

Ad Te Levavi – First Sunday in Advent

(pronounced AHD teh leh-VAH-vee)

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DIVINE SERVICE *Setting Three*
November 29, 2026 – 9:00 am / December 2, 2026

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Stand

PROCESSION HYMN 343 Prepare The Royal Highway

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

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

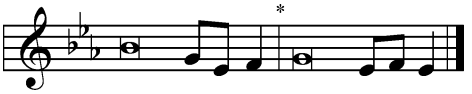
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. 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, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the 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 all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT *Psalm 25:4–5, 21–22; antiphon: vv. 1–3a*



To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul.*
O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.
Let not my enemies exult | over me.*
Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame.
Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;*
teach me | your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal- | vation;*
for you I wait all the | day long.
May integrity and uprightness pre- | serve me,*
for I | wait for you.
Redeem Israel, | O God,*
out of all his | troubles.
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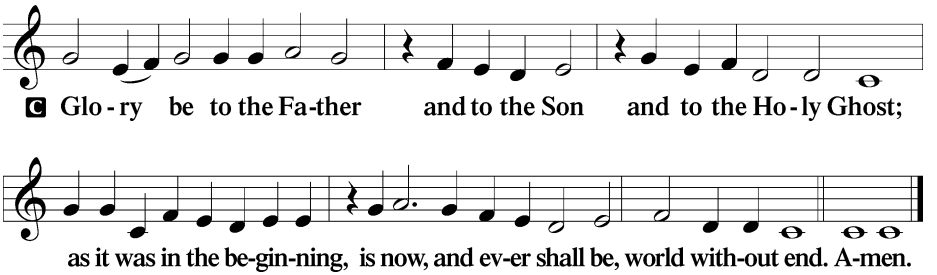
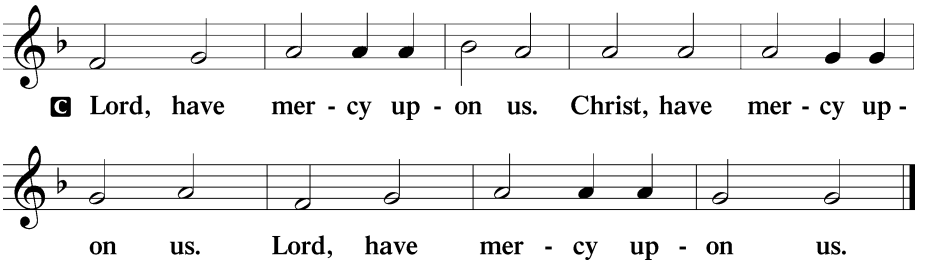


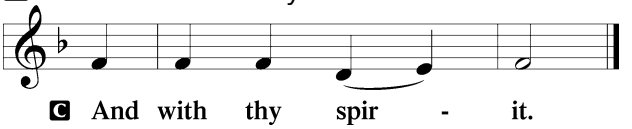
KYRIE *LSB 186*



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Omitted during Advent*

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.
Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 23:5–8*

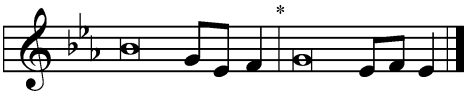
"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

"Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, 'As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land

of Egypt,' but 'As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.' Then they shall dwell in their own land."

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL *Psalm 25:3–4*



None who wait for you shall be | put to shame;*
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;*
teach me | your paths.

EPISTLE *Romans 13:11–14*

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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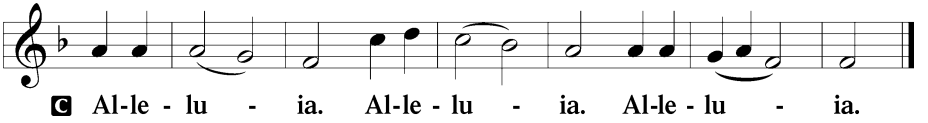
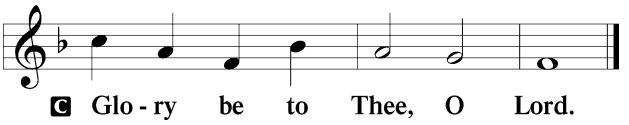
ALLELUIA *LSB 190*



HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 21:1–9*

℗ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

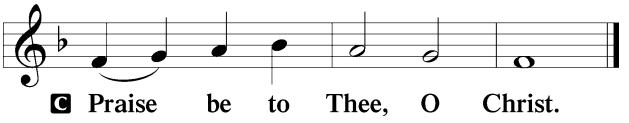


When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

> "Say to the daughter of Zion,
> 'Behold, your king is coming to you,
> humble, and mounted on a donkey,
> and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

℗ This is the Gospel of the Lord.



NICENE CREED

℃ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY 332 Savior Of The Nations, Come

SERMON

℗ The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

℃ Amen.

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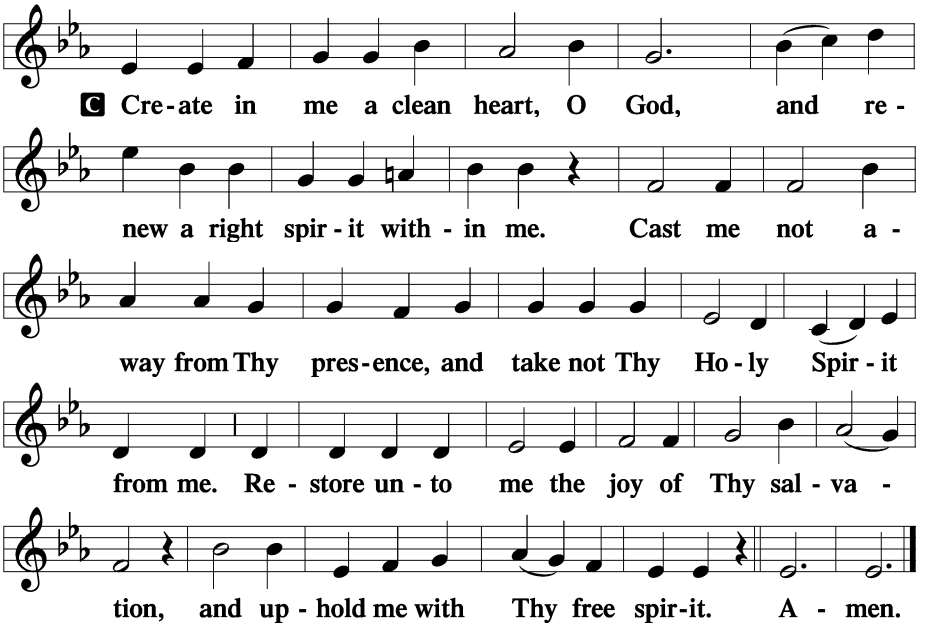
OFFERTORY *LSB 192*



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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

℀ Lord, in Your mercy,

℃ hear our prayer.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Our Communion Practice

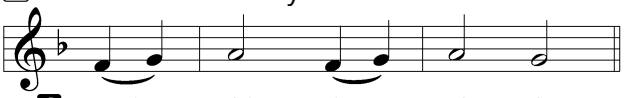
At this altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. In this Sacrament, He also gathers His people together in one confession of faith.

Because Holy Communion is both a gift and a public confession of unity, we invite members of this congregation and of other LCMS congregations (or those in fellowship with us) to receive the Sacrament.

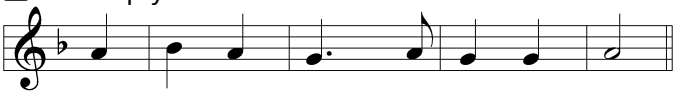
If you are visiting and not part of this fellowship, we warmly welcome you to the service. Out of pastoral care and love—for you and for our congregation—we ask that you refrain from communing today. This is not a judgment on your faith in Christ, but a way of honoring the Lord's Supper as He intends it. We invite you to speak with the pastor after the service, who would be glad to explain further and walk with you toward full communion fellowship.

PREFACE *LSB 194*

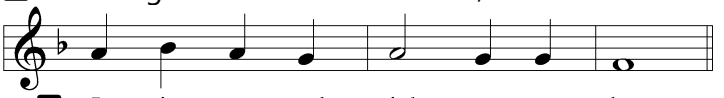
P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

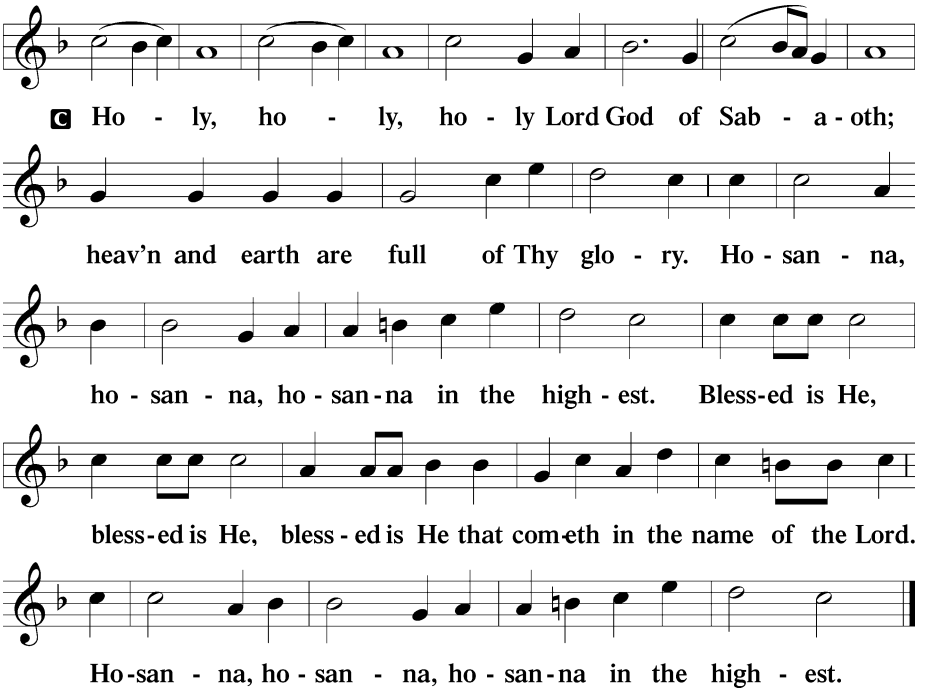


P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *LSB 195*



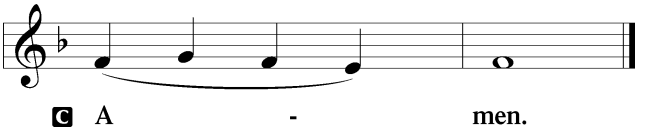
LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

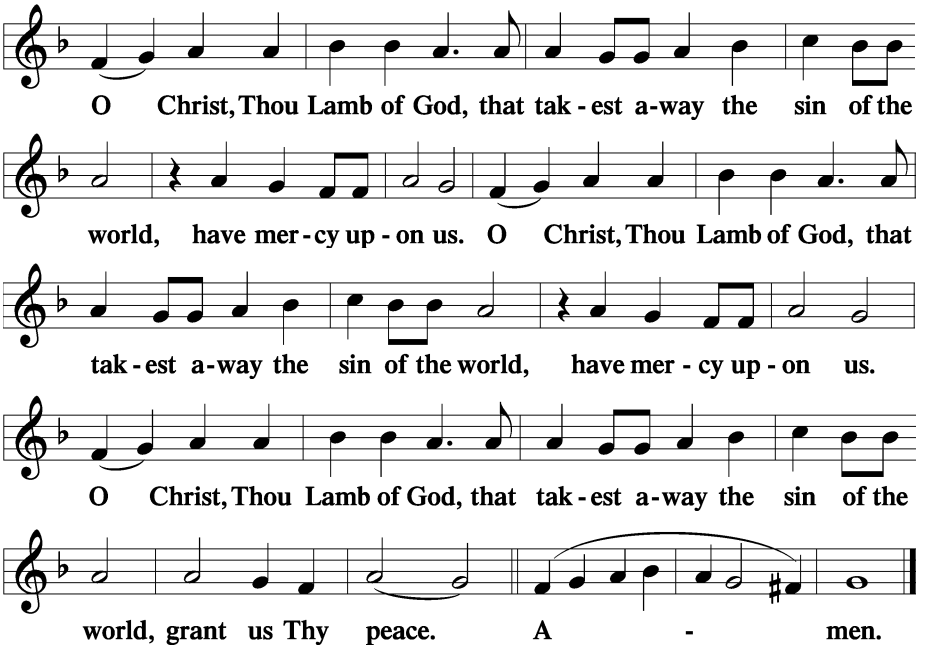
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *LSB 197*

PAX DOMINI *LSB 197*

℗ The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI *LSB 198*



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DISTRIBUTION

Prayer of Preparation for Communion (prayed silently)

Son of David and Eternal Son of God, just as You entered Jerusalem on a beast of burden to bring God's peace, You now deign to enter me through the simple forms of bread and wine. I do not trust in the "strength of the horse" or the "legs of a

man," but only in Your Word, Your presence, and Your self-giving in the sacraments, through which You gather the outcast and heal the brokenhearted. Grant me the grace to receive You not with the fickle cheers of a crowd, but with the steady faith of a citizen of Your most holy kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN 350 Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come
DISTRIBUTION HYMN 331 The Advent Of Our King
DISTRIBUTION HYMN 345 Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding
DISTRIBUTION HYMN 333 Once He Came In Blessing

Thanksgiving after Communion (prayed silently)

Lord Jesus Christ, my Humble King, I thank You that You have not left me to starve in the "little while" of this earthly exile. Today, You did not enter Jerusalem on a beast of burden, but You entered the humble temple of my body under the forms of bread and wine. I yield my heart to You as the crowds once spread their cloaks on the road; may my life be a path prepared for Your glory. "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." Amen.

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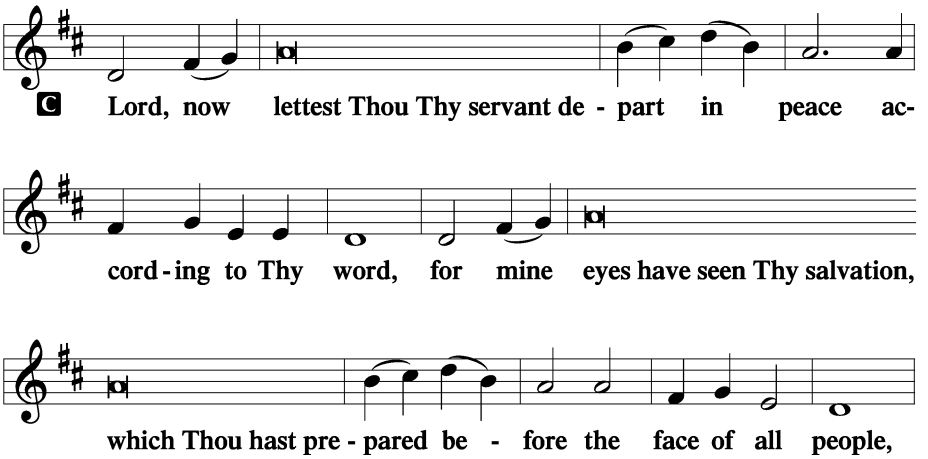
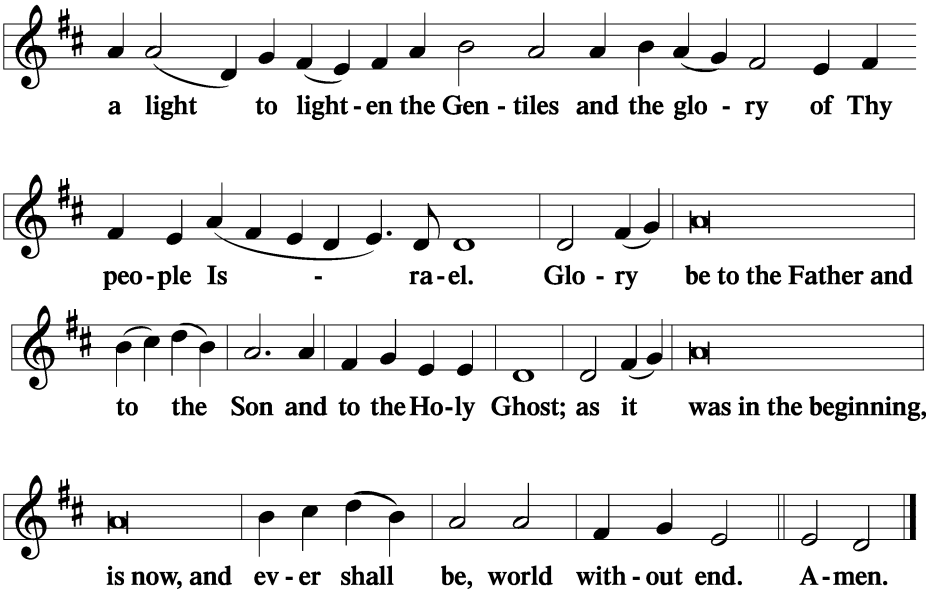
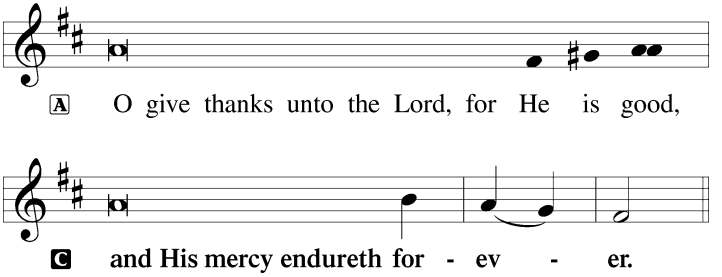
NUNC DIMITTIS *LSB 199*

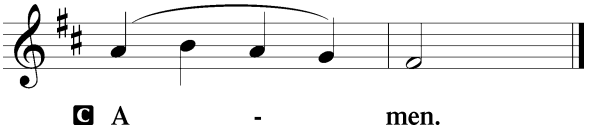




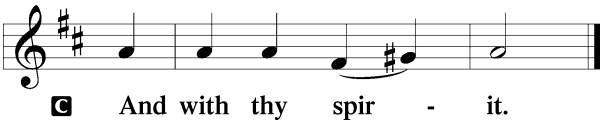
THANKSGIVING *LSB 200*



A Let us pray.
Let us receive, O Lord, Thy lovingkindness in the midst of Thy temple, and so with fitting honor hasten forward to the solemn feast of our redemption; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

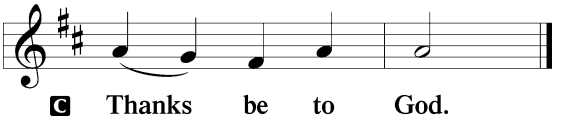


℗ The Lord be with you.



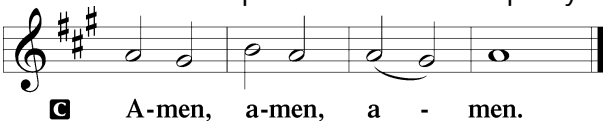
BENEDICAMUS *LSB 202*

Ⓐ Bless we the Lord.



BENEDICTION *LSB 202*

℗ The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.



HYMN OF DEPARTURE 340 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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