

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly sings twice – first in Spanish, then in English.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris'n in - deed.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:32-44 (The Message)

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mary came to where Jesus was waiting and fell at his feet, saying, "Master, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died."

³³⁻³⁴ When Jesus saw her sobbing and the Jews with her sobbing, a deep anger welled up within him. He said, "Where did you put him?"

³⁴⁻³⁵ "Master, come and see," they said. Now Jesus wept.

³⁶ The Jews said, "Look how deeply he loved him."

³⁷ Others among them said, "Well, if he loved him so much, why didn't he do something to keep him from dying? After all, he opened the eyes of a blind man."

³⁸⁻³⁹ Then Jesus, the anger again welling up within him, arrived at the tomb. It was a simple cave in the hillside with a slab of stone laid against it. Jesus said, "Remove the stone."

The sister of the dead man, Martha, said, "Master, by this time there's a stench. He's been dead four days!"

⁴⁰ Jesus looked her in the eye. "Didn't I tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

⁴¹⁻⁴² Then, to the others, "Go ahead, take away the stone."

They removed the stone. Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and prayed, "Father, I'm grateful that you have listened to me. I know you always do listen, but on account of this crowd standing here I've spoken so that they might believe that you sent me."

⁴³⁻⁴⁴ Then he shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" And he came out, a cadaver, wrapped from head to toe, and with a kerchief over his face.

Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Pastor Katie

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each petition concludes ...Merciful God, receive our prayer.
A bell tolls for all those who have died since last All Saints Day.*

Quentin Veil
Scott Phillips
Joanne Koch
Ronald Smith
Keriellen Heydt
George Allmendinger
Valdis Lacis
Charles Cheek
Daniel Phelps
Paul Coffman
Robert Adams
Carl Trettin
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Pat VanderVeen
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Franklin Brand

Ken Mishler
Janice Ferrara
William Reifsnyder
Dolores "Dee" Hiehle
Barbara Miller
Genevieve Stein
Kiernan "Snook" Holland
Harper Faith Recher
Gregory Crammer
Mary C. "Kate" Hoh
Sofia Macrina
Sean Clark
Diane Lilarose
Jerome "Jed" Lengel
Jody Melson
Eva Lawrence
Fred Llewellyn
Howard L. Summy
FaithAnn Jones
Jack Abel
William H. Ruth
Diane Ohlinger
Louise Shutter
Olivia Joy Spotts

The prayers conclude ... through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

If you brought an offering or your pledge card today, please place it in an offering plate that ushers will pass at this time. Thank you for your generous gifts! Did you know you can give using a credit card? Scan the QR code to the right.



OFFERTORY

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God
Children's Choir and Atonement Choir

arr. Hopson

I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true;
Who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green;
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love has made them strong;
(For all the saints who from their labors rest,
And they followed the right, for Jesus' sake, the whole of their good lives long.
(Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast;
(Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.)
And there's not any reason, no, not the least, why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still.
The world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them at school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea,
For the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

I sing a song of the saints of God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The assembly stands.

HOLY COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

All sing

**♩ Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your Name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
Now and forever. Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at Atonement. Follow the directions of the ushers to receive bread and a pre-filled cup of wine or grape juice (in purple cups) from the communion assistants. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the front pew and return to your seat by the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Children are welcome to receive communion with their parents' permission.

Please take a moment to sign and pass the attendance pads found in the pews, check in to Atonement on your favorite social media platform, share a photo with your digital community, and say something gentle in the spirit of Jesus!

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *Lamb of God*

O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the
 sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -
 on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.

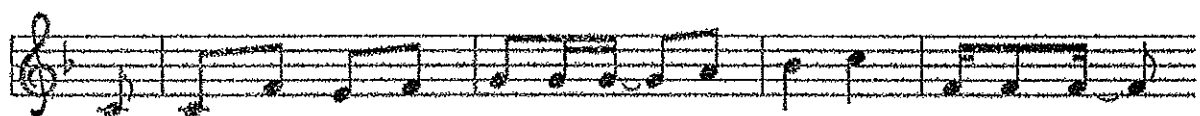
Grant us your peace. A - men.

Welcome Table

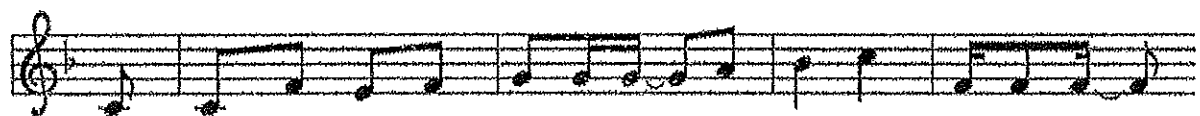
All sing: ♪ We're gonna sit at the welcome table.
 We're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, Hallelujah!
 We're gonna sit at the welcome table.
 We're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

There's no fear around that table...
 All God's children 'round that table...
 There's just love around that table...

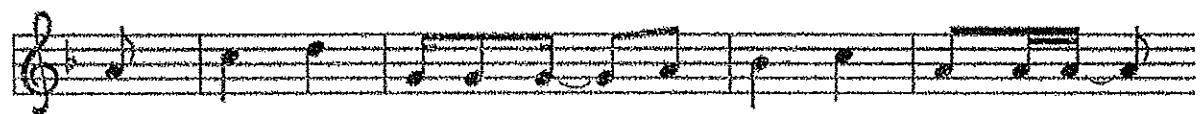
We Come Now to Your Table



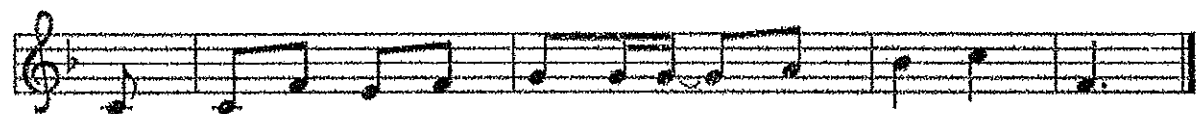
We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, you are the Liv - ing Bread.



We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, let ev - 'ry soul be fed.



You are the Liv - ing Bread, let ev - 'ry soul be fed:



and now may ev - 'ry soul be fed with Liv - ing Bread.

The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The prayer concludes ...in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

May God bless you, keep you, + be gracious to you. May God give you grace never to sell yourself – or God – short. Grace to risk something big for something good. Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but love. So may God take your mind and think through it. May God take your lips and speak through them. May God take your hands and do good with them. May God take your heart and set it on fire. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

439 Soon and Very Soon

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

When the Saints Go Marching In

arr. Koller

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WARMEST WELCOME to this congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America! We are a Lutheran church, but we're not just for Lutherans—we belong to our community! Together we are on the journey of discipleship with Jesus, who guides us from worship to formation, from formation to fellowship, and from fellowship to Christ-like servanthood.

CHILDREN are very welcome at Atonement! Activity bags and children's bulletins are available at the entrance to the worship space. Children from 3 years of age to 2nd grade are invited to experience worship geared just for them—follow the CHILDREN'S CHAPEL leader to the privacy room after the Children's Message. Children will return to their families for communion.

THE NURSERY is available Sunday mornings for preschool aged children and younger in Room F126 during 10:00 am worship.

RESTROOMS are located in the hall next to the worship space.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday—Thursday, 10:30am—2:30pm or by appointment.

ATONEMENT VOLUNTEERS SERVE AT OPPORTUNITY HOUSE the third Saturday of every month. Interested in joining the team? Contact Bob Eisenbrown at 484-332-8788.

PILATES AT ATONEMENT is open for anyone! Join us for chair Pilates at 9:30 or mat Pilates at 10:30 Tuesday mornings. Classes are led by certified instructor and a member of the Authentic Pilates Union (APU), Martha Connolly. Cost is \$5 per session.

PICKLEBALL in the Atonement gym continues this afternoon at 3:00 pm. Everyone is welcome!

FAITH FORMATION for children and adults continues this fall at 8:45 am. Children meet in the choir room. Adults, including the new members class, meet in room F122 for small groups.

PART-TIME SEXTON NEEDED for Sunday mornings and 8-11 hours over 2-3 weekdays. Call the office for additional information, 610-375-3512.

DONATING TO THE COMMUNITY AID THRIFT SHOP can benefit Common Ground. Use the code 50244 when you make a donation. Details explained in the October newsletter.

GIVE TO LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response equip the ELCA to respond to Hurricane Helene, Hurricane Milton, and other disasters, whenever and wherever they strike. Your gifts in support of Lutheran Disaster Response help our church provide immediate relief, as well as long-term assistance and support. To give, make your check payable to Atonement Lutheran Church and write "Lutheran Disaster Response" in the memo line.

MEAL POP-UP fundraiser for our preschool will be November 7 with Vincenzo's. Details and easy online ordering at MealPopUp.com.

LAUER'S PARK is in need of school items and clothing for their Knight's Closet. Contact Gail Dawson-White at 610-372-1131 if you have questions or would like to help.

BETHANY LUTHERAN FOOD PANTRY is a vital ministry for many in West Reading, providing food for 70-80 families each month. Atonement has been partnering with the pantry for four years, and many of our members volunteer twice a month. The pantry is currently in need of new coordinators for the effort—details about the pantry and tasks are in the newsletter. If you are able to assist, please reach out to Pastor Katie or Sharon Calder.

Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3 No more dy - in' there,
4 Soon and ver - y soon



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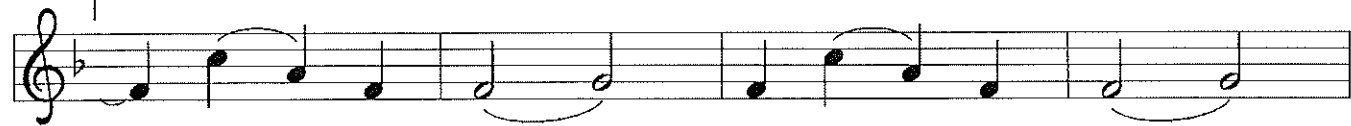


soon and ver - y soon
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no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

Coda after stanza 4



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

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