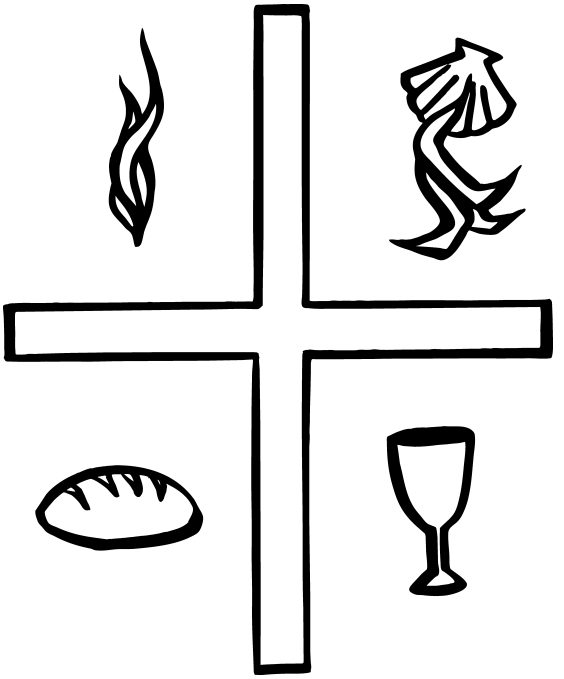
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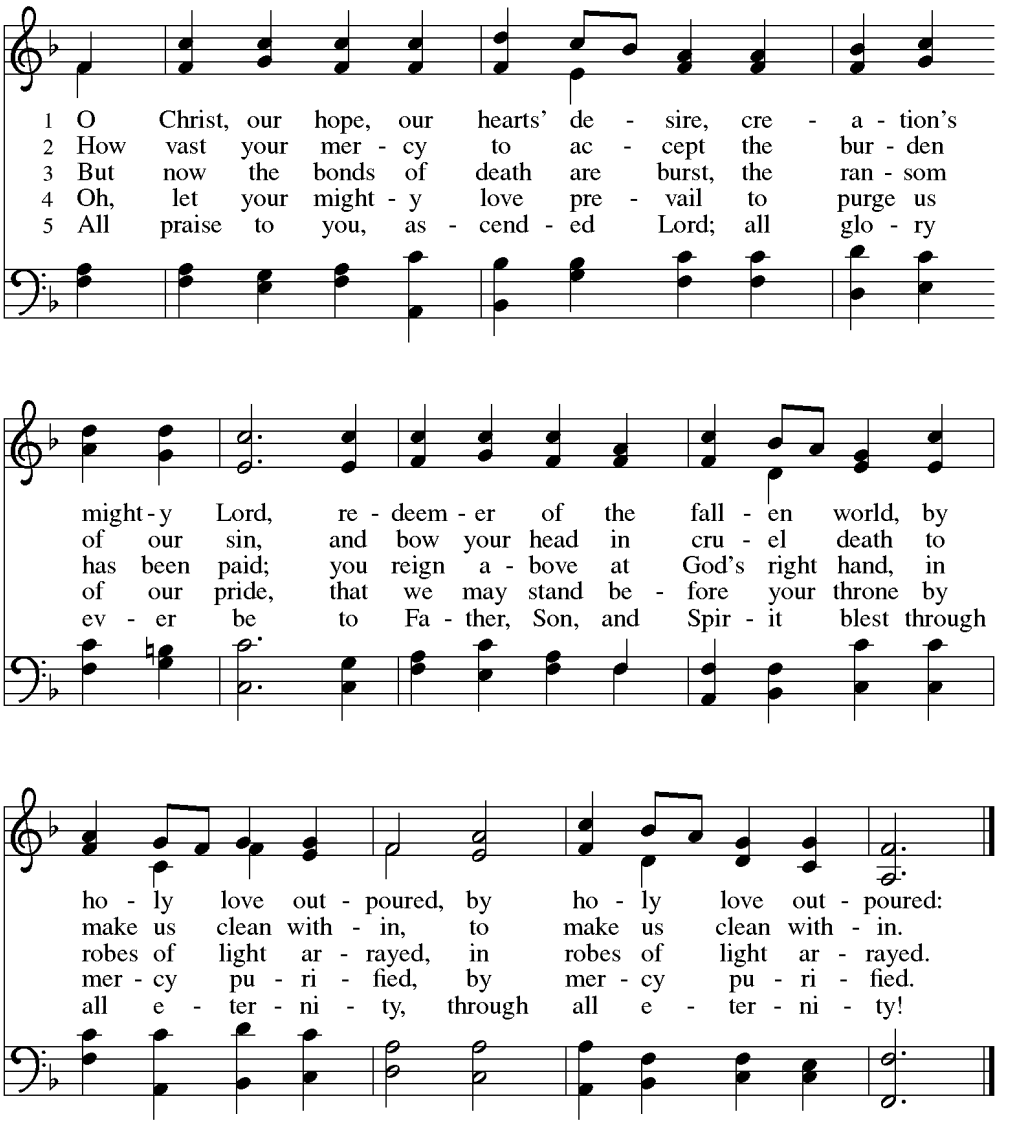
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Prelude

Acclamation

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

Opening Hymn ELW #604 "*O Christ, Our Hope*"
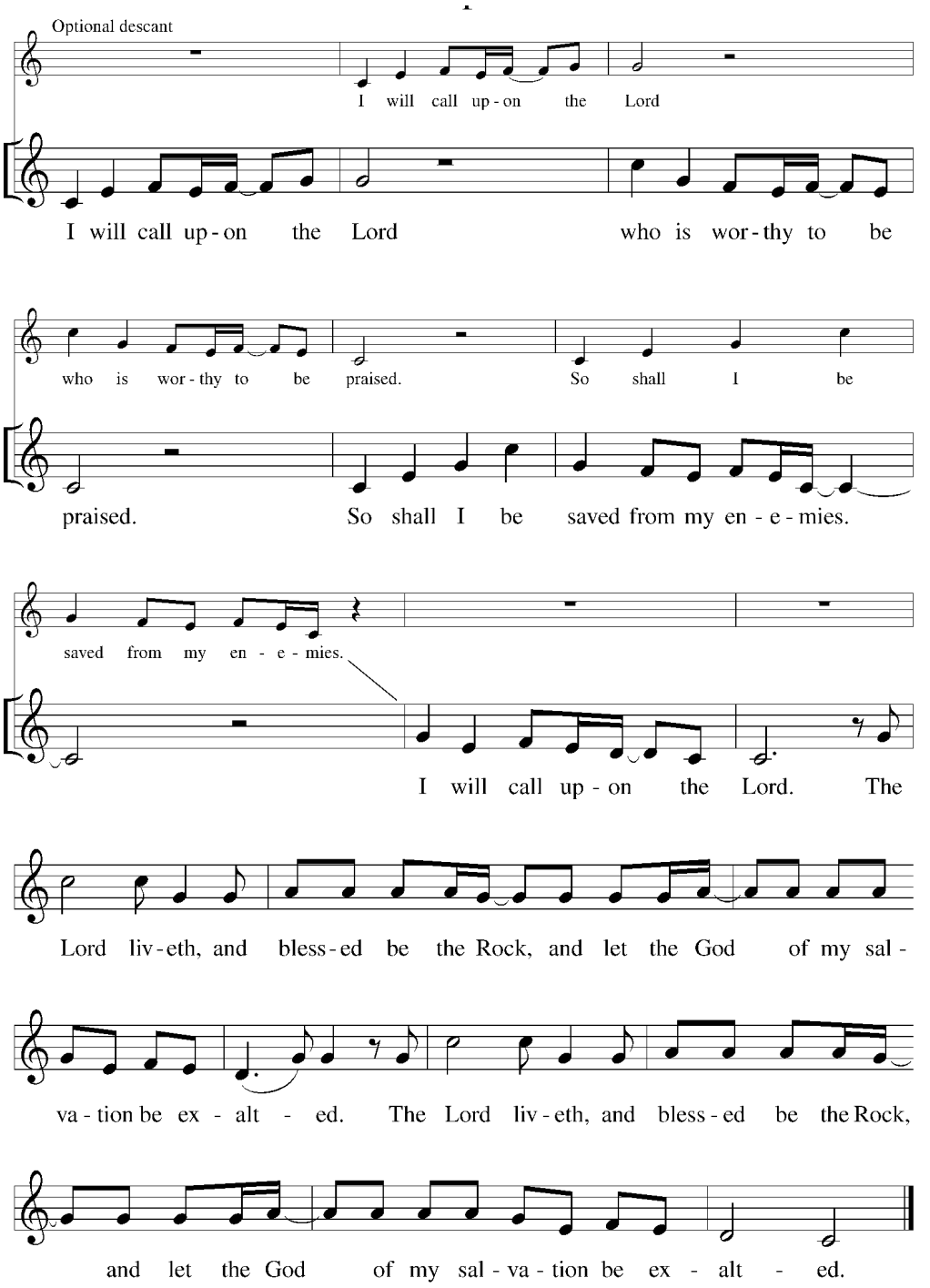


P: The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: God, our creator and redeemer, your Son Jesus prayed that his followers might be one, even as you and he are one. Unite all Christians into one body as he is in you, so that in peace and concord we may carry your message of love to all the world; we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.




Optional descant
I will call up - on the Lord
I will call up - on the Lord who is wor - thy to be
who is wor - thy to be praised. So shall I be
praised. So shall I be saved from my en - e - mies.
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va - tion be ex - alt - ed. The Lord liv - eth, and bless - ed be the Rock,
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First Reading — Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

15 In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd
numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, 16 "Friends, the scripture
had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning
Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— 17 for he was
numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." 21 So one of the
men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in
and out among us, 22 beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he
was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his
resurrection." 23 So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also
known as Justus, and Matthias. 24 Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know
everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen 25 to take the
place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his
own place." 26 And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he
was added to the eleven apostles.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 — *chanted by choir*

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!
2 **Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,**
and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.
3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that | do not wither; everything they | do shall prosper.
4 **It is not so | with the wicked;**
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.
5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.
6 **For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,**
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

Second Reading 1 Peter 4:12-17, 5:6-11
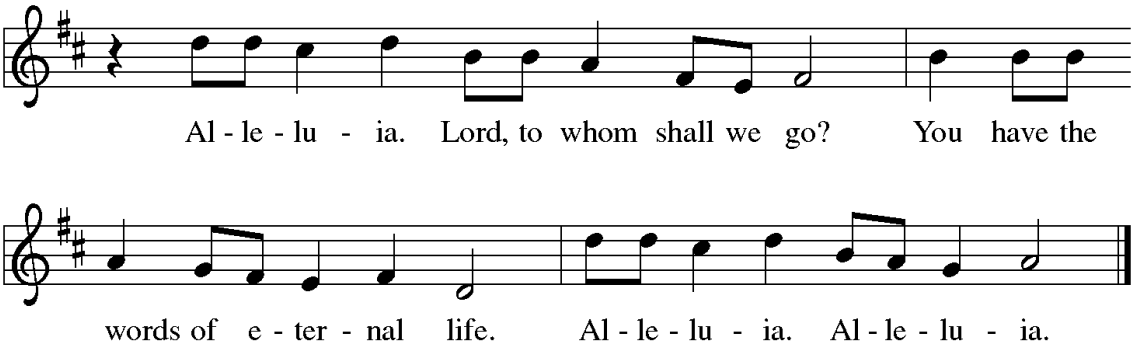
[12]Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among
you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. [13]But
rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad
and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. [14]If you are reviled for the name of
Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is
resting on you. [15]But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, a criminal, or
even as a mischief maker. [16]Yet if any of you suffers as a Christian, do not
consider it a disgrace, but glorify God because you bear this name. [17]For the time
has come for judgment to begin with the household of God; if it begins with us,
what will be the end for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

[6]Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may
exalt you in due time. [7]Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for
you. [8]Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the
devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. [9]Resist him, steadfast in
your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are
undergoing the same kinds of suffering. [10]And after you have suffered for a little
while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will
himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. [11]To him be the power
forever and ever. Amen.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.
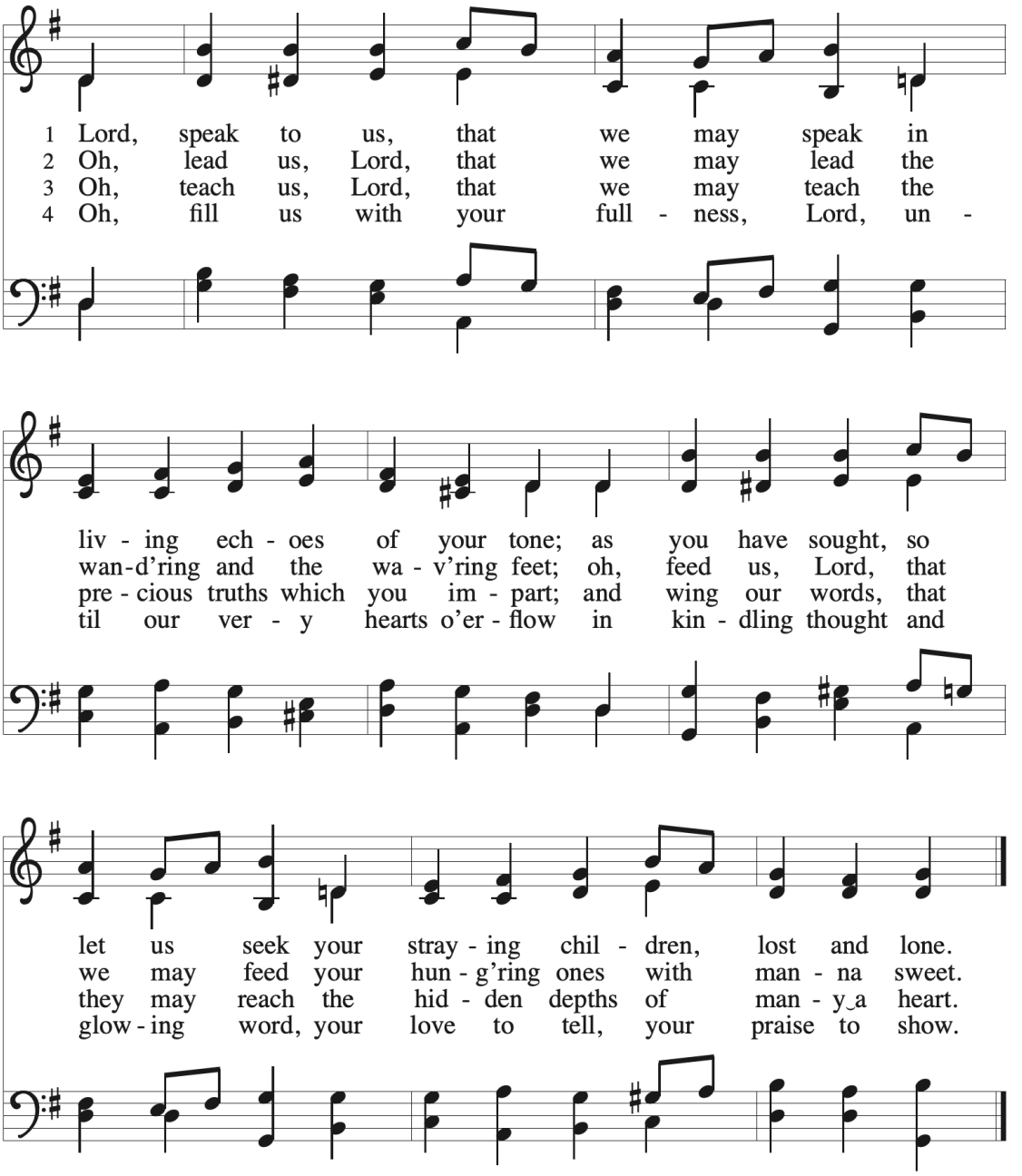
The Gospel — John 17:6-19

[Jesus prayed:] [6]"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me
from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept
your word. [7]Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; [8]for
the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received
them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you
sent me. [9]I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but
on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. [10]All mine are
yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. [11]And now I am no
longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy
Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be
one, as we are one. [12]While I was with them, I protected them in your name that
you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one
destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. [13]But now I am
coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my
joy made complete in themselves. [14]I have given them your word, and the world
has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong
to the world. [15]I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you
to protect them from the evil one. [16]They do not belong to the world, just as I do
not belong to the world. [17]Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. [18]As
you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. [19]And for
their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."
P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (repeat Acclamation)

Sermon — Rev. Nicholas Zook

Hymn of the Day ELW#676 "*Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak*"



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.

Easter 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 call your Church to be united as one body in Christ. Raise up leaders in your church who unite all who believe in Christ to preach your Gospel 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. We pray for those who suffer devastation, homelessness, injury and hunger in Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia. 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 we be witnesses in lives of all we serve, we especially ask this for the newly arriving families in our city. 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 Lupe, Sandy, Lucas, Pastor Teffu, Raymond, Alan, and those whose names we speak silently or aloud [*pause for names*] ...Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we remember and give thanks for the gift of motherhood, and for our mothers who were the first to reveal your love to us. Bless mothers everywhere with your presence and nurture that they may be strengthened in their love for their children. 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.

The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.

You are invited to share the sign of peace with others.

Offertory Anthem

"*Jesus Christ the Apple Tree*"
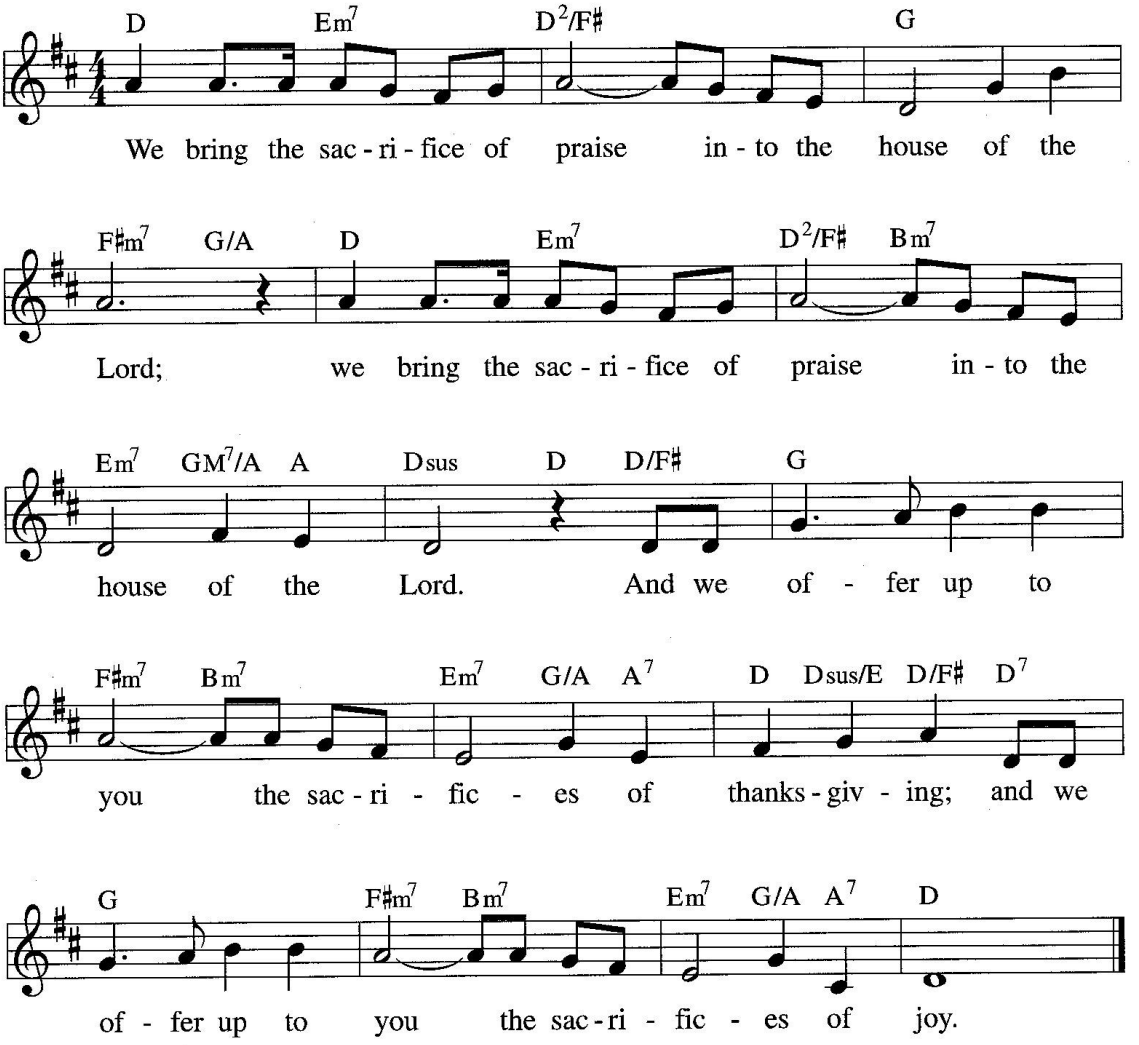
We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude as we prepare for communion.

The Offering

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Offertory Hymn W&P #150 "*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"*



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.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

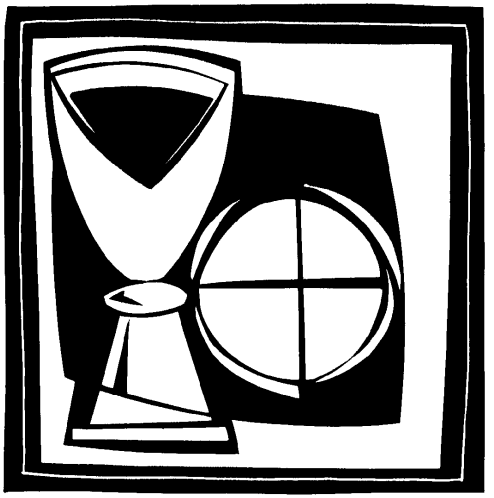
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

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

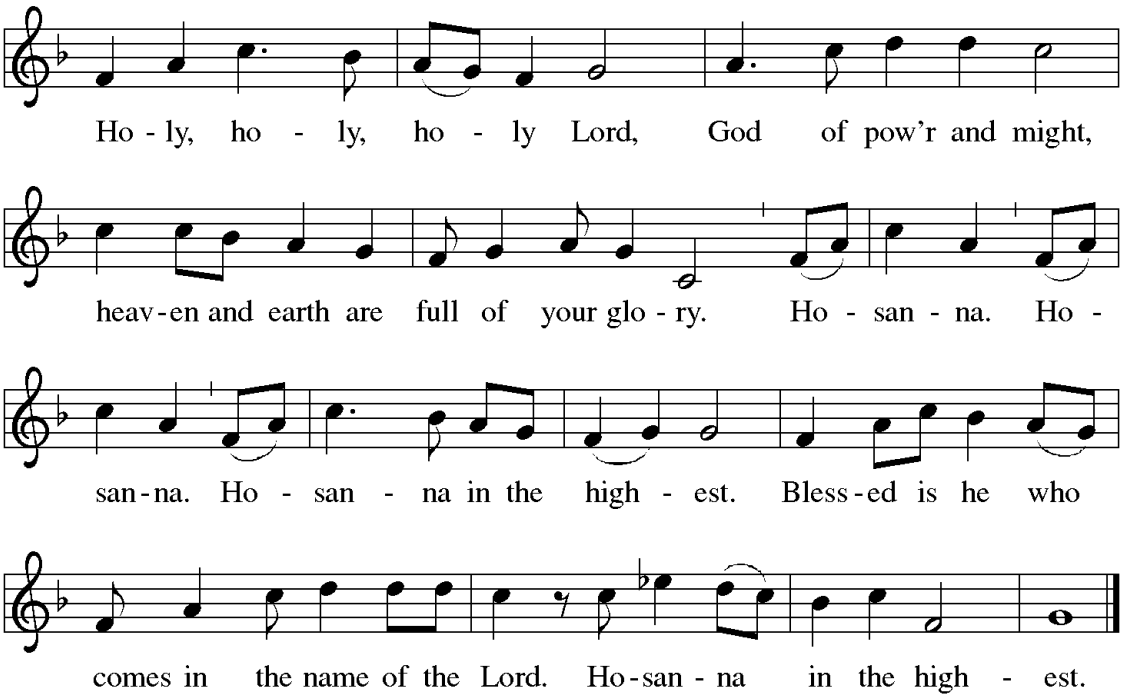
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

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
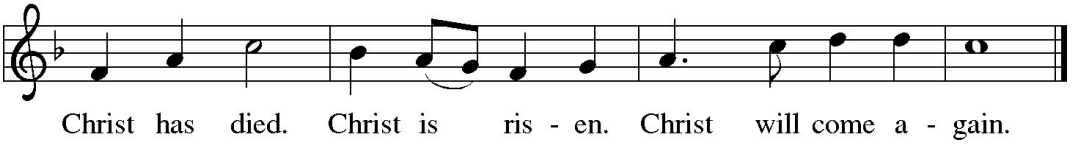


P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

P: 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:

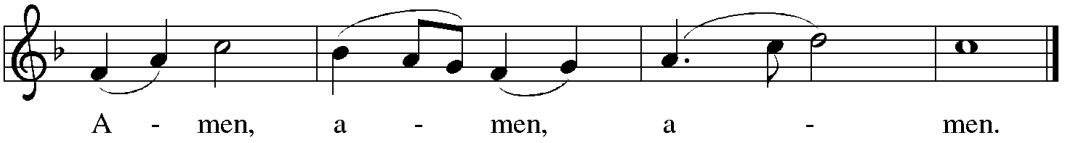
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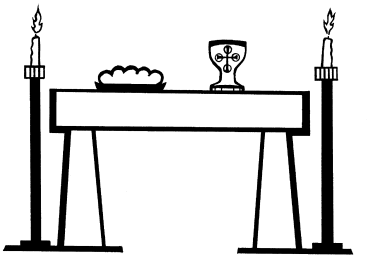


P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
C: Come, Holy Spirit.

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

C:





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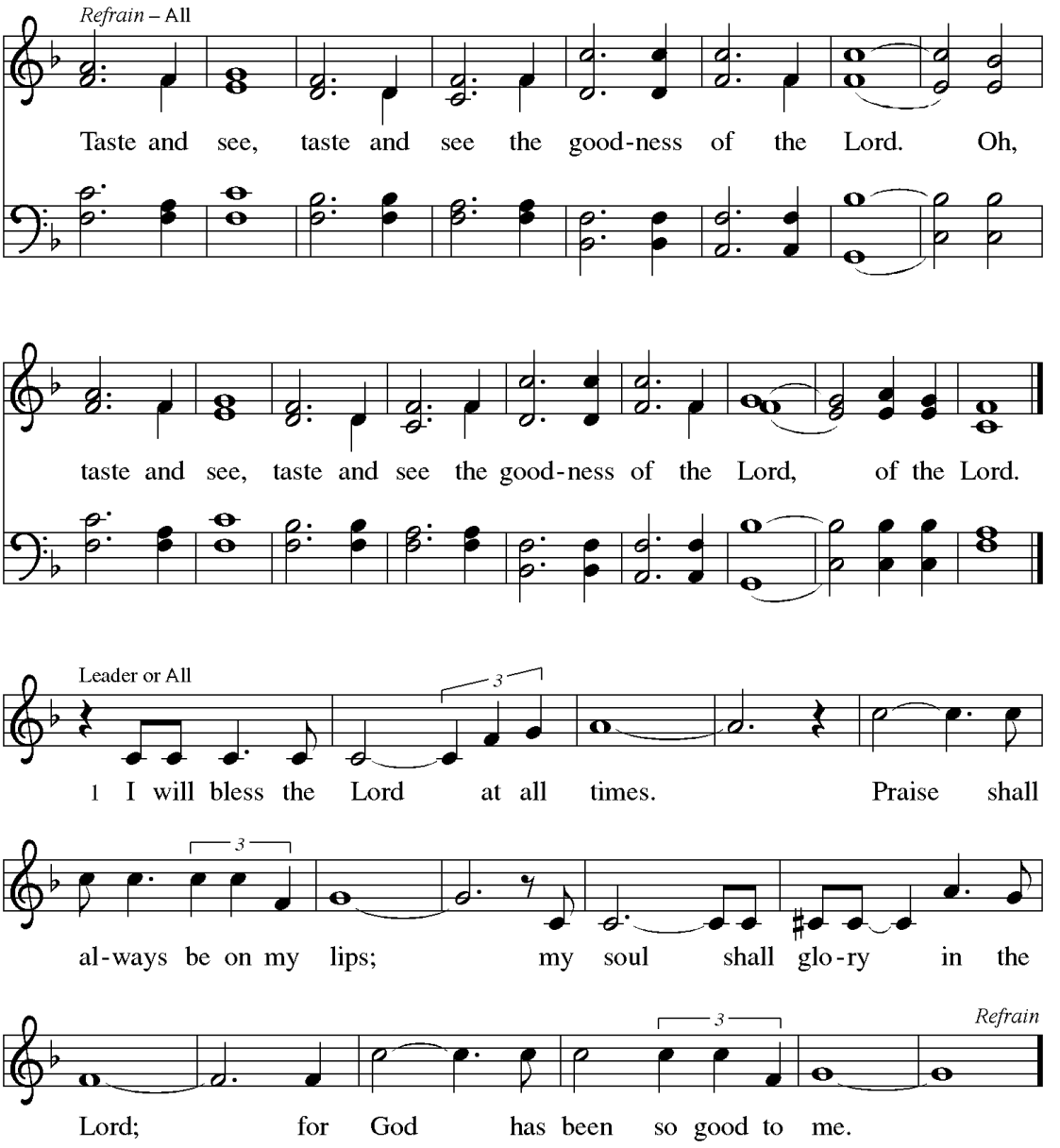
We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

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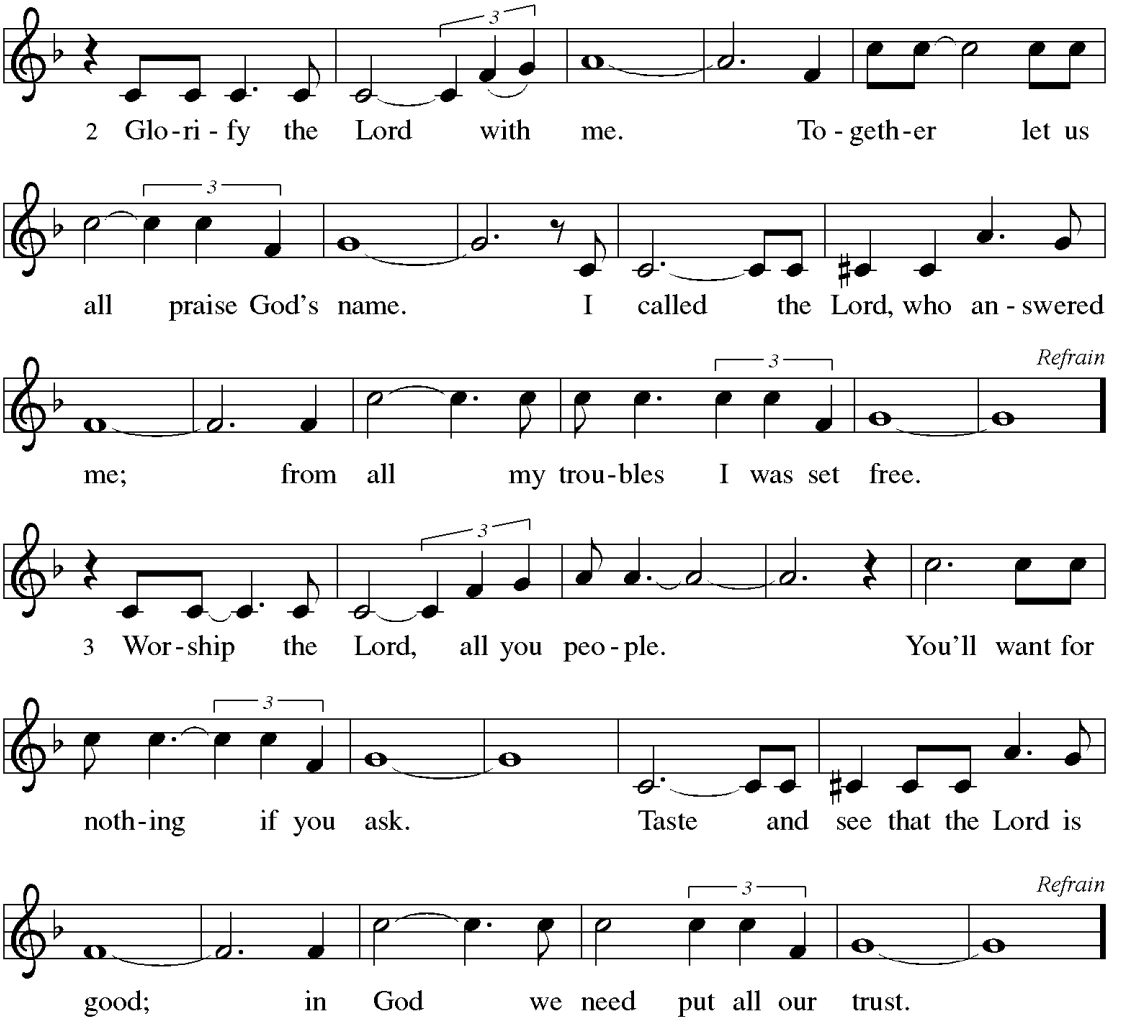


Communion Hymn

ELW #493 "*Taste and See*"



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2 Glo-ri-fy the Lord with me. To-geth-er let us
all praise God's name. I called the Lord, who an-swered
Refrain
me; from all my trou-bles I was set free.
3 Wor-ship the Lord, all you peo-ple. You'll want for
noth-ing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is
Refrain
good; in God we need put all our trust.

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.
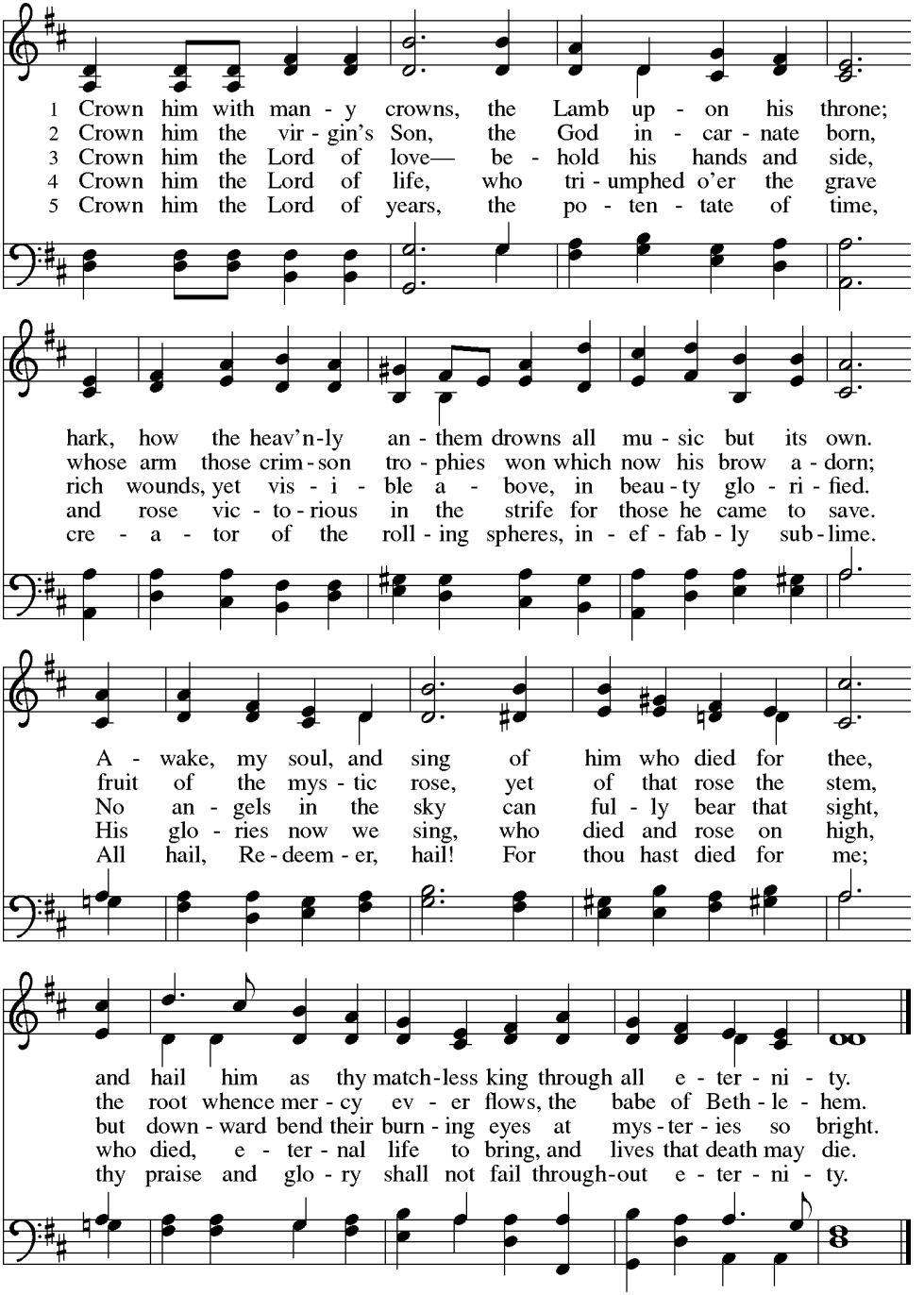
Post-Communion Prayer

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 #855 "*Crown Him With Many Crowns*"



Announcements

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

Today's celebrants:

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook
Deacons: Kim Baratta & Leanne Morris
Lectors: Mary-Ann Lupa & Wilma Stevens
Greeter: Guenter Seidel
Song Leaders: Marisa Buchheit, Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski
Choir members: Richard Gaul, Dan Lantvit, Mary-Ann Lupa, Betsy Ries, Wilma Stevens, Linda Storbeck
Organist & Choir Director: Paul Dykstra

Announcements

Important Dates to note:

- May 12th: 'Second Sundays' concert at 12pm: Mother's Day celebration
- May 19th: Council Meeting in gym at 11:00am
- June 2nd: Stewardship Sunday
- June 9th: Annual Meeting of the church at 11:00am; in the sanctuary & via Zoom
- June 16th: Worship time changes to 9:00am

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Stewardship 2024

Our stewardship campaign for this year has begun! Each week, hear small talks about various ministries of the church and how you can support this work with your time and/or financial gifts. Stewardship materials were emailed to everyone; please return your commitment form to the offering plate on Sunday mornings, via mail to the church, email to Desirae (dcontreras@concordiafaith.org) or you can fill out an electronic version of the form at concordiafaith.org/stewardship. We ask that all commitment forms by returned by Sunday, June 2nd, which is Stewardship Sunday.

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Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561

Hymn of Praise **"*This is the Feast*" Setting 3**

Gospel Acclamation **"*Alleluia*" Setting 3**

Hymn of the Day **ELW #676 "*Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak*"**

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810–1856

Offertory Hymn **W&P #150 "*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*"**

Sanctus **Setting 3**

Communion Hymn **ELW #493 "*Taste and See*"**

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34
Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.
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Closing Hymn **ELW #855 "*Crown Him With Many Crowns*"**

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4
Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

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