

## **PRELUDE**

## **RINGING OF THE BELLS**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

**C Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Holy One, source of our renewal,

**C we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of ✝ Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## GREETING

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

**C And also with you.**

## KYRIE



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

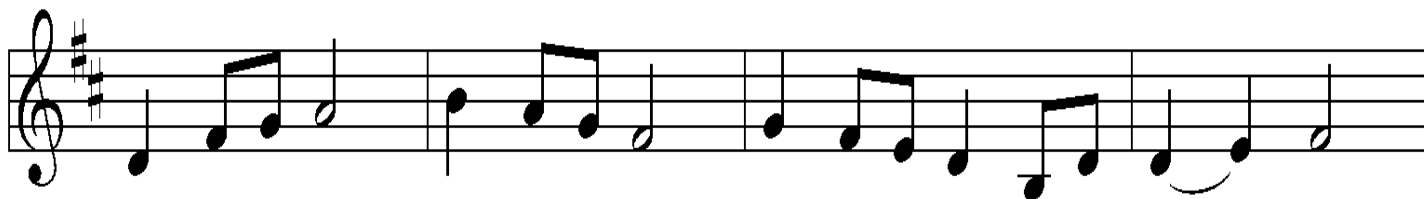


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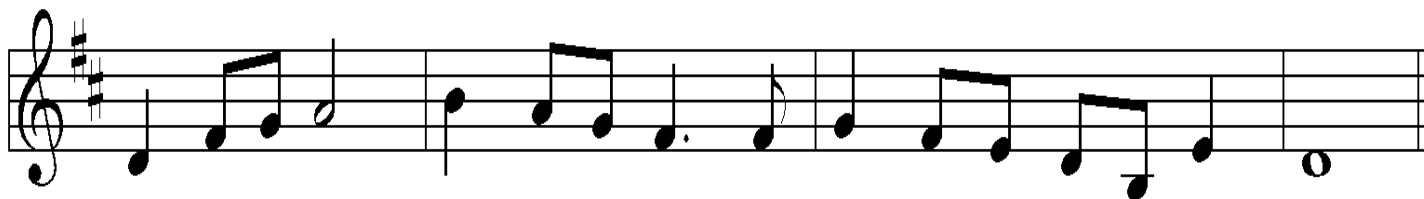


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*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

# HYMN OF PRAISE *(four measures introduction)*



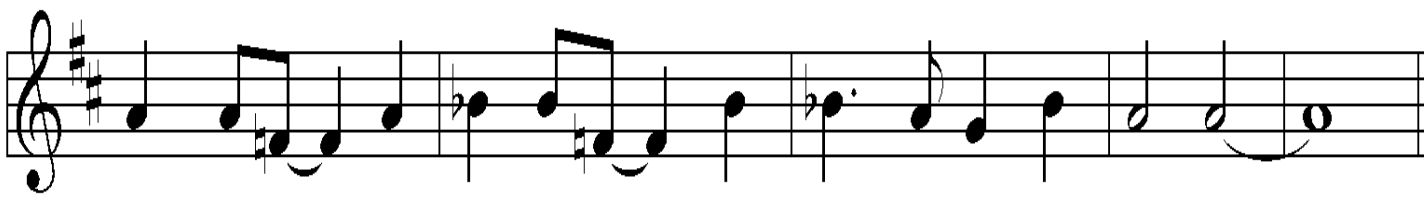
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glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



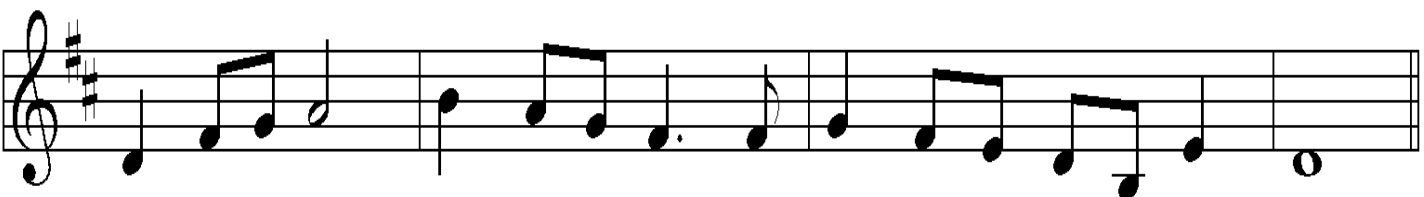
**I** Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



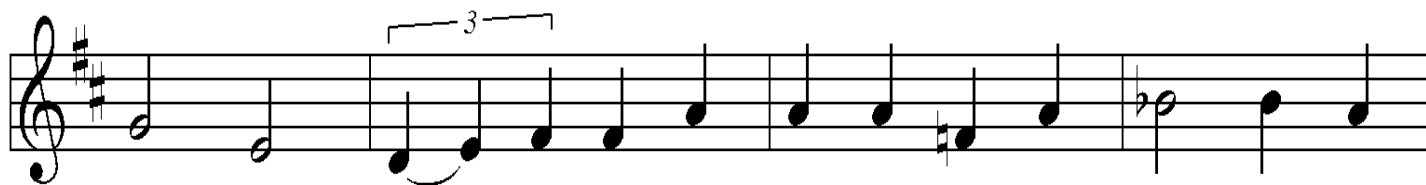
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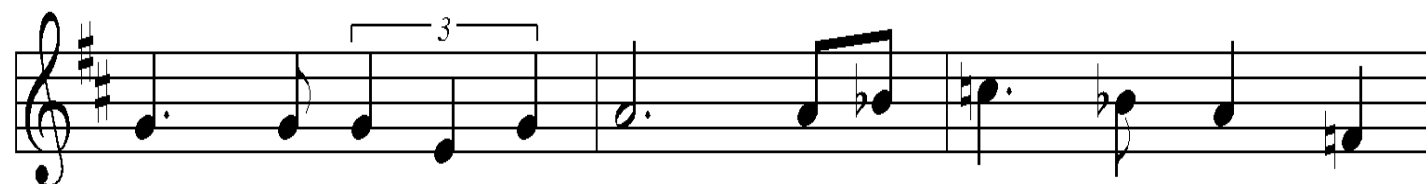
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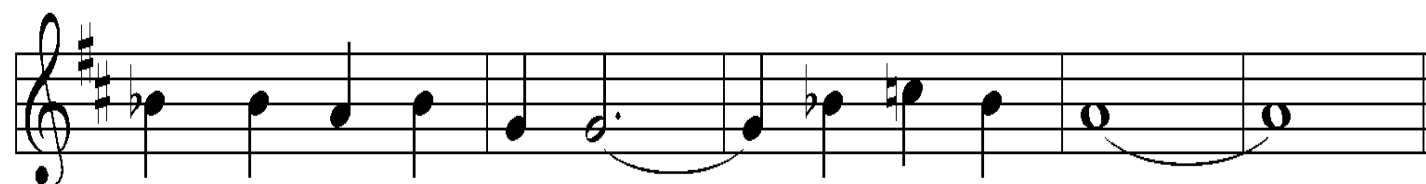
II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



III Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
II



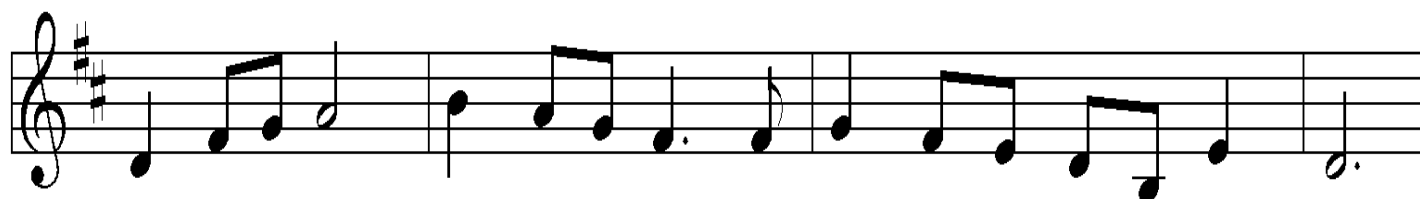
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,



and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

## **FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. <sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." <sup>4</sup>But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." <sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—<sup>6</sup>he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes

of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” <sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

The word of the Lord.

**C    Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 40:1-11**

*(Refrain: I love to do your will, O my God.)*

<sup>1</sup>I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

**C    <sup>2</sup>The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

**C    <sup>4</sup>Happy are they who trust in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies. *(Refrain)***

<sup>5</sup>Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

**C    <sup>6</sup>Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required. *(Refrain)***

<sup>7</sup>And so I said, “Here I am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

**C    <sup>8</sup>‘I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me.’ ”**

<sup>9</sup>I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

**C    <sup>10</sup>I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.**



<sup>11</sup>You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

### **C** *(Refrain)*

*(Refrain: I love to do your will, O my God.)*

### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be

blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*two measures introduction*)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL: John 1:29-42**

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”<sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup>And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” <sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak

and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S BELLS**

**SERMON**      *Pastor Timothy Holt*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *LBW 87    "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**C 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 OF INTERCESSION**

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Put a new song in the mouth of your church. Inspire the baptized to tell of your faithfulness, sharing the good news of your salvation throughout the earth. Bless the witness of missionaries. Merciful God,  
**C receive our prayer.**

The waters of baptism call us into life in the Spirit. Preserve the world's waters: protect them from pollution, support plants and animals who depend on

them, and bring rain in places of drought. Guide us in protecting local waterways and in responding to devastating floods. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

In Jesus you are the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Show your mercy to all nations. Direct leaders to do your will; fill governing bodies with righteousness; equip judges with discernment and compassion. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

You incline your ear to all who cry to you. Draw near to individuals and communities suffering violence, injustice, illness, or poverty. Hide them in the shadow of your hand and make us signs of your faithfulness to all in need. *(We pray especially for Keith Freyberger, Eugene Keller, Alli Kempf, Jack McNutt, Stacey Himsel-Matelic, Dennis Neukam, Sue Neukam, Kayden Parker, Steve Rothgerber, Annette Schepers, Helen Stenftenagel, Gerald Vonderheide, the family and friends of Martin Schroering, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. *(We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himself, Joshua Hoffman, Nathan Humbert and Cooper Uebelhor).* Merciful God,  
**C receive our prayer.**

You are glorified in the servants you have called. With Martin Luther King Jr., give us bold trust in you. Even when it feels like a sharp sword or polished arrow, give us courage to receive your call to repentance and racial justice. Merciful God,  
**C receive our prayer.**

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.  
**C Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

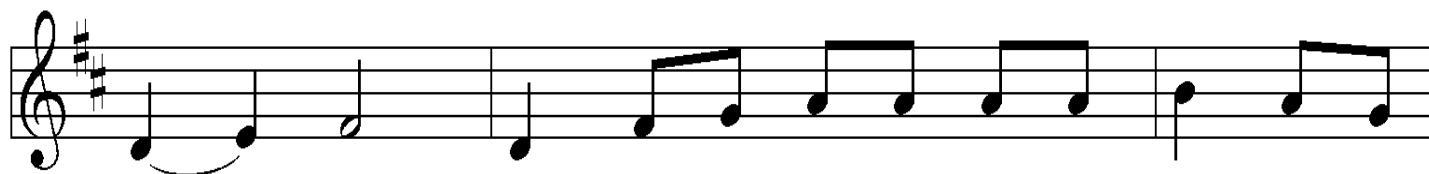
## **OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

## **OFFERTORY**

# OFFERTORY RESPONSE



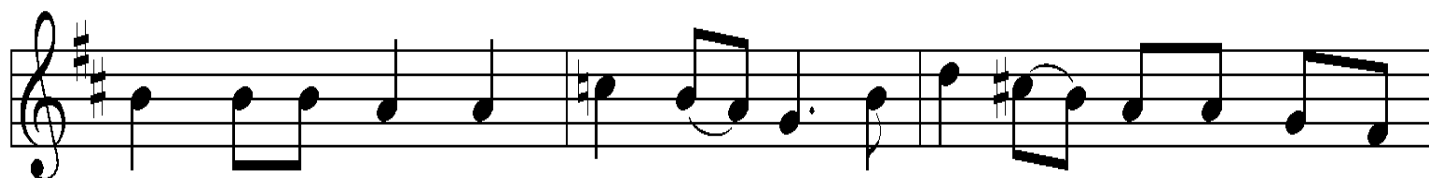
Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



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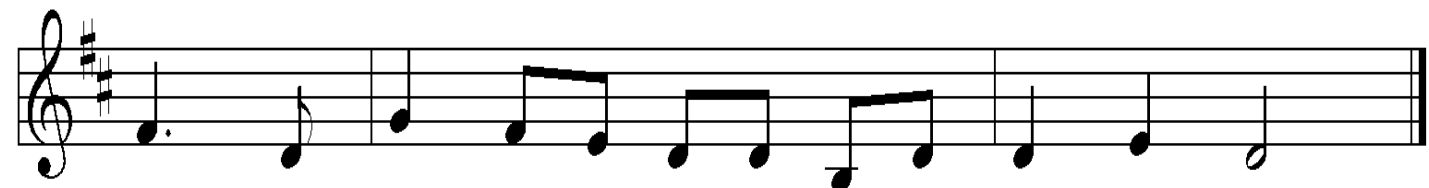
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.



## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,  
Amen.**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION

*All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the nearby tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.*

## DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

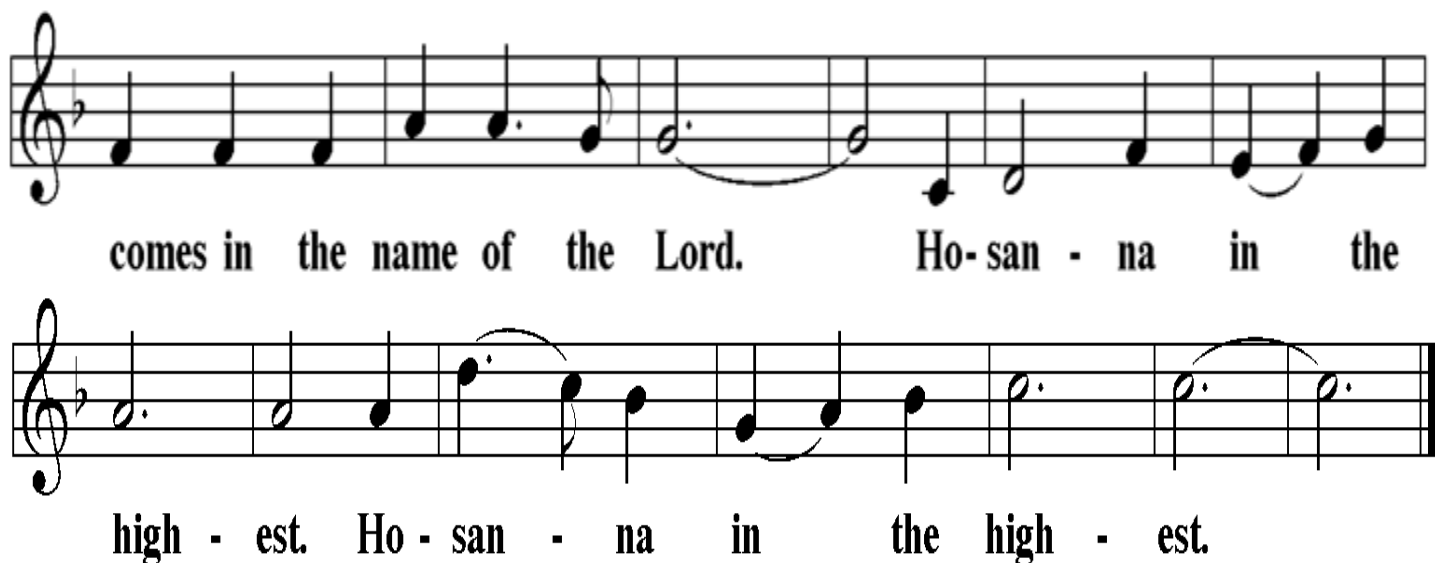
## SANCTUS *(four measures introduction)*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and

might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

## COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD



♩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*LBW 486 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"*

*WOV 652 "Arise, Your Light Has Come!"*

*WOV 768 "He Comes to Us as One Unknown"*

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

**C Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *(four measures introduction)*

☞ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
one what God has done. Let all who seek the

Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.

Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and

lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -

giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

**C** Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. Amen.

## BLESSING

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✝ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

**C Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**    *LBW 494*        *"Jesus Calls us; O'er  
The Tumult"*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

**Mission Statement:** *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,  
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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# THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

**Greeters:** Ed Freyberger  
**Comm. Asst:** Todd Popp  
**Video:** Lori Keller  
**Organist:** Arlene Vonderheide  
**Lay Reader:** Jeanne Hoffman  
**Audio:** Keith Keller  
**Acolytes:** Lillian Potts & Caroline Kellar

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 127 SS:**

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Sun. Jan 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 AM	Church Council Meeting
	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(Sunday School following communion until 10:30 AM)</i>
	10:00 AM	LYO Meeting
	10:00 AM	Blood Pressure Checks
Wed. Jan. 18 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Confirmation
	6:30 PM	Handbell Practice
Sun. Jan 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service <i>(Sunday School following communion until 10:30 AM)</i>
	10:00 AM	Congregational Meeting Part 2



## **ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***Thank you to Carlie Beck, Chloe Beck, Ryder Freyberger, Ashtyn Kalb and Kole Kalb for playing the bells this morning.***

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Free blood pressure checks will be done after the service on January 15, 2023.

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It is time for our annual check book audit. Please supply your checkbook and your 2022 monthly bank statements no later than January 31<sup>st</sup>.

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Northeast Dubois Preschool Registration for the 2023/24 school year will be held Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:00 pm in the Dubois Elementary School Cafeteria.

Three-year-old and four-year-old class options are available. Children must be 3 on or before August 1, 2023. The registration fee is \$50.00 and is due at registration. For those who are not wanting to attend in person, forms are also available online at [nedubois.k12.in.us](http://nedubois.k12.in.us) and can be returned to school anytime from now until February 4, 2023. Any

questions can be directed to the Dubois Elementary School Office at 812-678-3011.

**Please bring the child's birth certificate (from the Health Department) and social security card at time of registration.**

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***Please be sure to pick-up your 2023 offering envelopes and 2022 end of year giving statements.***

There is a table set-up in the welcome area with the envelopes and the wooden box with statements. If you cannot find a box or statement with your name, please advise Jenny Begle in the church office at (812)695-3061 or email at:

[secretaryst.paul@frontier.com](mailto:secretaryst.paul@frontier.com)

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WELCA would like to thank you everyone that participated in the Reverse Advent Calendar food bank collection. We made four trips to deliver all the food bank items. Also, on "Souper Bowl Sunday" February 12<sup>th</sup> help WELCA fill the grocery cart with canned soup for the food bank. There will also be a Soup Pot set out for any monetary donations.

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## St. Paul's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Notes



Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> proved to be the ideal beginning for the year-long celebration of St. Paul's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Our first Heritage Sunday featured a historical presentation from Martha Church and Jeff Schmitt, the return of our marble baptismal font, which was on loan to the Dubois County Museum, a photo display from prior

years, and a fellowship meal of soup and sandwiches following worship.



How amazing that the first featured story from a church member was from Lena Seitz who went to be with the Lord on this same week after 105 extraordinary years of life at St. Paul's.

The anniversary committee still welcomes your St. Paul's story. Contact the church office and you will be guided to a committee member.



Thanks to the Archives and 175<sup>th</sup> Committee for hosting the festivities! Up next, at our February 12<sup>th</sup> Heritage Sunday, the youth of the congregation will lead worship and will serve breakfast to all immediately following the service.

## **In Service to Our Country**

Austin Breitwieser

AM-1 Luke Himself

Joshua Hoffman

Maj. Nathan Humbert

Cooper Uebelhor

San Antonio, TX

Virginia Beach, VA

Washington (*State*)

Fort Campbell, KY

Colorado Springs, CO