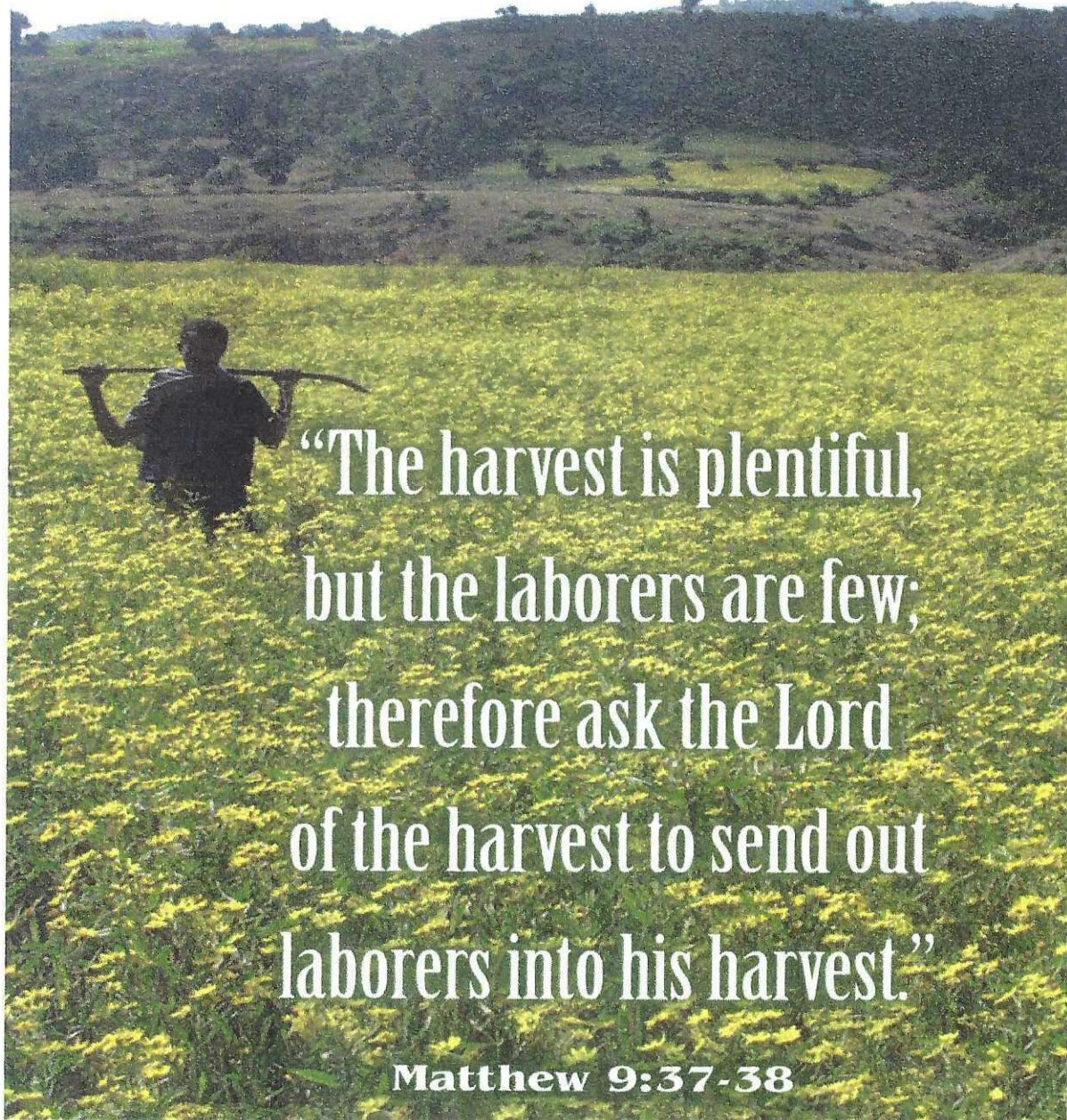


# Christ Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod  
Hillsboro, Texas



“The harvest is plentiful,  
but the laborers are few;  
therefore ask the Lord  
of the harvest to send out  
laborers into his harvest.”

**Matthew 9:37-38**

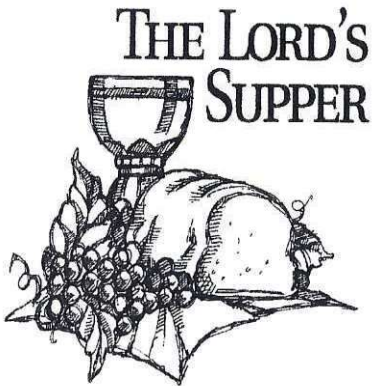
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**HARVEST CALLING**

June 14, 2026

## TODAY'S MESSAGE: HARVEST CALLING

In today's Gospel Reading from Matthew, chapter 9, as Jesus traveled "throughout the cities and villages," He saw the crowds of people and "He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." And He said to His disciples: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Today (even as we prepare for Vacation Bible School), Jesus calls us to look at the fields that are ripe for harvest – our children, neighbors, co-workers and people everywhere who need a shepherd. We are called to share with them the forgiveness and eternal life of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The harvest is calling!



In the Lord's Supper, Jesus gives us His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. The Lord's Supper is also a very sacred and intimate proclamation of fellowship among those who confess the same faith (doctrine, teachings) concerning God's Word and the Gospel of His Son Jesus Christ. Therefore, we practice close communion and ask that those who are not confirmed members of an LC-MS congregation receive instruction prior to receiving the Lord's Supper.

*Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*

1 Corinthians 11:27-29

Before receiving the Lord's Supper, we need to examine ourselves in the following way:

(1) Am I truly repentant (sorry) for all of my sins and do I truthfully desire to change my sinful life? (2) Do I believe that Jesus is my Lord and Savior and that in the Lord's Supper I receive His body and His blood for the forgiveness of all my sins? And (3) Have I been instructed in the Scriptures and have I publicly confessed my belief that the teachings of this church and the LC-MS are faithful to God's Word and the Gospel of His Son Jesus Christ?

If you have questions about what God's Word says concerning the Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor and/or pick up our brochure titled "Fellowship in the Lord's Supper". Those not confirmed are welcome to come to the altar, keep your hands down and folded and receive a blessing. For those who will be communing: **Non-alcoholic** wine is located in the center of each tray for those who have concerns with alcohol. We offer the **chalice** as well as individual cups. If you desire the chalice, do not take an individual cup from the tray and the pastor will serve you from the chalice. Christ is present in both to grant you forgiveness.

# ✠ ORDER OF SERVICE WITH COMMUNION ✠

[“Divine Service: Setting Three” from LSB p.184]

*Please silence – or turn off – your phones and refrain from using them during the service.*

Welcome

Opening Hymn

“Sing to the Lord of Harvest”

LSB 893

**Sing to the Lord of harvest. Sing songs of love and praise.  
With joyful hearts and voices, your alleluias raise.  
By Him the rolling seasons, in fruitful order move.  
Sing to the Lord of harvest, a joyous song of love.**

**God makes the clouds rain goodness. The deserts bloom and spring.  
The hills leap up in gladness. The valleys laugh and sing.  
God fills them with His fullness, all things with large increase.  
He crowns the year with blessing, with plenty and with peace.**

**Bring to this sacred altar, the gifts His goodness gave.  
The golden sheaves of harvest, the souls Christ died to save.  
Your hearts lay down before Him, when at His feet you fall.  
And with your lives adore Him, who gave His life for all.**

Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b*

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *(sung)* **A - - - men.**

Confession of Sins

*Hebrews 10:22; 1 John 1:8-9*

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

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

*Psalm 124:8*

C: *(sung)* **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

*Psalm 32:5*

C: *(sung)* **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

**ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities by which I have offended you and justly deserved your punishment now and forever. 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, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and His 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 of all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:19-23*

**C:** *(sung)* **A - - - men.**

Entrance Psalm [ESV]

Psalm 126

**P:** When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**C:** **Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.**

**P:** Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

**C:** **The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.**

**P:** Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!

**C:** **Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!**

**P:** He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

**C:** **The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.**

**ALL: 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.**

Hymn of Praise

"Saints of God, the Dawn is Brightening"

[TLH 502]

**Saints of God, the dawn is bright'ning, token of our coming Lord.  
O'er the earth the field is whit'ning, louder rings the Master's word:  
Pray for reapers, pray for reapers, in the harvest of the Lord!**

**Now, O Lord, fulfil Thy pleasure, breathe upon Thy chosen band,  
And with Pentecostal measure, send forth reapers o'er our land.  
Faithful reapers, faithful reapers, gath'ring sheaves for Thy right hand.**

**Soon shall end the time of weeping, soon the reaping time will come.  
Heav'n and earth together keeping, God's eternal harvest-home.  
Saints and angels, saints and angels, shout the world's great harvest-home.**

### Opening Prayer

**ALL: Lord Jesus, you sent your disciples to work in the harvest fields, proclaiming the good news of your kingdom. Send us to work in the harvest fields as witnesses of your salvation, proclaiming your Word to all people. And grant us the joy of seeing the seeds of faith take root and bring forth much fruit for your glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading [ESV]

Exodus 19:2-8a

[In the third month after the Israelites left Egypt:] They set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel." So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. All the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do."

**R: This is the Word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Epistle Reading [ESV]

Romans 5:6-15

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die – but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned – for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Reading [ESV]

Matthew 9:35 – 10:8

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> chapters.

C: *(sung)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

### Children's Message

**O Christ, who called the Twelve, to rise and follow You,  
Forsaking old, familiar ways, for ventures bold and new:  
Grant us to hear Your call, to risk security,  
And bound in heart and will to You, find perfect liberty.**

**O Christ, who taught the Twelve, the truth for ages sealed,  
Whose words and works awakened faith, the ways of God revealed:  
Instruct us now, we pray, by Your empow'ring Word.  
True teacher, be for all who seek, their light, their life, their Lord.**

**O Christ, who led the Twelve, among the desolate,  
And broke as bread of life for all, Your love compassionate:  
Lead us along the ways, where hope has nearly died,  
And help us climb the lonely hills, where love is crucified.**

**O Christ, who sent the Twelve, on roads they'd never trod,  
To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim, the nearer reign of God:  
Send us on ways where faith, transcends timidity,  
Where love informs and hope sustains, both life and ministry.**

## Sermon

## HARVEST CALLING

Hark, the voice of Jesus CALLING: "Who will go and work today?"  
"Fields are white and harvests waiting. Who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and long the Master calleth. Rich reward He offers thee.  
Who will answer, gladly saying . . . "Here am I. Send me. Send me!"

[LSB 826 and LSB 827 (verse 1)]

## Baptism of Jaelene Manalo

## Confession of Faith

## Apostles' Creed

P: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

C: **I do renounce them.**

P: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son?

C: **Yes, I believe 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.**

P: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C: **Yes, 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.**

## Baptism Blessing, Candle and Prayer

### Welcome to the Newly Baptized

P: Through baptism, God has added Jaelene Manalo to his own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of the darkness and into his marvelous light.

C: **We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, as a child of the same Heavenly Father, to work with us in his kingdom.**

## Welcoming of New Members

Cohen Terry, Jaelene Manalo

## Baptism Hymn

“Baptized into Your Name Most Holy”

LSB 590

**Baptized into Your name most holy, O Father, Son and Holy Ghost,  
I claim a place, though weak and lowly, among Your saints, Your chosen host.  
Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Your Spirit now shall live within.**

**My loving Father, here You take me, to be henceforth Your child and heir.  
My faithful Savior, here You make me, the fruit of all Your sorrows share.  
O Holy Spirit, comfort me, when threat'ning clouds around I see.**

**My faithful God, You fail me never. Your promise surely will endure.  
O cast me not away forever, if words and deeds become impure.  
Have mercy when I come defiled. Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.**

**All that I am and love most dearly – receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely. Help me Your faithful child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own, serve any will but Yours alone.**

Offering (*Greet those seated near you. You may say, “The peace of the Lord be with you.”*)

*[If you are a guest, please feel under no obligation to give anything, but receive this worship service as our gift to you. For the members and friends of Christ, the mission and ministry of this congregation is dependent upon your generous giving, a significant act of our worship.]*

Offering Prayer

[LSB 781 (v.1-2)]

P: We give Thee but Thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

C: **May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive. And gladly, as Thou blesest us, to Thee our first-fruits give! Amen.**

Commissioning of Volunteers for V.B.S.

Prayers

## ✝ THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION ✝

*VISITORS and MEMBERS*

*Please read the message inside the first page of this bulletin re: participation in the Lord's Supper.*

P: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

C: *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts. *Colossians 3:1*

C: *(sung)* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *Psalms 136*

C: *(sung)* **It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good, 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name . . .

Sanctus (*sung*)

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He. Blessed is He. Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

Words of Our Lord

*Mt. 26:26-28; Mk. 14:22-24; Lk. 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25*

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed . . .

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*John 20:19*

C: (*sung*) A - - - - - men.

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

*John 1:29*

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have  
mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the  
world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the  
sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.... A - - - - - men.**

Distribution Hymns

"Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying"

LSB 826

**Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?"  
"Fields are white and harvests waiting – Who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and long the Master calleth. Rich reward He offers thee.  
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?**

**If you cannot speak like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus, you can say He died for all.  
If you cannot rouse the wicked, with the judgment's dread alarms,  
You can lead the little children, to the Savior's waiting arms.**

**If you cannot be a watchman, standing high on Zion's wall,  
Pointing out the path to heaven, off'ring life and peace to all,  
With your prayers and with your bounties, you can do what God commands.  
You can be like faithful Aaron, holding up the prophets hands.**

**Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"  
While the multitudes are dying, and the Master calls for you.  
Take the task He gives you gladly. Let His work your pleasure be.  
Answer quickly when He calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"**

**"O Christ, Our True and Only Light"**

**LSB 839**

**O Christ, our true and only light, enlighten those who sit in night.  
Let those afar now hear Your voice, and in Your fold with us rejoice.**

**Fill with the radiance of Your grace, the souls now lost in error's maze.  
Enlighten those whose inmost minds, some dark delusion haunts and blinds.**

**O gently call those gone astray, that they may find the saving way!  
Let ev'ry conscience sore oppressed, in You find peace and heav'nly rest.**

**Shine on the darkened and the cold. Recall the wand'ers to Your fold.  
Unite all those who walk apart. Confirm the weak and doubting heart.**

**That they with us may evermore, such grace with wond'ring thanks adore,  
And endless praise to You be giv'n, by all Your Church in earth and heav'n.**

**"On Galilee's High Mountain"**

**LSB 835**

**On Galilee's high mountain, Christ gave the great command,  
In words of strength and promise, which all can understand:  
"All pow'r to Me is given, to do what I shall choose."  
"Therefore I send My children, their witness I will use."**

**The Lord who, born of Mary, came down as man and died,  
Who preached to all who listened, for us was crucified –  
This Lord, our living brother, in pow'r at God's right hand,  
Has chosen us to carry, His truth to ev'ry land.**

**His strength within my weakness, will make me bold to say,  
How His redeeming power, transforms my stubborn clay.  
His touch of fire ignites me, with courage I am sent.  
My tongue-tied silence broken, with grace made eloquent.**

**And not alone to nations, in far away retreats,  
But ev'rywhere I broadcast, His love through crowded streets.  
The lives that my life touches, however great or small –  
Let them through me see Jesus, who served and saved us all.**

**That ev'ryone He chooses, for reasons of His own,  
Will find in Christ his calling, to live His love alone.  
His presence always leads us, till time no more shall be.  
Christ's strength, His love, His comfort, give us His victory.**

*(STAND)* **Lord, gather all Your children, wherever they may be,  
And lead them on to heaven, to live eternally.  
With You, our loving Father, and Christ, our brother dear,  
Whose Spirit guards and gives us, the joy to persevere**

**Song of Thanksgiving “Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy”**

**LSB 774**

**Feed Thy children, God most holy. Comfort sinners poor and lowly.  
O Thou Bread of Life from heaven, bless the food Thou here hast given!  
As these gifts the body nourish, may our souls in graces flourish.  
Till with saints in heav'nly splendor, at Thy feast due thanks we render.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**ALL: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, you have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in this Holy Supper of your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of his coming, we may, together with all your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.**

**C: (sung) A - men, A - men, A - - men.**

**Spread the reign of God the Lord, spoken, written, mighty Word.  
Ev'rywhere His creatures call, to His heav'nly banquet hall.**

**Tell how God the Father's will, made the world, upholds it still.  
How His own dear Son He gave, us from sin and death to save.**

**Tell of our Redeemer's grace, who, to save our human race,  
And to pay rebellion's price, gave Himself as sacrifice.**

**Tell of God the Spirit giv'n, now to guide us on to heav'n.  
Strong and holy, just and true, working both to will and do.**

**Enter, mighty Word, the field. Ripe the promise of its yield.  
But the reapers, oh how few, for the work there is to do!**

**Lord of harvest, great and kind, rouse to action heart and mind.  
Let the gath'ring nations all, see Your light and heed Your call.**

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sharing God's love by TELLING others about Christ and SERVING them in His name."**