD

First Reading Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

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

PSALM 90

A 1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.

All 2 **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.**

A 3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."

All 4 **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past
and like a watch in the night;**

A 5 you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:

All 6 **in the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

A 7 For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.

All 8 **Our iniquities you have set before you,
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

A 9 When you are angry, all our days are gone;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

All 10 **The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even eighty;
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.**

A [11] Who regards the power of your wrath?
Who rightly fears your indignation?

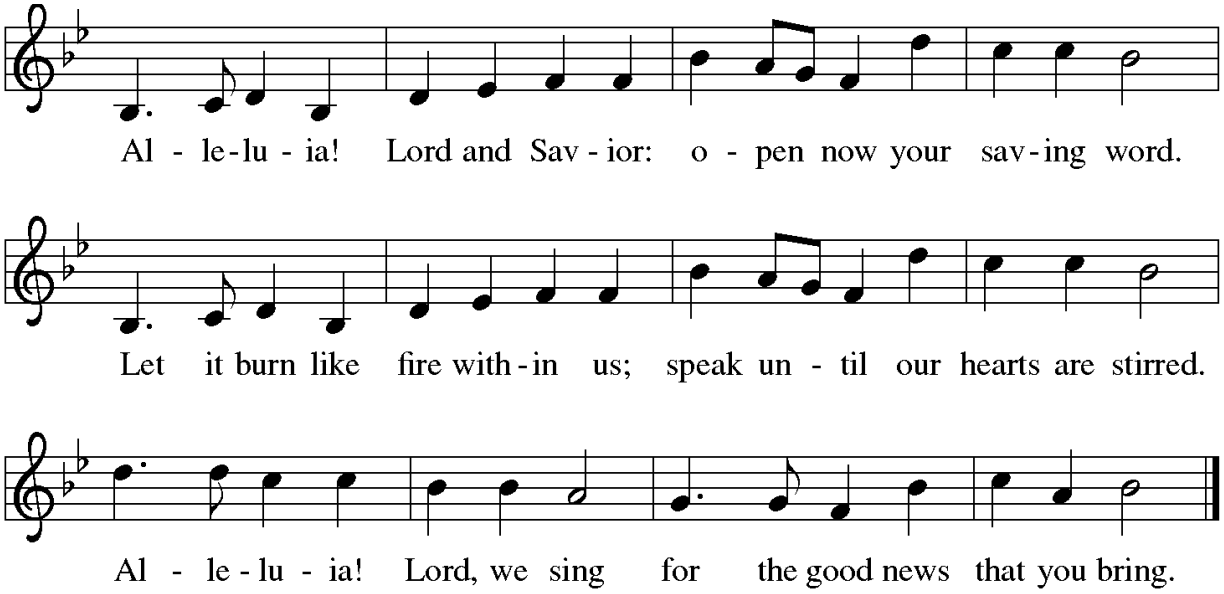
All [12] **So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

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Second Reading First Thessalonians 4:13-18

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 25th chapter.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**
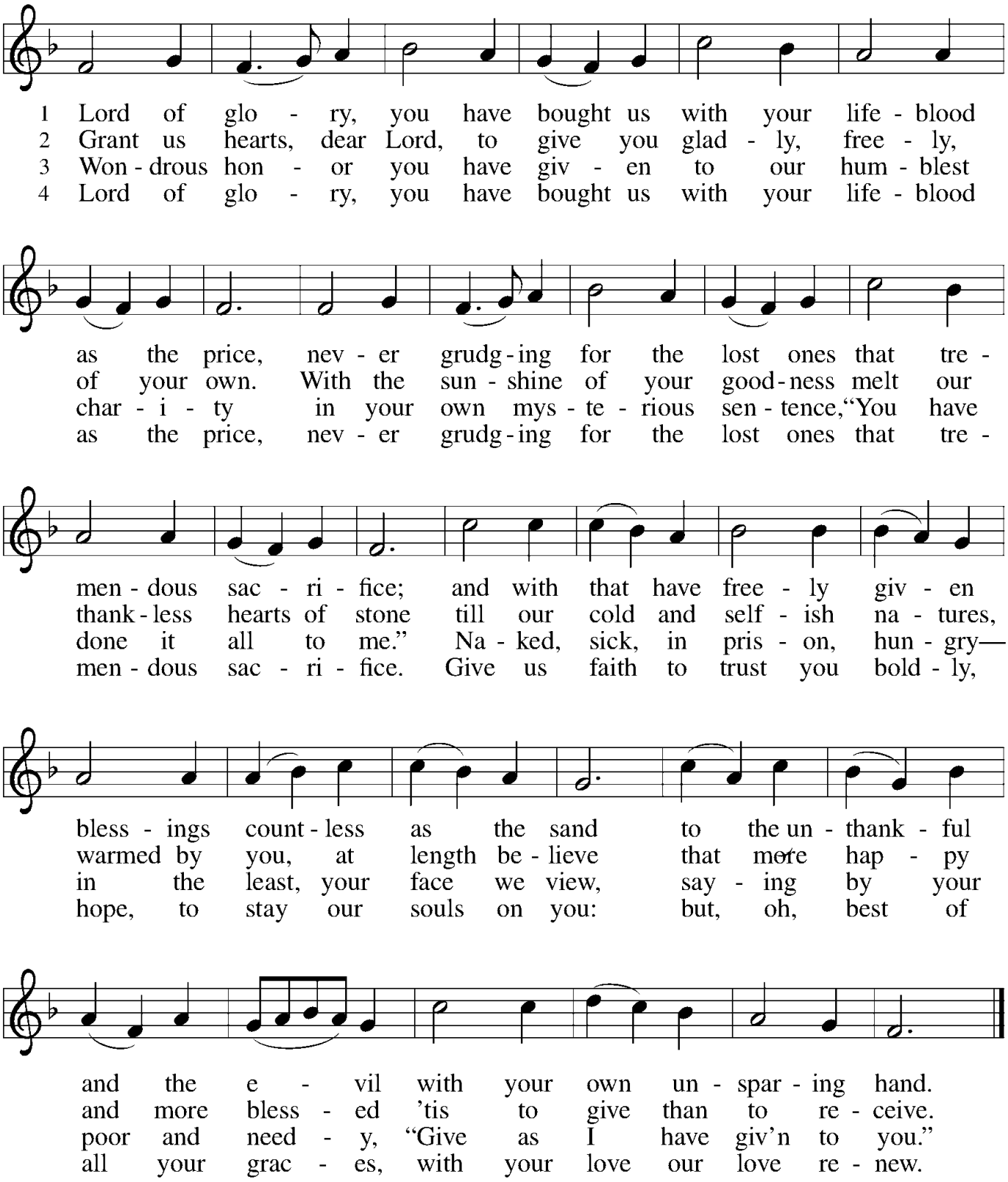
The Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

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

Sermon **Pastor Jeff Iacobazzi**

Hymn

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us **ELW 707**



Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818-1889, alt.
Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887
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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 United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Responses after each petition:

A Lord, in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

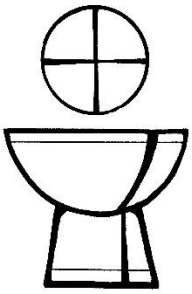
P Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
All **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

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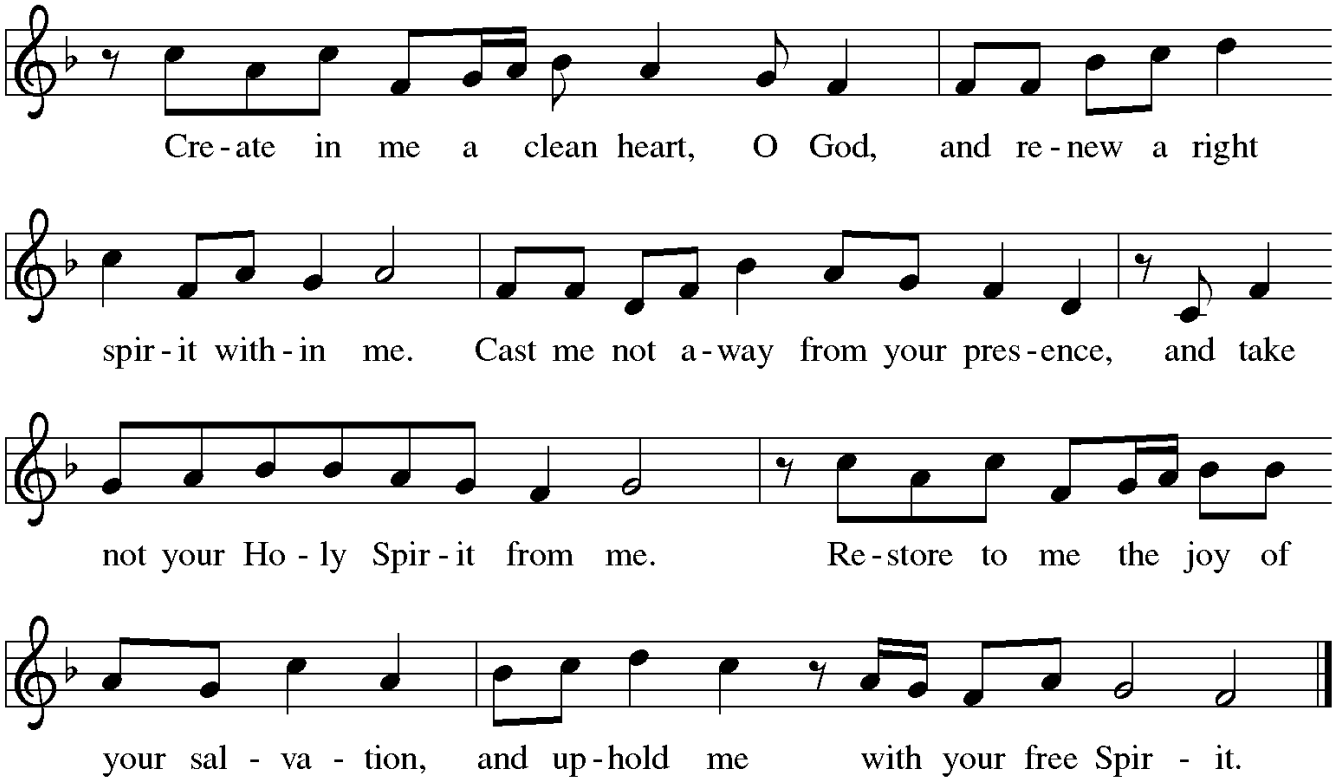
All **And also with you.**

MEAL



Offering

Offertory Song ELW 186



Music: Richard W. Hillert, 1923-2010

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Offertory Prayer

A Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All **Amen.**



The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

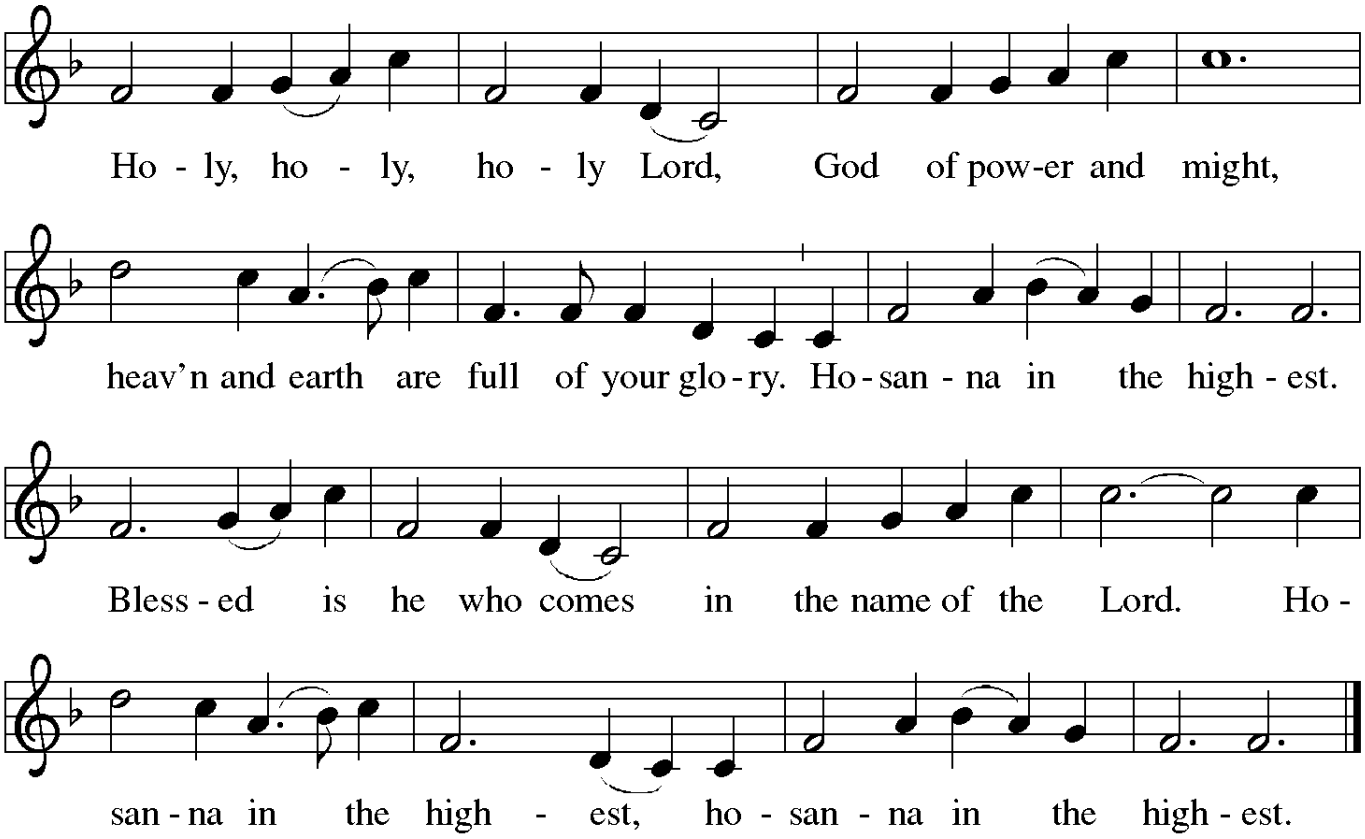
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
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 all the choirs of angels, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Holy God,
our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,

and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

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 life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body 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
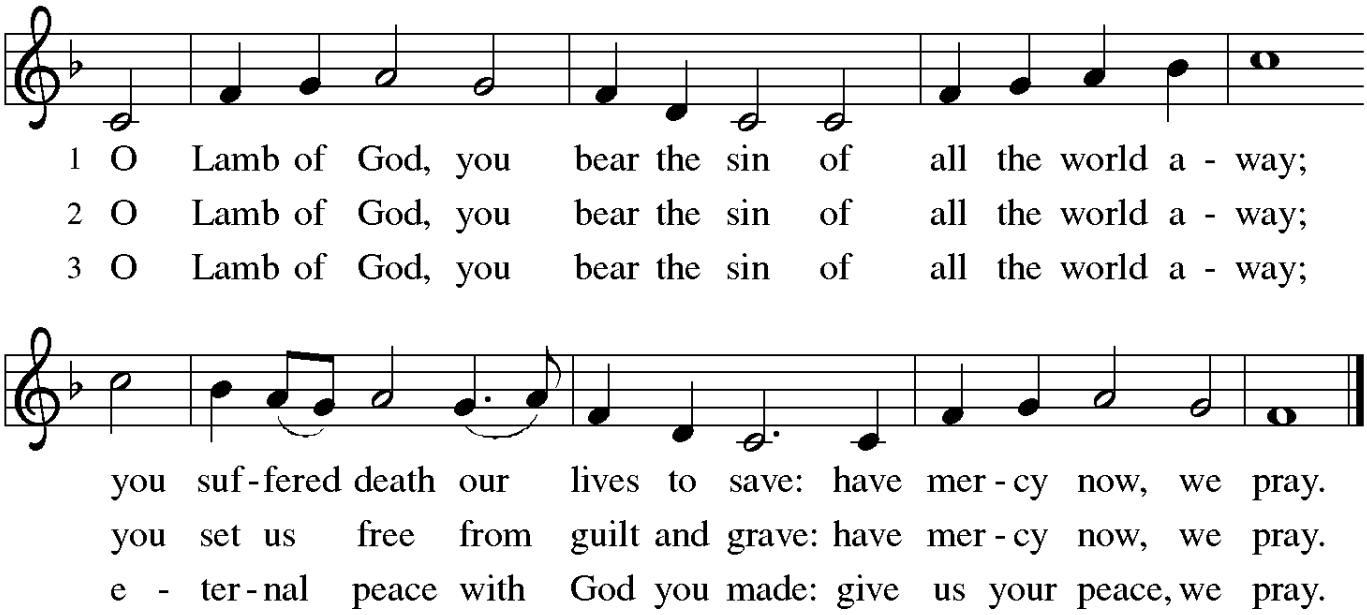
P In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.

Come, receive what Christ has prepared!

All are welcome.



Lamb of God



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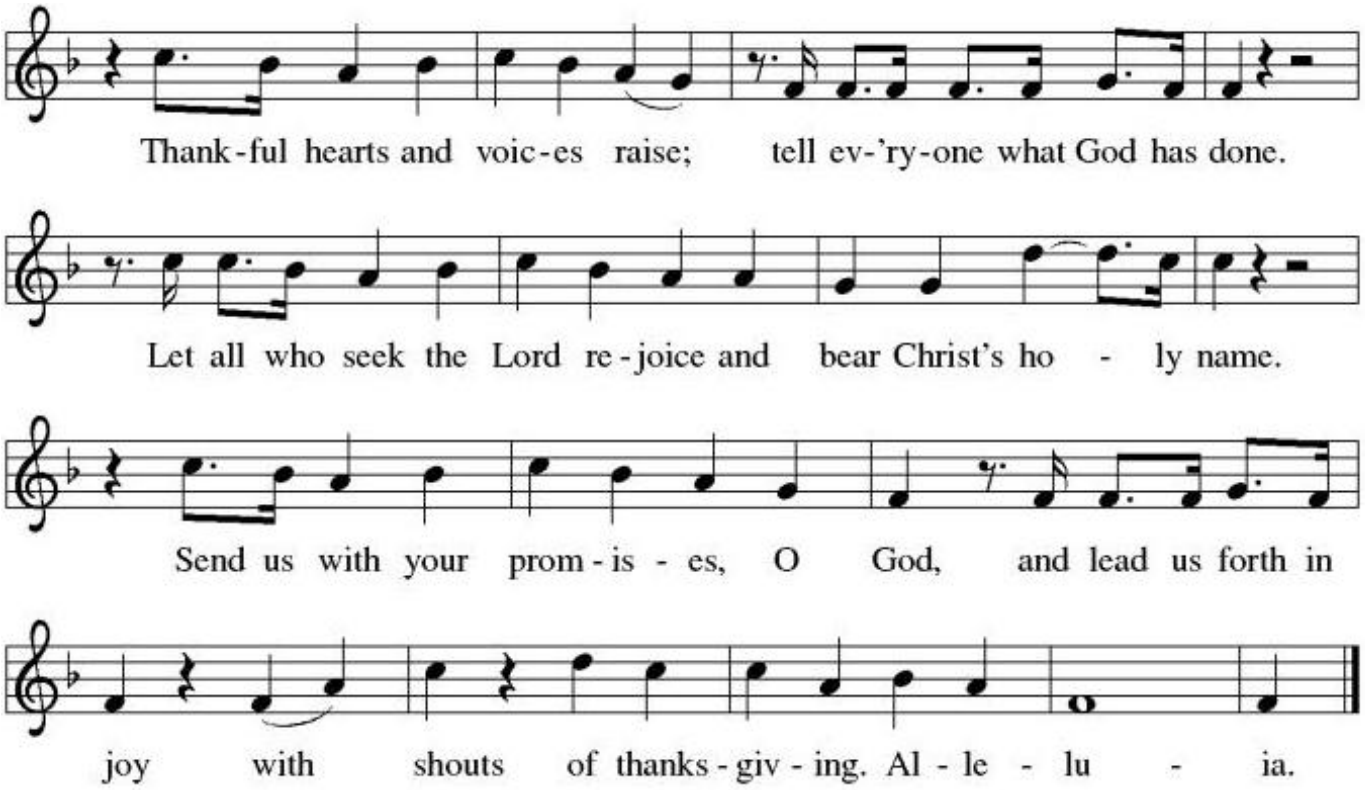
The Communion

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 ELW 205



Liturgy of Joy
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Prayer After Communion

A Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost,
bind the injured,
and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out,
awake to your presence,
now and forever.

All **Amen.**

SENDING

Announcements and Prayer Concerns
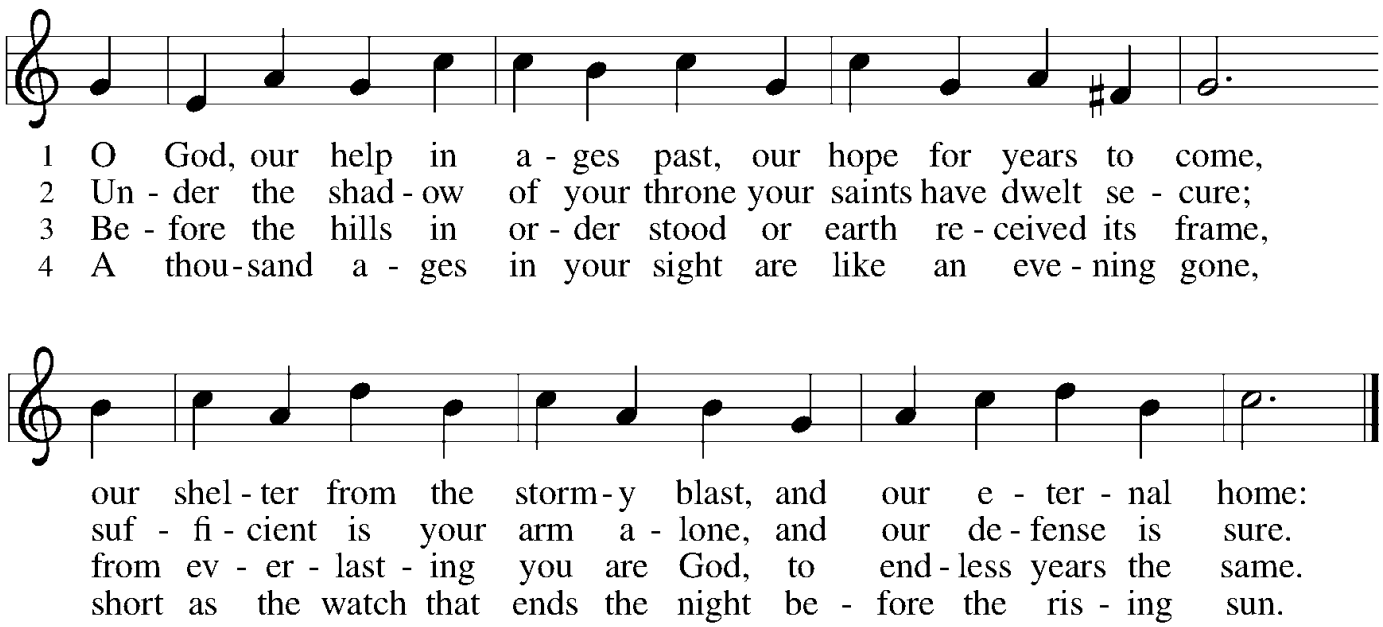


Benediction

P The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.

All **Amen.**

Sending Song

O God, Our Help in Ages Past **ELW 632**



5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they 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: William Croft, 1678-1727

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Dismissal

A Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

November 15, 2026

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