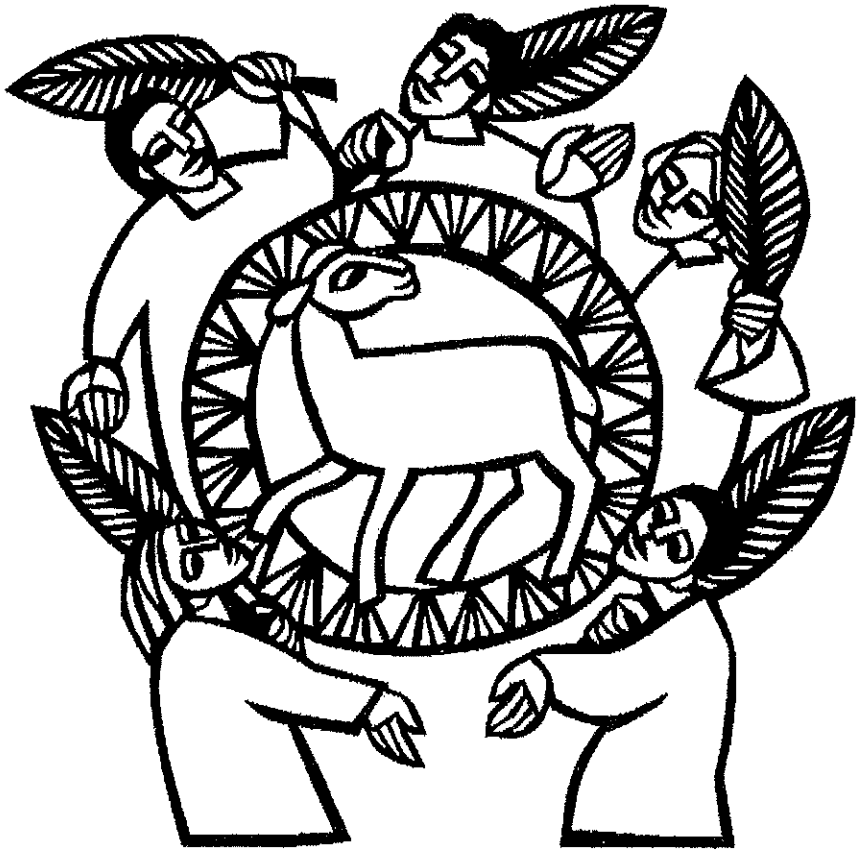
welcome to worship

ALL SAINTS DAY

November 1, 2026



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PRELUDE *On Eagle's Wings* arr. Raney
Robin Lilarose, flute

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God, **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.**

Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN 418 *Rejoice in God's Saints*

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Miss Lauryn

READING *1 John 3:1-3 (The Message)*
3 What marvelous love God has extended to us! Just look at it—we're called children of God! That's who we really are. But that's also why the world doesn't recognize us or take us seriously, because it has no idea who God is or what God's up to.

2-3 But friends, that's exactly who we are: children of God. And that's only the beginning. Who knows how we'll end up! What we know is that when Christ is openly revealed, we'll see him—and in seeing him, become like him. All of us who look forward to his Coming stay ready, with the glistening purity of Jesus' life as a model for our own.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 422 *For All the Saints* – stanzas 1 and 7

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:1-12 (The Message)*
The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

5 1-2 When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said:

3 "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and God's rule.

4 "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you.

5 "You're blessed when you're content with just who you are—no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.

6 "You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. God is food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat.

7 "You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for.

8 "You're blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can see God in the outside world.

9 "You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.

10 "You're blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God's kingdom.

11-12 "Not only that—count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or throw you out or speak lies about you to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—give a cheer, even!—for though they don't like it, *I* do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company. My prophets and witnesses have always gotten into this kind of trouble.

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

SERMON Pastor Molly

The assembly stands.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes .... God, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

A bell tolls for all those who have died since last All Saints Day.

Diane Norris
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Gloria Dewalt
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Annamae Shirk
Judith Stoudt
Emily White
Fred Hiehle
Mark Bachman
Beverly Graeff
Betty Shirk
Marty Wheeler
Marilyn Jean Miller
Ryan Howell

The prayers conclude ... in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

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

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.

OFFERING HYMN 817 *At the River* arr. Copeland

Kaia Arana Lyon, soloist

Shall we gather by the river, where bright angels' feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God.
Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

The assembly stands.

HOLY COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as Jesus taught us: **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

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

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!

ANTHEM *I See the Morning Breaking* arr. Pote

Atonement Choir | Robin Lilarose, flute

I see the morning breaking through the valleys and the hills.
I see the morning breaking as I go, as I go.
I see the morning breaking through the valleys and the hilss,
And I'm goin' home to Jesus, bless my soul, bless my soul.

I feel the fresh wind blowing through the valleys and the hills.
I feel the fresh wind blowing as I go, as I go.
I feel the fresh wind blowing through the valleys and the hills,
And I'm goin' home to Jesus, bless my soul, bless my soul.

I hear the people stirring through the valleys and the hills.
I hear the people stirring as I go, as I go.
I hear the people stirring through the valleys and the hills,
And I'm goin' home to Jesus, bless my soul, bless my soul.

COMMUNION HYMN 427 *For All Your Saints, O Lord*

The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 428 *Give Thanks for Saints*

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE *For All the Saints* arr. Hutchings

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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.

CHILDREN are very welcome at Atonement! Activity bags and children's bulletins are available with the ushers. Children from age 3 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.

NURSERY is available for children preschool age and younger in Room F126.

RESTROOMS are located in the hall next to the worship space. A FAMILY RESTROOM with a changing table is also located in the Privacy Room at the back of the worship space.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are 10am-3pm Monday-Thursday or by appointment.

DONATING TO THE COMMUNITY AID THRIFT SHOP can benefit Common Ground. Use the code **50244** when you make a donation.

FOOD DONATIONS of canned goods, cereal, and other non-perishable, non-expired items for Lutheran Pantry are always accepted in the grocery cart in the narthex.

COMMON GROUND DONATIONS of clothing and toiletries are always welcome! There is currently an immediate need for men's clothing. Items can be placed in the large bin next to the coatroom in the narthex.

COMMON GROUND AMAZON WISH LIST is available at atonementwyo.org, then click the Common Ground link from the top menu. As the weather gets colder the need for tents, sleeping bags, and other warm items is great. Contact Pastor Tom or Pastor Molly with questions.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION continues this fall in room F122 at 8:45am.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION continues Sunday mornings throughout the fall - meet in the choir room Sunday mornings at 8:45am.

ATONEMENT VOLUNTEERS SERVE AT OPPORTUNITY HOUSE the third Saturday of every month. Contact Bob Eisenbrown at 484-332-8788 if you would like to join the team.

ATONEMENT SMALL GROUPS are meeting Wednesday evenings. This week: Faith & Recovery, meet in Room F122.

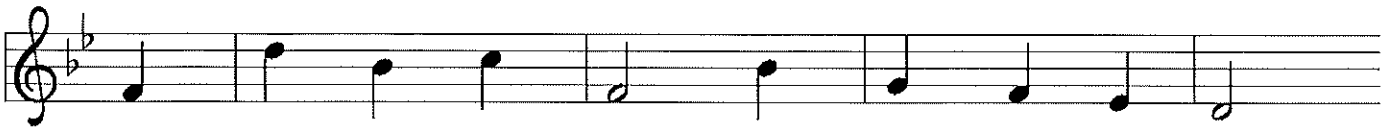
CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSES Sundays, 11:15am-noon in the choir room.

BLUETOOTH HEARING AIDS can now be connected directly to our sound system. iPhone users – use the hearing aid app on your phone to select **Atonement Auracast** as your Bluetooth input. Android uses – scan the QR code below to connect to Atonement Auracast. See an usher if you need assistance.

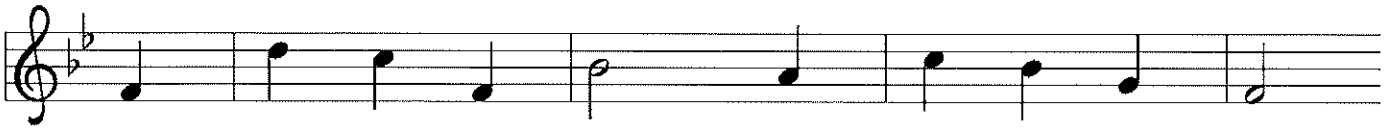
TODAY'S REVIVE YOUTH GATHERING will be 5:30 at St. John's Lutheran, Sinking Spring.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY will be next week, November 8. Your stewardship packet should have arrived in the mail. Please prayerfully consider what you can give for 2027 and then commit to a certain amount to help us continue loving God and loving neighbor. You may return your pledge card in person during worship November 8 or directly to the church office. Extra pledge cards and pledge packets are available with the ushers if you need one. Thank you for your commitment!

GATHERING HYMN 418 *Rejoice in God's Saints*



1 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!
2 Some march with e - vents to turn them God's way;
3 Re - joice in those saints, un - praised and un - known,
4 Re - joice in God's saints to - day and all days!

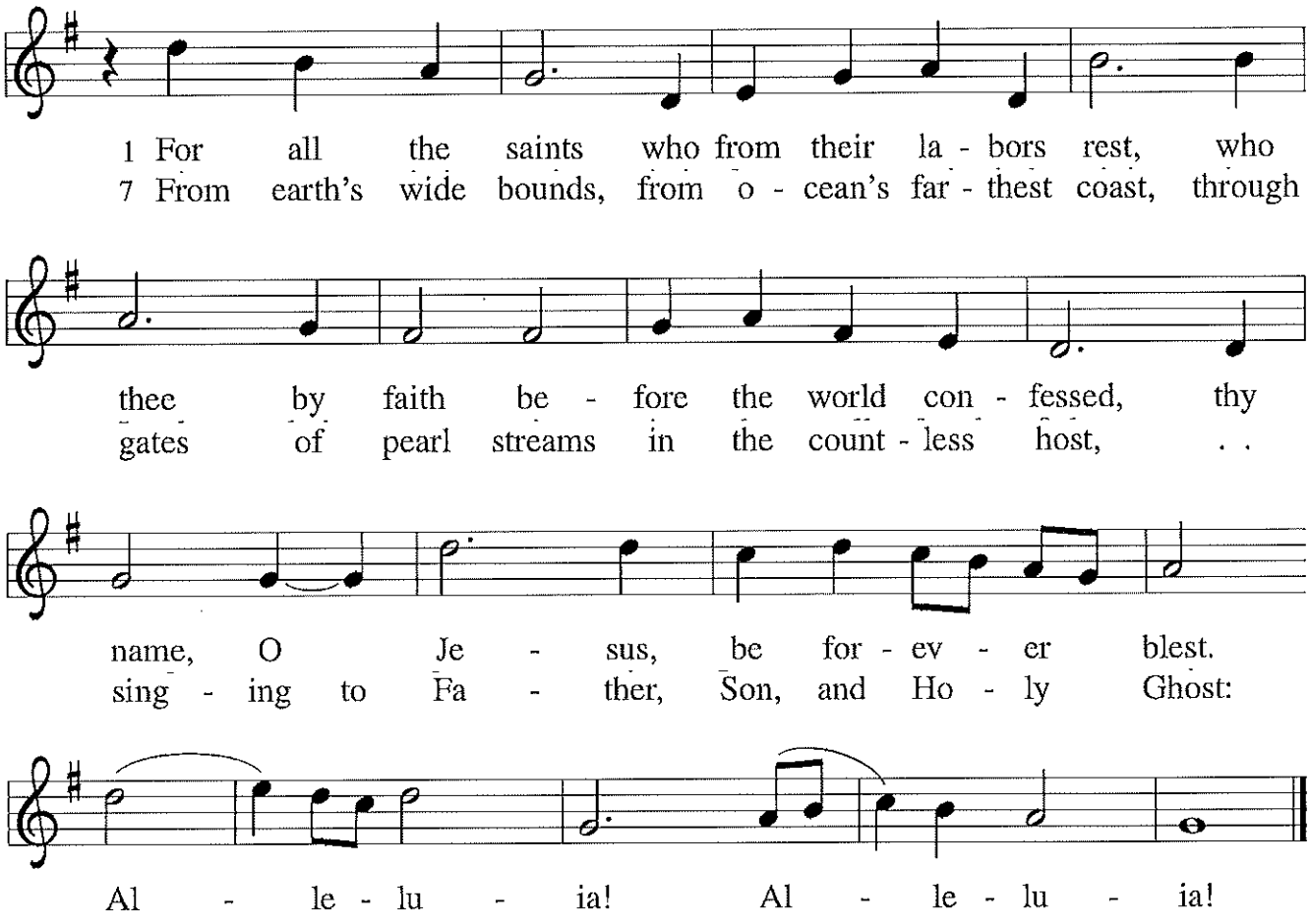


A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.
some need to with - draw, the bet - ter to pray;
who bear some - one's cross, or shoul - der their own:
A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.

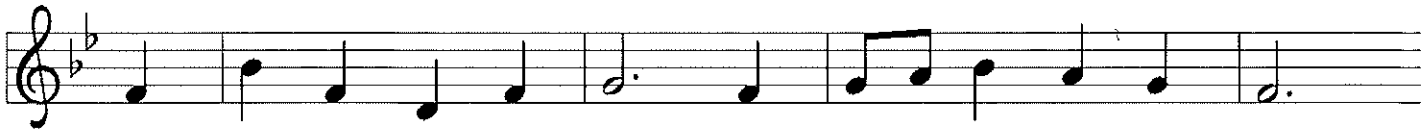
Their faith in ac - quir - ing the hab - it of prayer,
some car - ry the gos - pel through fire and through flood:
they share our com - plain - ing, our com - forts, our cares:
In lov - ing, in liv - ing, they prove it is true:

their depth of a - dor - ing, Lord, help us to share.
our world is their par - ish, their pur - pose is God.
what pa - tience in car - ing, what cour - age is theirs!
their way of self - giv - ing, Lord, leads us to you.

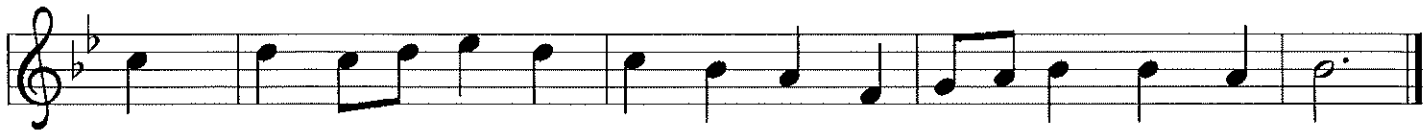
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 422 *For All the Saints* – stanzas 1 and 7

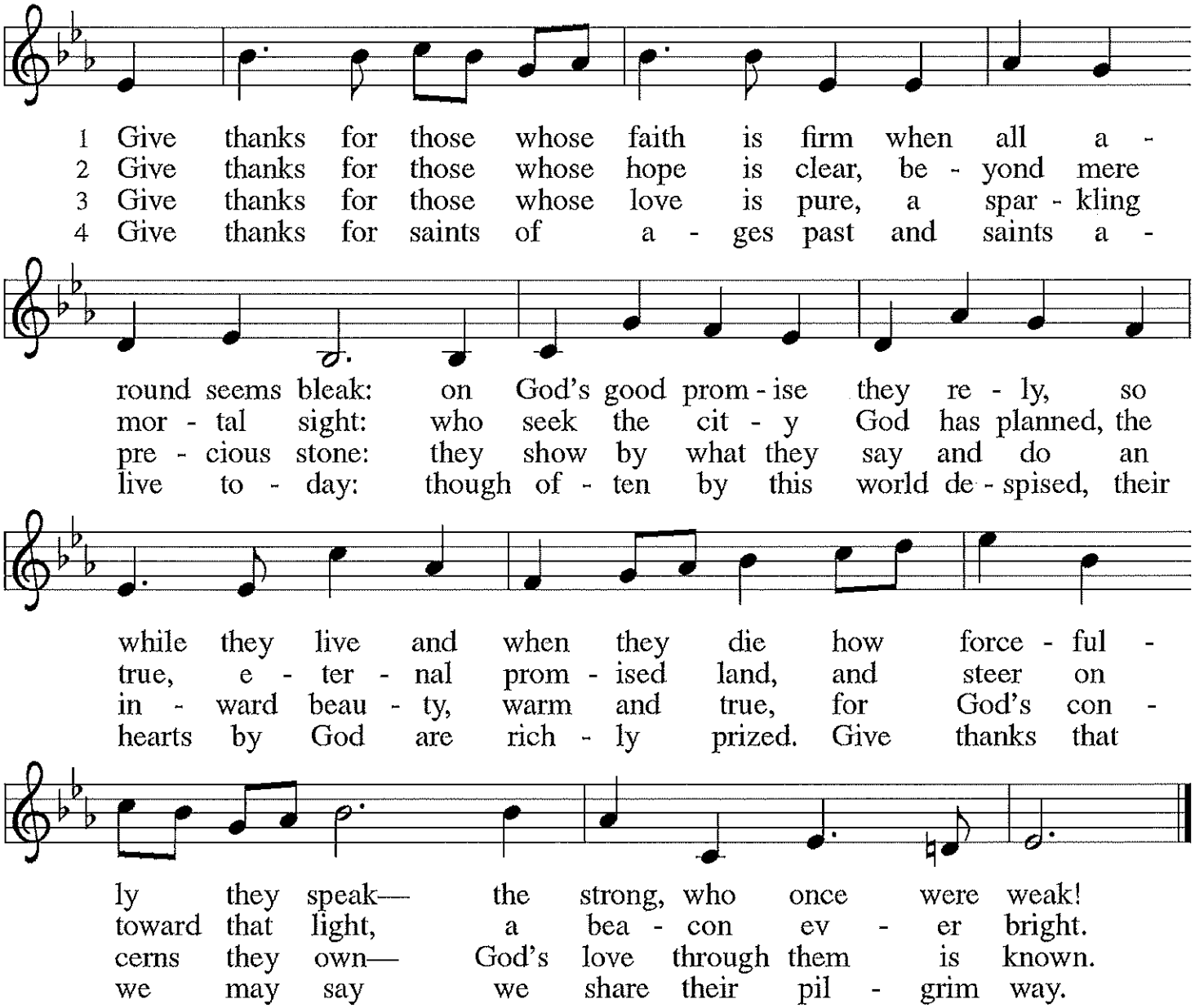


COMMUNION HYMN 427 *For All Your Saints, O Lord*



1 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live,
2 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,
3 They all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view,
4 For this, your name we bless and hum - bly pray a - new
5 To God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, ev - er blest,



who fol - lowed you, o - beyed, a - dored, our grate - ful hymn re - ceive.
who count-ed you their great re - ward, ac - cept our thank - ful cry.
learned from your Ho - ly Spir - it's breath to suf - fer and to do.
that we like them in ho - li - ness may live and die in you.
the One in Three, the Three in One, be end - less praise ad - dressed.

SENDING HYMN 428 *Give Thanks for Saints*