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# Seventh Sunday of Easter

## May 29, 2022

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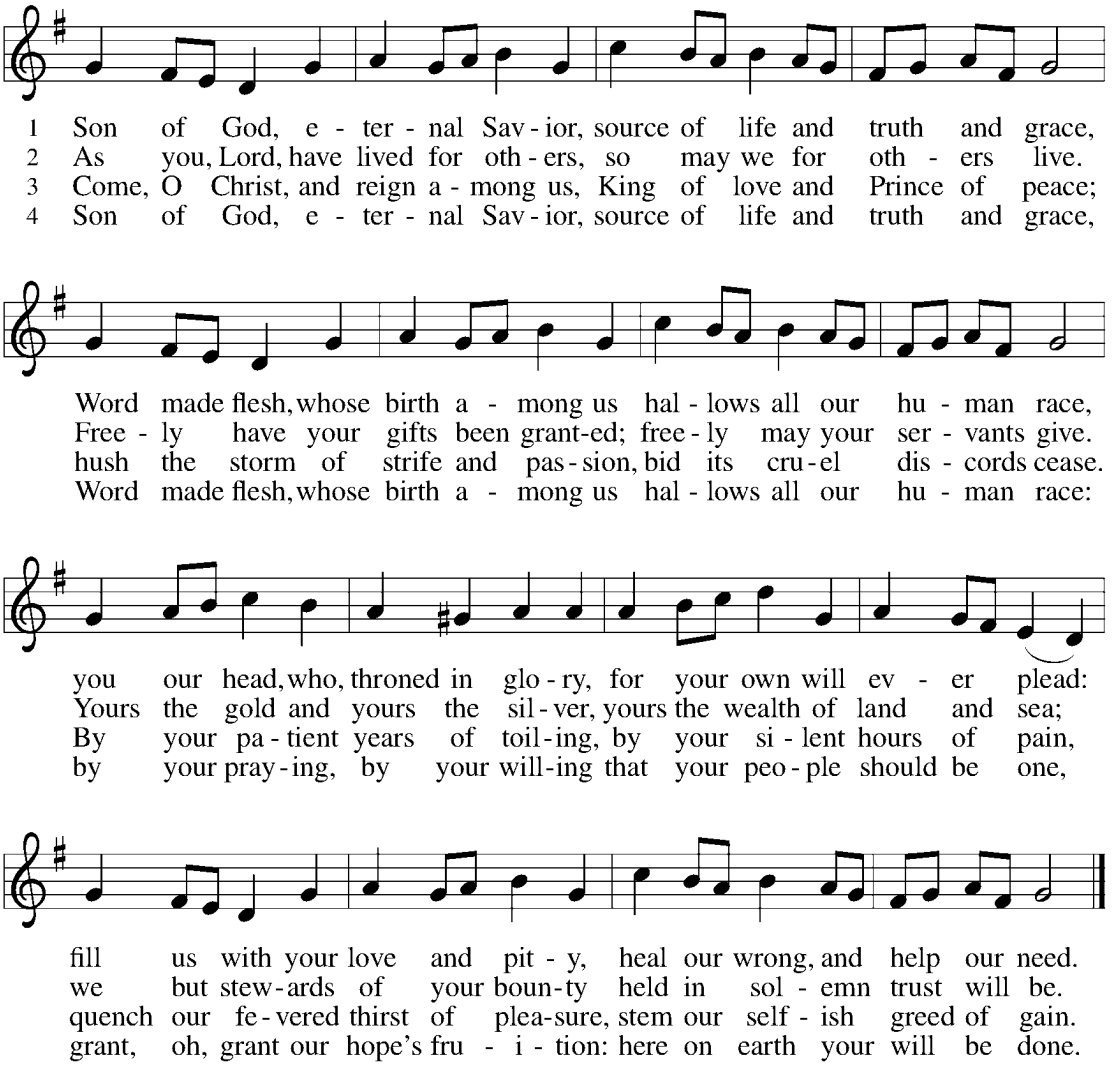
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## Prelude "*Largo*" by Elisabeth Stirling

## Acclamation

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen.
**C: He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## Opening Hymn ELW#655 "*Son of God, Eternal Savior*"



P: The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
**C: And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day
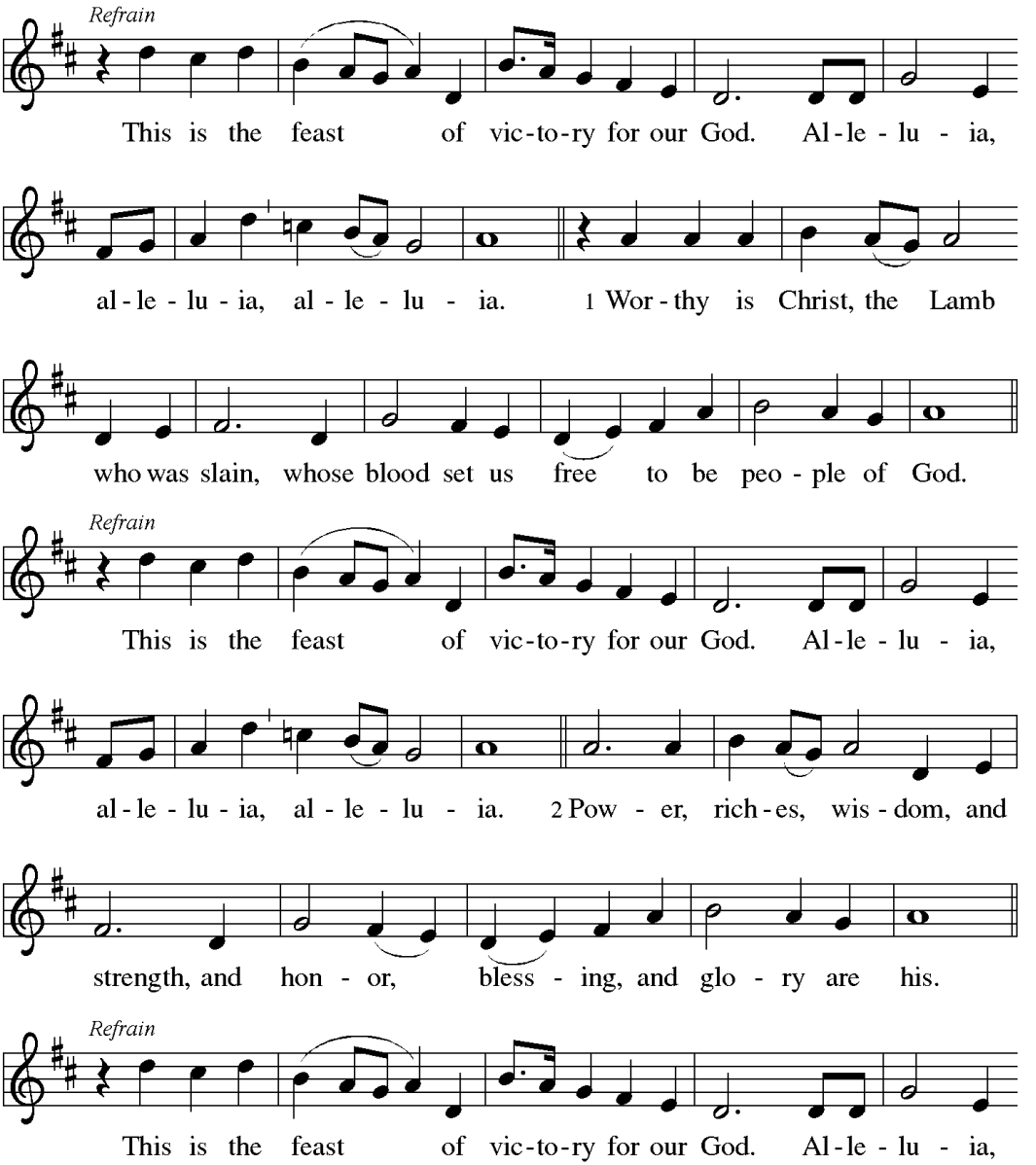
O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**
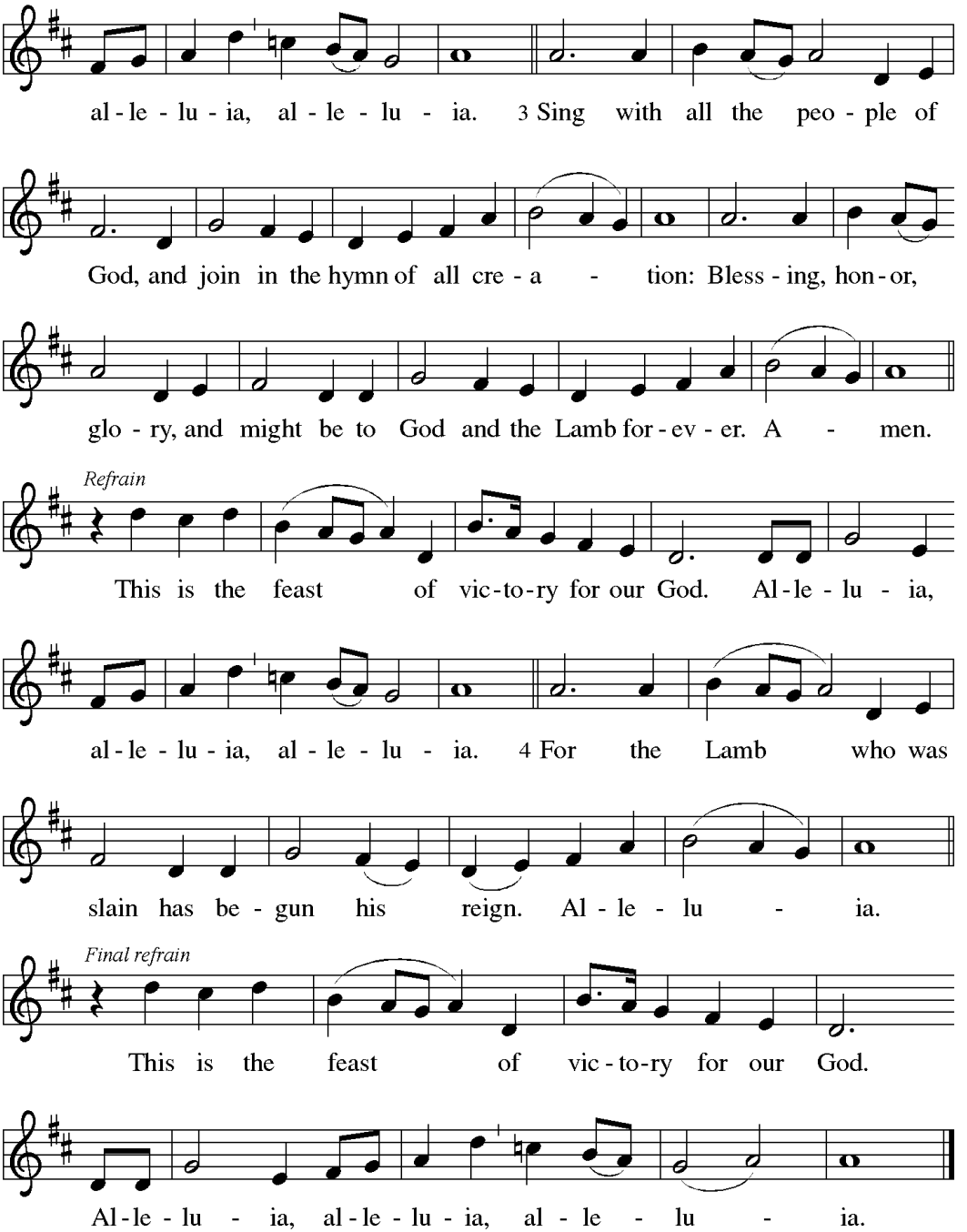


## Hymn of Praise

## "*This is the Feast*"



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## First Reading Acts 16:16-34

16 One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had
a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-
telling. 17 While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are
slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.” 18 She
kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to
the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it
came out that very hour.
19 But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they
seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the
authorities. 20 When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said,
“These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews 21 and are advocating customs
that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” 22 The crowd joined in
attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and
ordered them to be beaten with rods. 23 After they had given them a severe
flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them
securely. 24 Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and
fastened their feet in the stocks.
25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and
the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was an earthquake, so
violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the
doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. 27 When the jailer
woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about
to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul
shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” 29 The jailer
called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.
30 Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”
31 They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and
your household.” 32 They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were
in his house. 33 At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their
wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. 34 He brought
them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire
household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.
L: Word of God. Word of Life.
**C: Thanks be to God.**
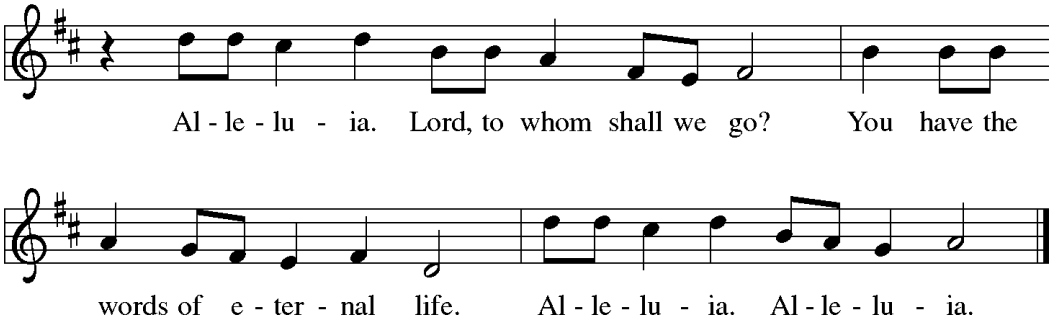
## Psalm 97

## Second Reading — Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

12 "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to
everyone's work. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the
beginning and the end."
14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to
the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.
16 "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches.
I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."
17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."
And let everyone who hears say, "Come."
And let everyone who is thirsty come.
Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.
20 The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!
21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation — "*Alleluia*"



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

## Gospel — John 17:20-26

[Jesus prayed:] [20]"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, [21]that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. [22]The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, [23]I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. [24]Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

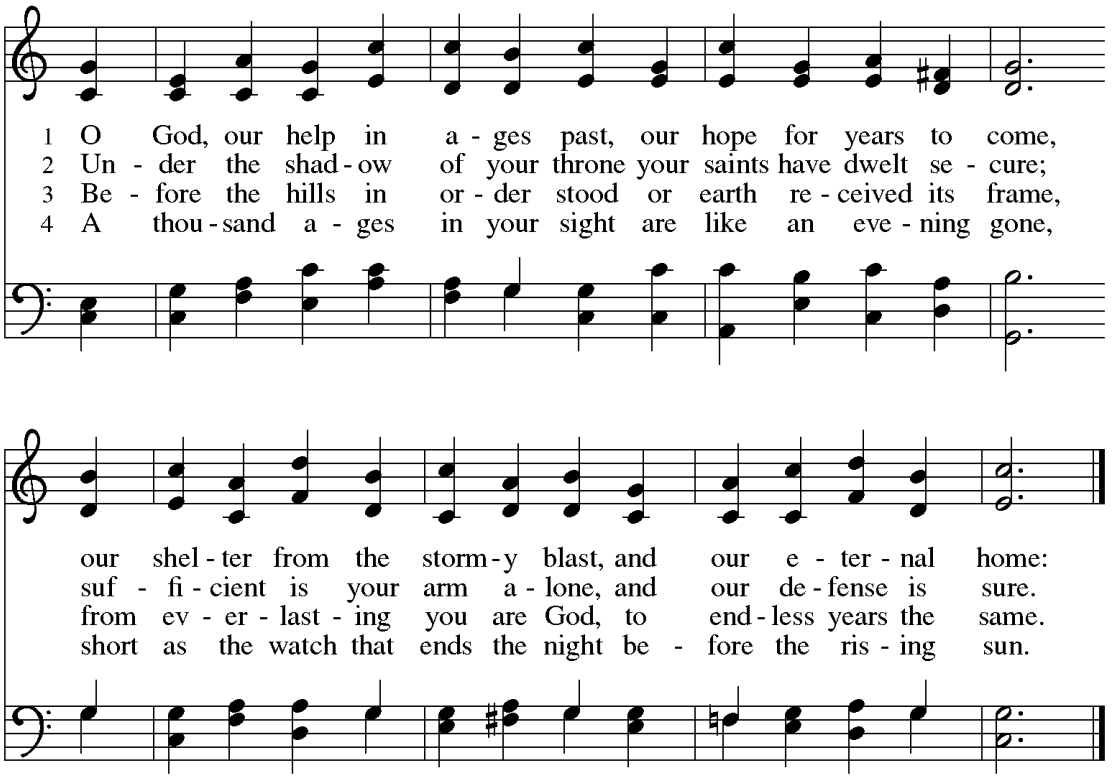
[25]"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. [26]I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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

## Gospel Acclamation (Repeat)

## Sermon — Jennifer Phillips

## Hymn of the Day ELW #632 "*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*"




5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

## 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 Intercession

A: We are united to Christ in his death and resurrection through our baptism. As members of his risen body, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

A: Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Hear us, risen Lord.

A: Holy God, you raise up leaders in your church who preach salvation through the death and resurrection of Christ. Inspire us to go and tell this good news throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,
**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Holy God, we pray for the resurrection of our world when Christ will rule and the establishment of your kingdom will bring an end to war, violence, injustice and death. Lord, in your mercy,
**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Holy God, as Christ's presence in our community, you call us to love and serve our neighbors. Bless the ministries of Concordia Church and Concordia Place with the spirit of our risen Lord that your saving grace may fill the lives of all we serve. Lord, in your mercy,
**C: Hear our prayer.**

**A:** Holy God, look with mercy upon those who mourn the devastating loss and violence that took the lives of the children and teachers of Robb Elementary School. In our pain, bring comfort, and in our sorrow, bring hope and your promise of healing and new life. Lord, in your mercy…
**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Holy God, with gratitude we give thanks for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. By their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,
**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Holy God, you wipe away the tears of all who cry to you in distress. Bring healing to all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and comfort those who struggle and seek your presence, especially those we now name before you *Carol, Pastor Steve Swanson, Perry, Bob, Lola, Terry, Gary, Ron, Glen, all those diagnosed with COVID-19,* and those we hold in our thoughts … [pause for silence]. Lord, in your mercy,
**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Holy God, you have swallowed up death forever through the resurrection of your Son. Speak to those who mourn with the promise of new life in Christ with those they love. Lord, in your mercy,
**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers and hopes, and fill us with the risen life of Jesus Christ, your Son.
**C: Amen.**

## Offertory Anthem "*Like Him We Rise*" by Tom Trenney

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

### Offertory Prayer

A: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
**C: Amen.**

## Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

### The Great Thanksgiving

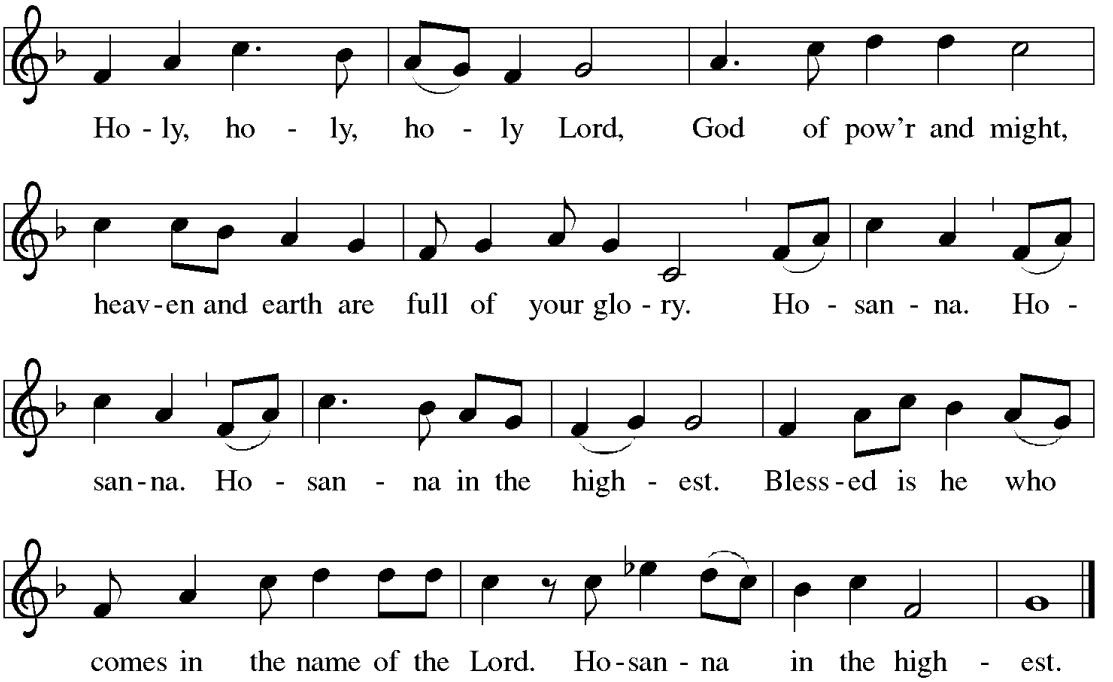
P: The Lord be with you.
**C: And also with you.**

P: Life 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.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should and at all times……. 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: Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
For saving the earth from the waters of the flood,
for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
for the resurrection of Christ to eternal life,
for the promise of your kingdom to all who call upon your name.

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.

P: 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.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: With your holy ones of all times and places,
who worship you day and night within your temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**C: Our Father in heaven,**
**hallowed be your name,**
**your kingdom come,,**
**your will be done,**
**on earth as in heaven.**
**Give us today our daily bread.**
**Forgive us our sins**
**as we forgive those**
**who sin against us.**
**Save us from the time of trial**
**and deliver us from evil.**
**For the kingdom, the power,**
**and the glory are yours,**
**now and forever. Amen.**

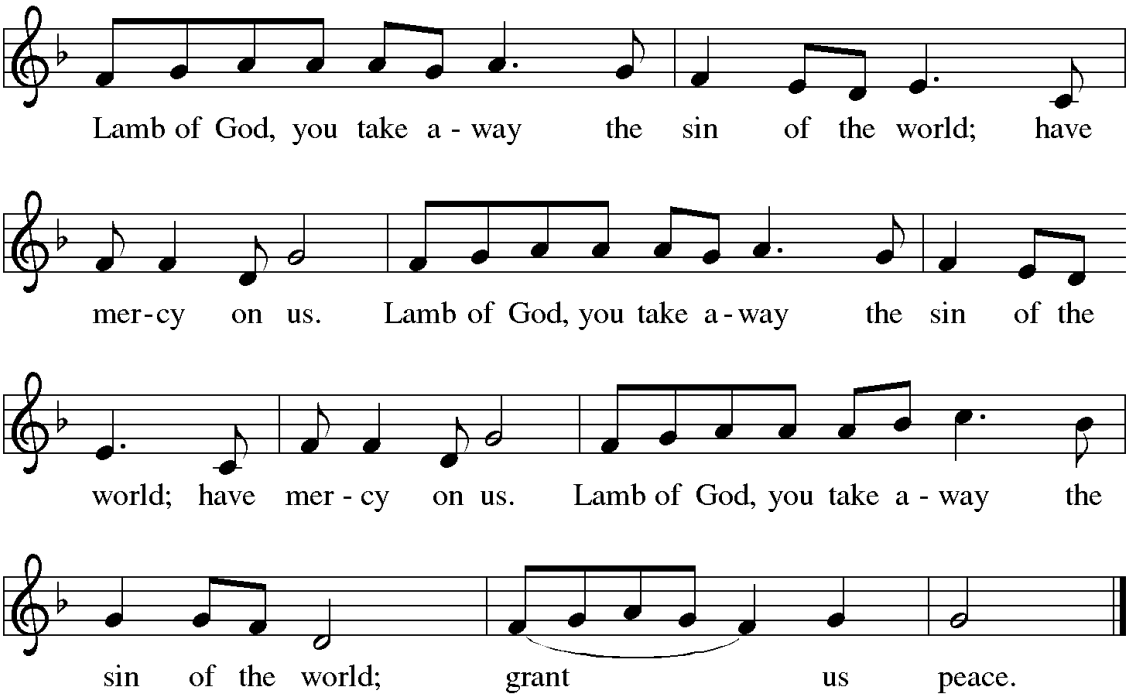
## Communion Invitation

*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 "*Lamb of God*"
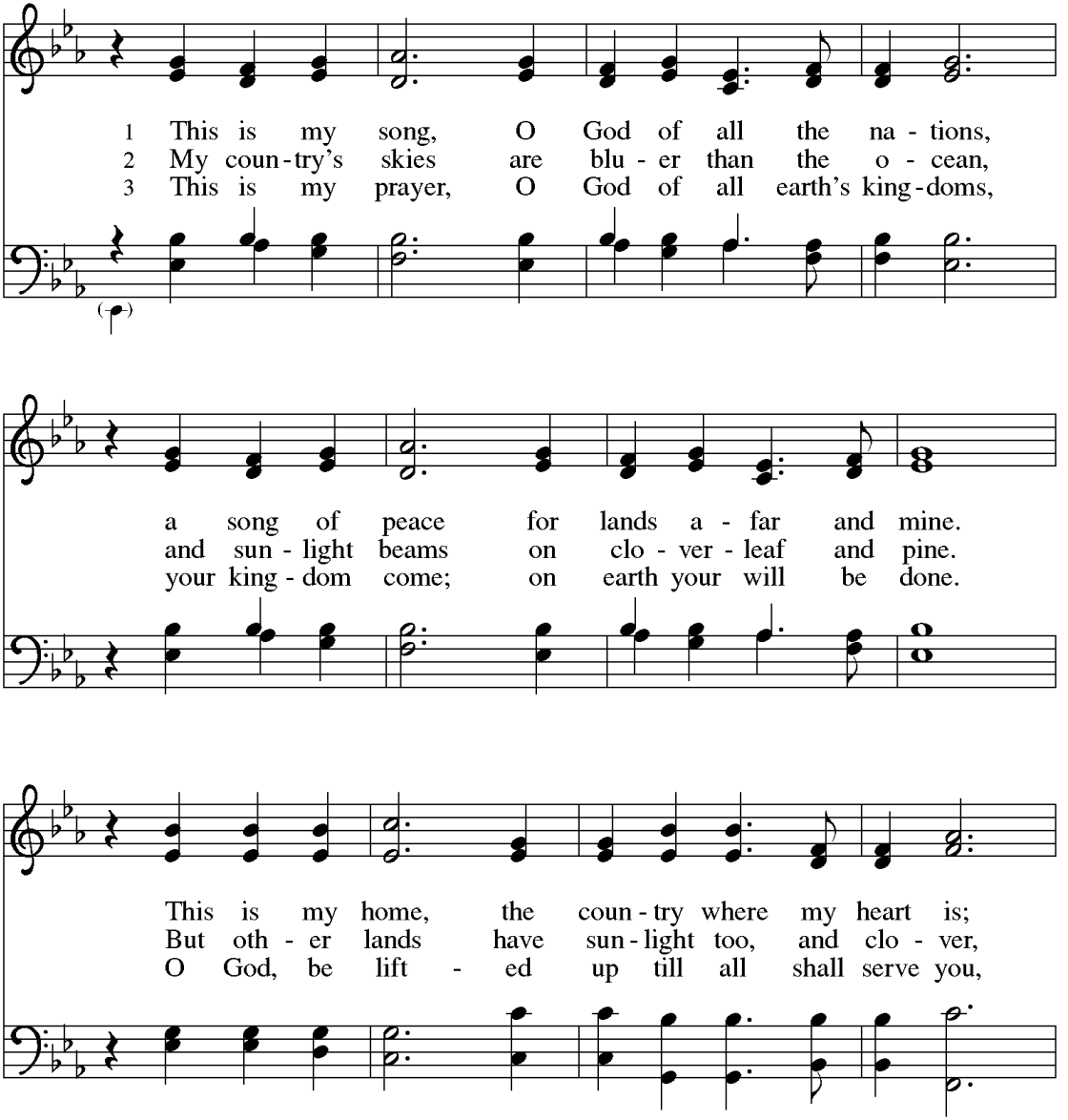



## Post Communion Blessing

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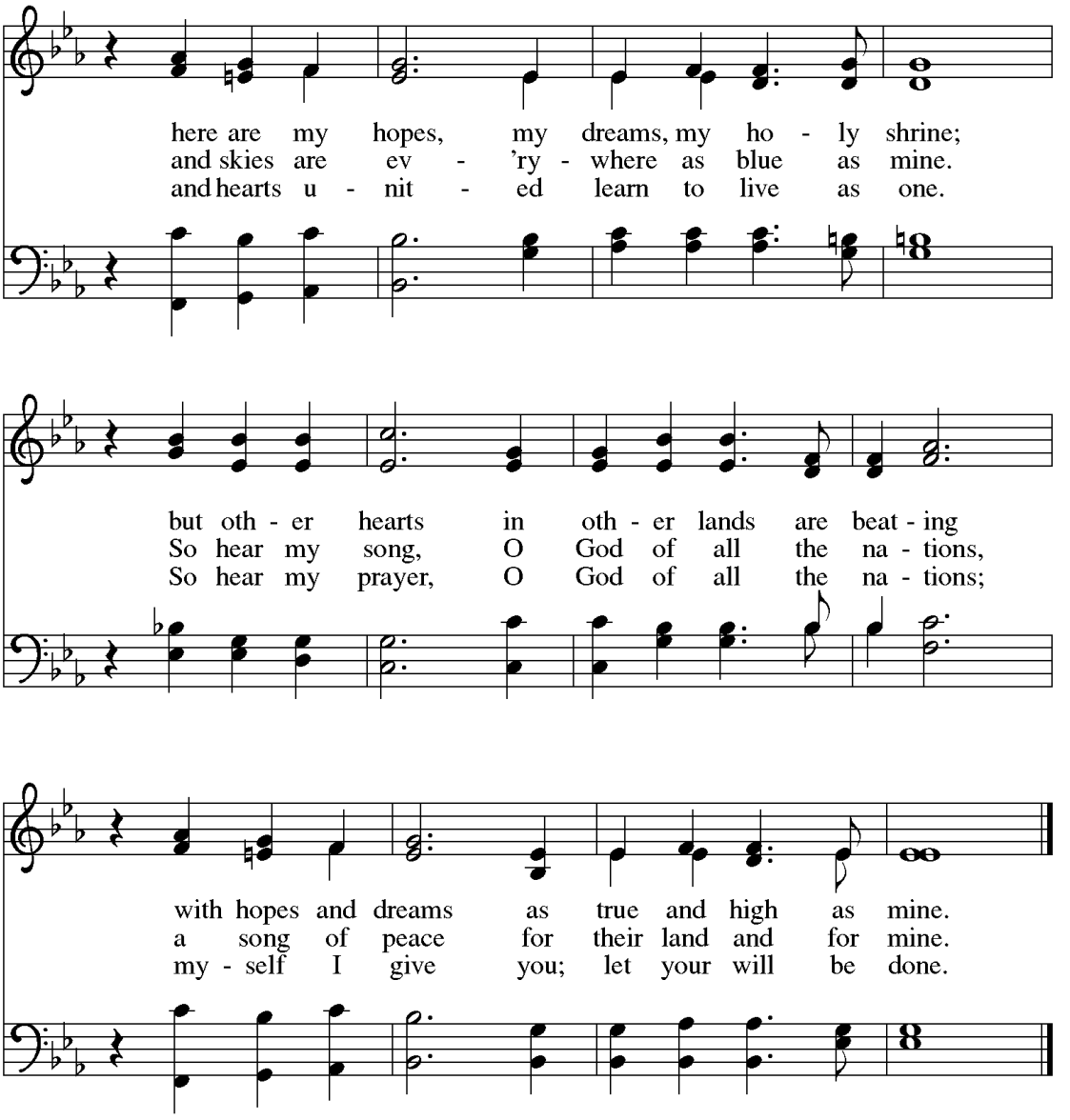
## Post Communion Prayer

A: Life-giving God,
in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection
you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life,
and the bread of heaven to nourish your people.
Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection
that we may show your glory to all the world;
through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
**C: Amen.**

Closing Hymn ELW #887 "*This is My Song*"



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## Blessing

P: May God who has brought us from death to life
fill you with great joy.
Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
**C: He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

A: Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** **Medley on "*Aus Meines Herzens Grunde*"**

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## Announcements



After worship today, " Come all ye Faithful" to celebrate two birthdays at Coffee hour. Snacks and drink will be available to salute Jack Lowell, born May 28th and Pastor Zook, born May 30th. Please join us in the Concordia gym for the birthday celebration.

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The **Annual Meeting of Concordia Church** is Sunday, June 5th at 11am following worship. This meeting will be hybrid in format, where you can join in person or via Zoom from your home. The Zoom link will be shared with all participants beforehand.

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**Beginning on June 12th, two services will be offered**. Spoken worship (no music) will be at 8am with Festive worship (including music) at 9am. Both services will include communion. Festive worship will continue to be livestreamed.

## Concordia Place News

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 this event 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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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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**A special Memorial Day Remembrance from Bob Chennell…**

Uncle Ronnie was born in London. The family came to Chicago by way of Montreal and Halifax.

Ronnie died in an accident in Birmingham England a few days before the D Day invasion and is buried in the American Cemetery in Cambridge. Bob's dad served stateside, one of his uncles served in Burma and the other in Iceland. My Dad landed on Utah beach and my uncle was with the Army Air Corp in Alaska.




We give thanks for all who have laid down their lives for our freedoms.

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**Processional Hymn** **ELW #655 "*Son of God, Eternal Savior*"**

Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932
Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

**Kyrie** **Setting 3**

**Gospel Acclamation** **Setting 3**

**Hymn of the Day** **ELW #632 "*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*"**

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678–1727

**Offertory Anthem**

**Sanctus** **Setting 3**

**Lamb of God** **Setting 3**

**Closing Hymn** **ELW #887 "*This is My Song*"**

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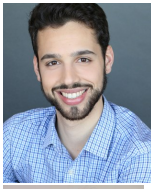
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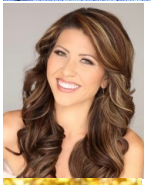
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