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11:00 AM - November 22, 2026, Thanksgiving Sunday
Traditional Worship Service

Holy Communion Setting 5

INTRODUCTION

At harvest time we join the psalmist in offering thanksgiving to God: "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty." We are grateful for the abundance of the good things of God's creation. Paul reminds us that our thanksgiving overflows into generosity. As the body of Christ in the world, we give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *God's Love is Like a Circle* **Traditional**
Cherub Choir

The Cherub Choir will sing the song twice.
We invite the congregation to sing with us the second time.

God's Love is Like a Circle

God's love is like a circle
A circle big and round
For when you see a circle
No ending can be found
And so the love of Jesus
Goes on eternally
Forever and forever
I know that He loves me.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS **ELW p. 94**

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

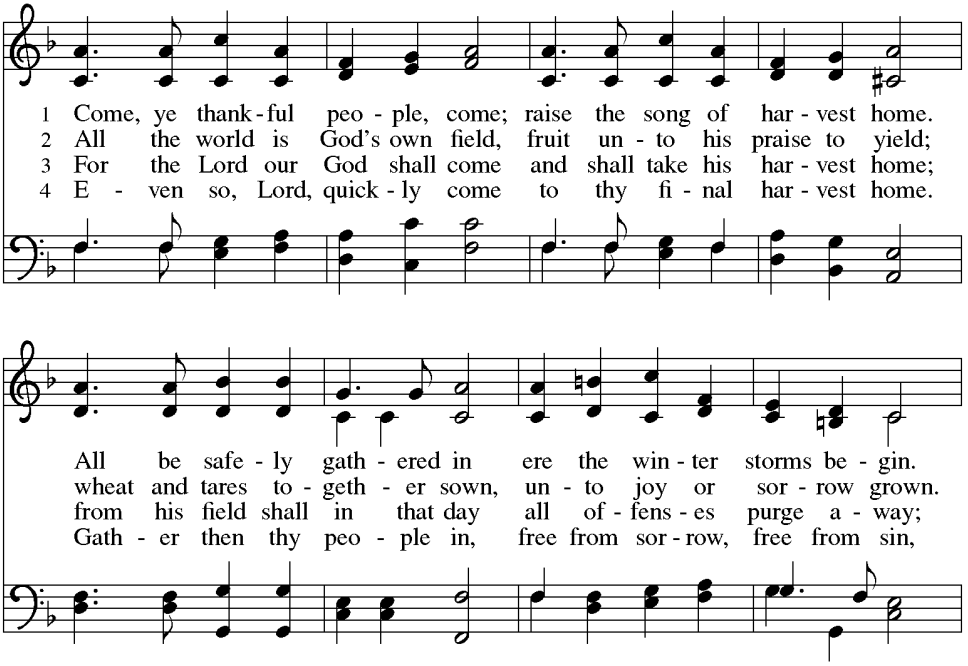
God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

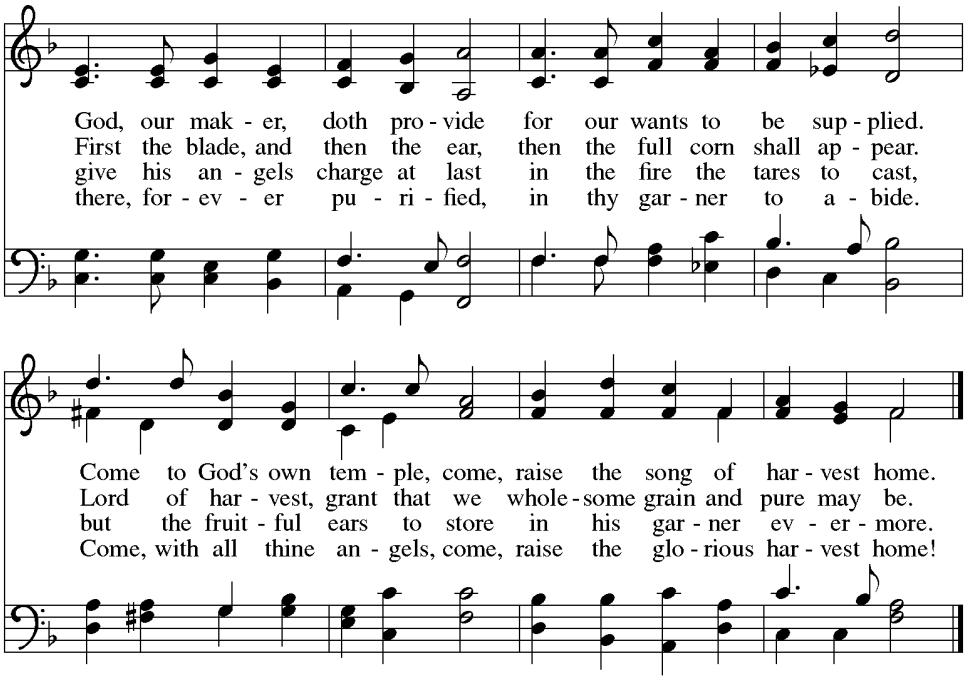
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.**

HYMN 693 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* **ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR**



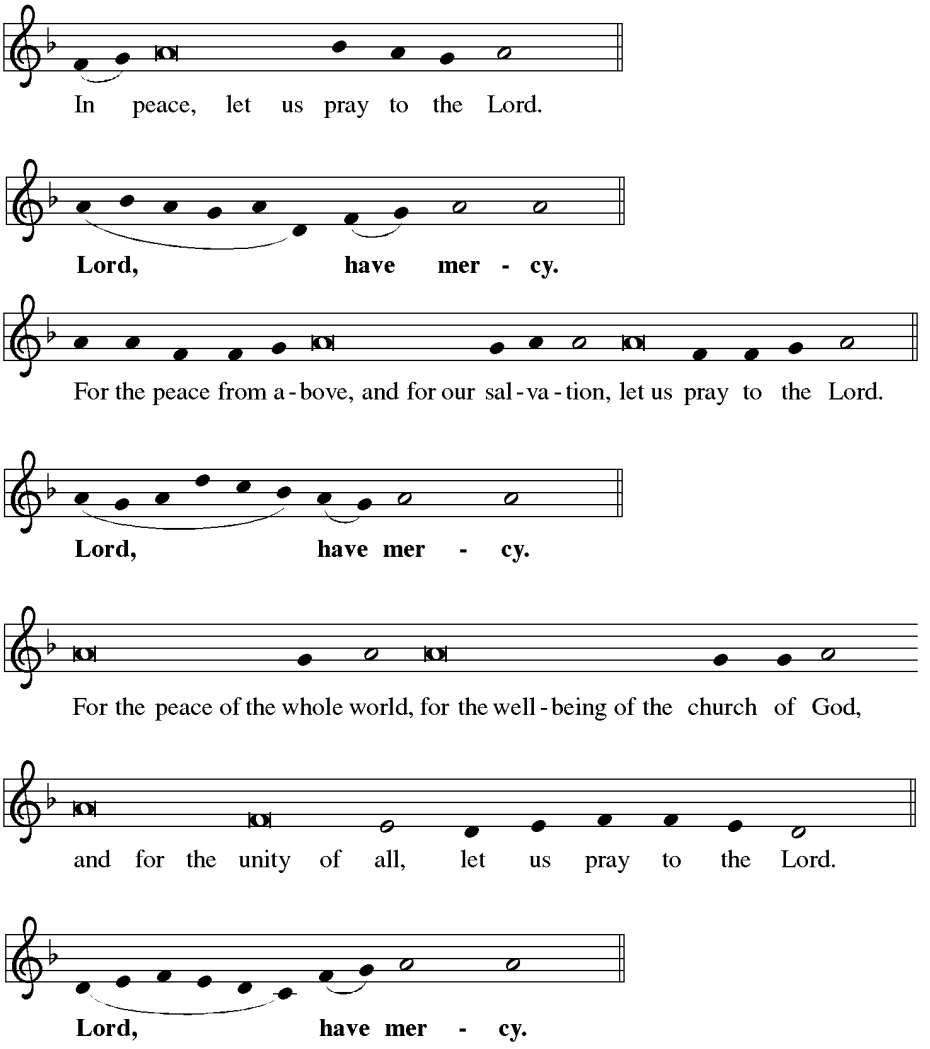


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Music: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

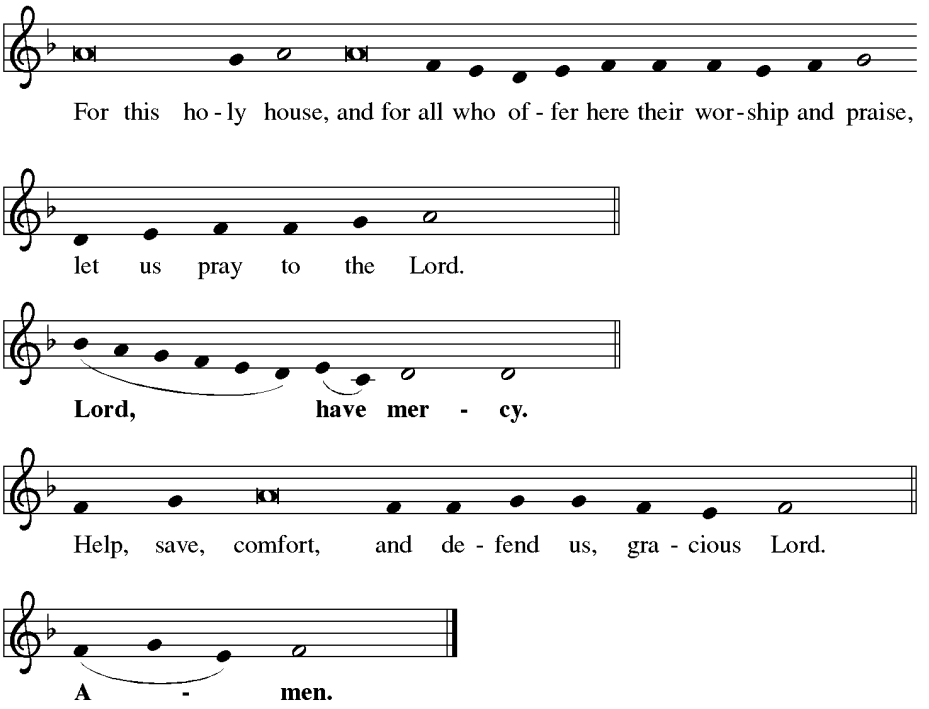
GREETING **ELW p. 156**

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.

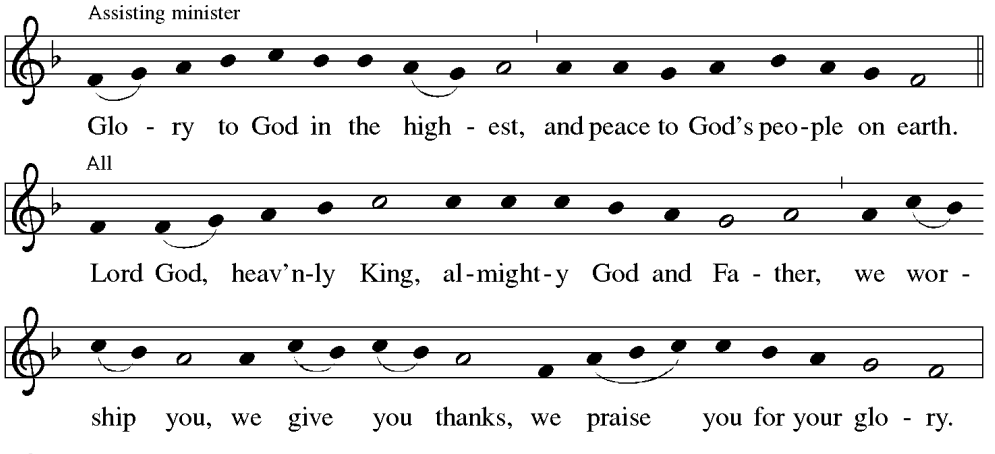


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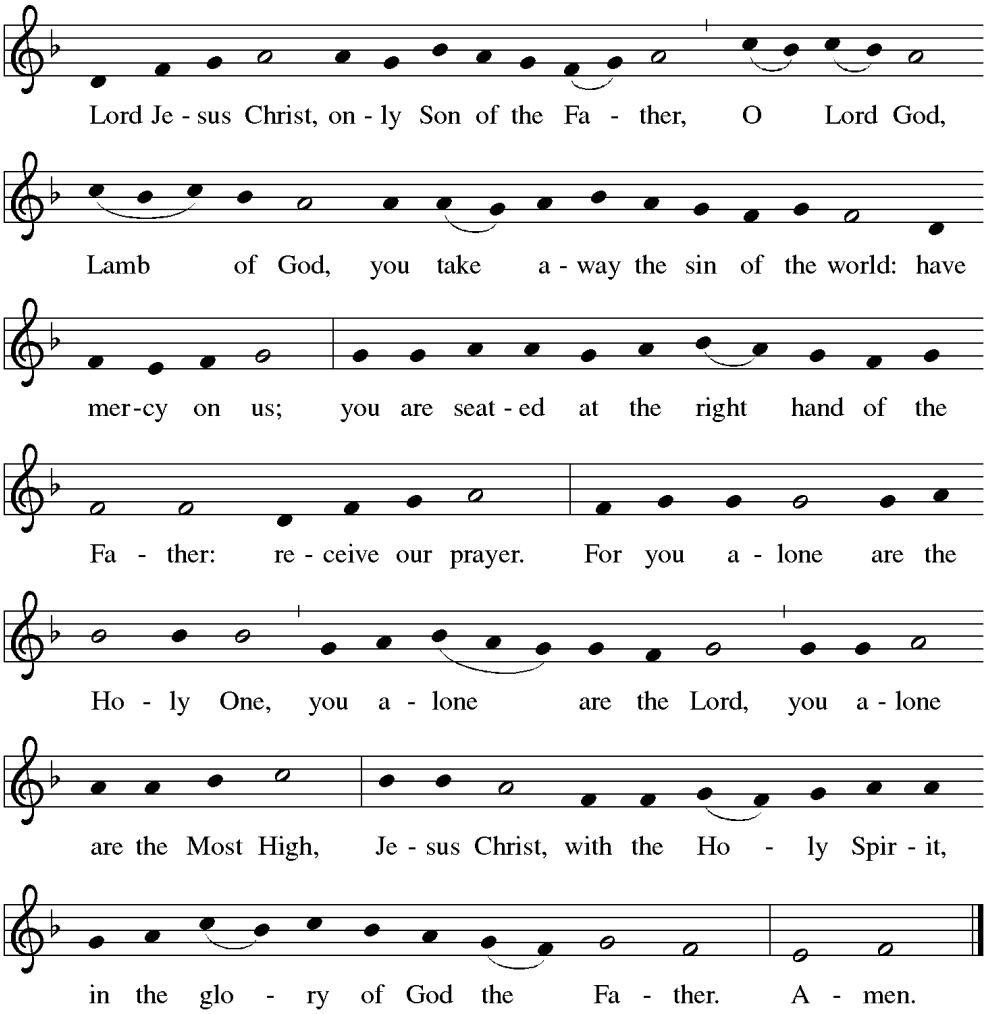


CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY **ELW p. 159**

Let us pray.

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING **Deuteronomy 8:7-18**

A reading from Deuteronomy.

Times of abundance tempt us to forget God and rely on our own power and resources. But God is the one who took Israel out of Egypt, led and fed them in the wilderness, brought them into the land, and gave them power to be productive. To thank this God is to remember and proclaim God's deeds.

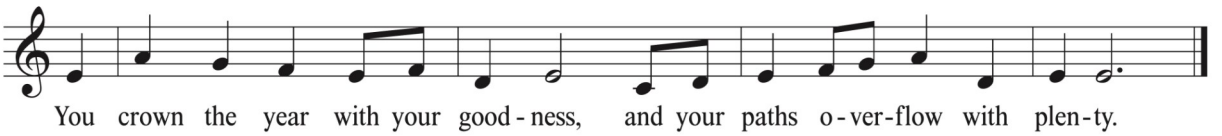
7 "The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with
springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, 8 a land of wheat and barley, of
vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey, 9 a land where you may eat
bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from
whose hills you may mine copper. 10 You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the
good land that he has given you.

11 "Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God by failing to keep his
commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes that I am commanding you today. 12 When you
have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them 13 and when your herds and
flocks have multiplied and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied,
14 then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of
Egypt, out of the house of slavery, 15 who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an
arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint
rock. 16 He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble
you and to test you and in the end to do you good. 17 Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the
might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.' 18 But remember the Lord your God, for it
is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to
your ancestors, as he is doing today."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 65

W K Davis



[1] You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;
to you shall vows be fulfilled.
[2] To you, the one who answers prayer,
to you all flesh shall come. **R**
[3] Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you blot out | our transgressions.
[4] Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there!
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple. **R**
[5] Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans far away.
[6] You make firm the mountains by your power;
you are girded about with might. **R**
[7] You still the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
[8] Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy. **R**
[9] You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water.
You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.
[10] You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase. **R**
[12] May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.
[13] May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing. **R**

SECOND READING **2 Corinthians 9:6-15**

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

Christian fellowship involves sharing with those in need. Here Paul is gathering a collection for the church in Jerusalem from all the Gentile churches he helped found. We can be extravagant in our giving because God is extravagant in providing for our lives.

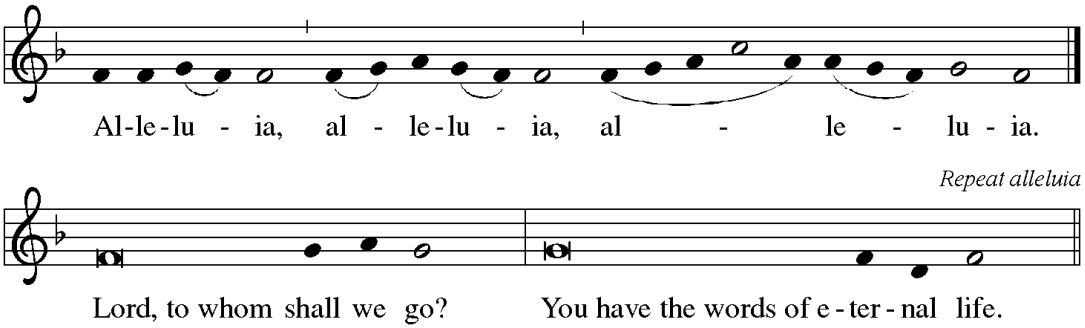
6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows
bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind,
not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to
provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything,
you may share abundantly in every good work. 9 As it is written,

"He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever."

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for
sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way for
your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, 12 for the rendering
of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many
thanksgivings to God. 13 Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience
to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership with them
and with all others, 14 while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace
of God that he has given you. 15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **ELW p. 160**



GOSPEL **Luke 17:11-19**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

A Samaritan leper becomes a model for thanksgiving. He does not take for granted the kindness shown to him but takes time to thank Jesus and to glorify God.

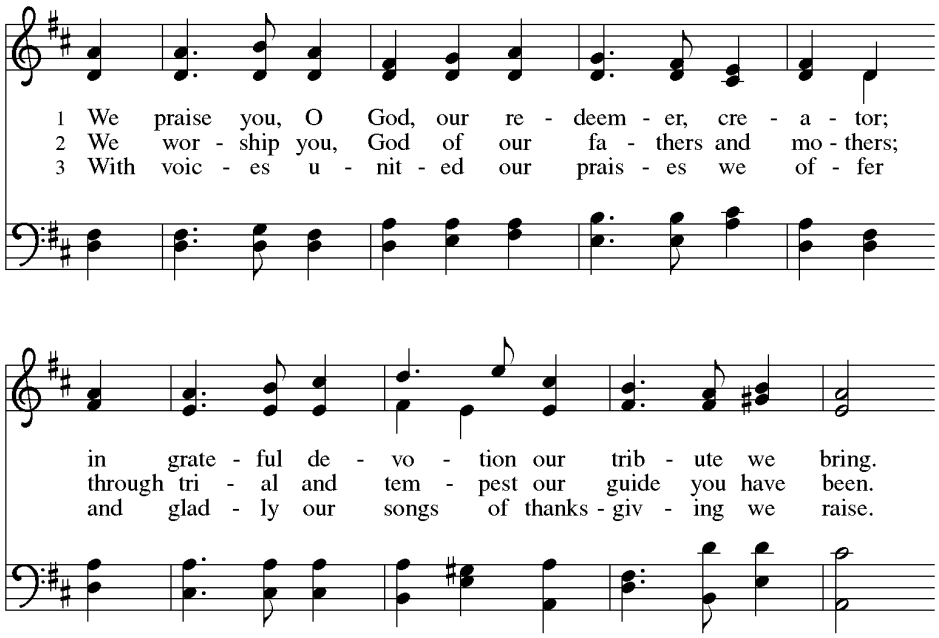
[11] On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.
[12] As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance,
[13] they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" [14] When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean.
[15] Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. [16] He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.
[17] Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? [18] Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" [19] Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

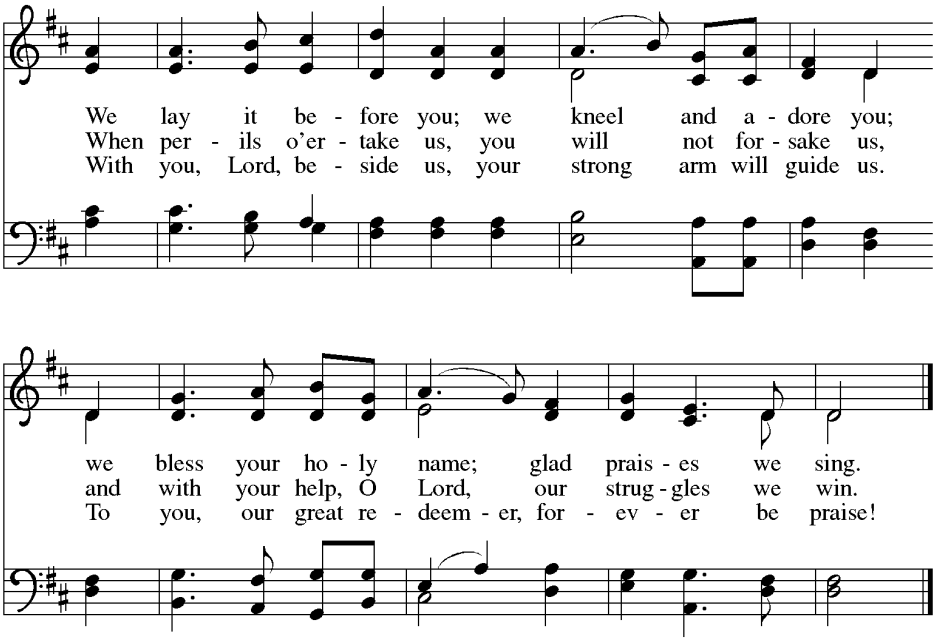
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON **Pastor Pat Riddle**

HYMN 870 *We Praise You, O God* **KREMSER**





Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963
Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, *Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

APOSTLES' CREED **ELW p. 160**

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
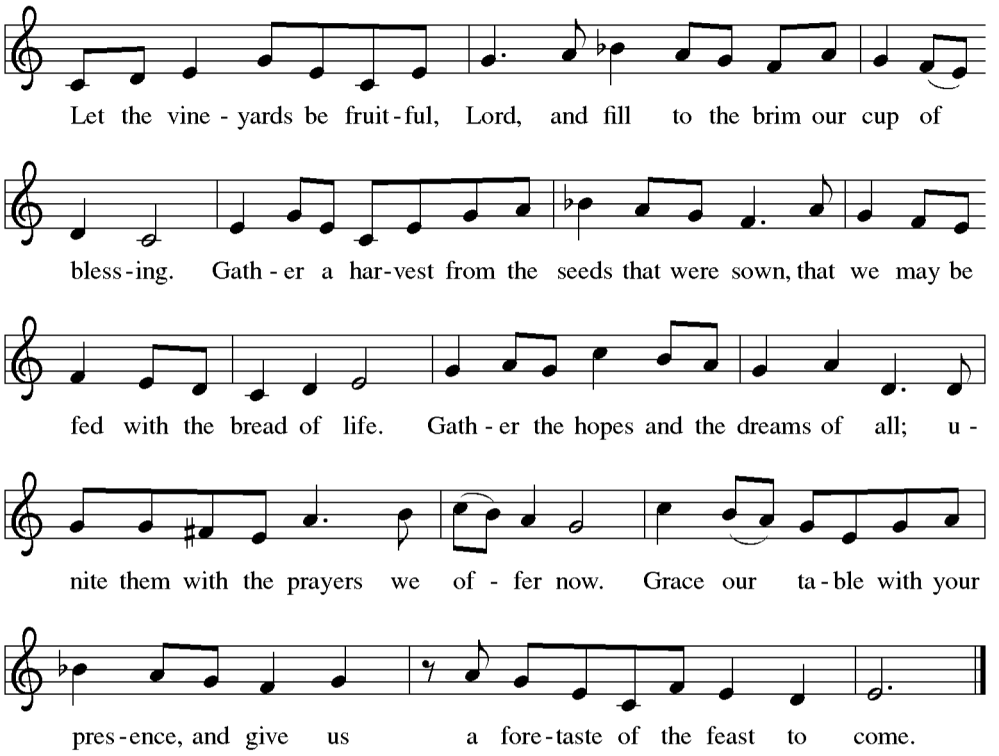
God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

PEACE

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Bless God's Holy Name* **Michael Capon**

OFFERTORY HYMN 182 *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful* **Richard W. Hillert**



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Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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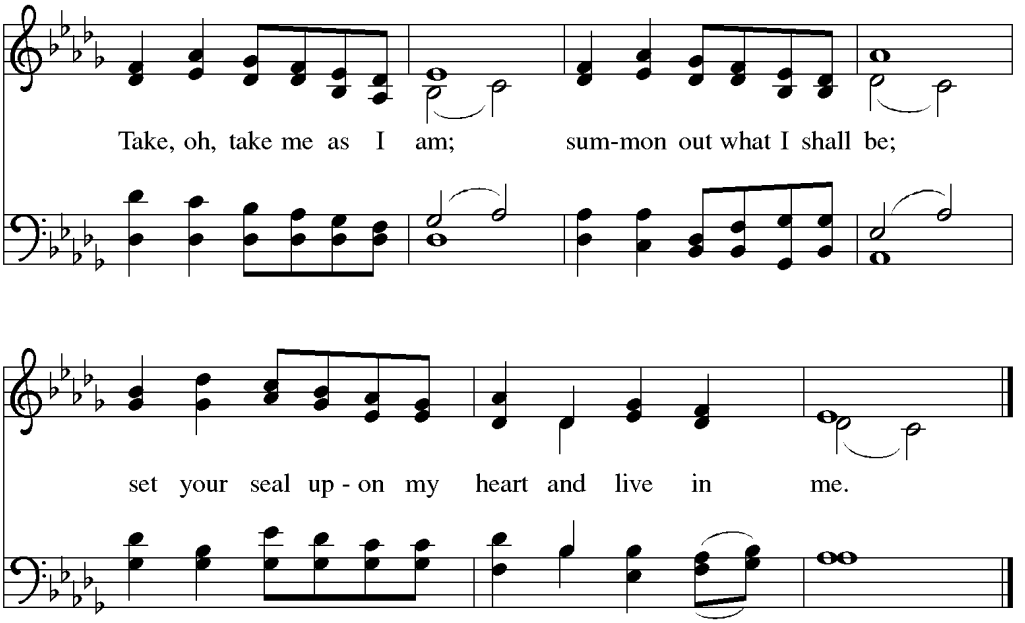
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OFFERING PRAYER

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.**

HYMN 814 *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* **TAKE ME AS I AM**



Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949
Music: TAKE ME AS I AM, John L. Bell
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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE **ELW p. 162**

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.

HYMN 814 *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* **TAKE ME AS I AM**

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.

HYMN 814 *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* **TAKE ME AS I AM**

LORD'S PRAYER **ELW p. 163**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, 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.

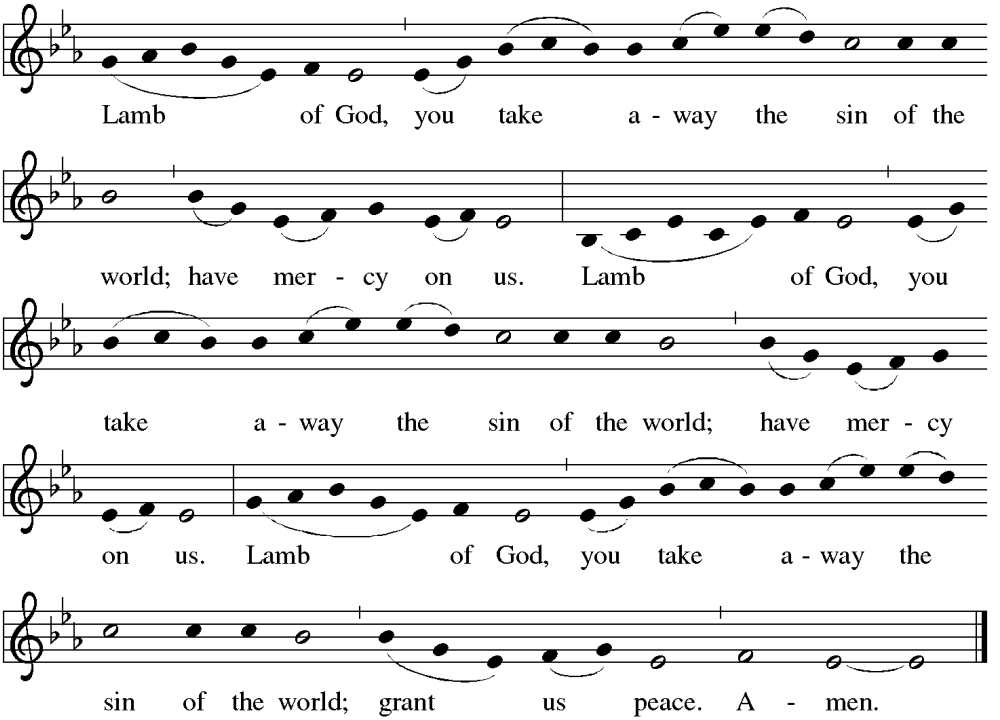
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.
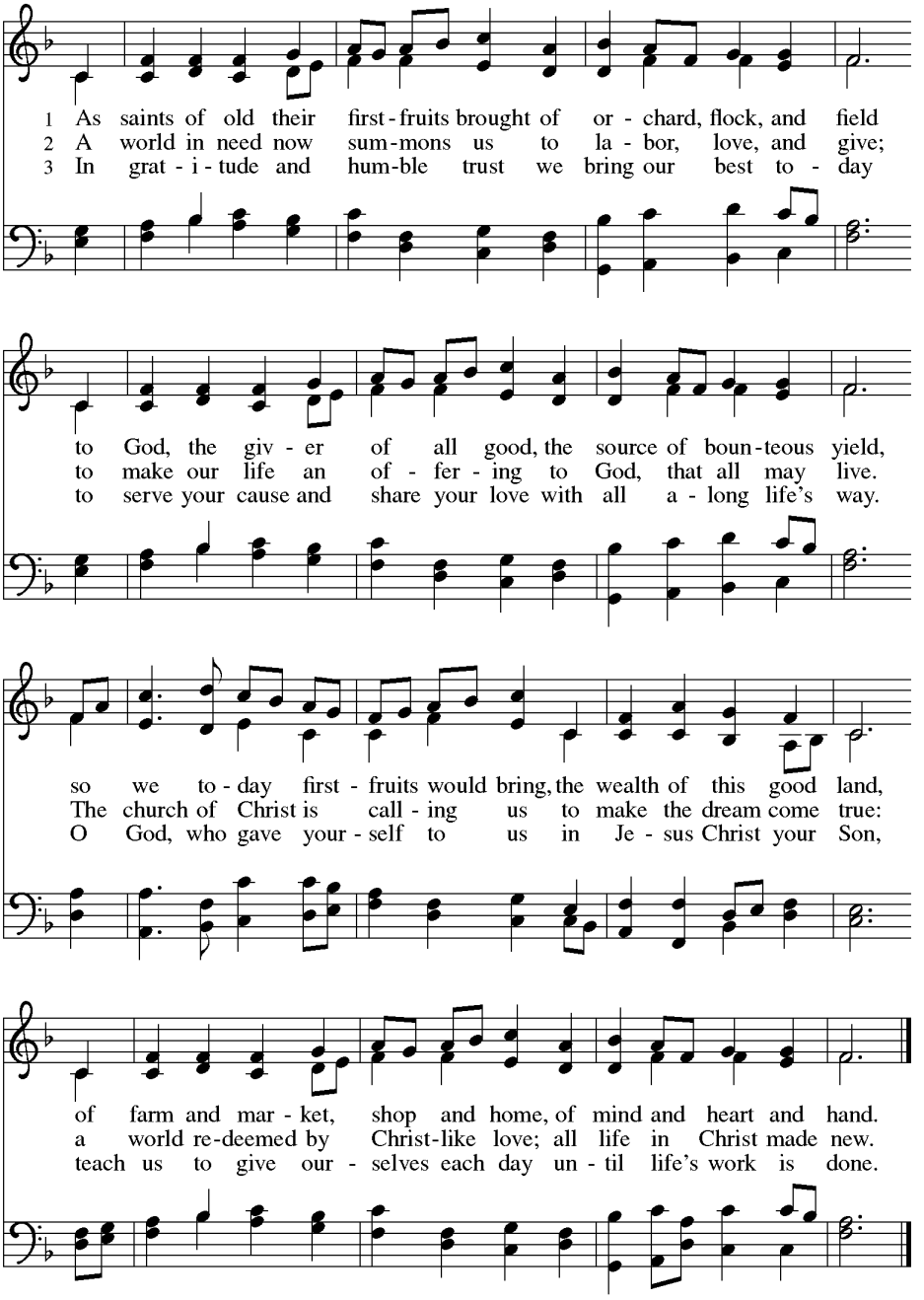
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God, for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI **ELW p. 164**



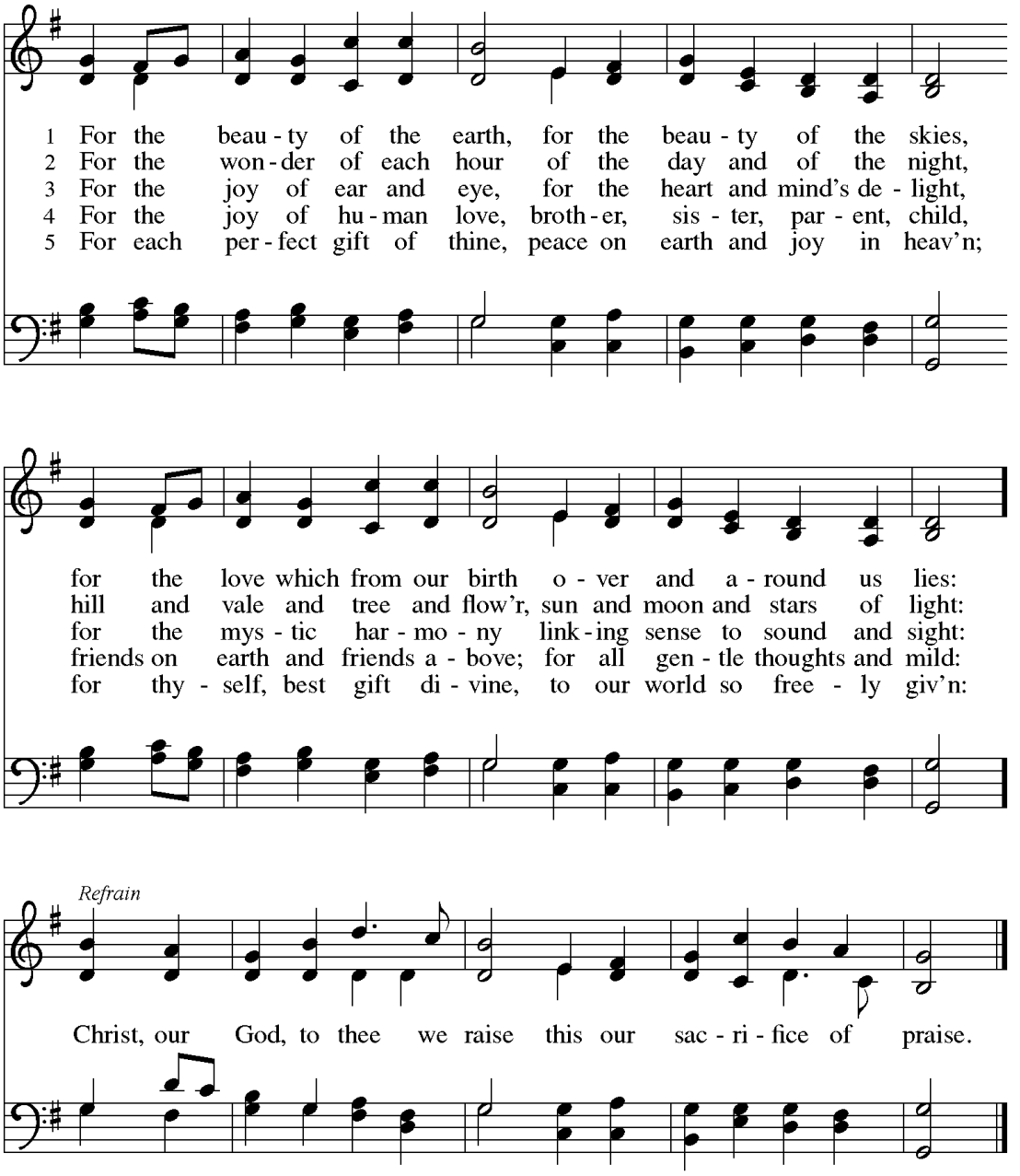
HYMN 695 *As Saints of Old* **FOREST GREEN**



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Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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HYMN 879 *For the Beauty of the Earth* **DIX**



Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION **ELW p. 164**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
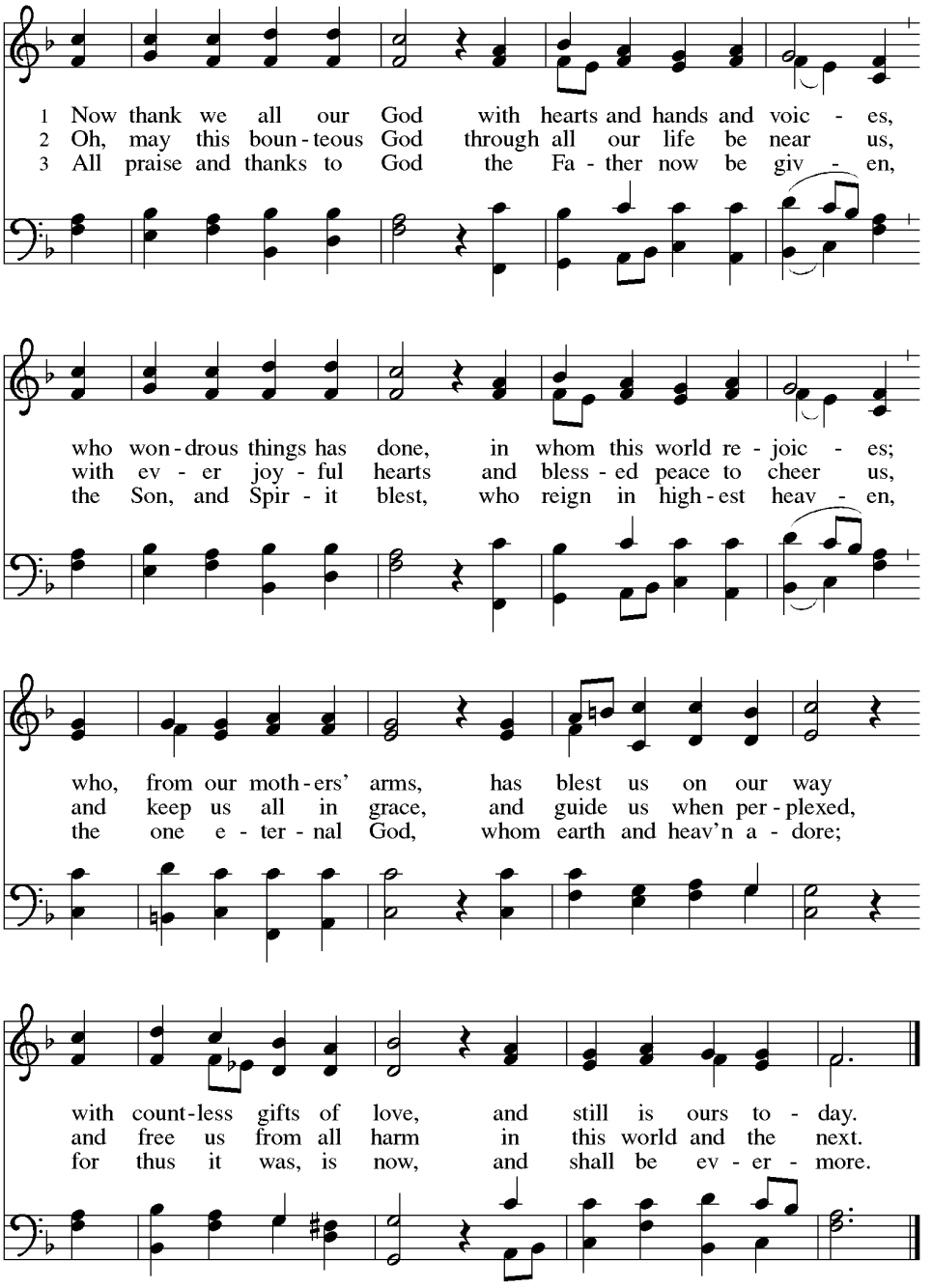
BLESSING **ELW p. 164**

Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

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HYMN 840 *Now Thank We All Our God* **NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT**



Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878
Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

DISMISSAL **ELW p. 164**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Chorale Improvisation on "Now Thank We All Our God"* **Sigfrid Karg-Elert**

Worship Assistants

Lector ..... *Docia Jones*
Communion Assistants ..... *Docia Jones, Sarah Whitehead*
Greeter ..... *Janet Smith*
Ushers ..... *Joe Jones, John Belle Isle,*
..... *Jack Sox*
Acolyte ..... *Shepard Belle Isle*
Crucifer ..... *Volunteer needed*
Livestream Coordinators ..... *Pam Hoskins, Kendrick Kerr*
Worship Coordinator ..... *Tom Smith*

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and with Thanksgiving for our Church Family, and in honor of Joy's 80th birthday on November 21st by Docia Jones and Joy Gray.

The Bulletin Covers are given in loving memory of Freddie Fulmer, whose birthday is today, by Kay and Stephen Fulmer and Rick and Sherri Moorer.

Welcome to Mt. Tabor. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out and return the attendance card in your pew rack so we may have a record of your attendance. Our ushers and greeters will be glad to answer any questions you may have about our worship service. We hope that you will experience the presence of the Risen Christ today!

Lord Teach Us To Pray:

As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: DeeDee Fogle, Rachel Popkowski, Brittany Carpenter, Rhys Boyd, Lindsey Witcher, Randy Klapman.

Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Linda Price, James Campbell, Jeanie Jacobs, Rue Jeffcoat, Kim Pittman, Mary Davis, Michael Gayden, Dora Miller, Annie Ruth Addy, Ruth Goldsmith, Fred Vallejo, Amy Oliver

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Michael Bradshaw, Hoa O'Kelley, Sally Kleber, Paul Jacobs, Rachel Bundrick, Karen Holton, Sandra Baker, Paul & Carolyn Dufries, John Conrad, Bruce Merchant, Judy Jordan, Alice Pollock, Sadie Howard, Elmer Sundlie, Paul Addy, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston

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Family of:

David Senn, Sr.

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Mr. Kevin Davis, Director of Music