

Then the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne.

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WELCOME TO PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH! Today is the Last Sunday of the Church Year, which in part focuses on Christ our King. Thanks be to God that we, who in repentance and faith here receive God's gift of forgiveness, can look forward to being in His Kingdom for eternity. As we patiently wait for that reign or our own deaths, whichever comes first, we invite you to join us in all of our services and other activities. And, if you have no church home, you are cordially invited to consider making Pilgrim Lutheran Church your church home!

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The △ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

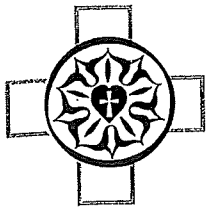
HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

CATECHESIS

(On the following page[s],
locate the specified portion of Luther's Small Catechism,
and, when prompted by the question, recite the given answer.)

The week's announcements follow the service at the back of the binder.



THE SMALL CATECHISM

Though not printed here, the official text of Luther's Small Catechism also includes the Preface.

SECTION 1
The Ten Commandments

AS THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY SHOULD TEACH THEM IN A SIMPLE WAY TO HIS HOUSEHOLD

The First Commandment
You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean?
We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

The Second Commandment
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

The Third Commandment
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment
Honor your father and your mother.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

The Fifth Commandment
You shall not murder.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

The Sixth Commandment
You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

The Seventh Commandment
You shall not steal.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

The Eighth Commandment
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Stand
The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Kneel/Stand
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May

the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

Stand

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Entrance Hymn

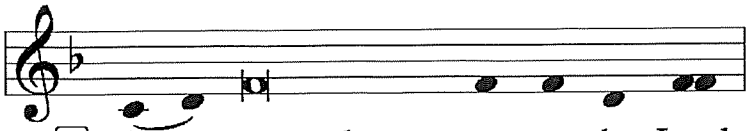
564 Christ Sits at God's Right Hand



5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood
And enter the Most Holy Place By Jesus' blood.
From hearts that are sincere, Let tongues our hope profess,
And trust anew God's faithful grace That we confess.

6 All praise to Christ we bring, Our Lord who intercedes,
Our great High Priest enthroned above Who knows our needs;
And to the Father sing Our songs of thankful praise,
Who with the Spirit reigns in love For endless days.

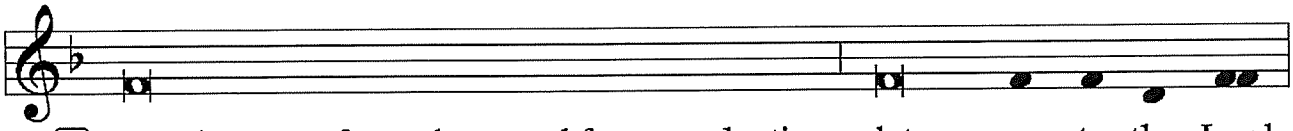
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



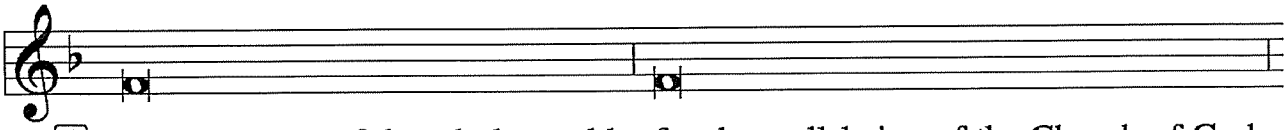
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



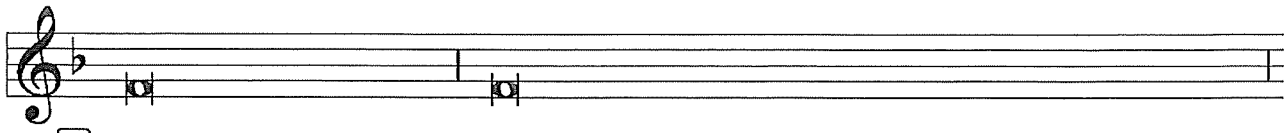
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



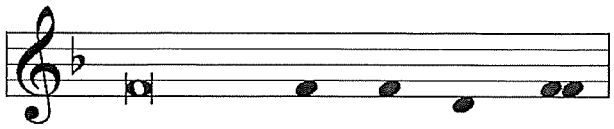
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



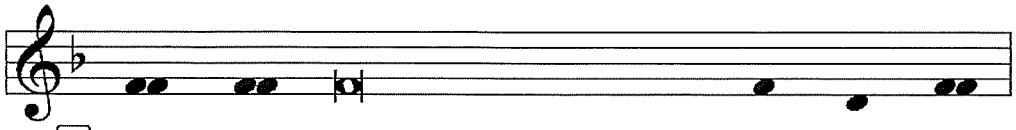
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



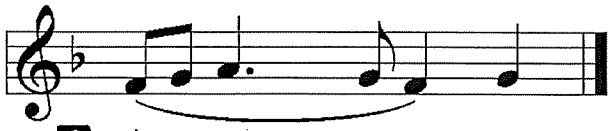
let us pray to the Lord.



C **Lord, have mer - cy.**



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

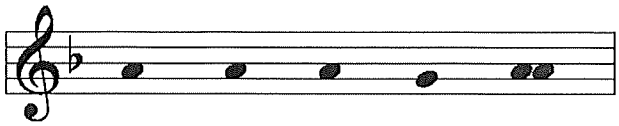


C **A - men.**

Gloria in Excelsis



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C **And al - so with you.**

P Let us pray.

…now and forever.



C **A - men.**

Sit

Old Testament *Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24*

[11]"For thus says the LORD GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search
for my sheep and will seek them out. [12]As a shepherd seeks out
his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so
will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places
where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick
darkness. [13]And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather
them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land.
And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines,
and in all the inhabited places of the country. [14]I will feed them
with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be
their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing
land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of
Israel. [15]I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself
will make them lie down, declares the LORD GOD. [16]I will seek
the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the
injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong
I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. . . .

[20]"Therefore, thus says the LORD GOD to them: Behold, I, I
myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.
[21]Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the
weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, [22]I
will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will
judge between sheep and sheep. [23]And I will set up over them one
shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed
them and be their shepherd. [24]And I, the LORD, will be their God,
and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the
LORD; I have spoken."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 95:1-7a; antiphon v.7a*

(Sing the Psalm responsively using the tone provided.
The congregation sings the indented and bold portions of the text.
See *LSB* xxvi for how the text and the tone correspond.)



[7]For he | is our God,*
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

[1]Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;*
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!
[2]Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;*
let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!
[3]For the LORD is a | great God,*
and a great King a- | bove all gods.
[4]In his hand are the depths | of the earth;*
the heights of the mountains are his | also.
[5]The sea is his, for he | made it,*
and his hands formed the | dry land.
[6]Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;*
let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!
[7]For he | is our God,*
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

[7]For he | is our God,*
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

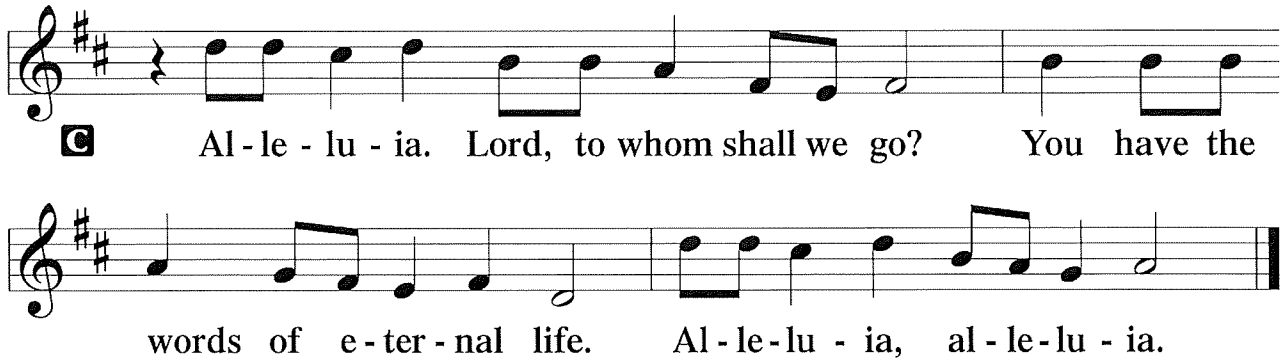
Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:20-28*

[20]But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the
firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. [21]For as by a man
came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
[22]For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.
[23]But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his
coming those who belong to Christ. [24]Then comes the end, when
he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every
rule and every authority and power. [25]For he must reign until he
has put all his enemies under his feet. [26]The last enemy to be
destroyed is death. [27]For "God has put all things in subjection
under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in
subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in
subjection under him. [28]When all things are subjected to him,
then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all
things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

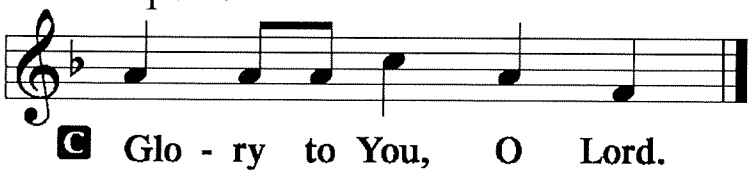
Alleluia and Verse: Common



Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

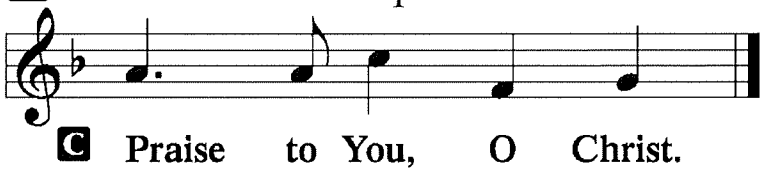


[31][Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. [32]Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. [33]And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. [34]Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. [35]For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36]I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' [37]Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? [38]And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? [39]And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' [40]And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

[41]"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. [42]For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, [43]I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44]Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' [45]Then

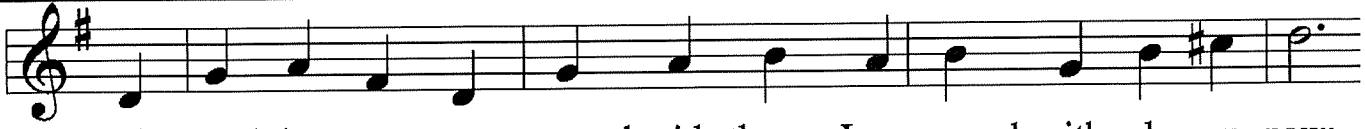
he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' [46]And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Hymn of the Day

532 The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns



1 The Head that once was crowned with thorns Is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords Is His, is His by right,
3 The Joy of all who dwell a - bove, The Joy of all be - low
4 To them the cross, with all its shame, With all its grace, is giv'n;



A roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns The might - y Vic - tor's brow.
The King of kings and Lord of lords, And heav'n's e - ter - nal Light;
To whom He man - i - fests His love And grants His name to know.
Their name an ev - er - last - ing name, Their joy the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with Him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The myst'ry of His love.

6 The cross He bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to Him:
His people's hope, His people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

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Sit

Sermon

Stand

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Congregational responses may be included according to one of the following forms:

A … Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

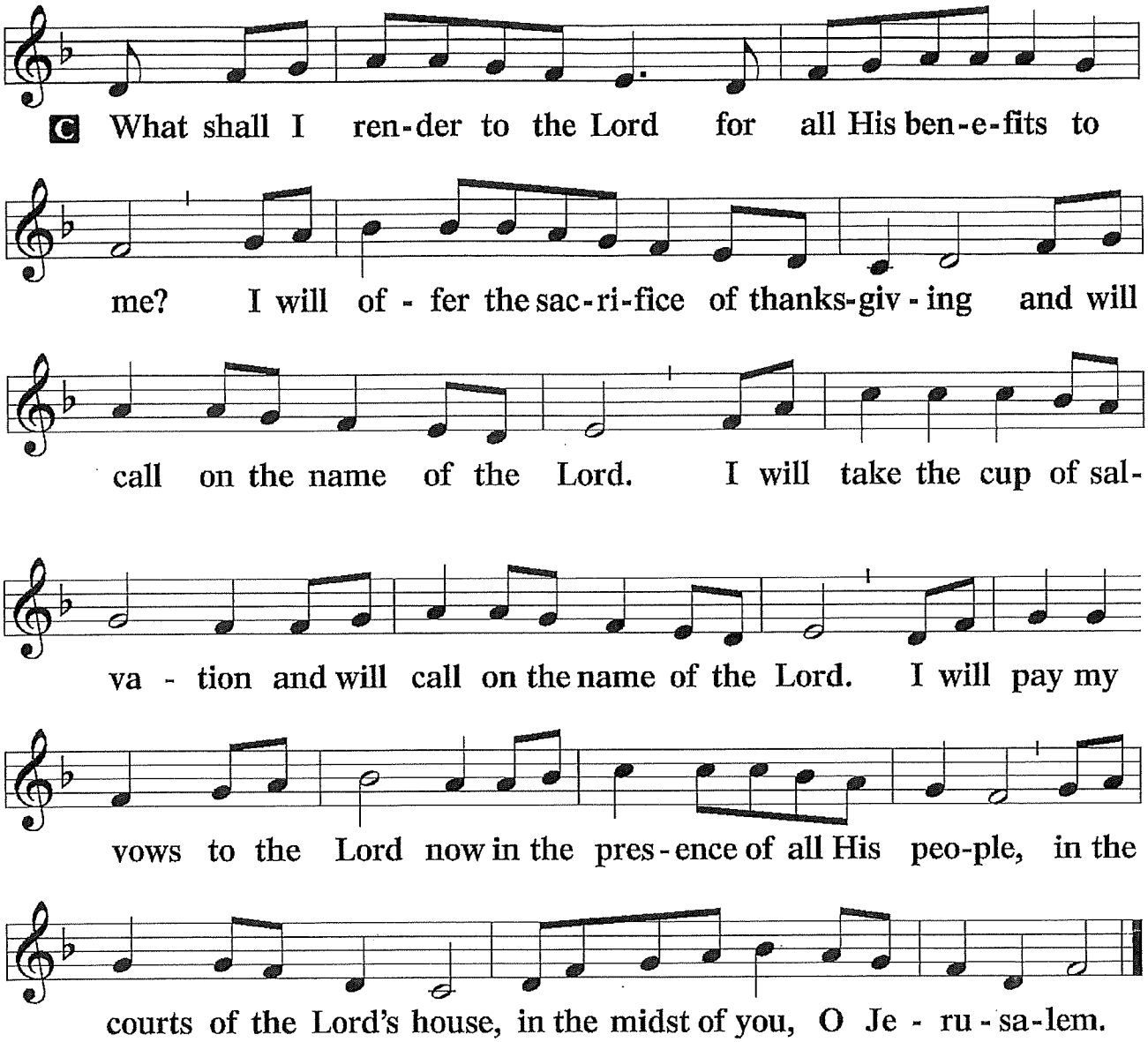
A For … let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mercy.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Offertory



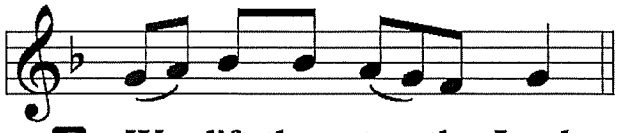
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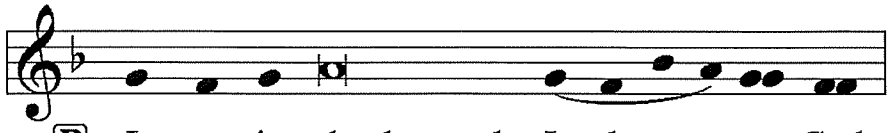
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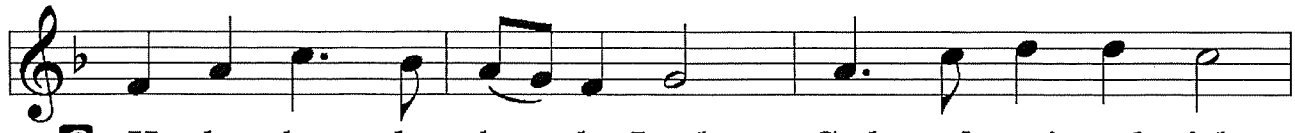


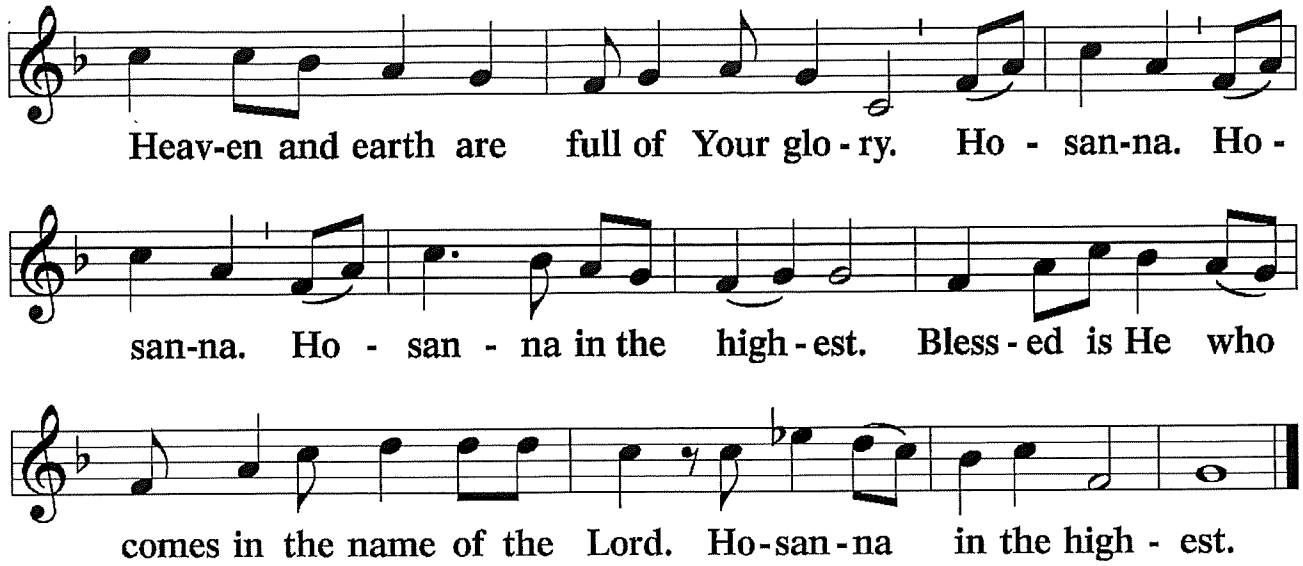




P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus





Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

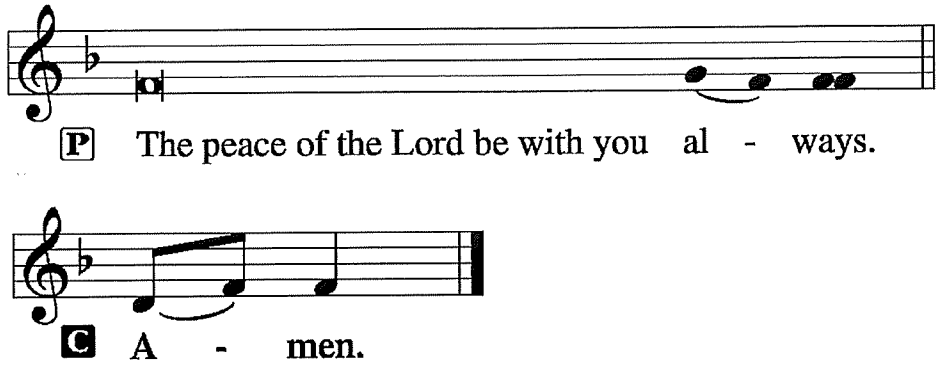
C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is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

The Words of Our Lord

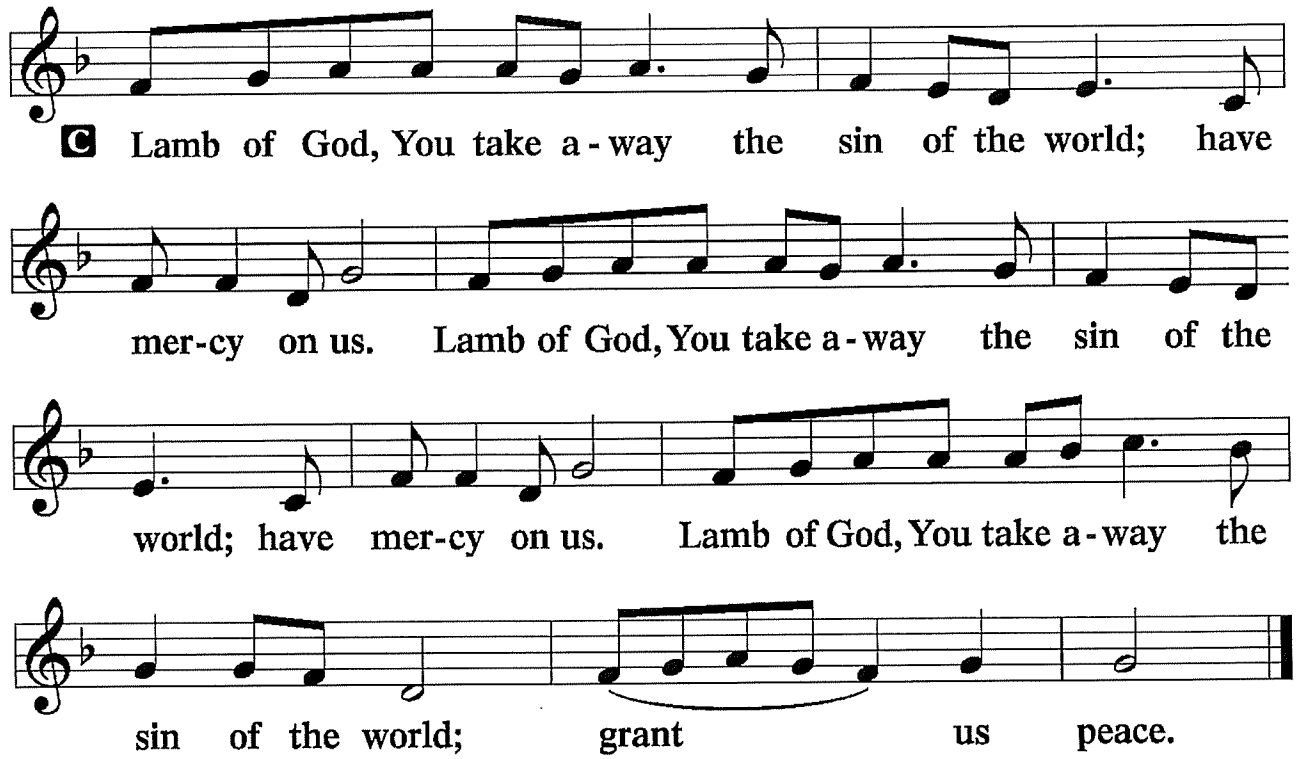
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini



Agnus Dei



Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

This is the body of Christ, given for you.
Amen.

This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.
Amen.

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✝ in peace.

C **Amen.**

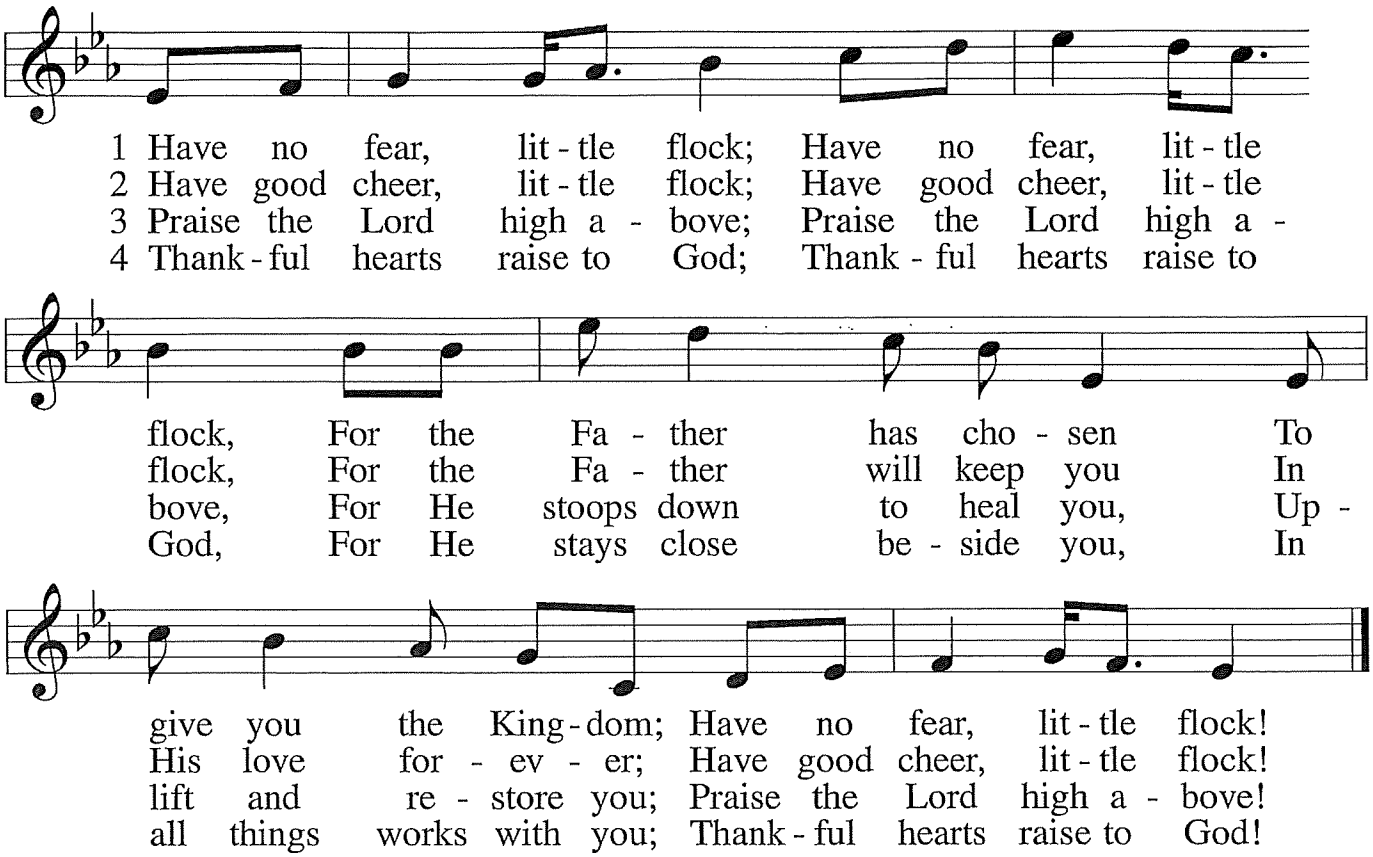
Distribution Hymns

847 Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing



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735 Have No Fear, Little Flock



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756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me

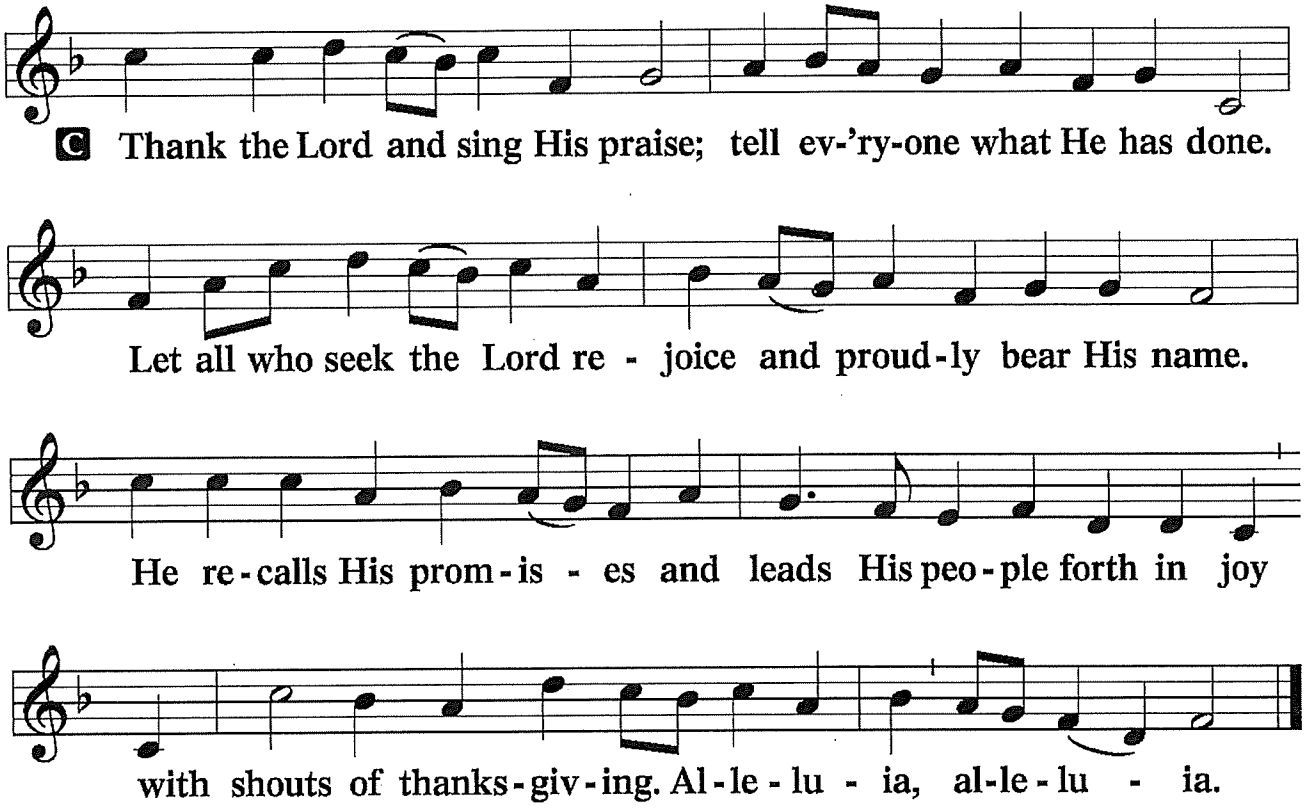


5 Now in Christ, death cannot slay me,
Though it might,
Day and night,
Trouble and dismay me.
Christ has made my death a portal
From the strife
Of this life
To His joy immortal!

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Stand

Post-Communion Canticle

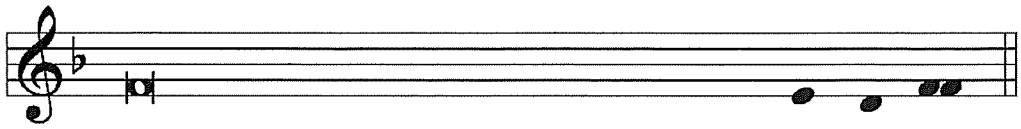


Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.
… one God, now and forever.



Benediction

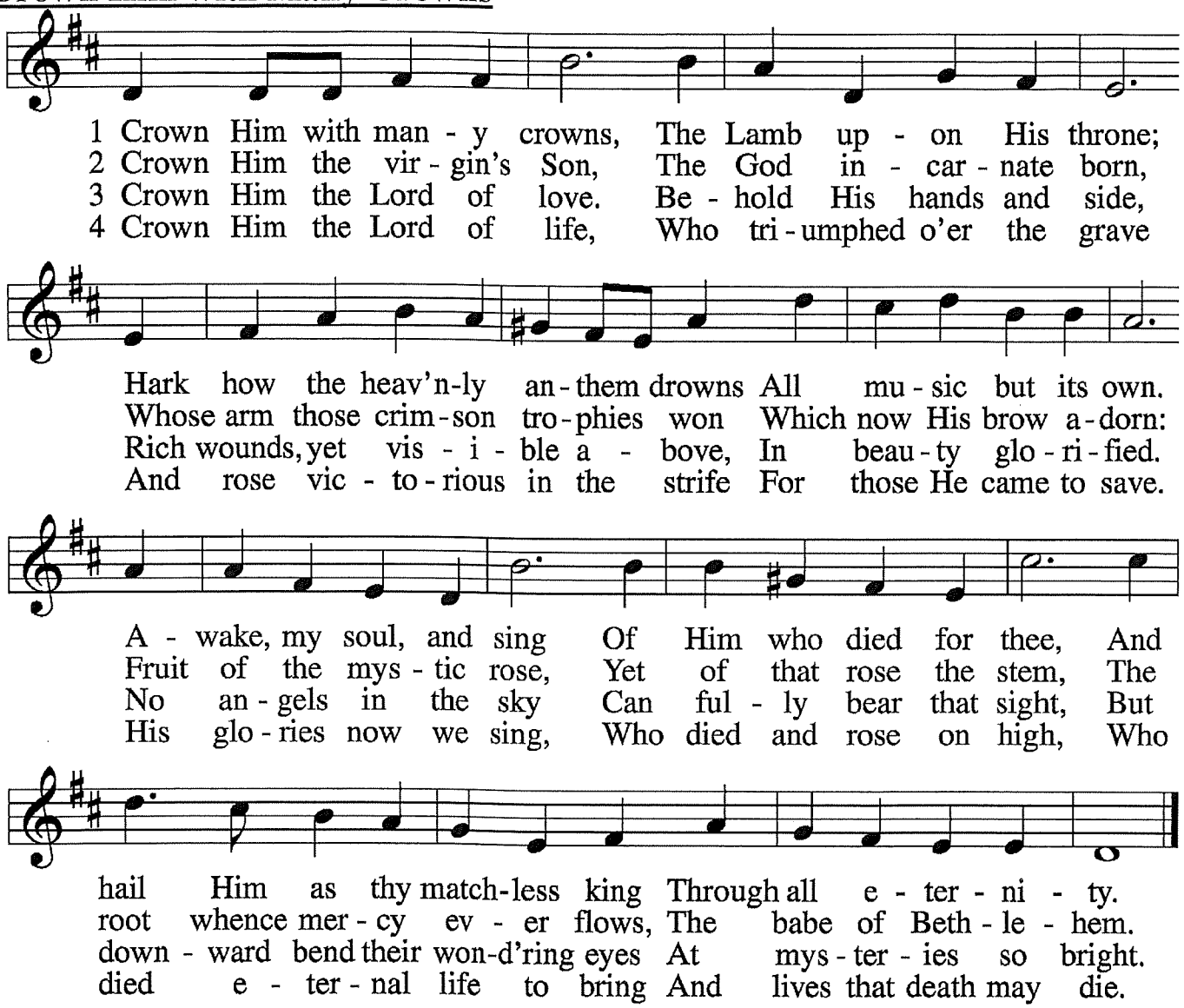


P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



Closing Hymn

525 Crown Him with Many Crowns



5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is king of all.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2026

BEFORE THE SERVICE: As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

OFFERING BOX: Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

PEW CUSHIONS: If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

PEW SLIPS: *Visitors,* please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members,* please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

GROWING IN WORSHIP: Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, www.pilgrimlc.org, to open on or to download to your electronic device.

PRAYER REQUEST: If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

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LAST WEEK: There were 0 students but 1 teacher prepared for Sunday School; 12 people were present in-person for Adult Bible Class, and 2 devices were connected via Jitsi; 31 people were present in-person for the Sunday Divine Service (20 communed), and 5 devices streamed the service live via YouTube; 4 people were present in-person for Midweek Bible Study, and 1 device connected via Jitsi; and 1 catechumen was present in-person for youth catechesis on Thursday afternoon. (The Saturday morning youth catechumen could not be present on 11/14, and the 11/21 class had not yet been held when these announcements were printed.)

THANKS: to Sharon Clark and all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities and donating supplies to do so; to Remo Gualtieri and all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; and to Ellen Menconi for her Church Office work.

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Remo Gualtieri, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist.

LIFE THOUGHTS: When Jesus describes the Son of Man's separating people one from another as a shepherd separates sheep from goats, Jesus identifies with "the least of these", our brothers and sisters in Christ (Matthew 25:31-46). When we so see Christ in our neighbors, how do we not speak up for and defend the lives of everyone, especially those least able to speak up for and defend themselves?

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: When we come into God's presence with thanksgiving (Psalm 95:1-7a), the specific "thanksgiving" being mentioned can be confession of sins and of faith; hymns of praise in liturgical worship; and processions of thank offerings. For all that God has done for us in our Savior Jesus Christ, how do we not confess, praise, and thankfully give Him back a portion of what He has entrusted to our use?

AS YOU DEPART, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible, and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX are hardcopies of the November 2026 edition of Pilgrim's monthly newsletter, *The Pilgrimage*; Pastor Galler's

recent newspaper columns (including his 11/21 column titled, "In every-thing give-thanks!"); the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for October and November; Issue #17 (Summer 2026) of *Christian Culture: A* printed *Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College; *Portals of Prayer* for October-November 2026; the latest Church Directory (dated 2026/08/27 and printed on ivory paper); Pilgrim's Constitution, Bylaws, and updated Standing Rules; and Pilgrim's Funeral Planning Worksheet.

A KILGORE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE will be held today, Sunday, November 22, at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the new Kilgore High School (711 N. Longview Street). Canned goods may be brought for the KHS Food Pantry. Individual Pilgrim members may attend, if they choose to attend, but neither Pilgrim's pastor nor the congregation will participate officially, in order not to give the impression by worshipping together that we agree in doctrine, when we do not agree in doctrine.

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please *call* Pastor Galler.

CATECHESIS: The in-person youth classes will meet this Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. and this Saturday at 9:30 a.m., both in the Conference Room/Library.

"ALL THE PROPHETS TESTIFY": Due to Thanksgiving and such, Pilgrim's Midweek Bible Study is on hiatus until Wednesday, January 20, 2027, but, in the meantime, you can catch what you might have missed online at https://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/prophets.

95TH ANNUAL KILGORE CHRISTMAS PARADE: Please join us in decorating, parading, and partying! We will decorate the float again this Saturday, November 28, starting at 10:00 a.m. at Remo and Kathy's (201 Norris Rd, Kilgore). The Parade is Tuesday, December 1, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., followed by a Chili Supper back at Pilgrim in the Great Room for float riders, parade watchers, and anyone else who wants to join us.

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE: Note that next Sunday our order of Divine Service changes to Setting Three for the new Church Year. You may want to (re)familiarize yourself with *Lutheran Service Book* pp.184-202.

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NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class ("Basic Bible Accounts"); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service.

Readings: Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; and Mark 13:24-37.

Hymns: *LSB* 332, 355, 348, 333, and 674.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

"BASIC BIBLE ACCOUNTS": Next Sunday, Pilgrim's Sunday-morning Adult Bible Class continues its "just the facts, ma'am" approach to essential Bible "stories", with each session covering one account. All are welcome! For more information, and for the handouts and audio and video files from past sessions, see https://pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/basic-bible-accounts.

"LOOSE-CHANGE SUNDAY": Please plan to use the large Mite Box in the Narthex next on Sunday, November 29, after the service, in order to contribute your loose change and more, beyond your regular offering, for LWML mites that in part fund District and National mission grants. (Current lists of grant recipients are on the bulletin board above the Mite Box.)

FIFTH-SUNDAY MEAL & GAME DAY: After the Divine Service next Sunday, November 29, we are planning a "quarterly" Fifth-Sunday Meal and Game Day. Also that day, Pilgrim's Mary/Martha Society will have a Silent Auction of craft items, with proceeds designated for Pilgrim's 75th Anniversary Offering. All are invited to stay and enjoy time with our brothers and sisters in Christ! The craft items could make good Christmas presents!

DOUBLE YOUR OFFERING by donating to Pilgrim through www.thrivent.com/give only on Giving Tuesday, December 1, when there should be a dollar-for-dollar match. You can use your credit/debit card or Apple/Google Pay. You do not have to be a Thrivent member or to use your Thrivent Choice Dollars (which you can also give to Pilgrim separately). Note that Pilgrim may not receive your offering until three days after December 9 nor the matching funds until three days after December 16.

ADVENT MEALS AND SERVICES: Pilgrim this year is planning four Midweek Advent Soup/Salad Suppers, one each on December 2, 9, 16, and 23, starting at 6:00 p.m., and Midweek Evening Prayer Services, those nights beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please volunteer to provide the meals, with a partner if you like, using the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. For his Midweek Advent Sermon Series this year, Pastor Galler is developing the theme "Restore us in the Psalms of Advent".

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