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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 27, 2022

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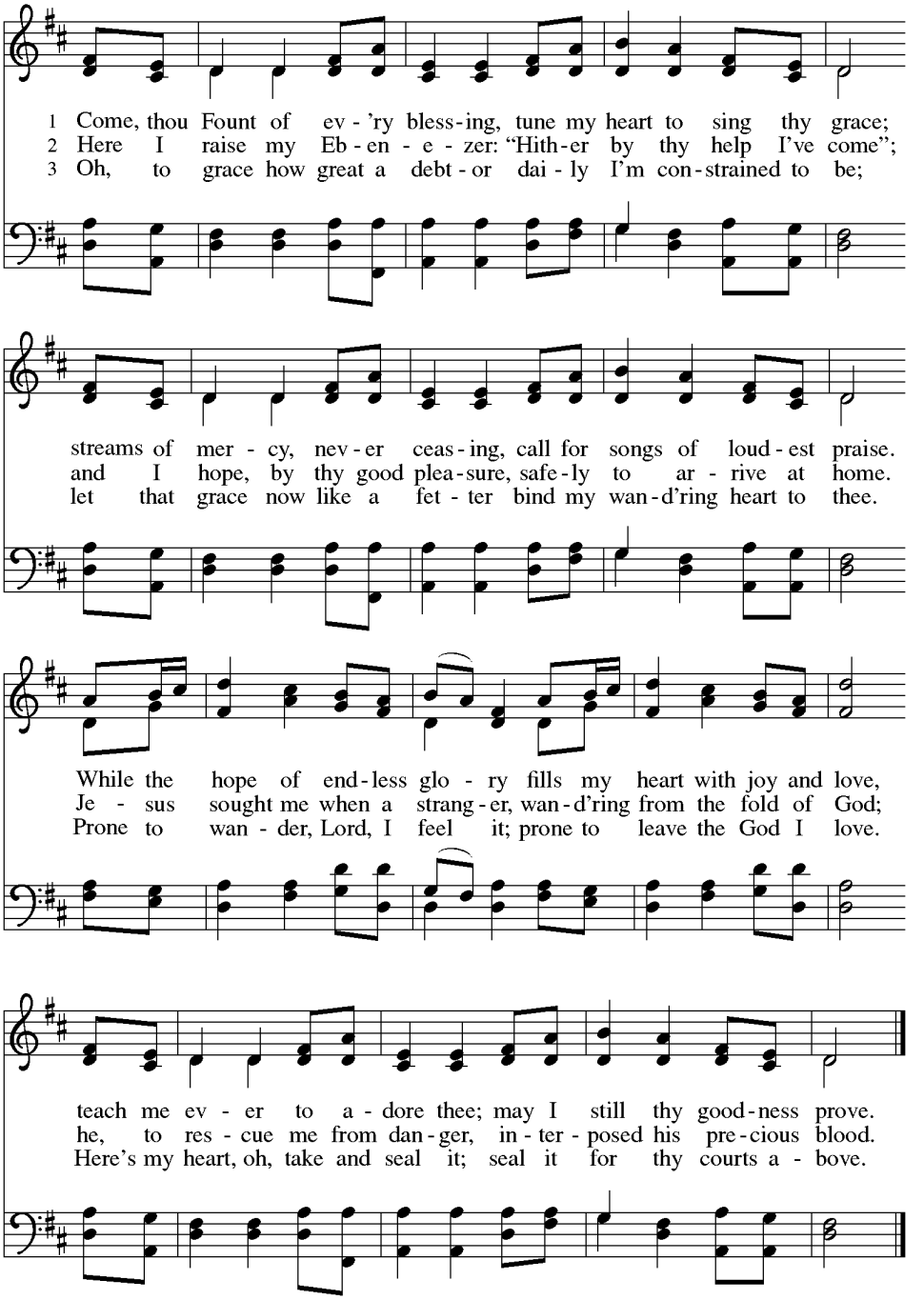
Holy Communion happens at every service and is open to all baptized.

The restroom is located in the gym; exit the sanctuary through the left door behind the altar and follow the hallway down the stairs.

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Questions? Contact Desirae, Parish Admin, at ddiehl@concordiafaith.org

Prelude **ELW #807 "*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*"**



Renewal of Baptism

P: Blessed be our God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
The fountain of living water,
The rock who gave us birth,
Our light and our salvation.
C: Amen

P: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of Baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
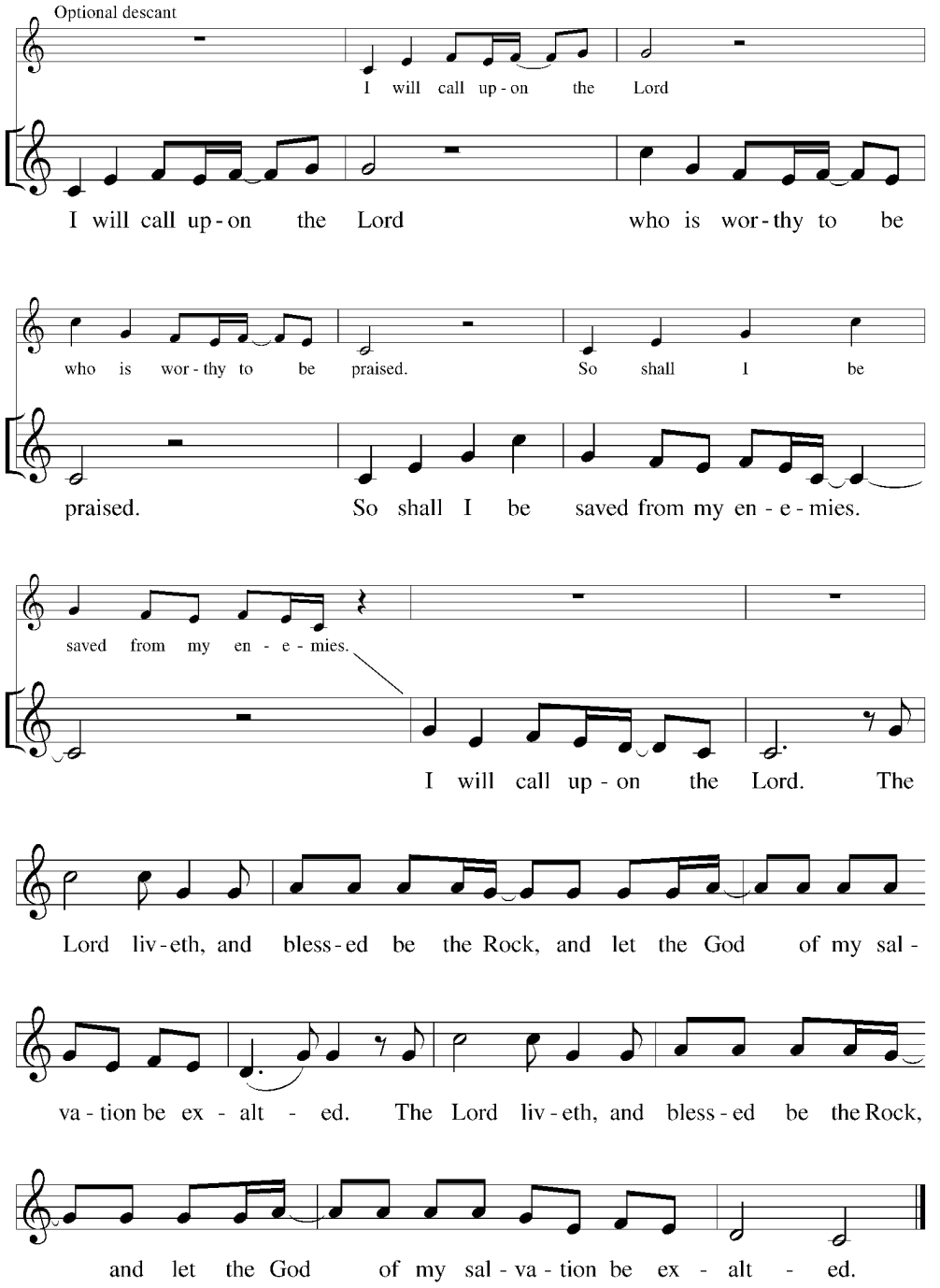
P: Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life.

C: We praise you for the gift of our baptism and for uniting us with Christ in his death and in his resurrection. Send your Spirit upon us that we may live as your people and walk in newness of life.

P: When you were baptized, you were marked with the cross of Christ forever. Remember your baptism with thanksgiving and joy.

P: Let your light so shine before others that they see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.
C: **Amen.**

Kyrie **W&P 70 "*I Will Call Upon the Lord*"**



Prayer of the Day

P: God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

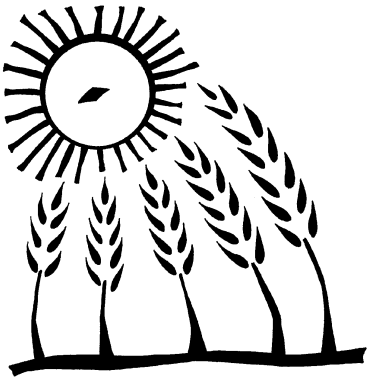
Amen.

First Reading — Joshua 5:9-12
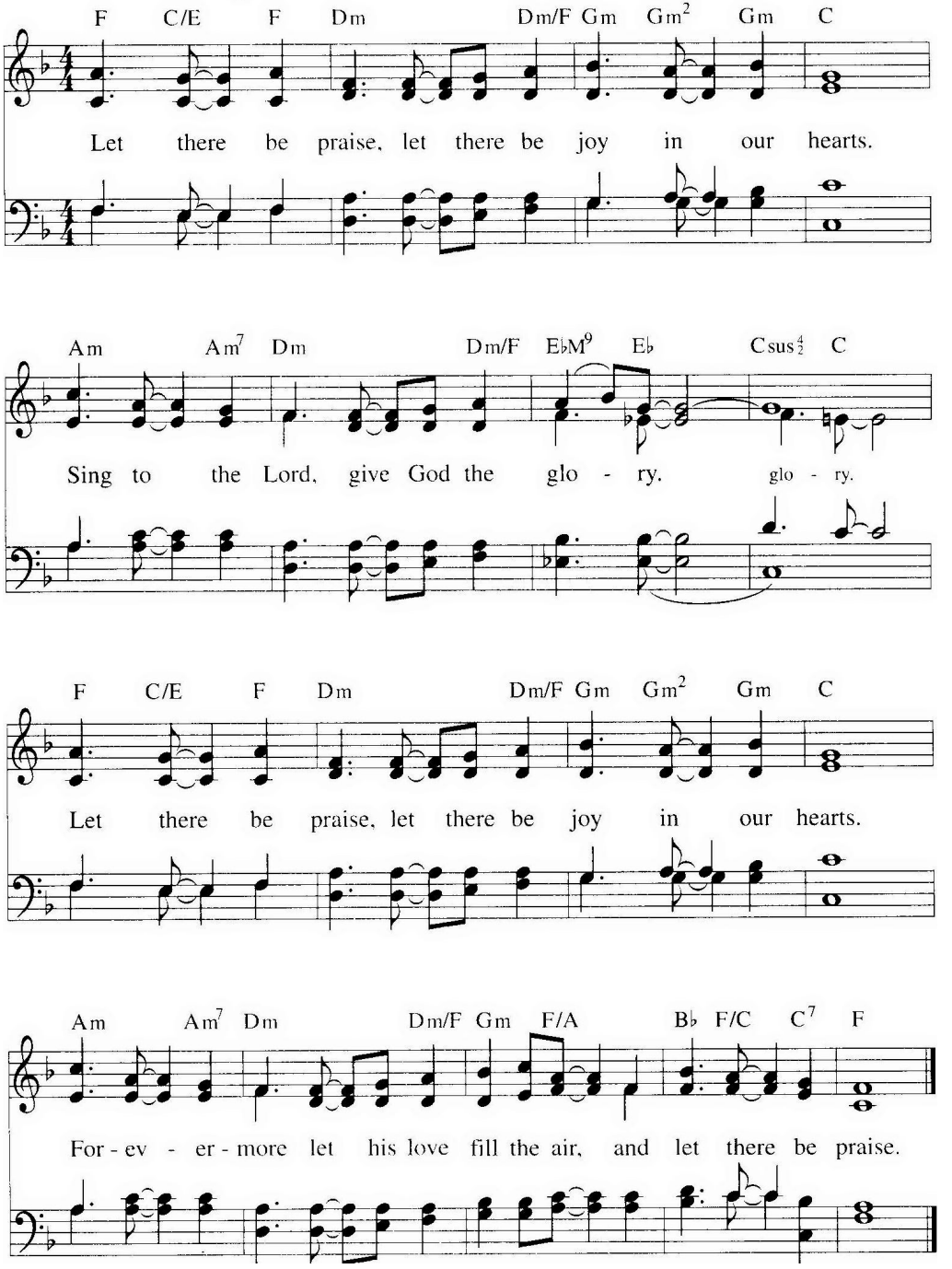
9 The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of
Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.
10 While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the
evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. 11 On the
day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land,
unleavened cakes and parched grain. 12 The manna ceased on the day they ate
the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the
crops of the land of Canaan that year.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.



Psalm Hymn **W&P #87 "*Let There be Praise*"**



Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
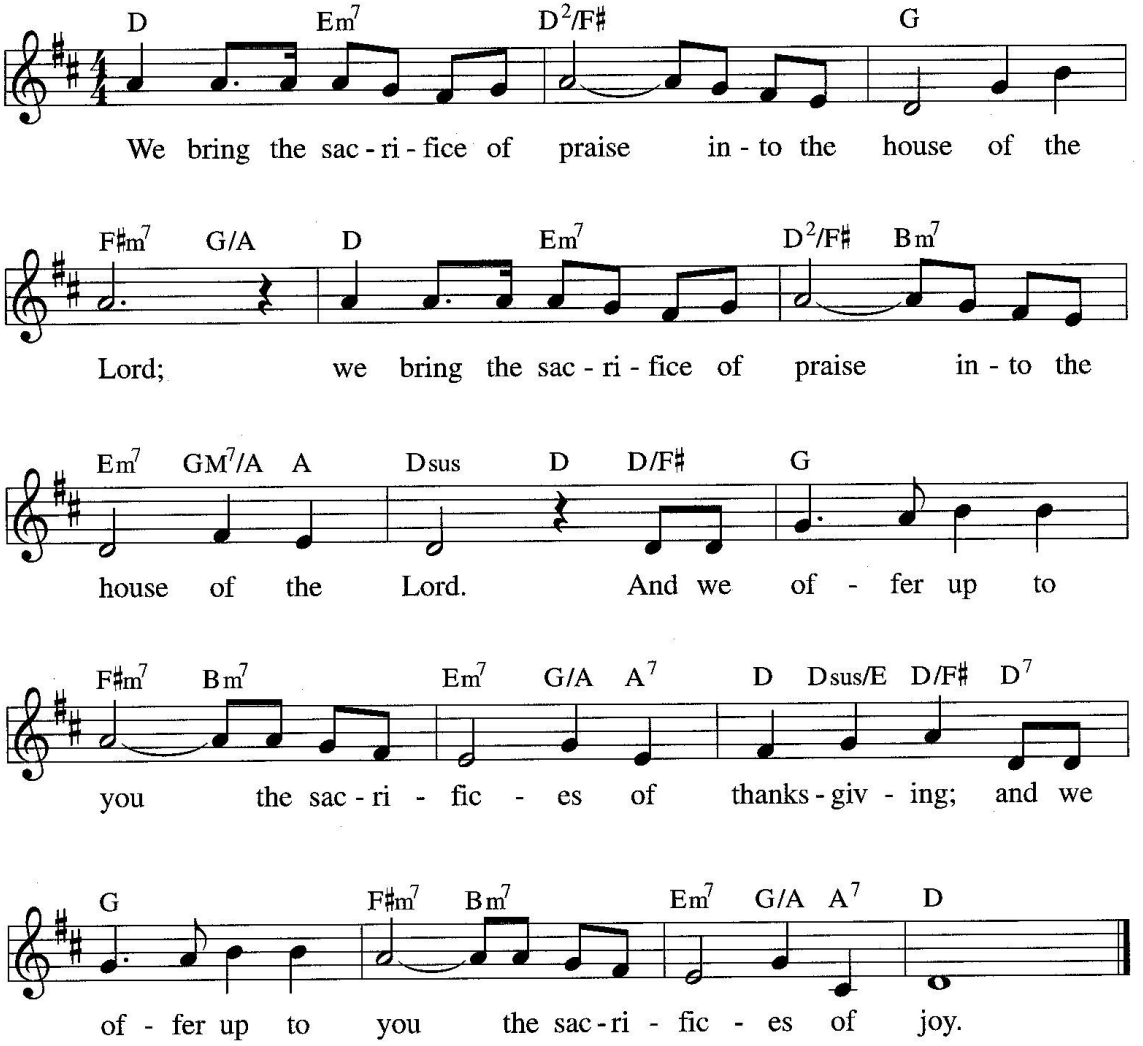
16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even
though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no
longer in that way. 17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything
old has passed away; see, everything has become new! 18 All this is from God,
who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of
reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not
counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of
reconciliation to us. 20 So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his
appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.
21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might
become the righteousness of God.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation ELW #150 "*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*"



Gospel Reading

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel — Luke 13:1-9

[1]Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.]
[2]And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

[3]So he told them this parable: [11b]"There was a man who had two sons. [12]The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. [13]A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. [14]When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. [15]So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. [16]He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. [17]But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! [18]I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; [19]I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' [20]So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. [21]Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' [22]But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. [23]And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; [24]for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

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[25]"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. [26]He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. [27]He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' [28]Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. [29]But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. [30]But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' [31]Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. [32]But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.' "

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (repeat acclamation)

Sermon
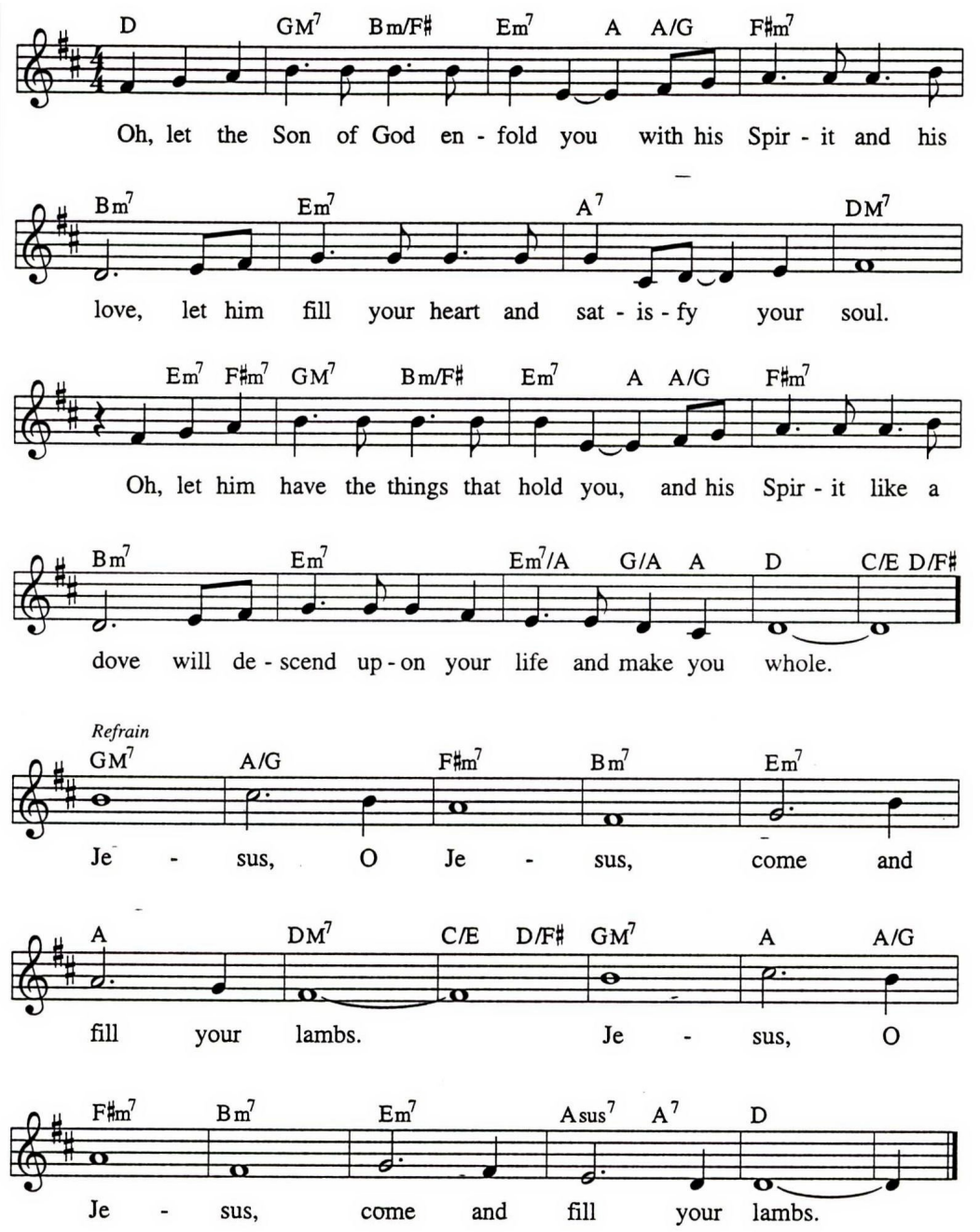
Rev. Nicholas Zook



Hymn of the Day

W&P #130 "*Spirit Song*"

(Sung 2 times)



Apostle's Creed

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 Thanksgiving

A: Called to the renewal of our faith in Lent, let us offer our prayers to God.

A: In the waters of baptism, you join us to the life and resurrection of Jesus Christ. For the gift of forgiveness, we praise you.
C: Hear us, O God.

A: You send us your Holy Spirit to guide us and teach us. For all the gifts of the Spirit, we thank you.
C: Hear us, O God.

A: You nourish us with your word and welcome us to your table. For all the ways you care for us, we praise you.
C: Hear us, O God.

A: You call us to tell others about Jesus. For willingness to show Jesus by what we say and do, we pray to you.
C: Hear us, O God.

A: You send us to help other people and to work for what is right. For courage to be the body of Christ, we pray to you.
C: Hear us, O God.

A: You send your spirit of healing and strength to all who call upon you. For those who seek your healing presence, especially *Carol*, *Pastor Steve Swanson*, *Perry*, *Gerry*, *Bob*, *Lola*, *Sandie*, *Terry*, *Luis*, *Ron*, *Gary*, *Ron*, *all those diagnosed with COVID-19*, and those we hold in our thoughts, we pray to you.
C: Hear us, O God.

P: All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O Lord our God, through Jesus Christ, for your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
C: Amen.

Offertory "*Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies' Sake*" arr. K.Lee Scott

We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude as we prepare for communion.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray,

Merciful Father

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us -- ourselves, 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.

Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

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

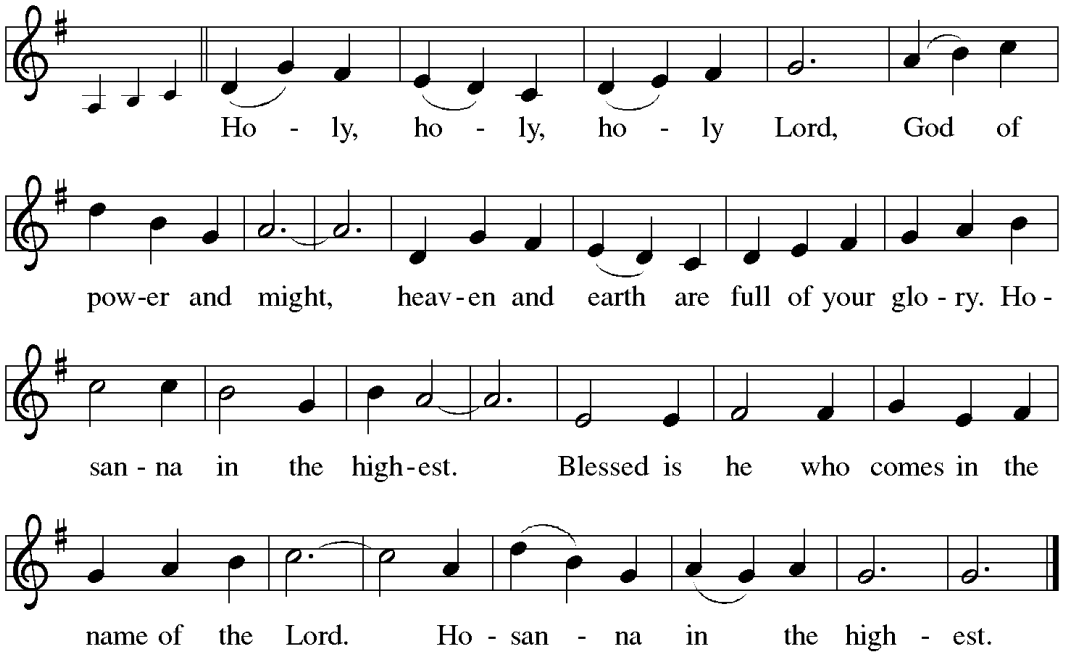
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus



P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

P: 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.

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.

P: With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

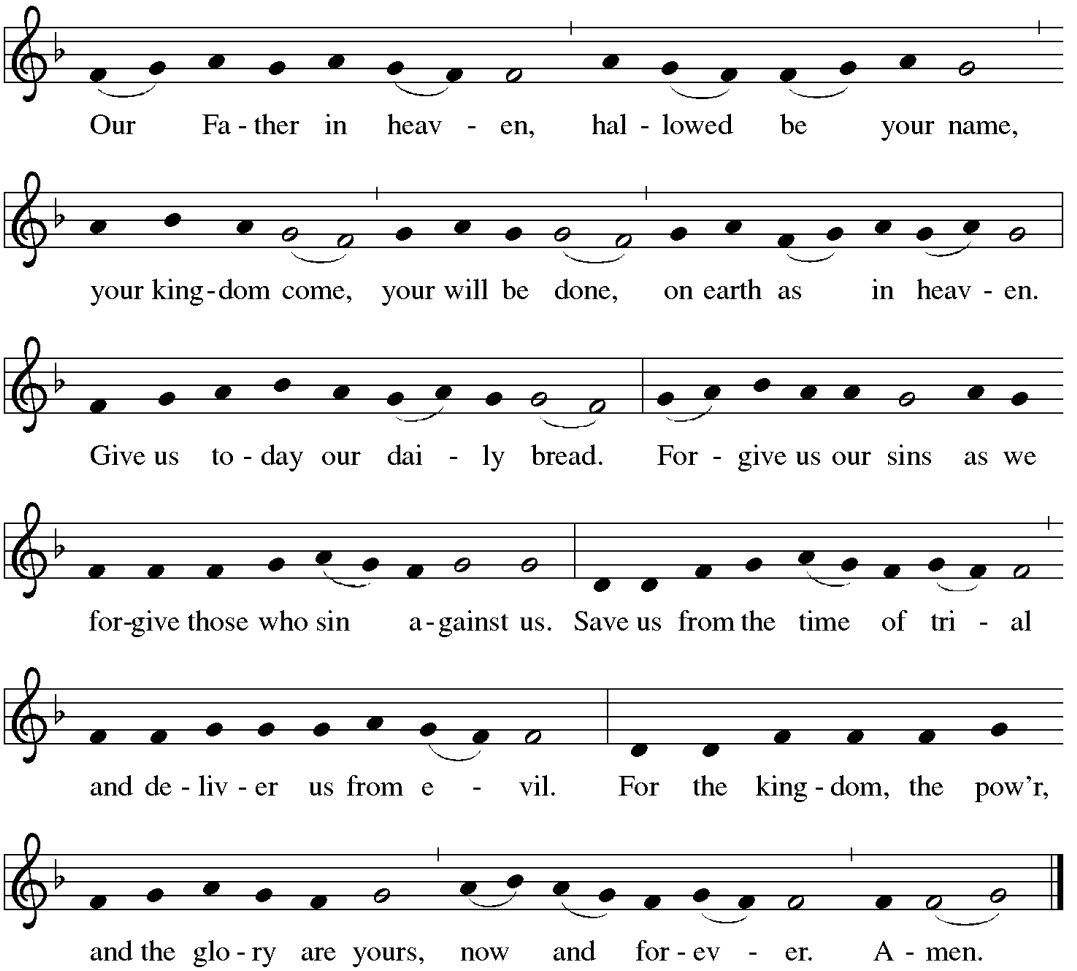
P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: We praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer
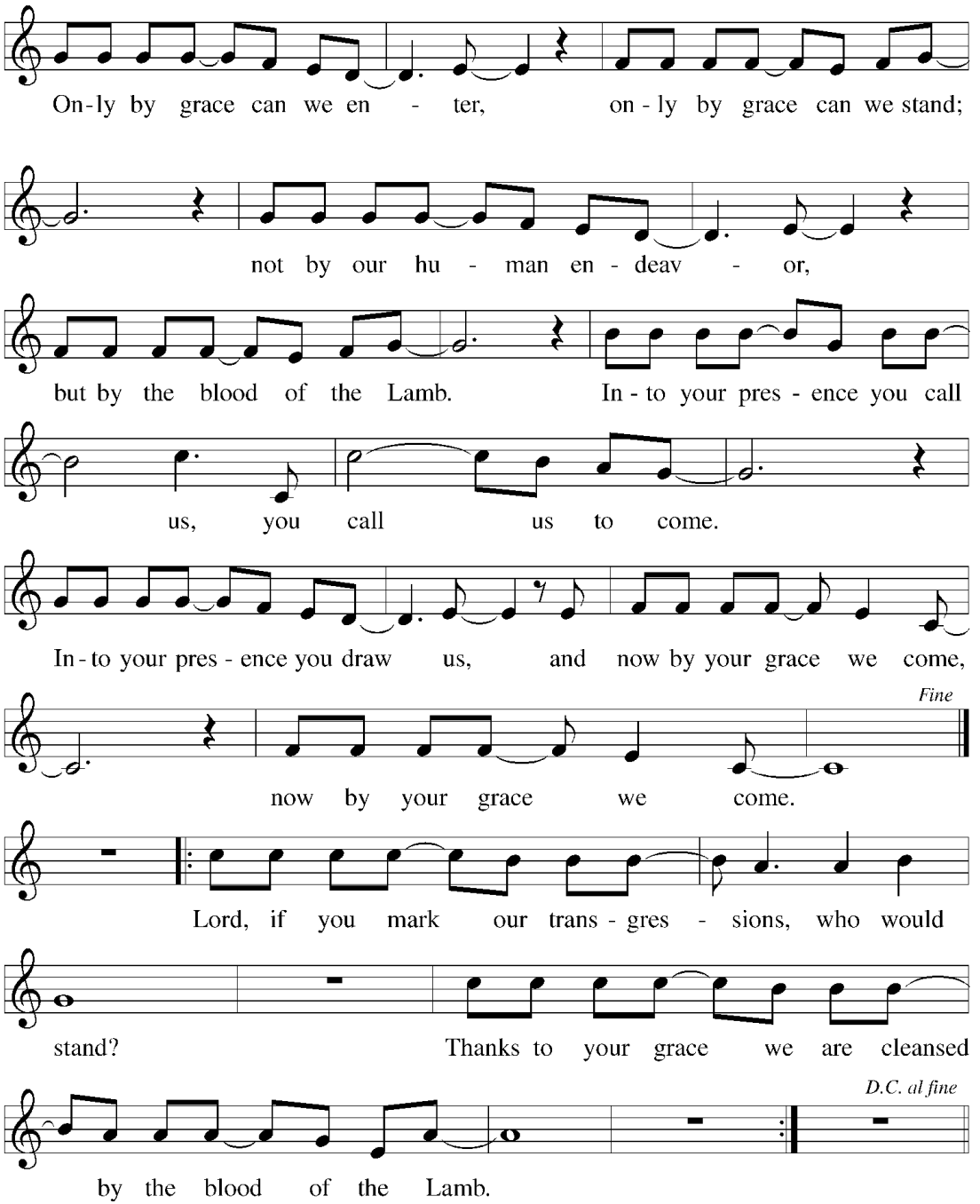


Communion Invitation

We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.

Communion

W&P #112 "*Only by Grace*"

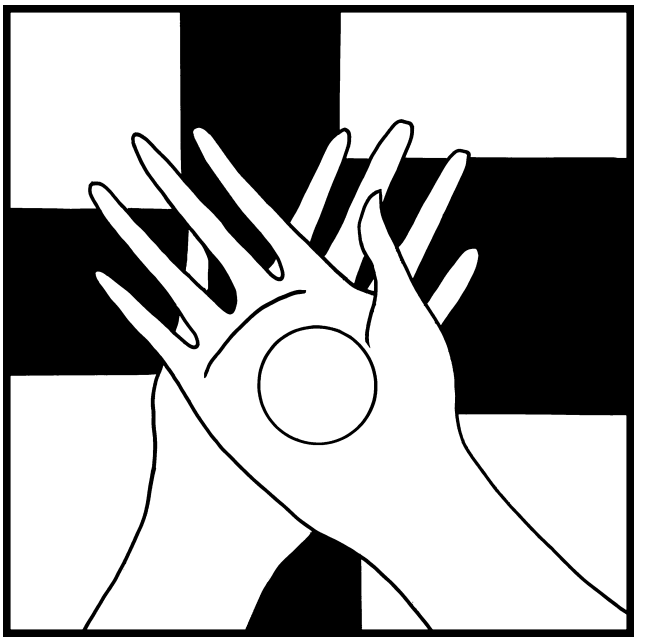


Post Communion Blessing
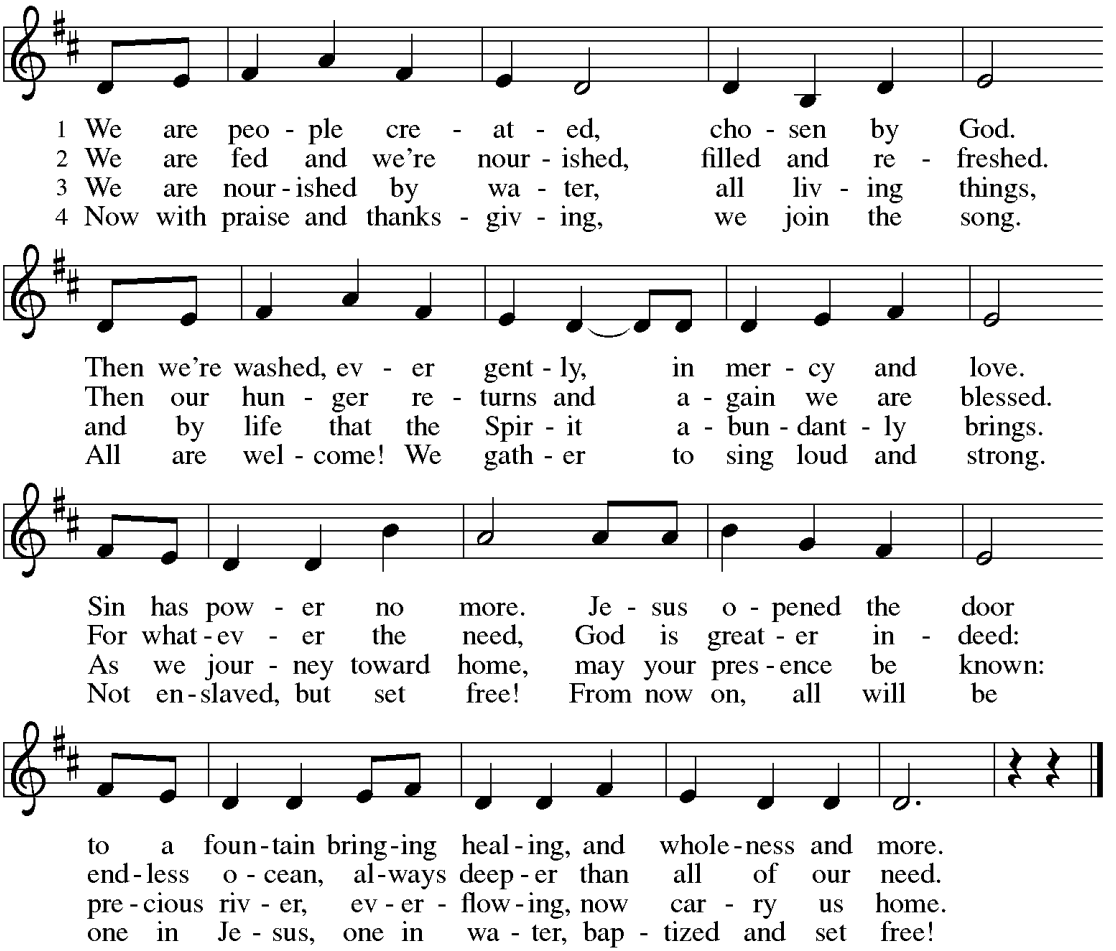
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Lead us in our Lenten pilgrimage: that our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: Amen.



Closing Hymn — W&P #14 "*Baptized and Set Free*"



Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
C: Thanks be to God.

A: Go in peace. Remember your baptism
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude "*Festal March*" by Florence Price

Announcements

'Bringing Church in New Ways'

Concordia Church's stewardship campaign is off and running! Your Council contact will be connecting with you to discuss the many ways you can engage in Concordia's initiatives. We are excited to see what God will do for Concordia's ministries. Deadline for submission is April 7th.

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Concordia's musicians and friends are back again this Lenten season with special midweek music releases. Each piece of music is paired with two reflective readings. We encourage you to carve out a few minutes each week during these weeks leading up to Easter to meditate and reflect on the messages of these special offerings. Videos will be released each Wednesday at 7pm on our YouTube channel: Concordia Church Chicago. You can also find the links on the Lent page of our website: www.concordiafaith.org/lent.

Fellowship after worship has returned. Join others for coffee and conversation in the gym after the service!

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Support Concordia Church's **partnership with the Common Pantry** through your donations of food or toiletry items or a monetary gift to this worthy cause. All donations will help sustain a "Take What you Need" food pantry in the lobby of Swedish Covenant Hospital for patients upon their discharge. Bring item donations to the church at any time. Text 'Concordia' to 73256 and choose the 'Social Impact' fund to give electronically.

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Support the **ministries of Concordia Church** through your offerings. There are multiple ways for you to give:

1) Mobile: Text 'Concordia' to 73256 and follow the link or scan the QR code here
2) Online: Visit www.onrealm.org/concordiafaith/give
3) Via cash or check left in the offering plate or mailed to the church at:

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Prelude Hymn **ELW #807 "*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*"**

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.
Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

Kyrie **W&P 70 "*I Will Call Upon the Lord*"**

Text: Michael O'Shields
Music: O'SHIELDS, Michael O'Shields

Psalm Hymn **W&P #87 "*Let There be Praise*"**

Text and music: Melodie Tunney and Dick Tunney
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Gospel Acclamation **W&P 150 "*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*"**

Text: Thomas á Kempis, 1380–1471; tr. Benjamin Webb, 1819–1885, alt.
Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad, 15th cent.

Hymn of the Day **W&P #130 "*Spirit Song*"**

Text and music: John Wimber
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Offertory Anthem **"*Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies' Sake*" arr. K.Lee Scott**

Communion Hymn **W&P 112 "*Only by Grace*"**

Text: Gerrit Gustafson
Music: ONLY BY GRACE, Gerrit Gustafson

Closing Hymn **W&P #14 "*Baptized and Set Free*"**

Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956
Music: BAPTIZED AND SET FREE, Cathy Skogen-Soldner
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Postlude **"Festal March" by Florence Price**

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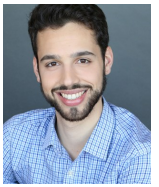
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