24th Sunday After Pentecost

November 8, 2026 **9:30 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.



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 11:00am service. For children in worship, you can find busy books and activity bags outside the sanctuary. Please 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 saving the bread and dipping it in the chalice, or by taking an individual cup. 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.
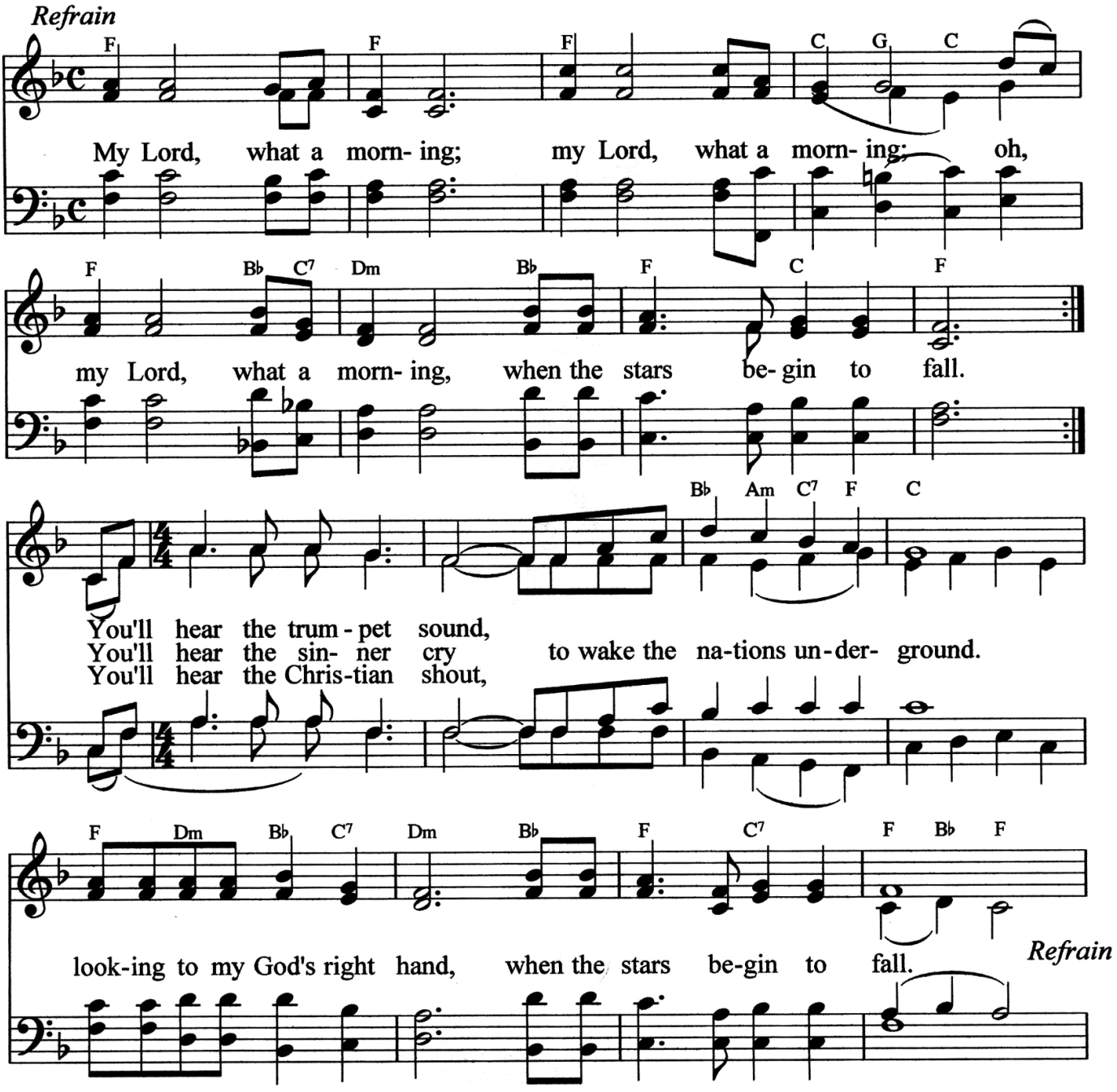
ABOUT THE CHURCH SEASON: The Season After Pentecost, often referred to as "Ordinary Time", stretches from summer to fall from Pentecost Sunday through Advent. Denoted within the church by the color green, (found in the banners, paraments, and pastors' vestments) this half-year focuses on the teachings of Jesus and the works of the Spirit.

Visit calvaryftw.org for more information, our newsletter, and to view the full church calendar.

The Liturgy at Calvary Lutheran Church

Penitential Rite *My Lord, What a Morning* (ELW #438)

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



P I take no delight in your solemn assemblies, says the Lord. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream (Amos 5:21-24). Let us confess the ways in which we have failed to pursue justice and righteousness.

We pause for a moment of silent confession.

P O Lord, make haste to help me (Psalm 70:1b)…

C Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!" (Ps. 70:4)**. Keep us awake to your calling, lead us in the ways of the wise, that we might strive for justice and righteousness** (Amos 5:24)**, and experience the promise of the kingdom of heaven** (Matthew 25:1 – 2, 13)**.**

P We do not want you to be informed and grieve as those who have no hope. For we declare this to you by the word of the Lord – with the cry of the command and the sound of a trumpet, we will be with the Lord forever (1 Thess. 4:13, 15 - 17). Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour (Matt. 25:13).

Reprise ***My Lord, What a Morning, Refrain***

Apostolic Greeting

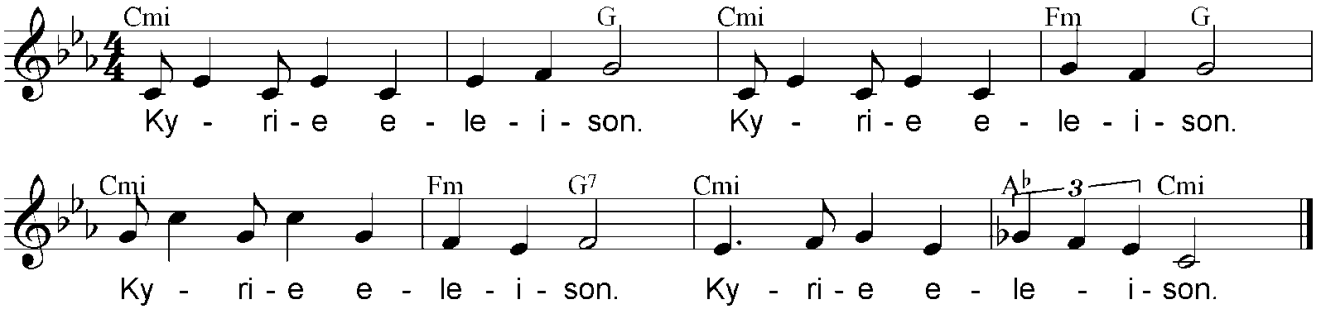
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

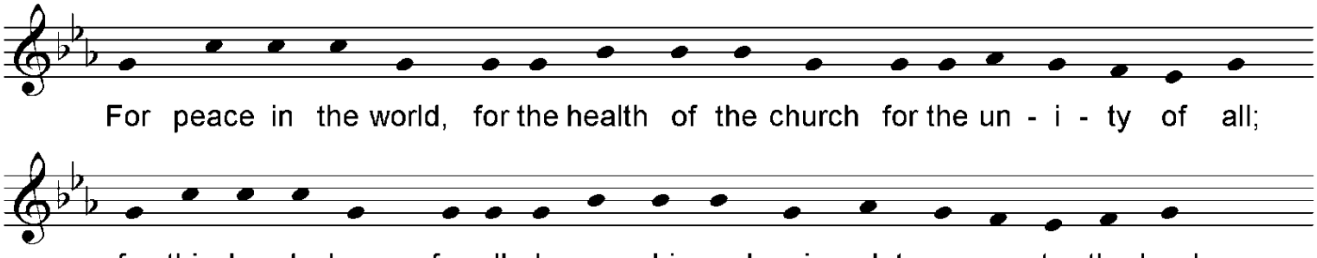
Kyrie Eleison

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

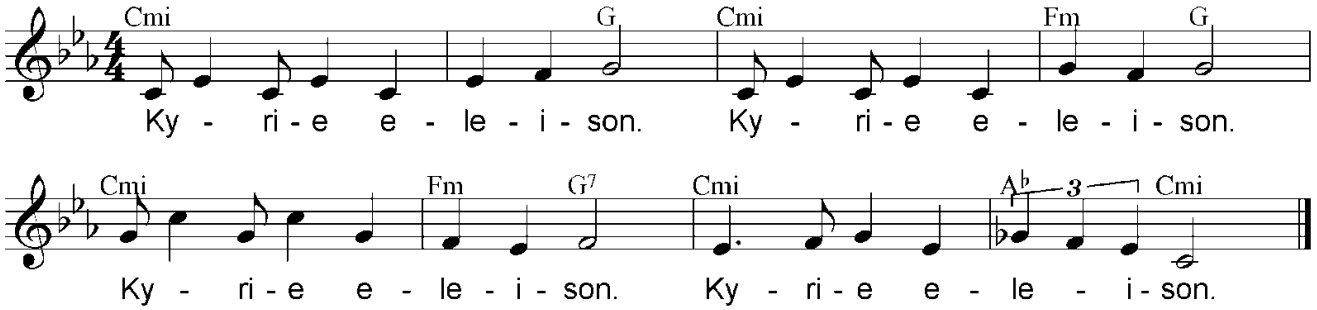
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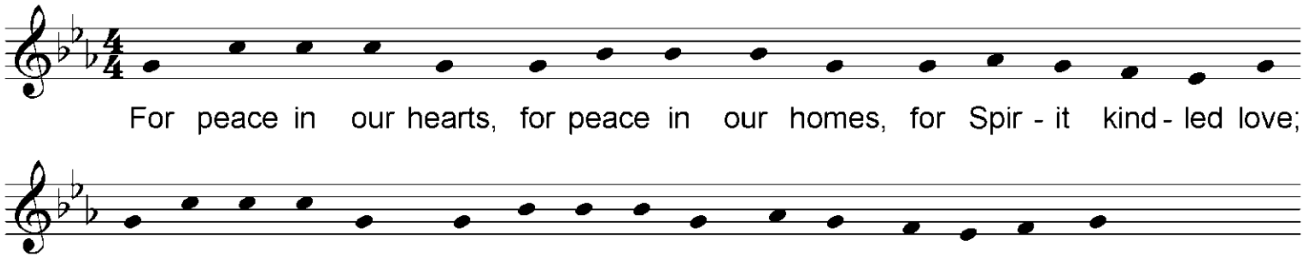
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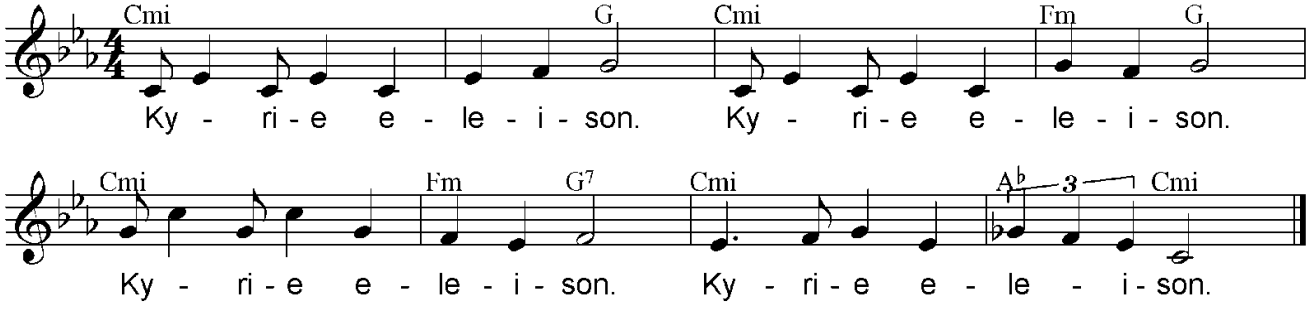
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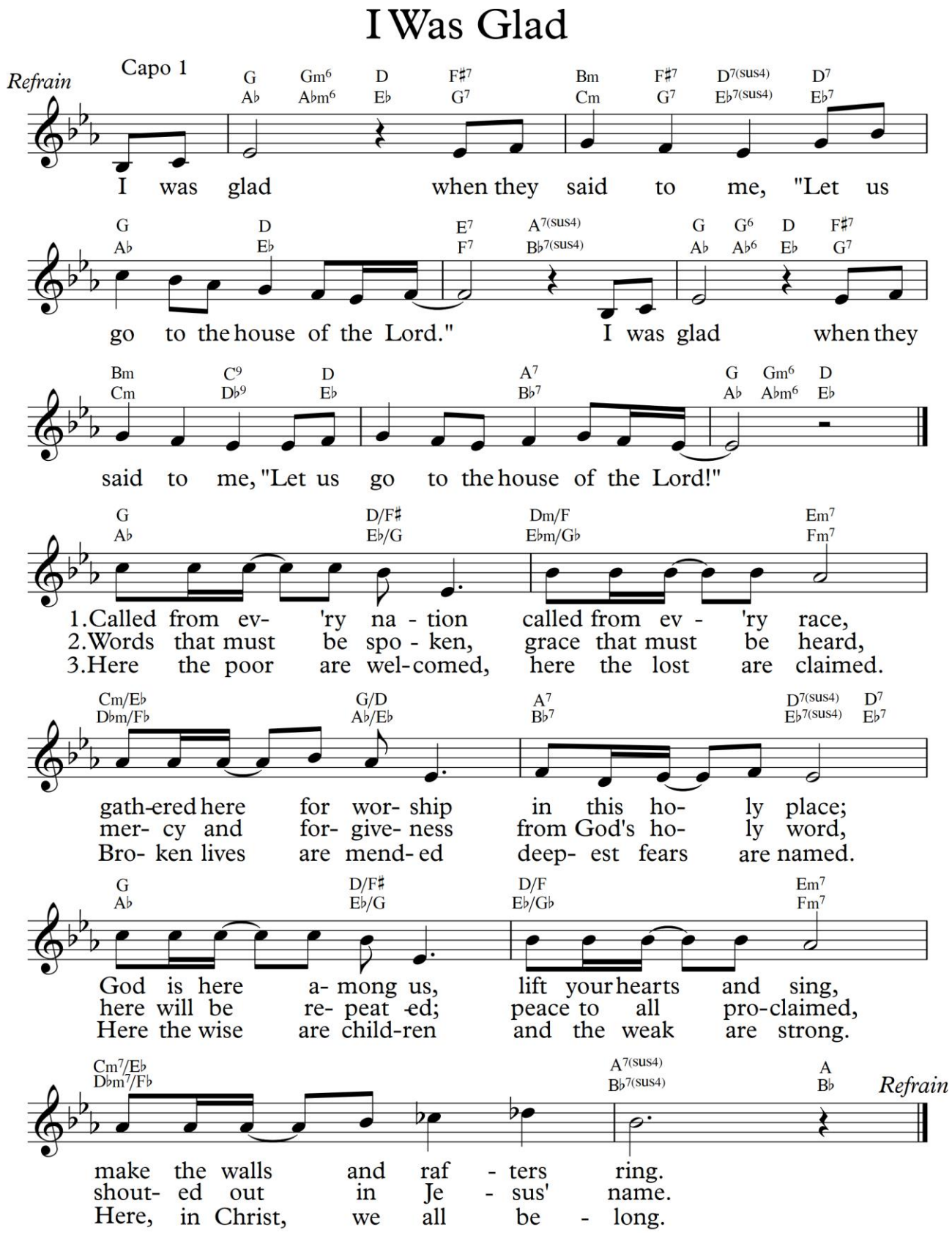
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Hymn of Praise



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Prayer of The Day

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

P Let us pray… O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Amos 5:18 – 24

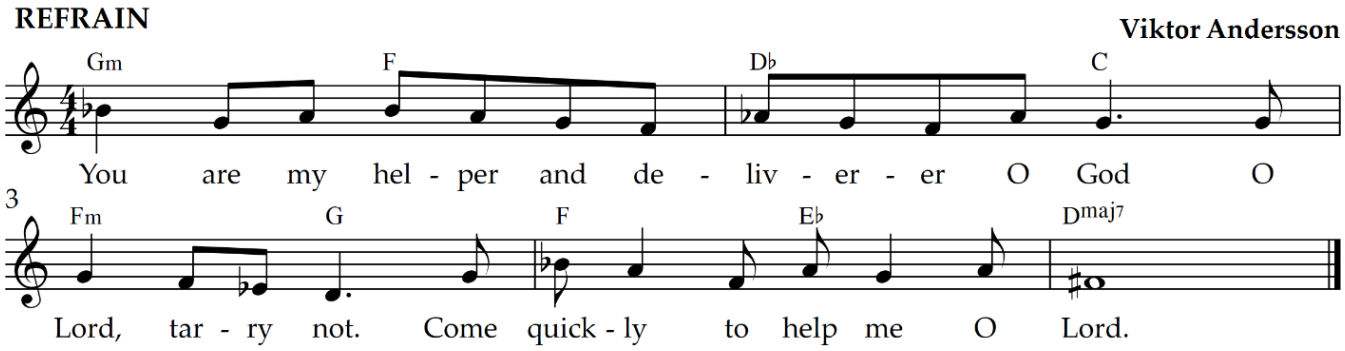
18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day
of the Lord? It is darkness, not light, 19 as if someone fled from a lion and
was met by a bear or went into the house and rested a hand against the
wall and was bitten by a snake. 20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not
light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

21 I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn
assemblies. 22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain
offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your
fatted animals I will not look upon. 23 Take away from me the noise of your
songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. 24 But let justice roll
down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

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 70



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1. God, make haste to deliver me. Shame and confound those who seek my life. Humiliate and turn away those who delight in adversity.
REFRAIN
2. Turn back those who taunt me. Let those who seek and love you rejoice, be glad and say always, "The Lord is Great."
REFRAIN

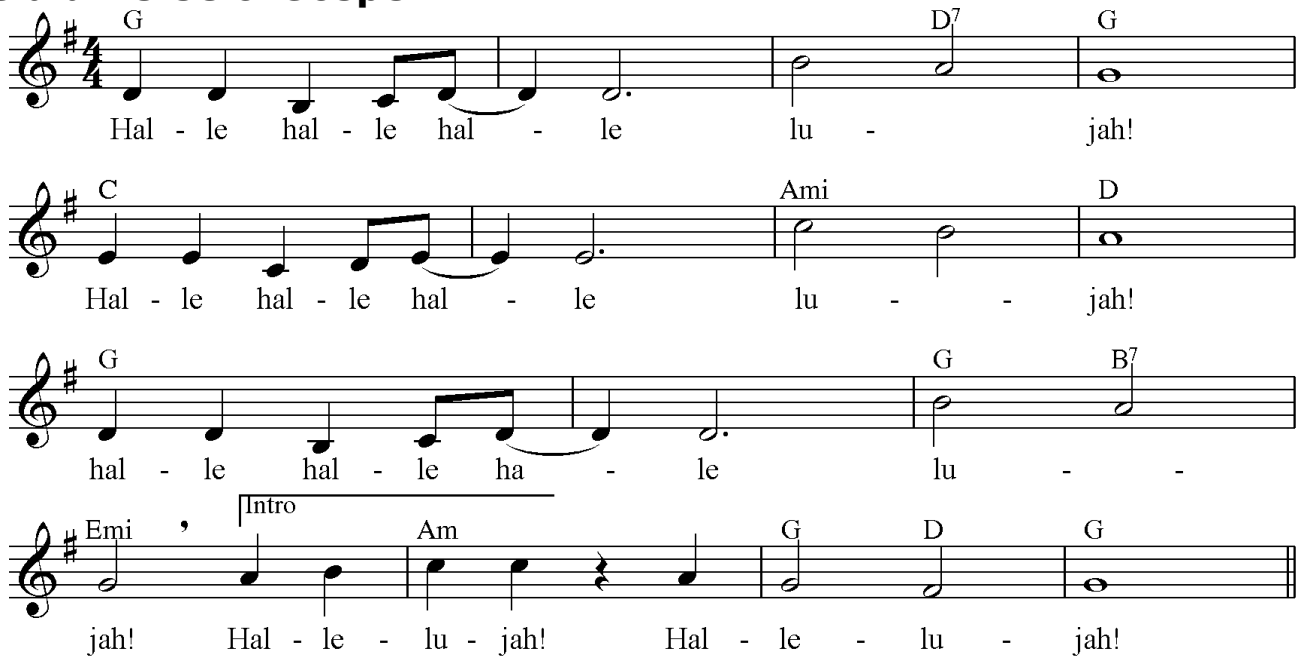
Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13 – 18

13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those
who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no
hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so,
through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15 For this we
declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left
until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have
died. 16 For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's
call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and
the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will
be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air,
and so we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage one another
with these words.

L The Word of the Lord
C Thanks be to God

We stand for the gospel as Christ, the Word of God, is proclaimed.

Alleluia Verse & Gospel



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 25th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. 11 Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."
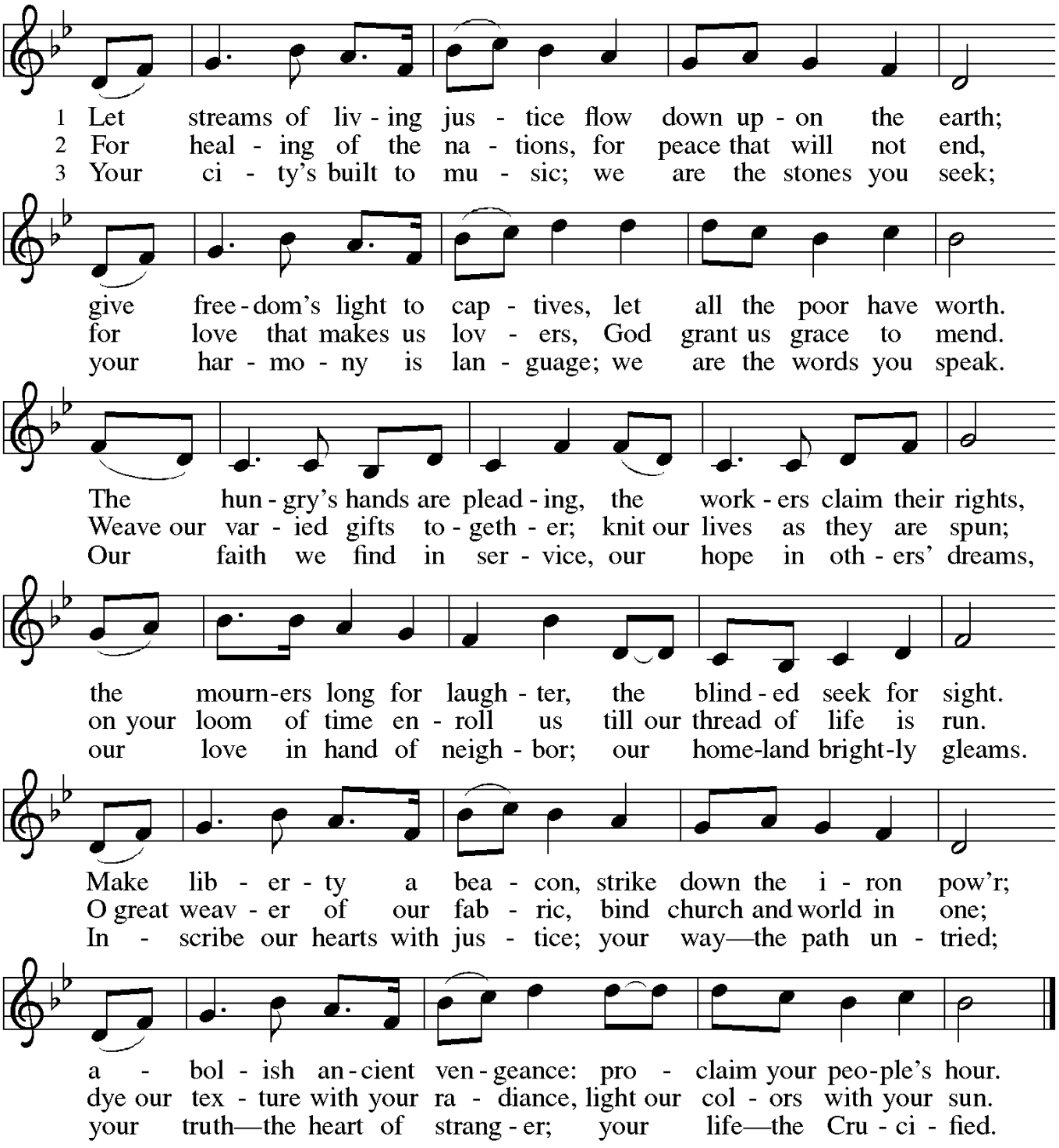
P The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon *Pastor Kyle Symanski*

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

Hymn Of The Day *Let Streams of Living Justice* (ELW #710)



Text: William Whitla, b. 1934
Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934
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Creed

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

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

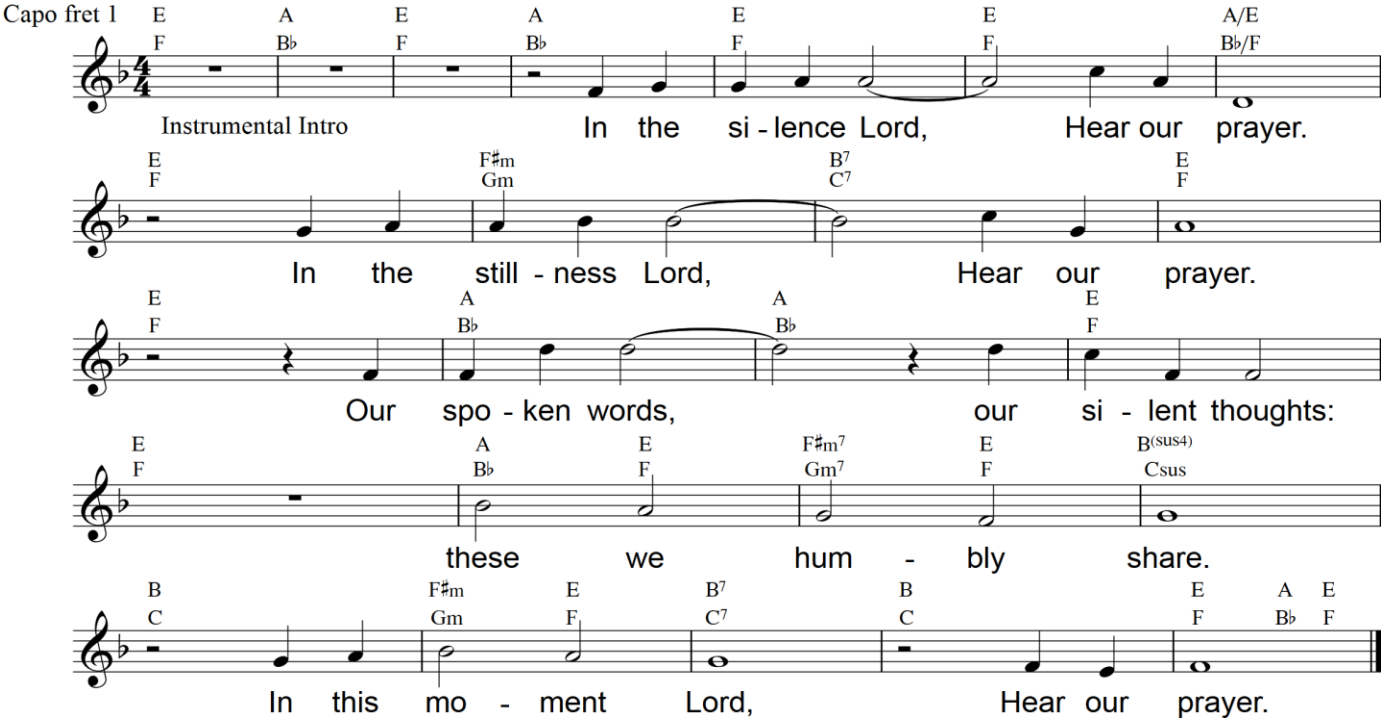
C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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 *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*
African American Spiritual arr. Viktor Andersson
Sanctuary Choir

We offer our gifts with joy and thanksgiving.
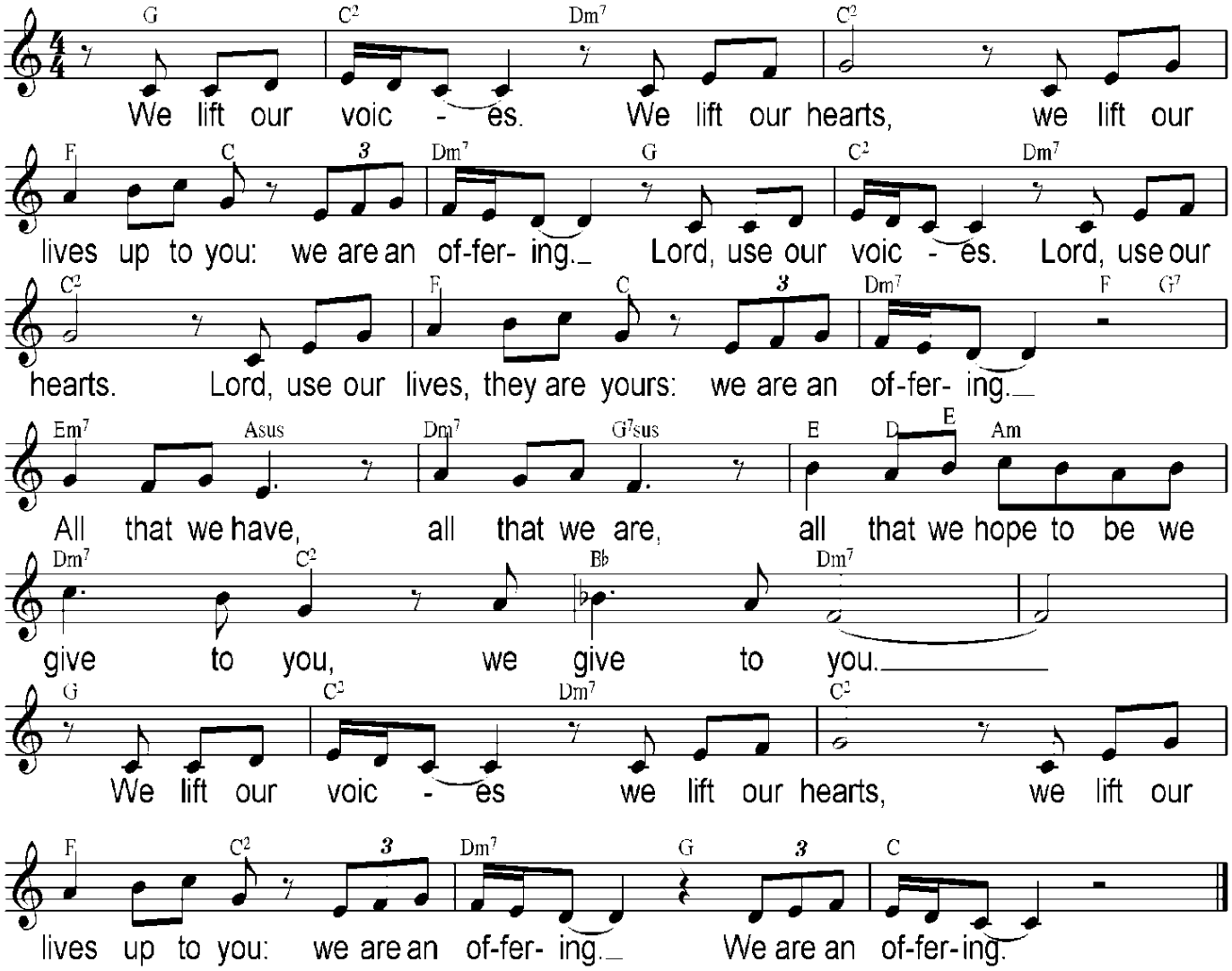


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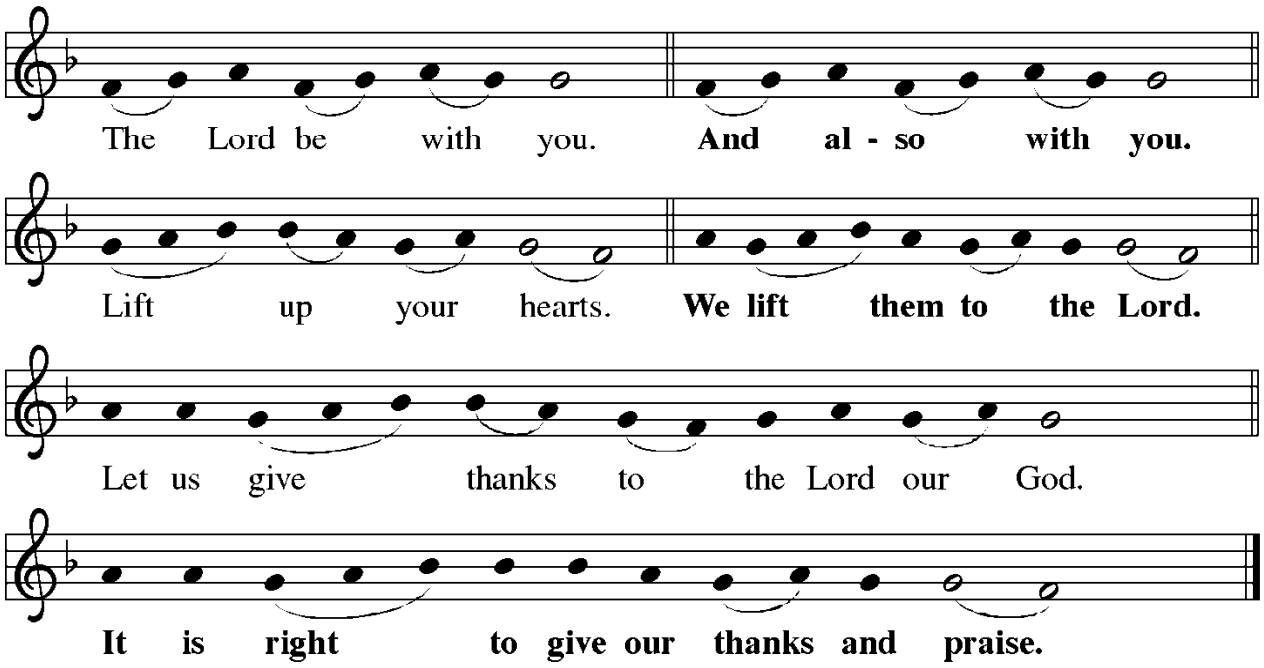
We stand as our gifts are presented.



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
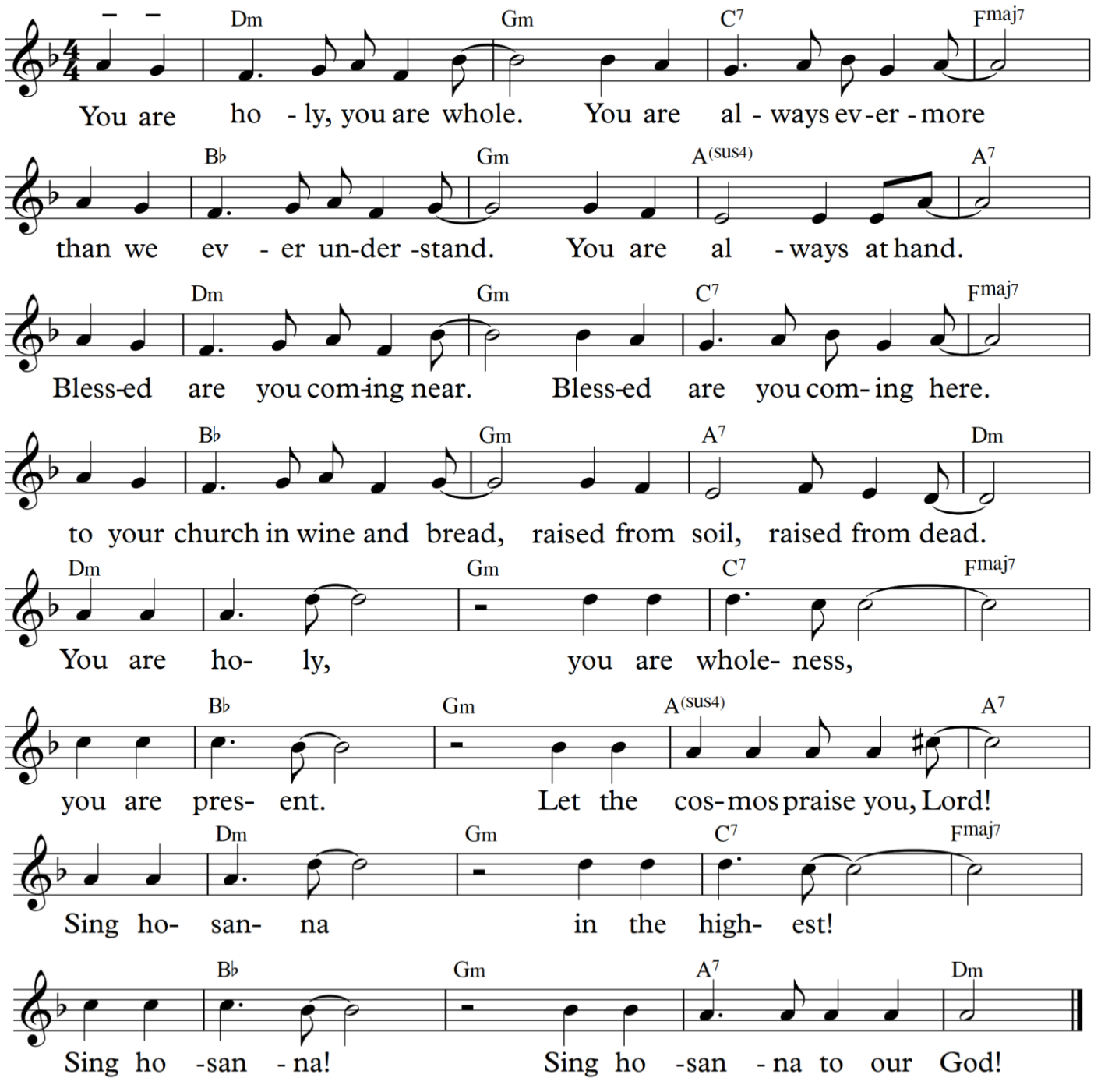


P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ;

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.

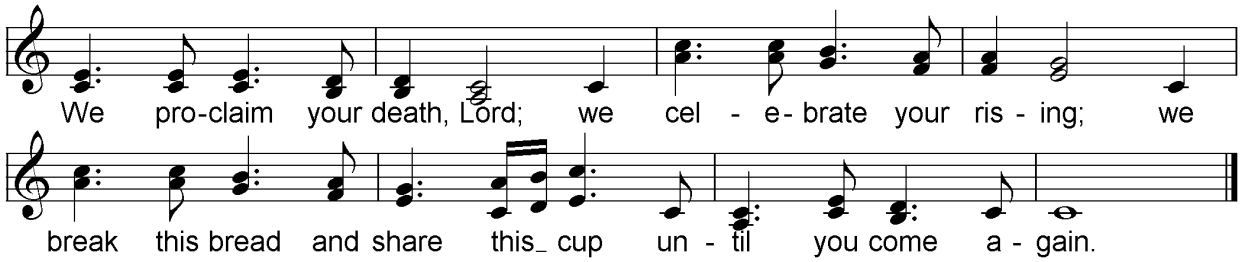


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Eucharistic Prayer

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



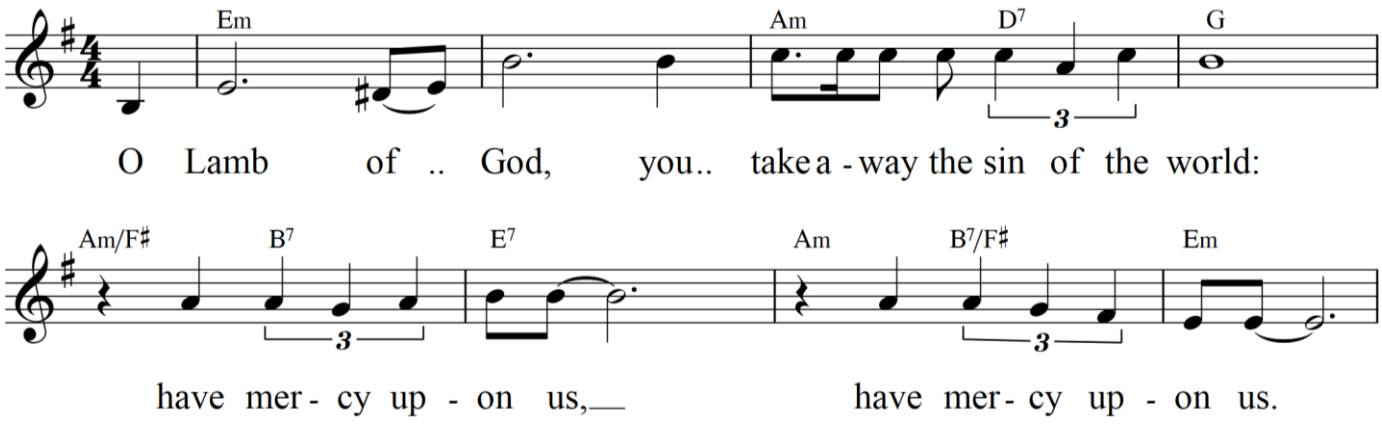
P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

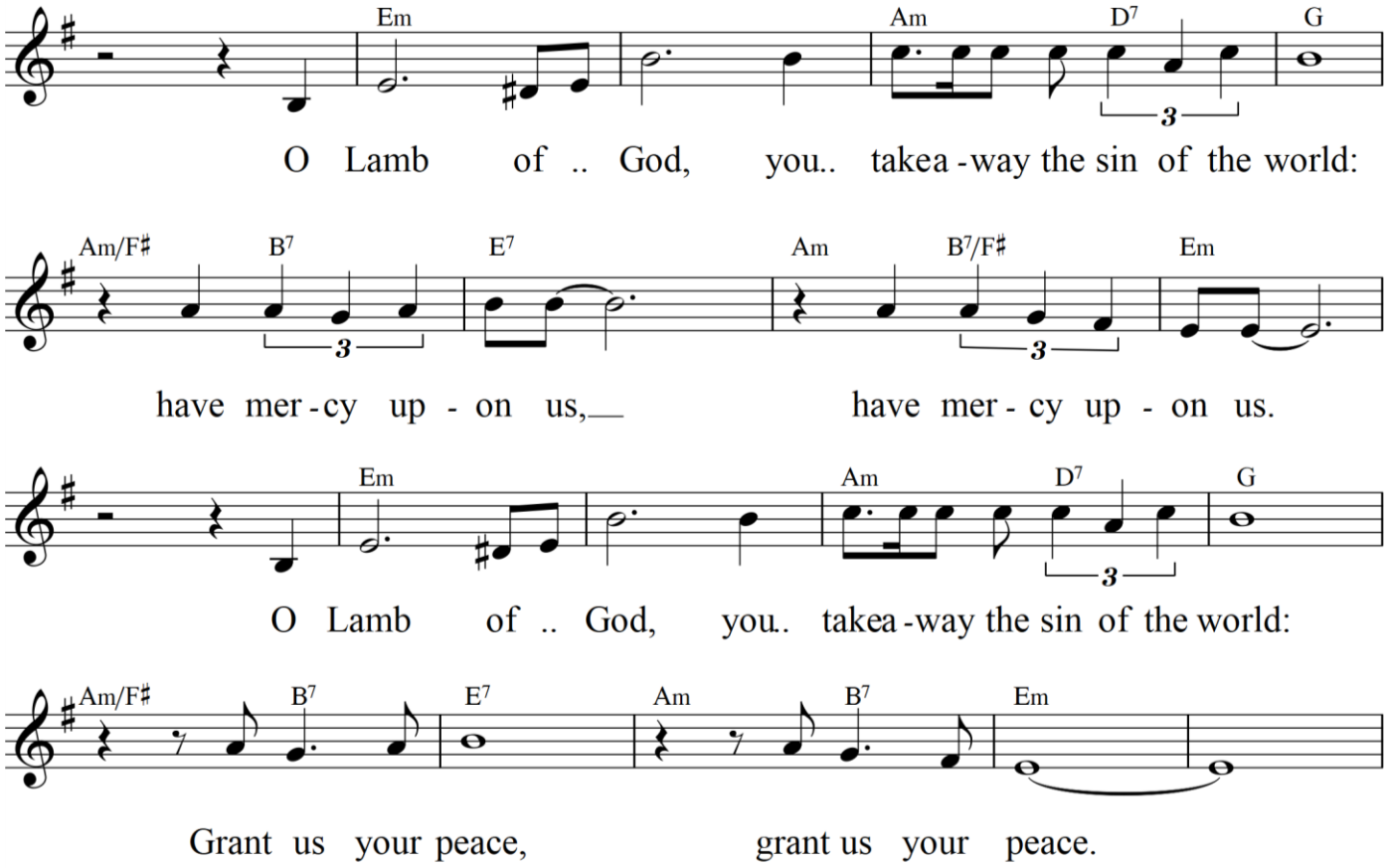
**All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

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

Agnus Dei

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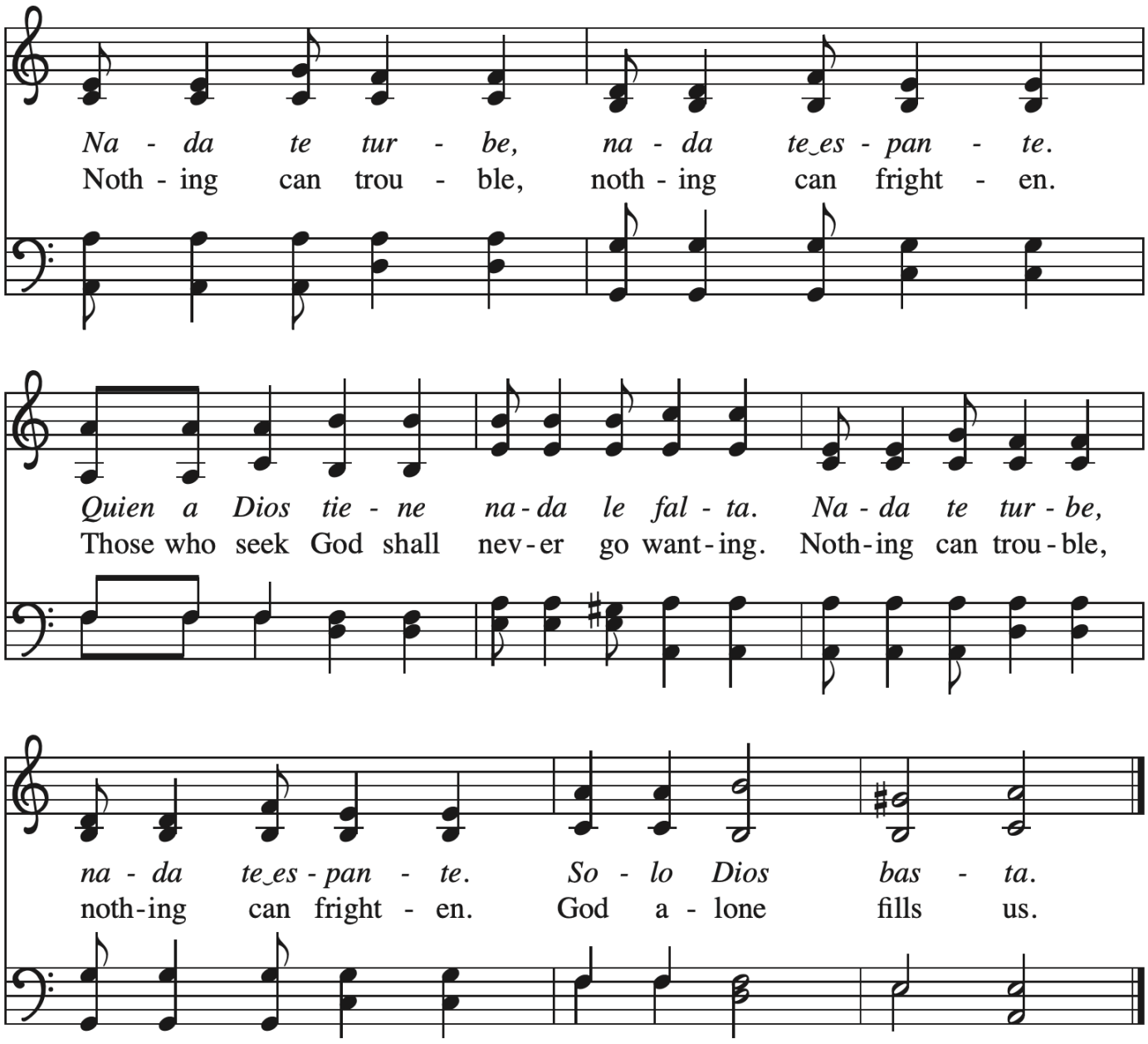




Sharing of Holy Communion

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."
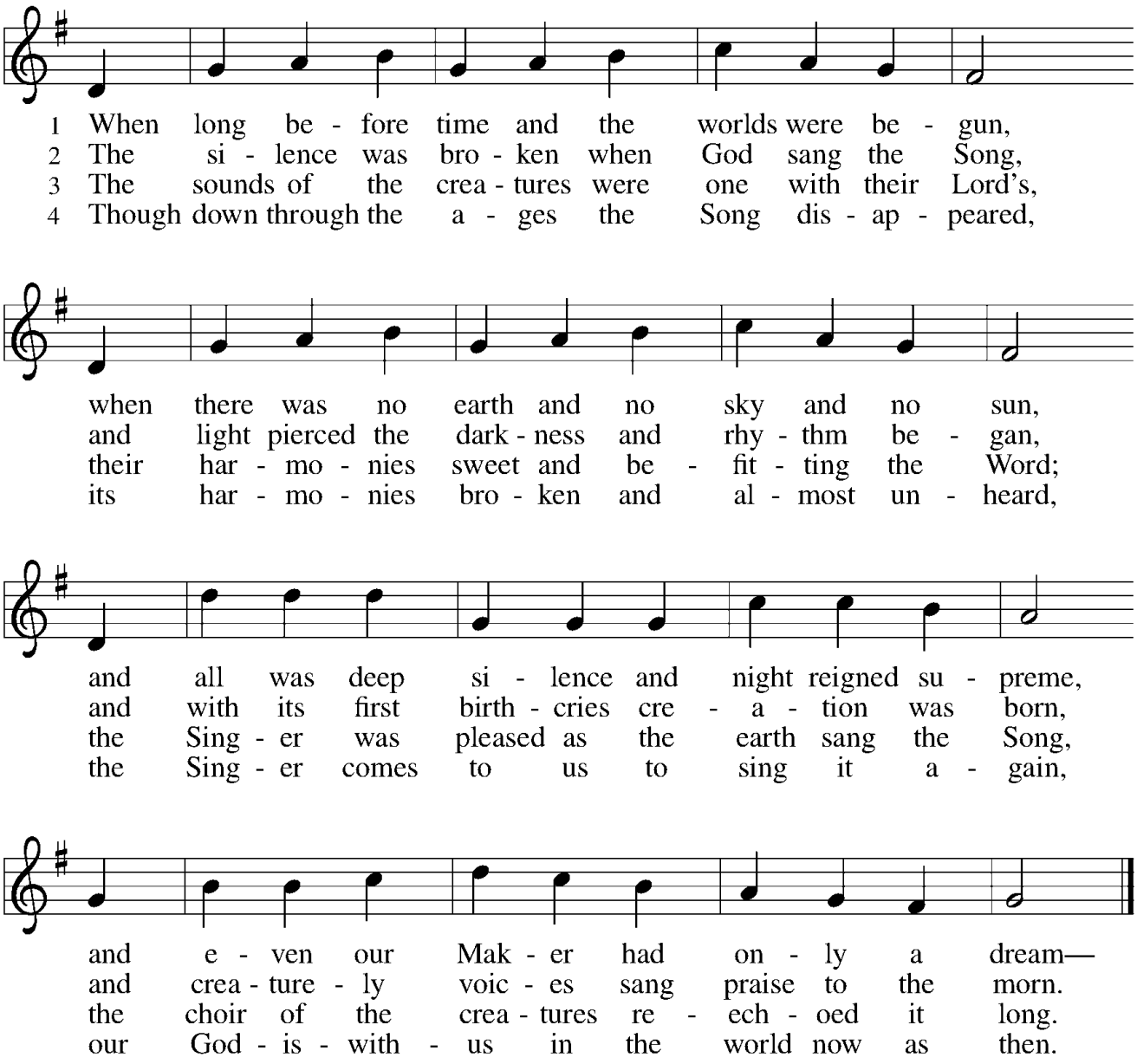
Detailed communion information can be found on the inside cover of your bulletin.
The following hymns may be sung during the sharing of communion.

Nothing Can Trouble: Nada te turbe (Taizé – ACS #1033)
Alternating Spanish & English



Text: Teresa of Avila, 1515–1582; adapt. Taizé Community
Music: NADA TE TURBE, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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When Long Before Time (The Singer and the Song) (ELW #861)



5 The Light has returned as it came once before,
the Song of the Lord is our own song once more,
so let us all sing with one heart and one voice
the Song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.
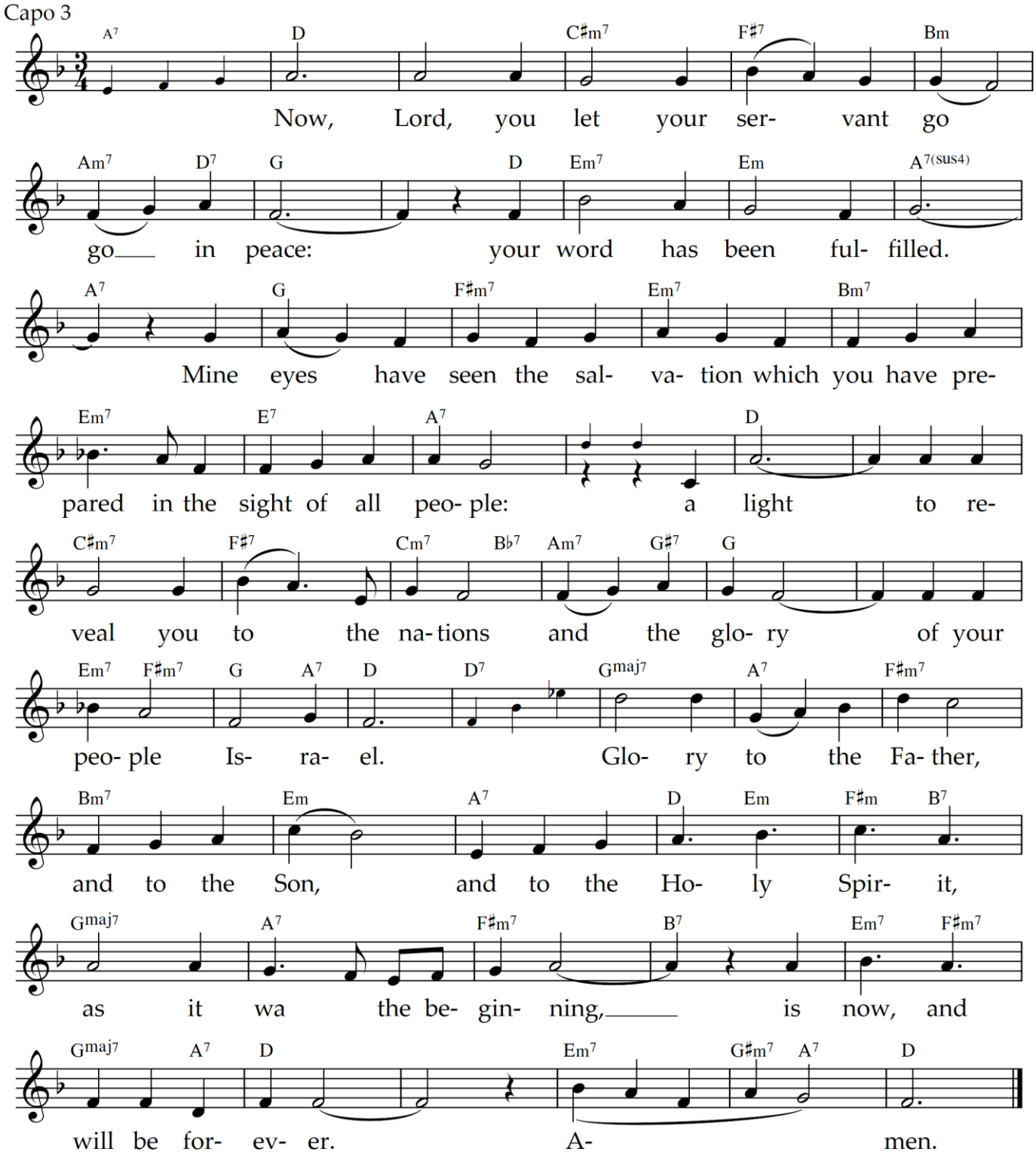
6 To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise,
to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise,
to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath,
be glory forever, through life and through death.

Text: Peter W. A. Davison, b. 1936
Music: THE SINGER AND THE SONG, Peter W. A. Davison
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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



Text: Nunc dimittis &. Music *Detroit Folk Mass*, Tillis Butler & James Harris

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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

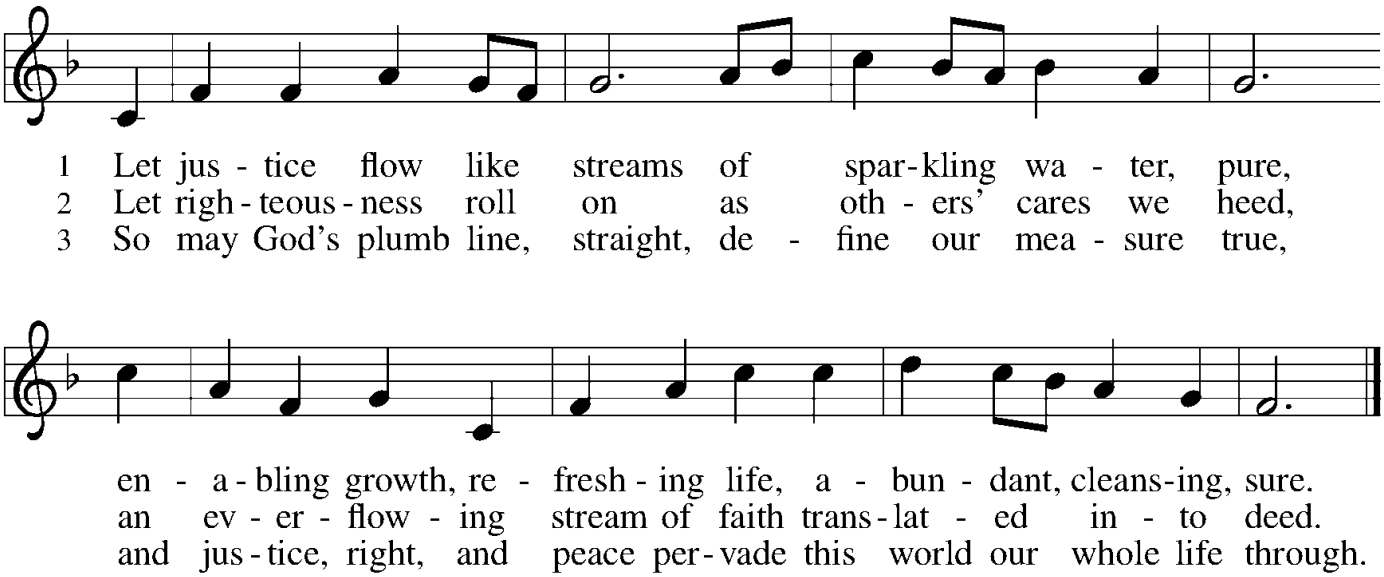
The Benediction evokes the language of the Priestly Blessing from Numbers 6:24 – 26.

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 *Let Justice Flow Like Streams* (ELW #717)



Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926
Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776
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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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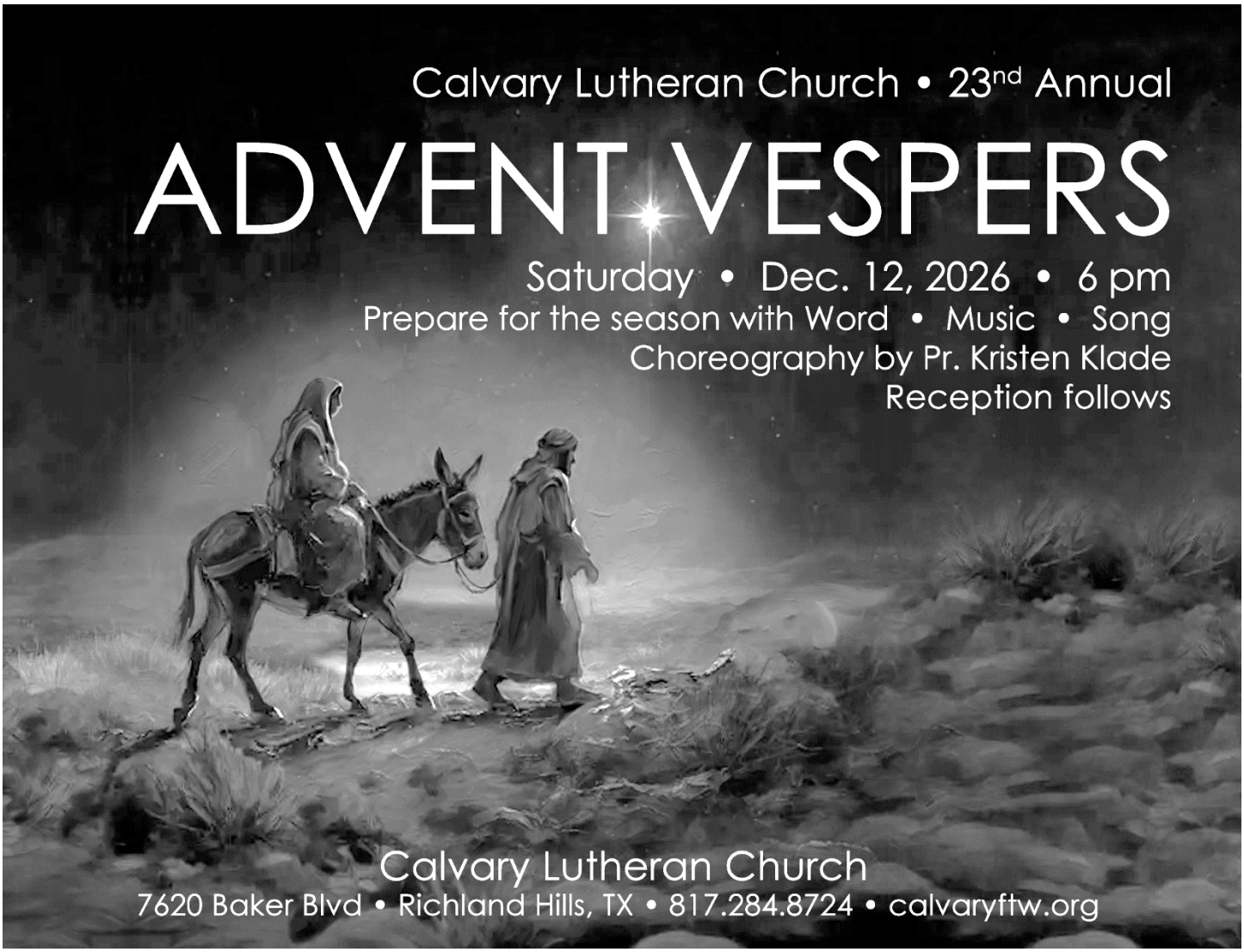
Dale Taylor, Chris Williams, *guitar*; Toni Tharp, *flute*; Karen Moxley, *violin*; Jacob Groening, *trumpet*; Kelsey Scheuerman, *sax/clarinet*; Paul Slezak, *trombone*; Christy Gibson, Pete Moxley, vocals; David Lakota, *bass*; Blake Kitch, *percussion.*

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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…

Martin, Bishop of Tours, died 397
Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Martin's pagan father enlisted him in the Roman army. Approached by a beggar, Martin cut his cloak in half and gave part to the man, whom he later understood as representing Christ. He asked to leave the army, but was jailed instead. After his release, he became a preacher, and later a bishop.

Søren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, died 1855
Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Kierkegaard was a Danish theologian whose writings also gave rise to the modern philosophy of existentialism. He frequently attacked the complacency of the state church of his day, as well as its desire to be accepted by polite society rather than be a stumbling block.


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