

**MID-WEEK 6 LENT  
SERVICE**

**APRIL 9, 2025  
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10:30 am**

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Every Sunday**

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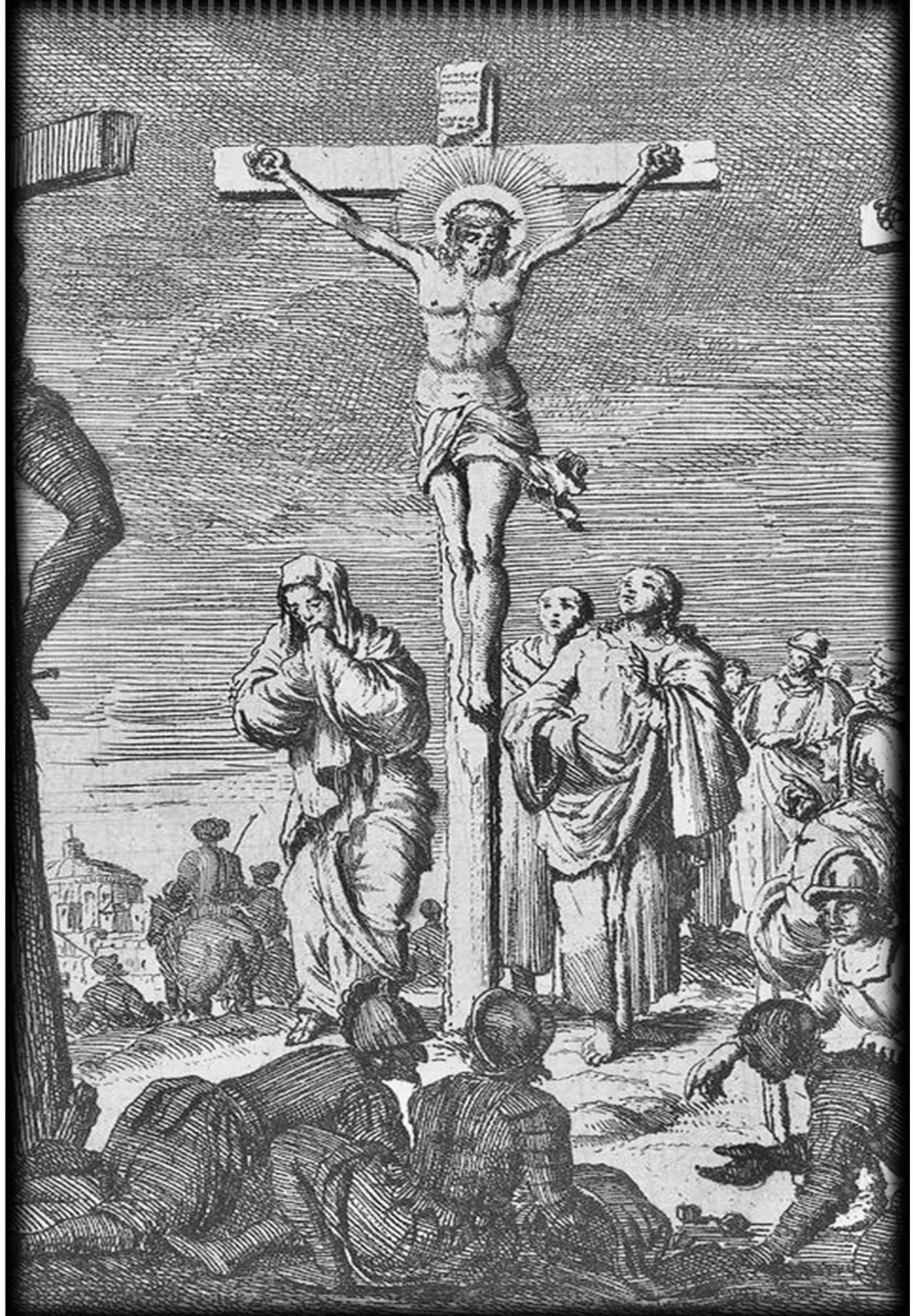
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# *“Crucifixion Character Contrasts”*



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### **WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors here today. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

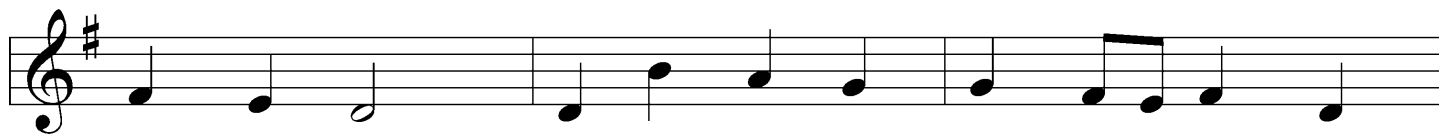
**AS WE GATHER** One of the most popular and lasting musicals of the past decades has been Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Originally written in 1968 as a fifteen-minute-long pop cantata for a performance at the Colet Court School in London, Joseph has grown in length and popularity. It has been presented in theaters around the world, from London's West End to Broadway and beyond, launching the lasting careers of collaborators Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice. What has endeared the musical to thousands of performers and audience members is its colorful characters, catchy music, and the themes of forgiveness and new beginnings that shine through the presentation. The story of Joseph is one in which the handiwork of God to bring good out of evil is clearly evident. The original story of Joseph from the book of Genesis is a clear preview of the Passion story, how Jesus brings good out of evil for our sakes, for us to learn from in this Lenten season.

**PRELUDE** *(A Quiet Time for Prayer and Meditation)*

**OPENING HYMN** *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain* **LSB 435**



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -  
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -  
From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.  
will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.  
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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## VESPERS

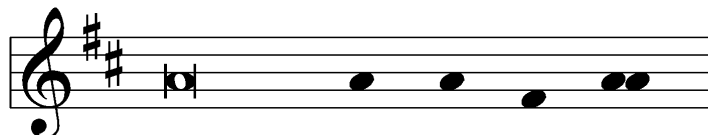
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### INVOCATION

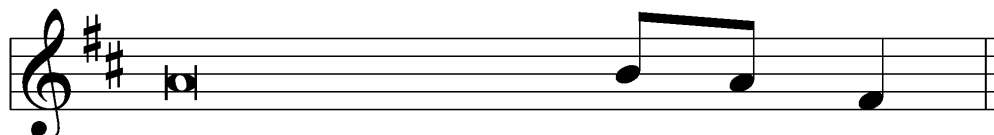
**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

**C** Amen.

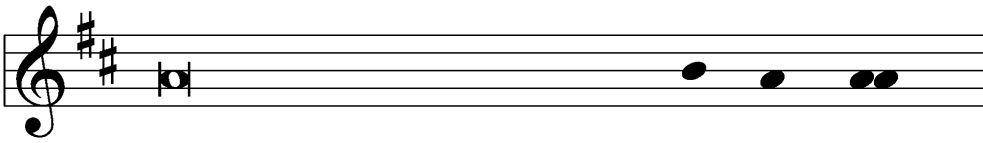
### RESPONSE



**[L]** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**[C]** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



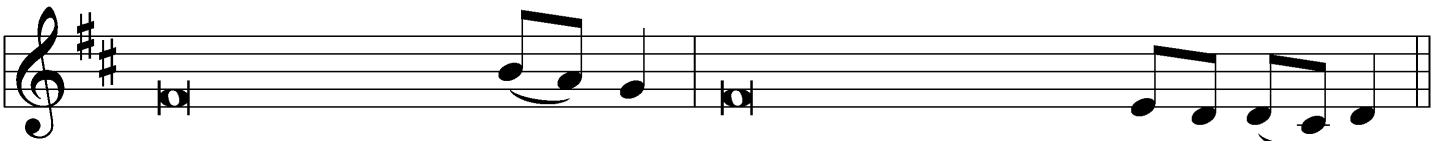
**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Lamb of our sal—va—tion.

## PSALM *Psalms 32*

**P** Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**C** **Blessed is the man to whom the Lord does not impute iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

**P** When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long.

**C** **For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my vitality was turned into the drought of summer.**

**P** I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**C** **For this cause everyone who is godly shall pray to You in a time when You may be found; surely in a flood of great waters they shall not come near him.**

**P** You are my hiding place; You shall preserve me from trouble; You shall surround me with songs of deliverance.

**C I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.**

**P** Do not be like the horse or like the mule, which have no understanding, which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, else they will not come near you.

**C Many sorrows shall be to the wicked; but he who trusts in the Lord, mercy shall surround him.**

**P** Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous; and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

*Please sit*

**FIRST READING**      *1 John 1:5-9*

5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING**      *Luke 23:32-56*

32 There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. 33 And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. 34 Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do."

And they divided His garments and cast lots. 35 And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, "He saved

others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God.”

36 The soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine,  
37 and saying, “If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself.”

38 And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek,  
Latin, and Hebrew:

THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

39 Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him,  
saying, “If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us.”

40 But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, “Do you not even fear  
God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? 41 And we indeed  
justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has  
done nothing wrong.” 42 Then he said to Jesus, “Lord, remember me  
when You come into Your kingdom.”

43 And Jesus said to him, “Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with  
Me in Paradise.”

44 Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the  
earth until the ninth hour. 45 Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of  
the temple was torn in two. 46 And when Jesus had cried out with a  
loud voice, He said, “Father, ‘into Your hands I commit My spirit.’ ”  
Having said this, He breathed His last.

47 So when the centurion saw what had happened, he glorified God,  
saying, “Certainly this was a righteous Man!”

48 And the whole crowd who came together to that sight, seeing what  
had been done, beat their breasts and returned. 49 But all His  
acquaintances, and the women who followed Him from Galilee, stood at  
a distance, watching these things.

50 Now behold, there was a man named Joseph, a council member, a  
good and just man. 51 He had not consented to their decision and deed.  
He was from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who himself was also waiting  
for the kingdom of God. 52 This man went to Pilate and asked for the  
body of Jesus. 53 Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen, and laid it in  
a tomb that was hewn out of the rock, where no one had ever lain  
before. 54 That day was the Preparation, and the Sabbath drew near.  
55 And the women who had come with Him from Galilee followed after,

and they observed the tomb and how His body was laid. 56 Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

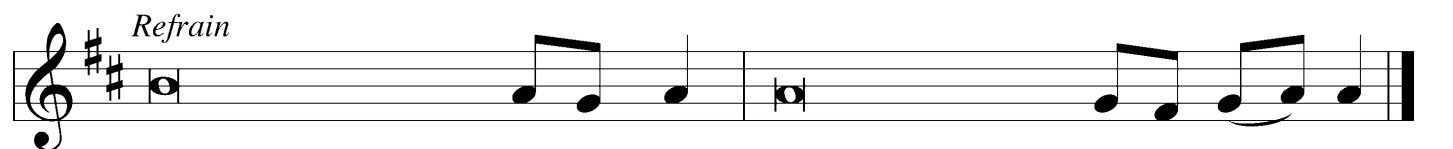
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To Refrain



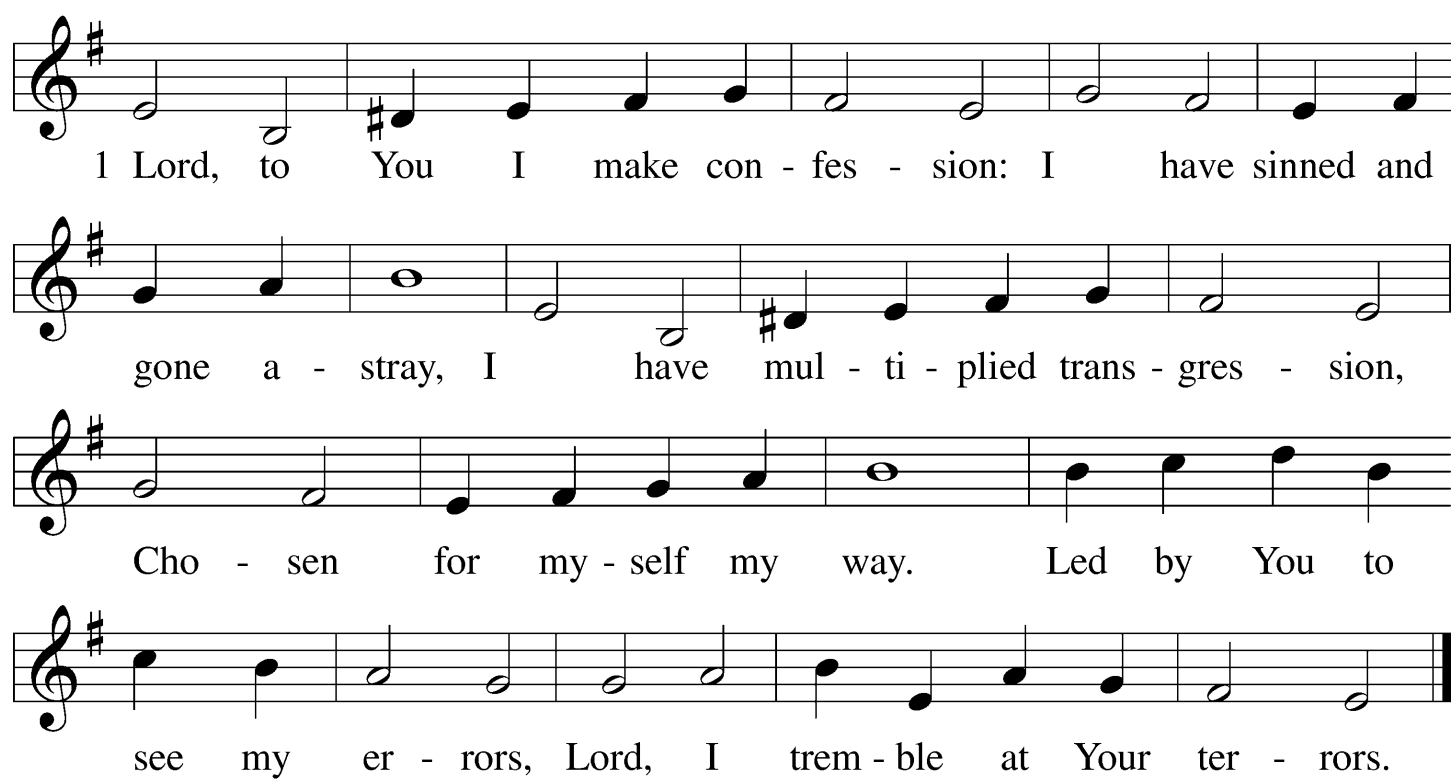
**L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.  
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.  
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.

Refrain



**C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me  
from those who rise a - gainst me.

HYMN OF THE DAY Lord, to You I Make Confession LSB 608



1 Lord, to You I make con - fes - sion: I have sinned and  
gone a - stray, I have mul - ti - plied trans - gres - sion,  
Cho - sen for my - self my way. Led by You to  
see my er - rors, Lord, I trem - ble at Your ter - rors.

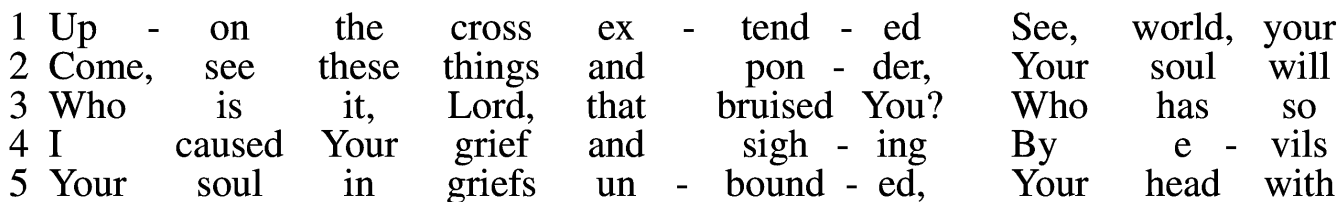


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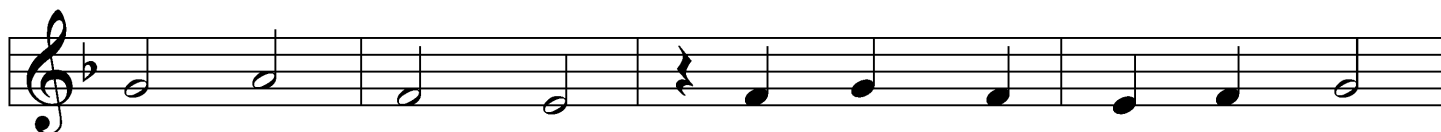
Luke 23:39-43, Matthew 27:44

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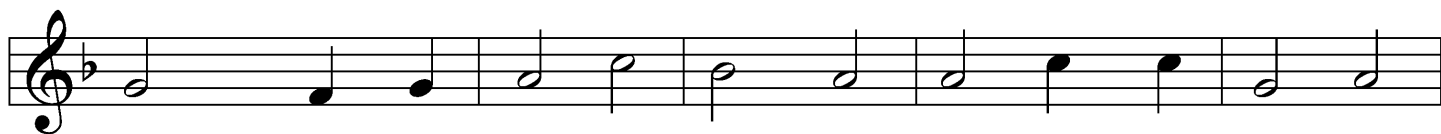
## LSB 453 vs.1-5







Lord sus - pend - ed. Your Sav - ior yields His breath.  
 fill with won - der As blood streams from each pore.  
 sore a - bused You And caused You all Your woe?  
 mul - ti - ply - ing As count - less as the sands.  
 thorns sur - round - ed, You died to ran - som me.



The Prince of Life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly  
 Through grief be - yond all know - ing From His great heart came  
 We all must make con - fes - sion Of sin and dire trans -  
 I caused the woes un - num - bered With which Your soul is  
 The cross for me en - dur - ing, The crown for me se -



giv - en To shame and blows and bit - ter death.  
 flow - ing Sighs well - ing from its deep - est core.  
 gres - sion While You no ways of e - vil know.  
 cum - bered, Your sor - rows raised by wick - ed hands.  
 cur - ing, You healed my wounds and set me free.

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## KYRIE



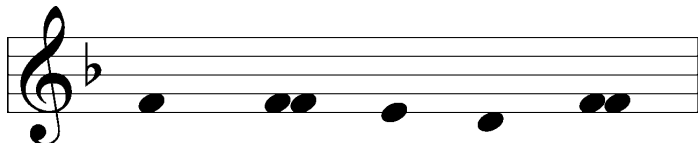
**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## LORD'S PRAYER

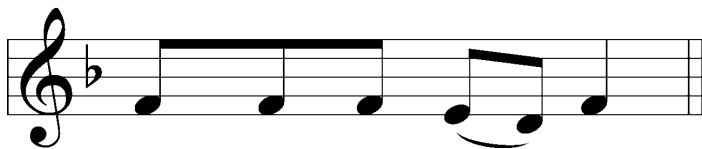
Our Father who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be Thy name,  
 Thy kingdom come,  
 Thy will be done on earth  
 as it is in heaven;  
 give us this day our daily bread;  
 and forgive us our trespasses  
 as we forgive those

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.

## COLLECTS



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

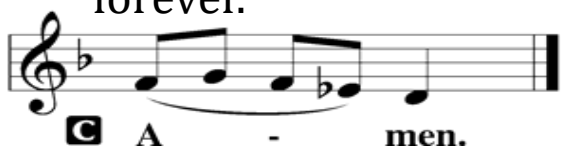
## COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. O Lord, You gave the Law so that even in our sin we might know Your will for our lives, and You gave us Your only Son to cleanse our lives of sin. For His sake, forgive us and renew us so that we may serve You faithfully; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

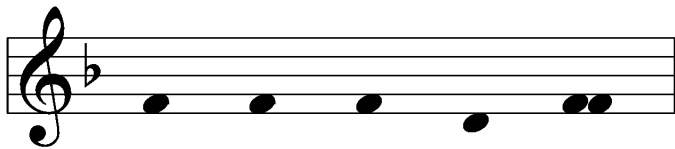
## COLLECT FOR PEACE

**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## BENEDICAMUS

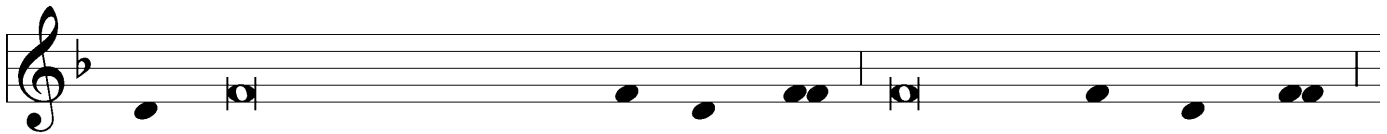


**L** Let us bless the Lord.

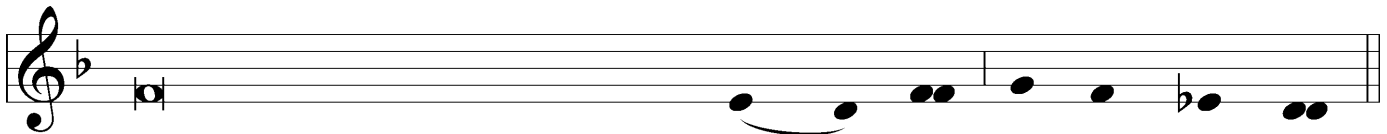


**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION



**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.

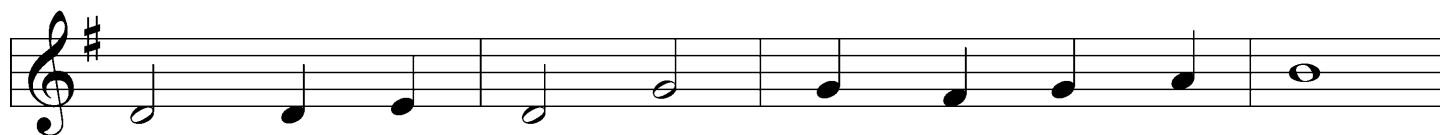


**C** A - men.

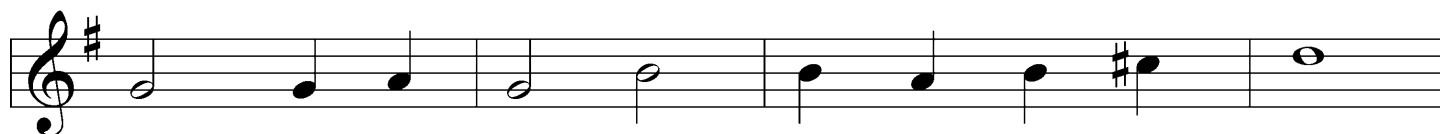
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**SENDING HYMN**

*Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise*

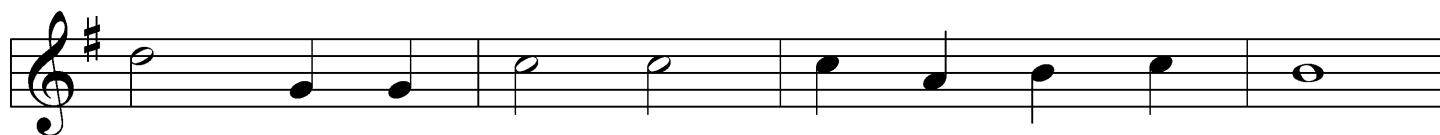
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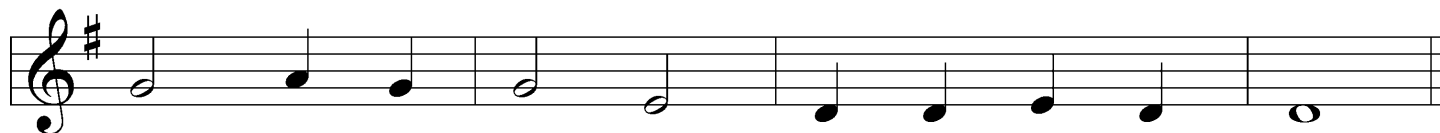
1 Sav - ior, a - gain to Thy dear name we raise  
2 Grant us Thy peace up - on our home - ward way;  
3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;  
4 Grant us Thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,



With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
With Thee be - gan, with Thee shall end, the day.  
Turn Thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.  
Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife;



Once more we bless Thee ere our wor - ship cease,  
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
From harm and dan - ger keep Thy chil - dren free;  
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,



Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait Thy word of peace.  
That in this house have called up - on Thy name.  
For dark and light are both a - like to Thee.  
Call us, O Lord, to Thine e - ter - nal peace.

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