Sunday, November 8, 2026 9:30 AM

24th Sunday in Pentecost

Gathered to Worship!



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GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

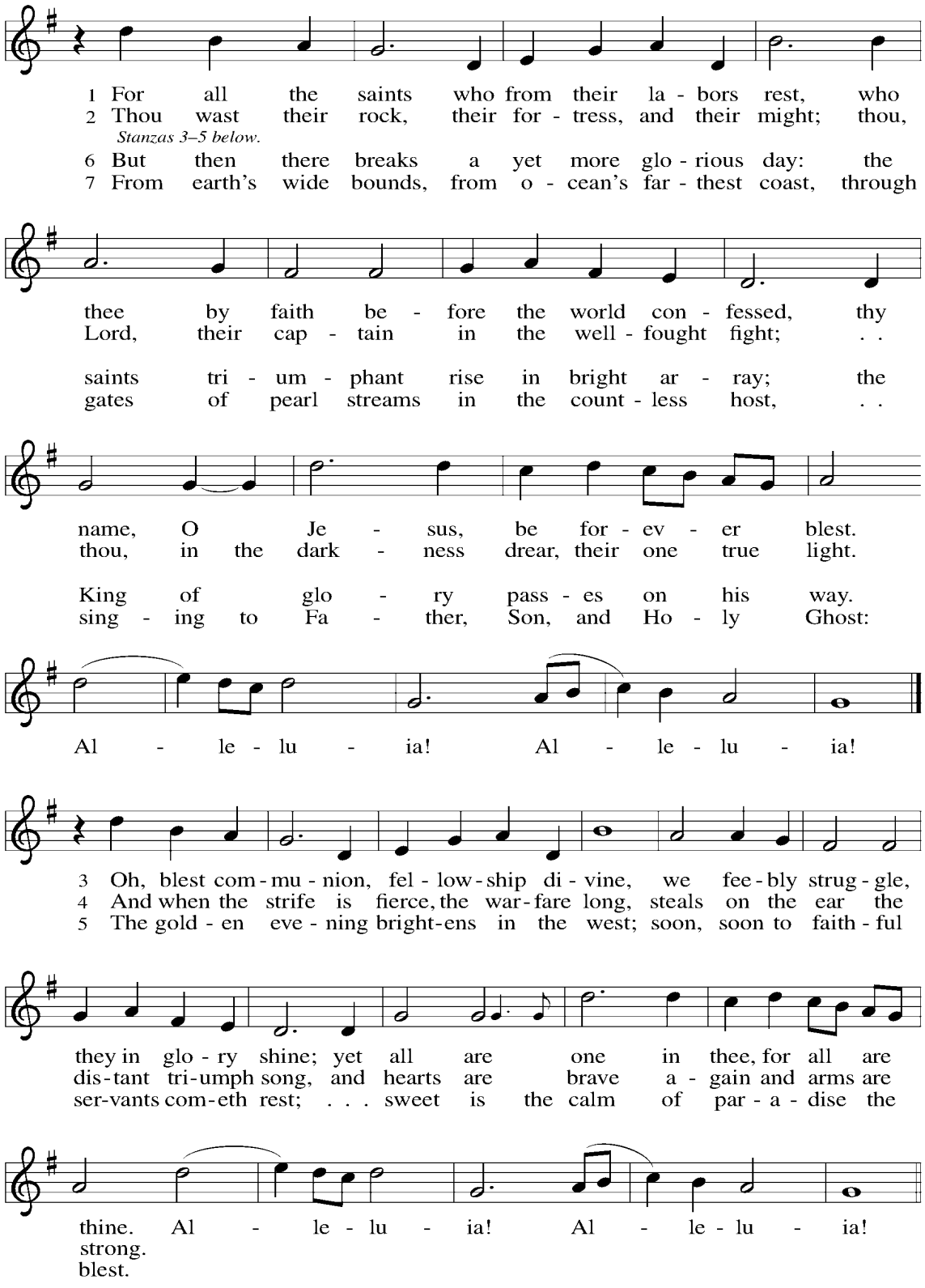
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

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.

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.**

The assembly stands.

GATHERING SONG ***For All the Saints*** ***ELW 422***



GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: THIS IS THE FEAST



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

Healing God, you healed your servant Naaman of his affliction when he came to you, through Elisha, for help. Heal our afflictions, and make us faithful servants. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**
You may be seated.

WORD

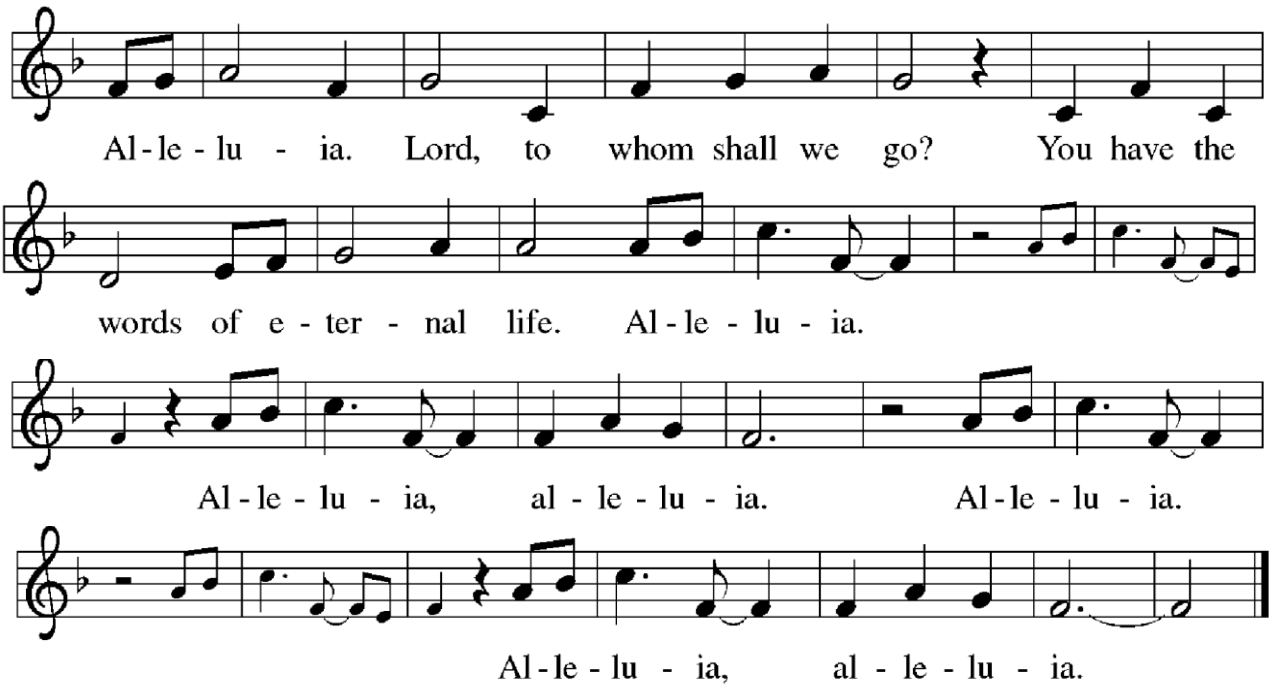
FIRST READING: Matthew 8:2-3

2 and behold, a leper came to him and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, if you will, you can make me clean." 3 And he stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

The Word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **ELW page 188**





NARRATIVE LECTIONARY 2 Kings 5:1-15

The good news according to 2 Kings

Glory to you, O Lord.

Na′aman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the Lord had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. **2** Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little maid from the land of Israel, and she waited on Na′aman's wife. **3** She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samar′ia! He would cure him of his leprosy." **4** So Na′aman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the maiden from the land of Israel." **5** And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten festal garments. **6** And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Na′aman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." **7** And when the king of Israel read the letter, he rent his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

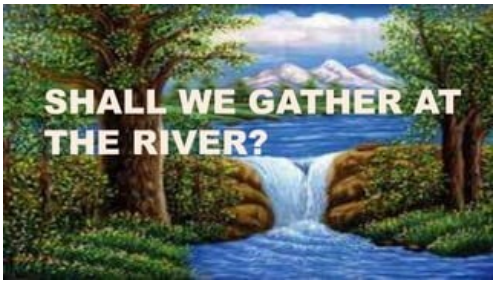
8 But when Eli′sha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you rent your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." **9** So Na′aman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the door of Eli′sha's house. **10** And Eli′sha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." **11** But Na′aman was angry, and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place, and cure the leper. **12** Are not Aba′na[a] and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. **13** But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, if the prophet had commanded you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much rather, then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" **14** So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

15 Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him; and he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel; so accept now a present from your servant."

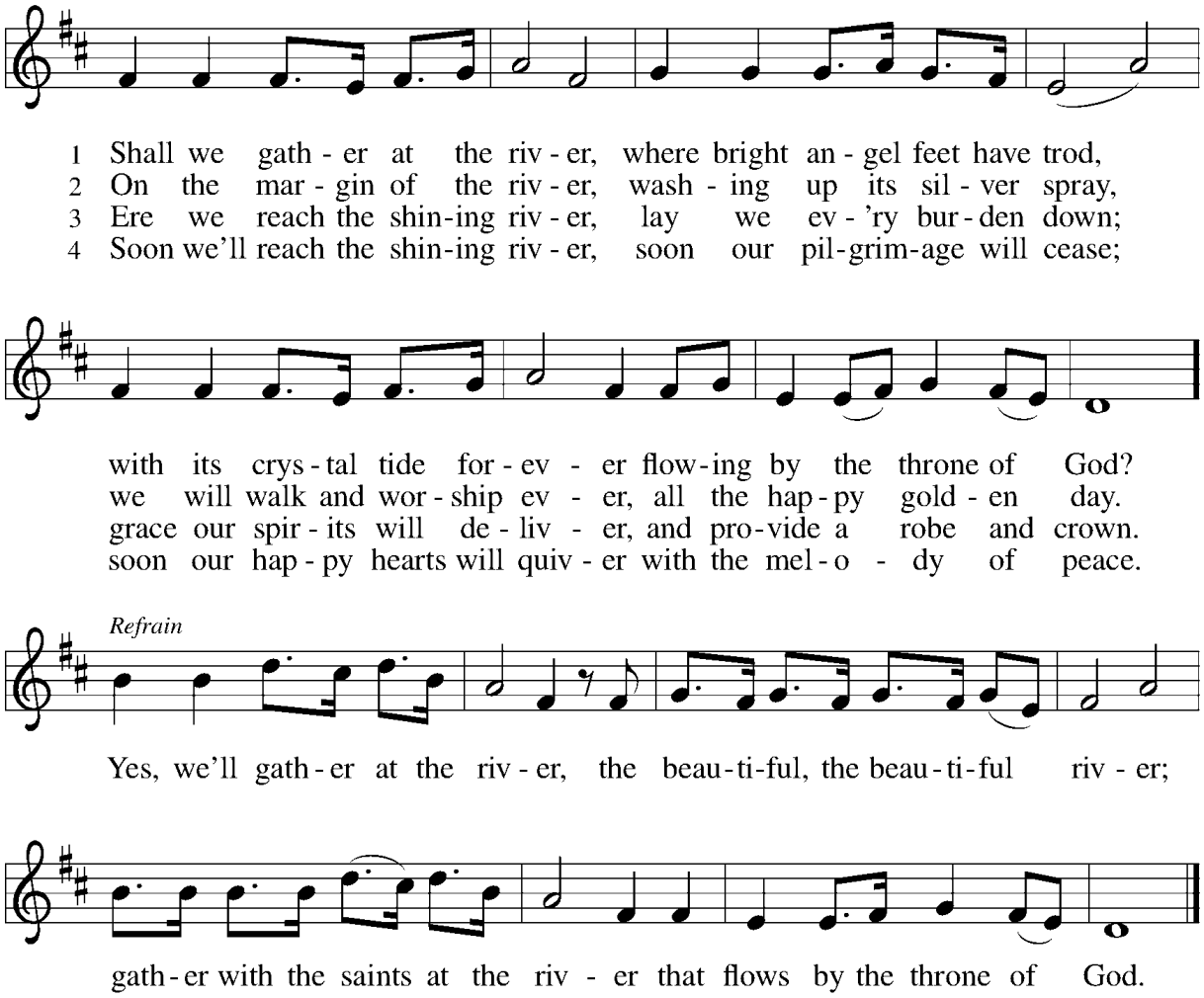
The Word of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON **Pastor Luis Ochoa**



HYMN OF THE DAY ***Shall We Gather at the River*** ***ELW 423***



APOSTLES' CREED

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

United with the great cloud of witnesses,……

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.
….. in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**



SHARING THE PEACE

A: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.

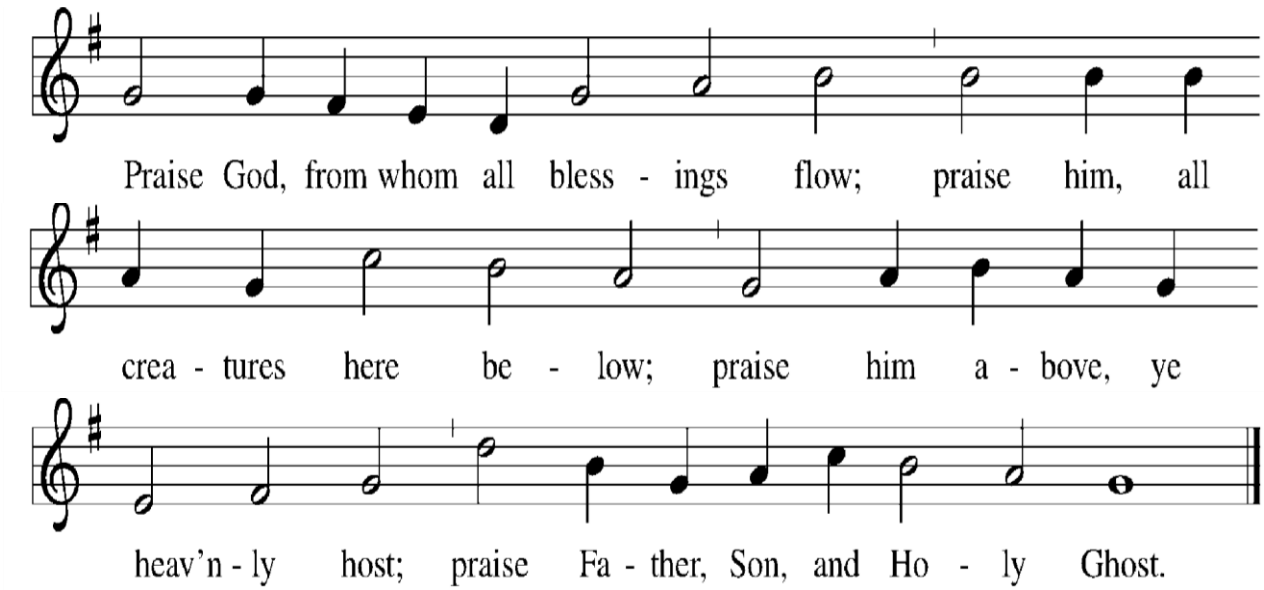
A: Let us share a sign of God's peace.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING

ANTHEM **Choir**

THE DOXOLOGY **ELW 884**



OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

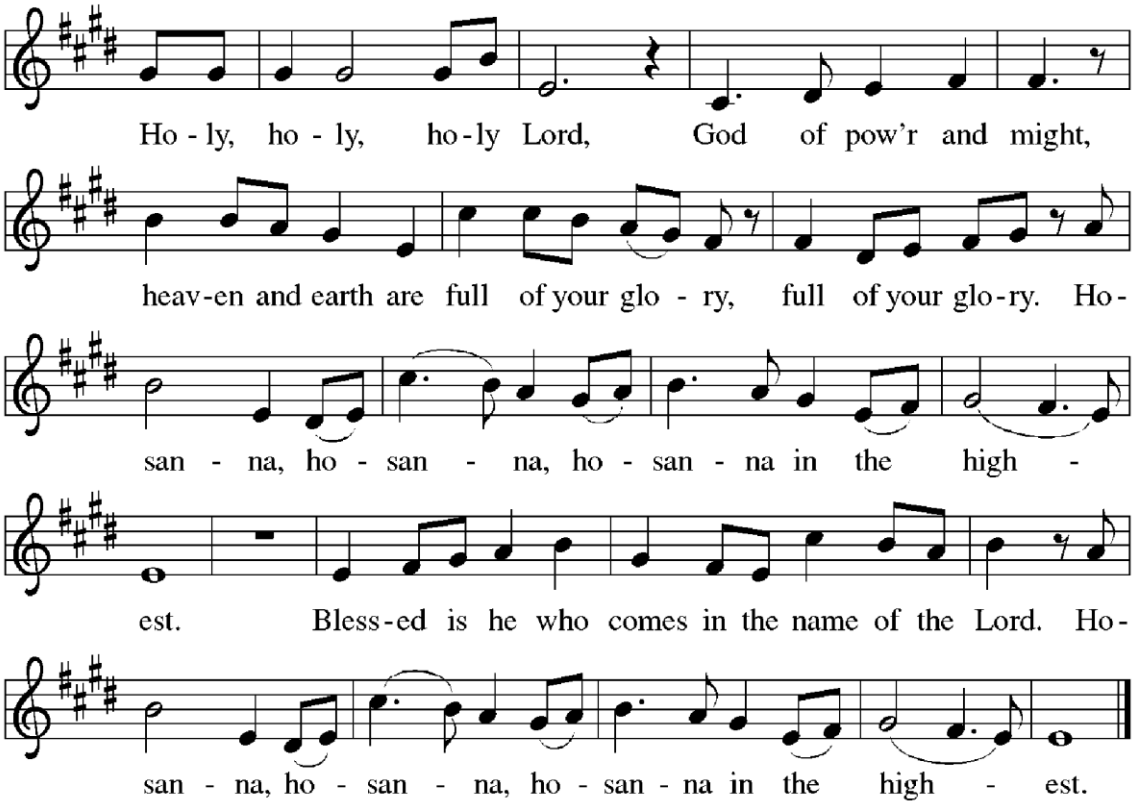
DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you:
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts:
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Give thanks to the Lord our God:
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened
to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.



LORD'S PRAYER

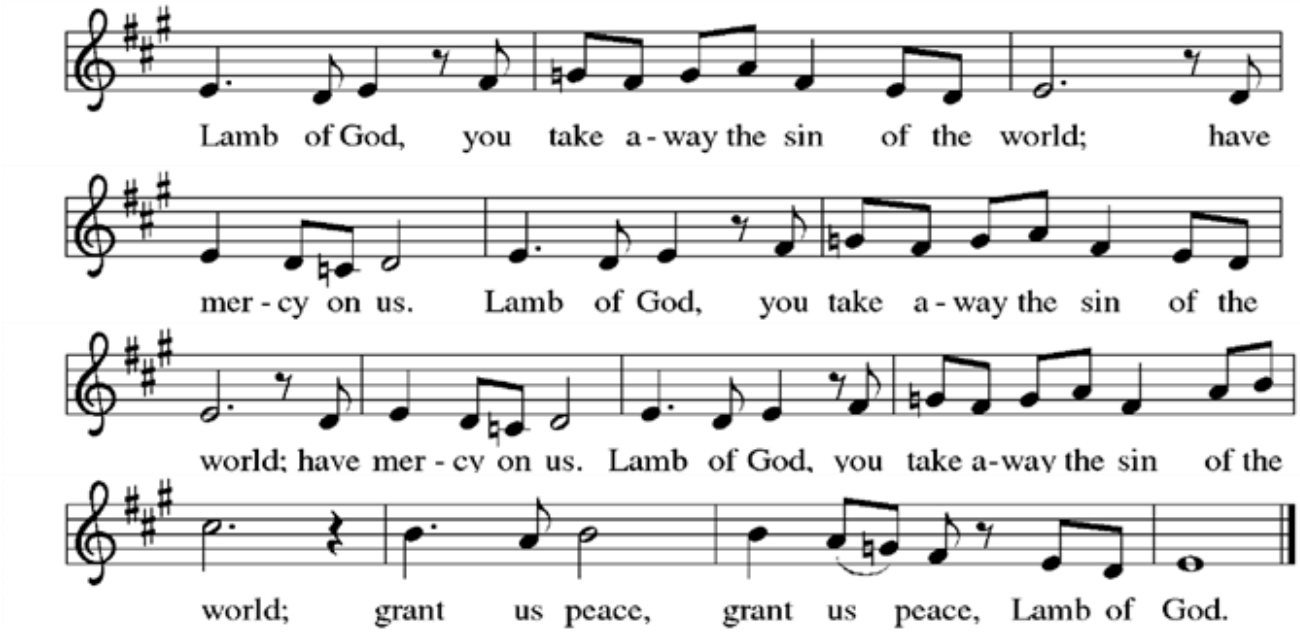
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The Gifts of God for the people of God.
C: Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD



The assembly sits. We receive communion by kneeling at the altar; after receiving communion you may return to your seat.



COMMUNION

P: The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

COMMUNION SONG ***The King of Love My Shepherd Is*** ***ELW 502***



BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray**.**

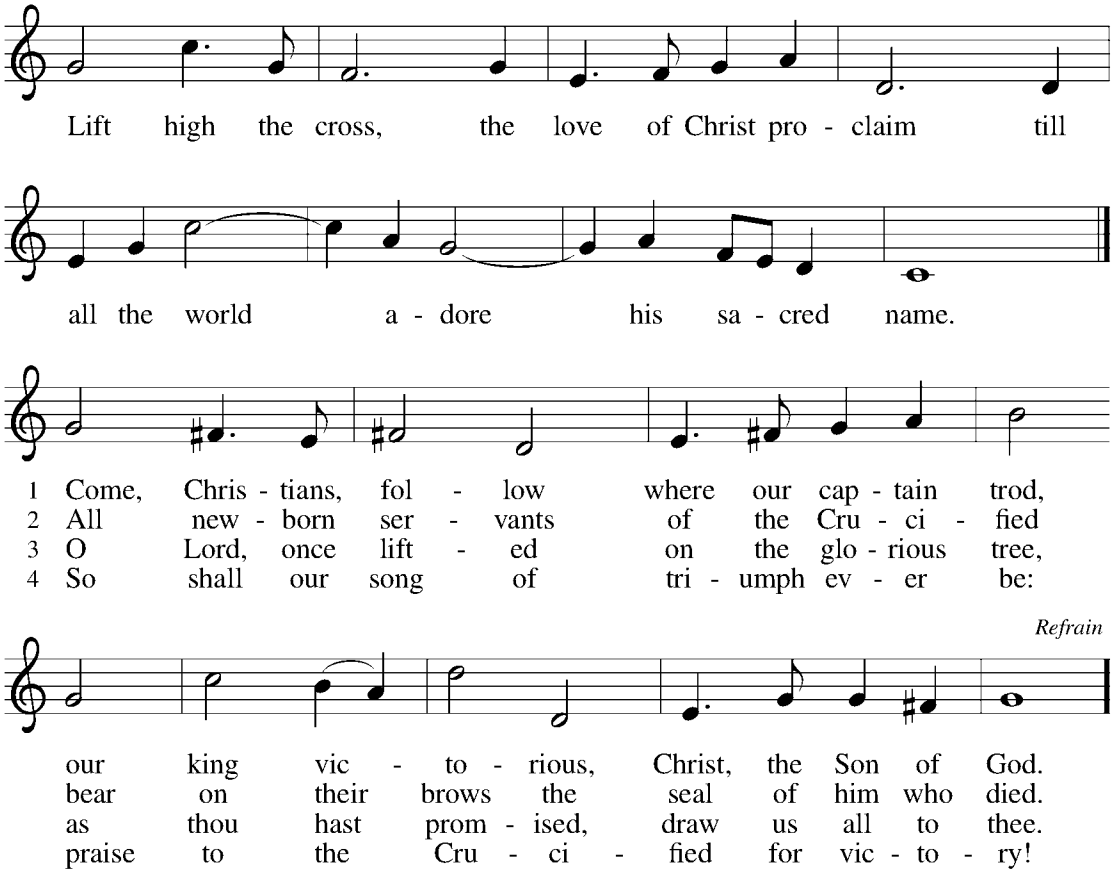
God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

P: Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and may the blessing and peace of God be with you and the whole world. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG *Lift High the Cross* *ELW 660*



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God!





TODAY	**November 15**
Opening Prayer: Ellen Riske	Opening Prayer: Sharon Shields
Assisting Minister: Laura O'Connell	Assisting Minister: Ellen Riske
Lector: Marilyn Bloom	Lector: Susan Potter
Communion Asst: Rick & Barbie Luxem	Communion Asst: Sharon Shields
Altar Guild: Sharon Shields	Altar Guild: Sharon Shields
Sunday School: Susan Potter	Sunday School: Traci Laasch



Choir rehearsal is on Wednesdays at 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the Great Room.



Sunday School has begun!
Join us for a time just for kids
Children grades K-5 are welcome.
They will be dismissed from the church service after the Opening Prayer.



Confirmation Class will take place the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Adult Morning Bible Study

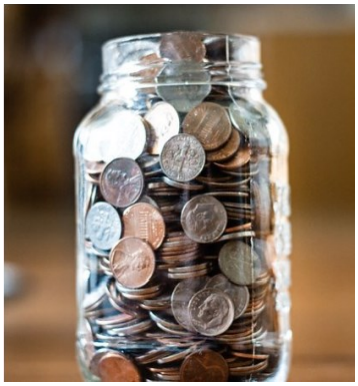


Tuesdays at 10 AM in the Great Room

We are studying the Old Testament.

This study will take you beyond mere head knowledge to help you encounter God's Word as an active, transformational force in your daily walk—guiding your decisions, refining your motives, and anchoring your soul.

Change for Change



Until the end of the year, we'll be collecting items for Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest. You can donate these items through December or place money in the Change for Change Jar and we'll shop for you.

Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest

LSS-SW Resource Center on our campus has a Wish List:

Baby wipes, baby toys, sanitary napkins, hair clips, brushes, belts, socks.
Gift cards for hair cuts.
Personal items like soap, lotion, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Join the Lunch Bunch

at Cracker Barrel OLD COUNTRY STORE

Tuesday, November 10
11:30 AM

Cracker Barrel at
Mesa Riverview
1007 N. Dobson Rd



Manna Nights

have resumed every Tuesday night at 6 PM in the Concordia Charter School cafeteria. The meal is followed by games and activities for children & adults.

Church Council Retreat

November 21, 10 AM
1 PM at Pastor Luis' house





Town Hall Meeting and Pie Social November 29

Bring a pie or your favorite fall dessert to share and get updated on what is happening at church.

