

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Augustana Lutheran Church



July 5, 2026

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are so glad you joined us for worship today. Yes, we're talking to YOU! If you are new to our church, here are a few notes we hope help you feel at home.

- **ALL ARE WELCOME** in our faith community: Whether you were in church last Sunday, last year, or this is your very first time; no matter who you are or what your life experiences are; no matter your background, address, age, or income. We're glad you're here!
- In our Lutheran tradition, it's all about grace! Everything begins with the freely given gift of God's love for us and for all creation. We hope you find that reflected in our worship and preaching today.
- In our Lutheran tradition, we think a lot about the words we use for and with God, and we tend to use a lot of words in worship. You are invited to participate by joining us in saying any part printed in bold and singing. Sit/stand where indicated if it's comfortable for your body.
- Please do not feel obliged to make an offering as a visitor. If you would like to give anyway, you can do so by putting your contribution in the offering plate or giving electronically (see our announcements for instructions). We know that financial offerings are only one way people give back to God.
- Hymns can generally be found in the red hymnal in your pew, listed by number. Hymns are printed for you in large print bulletins.
- All are welcome at the table of Holy Communion. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to speak with our pastor before or after worship.
- If you are new to us, and are so inclined, we would love to have your contact information. Please fill out one of the visitor cards found in our pew and put it in the offering plate. We promise not to spam you!
- Our church isn't open only on Sunday mornings! See the announcements for a hint of everything going on.

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Technology Server – Cayden Abner

Ushers – Gunnar & Diane Erickson

Altar Guild – Heidi Paston & Deb Rowland

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Please Pray For:

Ken Davis
Sister Nora
Barbara
Joel, Barbara's son-in-law—cancer
Deb Ludlow
Elizabeth—recurring cancer
Rachelle—lung cancer treatment
Courtney—cancer
Military Service Members

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, July 5, 2026 thru Sunday, July 12, 2026

Sunday, July 5 ~ 11 AM – Worship with Fellowship in Narthex before & after
Pentecost 6

Wednesday, July 8 ~ 6:30-7:45 PM – Bible Study with the Chosen at Grace

Thursday, July 9 ~ 10-11 AM – God's Gifts Pantry
~ 4 PM – Holy Communion at Grace

Sunday, July 12 ~ 11 AM – Worship with Fellowship in Narthex before & after
Pentecost 7

The Word in Season daily devotional for July, August, and September 2026 is now available. Pick up your free copy today!

Please note: There will be no July Newsletter! We are taking some extra time this summer to work on migrating our newsletter to a new format. The software we previously used is being discontinued. Watch your July bulletin announcements and email closely for any reminders and updates this month. Please submit all articles for the August newsletter ASAP and no later than July 15 to give us time to work in the new program. Thank you!

It's not too late to join our Wednesday evening Bible Study! Join us for the second bible study of our year of study, as we read along with the TV series, The Chosen. We are so grateful that Pastor Ken Peterson will be with us to lead this study. We will gather at Grace in the Luther Room on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:45 PM, July 1-August 19. Talk to Pastor Emily if you'd like to join.

God's Gifts Pantry Update: With summer here, I felt it was time to give an update about the people we are helping. The number is growing! **June 11 we had 28 visitors, 117 fed. June 25 we had 40 visitors, 147 fed.** All we ask is how many are in their household. We are blessed being able to visit the Milford Food Bank. We purchase items there for 5 cents a pound. The average that we bring back is 600 lbs! Gyntown Food Bank in Elkhart is another resource. They carry different items and our cost is nothing. With cash donations, other items are purchased. Each month in our newsletter, we have a shopping list of items we need. Please refer to that. Dollar General has a great aisle of items that are only \$1! A few items that we run out of include toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, and Ensure type drinks. We can always use 8 oz packages of shredded cheese, light bulbs, and manual can openers. If you have household items you think someone might need, give me a call. I can't forget to mention a few angels in the neighborhood who donate items. Two of them sale shop and drop off their finds, another knits hats in the winter and dish cloths now. She sits with her bedridden husband watching TV – it gives her something to do. Thank you to our Augustana family for your continued support of our pantry. – Janet

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. The prophet describes an everlasting realm that contrasts with earthly nations, one marked by peace, humility, and freedom. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. We gather around word, water, and meal by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Here we find rest for our souls and hope for life in beloved community.

+ GATHERING +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

GATHERING MUSIC – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our year of listening!

At Augustana Lutheran Church we have begun a year of listening stretching from May 2026 to May 2027. During this year we are taking intentional time to listen more closely to the voices of God, one another, and our neighbors.

In worship, this means spending time in quiet as we begin to center ourselves and prepare to listen for God's voice. We will start with song, sit in silence, then be called to worship by the singing bowl (an instrument of prayer and meditation). Of course, during this time we anticipate some noise and wiggling from little ones. This is not a problem. We know that some are more comfortable with silence than others, and this experience will stretch all of us. If you need guidance to begin, consider placing both feet firmly on the floor, gently closing your eyes, and taking long, deep breaths. You may also choose a word (such as a name for God) to return to during the time of quiet whenever your mind begins to wander to other things.

You are invited to sing in dialog with the leader:

All Who Are Thirsty

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff is for the Leader, and the second and third staves are for the All. The lyrics are: 'All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. All who are hun - gry, come here and eat. All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. There's e - nough for all.' The music is in a simple, melodic style with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C).

Leader All

All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. All who are hun - gry, come here and eat. All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. There's e - nough for all.

Text: Brian Wentzel, b. 1979

Music: ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY, Brian Wentzel

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We sit together into an extended moment of silence. The singing bowl calls us to worship.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable, and to face our baptismal font.

P. Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
source of hope in every nation,
rest for the weary,
glory and peace to the ends of the earth.

C. Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P. Most merciful God,
- C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.
- C. Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN – *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

You are invited to join in singing and face the cross as it is carried in.

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies



1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years



for pur - ple moun-tain maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit-ed plain:
who more than self their coun-try loved, and mer - cy more than life:
thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears:



A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,



and crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin-ing sea.
till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - 'ry gain di - vine.
con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929

Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903

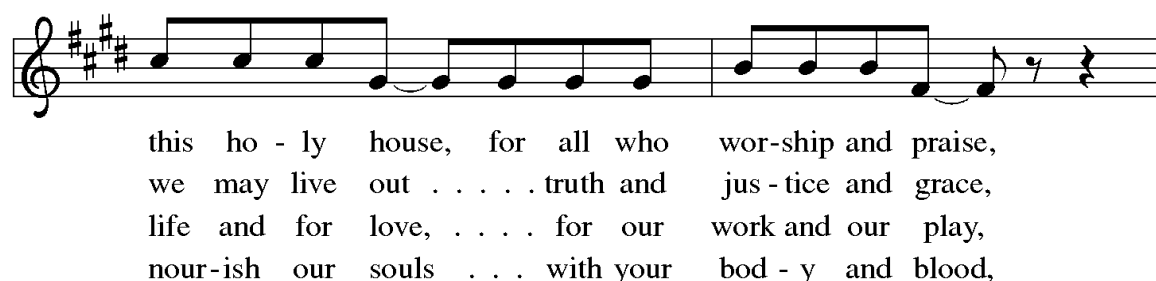
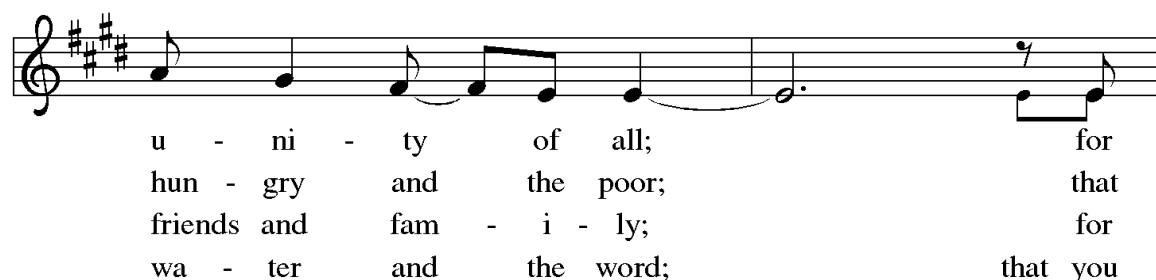
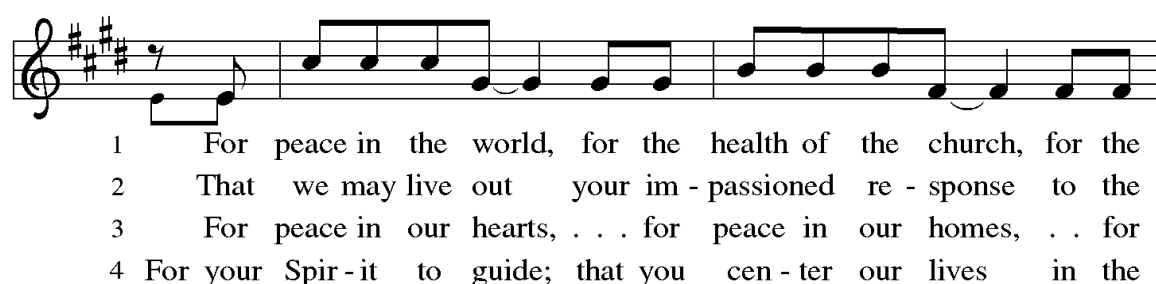
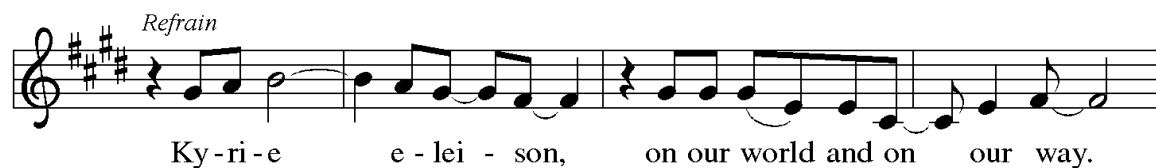
GREETING

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

C. And also with you.

KYRIE

You are invited to join in singing.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Let us pray.

Lord of all the worlds, guide this nation by your Spirit
to go forward in justice and freedom.

Give to all living in these lands the blessings of well-being and
harmony, but above all things give us faith in you, that our nation
may bring glory to your name and blessings to all peoples,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.

Please be seated.

+ WORD +

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING – Zechariah 9:9-12

*The coming messianic king will inaugurate an era of disarmament and prosperity.
Because of God's covenant with Israel, the people are designated as "prisoners of
hope."*

A. A reading from Zechariah.

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

A. Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

PSALM – Psalm 145:8-14

*The psalm for the day is read responsively, with the congregation reading **bold** text.*

⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹ **LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹ **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹² that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³ **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words,
and loving in all your works.**

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

You are invited to stand as comfortable and to sing to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL – Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.

P. The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

P. Jesus spoke to the crowd saying: ¹⁶ “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸ “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants;

²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P. The gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Children are invited to come to the first pew for a teaching moment especially for them.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY – *This Is My Song*

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable and sing.

This Is My Song



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king - doms,



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.



This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.



but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give you; let your will be done.

Text: Lloyd Stone, 1912–1993, sts. 1–2; Georgia Harkness, 1891–1974, st. 3

Music: FINLANDIA, Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957

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APOSTLES' CREED

A. With the whole church, we confess our faith:

**C. 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

A. Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made,
let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Each petition concludes:

A. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P. Into your mercy, O God,
we entrust our restless hearts and all our cares,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C. Amen.

PEACE

We greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

P. The peace of Christ be with you always.

C. And also with you.

You may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace. Then please be seated.

+ MEAL +

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GATHERING OUR OFFERING

We offer gifts of time, talent, and treasure to God in thankfulness for all that God gives us. Augustana and Grace Lutheran Churches are grateful for the many ways our friends give to the work of God in the world!

OFFERING MUSIC

As our financial offerings are collected, music is played.

OFFERING SONG – *To God Our Thanks We Give*

Once the offering is collected, you are invited to stand as you are comfortable and join in singing the song through 2-3 times.

To God Our Thanks We Give

Reamo leboga

Re - a - mo le - bo - ga, re - a - mo le - bo - ga,
To God our thanks we give, to God our thanks we give,

The first system of the musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of eight measures. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The second measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The third measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The fourth measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The fifth measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The sixth measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The seventh measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4. The eighth measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note G4.

Text: Botswanan traditional, as taught by Daisy Nshakazongwe; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1936

Music: REAMO LEBOGA, Botswanan traditional, as taught by Daisy Nshakzongwe

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OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God...*the leader continues...*
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

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

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P. It is indeed right...*the pastor continues...*

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

You are invited to sing.

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P. Blessed are you, O God...*the pastor continues...*

Power of the Most High, now and forever.

C. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P. Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C. 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

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

C. Thanks be to God!

You may be seated.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who are baptized or have communed before are welcome to take part in this holy meal. If you feel drawn to receive the bread and cup of Holy Communion today, you are welcome to receive it! Jesus has set this table just for you.

An usher will show you when to come forward, and our communion assistants can show you what to do if it is your first time with us. If you prefer to receive only a blessing today, you may cross your arms over your chest when you come forward to receive a blessing from the pastor.

LAMB OF GOD

You are invited to sing as Holy Communion is prepared and distributed.



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.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION – *What a Friend*

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je-sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri-als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an-y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav-y-lad-en, cum-bered with a load of care?

What a priv-i-lege to car-ry ev-'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev-er be dis-cour-aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre-cious Sav-ior, still our ref-uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.

Oh, what peace we of-ten for-feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith-ful who will all our sor-row share?
Do your friends de-spise, for-sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

all be-cause we do not car-ry ev-'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je-sus knows our ev-'ry weak-ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so-lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886

Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

When Holy Communion has concluded, you are invited to stand as comfortable.

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

C. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A. Let us pray. Compassionate God...*the leader continues...*
nourishing us now and forever.

C. Amen.

+ SENDING +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P. May our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer

✙ One God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.

C. Amen.

SENDING SONG – *Mine Eyes Have Seen*

You are invited to sing and to face the cross as Jesus leads us into the world.

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
2 He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;
3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,



he is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he is sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore his judg - ment seat.
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me.



he has loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword:
Oh, be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!
As he died to make men ho - ly, let us live to make men free,



his truth is march - ing on.
Our God is march - ing on.
while God is march - ing on.

Refrain



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry, glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.

Text: Julia Ward Howe, 1819–1910

Music: BATTLE HYMN, North American, 19th cent

DISMISSAL

A. We share our mission statement:

**C. As the body of Christ, we are called to love all,
serve all, and welcome all!**

A. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God!

