St. Paul's Lutheran Church ***All Saints November 1, 2026***

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C Amen.
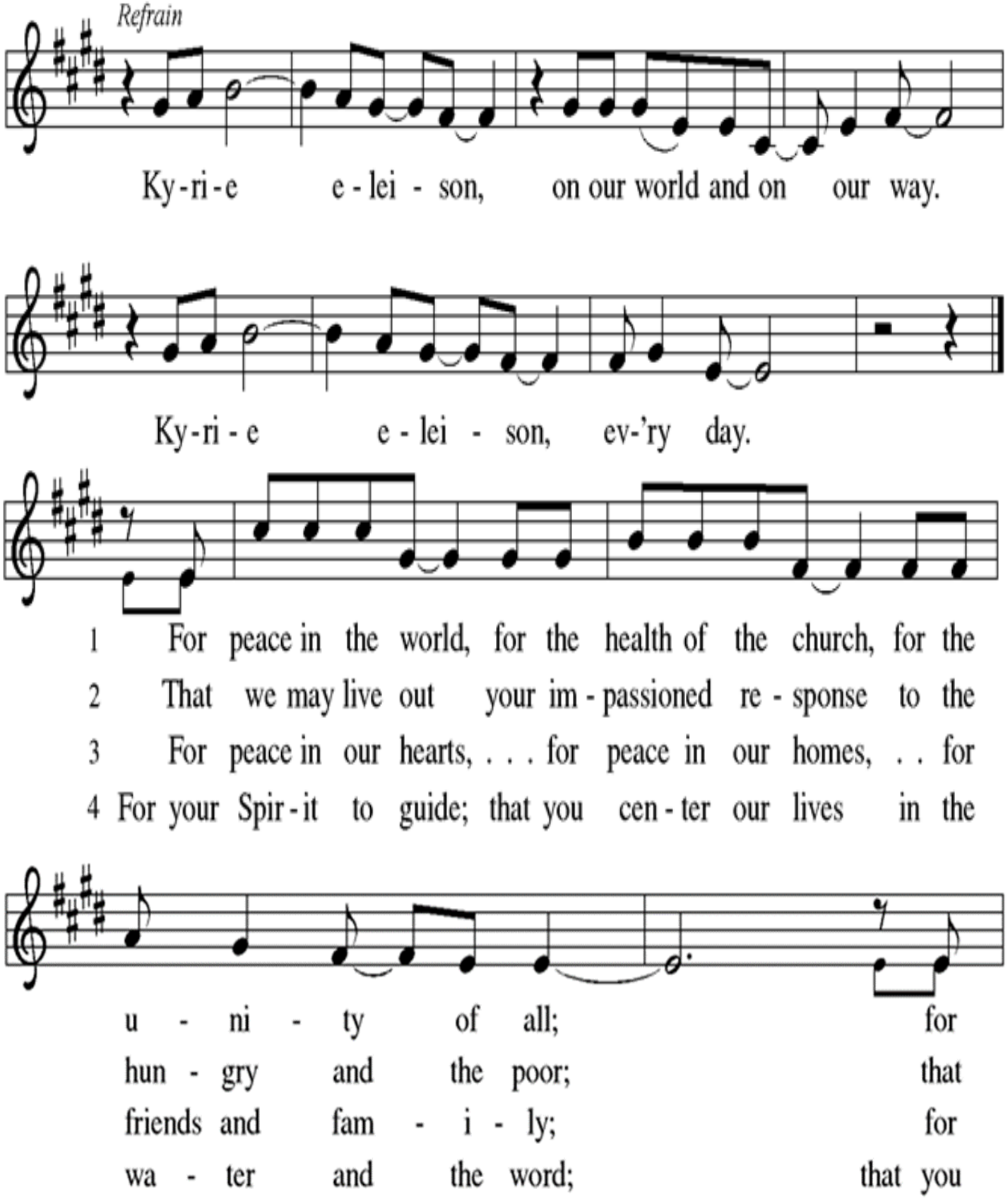
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.
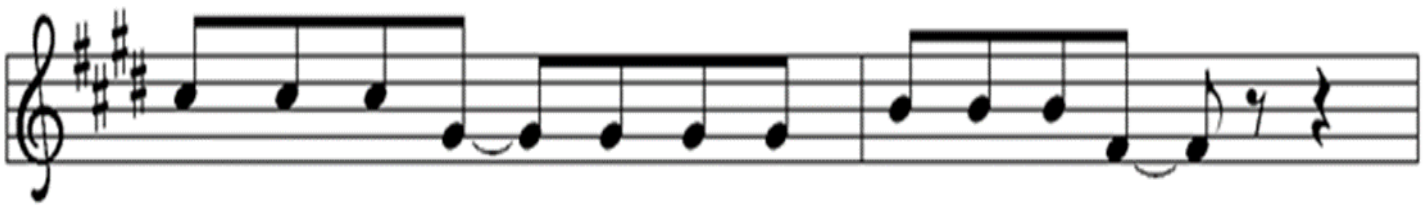
Faithful God,
C you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.
Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, ☩ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
C Amen.
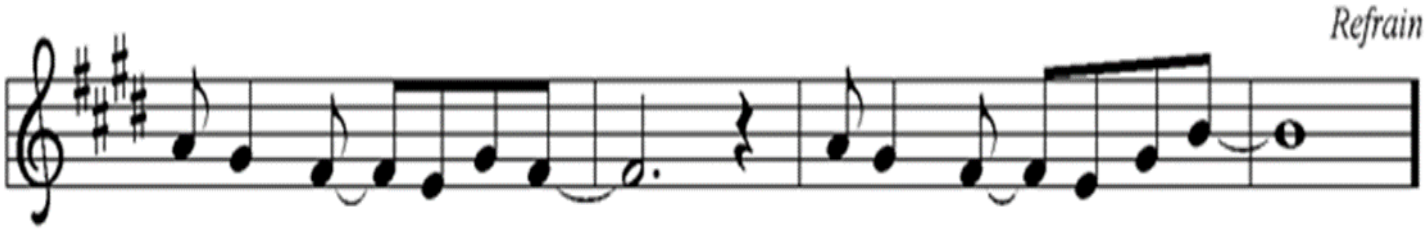
GREETING
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.

KYRIE


Refrain
Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.
Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.
1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the
u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you
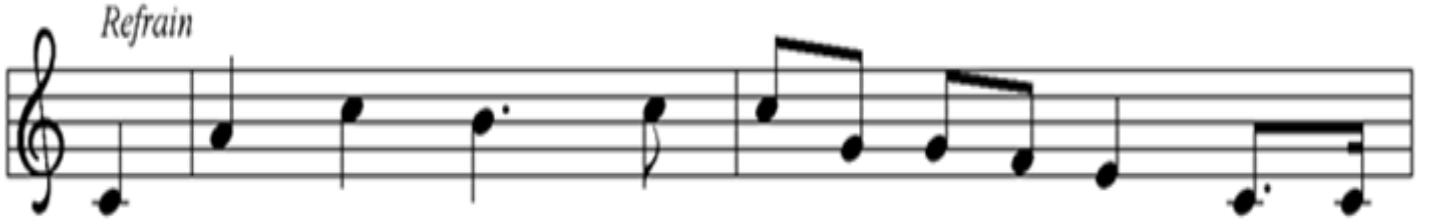


this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out . . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, ... for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,
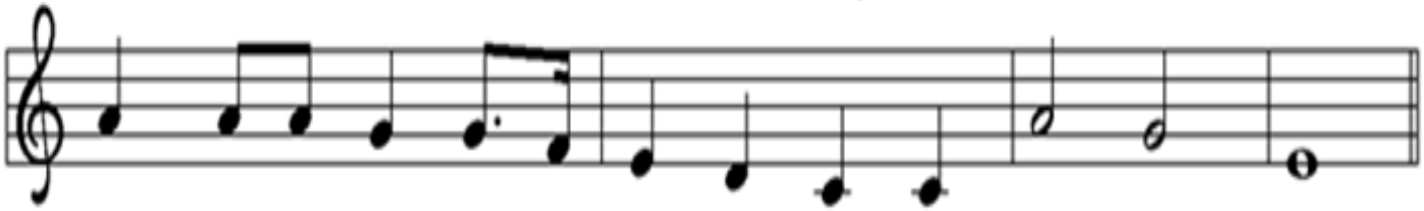


let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
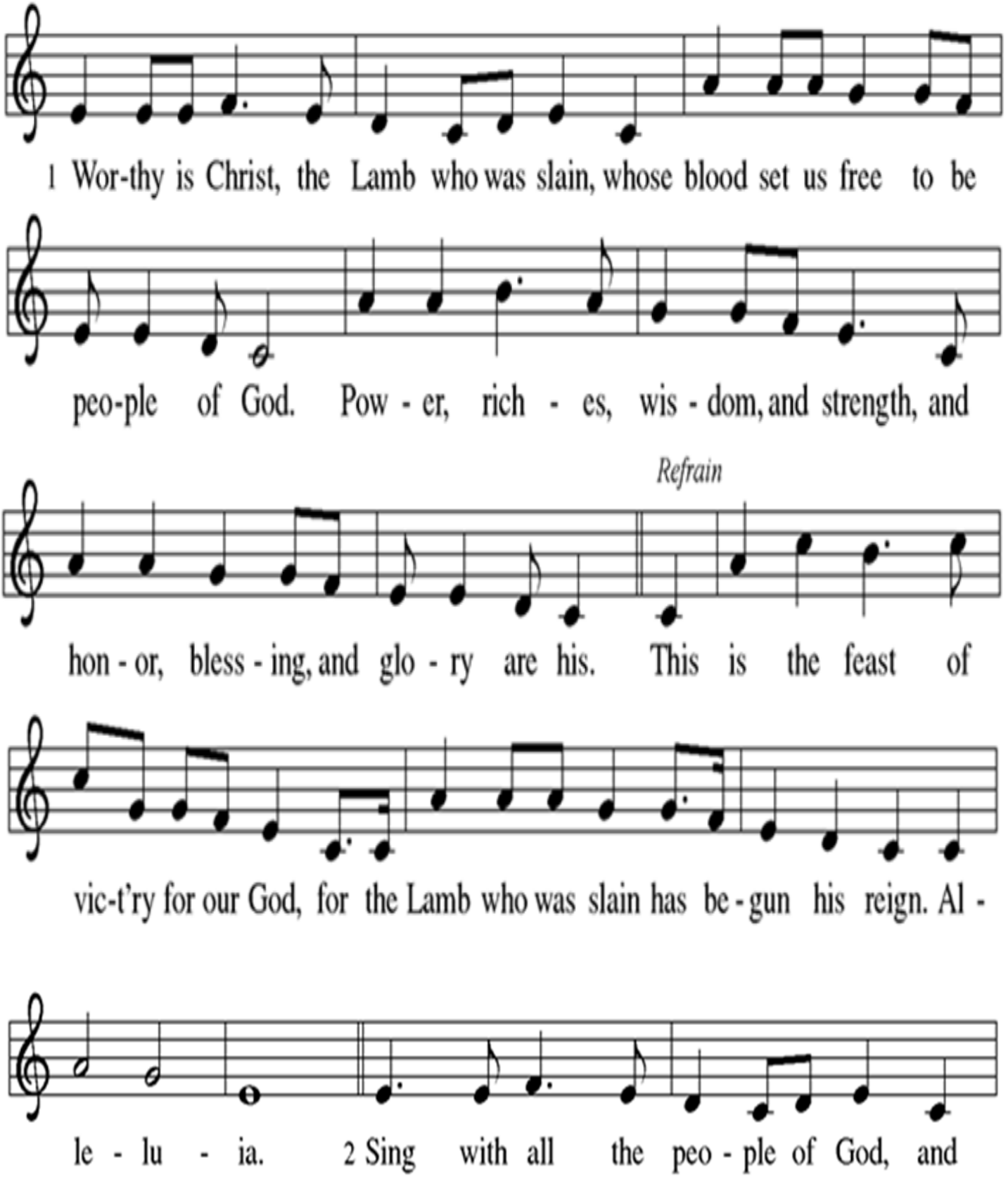
HYMN OF PRAISE
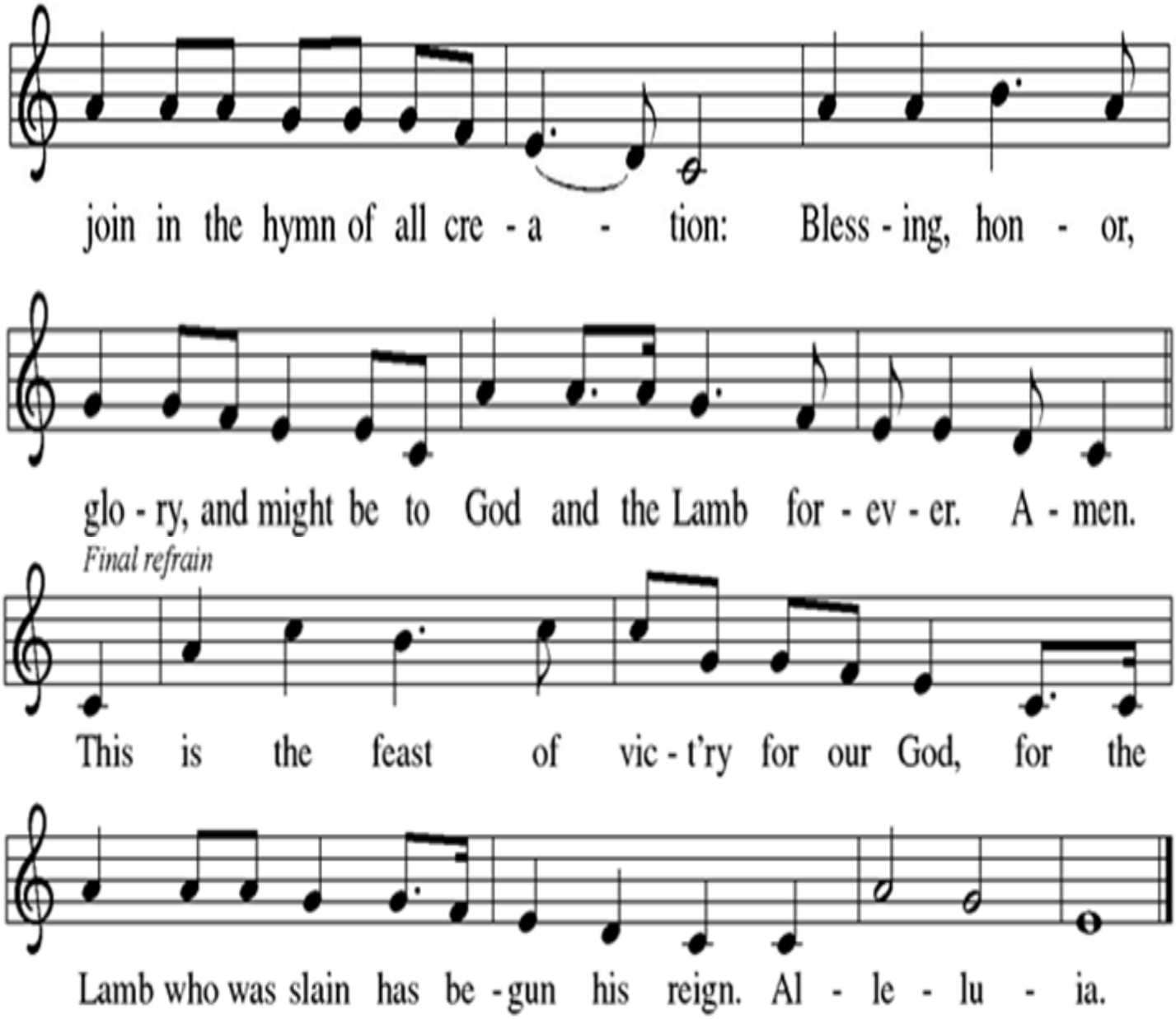


This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.


1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be
peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
Refrain
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -
le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior

and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude
that no one could count, from every nation, from all
tribes and peoples and languages, standing before
the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white,
with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out
in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our
God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and
around the elders and the four living creatures, and
they fell on their faces before the throne and
worshiped God, 12 singing, “Amen! Blessing and
glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and
power and might be to our God forever and ever!
Amen.” 13 Then one of the elders addressed me,
saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where
have they come from?” 14 I said to him, “Sir, you are
the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are
they who have come out of the great ordeal; they
have washed their robes and made them white in
the blood of the Lamb. 15 For this reason they are

before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, 17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-10, 22
(Refrain: Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD; for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.)

1 I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

C 2 I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice. ***(Refrain)***

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

C 4 **I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 **I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.** ***(Refrain)***

7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

C 8 **Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

9 Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

C 10 **The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished. ***(Refrain)***

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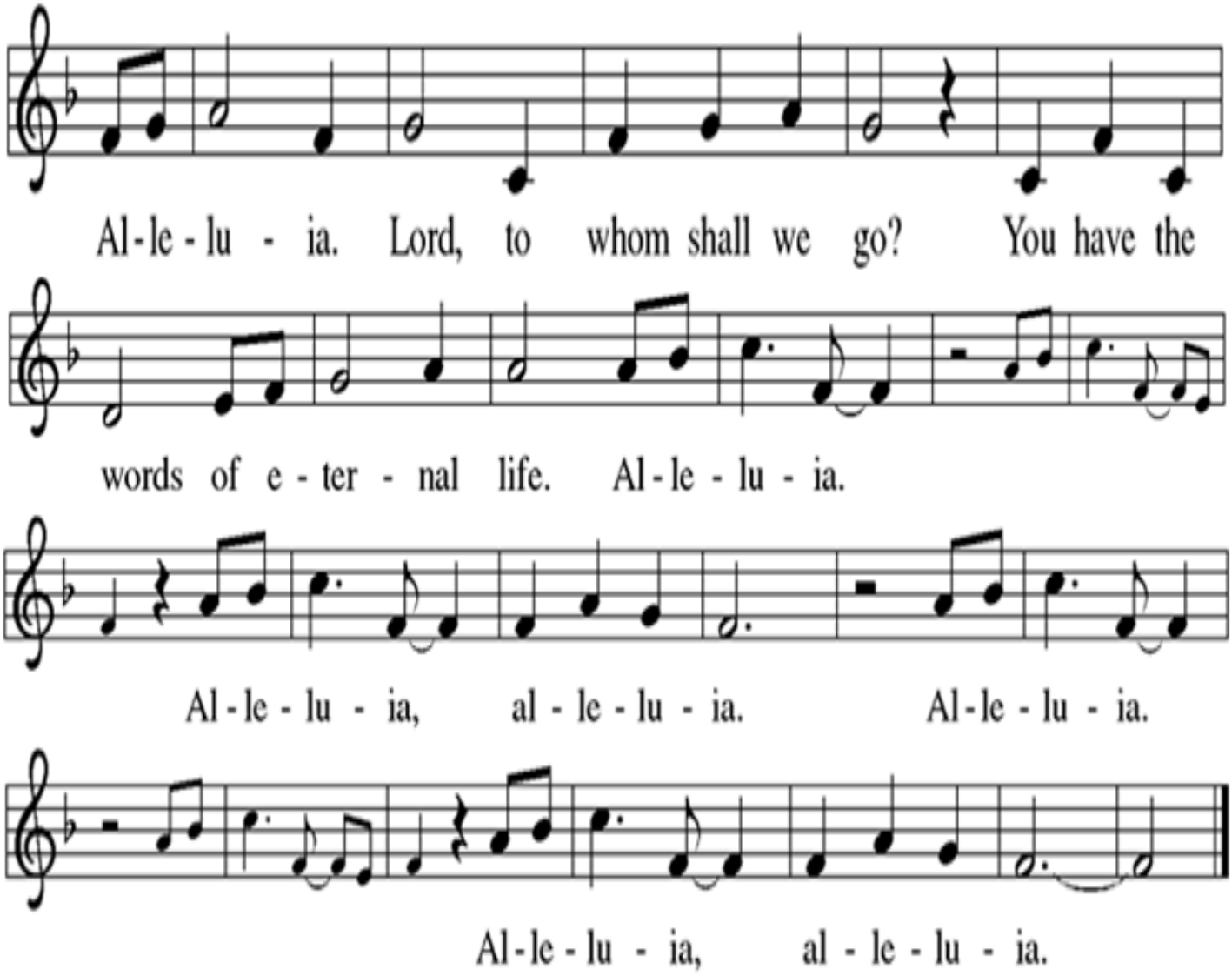
SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we
should be called children of God, and that is what we
are. The reason the world does not know us is that it
did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children
now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What
we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be
like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who
have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is
pure.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(10 measures organ intro)*



GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

C Glory to you, O Lord.

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the
mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came
to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them,
saying: 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is
the kingdom of heaven. 4 "Blessed are those who

mourn, for they will be comforted. 5 “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. 8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. 10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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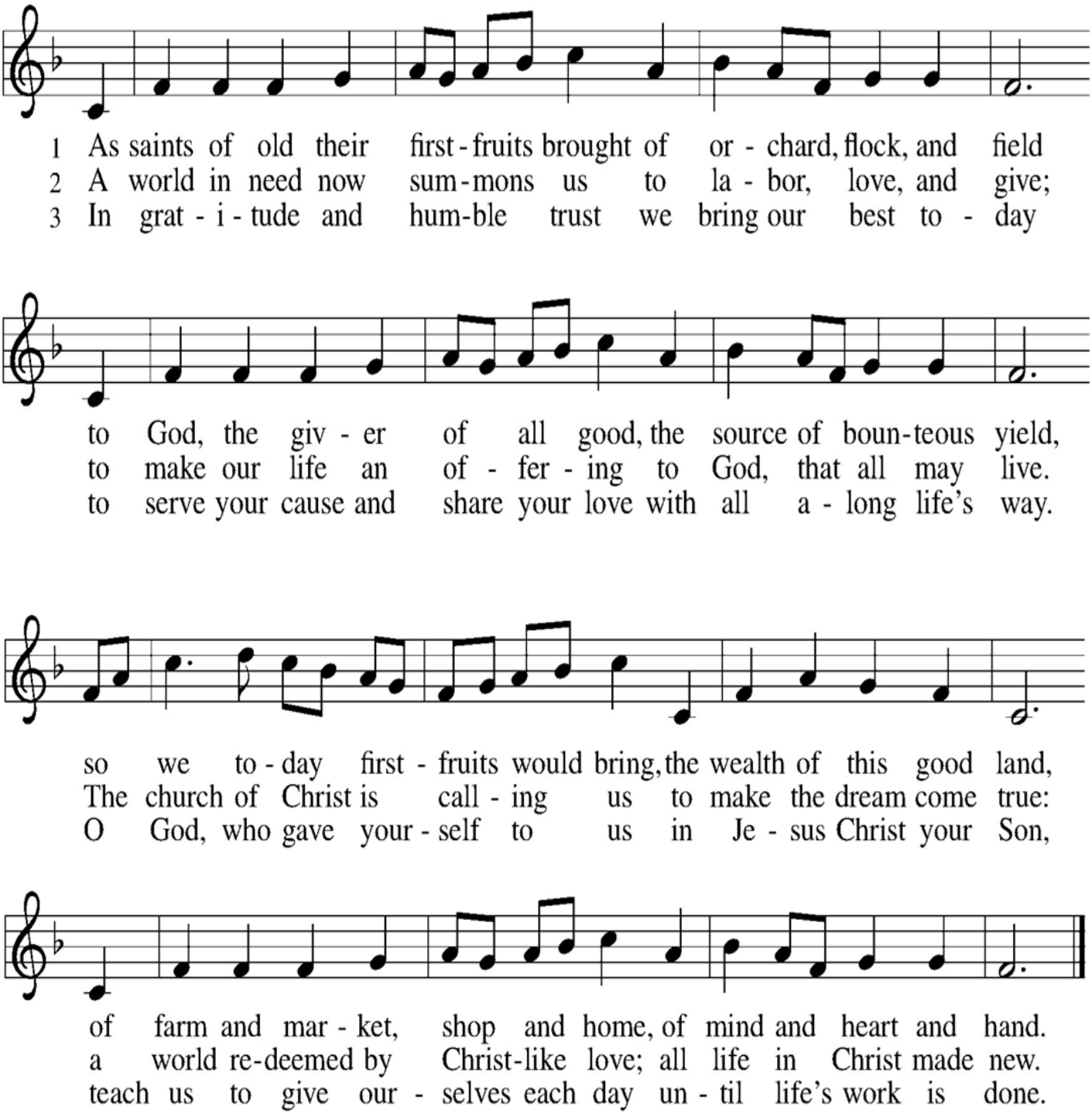
C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY

As Saints of Old



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Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune
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APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the

world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness. *(We pray especially for Greg Bauer, Marlene Fuhrman, family and friends of Hester James, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors. (*We pray especially for Juanita Hembree, Lisa James, Bob Lottes, Pat Opel, Mary Lou Potts, and Marcella Weisheit.)* Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,

C hear 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 Luke Himsel, Joshua Hoffman, and Cooper Uebelhor.)* God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

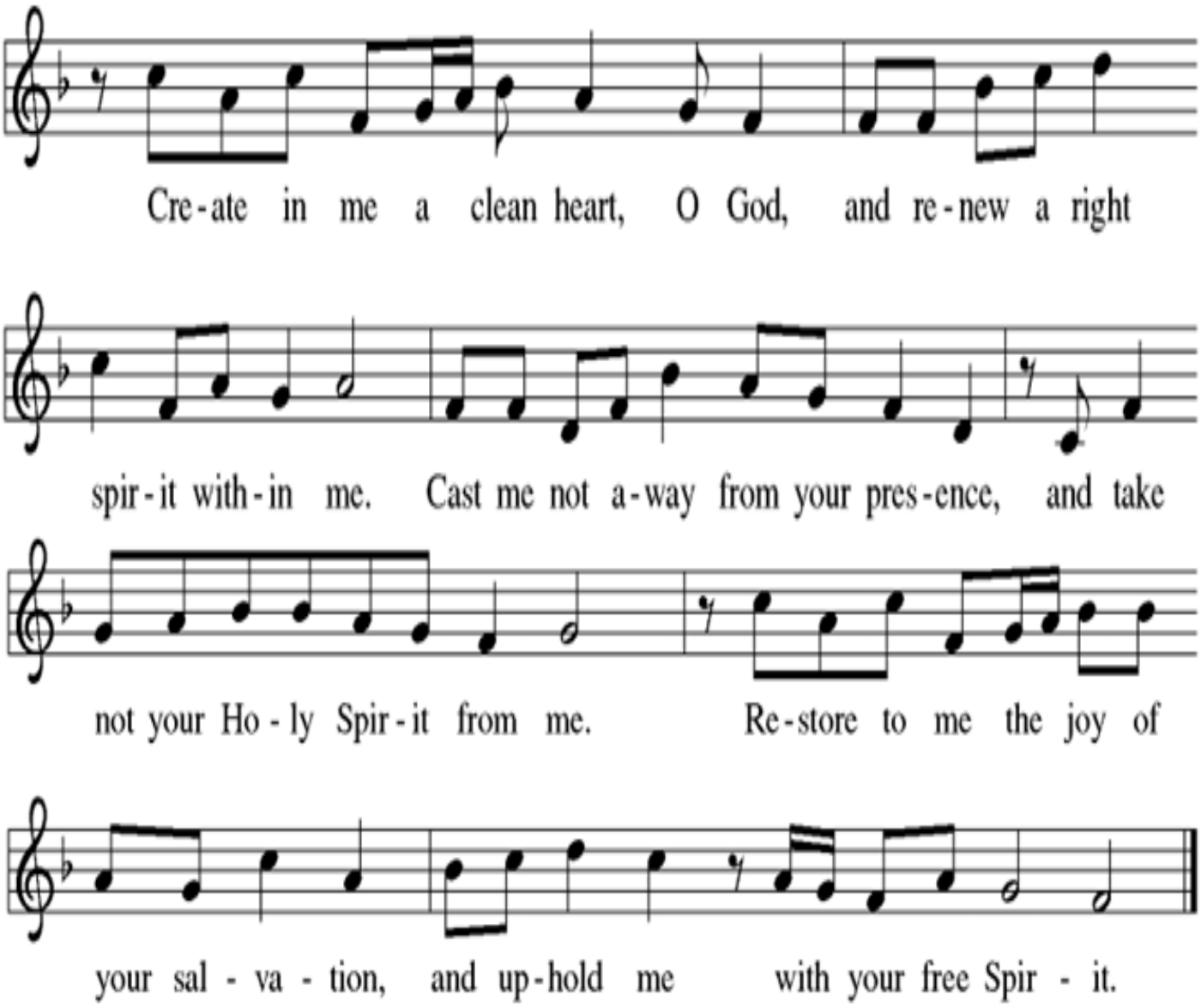
The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
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, they first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the 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.

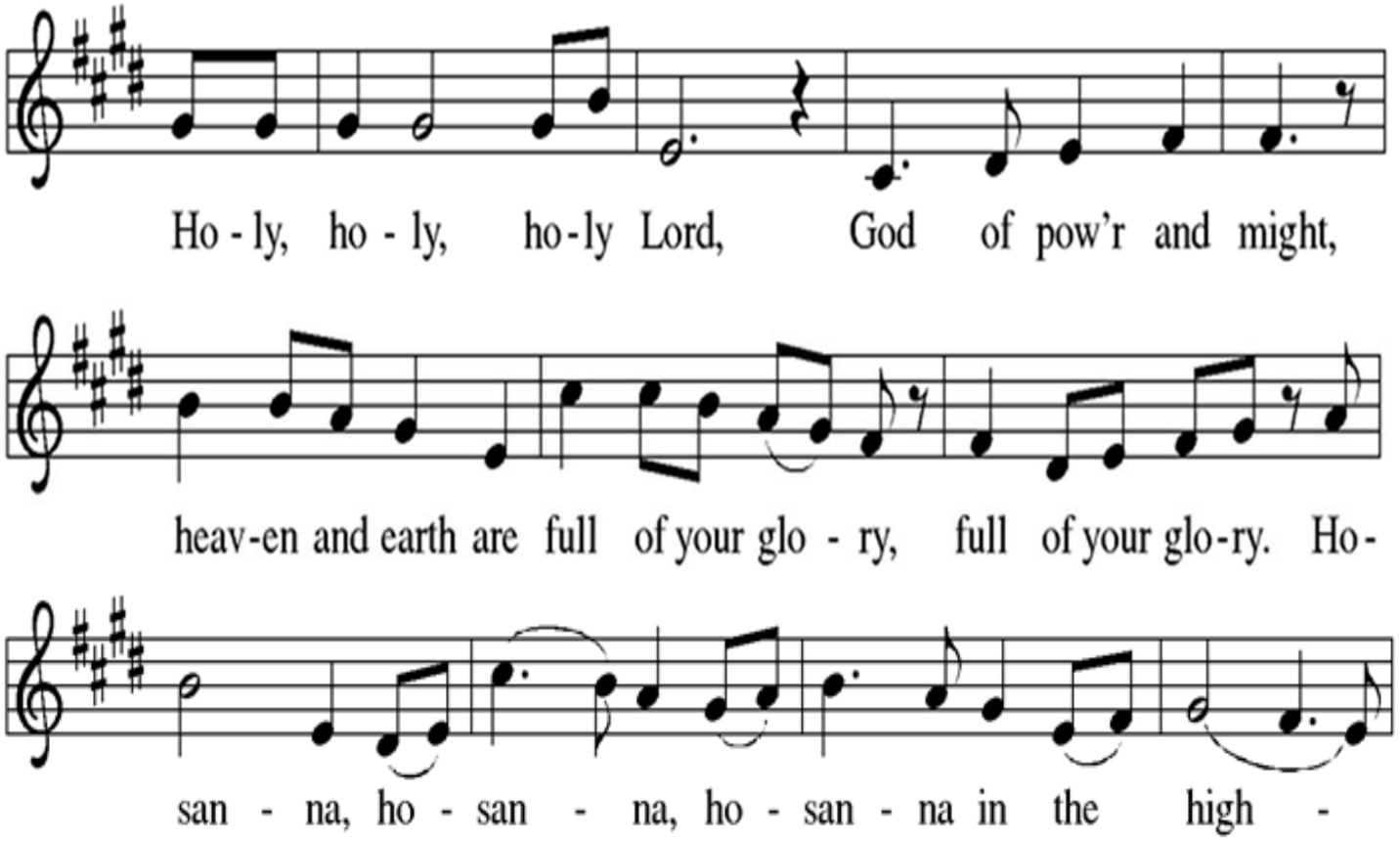
Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.

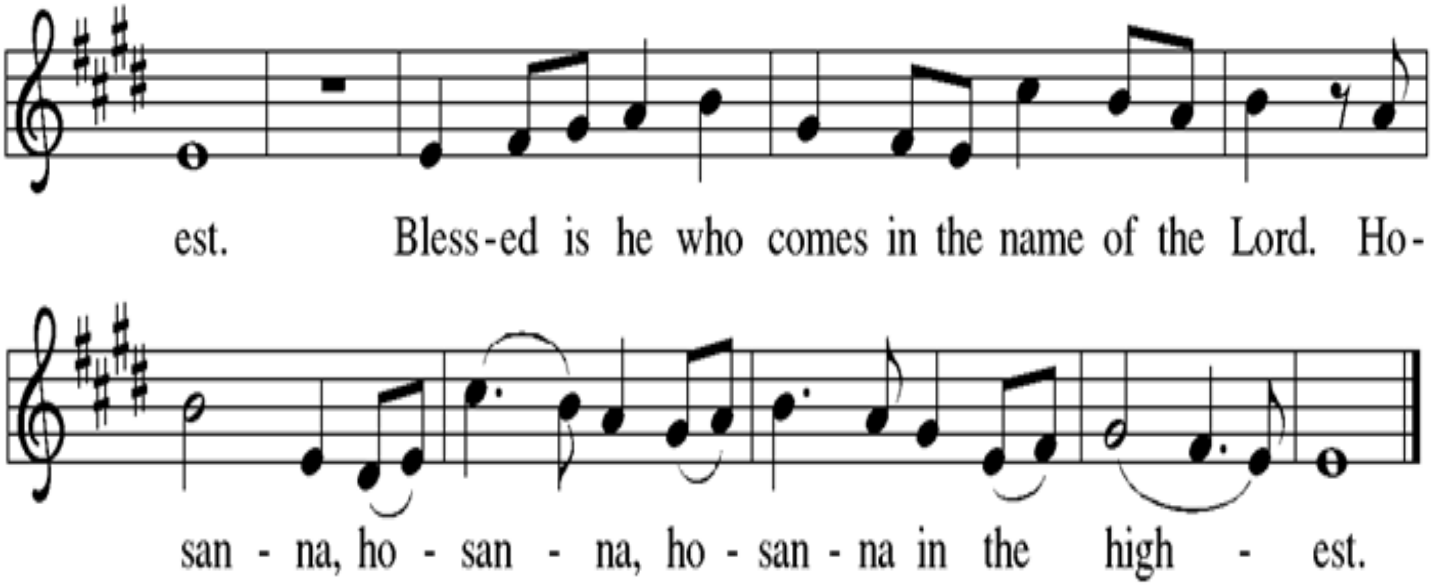
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS





EUCHARISTIC 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.
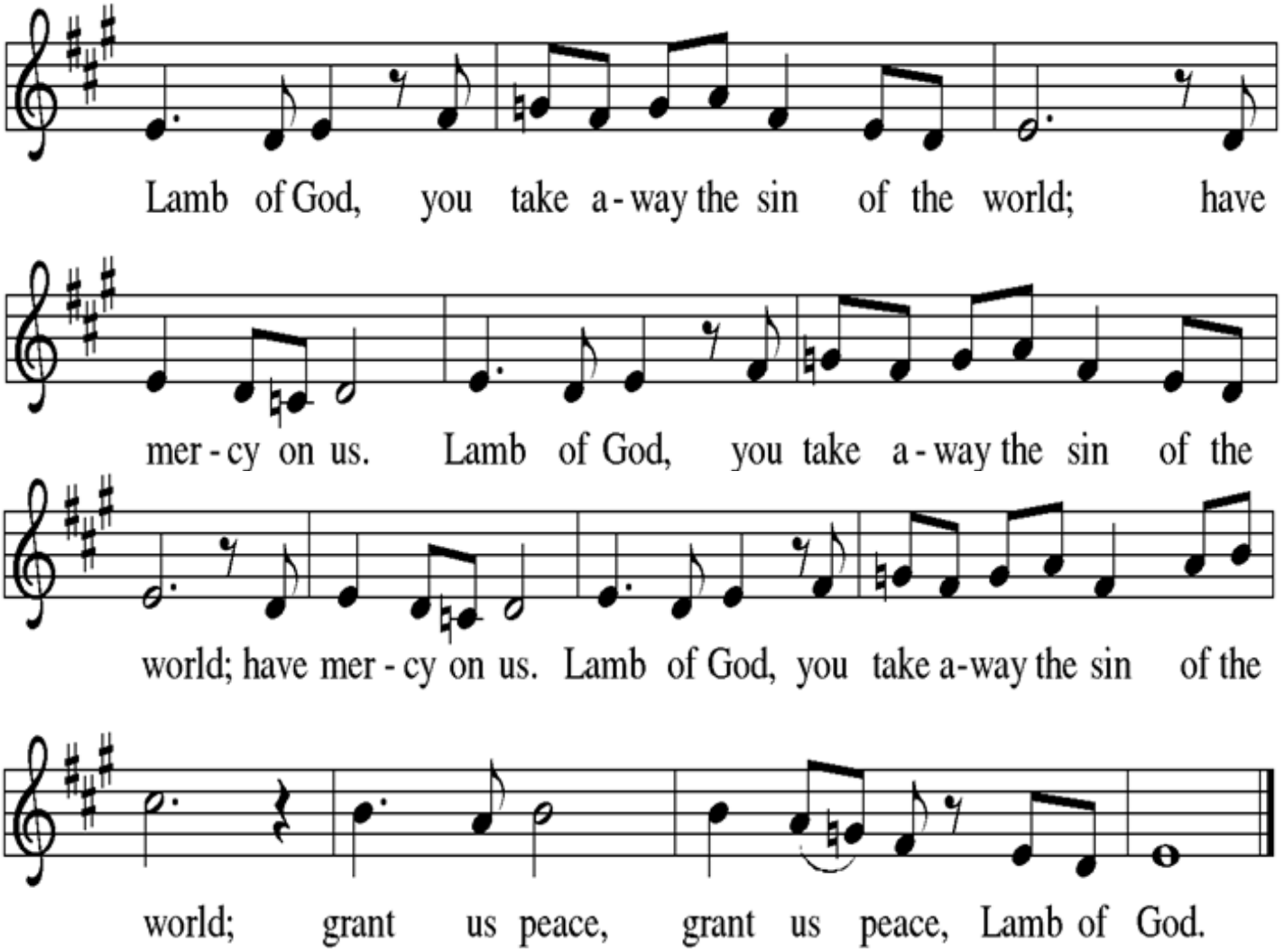
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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
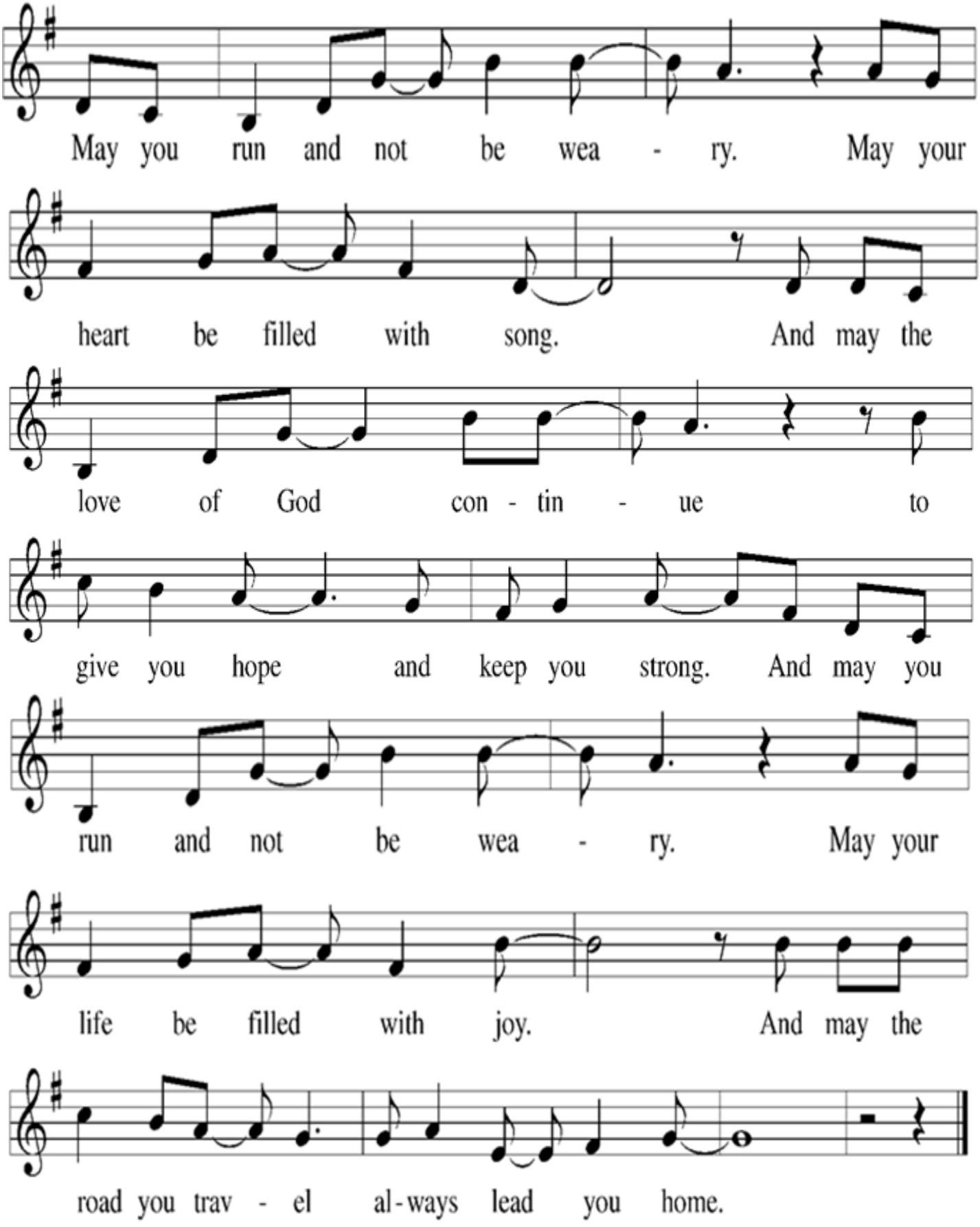


COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW 331 "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"
LBW 494 "Jesus Call Us; O'er the Tumult"
LBW 176 "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

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

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

C Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

BLESSING

The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.
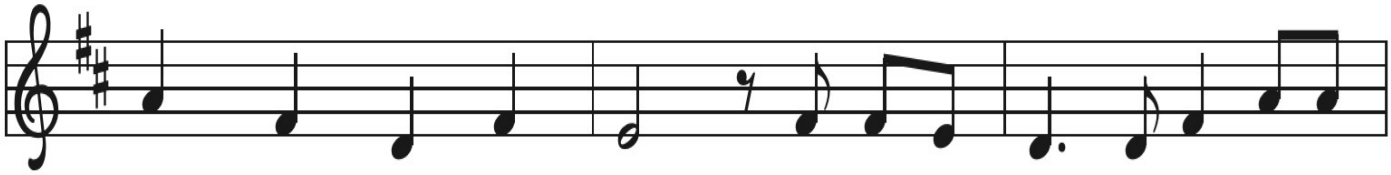
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SENDING HYMN

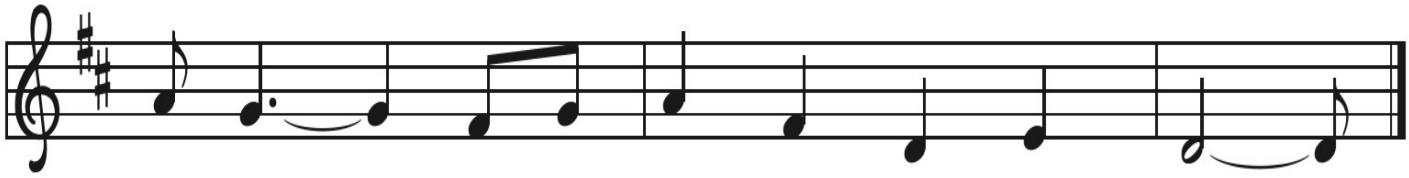
Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In



1 Oh, when the saints go march-ing in, oh, when the
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo-ry comes, oh, when the
3 Oh, when the new world is re-vealed, oh, when the
4 Oh, when they gath-er round the throne, oh, when they
5 And on that hal-le-lu-jah day, and on that



saints go march-ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that
Lord in glo-ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that
new world is re-vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that
gath-er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that
hal-le-lu-jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that



num-ber when the saints go march-ing in.
num-ber when the Lord in glo-ry comes.
num-ber when the new world is re-vealed.
num-ber when they gath-er round the throne.
num-ber on that hal-le-lu-jah day.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another.

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:	Jared & Talia Myrick
Comm. Asst:	Jessica Freyberger
Video:	Geoff Stallwood
Pianist:	Kaia Holt
Lay Reader:	Sandy Schnaus
Audio:	Doug Wiseman
Acolytes:	Elin Ruhe and Alli Hoffman

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 134 SS: 16

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF
Nov. 1st – Nov. 8th

Sun., Nov. 1st	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
		(Sunday School following communion - 10:30 AM)
Tues., Nov. 3rd	6:30 PM	WELCA
Wed., Nov. 4th	6:30 PM	Handbell Practice
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
Sun., Nov. 8th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
		(Sunday School following communion - 10:30 AM)

Please continue to keep in your prayers, Alexis, Brenda, Carol, Donna, Ely, Katrina, Druscilla Chestnut, Amy DeKemper, Keith Freyberger, Dorothy Fuhrman, Elizabeth Hansen, Lana Hoffman, Mary Ann Jerger, Ken Keller, Judy Kieffner, Carol Keller, Don Krodel, Zach Leinenbach, Madison Mann, Jeanne Marks, Gene Mehne, Dean Mehringer, Melvin Meyer, Logan Musgrave, Bob and Edith Nugent, Christine Probst, Anita Reed, Annette Schepers, Jim Seitz, Kaine Seitz, Leon Seitz, Larry Sendelweck, Audrey Weisheit, and Darlene Ziegler.



ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

new office email - secretary@stpaulshaysville.org

DUE TODAY

If you have a college student, please turn his/her address into the office by Oct. 31 so the Evangelism Committee can send them a care package.

~Jennifer Bauer and Martha Church

WELCA BOOK SIGN-UPS

There are sign-up sheets on the welcome center desk for committees for the 2027 year. Committees include flower, visiting, birthday cakes for members 85+, and refreshments for our monthly meetings. Please review the list and faithfully consider one of these projects.

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held November 22nd at 10:00 AM.

Christmas Poinsettias will be for sale before and after service in the entance area on November 29th and December 6th. The cost is $15.00 each.

~ Diane Bair

Sunday School

November 2026

11/1
Age 3 - 1st: Memory Work + Games
2nd - 6th: Backpack Buddies +
Memory Work + Games

11/8
Age 3 - 1st: Cain and Abel
2nd - 6th: Mary and Martha

11/15
Age 3 - 1st: Noah
2nd - 6th: Lazarus

11/22
Age 3 - 1st: Abraham Has a Son
2nd - 6th: The Good Samaritan

11/29
Christmas Program Practice

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Women of the ELCA will have the shoeboxes available inside the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, October 11th through Sunday, November 15th. *Grab a shoebox or use an empty cardboard shoebox that you have.* Brochures are available with the boxes that give an explanation on how to pack the box.

If you don't want to shop, there will be a donation box available to make a monetary donation. The filled boxes need to be returned to the church by Sunday, November 15th. If you have any questions, please contact any WELCA officer.

WHAT WILL I PACK?



Gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are delivered together with **the Good News of Jesus Christ** as expressions of God's immense love for a child. ***So, be sure to make them*** …

FUN: Include a quality "wow" item to delight the child, such as …

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal

FULL: To fill empty spaces, add school supplies and personal care items, such as …

- Pens, pencils, crayons, and notebooks
- Sunglasses
- Flashlights

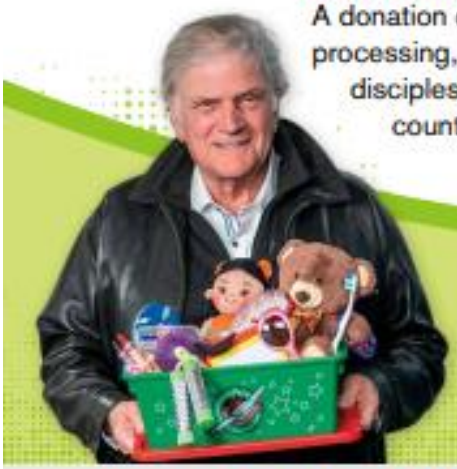
PERSONALIZED: Make sure every shoebox is unique and covered in prayer.

Include a note of encouragement and photo of you, your family, church, or group to further personalize the gift. These personal letters often are children's favorite shoebox items!

Wondering if certain items are OK to pack? **See our gift suggestions and search tool:**

WHERE WILL IT GO?

A donation of $10 per shoebox is critical to help cover collecting, processing, and shipping gifts to equip local churches for evangelism and discipleship. Give online through Follow Your Box and discover the country destination of your gift through our Look-up Tool.



"Shoebox gifts are like snowflakes—*no two are alike!*"

*—**Franklin Graham**, President, Samaritan's Purse*

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Listening Assistance Devices are available for use during our services. These devices can be found in the small bookcase just inside the doors between the Welcome Center and Narthex.

Are you moving away to go to college and would like a little taste of home every month. Sign up for the monthly Epistle newsletter! (See the sign-up form page.)

Have an announcement, special event, accomplishment, etc. you would like to share with your church family? Epistle Newsletter content and pictures always welcome!

Call or email Marcie 😊

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In Service to Our Country

AMC Luke Himsel	Virginia Beach, VA
Joshua Hoffman	San Diego, CA
Cooper Uebelhor	Colorado Springs, CO

If you **are currently not,** and would like to receive the monthly newsletter, weekly bulletin email, or prayer chain email, please leave this form below in the box outside the church office.

Name _____

- ○ St. Paul's newsletter, **"The Epistle"**
- ○ weekly bulletin email
- ○ weekly prayer list email

(please check selections)

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