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The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 8, 2026 9:00 AM

"Congregations joined in faith and fellowship to spread God's love."
AES Ministries mission statement

Welcome to all who worship with us today! All are welcome at the Lord's Table

PRELUDE, WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS RIGHT COLUMN, ELW p. 94

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

The presiding minister may lead one of the following or another prayer of preparation.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

One of the following or another confession is prayed.
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness with these or similar words.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✢ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ***"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"*** **ELW #244**





GREETING **ELW p. 138**

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray....

C: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: AMOS 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is
darkness, not light, 19 as if someone fled from a lion and was met by a bear or went into the
house and rested a hand against the wall and was bitten by a snake. 20 Is not the day of the Lord
darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? 21 I hate, I despise your festivals, and I
take no delight in your solemn assemblies. 22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings
and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your fatted
animals I will not look upon. 23 Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to
the melody of your harps. 24 But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-
flowing stream. L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God**

PSALM 70

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.
2 **Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded;**
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.
3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.
4 **Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;**
let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!"
5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God.
You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

[13] We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. [14] For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. [15] For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. [16] For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. [17] Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever. [18] Therefore encourage one another with these words.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ***"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"*** **ELW #172**



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew, the 25th Chapter

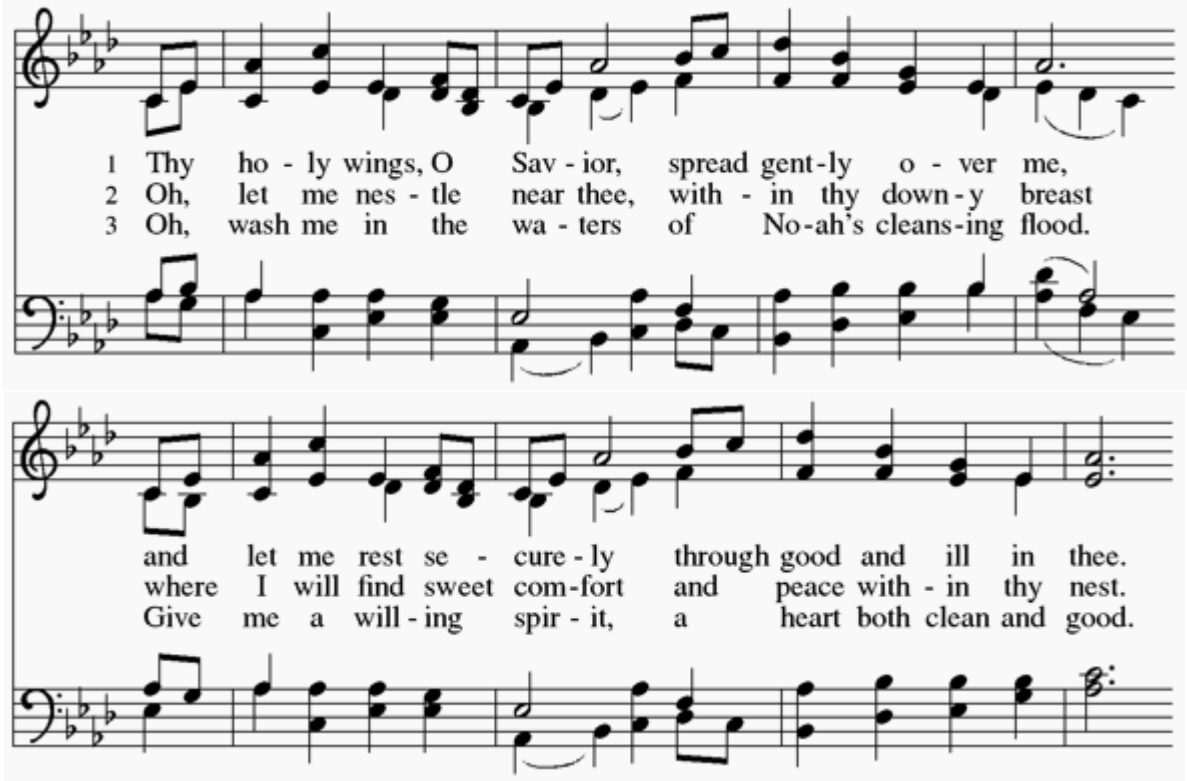
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

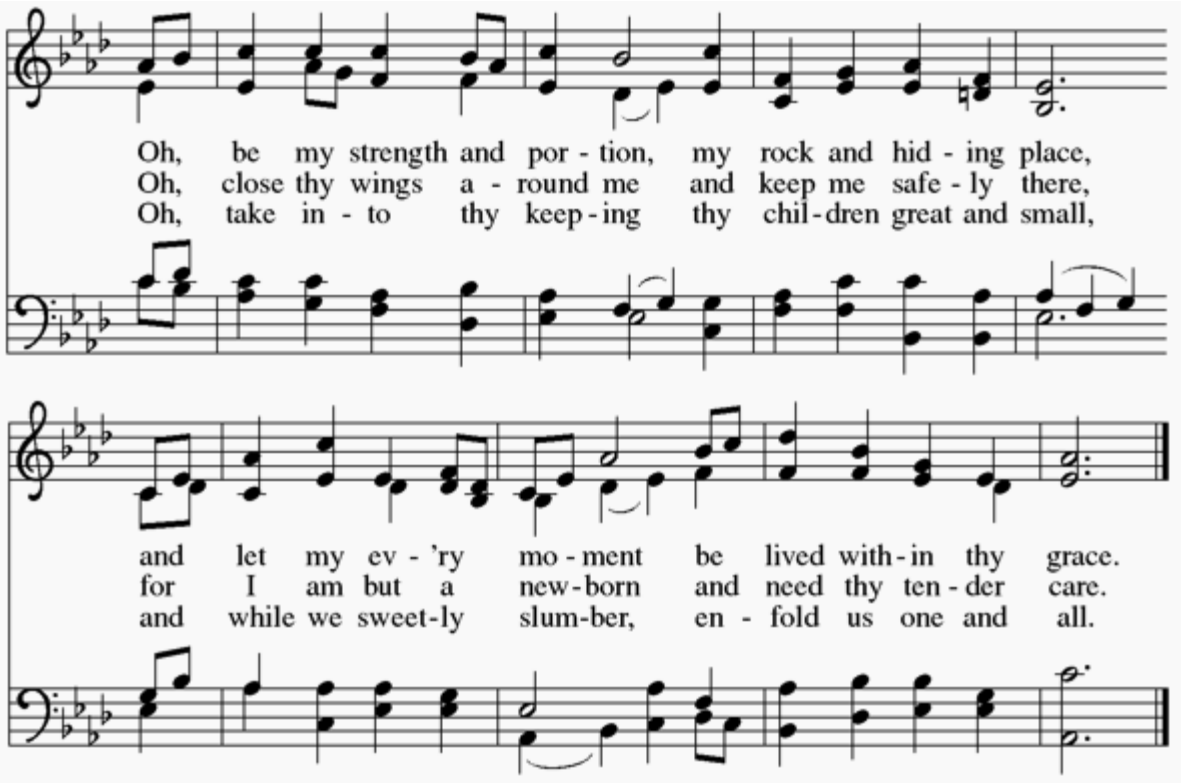
[Jesus said to the disciples:] [1] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young
women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and
five were wise. [3] When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4] but the
wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them
became drowsy and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the
bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7] Then all those young women got up and trimmed
their lamps. [8] The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going
out.' [9] But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better
go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' [10] And while they went to buy it, the
bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and
the door was shut. [11] Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to
us.' [12] But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' [13] Keep awake, therefore, for you
know neither the day nor the hour."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY ***"Thy Holy Wings"*** **ELW #613**





APOSTLE'S CREED **ELW p. 105**

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.

PRAYER'S OF INTERCESSION

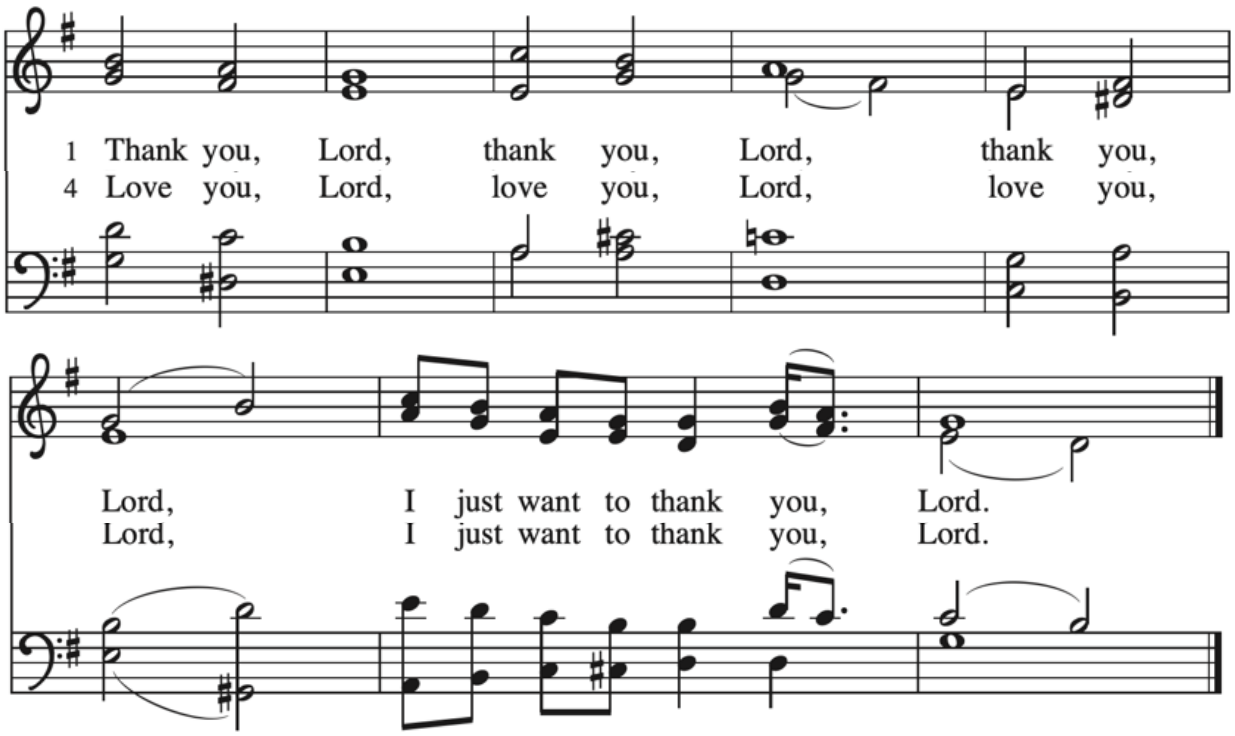
L: Lord in your Mercy . . . **C: Hear our Prayer**

Prayer Concerns: *David Freitag, Teresa Andrews Francey Anderson, Carol Ann Ros, Dean Hoffman, Jaymi Dader, Mike Menssen, Dennis Johnson, Jamie (Noren) Seiner, Marie Christenson, Phyllis Jurgens, Dave Finnegan, Tim Knaak, Don Flater, Bruce Ohland, Sam Christenson, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, and Emma Overson*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

OFFERING

Offertory Hymn ***"Thank You, Lord"*** **vs 1 & 4 ACS #1092**



Offertory Prayer

Let us pray...

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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HOLY COMMUNION

Here at Augustana we are committed to the inclusion of all God's people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice open communion, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Juice (light color) and wine (dark red) are both available. Individually wrapped gluten free wafers are available as well. If you would like to receive communion, but are unable to physically come forward, please indicate that to an usher and communion will be brought to you.

Words Of Institution

THE LORD'S PRAYER **ELW p. 112**

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.

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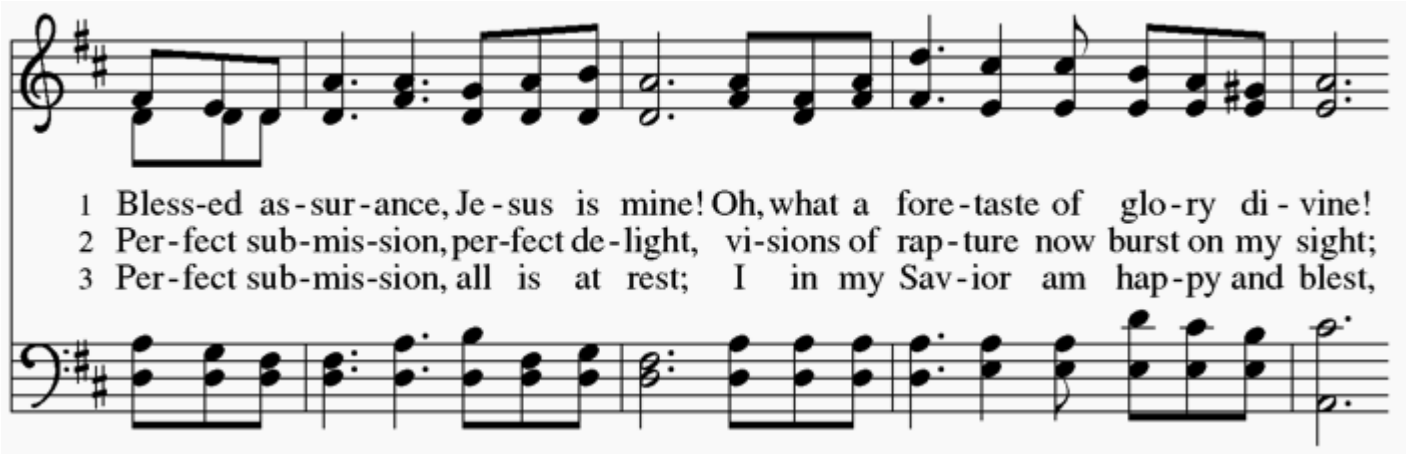
Post Communion Prayer **ELW p. 114**

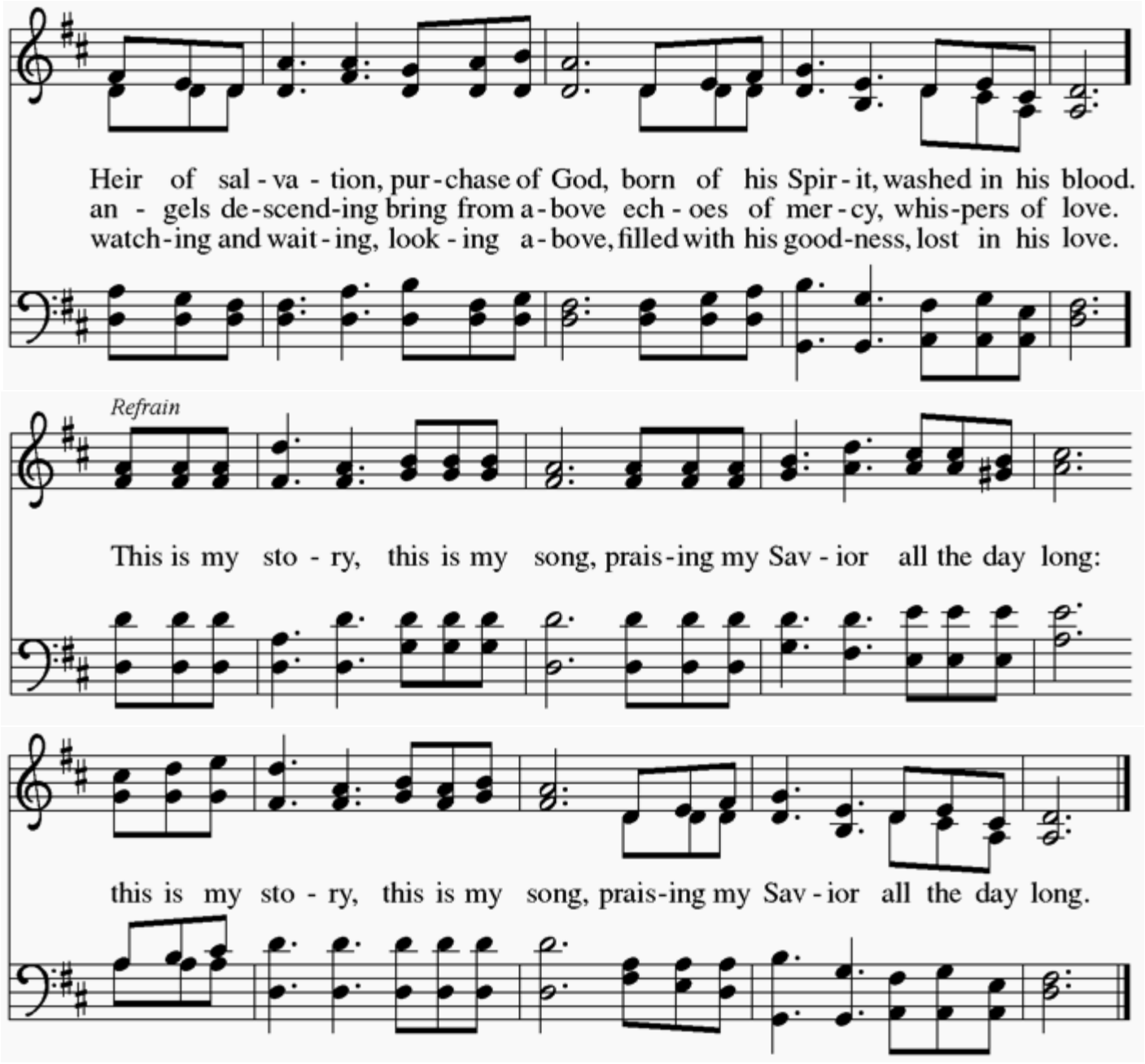
Let us pray...
O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
C: Amen

SENDING HYMN ***"Blessed Assurance"*** **ELW #638**





DISMISSAL P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

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Activities this week: November 9 – November 15

Monday 3:00 pm – (E) Study Group
6:00 pm – (A) Education Committee
Tuesday 1:00 pm – Ministerium
2:15 pm – Augustana worship on cable tv
Wednesday 5:30 pm – (A) Council
6:00 pm – (A) ROAR
Thursday (A) Lefse Set-up
7:00 pm – (E) Council
Friday 9:00 am – (A) Lefse Workshop
Sunday 10:30 am – Purple and Praise Worship @ Eagle's, Lunch to follow

Church Announcements

- **Thank you, Deacon Lyla Klee for leading worship today!**

- Pastor Mandy is **looking for old Magazines** for Confirmation students to make collages. If you have any, please place them in the fireside room.

- **ROAR is Wed., Nov. 11th at 6 pm at Augustana.**

- **Odin Fireman's Relief Pancake Benefit** is Sun. Nov 8th from 9:30am – 1pm at Odin Community Center. Free will donation. Dine-in and takeout available.

- Join us for a fun **joint worship service at the Eagles on Sunday, Nov 15th at 10:30 am** followed by lunch & the Vikings game!! You're invited to wear your purple!! All are welcome!! We are bringing church out into the community and meeting people where they are at. Come and praise God with us and stay for the game!

  "And He said to them, "Go out into the world and proclaim the good news!"" (Mark 16:15).

- Everyone is welcome to come **help make lefse** for our St. Lucia Christmas Shoppe at Augustana! Lefse Workshop: Fri., Nov. 13th & Nov. 20th at 9 am. Questions, contact Judy Anderson 507-375-3462

- **Turkey supper is Wed, Nov 18th** from 5-7 pm. **Tickets now available**. $10 each from AES Youth in grades 7-12, Sandy Berg, or the church office. Come join us for a wonderful meal and fellowship with us! Tickets must be purchased in advanced! Ticket deadline is TODAY!

- **Augustana Church and Property Cleanup Day**- Saturday November 21st 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We are going to take care of some cleanup projects around the church and grounds that could use some extra care. These are areas that Karen, our janitor does not normally do. Many of you participated with our God's Work, Our Hands project that was a huge success. We want to do something similar before the holiday season and colder weather arrives. More details to follow. Thank you for helping care for your church. Terry

- **Donations to Operation Christmas Child Boxes** have filled 48 boxes! Now donations or sponsors are needed for the shipping expenses. Shipping for each box costs $10. Contact Rita if you can help! Send off Sunday is November 22nd.