TRINITY
STATEN ISLAND

Holy Eucharist

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2026 • 10:30 AM

about this community

Trinity Lutheran Church is a diverse Christian community committed to sharing and teaching the Word of God. We welcome all people and serve to provide Christian education, witness and outreach. In response to God's grace, we are called to support and advocate for our dynamic community, care for others, worship God, develop leaders in our faith, and steward the gifts we have been given by God.

Our Values: Love + Community + Inclusion + Service + Creativity + Faithfulness + Learning

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today's worship

The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls.

Please silence all electronic devices before the service.

You are invited to participate throughout the service with the ***bold*** *responses and in all hymns.*

GATHERING

prelude — Fanfare for the Nations — Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

Sam Atlas, *trumpet*
Trent Whisenant, *organ*

welcome — Pr. Stephanie Jaeger

moment of silence

Please stand as you are able for the Confession and Forgiveness

confession and forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

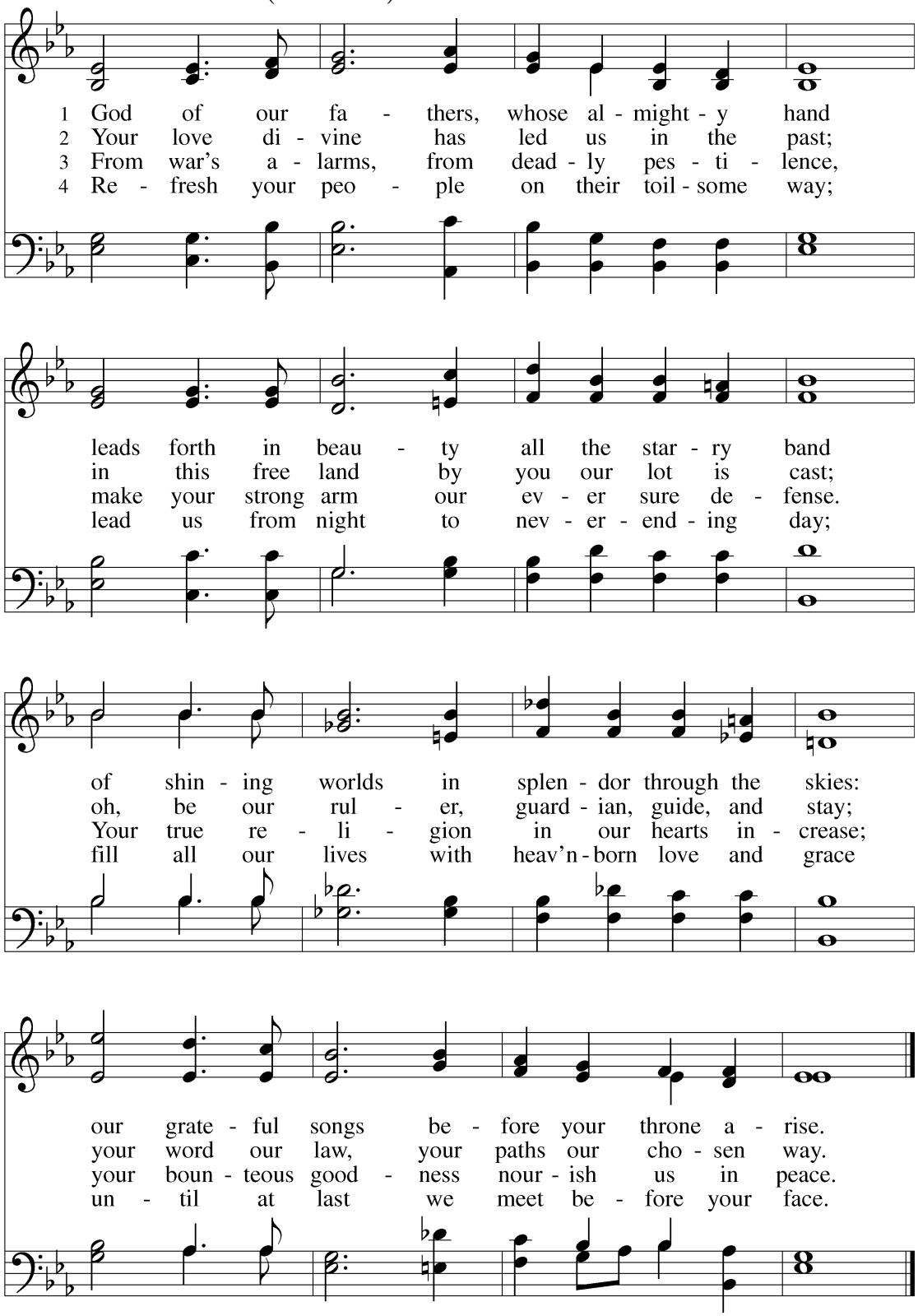
Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your 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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

gathering hymn

"God of Our Fathers" (LBW 567)

A two-measure interlude occurs between each verse

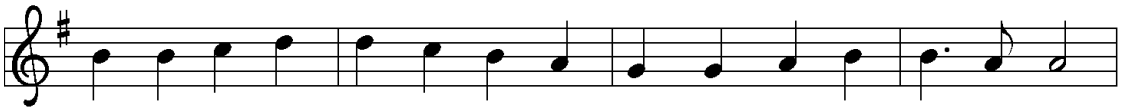


Text: Daniel C. Roberts, 1841-1907, alt.
Music: George W. Warren, 1828-1902

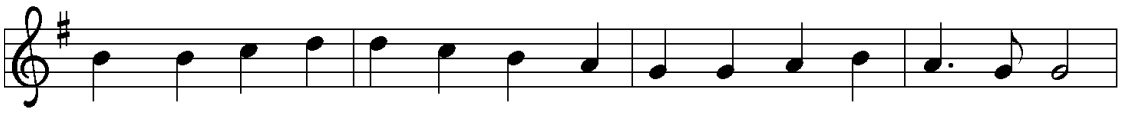
greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

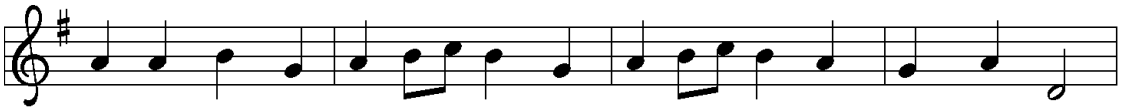
canticle of praise



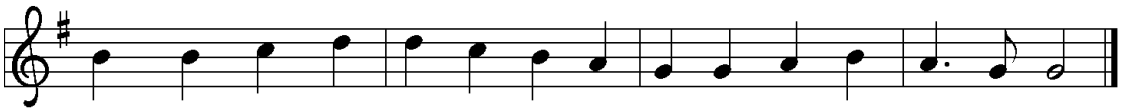
1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for-ev-er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a-lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre-a-tion, Fa-ther of sur-pass-ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav-ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove;
Ho-ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex-alt you, we a-dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an-gels bow be-fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re-store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in-her-it, glo-ry be to God on high!

prayer of the day

Let us pray.
You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

children's message

Please be seated for the Children's Message.
Children are invited forward for a lesson with Pr. Stephanie

Word

first reading Zechariah 9:9-12

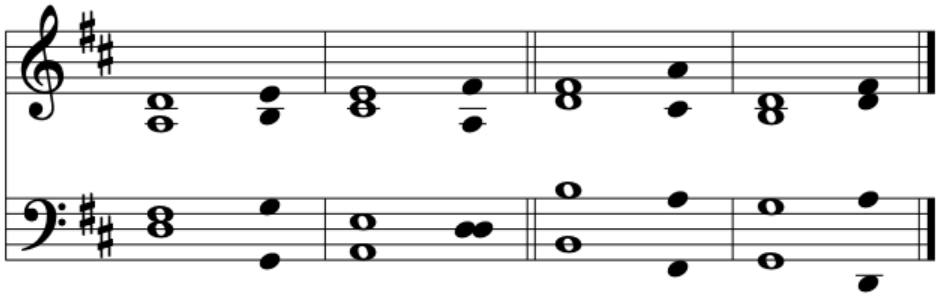
A reading from Zechariah.

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
10 He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

11 As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
12 Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

psalm Psalm 145:8-14



The cantor chants the non-bold verses, the congregation chants the verses in **bold**

8 The LORD is gracious and full of com- / passion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast / love.
9 LORD, you are good to / all,
and your compassion is over all your / works.

10 All your works shall praise you, O / LORD,
and your faithful ones shall / bless you.
11 They shall tell of the glory of your / kingdom
and speak of your / power,

12 that all people may know of your / power
and the glorious splendor of your / kingdom.
13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion
endures throughout all / ages.
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all
your / works.

14 The Lord upholds all those who / fall
and lifts up those who are bowed / down.

second reading

Romans 7:15-25a

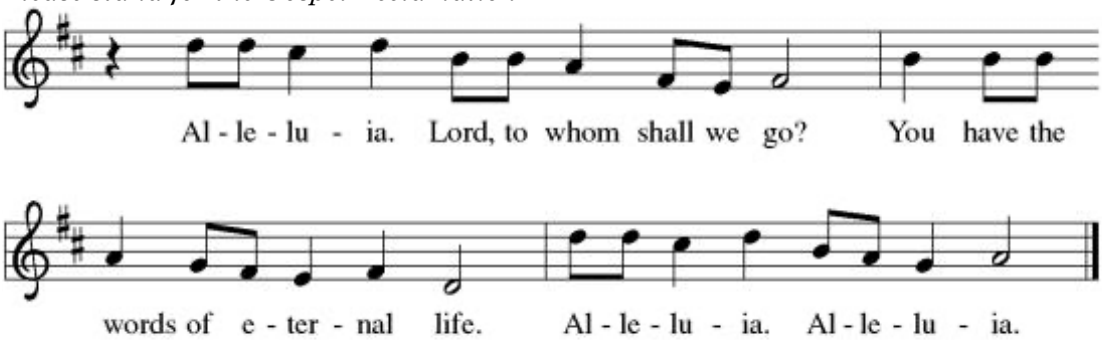
A reading from Romans.

15 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I
do the very thing I hate. 16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the
law is good. 17 But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells
within me. 18 For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in
my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the
ability. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is
what I do. 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but
sin that dwells within me.
21 So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies
close at hand. 22 For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, 23 but I
see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making
me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. 24 Wretched
person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? 25a Thanks
be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

gospel acclamation

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation



gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] 16 "To what will I compare this
generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to
one another,
17 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'
18 "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a
demon'; 19 the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a
glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom
is vindicated by her deeds."

25 At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and
earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the
intelligent and have revealed them to infants; 26 yes, Father, for such was
your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over to me by my
Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows
the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal
him.
28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for
I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

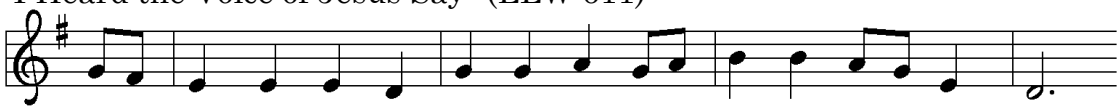
The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated for the Sermon

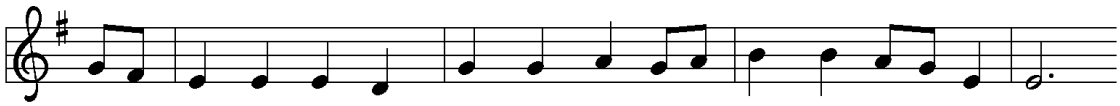
homily Pr. Stephanie Jaeger

After the Homily please stand for the Hymn of the Day

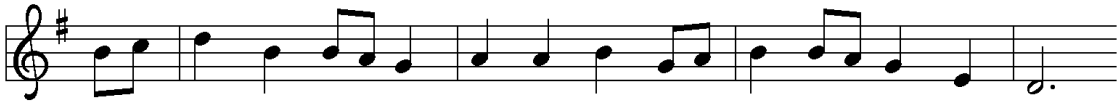
hymn of the day "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" (ELW 611)



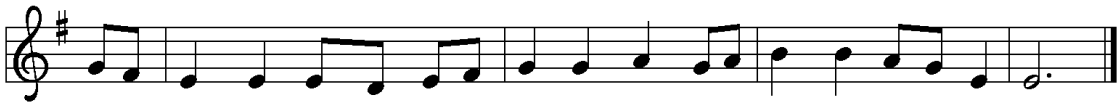
1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889
Music: English folk tune

apostle's creed **I believe in God, the Father almighty,**
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

The Assisting Minister leads our prayers
….God of Grace,
receive our prayer.

peace

The peace and love of Jesus Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

announcements

See this weekend's Trinity Times for the latest happenings at Trinity

offering

The offering collected today supports the ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church. Our inclusive congregation has special commitments to the arts, addressing hunger and poverty in our community, and Christian education. Help us bring the healing love of God into the world by donating generously. To give online, scan the QR code.

anthem at the offertory

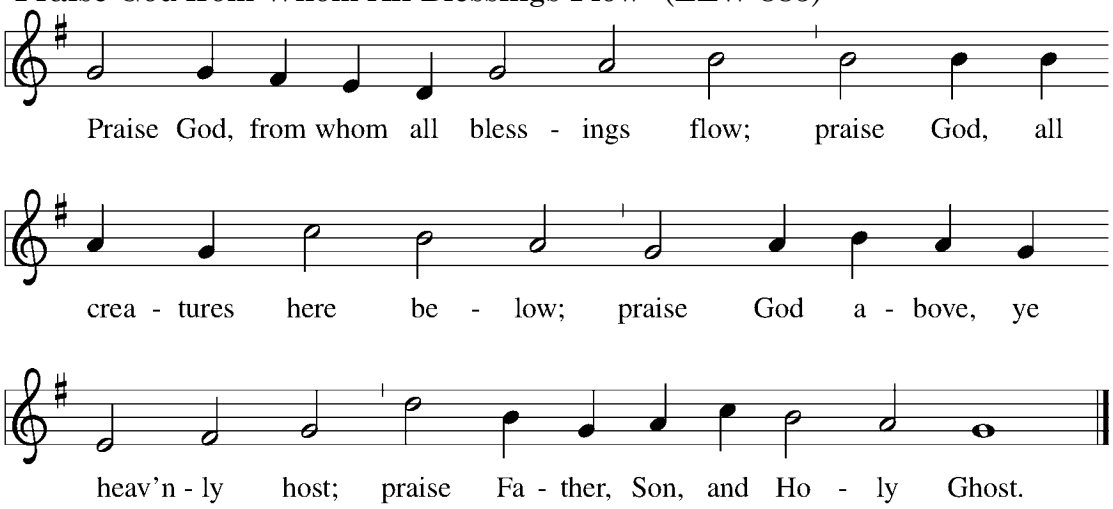
An Instrument of Your Peace — Gwyneth Walker (b. 1947)

Leanne Surace, *soprano*

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

presentation of the offering

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" (ELW 885)

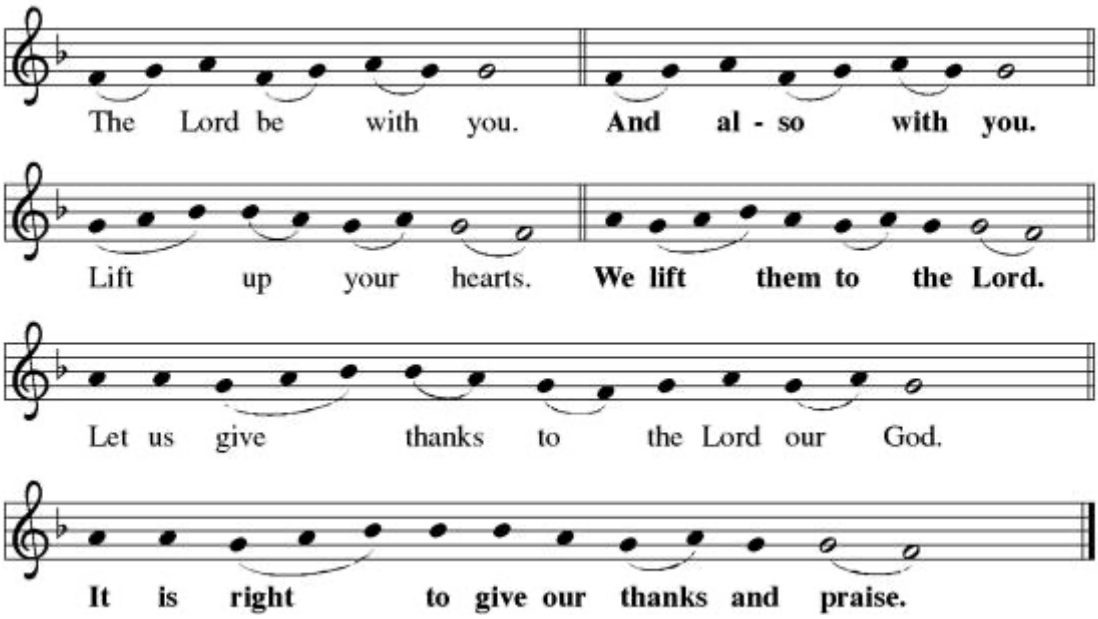


offering prayer

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

MEAL

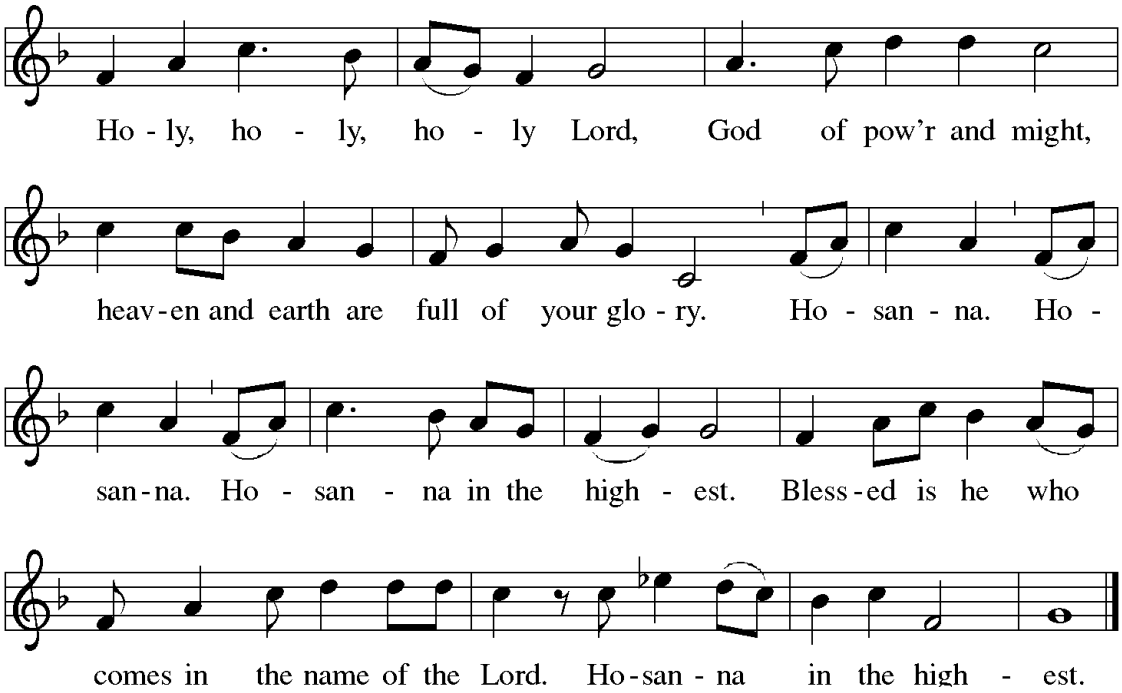
the great thanksgiving



preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

sanctus



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thanksgiving at the table

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

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

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.
Come, Holy Spirit.

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.
Come, Holy Spirit.
With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.

the lord's prayer

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

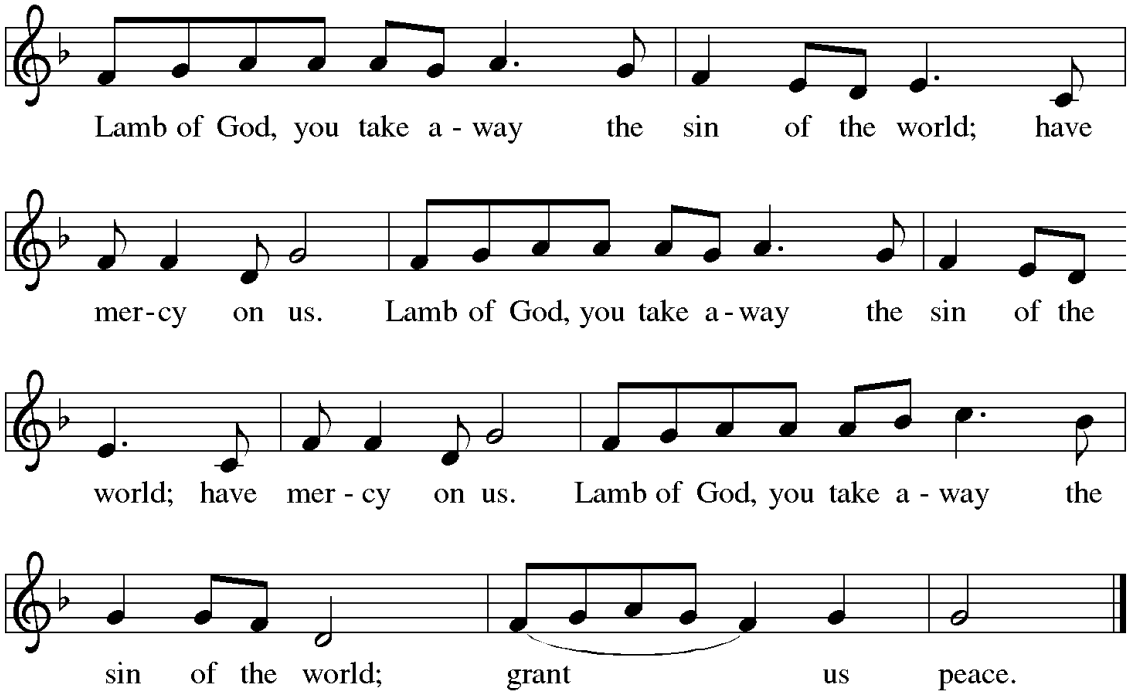
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the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

invitation to communion

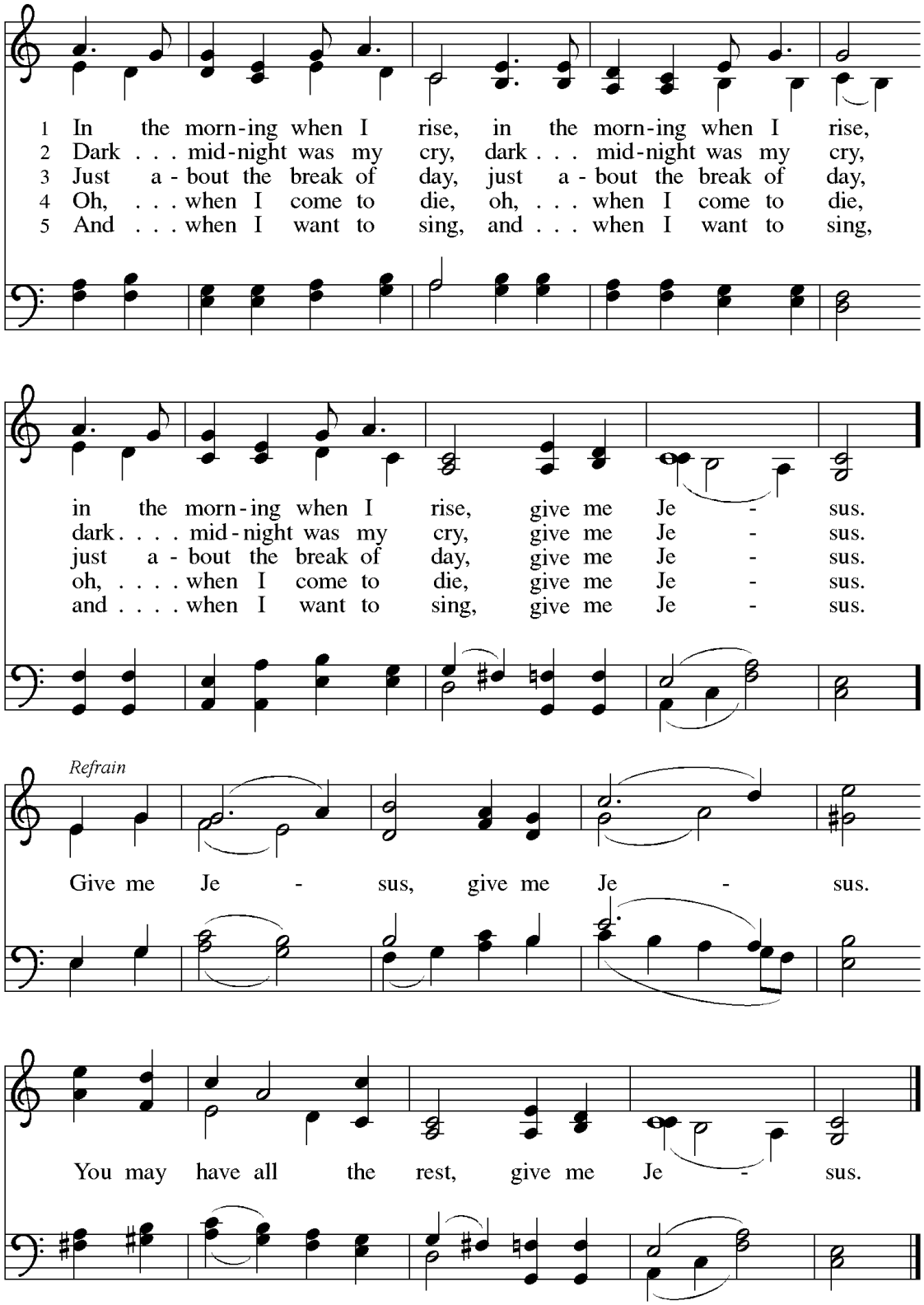
Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

All are welcome at Jesus' table of grace. We commune today at the kneelers at the front row of pews. Come forward to the kneeler closest to you via the center aisle, as indicated by the usher. You will receive the host from the pastor and wine or grape juice from the assistant. You may leave your used cup in the white bowls at the start of the side aisles as you return to your seats.

lamb of god



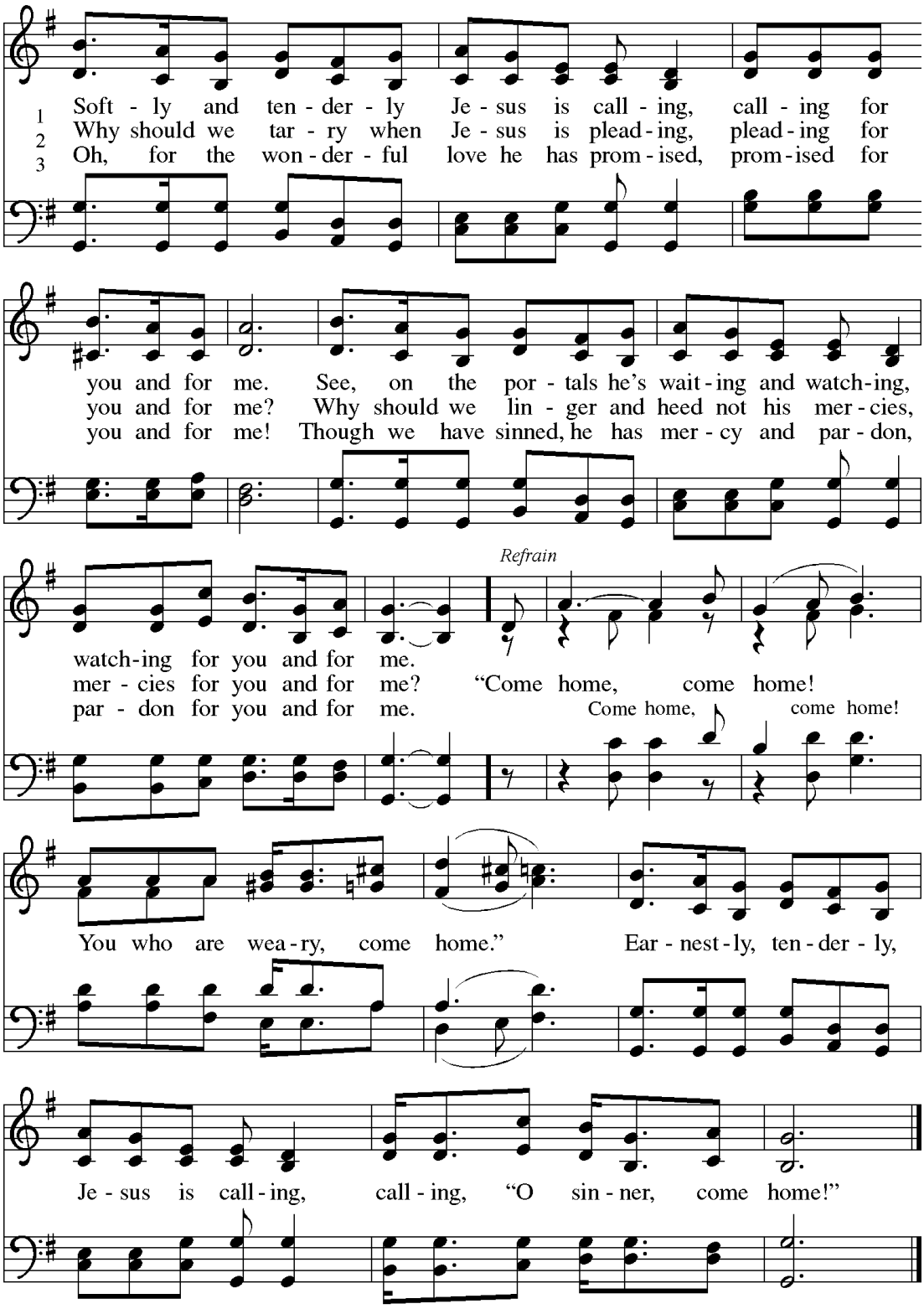
communion hymn "Give Me Jesus" (ELW 770)



Text: African American spiritual
Music: African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version

This hymn was submitted as a part of our Summer Songbook; a collection of hymns the members of the congregation love. Submit your favorite via the online form (QR code below) or with a physical form in the Narthex.

communion hymn "Softly and Tenderly" (ELW 608)



Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871
Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

table blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ ✠ strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.
Amen.

The Assisting Minister leads us in prayer

prayer after communion

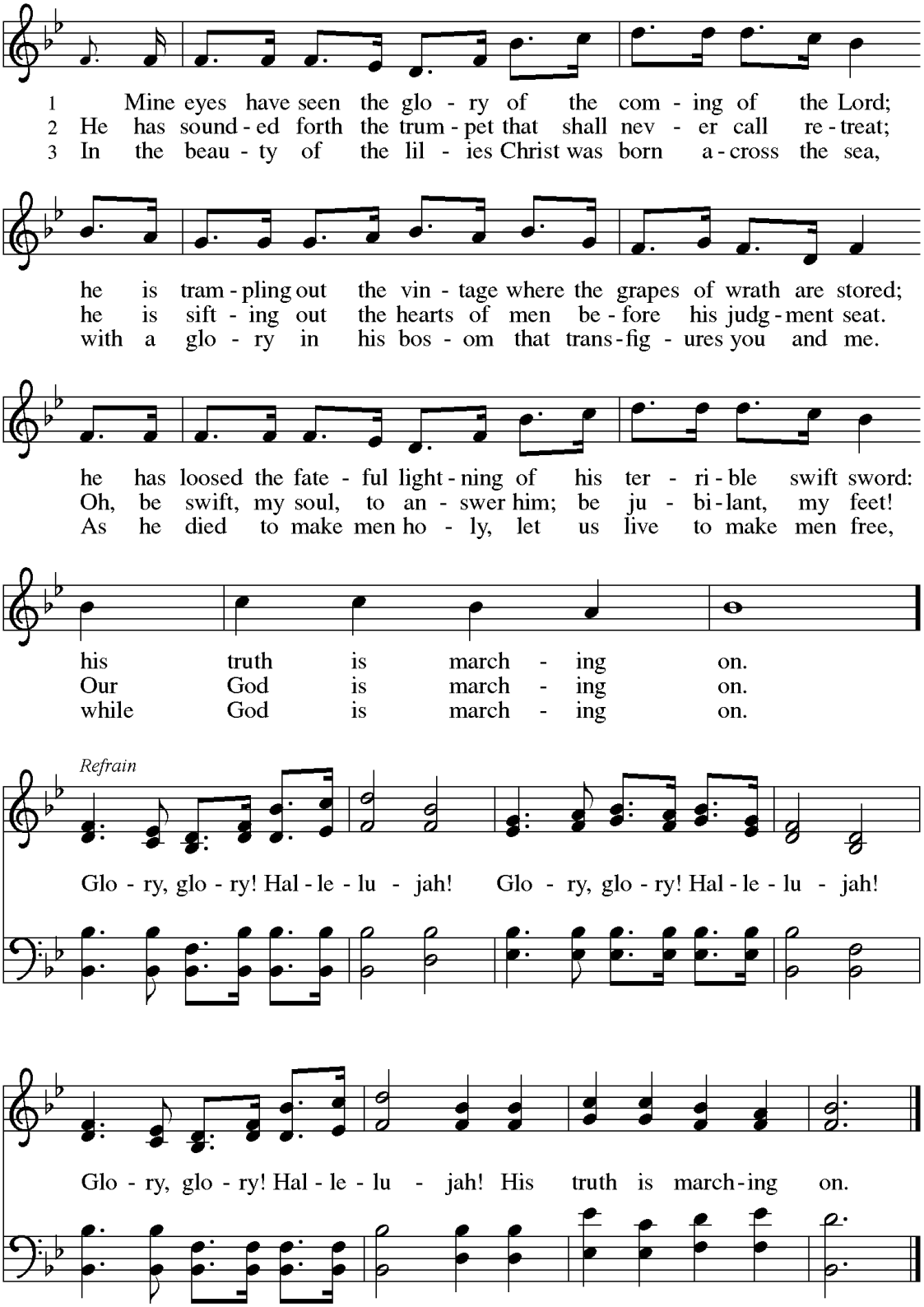
Let us pray.
Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

Sending

blessing

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

sending hymn "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" (ELW 890)



Julia Ward Howe wrote this hymn in 1861 as an abolitionist anthem—a cry for God's judgment against slavery. The "glory" she celebrates isn't patriotic fervor, but divine justice "trampling out" the vintage of human bondage. When we sing it today, we inherit that prophetic edge: a call to see where God is working against oppression, and to join that movement. It's a hymn that demands something of us.

Text: Julia Ward Howe, 1819-1910
Music: North America, 19th cent.

dismissal Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

postlude March for Trumpet and Organ — Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

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Sam Atlas, *trumpet*
Trent Whisenant, *organ*

Join us for Coffee Hour downstairs after the service!

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presider & Preacher	Pr. Stephanie Jaeger
Assisting Minister	Roger Wesby
Organist	Trent Whisenant
Cantor	Leanne Surace Payero
Altar Guild	Nancy Granda
Ushers	The Granda Family and Kim Ryan
Counters	Hillie Grossarth and Judy Bombardi
Livestream Tech	TBD

IN OUR PRAYERS

Bridget Dowling, Craig Phillips, Chris Legere, Carlos Canet and Almudena Mateos Ruiz, Jennifer Brogan, Helen Cucuzza, Mark Ratajczak, Johanna Reyes mother of missing person Mortimer Mekhai Wortman, Julie Little, Justin Solomon, Cindy Roberti, James Ciccolella, Sean Reardon, Lori Homan, Dianne Bombardi, Joseph Campitiello, Barbie Parker, Amy Fittapaldi, Vincent Pizzolo, Gonca Latif-Schmitt and her family, Rita Fowler, Josie Honus, David Dowling, Jörg and Madeline Dreusicke, Jasmine Drake, Joanna Smith, Maria Alvarez Castro, Angel Luis Rios, Marlies Meyer, Glen Danischewski, Ronnie Bero, Mary Bruno, Pennington Family, Carmen Cognetta, Deacon Margaret Ann O'Donnell, Migdalia Jimenez, Jessica Desens, Sean C. Sweeney, Janet A. Cleary, George Turner, and Christopher Jarrett

For those in our armed services, especially
Joshua Lentini, Sgt. George E Turner, and the US Army

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