

15th Sunday After Pentecost

September 6th, 2026

8 & 11 am



Welcome to Calvary Lutheran Church.
We are so glad you are worshipping with us today.

LET US KNOW YOU'RE HERE: Whether this is your first time or you're a regular, we invite you to fill out an attendance sheet located within the blue binders in each pew to let us know you're here. If you're watching online, you can let us know you joined us by clicking the "Let Us Know You're Here" link on our website's worship page.

OFFERINGS: Our mission and ministry is not possible without you. Gifts can be shared in a variety of ways during the service. Checks, cash and "I Give Online" cards may be placed in the offering baskets passed during the service. Online and mobile gifts can be shared via the app and QR codes listed below. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.



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NURSERY: Children are a joy in worship, *and* we understand that little ones might sometimes need a break. The nursery, for children ages 0-3, is open throughout Sunday mornings until the end of the 11:00 a.m. service. For children in worship, you can find busy books and activity bags outside the sanctuary. Ask one of our ushers if you need help finding the nursery or worship resources.

COMMUNION: All are welcome at Christ's table, including children. Ushers will guide you to the altar where you can either kneel or stand to receive the body and blood of Christ. Bread is received in the hands. Gluten-free wafers are available by request. Wine is received either by drinking from the silver chalice, or by saving the bread and dipping it in the chalice, or in the individual cups. Individual cups include both wine (red) and non-wine (white) and may be discarded in the baskets found at the aisles while returning to your seats. Those not communing may come forward for a blessing, keeping your hands folded over your chest. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone. For those unable to commune at the altar, our pastors will bring communion to you.

ABOUT THE CHURCH SEASON: The Season After Pentecost, often referred to as "Ordinary Time", stretches from summer to fall from Pentecost Sunday through Advent. Denoted within the church by the color green, (found in the banners, paraments, and pastor's vestments) this half-year focuses on the teachings of Jesus and the works of the Spirit.

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and to view the full church calendar.**

The Liturgy at Calvary Lutheran Church

Prelude No. 6 in E Minor
 Stephen Beneking, c. 2016

We stand & face the baptismal font as we begin our worship.

Confession And Forgiveness

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

C **Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We pause for a moment of silent confession.

P Most merciful God...

C **we confess that we are in bondage 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.**

P 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.

C **Amen.**

We turn in place, following the cross as it passes in procession to the altar.

Entrance Hymn *In The Singing* (ELW #466)



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,
in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931

Music: BREAD OF PEACE, Carlton R. Young, b. 1926

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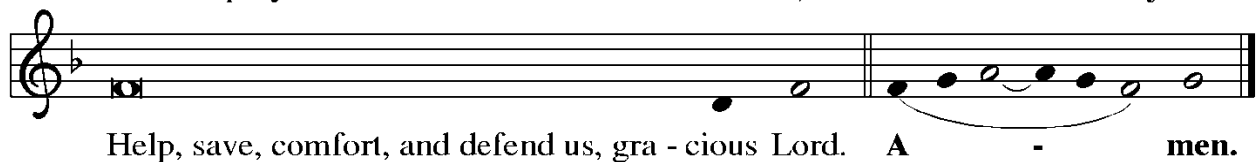
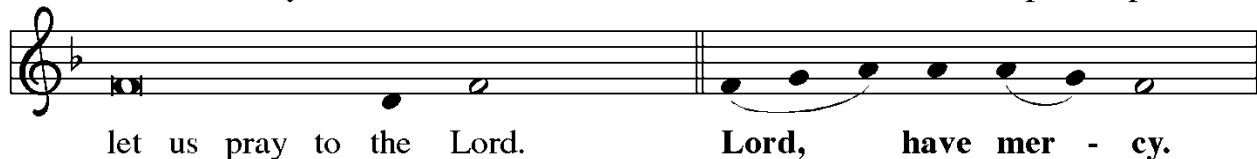
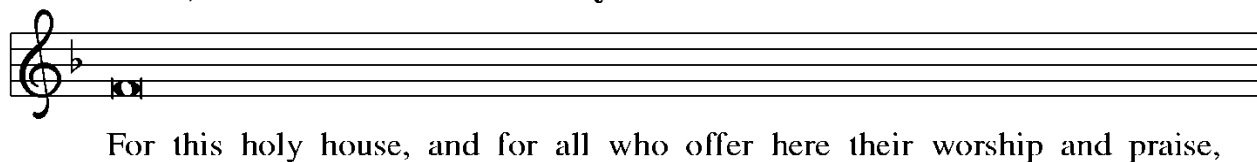
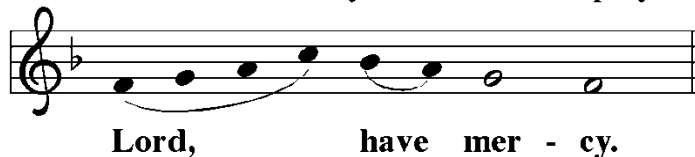
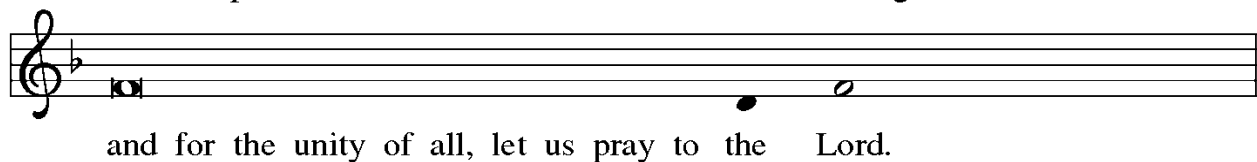
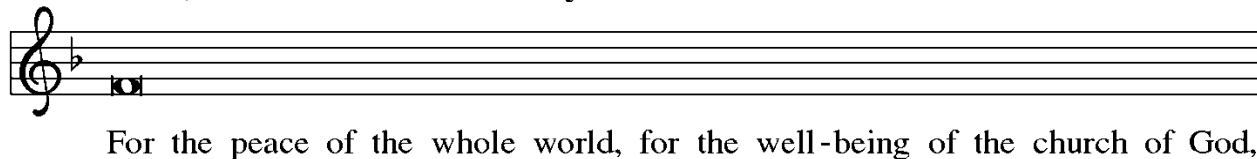
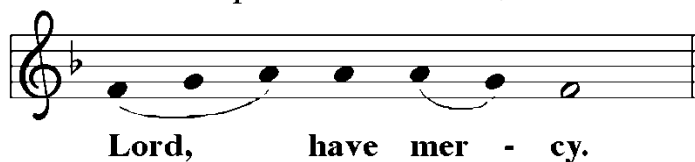
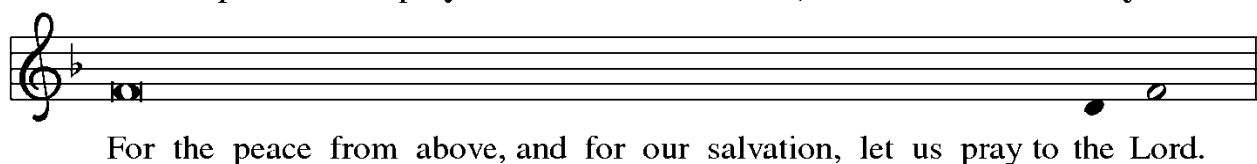
Apostolic Greeting

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

C **And also with you.**

Kyrie Eleison

Did you know that "Kyrie Eleison" is Greek for "Lord, Have Mercy"?



Canticle Of Praise

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



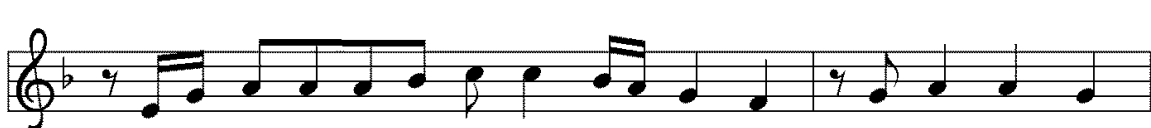
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



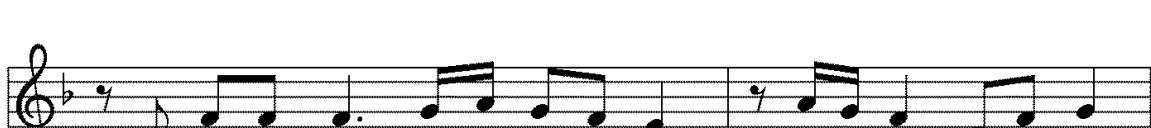
Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



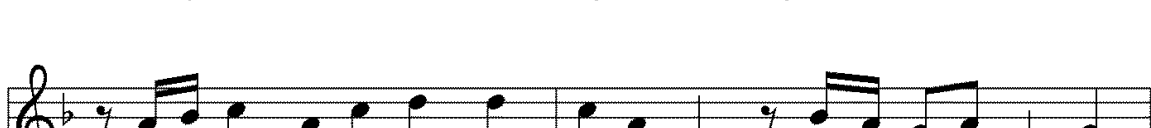
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

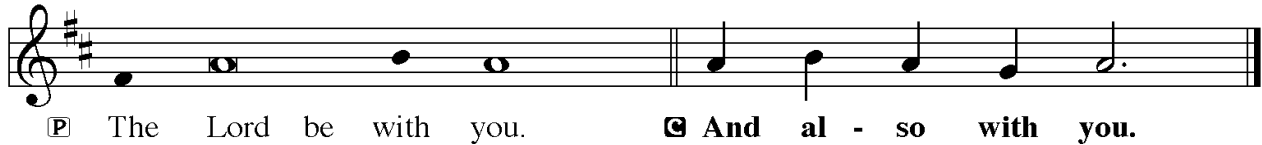


you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Prayer Of The Day



P Let us pray... O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷ So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸ If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹ But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰ Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel: Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" ¹¹ Say to them: As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The choir leads our Psalm. They sing the refrain and the congregation echoes it, The congregation then sings the refrain following the verses sung by the choir.

Psalm 119

Viktor Andersson

He (33-40)

$\text{♩} = 60$

Your way is so won - der - ful! With joy my soul fol - lows it.

The Word o - pens up, bring - ing light so we un - der - stand.

He © 17 February 2014 Viktor Andersson

Verses

1. Lord, teach me the way of your commandments, so that as I understand, I'll keep your way with all my heart. **REFRAIN**
2. Lord, incline my heart to keep your teaching. Turn my eyes from falsehood and keep me from all unjust gain. **REFRAIN**
3. O Lord how I long to keep your teaching, for your judgements are so true. Your righteousness enlivens me. **REFRAIN**

Second Reading

Romans 13: 8 – 14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

L The Word of the Lord
C **Thanks be to God**

Alleluia Verse & Gospel Acclamations

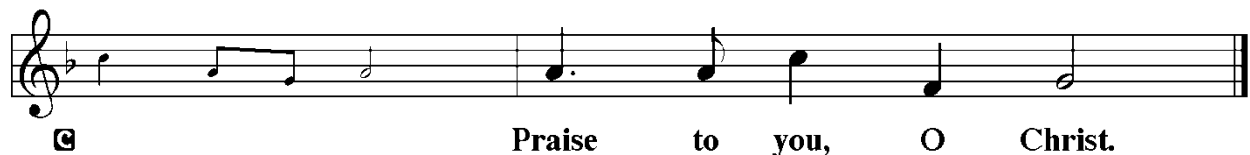


P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter



[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

P The Gospel of our Lord.



Following the sermon, we pause for a time of silence, reflection, and prayer.

Hymn Of The Day

The refrain of today's Hymn of the Day contains words meaning "peace" from other religious traditions including Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and Islam. Shanti is Sanskrit, pronounced "shahn-tee", Pax (Latin – "pahks"), Shalom (Hebrew – "shuh-lohm"), and Maslaha (Arabic – "muhs-lah-hah").

Commonwealth Is God's Commandment (ACS #1036)



- 1 Com-mon-wealth is God's com-mand-ment; com-mon goods are meant to share.
- 2 Shar-ing lav-ish gifts and bless-ings, love that not one mite with-holds,
- 3 Gen-ders, rac-es, tribes, and na-tions, hear the Ho-ly One who calls,



Ta-bles set and doors wide o-pen wel-come an-gels un-a-ware.
stretch out arms to friends and strang-ers: God has sheep of man-y folds.
bid-ding all to work to-geth-er, bridg-ing lives and breach-ing walls.



Plead for the peace of all cre-a-tion. Pray for a place where grace is found.



Shan-ti, pax, sha-lom, mas-la-ha: com-mon good is ho-ly ground.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: RESTORATION, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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Creed

Did you know that "Creed" comes from the Greek "Credo" meaning "I believe"?

A Let us profess the faith in which we are baptized:

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*The Assisting Minister will end each prayer petition saying "Lord, in your mercy..." to which the congregation responds, "**hear our prayer.**"*

The Pastor will conclude the prayers with the following...

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Peace

We greet our neighbors in the name of the Lord.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offertory *The Wanderer* Herman Beeftink (2003)
Kelsey Scheuerman, Clarinet

We offer our gifts with joy and thanksgiving.



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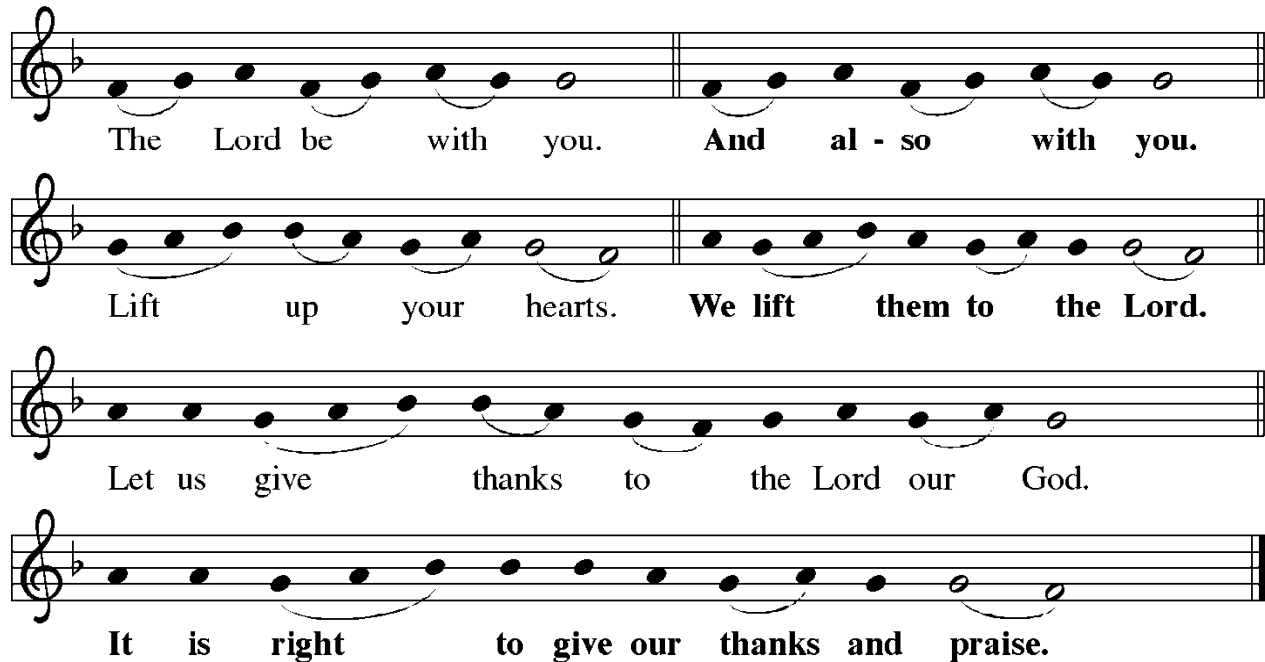


We stand as our gifts are presented.

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us
- our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your
gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered
himself for us, Jesus Christ our lord. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

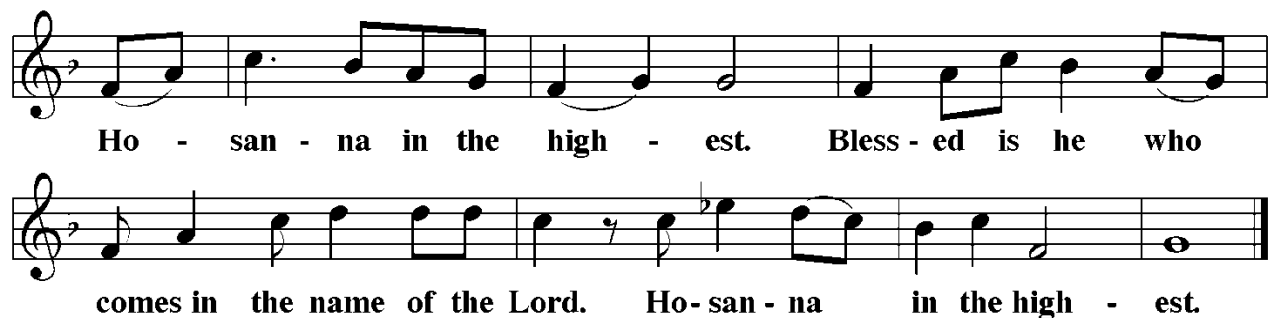
Sanctus & Benedictus

The Sanctus and Benedictus, translated from the Latin meaning "Holy and Blessed" is an ancient song that draws on the words of Isaiah and recalls Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharist is from the Greek meaning "Thanksgiving". The Pastor prays the Eucharistic prayer, weaving in the day's themes with the familiar words of Jesus from the Last Supper. We are reminded that we share in this meal "in remembrance of Jesus".

Eucharistic Acclamation



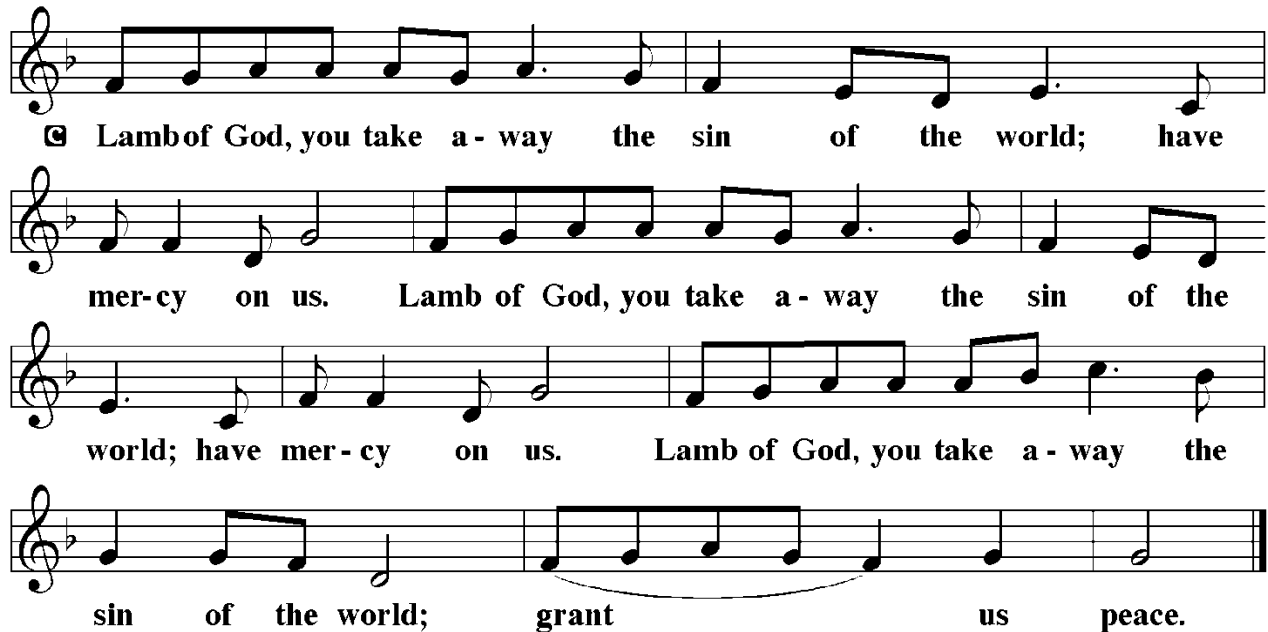
P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

**All 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.**

P The body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei

"Agnus Dei" comes from the Latin meaning "Lamb of God".



Sharing of Holy Communion

Everyone is welcome at Christ's table.

Please follow the directions of the ushers as we share in this meal of grace.

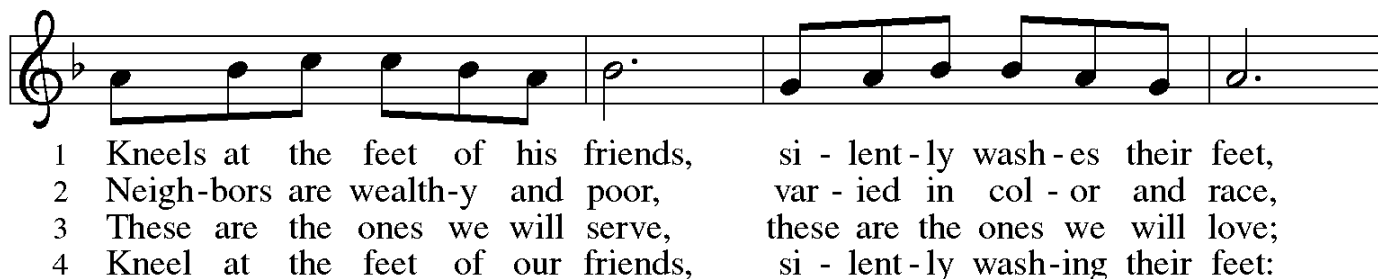
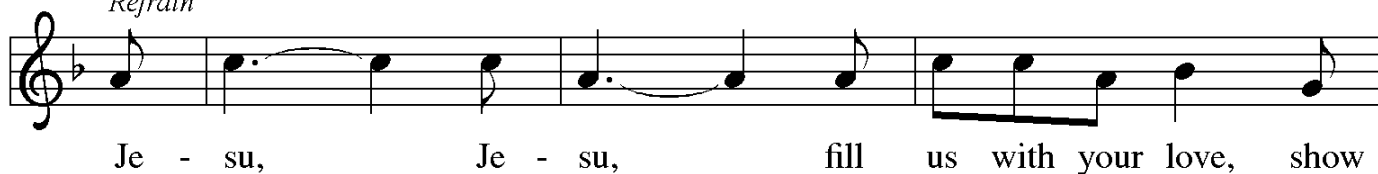
As we share in the meal, the words of promise are shared:

"The body of Christ, given for you." and "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

Detailed communion information can be found on the inside cover of your bulletin.

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love (ELW #708)

Refrain



Refrain



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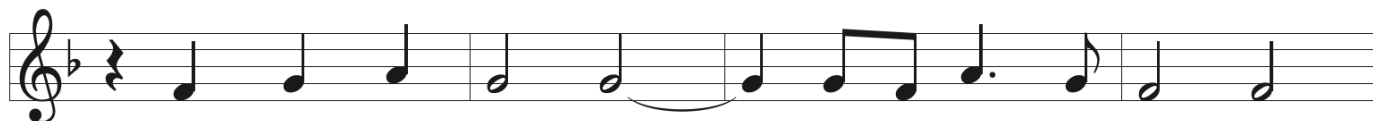
Music: CHEREPONI, Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin

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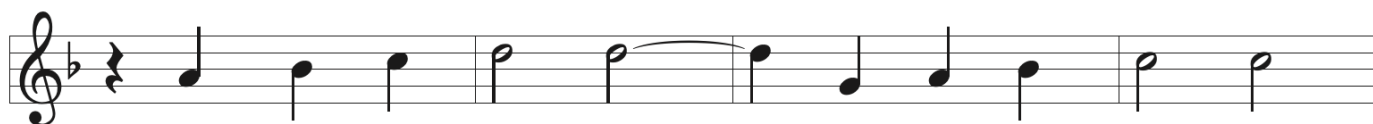
When We Are Living *Pues si vivimos* (ELW #639)



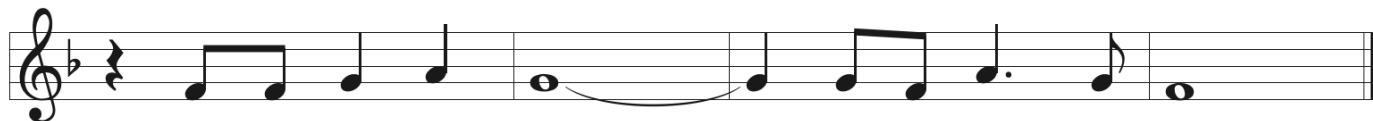
	<i>Pues si vi - vi - mos,</i>	<i>pa - ra él vi - vi - mos,</i>
1	When we are liv - ing,	it is in Christ Je - sus,
2	'Mid times of sor - row	and in times of pain,
3	A - cross this wide world,	we shall al - ways find



<i>y si mo - ri - mos</i>	<i>pa - ra él mo - ri - mos.</i>
and when we're dy - ing,	it is in the Lord. . . .
when sens - ing beau - ty	or in love's em - brace, . . .
those who are cry - ing	with no peace of mind; . . .



<i>Sea que vi - va - mos</i>	<i>o que mu - ra - mos,</i>
Both in our liv - ing	and in our dy - ing,
wheth - er we suf - fer,	or sing re - joic - ing,
and when we help them,	or when we feed them,



<i>so - mos del Se - ñor,</i>	<i>so - mos del Se - ñor.</i>
we be - long to God,	we be - long to God.
we be - long to God,	we be - long to God.
we be - long to God,	we be - long to God.

2 En la tristeza y en el dolor,
 en la belleza y en el amor,
 sea que suframos o que gocemos,
 somos del Señor, somos del Señor.

3 En este mundo por doquier habrá
 gente que lloray sin consolar.
 Sea que ayudemos o alimentemos,
 somos del Señor, somos del Señor.

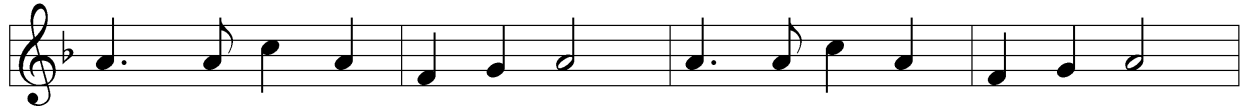
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Music: SOMOS DEL SEÑOR, Spanish traditional

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- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
- C** **Amen**

Post-Communion Canticle



Thank the Lord, your voices raise: sing to God with high-est praise!



Tell the wonders God has done: freedom, life, the victory won.



All who seek the Lord, rejoice; proudly bear the name of Christ.



Go in joy where God will send. Alleluia! Sing amen!

Text: Martin A. Seltz, b. 1951

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

- A** Let us pray... Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
- C** **Amen**

The Benediction evokes the language of the Priestly Blessing from Numbers 6:24 – 26.

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and
✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen**

Having been fed by the Word and at the table, we are sent to live out our baptismal calling – sharing God’s love with our human hands.

During the recessional hymn, we turn in place, following the cross.

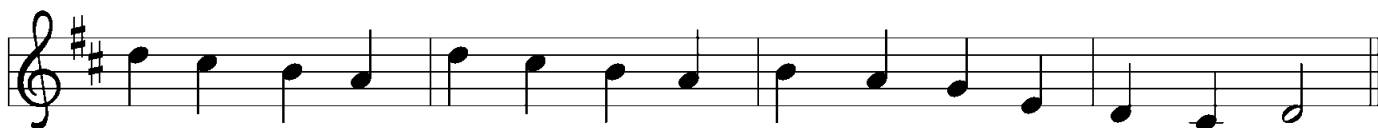
Recessional Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven (ELW #865)



- 1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his feet your trib - ute bring.
- 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis - tress.
- 3 Tend - er - ly he shields and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows.
- 4 An - gels help us to a - dore him, who be - hold him face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais-es sing.
Praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.
In his hands he gent - ly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes.
Sun and moon bow down be - fore him; all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly as his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847

Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude Londonderry Aire
Old Irish Air, c. 2008

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	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Lector	Meg Acker	Cynthia DeFrang
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Ushers & Greeters	Don Acker Jeff Goodwin	Monica Neeley, Juan Grimaldo Val & Eddie Wilkerson
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*The Lutheran church sets aside days during the year to commemorate saints, martyrs, and renewers of the church to give thanks for the ways they shared God's grace, and to honor the work of the Holy Spirit throughout history.
This week, we remember...*

Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654 Wednesday, September 9, 2026

Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary, and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the enslaved people who arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.