

For by
grace
you have
been
saved
through faith
Ephesians 2:8

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ocean City, New Jersey

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Order of Worship – Sunday – 9:30 am

LIGHT OF CHRIST

With One Voice - Setting 4

PRELUDE

INVOCATION (*stand*)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

AMEN.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

(kneel if able)

Compassionate God,

WE CONFESS THAT WE STRUGGLE TO EMBODY YOUR GOODNESS IN THE WORLD AND IN OUR OWN HEARTS. CREATION GROANS FROM OVERUSE. JEALOUSY AND BITTERNESS STRAIN OUR RELATIONSHIPS. INDIFFERENCE KEEPS US FROM SEEKING JUSTICE. DIVISIONS DISRUPT YOUR CALL TO SHOW GENUINE LOVE TO OTHERS. TURN OUR HEARTS BACK TO YOU. RESTORE OUR WORLD AND RECONCILE US TO ONE ANOTHER. RENEW US TO LIVE AS YOUR HOLY PEOPLE, FOLLOWING THE WAY OF JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

AMEN.

ENTRANCE HYMN

GREETING

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

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

KYRIE

(A) In peace, in peace let us pray to the Lord. (A) For the
Lord, have mer - cy.

peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the

Lord. (A) For the peace of the whole world, the well - be-ing of the
Lord, have mer - cy.

Church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. (A) For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their
Lord, have mer - cy.

wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.

(A) Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE

(REFRAIN)



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we

(REFRAIN)



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



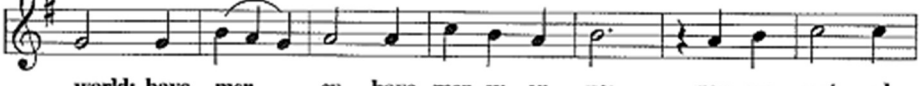
world: have mer - cy, have mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed

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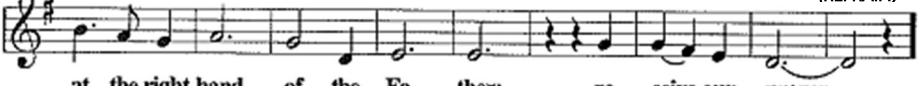
at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it,

(REFRAIN)



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

FIRST READING (sit)

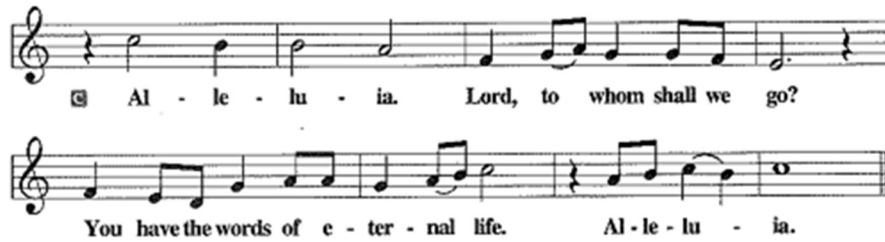
SECOND READING

Celebrate

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(stand)*



(sit)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

APOSTLES' CREED *(stand)*

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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.**

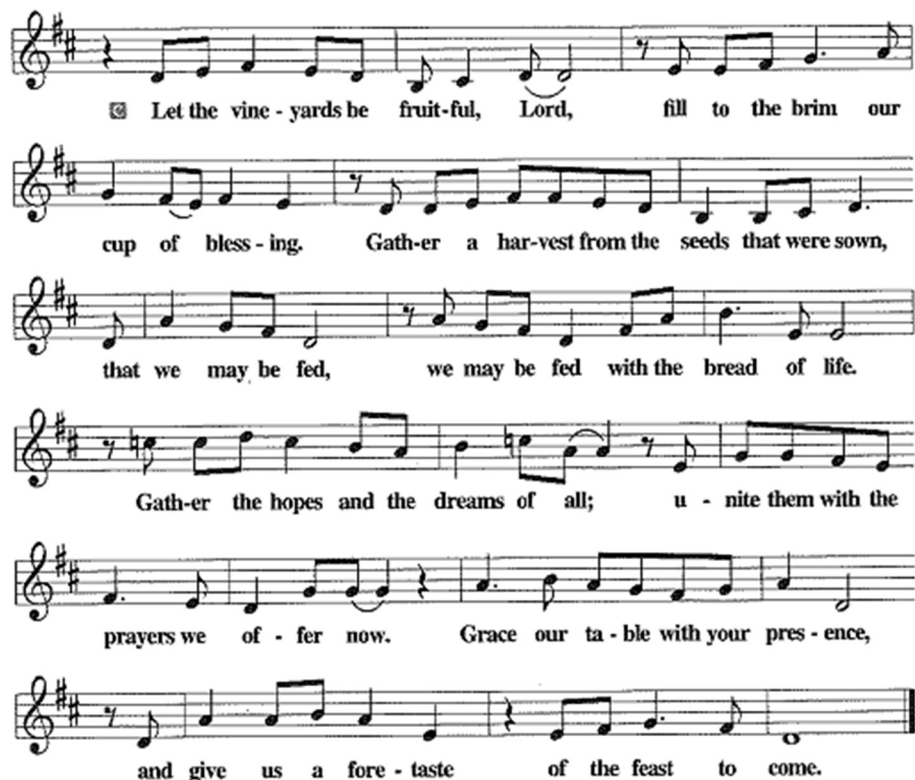
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Celebrate

(sit)

CHOIR ANTHEM

OFFERING *(stand)*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of creation,

YOU SEND RAIN AND THE EARTH SPRINGS FORTH ABUNDANTLY. ALL BLESSINGS ARE FROM YOU; MAKE US GENEROUS WITH WHAT WE HAVE. USE OUR GIFTS, OUR ABILITIES, AND OUR HEARTS IN SERVICE TO YOU AND IN LOVE TO OUR NEIGHBORS, TODAY AND ALWAYS. AMEN.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

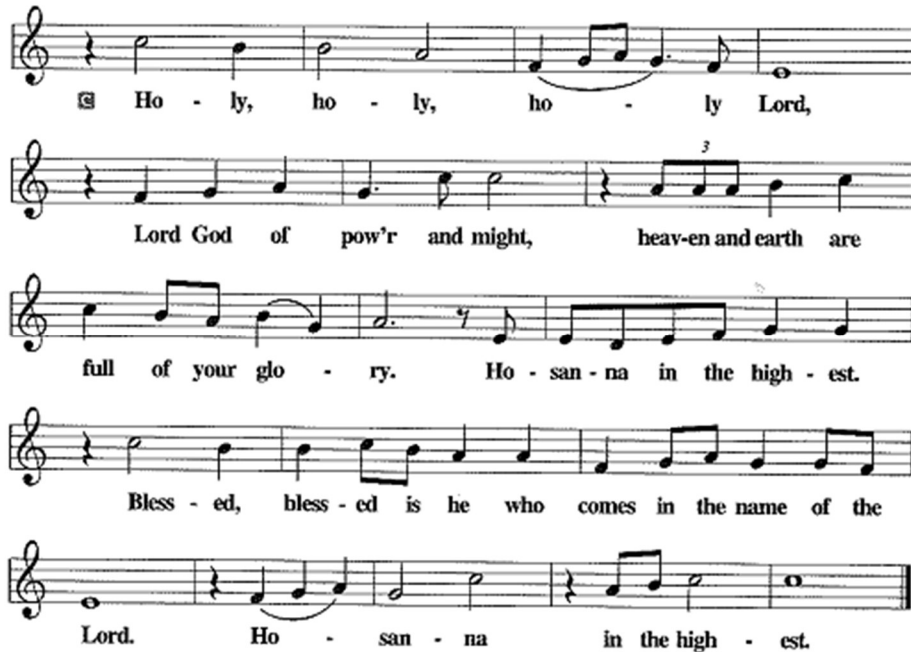
The Lord be with you. **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Lift up your hearts. **WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.**

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks...
we praise your name and join in their unending hymn...



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory...
...all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

**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

Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

THANKS BE TO GOD.

LAMB OF GOD



☪ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

All are welcome at the Lord's table, trusting that Jesus Christ is truly present with us as He promised in this sacrament.

(stand)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

AMEN.

CANTICLE

Thank-ful hearts and voices raise; tell ev-'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who
seek the Lord re-joice, re-joice and
bear Christ's ho-ly name. Send us, O God, with your
prom-ises, and lead us forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sustaining God,

WITH THIS BREAD AND CUP, YOU NOURISH US WITH MERCY AND ABUNDANT LIFE. BY YOUR SPIRIT, SEND US FROM THIS TABLE TO SERVE A NEEDY WORLD. MAKE US LIVING SIGNS OF YOUR LIBERATION, HEALING, AND LOVE, FOLLOWING THE WAY OF JESUS, IN WHOSE NAME WE PRAY. AMEN.

BLESSING

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus. **AMEN.** The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit. **AMEN.** The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever. **AMEN.**

CLOSING HYMN

DISMISSAL

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**



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