



# EXAUDI SUNDAY

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The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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**Worship 10:00 A.M.**



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**WELCOME!** We welcome our guests and visitors this morning and pray that your worship with us will be meaningful, blessed, and especially Christ-centered. We hope that you will worship with us again soon! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider making Grace Lutheran your church home.

**IN THE INTEREST of good pastoral care, Grace Lutheran Church practices close communion.** We believe, teach and confess that the one Holy Apostolic Christian Church throughout history and Holy Scripture teach that those who commune together should be one in faith and doctrine. For this reason, we reserve Holy Communion for those who are confirmed members of Grace Lutheran Church, and for confirmed members in good standing of sister LC-MS congregations. We respectfully ask those who are members of other church bodies to commune at the altar of their church, in accordance with their public confessions and under the care of their pastor.

**THOSE who serve us:**

Elder.....	Jeff Jagers	
Altar.....	Nikki Waugh	Piano/Organ...
Flowers .....		Courtesy.....
Greeters.....		
Ushers .....		
Church Cleaner .....	Lisa Johnson	
Church Secretary.....	Leah Sherman	
Little Lambs Preschool Teacher .....	Deb Evans	

**REMEMBER in your prayers:** Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Eva Hix, Jim Kamerzell, Odessa Elwood, Ellen Zlomke, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Ray Zlomke, Wynn Coon, Nate Harris, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Kolton & Korbin Sommerville, Lori Liggett, Allison Judy, Joanie Burleigh, Onda Hupp, the family of Eva Hix

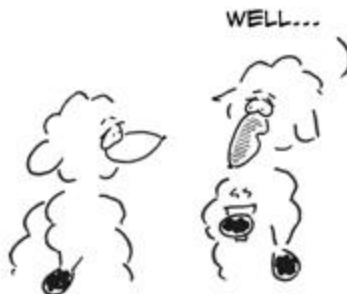
## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We rejoice to be back in the house of the LORD! What a blessing to be able to gather under the same roof, hear God's Word, receive His gifts, pray and sing His praises together.

At the same time, we recognize that the threat of disease is not over and we are still being asked to take precautions in an attempt to keep one another and our community healthy. Here at church, those precautions include the following things: 1) individuals and family groups need to be seated six feet apart; 2) we will refrain from shaking hands; 3) there will be no passing of the offering plate; 4) distribution of the Sacrament will be done individually; 5) when lining up for communion, we ask you to line up one family group at a time; 6) the communion vessels have been prepared in a sanitized environment, and arranged in a way that seeks to avoid cross-contamination; 7) at the end of the service, we ask everyone to leave one family group at a time and not linger in the building.

Some of what is on this list is good, common-sense stuff, but much of it causes me sadness to even write it out. We are the body of Christ, and physical presence and closeness is a part of that. We pray God to deliver us from evil and continue His work to carry us through this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

We will continue to watch the health reports, and make adjustments so that we may continue to worship, and still continue to help and support our neighbors in their bodies and lives.





# DIVINE SERVICE III

*The Seventh Sunday of Easter*

LSB 184

## Opening Hymn: 587 I Know My Faith Is Founded



1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus Christ, my  
2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan seeks by  
3 In faith, Lord, let me serve You; Though per - se - cu - tion,



God and Lord; And this my faith con - fess - ing, Un -  
night and day To rob me of this trea - sure And  
grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver - whelm me, Let



moved I stand on His sure Word. Our rea - son can - not  
take my hope of bliss a - way. But, Lord, with You be -  
me a stead - fast trust re - tain; And then at my de -



fath - om The truth of God pro - found; Who trusts in hu - man  
side me, I shall be un - dis - mayed; And led by Your good  
par - ture, Lord, take me home to You, Your rich - es to in -



wis - dom Re - lies on shift - ing ground. God's Word is  
Spir - it, I shall be un - a - fraid. A - bide with  
her - it As all You said holds true. In life and



all - suf - fi - cient, It makes di - vine - ly sure; And  
me, O Sav - ior, A firm - er faith be - stow; Then  
death, Lord, keep me Un - til Your heav'n I gain, Where



trust - ing in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.  
I shall bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.  
I by Your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

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*Please stand, as you are able*

*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.** *[Matthew 28:19]*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalms 124:8*

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** *Psalms 32:5*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** **Amen.** *[John 20:19-23]*

## Introit *Psalm 27:1, 11a, 12; antiphon: vv. 7a, 8b, 9a*



Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia.\*

Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

**The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\***

**The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?**

Teach me your way, | O LORD;\*

give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries;

**for false witnesses have risen a- | gainst me,\***

**and they breathe out | violence.**

**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.**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia.\*

Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

## Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*



**Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -**



**on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29*



**Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward**



**men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,**



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



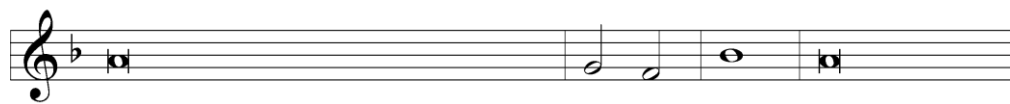
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



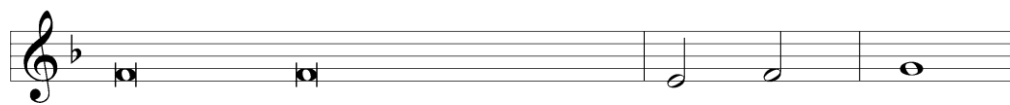
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray. O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 36:22–28*

<sup>22</sup>“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. <sup>23</sup>And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. <sup>24</sup>I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup>I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup>And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees. <sup>28</sup>You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



## Epistle *1 Peter 4:7–11*

<sup>7</sup>The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. <sup>8</sup>Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup>Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup>As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: <sup>11</sup>whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**[A]** This is the Word of the Lord. **[C]** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

**[C]** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## Holy Gospel *John 15:26—16:4*

**[P]** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

**[C]** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus said:] “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>1</sup>“I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. <sup>2</sup>They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. <sup>3</sup>And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. <sup>4</sup>But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you.”

**[P]** This is the Gospel of the Lord. **[C]** **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## **Nicene Creed**

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day: 539 Christ Is the World's Redeemer



1 Christ is the world's Re - deem - er, The lov - er of the pure,  
2 Christ has our host sur - round - ed With clouds of mar - tyrs bright,  
3 Down through the realm of dark - ness He strode in vic - to - ry,  
△ 4 Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther, The un - be - got - ten One,



The font of heav'n-ly wis - dom, Our trust and hope se - cure,  
Who wave their palms in tri - umph And fire us for the fight.  
And at the hour ap - point - ed He rose tri - um - phant-ly.  
All hon - or be to Je - sus, His sole - be - got - ten Son,



The ar - mor of His sol - diers, The Lord of earth and sky,  
Then Christ the cross as - cend - ed To save a world un - done  
And now, to heav'n as - cend - ed, He sits up - on the throne  
And to the Ho - ly Spir - it— The per - fect Trin - i - ty.



Our health while we are liv - ing, Our life when we shall die.  
And, suf - f'ring for the sin - ful, Our full re - demp - tion won.  
Whence He had ne'er de - part - ed, His Fa - ther's and His own.  
Let all the worlds give an - swer: A - men! So let it be.

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## Sermon

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. **C** Amen.

*Philippians 4:7*

## Offertory

*Psalms 51:10-12*



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

**[Offering at the back of church]** [1 Cor. 9:14; Gal. 6:6-7; 1 Tim. 5:17-18]

## Prayer of the Church

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*Brief silence*

For the whole Church, that in the confidence of faith, the baptized may bear witness to the grace of the Lord Jesus, regardless of the consequences, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For pastors and missionaries, that repentance and the forgiveness of sins in Christ's name would sound forth throughout the world, creating and sustaining faith in those who hear, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For this congregation, that the Spirit of truth would guide us into faithful

devotion and service so that we would love one another; grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior, Jesus Christ; and give our tithes and offerings to support His ministry and mission here and abroad, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For those who suffer for their witness to Christ, that they may be strengthened by the Spirit of truth to endure, and that they may rejoice and be glad when Christ's glory is revealed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For our government and all leaders in this world, that they would submit themselves to the true King and Lord, Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who serve in our armed forces, the medical field and for all emergency workers, that entrusting themselves to Christ's protection they may know His saving peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For an end to the pandemic, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all graduates, for those who set out to look for new employment and for those whose plans have been frustrated or disappointed, that their confidence may always be placed in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the sick, the afflicted, the dying, the mourning and the lonely, *[especially for those who have requested our prayers, including \_\_\_\_\_,]* that Christ Himself would be their health in sickness, their joy in sorrow and their life in death, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who come today to the Lamb's feast, that being made partakers of Christ's divine nature in the eating and drinking of His very body and blood, they would be filled with His life and peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the faithful departed, especially our sister in Christ Eva, and all who have given their lives in service of our nation, let us offer thanks and praise, asking our heavenly Father to grant us all a share in the rest and peace of His Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.

*[Colossians 3:1]*



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

[Psalm 136]



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

[Meet means 'fitting, proper.']

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20;*

*1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

- 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."
- P** 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

*John 20:19*



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

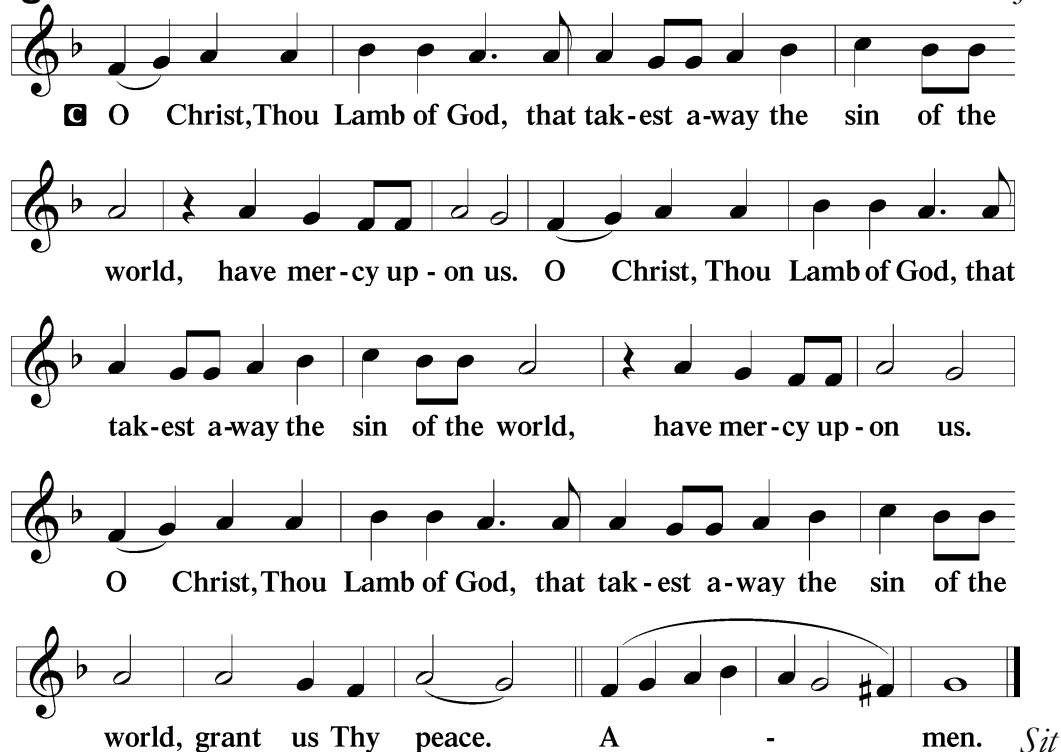


**C** A - men.



## Agnus Dei

*John 1:29*



**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men. *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:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **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 Hymn: 801 How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er  
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y  
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

*Refrain*



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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## Distribution Hymn: 493 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New  
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -  
 3 To them the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why  
 4 "You see Him now, as - cend - ing high Up



hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,  
on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia,  
stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia,  
to the por - tals of the sky." Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
al - le - lu - ia! And with His faith - ful fol - l'wers  
al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior," thus they  
al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall



trod, As - cends un - to the throne of  
see Their Lord as - cend in maj - es -  
say; "This is His glo - rious tri - umph  
see Re - turn - ing in great maj - es -



God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
ty. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
day!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
ty." Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,  
And be our future great reward.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Then, throned with You forever,  
we

Shall praise Your name eternally.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

△ O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
 All praise to You let earth accord:  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 You are, while endless ages run,

With Father and with Spirit one.  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

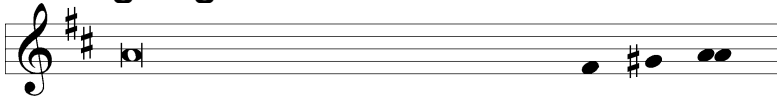
*Luke 2:29-32*



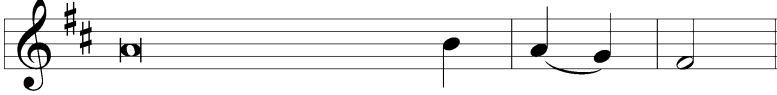
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A-men.

## Thanksgiving

*Psalm 107:1*



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.



**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

*[Psalm 103:1]*



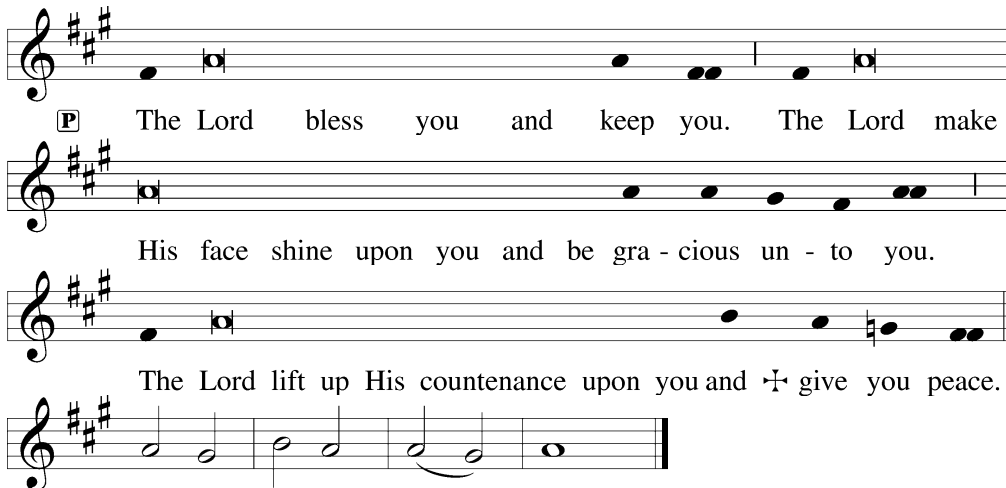
**A** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

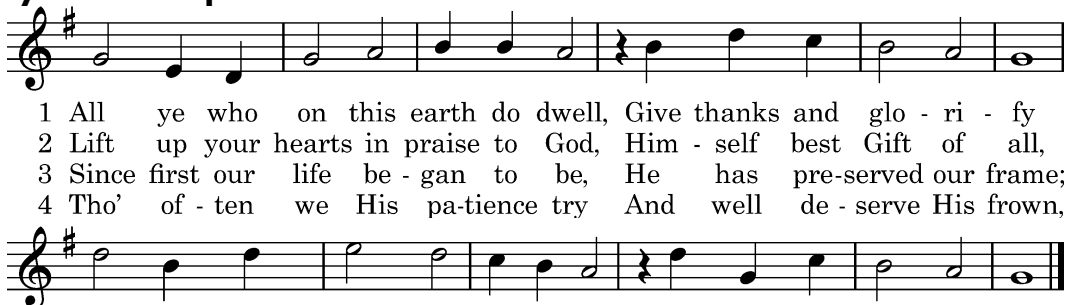
## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Hymn to Depart: 581 All Ye Who on This Earth Do Dwell



1 All ye who on this earth do dwell, Give thanks and glo - ri - fy  
2 Lift up your hearts in praise to God, Him - self best Gift of all,  
3 Since first our life be - gan to be, He has pre-served our frame;  
4 Tho' of - ten we His pa-tience try And well de - serve His frown,

The Lord whose prais - es ev - er swell In ser - aph songs on high.  
Who works His won - ders all a-broad, Up - hold - ing great and small.  
And when man's strength was van - i - ty, He as our Help - er came.  
In grace He lays His an - ger by And pours new bless - ings down.

5 'Tis He revives our fainting  
soul,  
Gives joyful hearts to men;  
And when great waves of  
trouble roll,  
He drives them back again.

6 May He adorn with precious  
peace  
Our own, our native, land  
And crown with joys that  
never cease  
The labors of our hand.

7 Long as we tarry here below  
Our saving Health is He;  
And when from earth to

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heav'n we go,  
May He our portion be!

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