



For all peoples a feast of rich food

ISAIAH 25:6

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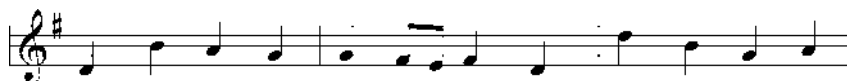
Thoughts as we gather:

Clothed in the Righteousness of Christ, We Partake of His Wedding Feast

By His cross and resurrection, the Lord has swallowed up death forever, and by His Gospel He “will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth” (Is. 25:8). Therefore, “let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation” (Is. 25:9). On the mountain of the Lord of hosts — in His Church on earth, as in the kingdom of heaven — He has made “for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine” (Is. 25:6). It is the royal “wedding feast” of the Son of God, “and everything is ready” (Matt. 22:1, 4). Thus, His servants are sent into the highways and byways to invite and gather as many as they find, “both good and bad,” to fill the wedding hall with guests (Matt. 22:8–10). In Holy Baptism, He clothes them all in the “wedding garment” of His own perfect righteousness (Matt. 22:11). Therefore, “do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God,” and “rejoice in the Lord always” (Phil. 4:4–6).

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

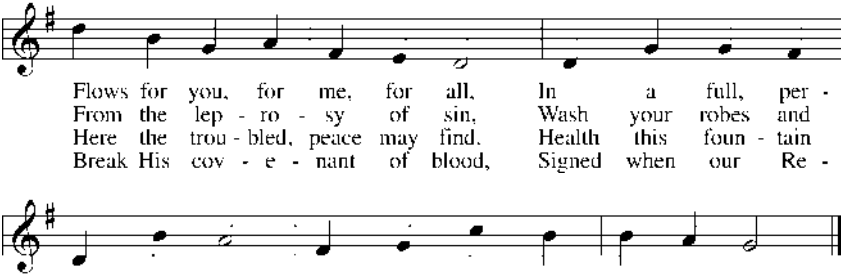
435 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,
tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find, Health this foun - tain
 Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -

pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
 make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.
 will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.
 deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt.
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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Isaiah 61:10; antiphon: Psalm 146:2

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;

my soul shall exult in my God,

for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation;

He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful head-
dress,

and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

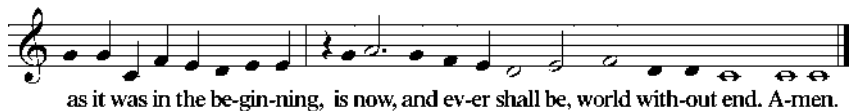
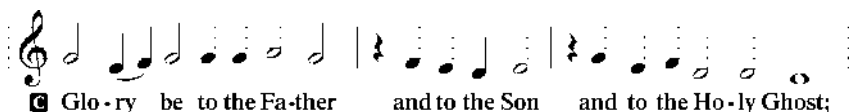
and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

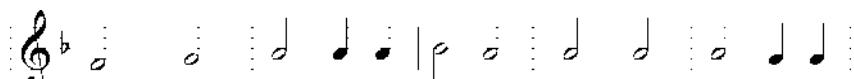
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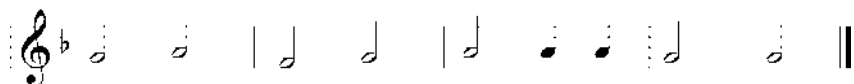


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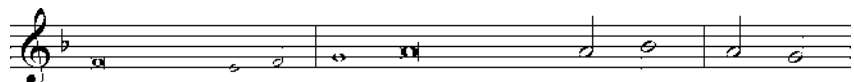
C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



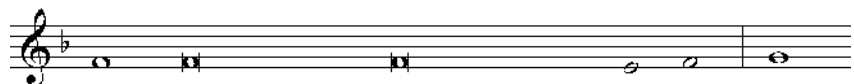
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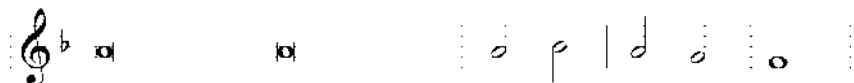
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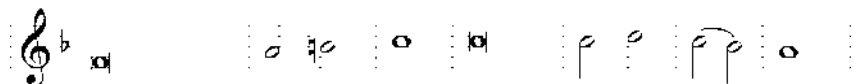
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



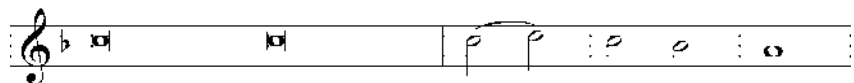
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



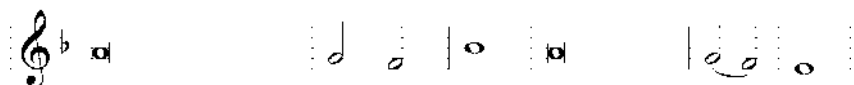
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



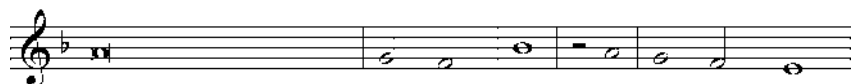
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

P Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Sit

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And He will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the
earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, that He might
save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for Him;
let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 5a

¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.

²**He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.**

³He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.

⁴**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
**You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.**

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA

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C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



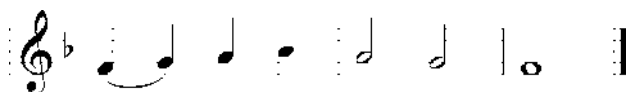
C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest

seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Sit

510 A Multitude Comes from the East and the West



1 A mul - ti - tude comes from the east and the west
2 O God, let us hear when our Shep - herd shall call
3 All tri - als shall be like a dream that is past,
4 The heav - ens shall ring with an an - them more grand



To sit at the feast of sal - va - tion
In ac - cents per - sua - sive and ten - der,
For - got - ten all trou - ble and mourn - ing,
Than ev - er on earth was re - cord - ed.



With A - bra - ham, I - saac, and Ja - cob, the blest,
That while there is time we make haste, one and all,
All ques - tions and doubts have been an - swered at last,
The blest of the Lord shall re - ceive at His hand



O - bey - ing the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion.
And find Him, our might - y de - fend - er.
When ris - es the light of that morn - ing,
The crown to the vic - tors a - ward - ed.



Have mer - cy up - on us, O Je - sus!
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SERMON

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERING



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace, that we may hear and heed the invitation of our Lord and joyfully wear the baptismal clothing of His righteousness, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the Church purchased with Christ's precious blood, that God would preserve her in the pure teaching of His Word, in the right use of His Sacraments and in the unity of the faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P That the estate of marriage would be honored and upheld as God has ordained it, with husbands and wives loving and serving each other, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- P** For our nation and the world, for our president and Congress, for our governor and all local government officials, and for an end to war and conflict, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For [_____and] all who weep here, that the Lord of hosts, who will at last wipe away all tears, would comfort them as they await full restoration at His heavenly banquet, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all who commune this day, that in the midst of a world that refuses Christ's gracious invitation, the Church may remain unstained by the world and not fail to partake of His Supper worthily, clothed in His baptismal grace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those who mourn, that they may be comforted with the certainty of life everlasting for all who die in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Heavenly Father, give us such joy in pursuing what is true, just, pure and worthy of praise, that spurning the temptations of this world, we would suffer no anxiety. Let our trust be placed fully in Christ, and let our hope rest in the life of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an Elder.

PREFACE

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P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

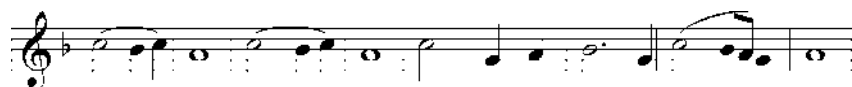


C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

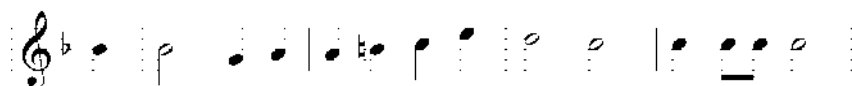
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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.

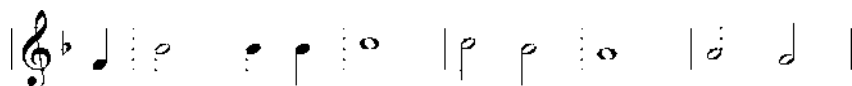


Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

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P 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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

LSB 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



G A - men.

AGNUS DEI

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



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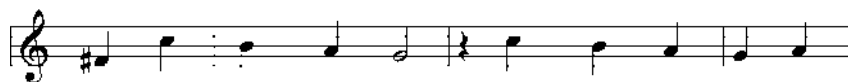
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DISTRIBUTION

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in
 3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is
 4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not
 5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed,



Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and
 Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my
 night, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and
 rob me of my cheer; For He who is of
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy



strength for - cv - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
 death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.



Refrain
 Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - umphant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!

△ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days:
 Three in One, Your name we praise.
 Alleluia!

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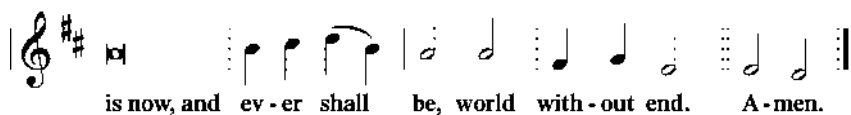
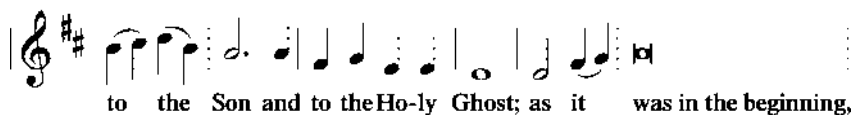
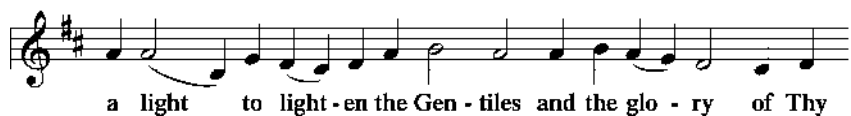
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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

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THANKSGIVING

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P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

BENEDICAMUS

LSB 202

P Bless we the Lord.

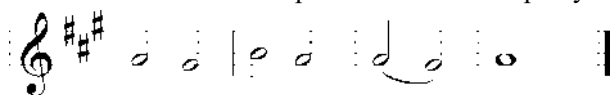


C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.



G A-men, a-men, a - men.

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733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

sts. 1-6



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



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
 Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art 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,
 Soon bears us all 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,
 Be Thou our guard while troubles last
 And our eternal home!

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SERVING SERVICE TODAY:

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SUNDAY READINGS

The readings for Sunday, October 18, 2026, are:

Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalms 96:1-9 (10-13) (antiphon: v.9a)

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

October 11 – 19th Sunday after Trinity

Ephesians 4:24 – “Put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.” We have a new identity in Christ. Our old identity was in Adam; we were sinners, enemies of God, destined for death and destruction. But in Christ, we have a new identity: we are forgiven, the children of God, cleansed, destined for life everlasting. These two identities continue to struggle as we exist in this fallen world. So St. Paul encourages us to “put on the new self” — to consciously cling to Christ in faith and claim our new identity in Him. Coming to the Lord’s House, faithfully supporting the ministry, praying and reading Scripture daily — these are the works of the new self.

**“DO WE SPEND MORE
TIME LOOKING AT THE
TELEVISION THAN WE
SPEND IN THE WORD OF
GOD?”**

THIS WEEK AT ASCENSION

Sun. (10/11)	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Service Bible Study Council Meeting
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Mon. (10/12)	Office Closed	Columbus Day
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Wed. (10/14)	11:30 a.m.	Bible Study
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Sat. (10/17)	8:30 a.m.	Men's Club
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Sun. (10/18)	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Service Bible Study Oktoberfest
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ATTENDANCE:

10/04/2026	9:00 a.m.	66
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OFFERING:

Needed weekly:	\$ 4,501.00	Needed YTD	\$ 180,040.00
Rec'vd. 10/04/2026	<u>\$ 8,517.00</u>	Rec'vd YTD	<u>\$ 183,265.38</u>
Over Weekly	\$ 4,016.00	Over YTD	\$ 3,225.38

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome you and invite you to join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall after service. Be sure to check in with Debbie in the Narthex before service. Visitors are asked to sign the guest book in the Narthex, please include your address and home church. If this is your first time attending Holy Communion at Ascension, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder prior to the service.

OFFICE CLOSURE

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, October 12 in observance of Columbus Day.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS

There will be no Adult Confirmation Class tomorrow as the office will be closed.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Church Council meeting will be held today at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall in person and via Zoom.

MEN'S CLUB

The next meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Saturday, October 17 at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men are welcome.

OKTOBERFEST

Please mark your calendars for our Oktoberfest celebration on Sunday, October 18 at 1:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please feel free to either text or call me at 760-887-7125. Hope to see you there. ~ Kathy Valvo.

CRAFT FAIR

We will have craft items for sale after church and during Oktoberfest on October 18. All proceeds will help fund the cost of repairing the furnace. If you would like to donate any homemade items, you can bring them to the Fellowship Hall before church. Please have the items marked with the price. We appreciate any donations you have!

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Today is the start of our Thanksgiving project that goes through November 8th. We are collecting \$25 grocery store gift cards to help supplement Thanksgiving dinners for those in need. A collection container is in the Narthex. If you have questions, please ask an Outreach Committee member. Thank you in advance for your help.

UPCOMING *Events*

Sunday, October 11th—Sunday, November 8th—Thanksgiving Grocery Store Gift Card Collection

Sunday, October 18th – Oktoberfest Potluck at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday November 8th—Sunday, November 29th—Spark of Love Toy Drive

Sunday, November 29th – Advent by Candlelight - immediately after service at approximately 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 13th – Congregational Christmas Party- at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Prayer and Praises” is your personal invitation to join with the Prayer Ministry of our church in daily prayer. If you would like someone to stay on the prayer list, please call the church office at 760-247-7392, put your request on the prayer cards in the church, or go on-line at www.ascensionav.org. Otherwise, names will be removed after **TWO** months.

ACCORDING TO THEIR NEED:

Angela Alder
Tricia Blake
Durfee Family
Gaylon Pastella
Gwen Strasburg
Bob Albert
MaryAnn Beck
Bill & Jan Blanton
Raymond Bond
Patrick Coole
Kathy Davis
Mary Diaz
John & Ann Duran
Joe & Penny Estrada
Alicia Ferrell
Christian Frash
Chrissie Gates
Zoey Gilman
John Gregg
Roger Hall
Jace Haynes
Beverlyn Johnson
Bud Justice
Melody LeGray
Anthony Lopez
Chelo Martinez
Tom & Joan Mason
Todd McCoy
Catherine McNeil
Military
Belita & Richard Nash
Adam Nieto
Richard & Alice Pastella
Diana Patel
Lauren Porter
Peggy Rhoades
Bill Robertson
Short Family
Georgina Soto
Joshua Todd
Brandon Vess
Joni Wangeman
Phyllis Wheaton
Cynthia Yancho

Mary Beuerle
Devin Coole
Jennifer Millgate
Mildred Sears
Rory Tighe
Dave Anderson
Marilyn Belka
Grayson Blomberg
Kyle Burton
Robert Coole
Nick & Julie DeRose
Christine Dunne
Don Eliason
Heidi Evans
Eleanor Fetterman
Angie Garcia
Faigie Gawn
Grace Glass
Raquel Gudino
Emilie Harding
Jeanne Hecksel
Erwin Johnson
Emma Kraus
Paytym Lemkee
Jean Manley
Debbie Martinez
Victoria Mathews
David McDonald
Linda Merkle
Grace Miskimen
Lee Nelson
David Parker
Seung-Hee Pastella
Patience & Family
Mel & Mary Quecke
Dave Riffel
Noreen Selle
Ashley Skiffington
Larry & Robin Thompson
Richard Torres
Donna Wagers
Joe Waters
Curtis Wise

Charles Blake
Judy Cutler
Beverly Moglich
Kevin Smith
Mike Adams
Greg Arida
Vivian Bingham
Sue Boers
Kim Carpenter
John Davis
Matt DeWitt
Kelley Dunne
Daniel Ellis
Lynn Fairgrief
Charity Frash
Jillian Garcia
Chris Gibson
Government
Shelly Hadsell
Pastor Harris
Justin Hedden & Family
Michelle Jones
Steve Kuhn
Frank Liedtke & Family
Epris Martin
Kelly Marscheider
Diane & Dave McCain
Brian McMahan
Dave Meyer
Jessica Moores
Lauren Newman
Glenn & Nancy Pastella
Tim & Marguerite Pastella
Esteban Penomeza
Michele Rawlins
Riley Family
Bea Shelby
Barbara Sosa
Cindy Todd
Denise Turner
Phyllis Walton
Sharon Waters
John Worstell



About the Cover: Isaiah gives us the vision of the great feast on the Lord's holy mountain that will be given to us on the great day of the Lord. It will be a feast filled with all the best food and drink for all people. However, according to Isaiah's prophecy, the Lord will be consuming a meal as well. He will swallow up death and will wipe away our tears (Isaiah 25:8). This is our promise in Christ, who has already defeated death by His death on the cross and resurrection. He drank from the cup of His suffering and death to give to us the cup of salvation (Matthew 26:39; Psalm 116:13).