TRINITY
STATEN ISLAND

Holy Eucharist

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 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

In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.

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 — Cantilène — Gabriel Pierné (1863-1937)

welcome — Pastor Stephanie Jaeger

introit — Come All You People — Alexander Gondo (b. 1936)

Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;
come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;
come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;
come now and worship the Lord.

Please stand as you are able for the Confession and Forgiveness

confession and forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.
Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.

Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
Amen.

gathering hymn "Your Will Be Done/*Mayenziwe*" (ELW 741)

(*Sung three times*)



Text: South African, based on the Lord's Prayer

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



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prayer of the day

Let us pray.
Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through 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 Vicar Jordan

Word

first reading Isaiah 45:1-7

A reading from Isaiah.

1 Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and to strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:
2 I will go before you
and level the mountains;
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron;
3 I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
4 For the sake of my servant Jacob
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name;
I give you a title, though you do not know me.
5 I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
6 so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
7 I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things.

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

psalm Psalm 96:1-9

The choir sings the refrain once, the congregation joins on the repeat

Refrain



Tune



The choir and congregation sing all the verses

1 **Sing to the LORD | a new song;**
sing to the LORD, | all the earth.
2 **Sing to the LORD, bless the name | of the LORD;**
proclaim God's salvation from | day to day.
3 **Declare God's glory a- | mong the nations**
and God's wonders a- | mong all peoples.
4 **For great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised,**
more to be feared | than all gods.
5 **As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;**
but you, O LORD, have | made the heavens.
6 **Majesty and magnificence are | in your presence;**
power and splendor are in your | sanctuary.
7 **Ascribe to the LORD, you families | of the peoples,**
ascribe to the LORD hon- | or and power.
8 **Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the | holy name;**
bring offerings and enter the courts | of the LORD.
9 **Worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness;**
tremble before the LORD, | all the earth. ***Refrain***

second reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

A reading from First Thessalonians.

1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.

2 We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our
prayers, constantly 3 remembering before our God and Father your work of
faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
4 For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen
you, 5 because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only but
also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you
know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. 6 And
you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you
received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit, 7 so that you became an
example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8 For the word of
the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia
but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have
no need to speak about it. 9 For they report about us what kind of welcome
we had among you and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living
and true God 10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from
the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

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

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation and Gospel

gospel acclamation



gospel Matthew 22:15-22

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

15 The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. 16 So
they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,
"Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in
accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard
people with partiality. 17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay
taxes to Caesar or not?" 18 But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are

you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? 19 Show me the coin used for
the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20 Then he said to them,
"Whose head is this and whose title?" 21 They answered, "Caesar's." Then
he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's
and to God the things that are God's." 22 When they heard this, they were
amazed, and they left him and went away.

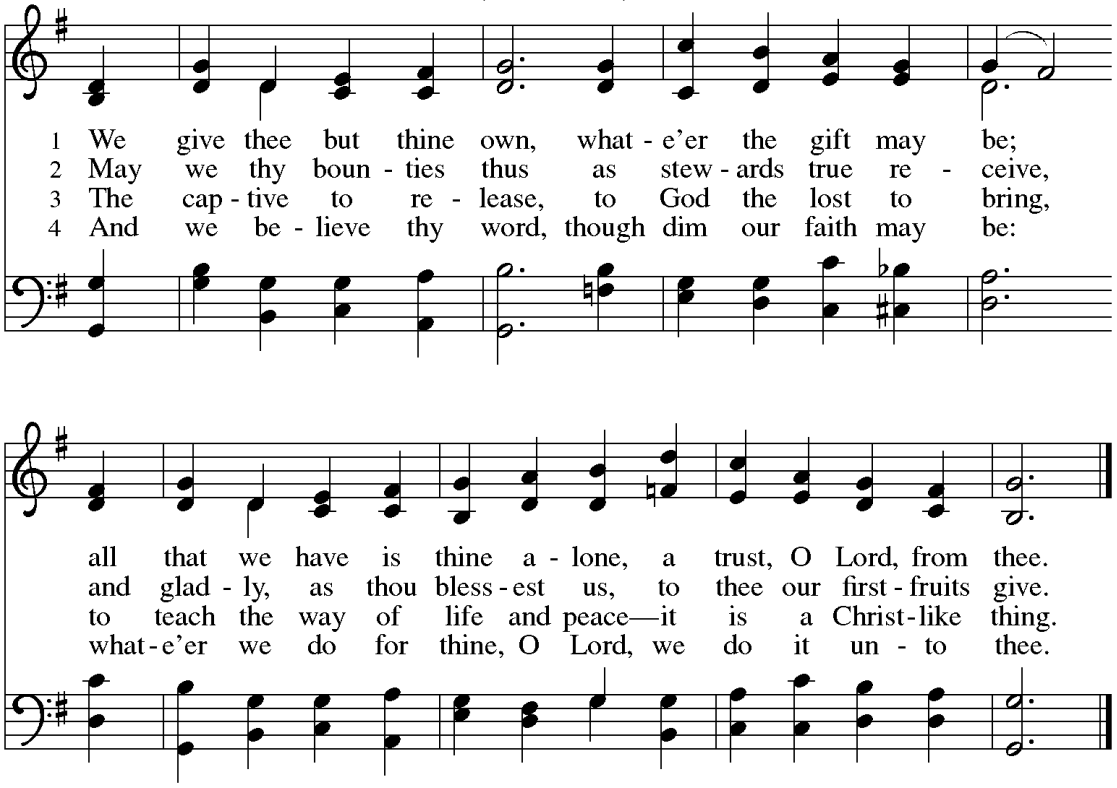
The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated for the Sermon

sermon Vicar Jordan Baker

After the Sermon, please stand for the Hymn of the Day

hymn of the day "We Give Thee but Thine Own" (ELW 686)



Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.
Music: L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantic Lauda*, 1850

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

Take My Life That I May Be

Scott Perkins
(b. 1980)

Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

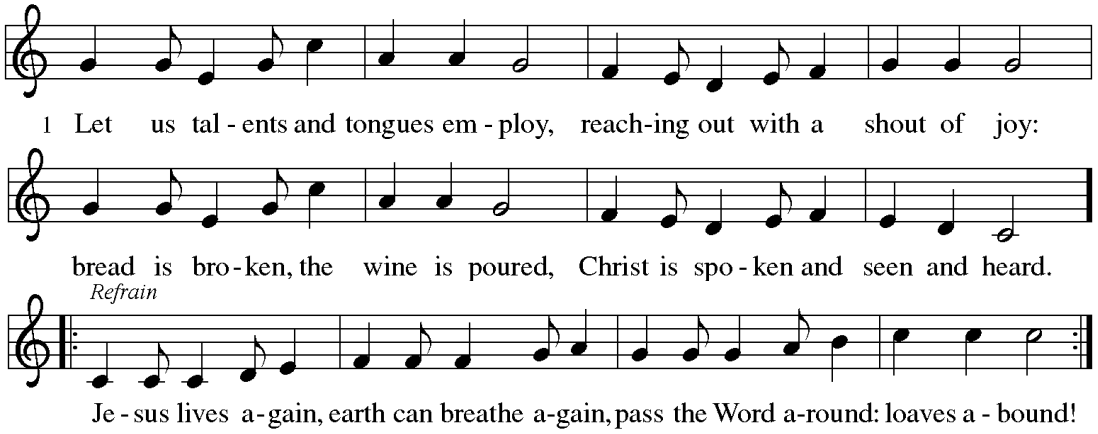
Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.

Take my will and make it thine,
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own,
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

presentation of the offering

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" (ELW 674, vs. 1)

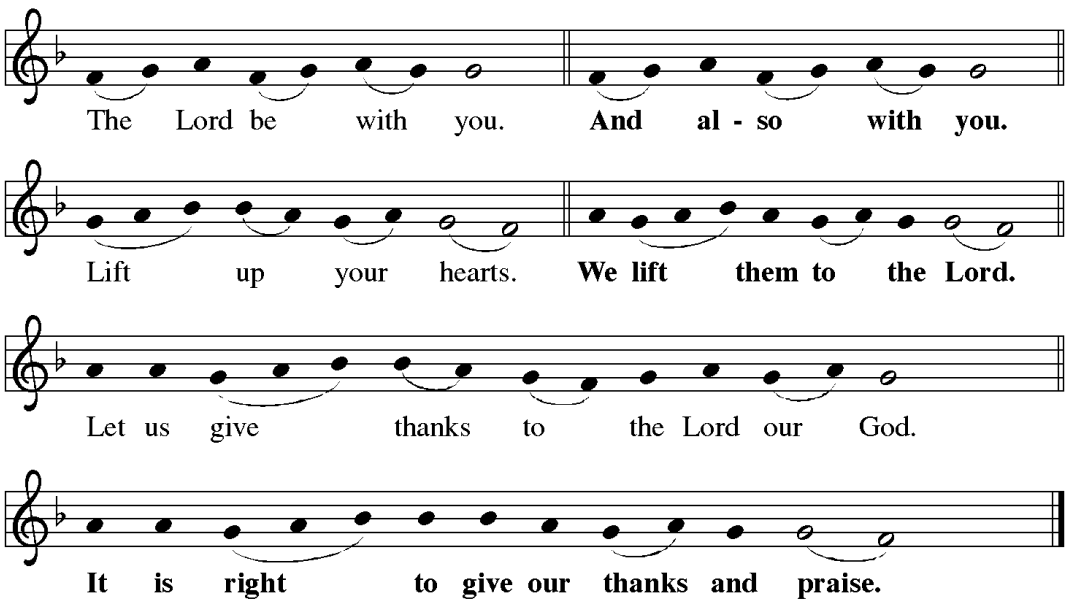


offering prayer

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.
Amen.

Meal

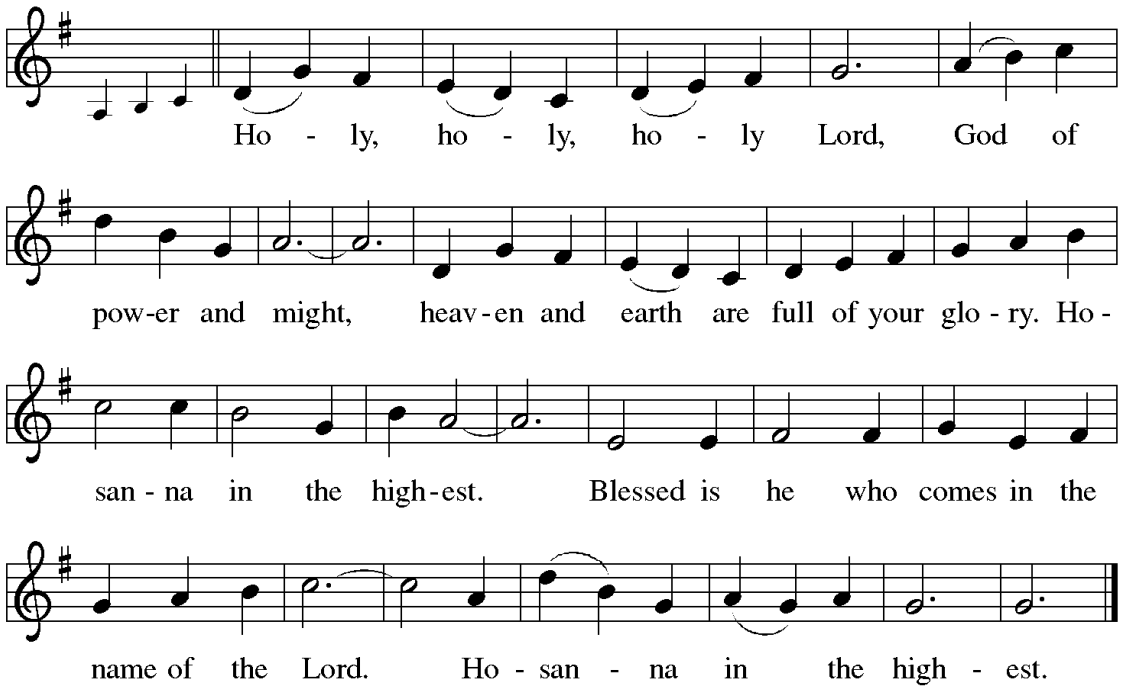
the great thanksgiving



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



The communion setting is Evangelical Lutheran Worship Setting One

thanksgiving at the table

Holy God,
you alone are holy,
you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars;
beneath the sea;
within each cell;
with every breath.
We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water;
by night and day;
across the wilderness;
out of exile;
into the future.
We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life;
near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner;
among the poor;
with us now.
We thank you, O God.

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.

Remembering his love for us
on the way,
at the table,
and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering;
within this meal;
among your people;
throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks
to you, holy God,
through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit,
in your church,
without end.
Amen.

the lord's prayer

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

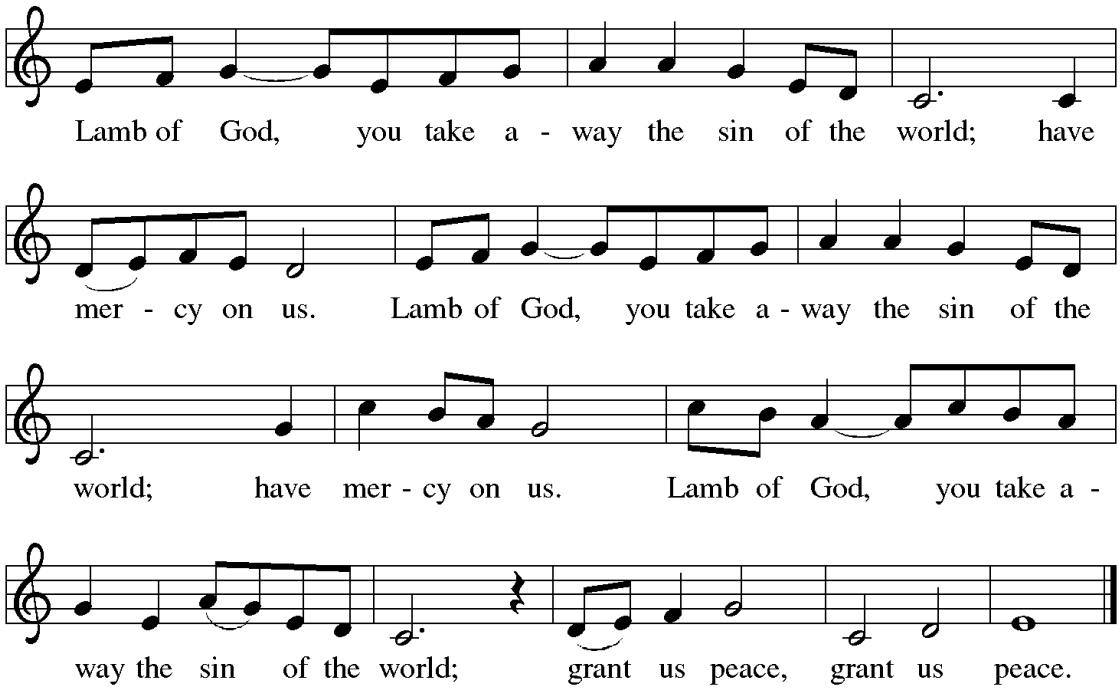
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the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

invitation to communion

Christ invites you to this table.
All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

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.

agnus dei

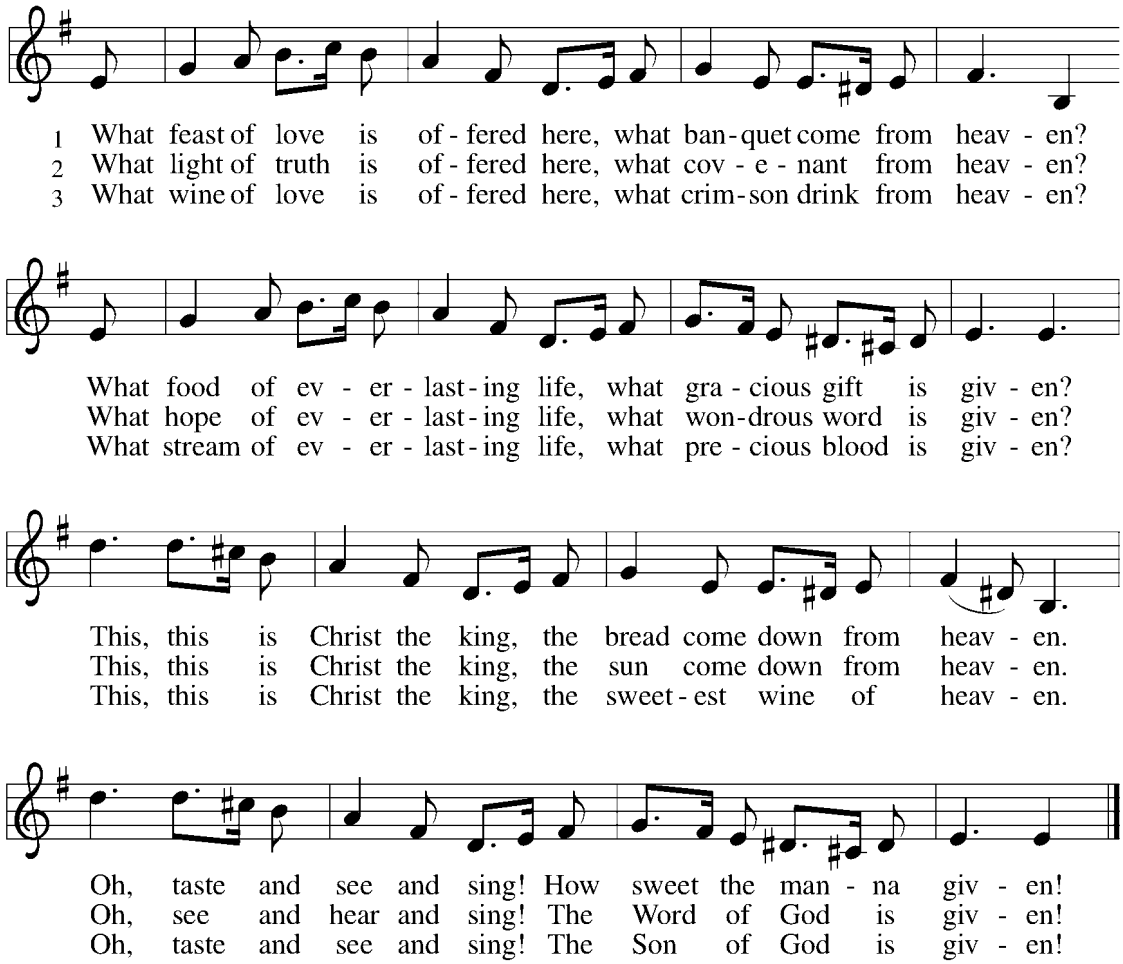


communion hymn "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" (ELW 461)



Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993
Music: W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version

communion hymn "What Feast of Love" (ELW 487)



Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939
Music: English ballad, 16th cent.

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.
Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.
By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.

SENDING

blessing

The God of love
draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.
Amen.

The God of hope
grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.
Amen.

The God of grace
✢ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

sending hymn "O God of Every Nation" (ELW 713)



Text: William W. Reid Jr., b. 1923
Music: Welsh tune, 19th cent.

dismissal
Go out in joy.
Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God!

postlude — Grand Chœur in March Form — Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

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For those in our armed services, especially
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