FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod

The 18th Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025

Divine Service, Setting One – LSB 151

10:30am – livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube

AS WE GATHER

Faith Returns Thanks to God and Worships Him in the Person of Christ Jesus

Jesus comes in mercy and, by His Word, heals you in body and soul. "Go and show yourselves to the priests," for you are cleansed (Luke 17:14), and you are granted access to the Lord's temple. It is "at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks" (Luke 17:16), that you worship God, for Christ Jesus is your great High Priest; His body is the true temple. In Him, you "find rest, each of you in the house of her husband" (Ruth 1:9), for the Lord has "visited his people and given them food" (Ruth 1:6). The person of Jesus Christ lodges Himself in holy food — bread and wine for believers to eat and drink. You lodge where Jesus lodges; His Father is your God, His people are your people. Death cannot part you from Him because His death and resurrection are eternally yours through Holy Baptism. "Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead" (2 Tim. 2:8). As surely as death could not hold Him, so surely "the word of God is not bound" (2 Tim. 2:9). His Gospel is entrusted "to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2), so that you "may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus" (2 Tim. 2:10). Such is the confession of faith for all the saints, who believe, teach and confess the one Lord and Savior — Jesus Christ.

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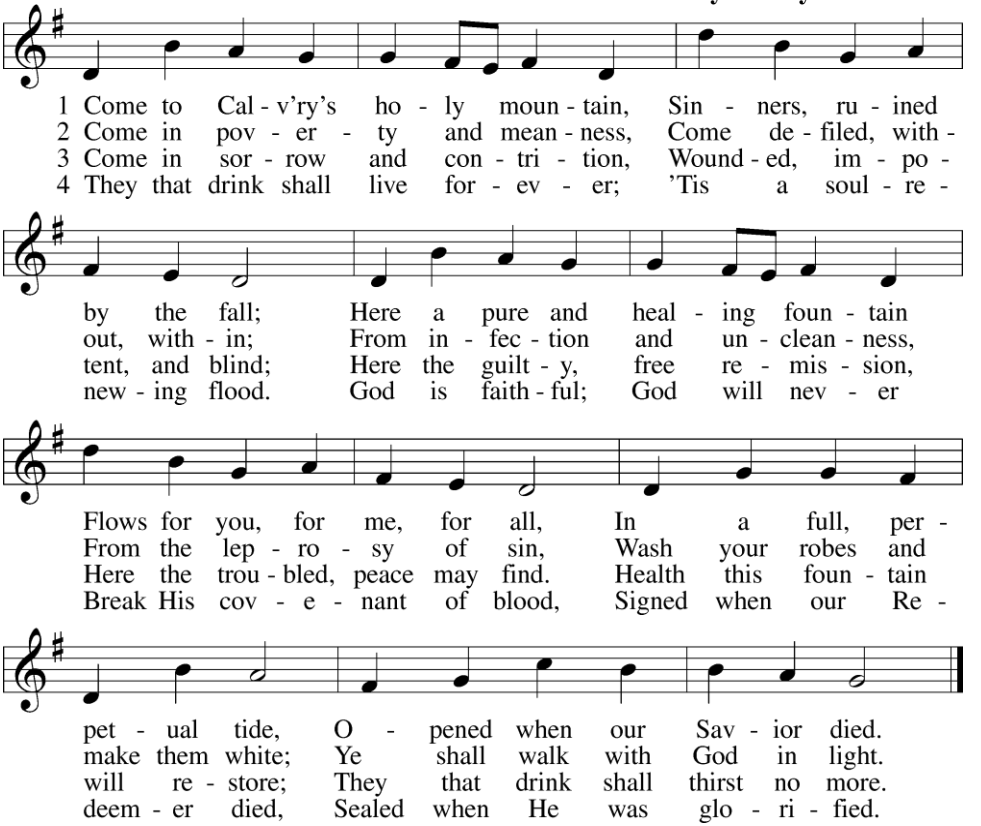
PRE-SERVICE MUSIC – *Echo Fantasy in Aeolian Mode* (Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck, 1562–1621)

HYMN OF INVOCATION – LSB 435 – Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain



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INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**.

✢ ✢ ✢ WORD ✢ ✢ ✢

INTROIT – Psalm 34:2-4, 17; antiphon: Psalm 48:1a

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

C **My soul makes its boast | in the Lord;***
let the humble hear | and be glad.

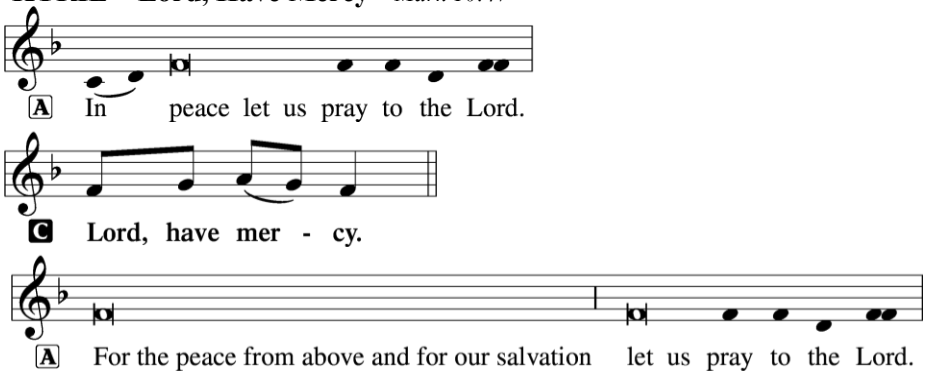
Leader: Oh magnify the | Lord with me,*
and let us exalt his name to- | gether!

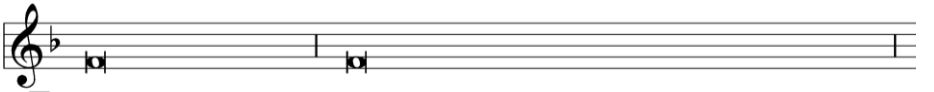
C **I sought the Lord and he | answered me***
and delivered me from | all my fears.

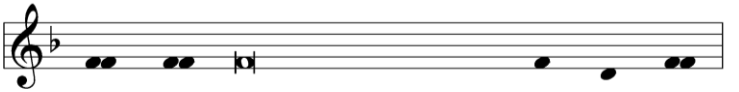
Leader: When the righteous cry for help, the | Lord hears*
and delivers them out of all their | troubles.

C **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;**
as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now and will be forever. | Amen.
Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

KYRIE – Lord, Have Mercy – *Mark 10:47*







GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

℗ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

P …one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT – Ruth 1:1-19a – Ruth's loyalty to widow Naomi

[1]In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. [2]The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. [3]But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. [4]These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, [5]and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

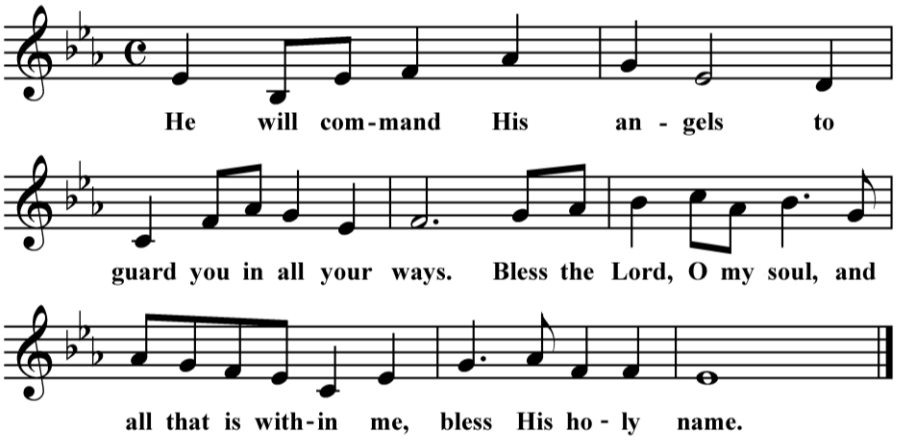
[6]Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. [7]So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. [8]But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. [9]The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. [10]And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." [11]But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? [12]Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, [13]would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me." [14]Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

[15]And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." [16]But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. [17]Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." [18]And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

[19]So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

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

GRADUAL – Sung by congregation. *Psalm 91:11; Psalm 103:1*



EPISTLE – 2 Timothy 2:1-13 – A good soldier of Jesus Christ

[1]You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, [2]and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. [3]Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. [4]No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his

aim is to please the one who enlisted him. [5]An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. [6]It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. [7]Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

[8]Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, [9]for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! [10]Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. [11]The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
[12]if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he also will deny us;
[13]if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
for he cannot deny himself.

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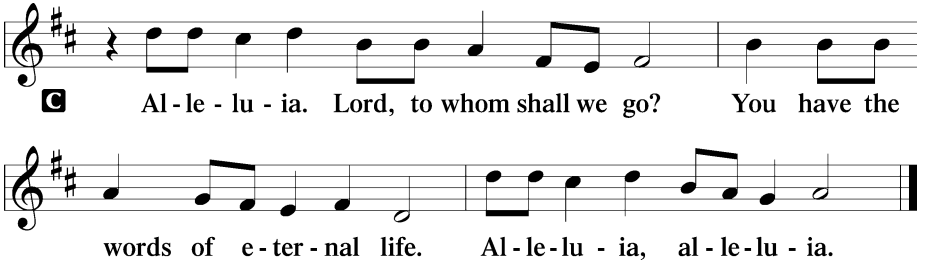
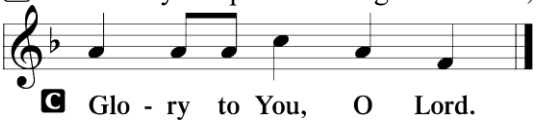
ALLELUIA and COMMON VERSE – *John 6:68*



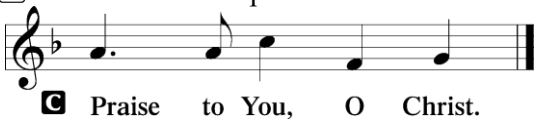
HOLY GOSPEL – Luke 17:11-19 – Jesus cleanses ten lepers.

A The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.



[11]On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. [12]And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance [13]and lifted up their voices, 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 cleansed. [15]Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; [16]and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. [17]Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? [18]Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" [19]And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



8:00 am – CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY – LSB 846 – Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

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SERMON – *Washed in Mercy* – Luke 17:11-19

8:00 am – APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✢ everlasting. Amen.

10:30 am & 5:00 pm – NICENE CREED

C **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.

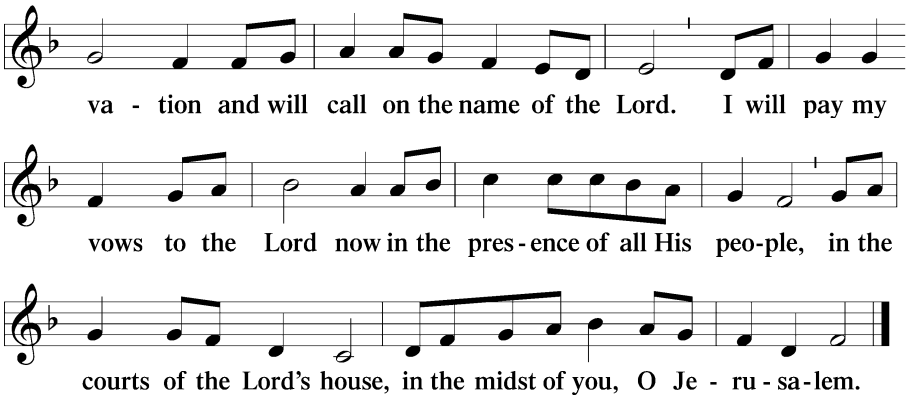
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

P …all glory and honor is Yours, forever and ever. **C** **Amen.**

OFFERING – "Chorale" from *Six Variants on Wondrous Love* (arr. Brenda Portman, b. 1980)

OFFERTORY – LSB 159 – *Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



8:00 am – Continues with the **Lord's Prayer** *(page 11)*
and concludes with the **Benediction and Hymn to Depart** *(page 14).*

✢ ✢ ✢ SACRAMENT ✢ ✢ ✢

beginning at LSB 160

PREFACE

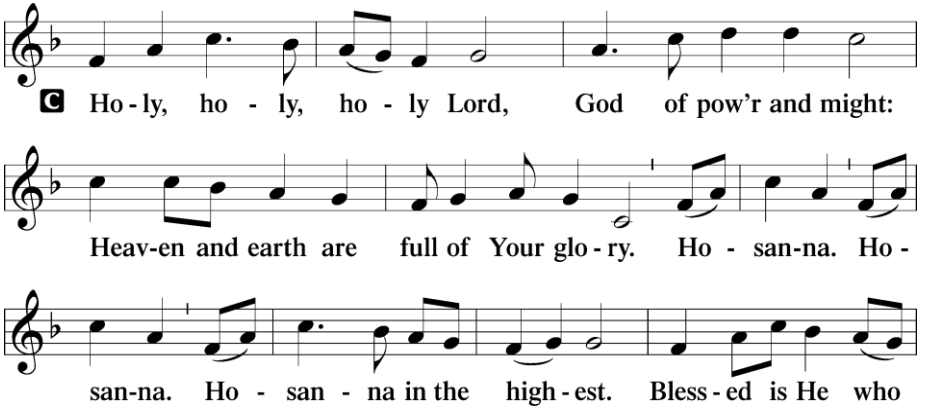
P The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. **C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary …evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS – LSB 161



For Guests and Visitors Desiring the Sacrament

As a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we confess, in accord with the Scriptures, that **in this sacred meal Jesus Himself is *truly* present to forgive our sin and strengthen our faith.**

Participation in this meal indicates that you **believe, have been baptized, and have been taught** according to our Lord's command **and are in doctrinal agreement** with this confession.

- **If you are visiting from outside the Lutheran Church or are new to the faith**, we welcome you to come to the altar with arms crossed to receive a blessing.
- **If you desire to receive instruction for the Lord's Supper**, please speak with one of our pastors.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth … one God, now and forever. C **Amen.**

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI – The Peace of the Lord – *John 20:19*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI – LSB 163 – Lamb of God – *John 1:29*

Distribution Notes:

If you need **gluten-free wafers**, please let one of the pastors know.

Non-alcoholic grape juice, containing *a trace amount of wine*, is available in the center of the tray.

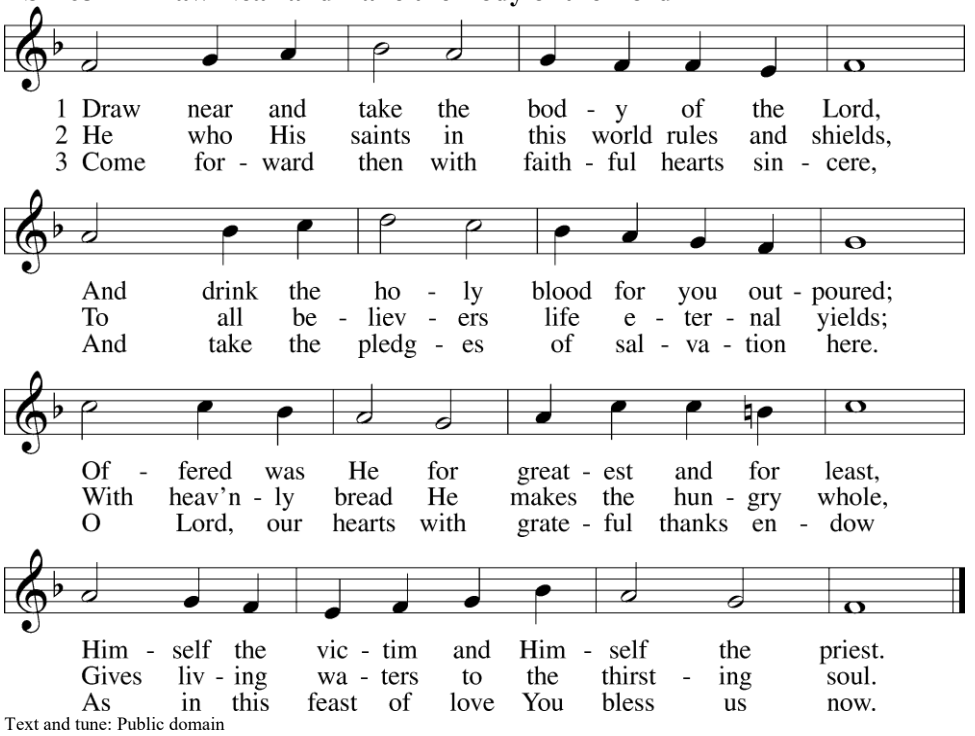
DISTRIBUTION

Anthem – *O Taste and See* (Ralph Vaughan Williams)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
Blest is the man that trusteth in him.

-Psalm 34:8

LSB 637 – Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord



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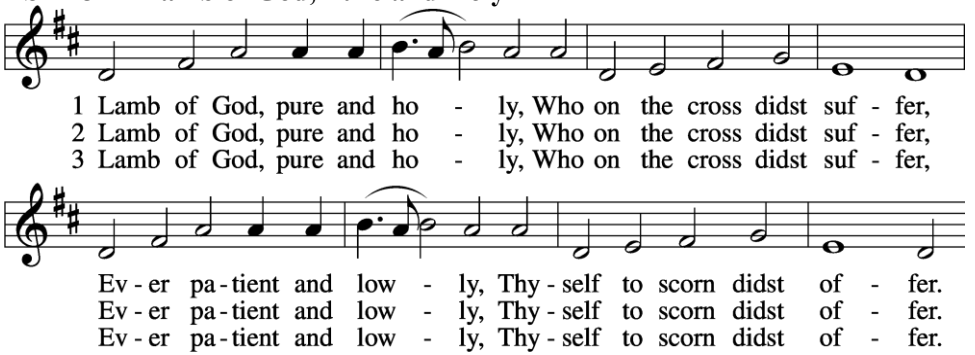
LSB 434 – Lamb of God, Pure and Holy



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LSB 333 – Once He Came in Blessing

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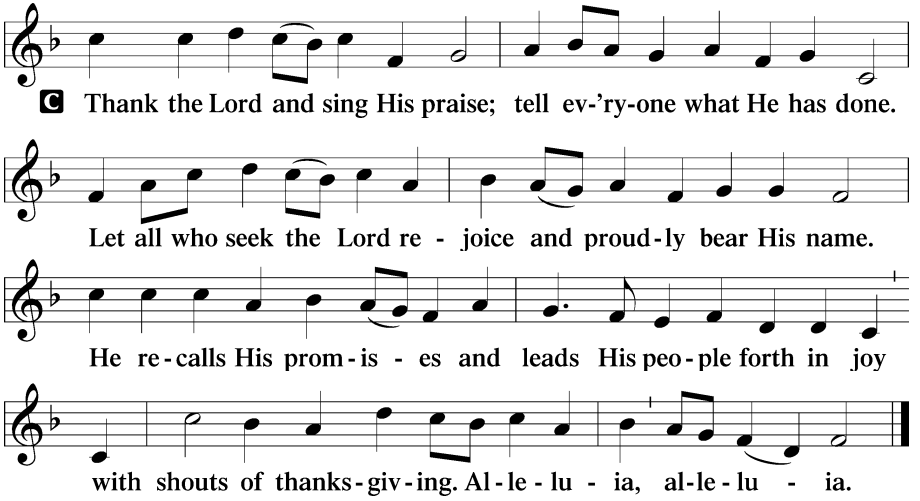
POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – LSB 164 – Thank the Lord



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray... one God, now and forever.

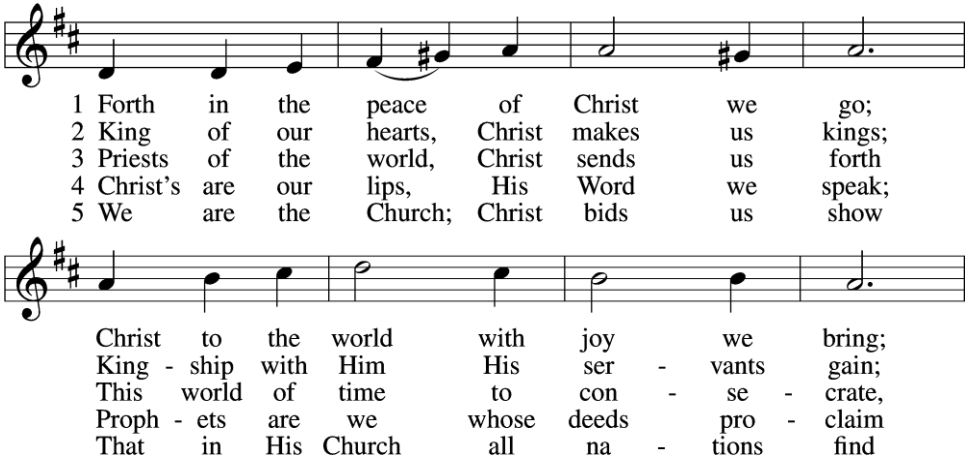
C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION – *Numbers 6:24-26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

HYMN TO DEPART – LSB 920 – Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go



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SILENT PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST-SERVICE MUSIC – *From God Can Nothing Move Me*, BWV 658 (J. S. Bach, 1685-1750)

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Many thanks to *Jaime Carini* for serving as our guest organist today.

TODAY
12:30pm **Golf Scramble** for ULu (Cascades)
6:00pm **FLY** (Adopt-a-Road Cleanup)

TUESDAY, October 14
9:30am **Chinese Bible study** (Grand Hall)
2:00pm **Quilting** (kitchen)
5:15pm **First Steps in Music** (ages 0-5)
5:45pm **Children's Ministry Team**
6:30pm **PPC**
9:30pm **Men's Softball** (Twin Lakes, Field 4)

WEDNESDAY, October 15
10:00am **Bible study**
7:00pm **Senior Choir**

THURSDAY, October 16
11:30 am **JOY Group to Olive Garden**

A Life of Stewardship

The **Time & Talents signup** is still available: scan the code here or follow the link in Friday@Faith or at FaithBtown.org. Paper copies are also available.

Please also return your **2026 Stewardship pledge** as soon as possible. A few packets, including pledge forms and other information, are still available in the narthex, or at faithbtown.org/time-talents-and-treasures/

WEDNESDAY, October 22
11:15 am **Lunch & Learn** – ***Pass on the Faith*** (Dave Ebeling, Ed.D.)

SATURDAY, October 25
9:00am **LWML Fall Gathering** / Columbus Zone (Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Martinsville)
"Living as a Good Samaritan" *(guest speaker: Pastor Nathan Janssen)*

Ingathering for the Homeless Shelter:
- paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates)
- hand soap
- K cups & ground coffee

Donations may be left in the marked plastic tote in the donations hallway (last call is 4pm on October 24).

If anyone would like to attend and wants to carpool, contact Megan DeMoss: (260) 433-1213 or missabbott04@hotmail.com

SATURDAY, November 8
9:00am **Spiritual Respite Companion Care Workshop** (Seymour)
Visit Voice of Care (voiceofcare.org) or contact Janet Hitzeman for more information.

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