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Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

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Welcome, and thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

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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Prelude "*Passacaglia in D minor*" by Dietrich Buxtehude

The Passion of our Lord

Procession of the Palms

The congregation is invited to assemble outside.

On this day, united with Christians around the world, we mark Jesus' triumphant entry into the holy city of Jerusalem to complete the work of our salvation. We follow in his footsteps as we enter the church, our Jerusalem, acclaiming the one whose throne was the cross. In today's gospel reading we hear the passion narrative of Jesus' suffering and death for our sakes.

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

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

P: Let us pray.

Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts through which you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Processional Gospel **Luke 19:28-40**

After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

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They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”
P: The Gospel of the Lord.

The congregation lifts their palms up high for the blessing of the palms.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.
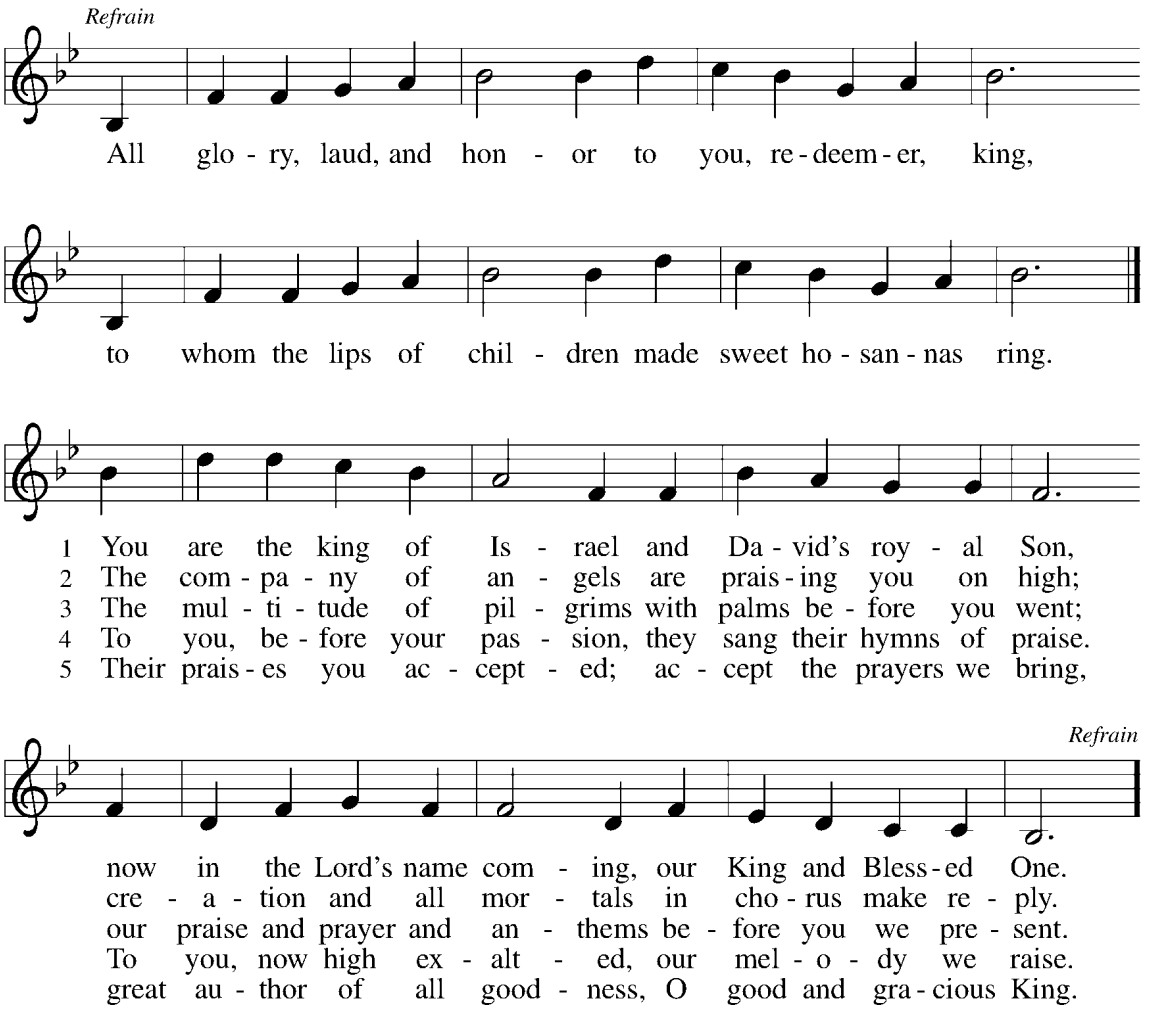
We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us go forth in peace,
C: **In the name of the Lord.**

The congregation follows the cross into the sanctuary during the singing of the Processional Hymn. We will process around the church pews and come up the center aisle. As we come up the center, please take your place in your pew.

Processional Hymn **ELW #344 "*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*"**



Congregation lifts up their palms.

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
C: Hosanna in the highest.

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.

Prayer of the Day

P: Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

First Reading — Isaiah 50:4-9a

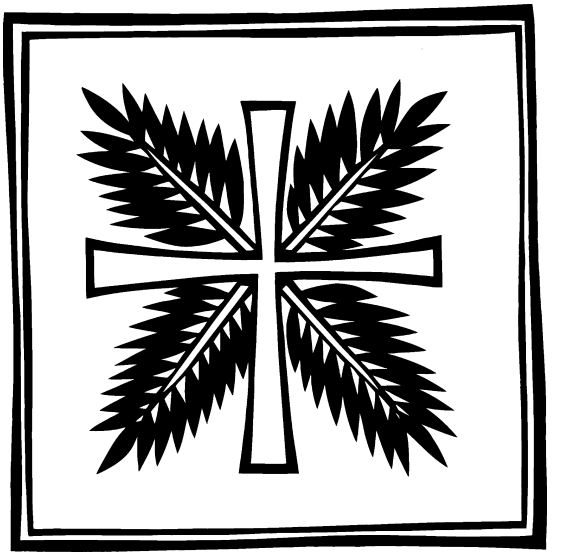
4 The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to
sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught. 5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was
not rebellious, I did not turn backward. 6 I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting. 7 The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been
disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be
put to shame; 8 he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us
stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. 9a It is the
Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?
L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Philippians 2:5-11
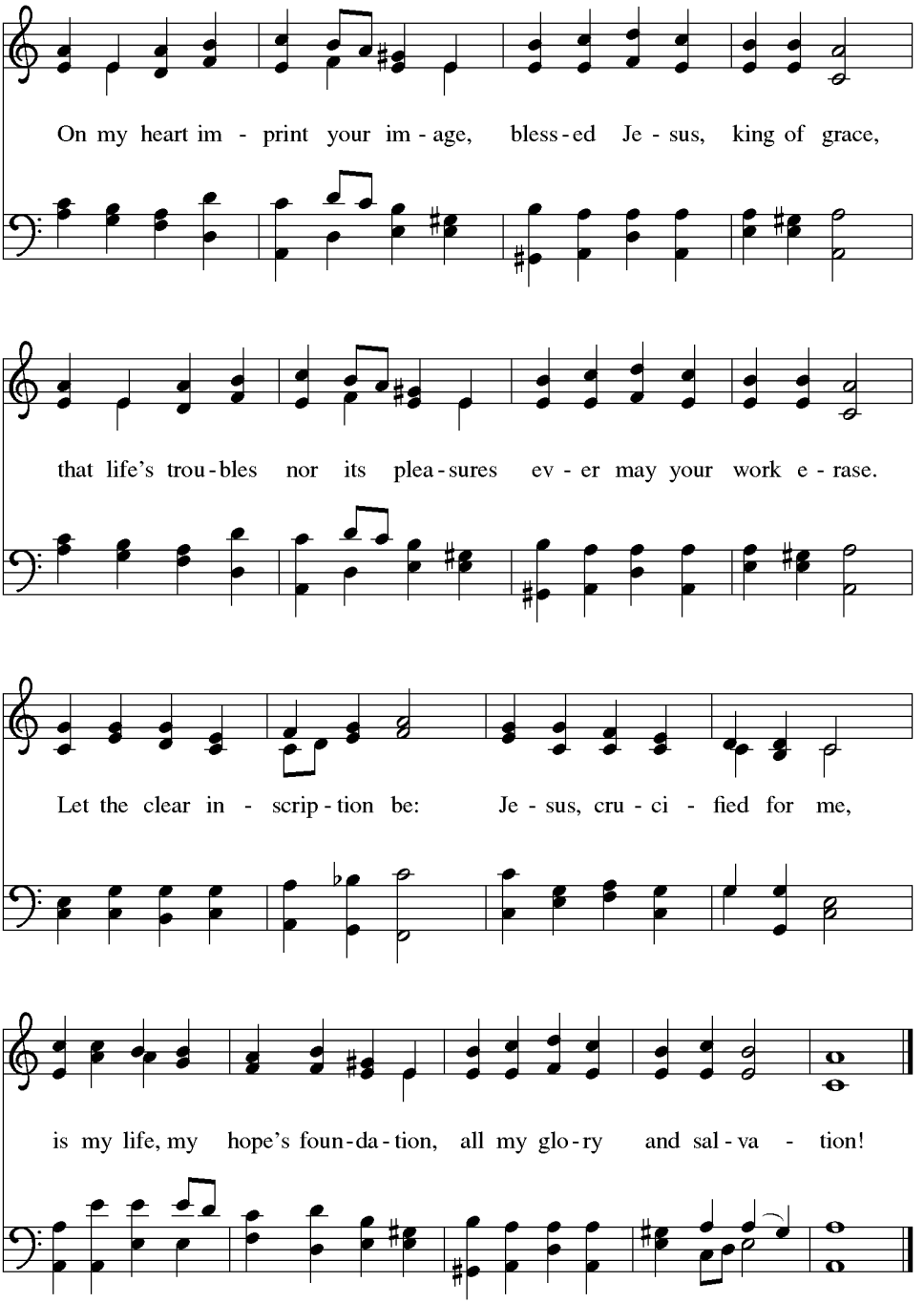
Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation ELW #811 "*On My Heart Imprint Your Image*"



Sermon

Pastor Nicholas Zook

Gospel Reading

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

The Gospel

Luke 23:1-49

[1]Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. [2]They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." [3]Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." [4]Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." [5]But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

[6]When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. [7]And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. [8]When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign.

[9]He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. [10]The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. [11]Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. [12]That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

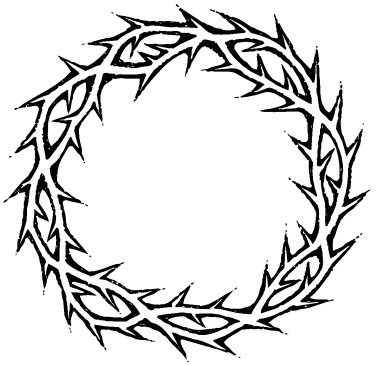
[13]Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, [14]and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. [15]Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. [16]I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

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[18]Then they all shouted out together, “Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas
for us!” [19](This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that
had taken place in the city, and for murder.) [20]Pilate, wanting to release Jesus,
addressed them again; [21]but they kept shouting, “Crucify, crucify him!” [22]A third
time he said to them, “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no
ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then
release him.”
[23]But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be
crucified; and their voices prevailed. [24]So Pilate gave his verdict that their
demand should be granted. [25]He released the man they asked for, the one who
had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as
they wished.
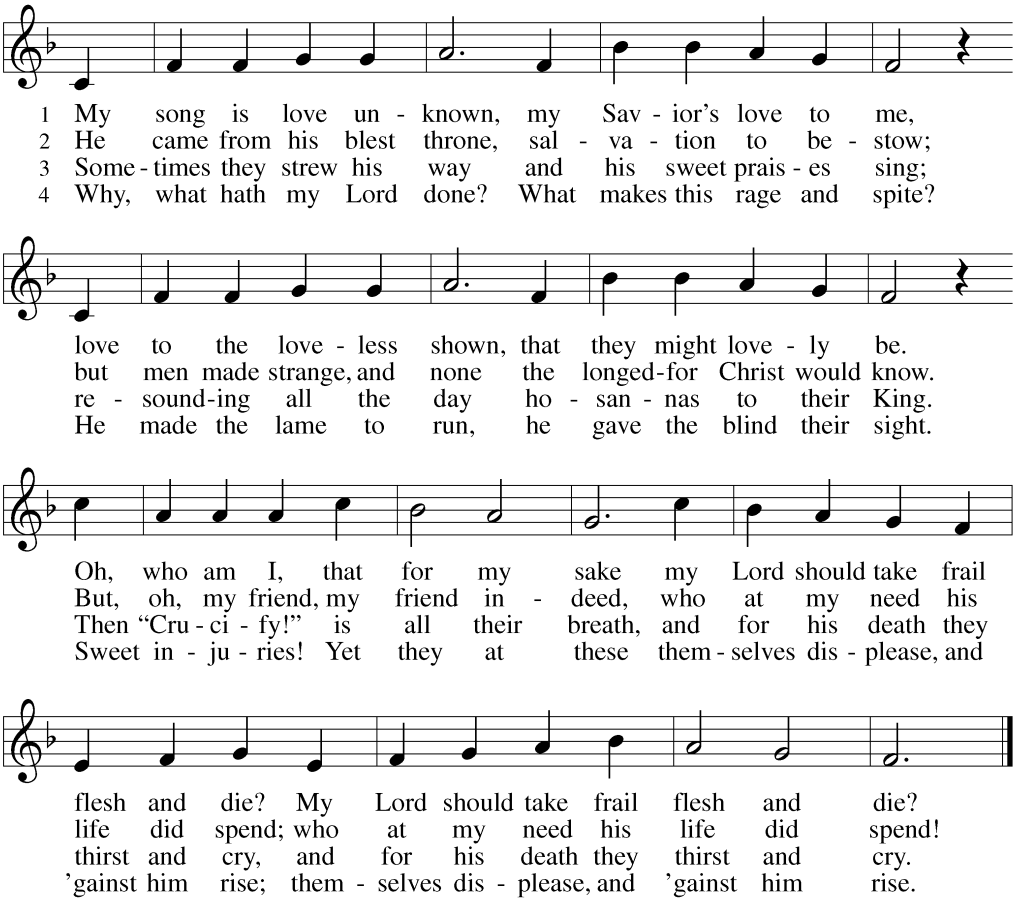
[26]As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming
from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind
Jesus. [27]A great number of the people followed him, and among them were
women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. [28]But Jesus turned to
them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for
yourselves and for your children. [29]For the days are surely coming when they will
say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that
never nursed.’ [30]Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to
the hills, ‘Cover us.’ [31]For if they do this when the wood is green, what will
happen when it is dry?”

(continued after hymn)



Passion Reading Hymn — ELW #94 "*My Song is Love Unknown*"

(Verses 1, 2, 3, 7)



5 They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the prince of life they slay.
Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes,
that he his foes from thence might free.

6 In life, no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death, no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was his home;
but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing—
no story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine.
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend!

[32]Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with
him. [33]When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus
there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [34]Then Jesus said,
“Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast
lots to divide his clothing. [35]And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders
scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah
of God, his chosen one!” [36]The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering
him sour wine, [37]and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”
[38]There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”
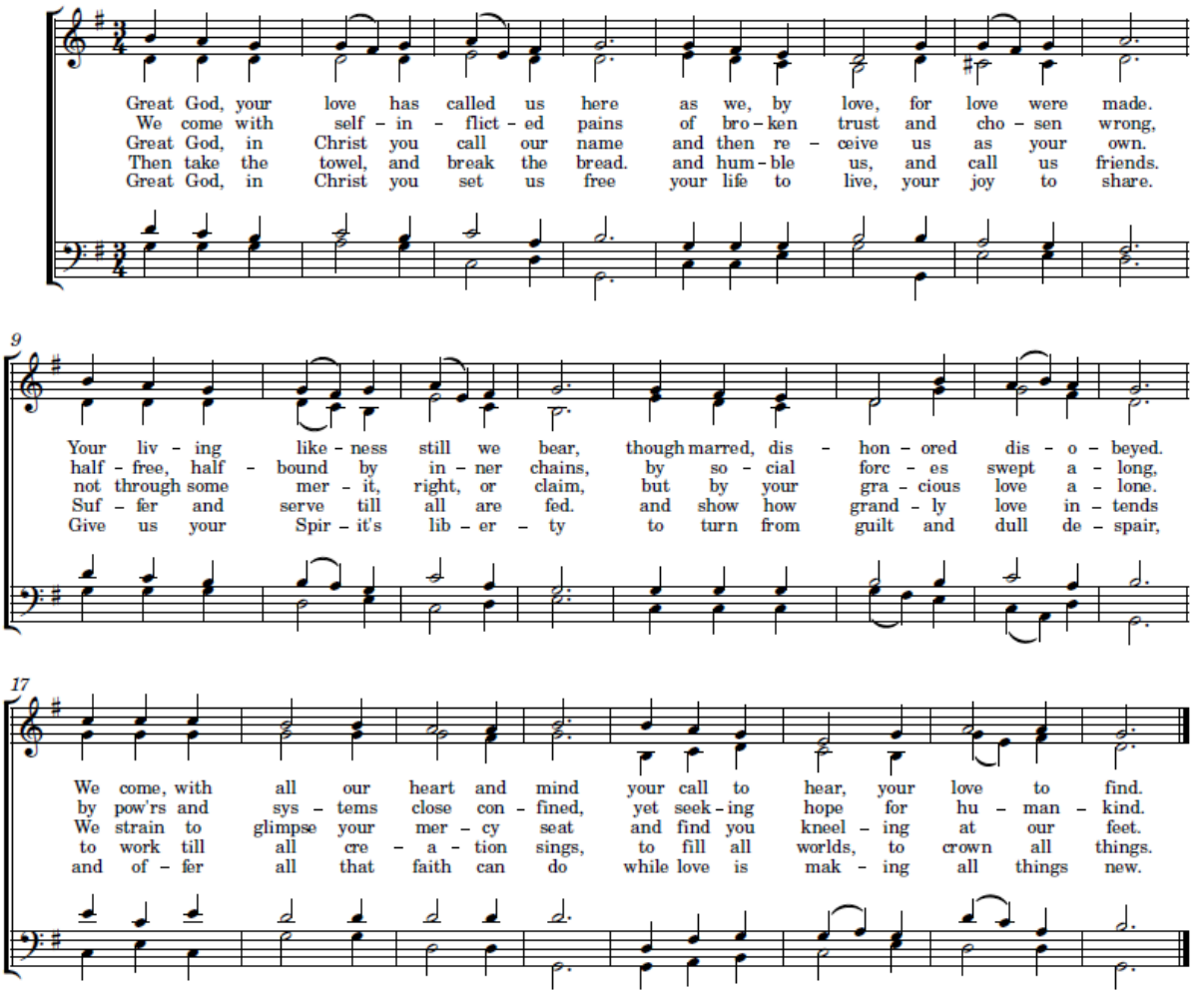
[39]One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,
“Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” [40]But the other rebuked him,
saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of
condemnation? [41]And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting
what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” [42]Then
he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” [43]He replied,
“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

[44]It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in
the afternoon, [45]while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was
torn in two. [46]Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands
I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last. [47]When the
centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, “Certainly this man
was innocent.” [48]And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this
spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts.
[49]But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from
Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day ELW #358 "*Great God, Your Love Has Called Us*"



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.

The Prayers

A: Remembering the Church, the world, and all those in need, let us offer our prayers to God.

A: Mighty and loving God, you make us your children through your word of promise in the water of baptism. For Jesus, the Word of life, we thank you.
C: Hear us, O God.

A: You wash away our sin and make us clean and new. For the peace 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 strength to follow Jesus, 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.

A: Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

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 "*Meditation at the Cross*" by Douglas E. Wagner

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.

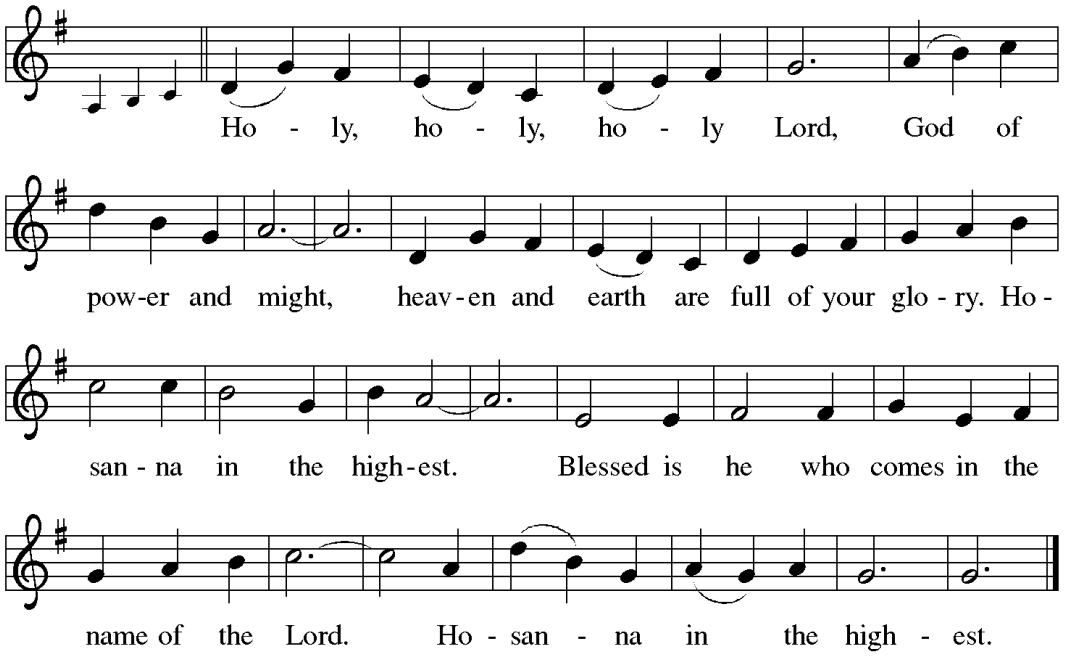
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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.

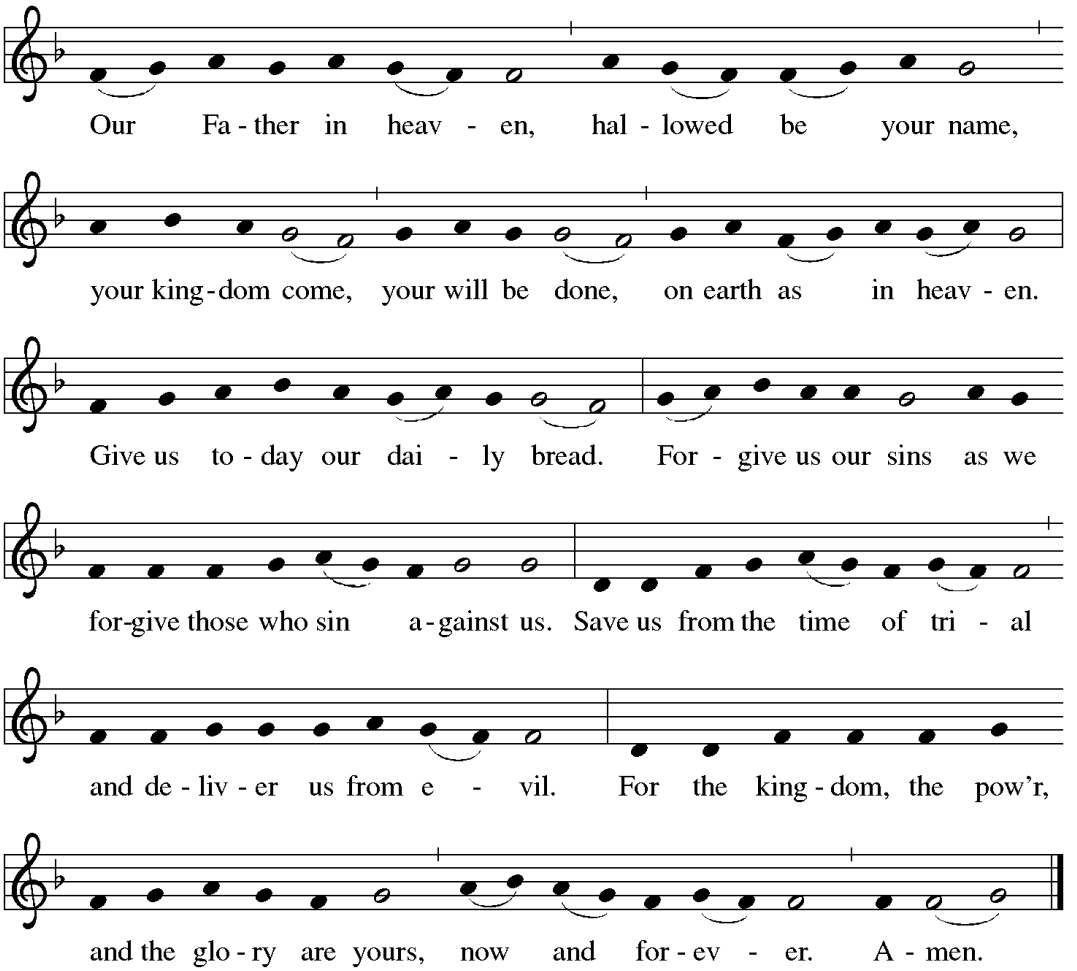
P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

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

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer
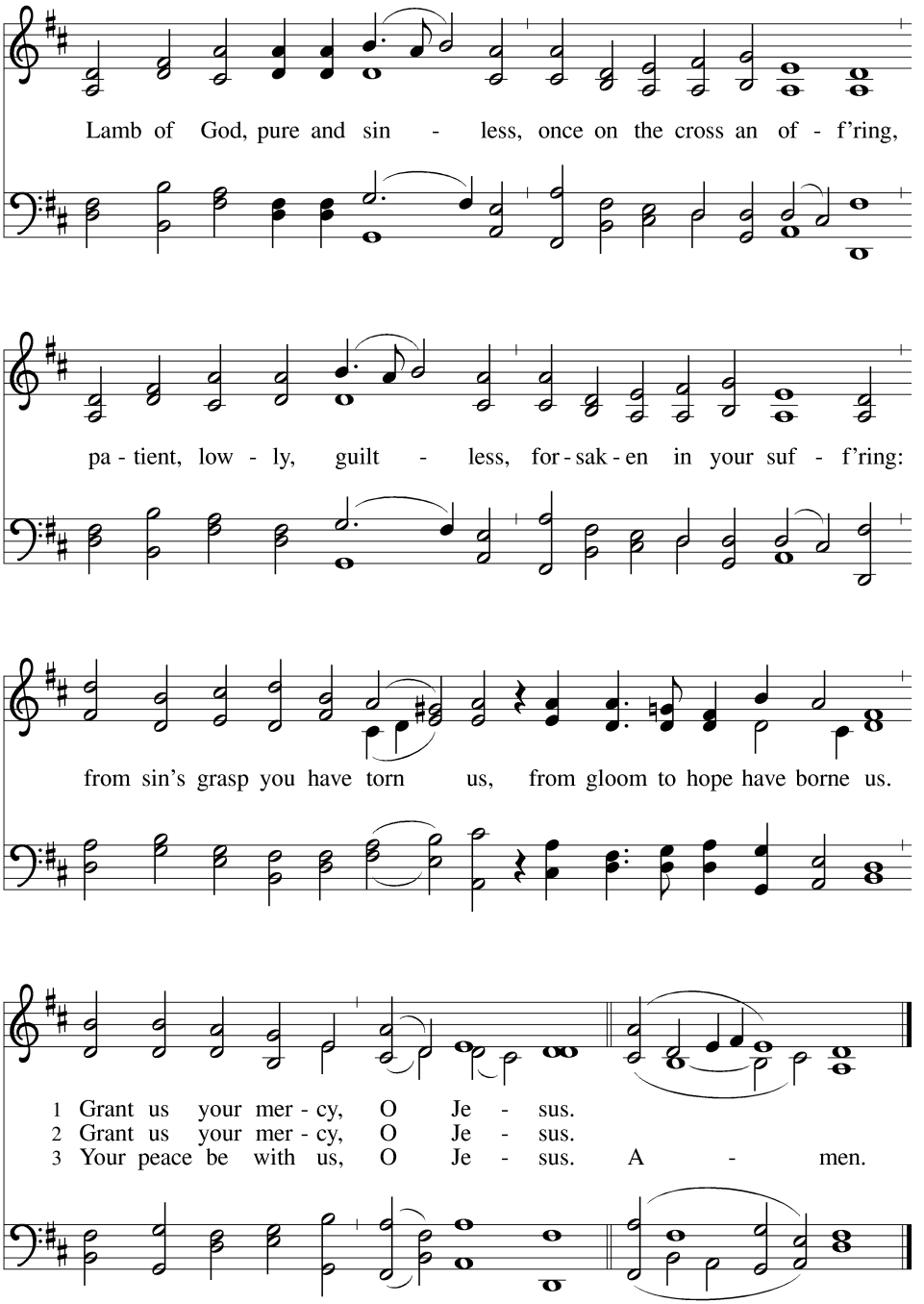


Communion Invitation

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 ELW #357 "*Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless*"

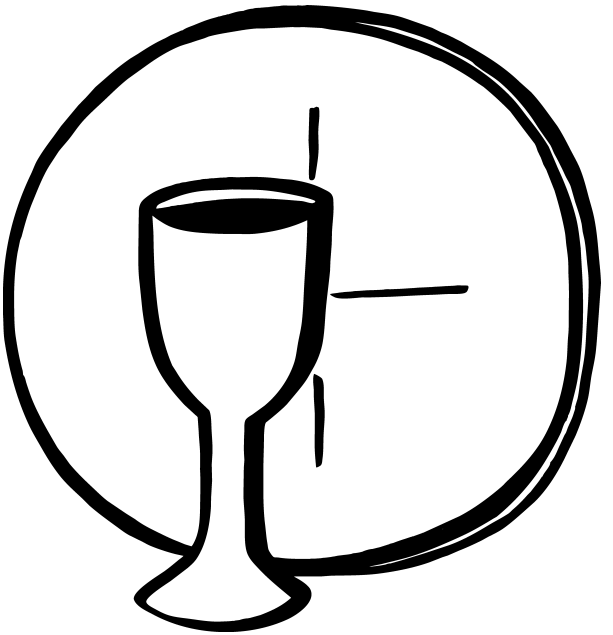


Post Communion Blessing
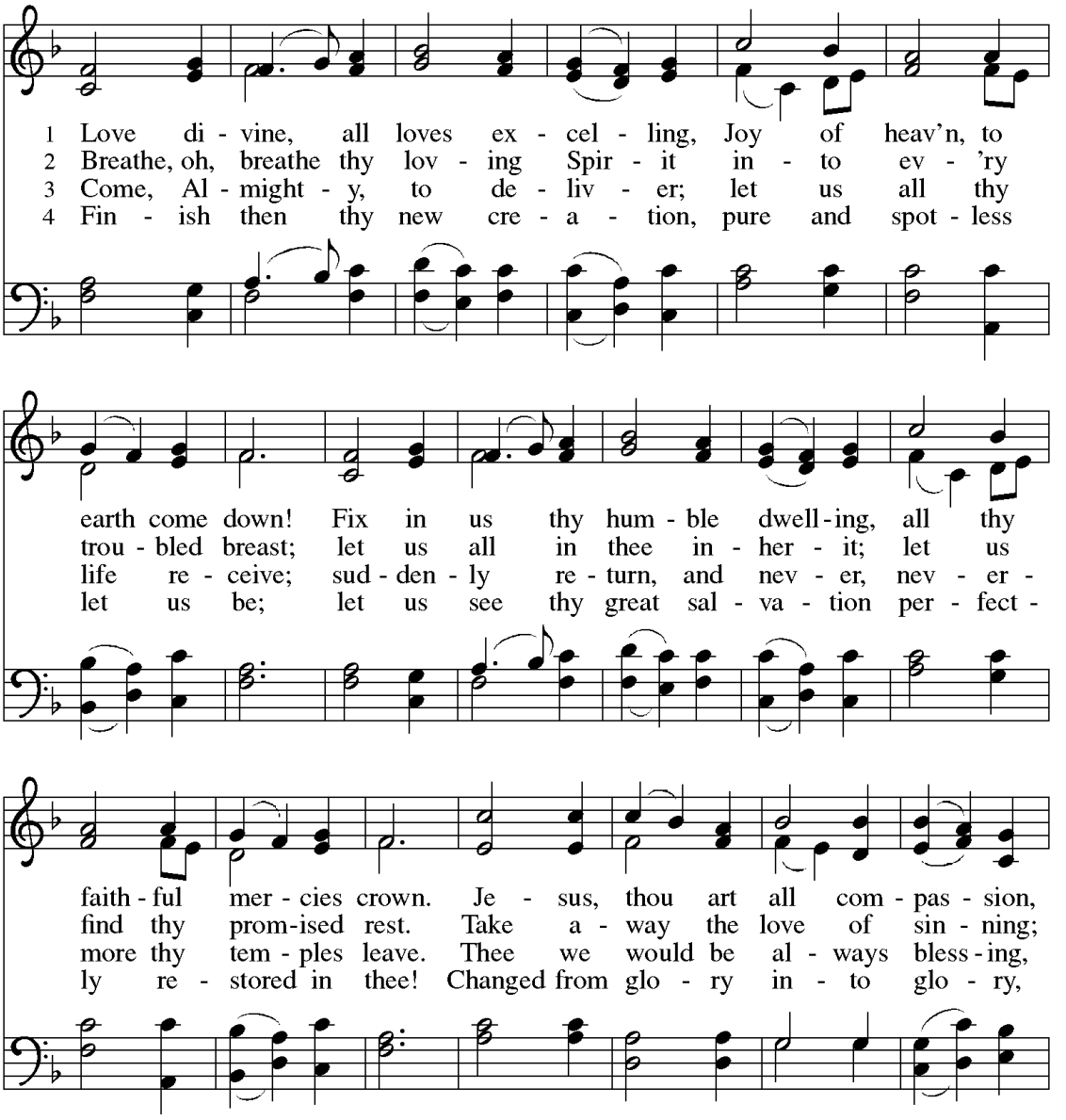
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: Amen.

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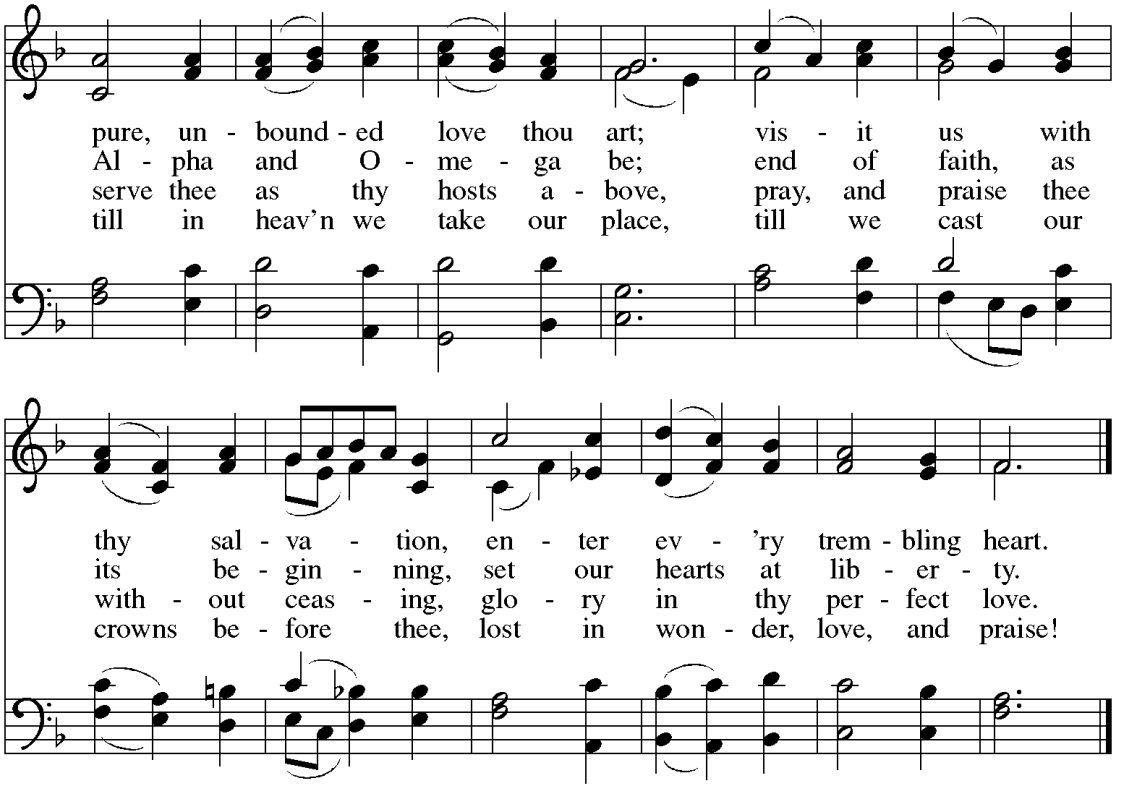
A: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Lead us in our Lenten pilgrimage: that our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: Amen.



Closing Hymn ELW #631 "*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*"



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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.

Announcements

'Bringing Church in New Ways'

Concordia Church's stewardship campaign ended this past week! We are delighted by the connections that were made among our participants throughout this campaign. If you didn't get your form in by the deadline, we're still accepting them! Scan the QR code on your insert or pick up a form in the back of the sanctuary.

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Re-watch all of Concordia's midweek Lenten releases NOW 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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Concordia Place News

Join Concordia Place for two upcoming events you won't want to miss! On May 5 at 6pm, Concordia Place is hosting their Spring Candlelight Dinner Concert at Chief O'Neill's. Your ticket includes a plated dinner, open bar, and concert by Marisa Buchheit and friends. This event is for those age 21 and older. Tickets can be found at concordiaplace.org/candlelight2022

Concordia's 2nd Annual Golf Outing also returns this summer. Join us at River Forest Country Club in Elmhurst on Monday, June 13 for a wonderful day of golf. Sign up at concordiaplace.org/golf

Proceeds from both events benefit the children, teens, and families of Concordia Place. Questions? Contact Katie Bernabei at kbernabei@concordiaplace.org or at (773)463-1600 x421

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Holy Week & Easter

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Palm Sunday — April 10th at 10:00am

Join us in the Procession of Palms and hear the story of Christ's Passion as recorded in St. Luke

Good Friday—April 15th at 7:00pm

Reflections on the 7 last words of Christ on the cross

Easter Sunday—April 17th

Concert at 9:30am | Worship at 10:00am

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Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

Gospel Acclamation **ELW #811 "*On My Heart Imprint Your Image*"**

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Peer O. Strömme, 1856–1921, alt.
Music: DER AM KREUZ, Johann B. König, 1691–1758

Passion Reading Hymn **ELW #94 "*My Song is Love Unknown*"**

Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624–1683
Music: RHOSYMEDRE, John D. Edwards, 1806–1885

Hymn of the Day **ELW #358 "*Great God, Your Love Has Called Us*"**

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936
Music: RYBURN, Norman Cocker, 1889–1953
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Offertory Anthem **"*Meditation at the Cross*" by Douglas E. Wagner**

Communion Hymn **ELW #357 "*Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless*"**

Text: Nikolaus Decius, 1485–1550; tr. composite
Music: O LAMM GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG, Nikolaus Decius
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Closing Hymn **ELW #631 "*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*"**

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788
Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

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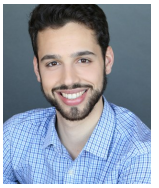
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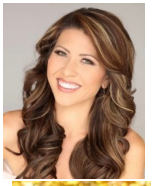
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